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Linda Ivy Chosen Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen for 2023

by Melissa Sites

Linda Ivy “has personified the [Greenbelt Labor Day] Festival as its president for the past 15 years, through the sudden loss of her beloved husband and help-mate Kelly, and then through a terrible pandemic, even while continuing to serve the Greenbelt community in many other ways,” according to Bob Zugby’s introduction of the Outstanding Citizen. Zugby added that Ivy had helped make possible the rides and amusements, the diversity of people and attractions and the wide variety of foods and treats.

“Greenbelt is a unique place,” commented Ivy. “Everybody knows everybody, and everybody is kind. I’m humbled by this award because there are so many people who do great things. That’s what we base it on: if you need help, you just call.” She explained, “If someone needed a volunteer, I would raise my hand. Before I was on the Labor Day Committee, my kids went to St. Hugh’s, and I organized



PHOTO BY SHARON NATOLI

Linda Ivy was announced as Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizen of the Year at the opening ceremonies for the Labor Day Festival on Friday, September 1. Pictured from left: Ric Gordon, Maryland State Senator Alonzo Washington, Rodney Roberts, Linda Ivy, Silke Pope, Judith Davis and Kristen Weaver.

the Bingo for three years, getting callers and volunteers.” Ivy’s husband Kelly was a very active coach of T-ball, Little League, youth softball and baseball, and in the early 2000s, he started a

women’s league that played on Braden Field. Ivy worked alongside him, and that started her on the road to volunteering.

Ivy started working with the Labor Day Festival Committee

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City Council Heralds Changes Prior to Forthcoming Election

by Cathie Meetre

Though perhaps neither announcement at the September 11 Greenbelt City Council meeting was entirely unexpected, both were poignant. The meeting’s biggest news, though nearly last on the agenda, was that its longest-serving member, Councilmember Judith Davis, would not run for re-election this November.

As the meeting drew to its close, Davis requested permission to read a statement (see box). She said she would not run for re-election this fall, ending a period of continuous service on council that spans 30 years.

With a voice very strictly under control but with a palpable undercurrent of strong feeling, she was quick to note that she would continue to be active in public life.

Everybody in the council chamber stood and applauded her – and she visibly teared up as her colleagues gathered round her. During her long and productive tenure on council (this is her 15th consecutive two-year term), she was mayor for 16 years,

Davis to Retire

Judith “J” Davis announced her retirement from the city council. See her letter, page 2.

Greenbelt’s longest continuously-serving mayor. Her election as mayor also meant she was the highest vote-getter in eight consecutive elections.

Her decision not to run means, as she pointed out to an audience containing most, if not all, of the potential candidates for election in November, that there will now be two places on council to be contested.

Filling Vacant Seat

Earlier in the meeting, as its first action, in fact, council identified the temporary replacement for Colin Byrd who abruptly resigned in August only a few months prior to council elections. Byrd, as Davis described it, had “left us in the lurch.”

Prior to the September 11

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Election 2023

Challengers Inzeo and Whipple File Papers for City Council

Two challengers have filed for Greenbelt City Council: Matthew Inzeo and James Whipple. Their nomination forms have been certified by City Clerk Bonita Anderson. Candidate biographies are prepared by the candidates and published as they are received by the paper.

Matthew Inzeo

My name is Matthew Inzeo and I am running for Greenbelt City Council. Greenbelt has taught me citizenship. The values of our community serve me in all aspects of my life.

The spirit of community is the hallmark of Greenbelt. I learned to swim at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center, and, later, had responsibility for others as a lifeguard. Greenbelt’s Little League taught me teamwork and sportsmanship as a child and I taught those values as a coach.

I graduated from Prince George’s Community College with a degree in general studies and certification in criminal justice. I joined the Prince George’s County Police Department and have had multiple sessions of further training on the job. Commitment to service compelled me to become a police officer.

Throughout my career I have walked a beat, working directly with the community. I have had the honor of receiving two lifesaving awards, one for saving a toddler from drowning and a second for aiding an elderly victim of gun violence.

Participation in the city has been a part of my life since my youth. In high school, I served on the Youth Advisory Committee and helped with the planning and youth input of the then-new city skate park.

I have served on the Public Safety Advisory Committee. As a police officer, I am grateful to have helped put up the mile safety markers around Buddy Attick Park. Thanks to these

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PHOTO BY DOMENEK INZEO

Matthew Inzeo

Greenbelt Teen Shot and Killed Shortly After Leaving School

by Anna Bedford-Dillow

On Monday, September 11, 16-year-old Jayda Medrano-Moore, of Greenbelt, was shot and killed in Lanham, a few feet from the high school she attended.

At approximately 3:45 p.m., officers responded to reports of a shooting in the 9800 block of Palamar Drive, across from DuVal High School. Jayda was found outside, suffering from a gunshot wound. She was pronounced dead a short time later

Charlestowne North

New owners of Charlestowne North face dozens of unhappy tenants. See story on page 6.

What Goes On

Monday, September 18
7:30 p.m., Council Worksession: City Manager, Municipal Building

Wednesday, September 20
7:30 p.m., Council Worksession: Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement, Municipal Building

See the meetings calendar on page 5 or visit greenbeltd.gov for more information.

at a hospital.

Police believe Jayda had left the school and was walking on Palamar Drive when a dispute occurred between two groups of young people. During that dispute, a gun was fired and Jayda was shot by a yet-unidentified person. Prince George’s County Police Department say investigators continue to work to determine the circumstances of the dispute and the shooting.

Prince George’s County Public Schools Superintendent Millard House II said of Medrano-Moore, “She was a dedicated student, beloved daughter, cherished friend and

a source of inspiration for many.”

In a GoFundMe for funeral expenses, Jayda’s father, Glendon Reid, said his daughter was a basketball player at DuVal with aspirations of joining the WNBA. She was loved by her coaches, fellow students and friends and was looking forward to turning 17 later this month, he shared. “I am deeply saddened by my daughter’s loss and wished it was just a bad dream,” he wrote.

Prince George’s County Police Department identified Jayda

See TEEN SHOT, page 8



PHOTO BY ANNA BEDFORD-DILLOW

On the evening of Tuesday, September 12, Josué Salmerón, Greenbelt’s new City Manager, met with residents for a Meet and Greet after his first week and a half in the position.

Letters to the Editor

Judith Davis to Retire

After much deliberation and 30 years of service on the Greenbelt City Council, I have decided not to run for another term. I will never be able to thank enough all those who have offered their support, advice and generosity to me over all these years. Your encouragement helped me to continue working for Greenbelt and its residents for as long as I have.

This will be my second retirement. My first was after 35 years of teaching in elementary schools, and I still miss interacting with my students. With this second retirement, I will miss working as a member of council for my constituents and acting on Greenbelt's behalf throughout the county, state and beyond.

The good thing is I'm not leaving Greenbelt – it's been my home town for nearly 50 years. There will be more doors to open, more opportunities to serve. Thank you again for all your support and good wishes.

I remain Committed to Community – always!

J. Davis

Sylla Tragedy

I appreciate the News Review coverage of this tragedy, which I found thorough, empathetic and informative. I'm writing to object to the phrase "...she was walking at the wrong time, in the wrong place," used in the September 7 issue (page 8). It wasn't clear whether the phrase was the reporter's or a police officer's. Either way, I can't help but doubt that this same kind of phrase would have been used to describe the circumstances if I, a white male American citizen, had been murdered in Schrom Hills Park on July 31. If nearly an hour and a half before sunset on a summer Saturday in a public park is the wrong time and place then we have a serious problem. From what's been made public it doesn't seem to me that Mme. Sylla made any bad choices (other than perhaps leaving her cell phone behind, though I can picture myself doing the same thing in the name of solitude and

relying on my privilege to keep me safe). This tragedy is not her fault. I understand that Landon is innocent until proven guilty, but I firmly believe that we must stop blaming victims of crimes, especially when those victims are female immigrants of color.

Andrew Durso

Editor's Note: The phrase "at the wrong time, in the wrong place" implies nothing more than, for example, the presence of people in their house when a plane falls on it. It assigns neither blame nor causation. The people in the house didn't make the plane fall. And Mme. Sylla did not invite her own death.

Burglars Not Welcome

This display is a welcome mat for burglars. If the paper hanging on this door is an eviction notice, few personal possessions may remain. Still, intruders might trash the place or look for pickings next door. Even if it is a handbill: "We're working in your



PHOTO BY DAVID SHAPIRO

Welcome mat for burglars

neighborhood; call us for a free quote," if it stays up for several days this too could suggest someone's away. Pick up those old papers, for your neighbors' protection and your own.

David Shapiro

Thanks

I have been overwhelmed by the outpouring of love and caring shown by my neighbors and friends after Robert's death. They have showered me with food, flowers, cards, support and offers

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Correction

In last week's photo of the Golden Age Club bake sale, we misidentified who coordinated that delicious effort. Suze Marley was the coordinator.



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My Big Fat Greek Wedding 3

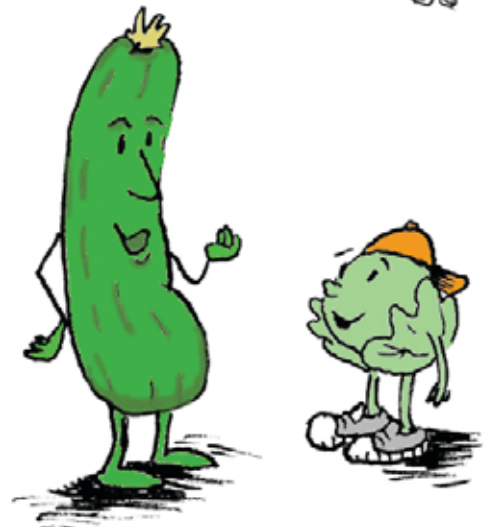
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(91 mins)
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Tues. 7:30 PM
Wed. 5:30 PM
Thurs. 5:30 PM

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Pulp Fiction
(R) (1994) (153 mins)
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- News Review, August 6, 2020

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On Screen at Old Greenbelt Theatre

My Big Fat Greek Wedding 3

From writer and director Nia Vardalos, the worldwide phenomenon My Big Fat Greek Wedding is coming back to theaters with a brand-new adventure 20 years after the first film in the series. Join the Portokalos family, led by Toulou Portokalos (Nia Vardalos) and husband Ian Miller (John Corbett), as they travel to a family reunion in Greece for a heartwarming and hilarious trip full of love, twists and turns.

Fremont

Donya works for a Chinese fortune cookie factory in San Francisco. Formerly a translator for the U.S. military in Afghanistan, she struggles to put her life back in order. In a moment of sudden revelation, she decides to send out a special message in a cookie. Starring Anaita Wali Zada (Donya), Gregg Turkington (Dr. Anthony) and Jeremy Allen White (Daniel).

Pulp Fiction

Vincent Vega (John Travolta) and Jules Winnfield (Samuel L. Jackson) are hitmen with a penchant for philosophical discussions. In this ultra-hip, multi-strand crime movie, their storyline is interwoven with those of their boss, gangster Marsellus Wallace (Ving Rhames); his actress wife, Mia (Uma Thurman); struggling boxer Butch Coolidge (Bruce Willis); master fixer Winston Wolfe (Harvey Keitel); and a nervous pair of armed robbers, "Pumpkin" (Tim Roth) and "Honey Bunny" (Amanda Plummer).

Community Events

EV Drivers Wanted

The Greenbelt Green Team seeks EV owners for its second EV Event at the back of Beltway Plaza by Target on Saturday, September 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

You certainly tell neighbors and friends about your EV experience, perhaps even explaining how the car works and how you charge it. Want to inform a greater audience?

Join fellow EV owners as we ask the general public to come and ask questions about cost of purchase and ownership, real life range, cost of charging, types of chargers, etc.

Contact Steve Skolnik, Greenbelt Green Team EV Circle, at skskolnik@gmail.com and let us know which all-battery electric EV or plug-in hybrid EV you'll bring.

We'll have posters and provide handouts to help educate EV owner wannabes.

Writers Group

The Greenbelt Writers Group meet on Friday, September 15 at 7 p.m. in the Community Center. All writers are invited to attend and briefly update the group on their activities. Short open readings are also held. Come and help plan for the next few months. For more details, contact Barbara Ford at barb.ford@comcast.net.

Come to Blues Festival On Saturday, Sept. 16

The 20th Anniversary of the Greenbelt Blues Festival is on Saturday, September 16, from 11:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. at Roosevelt Center. Come out and enjoy an afternoon of great Blues Music.

Seniors Host Open Forum September 23

On Saturday, September 23 from 1 to 2:30 p.m., the Greenbelt Senior Citizens Advisory Committee will hold its annual open forum. It will be an in-person meeting held in the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, Room 201. No registration is required. Greenbelters of all ages are invited to share what they like about living in Greenbelt and their concerns and issues throughout the community. The group reports the main comments from this open forum to council. Council, the Police Department and Public Works have been invited to attend to give direct feedback to the attendees.

For more information call 301-397-2200.

Build Giant Puppets In Sept. 17 Workshop



PHOTO BY RACHEL CANAVAN

Sun Puppet in the Labor Day Parade.

The giant sun puppet, Taiyang, built this summer by Nicole DeWald and the Creative Kids Camp festival arts class, enjoyed mingling with Greenbelters on Monday as she marched with the Greenbelt Honk! Situation band in the Labor Day parade with the help of volunteers including Chris Corson, Jan Morrow, and Nick and Vanessa Zanin.

The Greenbelt Recreation Arts Program invites community members ages 12 through adult to sign up now for a free giant puppet workshop on Sunday, September 17 to create more giant, backpack puppets in preparation for Greenbelt's annual Wild Rumpus Halloween celebration. Learn more and sign up to create puppets at bit.ly/44e0V3R.

City of Greenbelt arts programs are supported in part by the Maryland State Arts Council. For more program information, visit greenbeltd.gov/arts.

Cub Scouts Invites New Members to Join

Greenbelt Cub Scout Pack 202 invites interested families of boys and girls in grades K-5 to their annual Back to Scouting Night on Thursday, September 14 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on the lawn of the Greenbelt Community Church at 1 Hillside Road. There will be games and program information for both new and returning families. Reach out with questions: GreenbeltPack202@gmail.com or check out greenbeltpack202.com.

Greenbelt Park Offers Free Campfire Program

Come to the Campfire to hear a storyteller-musician sing songs of travel and the experience of the open road. Saturday, September 16 at 7 p.m. Guitarist Bob Reilly and Joe Goulait will offer their folklore of travelling and the songs that make the trip an enjoyable experience.

For future programs visit the website at nps.gov/gree/planyourvisit/greenbelt-park-campfire-programs.htm.

Modern Agriculture At Reel and Meal

On Monday, September 18, this month's free Reel and Meal at the New Deal's film program is Eating Our Way to Extinction. Narrated by Academy Award winner Kate Winslet, starring globally-renowned figures and featuring leading scientists, this powerful documentary shows why our modern industrial agricultural system supporting meat production is not only unsustainable but is a leading cause of climate change and ecological collapse.

The film and discussion program starts live at the New Deal Café at 7 p.m. and is also available on Zoom. Register using this link: tinyurl.com/yc4exdbf.

For more information see the Café website, the Reel and Meal Facebook page or call 301-467-2418. This program is hosted by the Utopia Film Festival.



Rotary Celebrates International Peace Day

Join Greenbelt Rotary for their International Peace Day celebration on Saturday, September 23 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Buddy Attick Park (555 Crescent Road).

Free Baroque Concert

Greenbelt resident Natalie Kress will perform with her newly-founded ensemble, UMD Baroque Orchestra, in a free concert at the University of Maryland Memorial Chapel on Monday, September 18 at 5:15 p.m. Avoid the rush-hour commute and enjoy beautiful baroque music on period instruments featuring three esteemed early music alumni: David Dickey, Brad Tatum and Amy Broadbent. The concert is free, and donations are accepted. Visit UMDBaroque.org for more information.

Support PORCH, An Answer to Hunger

Greenbelt PORCH, which collects donations of nonperishable food and hygiene products for the local food pantry, is continuing its program to collect food, including its PORCH At Large (PAL) program for people who wish to donate but whose neighborhood is not yet included in the program. If you don't have a monthly food drive in your neighborhood, help through PAL. To participate, contact Robert Goldberg-Strassler at spreadruak@gmail.com with your address by noon on the scheduled monthly pickup date. Note schedule changes from previous months for Boxwood and PAL. Leave donations, marked RUAK or PORCH, by the front door visible from the street. Make sure that donated items have not passed their expiry dates.

September pickup schedule:

Saturday, September 23, by 10 a.m. for 14 and 15 Courts Laurel Hill

Sunday, September 24, by 4 p.m. for 9, 11, 12 and 13 Courts Ridge; by 5 p.m. for Lakeside Drive.

Volunteers who would like to expand Greenbelt PORCH to additional neighborhoods in Greenbelt, particularly Greenbelt East, are always welcome. Anyone with questions or who is interested in being a volunteer or starting a new neighborhood for monthly food collection with Greenbelt PORCH, email Goldberg-Strassler at spreadruak@gmail.com.

Chess Club Will Meet Monday, September 18

The Greenbelt Chess Club will meet on Monday, September 18, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the New Deal Café. Teaching will be provided as needed. All ages and skill levels are welcome. For more details, contact Effie at 443-415-1053.

At the Library

Regular hours at the Greenbelt Library are Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesdays and Wednesdays, noon to 8 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sundays, 1 to 5 p.m. In case of inclement weather or an emergency, real-time updates to the Library's schedule are posted at pgcmls.info/alerts.

Storytimes

Friday, September 15, 11:15 a.m., ages 2 to 3. Register at pgcmls.info/event/8723446.

Monday, September 18, 10:15 a.m., ages newborn to 2. Register at pgcmls.info/event/8723501.

Wednesday, September 20, 12:15 p.m., ages 3 to 5. Register at pgcmls.info/event/8723486.

Bibliobop Dance Party

Saturday, September 16, 10 a.m., ages newborn to 5. Register at pgcmls.info/event/8729039.

STEM-tastic

Tuesday, September 19, 4:30 p.m., ages 8 to 12. Learn about the different tracks animals make and how to identify visitors in your backyard. Register at pgcmls.info/event/8690388.

Teens Create

Wednesday, September 20, 6 p.m., ages 13 to 18. Learn about and create art inspired by the Salvadoran folk artist Fernando Llort. This is a Hispanic Heritage Month event. Register at pgcmls.info/event/8844755.

Storytime on Screen

Monday, September 18, 10:30 a.m., ages 1 to 5, accompanied by caregivers. At the Old Greenbelt Theatre.

News Suite

The News Suite (pgcmls.info/news-suite) offers quick and easy access to many national and international newspapers and magazines, including digital editions of The Washington Post and The New York Times.

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

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Cyrano de Bergerac (1950)

José Ferrer won the Academy Award and Golden Globe for Best Actor in his portrayal of Cyrano de Bergerac, a witty and skilled poet and swordsman. His weakness? Just one glaring insecurity...

New This Month

Labor Day Parade 2023 Highlights

It's finally here! Join us as we revisit some of our favorite moments from this year's Labor Day Festival parade.

All this and more on the GATE channel this week! Check greenbeltaccessstv.org for the full broadcast schedule, and visit Greenbelt Access Television on YouTube for new video productions.

Obituaries

Rev. Robert Lewis

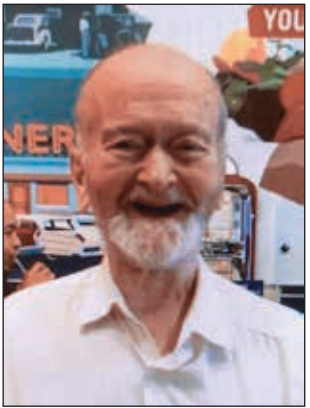


PHOTO BY DREW LEWIS

Robert Lewis

Robert Lewis died in the early hours of Wednesday September 6, 2023, at his home. The cause was cardiac arrest. He was 92 years old.

Robert was a familiar sight in Greenbelt. Often seen on his daily walks around the lake with his wife, Sylvia, and, after Lewy body dementia took its toll, with his walker in Roosevelt Center or the Co-op. When that was no longer possible, he would take daily drives through BARC and the Patuxent Wildlife Center with Sylvia, Barbara Havekost or Dorrie Bates.

Robert was born in Heltonville, Ind., July 25, 1931, the third son of Rev. Paul S. Lewis and Lillie Lewis. His father was a Methodist pastor, and while Robert was growing up, the family moved every four years from one small southern Indiana town to another. As valedictorian of Plainville High School, Robert received a Rector Scholarship to DePauw University from which he graduated with a B.A. in philosophy in 1953. He served Methodist congregations in Indiana and the state of New York as a student minister before receiving a Master of Divinity degree from Drew University in 1955. When he returned to Indiana he decided to train as a Goodwill

Industries executive. One Sunday he visited the All Souls Unitarian Church in Indianapolis where he met and later married Sylvia Kelsey. The couple moved to Hagerstown, where Robert ran the Goodwill Industries office. After being invited to be part-time minister for the Hagerstown Unitarian Fellowship, Robert received guest preaching invitations at other Unitarian congregations. This led, in 1961, to his being called as minister to a congregation in Bethesda. While he was there the building was built and named the River Road Unitarian Church.

Robert left RRUC in 1968 to pursue a Ph.D. in psychology at Catholic University. He moved, with his family, to a GHI house in Greenbelt where he lived the rest of his life. He didn't complete his Ph.D., but served, for



PHOTO COURTESY THE FAMILY

Rev. Robert Lewis as a young man

a while, as minister of the Silver Spring Unitarian Church and later, part time, as co-minister with Sylvia of the Unitarian

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“Characterize thyself with the characteristics of God, and thou shalt know the spiritual life!” – ‘Abdu’l-Bahá



Greenbelt Bahá'í Community

www.greenbeltbahais.org

The Bible Says...

The Ten Commandments

#2-Have No Idols

An idol is anything that takes God's #1 place.

Exodus 20:4-6



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SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE @10am

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GILA, Bahá'ís Offer Local Dialogue Series

The Bahá'í Community is teaming with Greenbelt Interfaith Leadership Association (GILA) to offer Sacred Ground (episcopalchurch.org/sacred-ground/about), a free 11-session film-based series of dialogue circles on race and faith. Registration is open. The time and place for meetings, and whether they will be by Zoom or in person, will be decided collaboratively by registrants.

To register interest in joining the local Sacred Ground dialogue circle or to ask questions, email Jim Fischer at jfischer2@verizon.net.



Our condolences to the family and many friends of Robert Lewis who died on September 6. His many years of ministry and Greenbelt presence will not be soon forgotten.

Our sympathies to the family and friends of Jayda Medrano-Moore who was killed in Lanham while coming home from school on September 11. She would have turned 17 this month.

Welcome to our new City Manager, Josué Salmerón! We hope you had a good first week in the position and are enjoying making Greenbelt your home.

Send details of your news to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com.

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“Casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.” – 1 Peter, 5:7

Questions? Please call 301-383-0260

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Go to <https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsZionParish/Live/>

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Thursday Bible Study and Compline 7 PM via Zoom

Please contact the church office if you are interested in any of these resources.

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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 CALENDAR

Be sure to check out the City calendar for all up to date events at greenbeltmd.gov/calendar.



MEETING NOTICE

Thursday, September 14, at 7 pm, **COMMUNITY RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD**, *On the Agenda: TBD*

MEETINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 18-22

Monday, September 18 at 7:30 pm, **WORK SESSION - CITY MANAGER**

Monday, September 18, Following Work Session, **SPECIAL/ CLOSED SESSION - PERSONNEL, LEGAL, AND CITY MANAGER PERFORMANCE**

Tuesday, September 19 at 7 pm, **REPARATIONS COMMISSION**, *On the Agenda: Transitional Justice & Reparations Presentation, Subcommittee Updates (Facilitation, Educational, Historical), Executive Subcommittee Update, Open Comments*

Wednesday, September 20 at 7:30 pm, **WORK SESSION - DEPARTMENT OF PERMITTING, INSPECTIONS & ENFORCEMENT**

Wednesday, September 20 at 7 pm, **ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD**, *On the Agenda: Approval of September 6, 2023, Minutes, Municipal Building Feasibility Study Update, WMATA's Blue/Orange/Silver Capacity & Reliability Study, ARPA: Draft Pedestrian & Bicycle Master Plan Implementation Project List, Staff Updates*

Thursday, September 21 at 7 pm, **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**, *On the Agenda: Reviewing Police Department's Updated General Orders*

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. This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call (301) 474-8000. For information on public participation for the meetings above, visit the meetings calendar at www.greenbeltmd.gov/calendar.

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 Monday, September 18, 2023, immediately following the Council Work Session – City Manager, in the Library 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; and to discuss City Manager performance issues.

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 Monday, September 18, 2023.**

Bonita Anderson, City Clerk

**Looking to volunteer within your community?
Join one of the City's COMMITTEES & BOARDS!
Call (301) 474-8000.**

CITY ELECTION INFORMATION VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR CITY ELECTION OCTOBER 9, 2023

Greenbelt residents are reminded that to participate in the 2023 City Council election—whether as a voter, a candidate for City Council, or a signer of a petition for a candidate—you must be qualified to vote in Prince George's County.

To register, you must:

- Be a citizen of the United States of America
- Be at least 16 years of age
- Be domiciled within the corporate limits of the City of Greenbelt as of the date of registration
- Not have been convicted of a felony, or if you have, you have completed serving a court-ordered sentence of imprisonment, including any term of parole or probation for the conviction
- Not be under guardianship for mental disability

VOTER REGISTRATION

For information about registering to vote in Prince George's County, contact the County Board of Elections at 301-430-8020 or visit www.elections.state.md.us. Forms for voter registration and address and name change are available on the city website, www.greenbeltmd.gov.

All forms must be received by the County Board of Elections in Upper Marlboro **no later than 4:30 pm, Monday, October 9.**

For additional information, contact Bonita Anderson, City Clerk at (301) 474-8000 or elections@greenbeltmd.gov.

If you are already registered to vote in Prince George's County but have moved or changed your name since the last election, you must complete an application to have this information changed. **This can also be done online at www.elections.state.md.us.

NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY

**SEPTEMBER 23, 10 AM - 1 PM
BUDDY ATTICK PARK**

Be a part of the community effort to remove invasive plant species from the environment at Buddy Attick Park. Volunteers will work with Public Works staff to remove invasive vines from native trees and to pull other invasive plant species.

Register by email at kdriscoll@greenbeltmd.gov.

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EARLY VOTING: Any qualified voter of the City of Greenbelt may choose to vote by EARLY VOTING.

EARLY VOTING DATES AND LOCATIONS

Greenbelt Community Center – (15 Crescent Road)

Saturday, November 4th, 10 am – 3 pm and
Sunday, November 5th, 10 am – 3 pm

Schrom Hills Park Clubhouse – (6915 Hanover Parkway)

Saturday, November 4th, 10 am – 3 pm and
Sunday, November 5th, 10 am – 3 pm

Springhill Lake Recreation Center – (6101 Cherrywood Lane)

Saturday, November 4th, 10 am – 3 pm and
Sunday, November 5th, 10 am – 3 pm

VOTING BY MAIL: Any qualified voter of the City of Greenbelt may choose to vote by MAIL-IN BALLOT.

ALL REGISTERED VOTERS WILL RECEIVE IN THE MAIL AN APPLICATION TO VOTE BY MAIL-IN BALLOT. IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO VOTE BY MAIL, YOU MAY DISREGARD THE APPLICATION. YOU MAY VOTE AT ANY POLLING LOCATION ON ELECTION DAY.

Military service members, their families, and other U.S. citizens abroad who are covered under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act may also use the Federal Post Card Application (<http://www.fvap.gov>) to request an absentee ballot for City election.

Applications to receive mail-in ballot must be received by noon on **Monday, November 6, 2023**. We encourage you to return your application (by mail or in-person) as soon as possible.

Return your executed mail-in ballot by

- 1) Sending it through the U.S. mail in time to arrive by **November 6**,
- 2) Hand-delivering it to the City Clerk's office, or
- 3) Placing it into one of the three drop-box locations above.

Questions? Call the City Clerk at (301) 474-8000, or send email to banderson@greenbeltmd.gov.

CITY ELECTION INFORMATION ELECTION CLERKS NEEDED

The City of Greenbelt Board of Elections is seeking several residents who would be willing to serve as election officials on November 7, 2023, from 6 am until about 9 pm. Clerks must also attend a training session on November 6 from 7 pm until about 9 pm.

This is a rewarding experience for anyone who is interested in the political process and would like to play an active role in the local election. There is a stipend of \$175 plus a training fee of \$25.

There may also be a need for additional clerks to count mail-in and early voting ballots. This job would entail working for three to four hours in the late afternoon/early evening of November 7. No preliminary training is necessary. The pay for mail-in and early voting ballot clerks is \$50.

Application forms are available on City's website www.greenbeltmd.gov and at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road, by **APPOINTMENT ONLY**. The deadline to apply is September 29, 2023.

For further information, call or e-mail Bonita Anderson, City Clerk, at (301) 474-8000 or elections@greenbeltmd.gov.

CITY ELECTION INFORMATION Dates & Deadlines for 2023 City Council Elections

First day to receive papers and file nomination petition	8/21
Last day to file nomination petition (5 pm)	9/26
Date of drawing for placement on ballot (7:30 pm)	9/26
First interim Campaign Contributions & Expenditures Report (by 12 pm)	9/29
First day to send out mail-in ballots	10/06
Last day to register to vote (must be received by 4:30 pm in Upper Marlboro)	10/09
Second interim Campaign Contributions & Expenditures Report (by 12 pm)	10/27
Early voting begins	11/04
Training session for election judges and clerks	11/06
Election (7 am - 8 pm)	11/07
Mail-in ballots must be received (by 6 pm)	11/07
Final Campaign Contributions & Expenditures Report (12 pm)	11/10
Charter meeting for swearing-in (7:30 pm)	11/13

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

CURRENT CARES PROGRAMS

CARES is happy to provide the following programs FREE of charge this fall: Emergency Diaper Program, Nursing Program, My Groceries to Go, Powerful Tools for Caregivers Series, Assistance in Lowering Household Expenses, Stress Surfing, PEACE Program, Generational Legacy Planning, Dealing with Behavioral Issues of Dementia Seminar, and Staging Cognitive Decline.

For descriptions and links visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/CARESprograms.

ANNUAL OPEN FORUM September 23, 1 - 2:30 pm Greenbelt Community Center

Hosted by Greenbelt's Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, this forum seeks your input on Greenbelt. Let us know what you like living in Greenbelt, what challenges you face, and more. Main comments will then be reported to City Council. Greenbelters of all ages are welcome!

For information, call (301) 397-2200.

BUDDY ATTICK PARK MASTER PLAN COMMUNITY SURVEY

To take the survey, scan the QR code to the right or visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/buddyattickpark>.



CITY ELECTION INFORMATION Nominations for 2023 Regular City Election

In accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter, a regular election will be held in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, to elect the seven members of the City Council.

Any qualified voter of the City may be nominated for the office of Member of Council upon filing a nomination petition with the City Clerk (signed by not fewer than 50 Greenbelt resident voters), a written acceptance of the nomination, and other statements that are required by the City Charter or by law. Required forms and information are available at 25 Crescent Road, beginning Monday, August 21, from 8:30 am until 4:30 pm until Tuesday, September 26, 2023.

DRAWING FOR ORDER OF BALLOT PLACEMENT

A drawing to determine the order of candidates' names on the ballot for the November 7th election will take place in the City Council Room of the Municipal Building on Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. Immediately following, a drawing will be held to determine the order for placement of campaign signs on public property for any candidates choosing to participate in that program. For more information, call Bonita Anderson, City Clerk, at (301) 474-8000, or send an e-mail to banderson@greenbeltmd.gov.

Charlestowne North Tenants Unhappy with New Ownership

by Jenni Pompei

Utility billing, a backlog of maintenance requests, building security and pests were chief among the concerns of more than three dozen Charlestowne North apartment tenants, who held a sometimes-heated question-and-answer session Saturday with the new property manager.

A 178-unit tower-style apartment complex built in 1965, Charlestowne North was once seen as “the place to live” in the D.C. Metro area, but the complex has gone downhill quickly since the property changed hands in February of this year, according to residents. The new owner, listed as Charlestowne North Holding Company LLC, has a New York address and no local presence other than the property management company they contracted to run the complex, Livingo Communities, which is also based out of New York.

Hannah Gould has been living in the complex for almost two years. She organized the first tenant meeting on June 17 to address growing concerns. “This place has become a slum,” Gould said, citing lack of trash pickup, building vacancies, pest infestations and the general appearance of the building and facilities.

Debbie Brooks, who has lived in Charlestowne North for six years, said she noticed “right away” that things were going by the wayside under new ownership: the grass was overgrown, garbage pickup became irregular and the building door locks stopped working a few months ago and have yet to be replaced, leaving the building unsecure.

But the biggest concern of Brooks and many of her neighbors was the large utility bills she started receiving. Prior to the new ownership, gas and electricity were included as part of the rent, and water and sewage were added to the bill as an additional charge. Brooks received a utility bill in the hundreds of dollars for her one-bedroom apartment that is less than 700 square feet. Patrick Malone, who has been living in the complex since May, said the apartment utilities were higher than what his partner had been paying in his single-family home, located just a few miles away. Several other tenants have received similar bills and struggled to understand why.

Lease Terms Changed

The reason for the change, according to Ginger Reid, the new property manager for Charlestowne North, is that the new owners have decided to change



PHOTO BY GRACE BEUCHEL

This Charlestowne North bathroom is missing a toilet seat.

the terms of the lease and will be charging for utilities separately using a ratio utility billing (RUB) scale. This means that building-wide utilities will be split by unit, with each unit paying a share of the bill depending on square footage and occupancy. Under the current billing scheme, management is paying 75 percent of the utility costs, and residents are splitting the remaining 25 percent, Reid said.

Much of the confusion was because tenants received utility bills even though they have not renewed their leases and therefore are not responsible for the new lease terms that require separate utility payments. Reid confirmed tenants who have not renewed are not responsible for paying those bills, which come from a third-party billing company.

Higher Costs

Reid, an employee of the management company Livingo Communities, said RUB scales are not uncommon for tower buildings that were built many years ago, without individual meters for each unit. The reason the bills are so large, she said, is because there is a high vacancy rate in the complex – 48 of the 178 units are empty – which means the utility bills are split among fewer units.

Ashley Pace, the leasing agent for Charlestowne North who was hired just two weeks ago, is working on marketing efforts to fill as many units as possible to reduce the price of utilities per unit.

Vacancy Rate

However, the complex is becoming less appealing to would-be-tenants as well as current

ones. Grace Beuchel recently toured a unit in preparing to rent it but found the air-conditioner was likely leaking, with a water stain visible beneath it, the fridge was sticky on “almost the entire outside,” the toilet was missing its seat (which was lying elsewhere) and the apartment she was told was ready was then described as “almost ready” and finally, was admittedly in need of a deep clean. Beuchel opted not to move in.

Maintenance Backlog

Another big concern among residents was the maintenance backlog. Muhammad Khalid has been living in the building for six months and has had multiple outstanding maintenance requests during that time. “When we came the apartment was in terrible condition,” he said. Reid responded that repairs were starting on Khalid’s apartment and acknowledged that it was “ridiculous” that he had to wait six months.

Reid, who has been on the job for just one month, said that when she arrived there was a backlog of more than 90 maintenance requests. Last week, she said they had hired a temporary maintenance worker who closed 30 of the requests and would continue to close requests this week. She also said she was expecting to hire a permanent maintenance worker for the property.

Security Concerns

Residents also raised security concerns, including a dark parking lot, vehicle break-ins and front building doors that do not lock. The locks malfunctioned several months ago and are now taped open, according to several residents at the meeting. “I’m scared for my kids,” said one unnamed resident. “There was a homeless person in the laundry room,” she said, which was corroborated by several other residents.

“As far as the doors are concerned,” Reid said, “the response I got [from management] is that the doors will be secured in the

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Business

Luminis Health Opens New Greenbelt OB/GYN Office



PHOTO COURTESY LUMINIS HEALTH

Members of the Luminis OB/GYN practice, from left, Joanna Haas, Joy Stevens, Danielle Wilson, Dr. Jonelle Samuel and Johana Feutes

To meet the growing need for women’s health services in Prince George’s County, Luminis Health has opened a new Obstetric & Gynecological Care (Ob-Gyn) practice in Greenbelt at 7501 Greenway Center Drive, Suite 910. The new office provides comprehensive care for women

and their babies during pregnancy and childbirth, as well as treating female reproductive conditions. The team of providers includes a certified nurse midwife and Dr. Jonelle Samuel, a Prince George’s County native. Luminis accepts Medicaid to ensure access to every woman who needs care.



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A fairy ring of fungi pops up after rain.

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Community Foundation Awards Grants; Asks for Engagement

by Kevin W. Parker

The Greenbelt Community Foundation (GCF) has awarded two grants this fall and is supporting a new program.

GCF awarded \$5,000 to the Relic ensemble to help fund their program this past spring of local classical music concerts, open rehearsals and a petting zoo (an opportunity for elementary school students to see and handle classical instruments).

GCF awarded \$4,770 to The SPACE to create a Revolutionary Self Care program for residents of Greenbelt West. Revolutionary Self Care promotes individual self-healing through opportunities for self-expression using the modalities of art and poetry, yoga and meditation. Additionally, GCF was asked and agreed to provide \$5,000 to Connecting Across Greenbelt's microgrant program, to be paid back by the City of Greenbelt from American Rescue Plan Act funds by the end of the year.

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.

Input Requested

However, GCF is struggling. We have seen our ability to impact the city diminish over the past three years and are in the midst of serious conversations about the future of GCF. There is lower engagement with events, fewer applications and a decreasing number of volunteers who remain able to work.

Share your valuable insights through the Foundation's September 2023 Survey at bit.ly/GCFSurvey2023. Respond, if possible, by Sunday, September 17.

Feedback will provide GCF with a deeper understanding of community expectations and preferences, enabling us to tailor our efforts to decide the future. Take a few moments to complete this brief survey to help shape the future of our organization. This survey is not anonymous.

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts with us. Together, we can create a stronger, more vibrant community. For more information or to make a donation, visit greenbeltfoundation.org.

Kevin W. Parker is chair of the Greenbelt Community Foundation communications committee.

Want to Help the Community? Apply for a Jim Cassels Grant

by Donna Hoffmeister

Greenbelt residents can make a positive difference in the community by applying for a Jim Cassels Community Service Award. The \$1,500 grant provides funding for an innovative local project that reflects Jim Cassels' spirit of community engagement. The award was established in 2006 to honor Jim Cassels, the founder of the Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative and 1978 Outstanding Citizen. The award can be used for a new or continuing project. It can be considered "seed" money for a project that becomes self-sustaining. At least 60 percent of the project should be funded by the award. Creating positive change in Greenbelt is the prime criterion.

The Jim Cassels Award has been a catalyst for an array of worthy projects in Greenbelt since 2006. The Reel and Meal at the New Deal Café, which won the grant in 2021, has inspired residents through free monthly documentaries and discussions on social justice issues since 2007. In 2020, Prince George's Community Collaborative Resolution Center conducted workshops for Greenbelt residents about how to resolve conflicts and misunderstandings in a productive fashion. In 2018, the Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts

fostered creativity and cultural awareness among fourth graders at Greenbelt Elementary School. The fourth graders created shadow puppets and performed a Ukrainian folktale for fellow students at the school and for the public at the New Deal Café. In 2015, WAGS (Well-Wishers for the Animals of Greenbelt Shelter) raised awareness and compassion for dogs and cats through animal safety workshops. They helped children and their parents identify a dog's or cat's stress signals to understand how to approach unfamiliar animals and to know what to do if approached by an unfamiliar dog off-leash.

Greenbelt residents interested in applying can find details and the online application form on the website of the Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket (greenbelt.coop/cms). Paper applications are also available at the Co-op service desk but online submissions are preferred. The deadline for the 2023 Jim Cassels Community Service Award is October 15. Email questions to Project Coordinator Donna Hoffmeister at donna.hoffmeister@verizon.net. Winners will be announced at the Co-op's annual meeting this November. Help continue Cassels' legacy and make a difference here in Greenbelt.

College Park Day Festival on Oct. 7

College Park Day is Saturday, October 7 from noon to 6 p.m. at the College Park Aviation Museum and Airport. This annual festival has free activities and entertainment for all ages.

There will be live entertainment on two stages – a main stage with bands and live music and a family stage with performances for children and families.

Aviation enthusiasts of all ages will enjoy browsing the College Park Aviation Museum's exhibits and a helicopter fly-in. The event features a wide variety of food and drink vendors with local restaurants, food trucks and breweries in attendance. Free parking will be available nearby, along with a free shuttle service from select locations, and bike racks. For more information, visit collegeparkday.org.

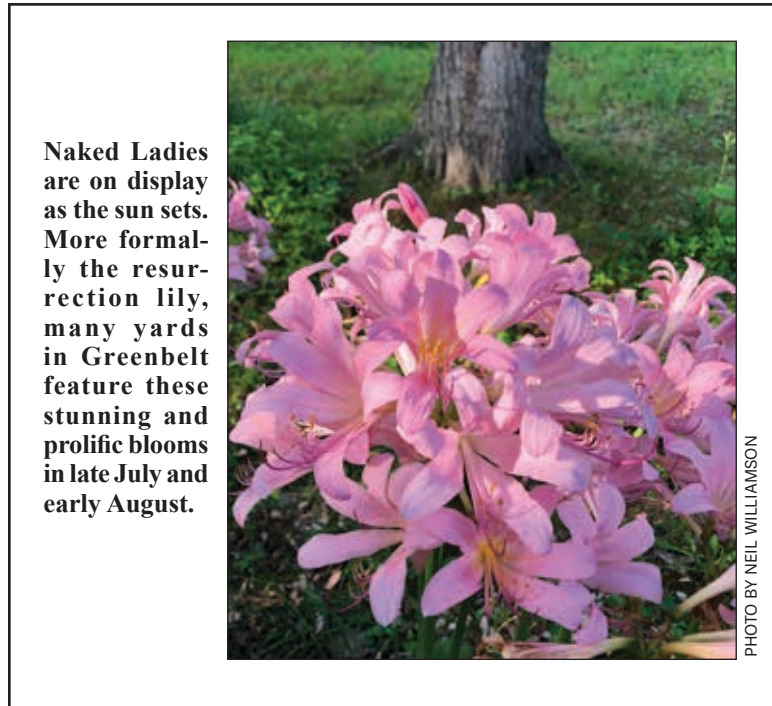


Golden Age Club Upcoming Meetings

Weekly meetings are held on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. in the second-floor meeting room of the Community Center.

September 20: birthday celebration

September 27: BINGO



Naked Ladies are on display as the sun sets. More formally the resurrection lily, many yards in Greenbelt feature these stunning and prolific blooms in late July and early August.

PHOTO BY NEIL WILLIAMSON

Greenbelt Rotary

23 SEPTEMBER 2023
11AM-3PM EST

INTERNATIONAL PEACE DAY CELEBRATION

BUDDY ATTICK PARK
555 CRESCENT RD, GREENBELT, MD 20770

20th Anniversary Greenbelt FREE Blues Festival

2003 Sept 16 11:30am-11:30pm 2023

Roosevelt Center

Spice Cake • Snakehead Run • Gayle Harrod Band
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Richard McMullin (1948-2023)
Founder of the Greenbelt Blues Festival

A Diverse Multitude Gathers To Celebrate Mariame Sylla

by Anna Bedford-Dillow

On the afternoon of Friday, September 8, the grounds of the Diyanet Center of America in Lanham filled with people wishing to show their respect for Mariame Touré Sylla and support for her family, much of which are in the Ivory Coast. Prayers were held inside the Center, followed by a service outside, under tents, for the funeral of the Greenbelt teacher whose remains were identified a week earlier.

The Imam said the crowds of friends from the Ivorian community, the Muslim community and the Dora Kennedy school community would give comfort to the family and help them know they are not alone in their grief.

The Ambassador of the Ivory Coast, Ibrahima Touré (no relation), spoke on behalf of the embassy and its staff, as well as the Ivorian community. He expressed condolences to those who knew her, describing her as a dedicated teacher, sister and friend.

Principal James Spence also spoke, on behalf of the Dora Kennedy French Immersion School, noting that the young children among the congregation were her students. "Madame Sylla was an educator of our community for almost 20 years," said Spence. "Her impact and her impression upon our community is evidenced by the multitude who are present here today, the many who have prayed since day one of her being missing, the many who attended vigils, supplied salutations and tokens of love. It is because of Madame Sylla that we are congregated here today, many diverse communities, multiple faiths, all in one spirit of love and support. For all of that I am thankful and I am grateful, and we are grateful, the community of Dora Kennedy French Immersion," he said. Spence described Sylla as the "model of sophistication, high standards and commitment to faith." He offered assurance that the next generation would go on to receive high quality education and care. "So we take these lessons from our dear Madame Sylla and we go on doing just what she would have done; we do what she would have wanted us to do. We continue to be encouraged and empowered to make our society a better place each and every day," said Spence.

Mariame Sylla's sister, Fati Touré, thanked the community for caring for her little sister and for helping her. Touré also made comments addressed to her nephew. "She is not any more



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Mourners from a variety of communities gathered in the heat on Friday afternoon to honor Mariame Sylla.

around," Touré said, solemnly. "I am your mother, Aziz. Whatever you need, call me."

A burial service followed at Columbia Memorial Park in Clarksville.

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as a Greenbelt resident. Though DuVal is not a local school for Greenbelt children, it offers a specialty Aerospace Engineering & Aviation Technology Program that is open to all students in the county for application. Superintendent House announced that they will be moving up the installation of weapons detectors at DuVal High School to help the community feel safer. All county high schools are scheduled to have them installed by January. It's not yet known if the gun used in the shooting had been inside the school.

A reward of up to \$25,000 is being offered for information leading to an arrest and indictment in this case. Detectives are encouraging anyone with information on this murder, no matter how small the

detail, to call the Homicide Unit detectives at 301-516-2512.



PHOTO COURTESY PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY POLICE

On September 13, Prince George's County police officers created hearts around DuVal High School as many gathered for a candlelight vigil in remembrance of Jayda Medrano-Moore.

Obituaries continued

Universalist Congregation in Fallston, Md. When he wasn't guest preaching, performing weddings or memorial services, he occupied himself in many and varied jobs: employment counselor, cab driver, making bricks and night watchman at Maryland Clay, selling fish at Eastern Market and day laborer, helping to build Eleanor Roosevelt High School!

Robert had a full life and a good death. In the wee small hours of the morning he was listening to songs from the 30s, 40s and 50s on Singers and Swing, his favorite cable TV station, in no pain, and with a smile on his face.

Robert is survived by his wife of 64 years, Sylvia, his daughter

Janet Lewis (Wayne Strouse), son Drew Lewis, granddaughter Kelsey Strouse (Andrew Litwin), bonus grandchildren Lily and Lanni Solochek, great-granddaughter Samantha Joy Litwin, brother Wilford Lewis and many nephews, nieces and cousins. He was preceded in death by brother Stanley and sister Suzanna/Donna (Robert Barash).

Robert donated his body to the Maryland State Anatomy Board. Those who wish may contribute in Robert's name to the charity of their choice, to the Greenbelt Community Foundation or to Unitarian Universalists for Social Justice.

Opportunities for remembrance are being planned for later in the fall.

Letters continued

of help any time day or night. My thanks to you all.

During his final days Robert and I received a lot of help, not only from friends and neighbors but also from the organizations we went to for assistance. In every case the help was given with caring and concern. What Robert and I were experiencing was unique for us and these responders are used to aiding people in our situation, but, without exception, these individuals treated Robert and me as if the occasion was special for them too.

So a very big thank you to the nurses and social worker from Hospice of the Chesapeake; to the gentlemen who delivered

and picked up the hospital bed so Robert could stay at home; to the Greenbelt Fire Department personnel who gently, skillfully and professionally carried him from his upstairs bed to the hospital bed in the living room; to the people from Maryland's State Anatomy Board who carefully removed Robert's body with the dignity and respect one usually sees at a military or state funeral. I am always grateful and happy that I live in Greenbelt. Never more so than now.

Gatherings to remember Robert will be held later in the fall. Again, many thanks to you all for your caring and concern.

Sylvia Lewis



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School News

Water Fountains Remain Off At Schools, Timeline Uncertain

by Anna Bedford-Dillow

During the Covid pandemic all schools had water fountains shut off and Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) shipped bottled water to the buildings. Now the county is attempting to open the fountains back up. But the prospects for some are not too hopeful and specific information is hard to find.

At the September 7 PGCPS Board of Education worksession to discuss school openings, Associate Superintendent Dr. Charoscar Coleman said the Building Services Team will continue to provide bottled water to all schools and begin phasing in water fountains to normal use.

Board Member Pamela Boozer-Strother (District 3) said water access had come up among parents in recent weeks due to the high heat.

Alex Baylor, environmental program specialist for the school board, said, "We had a lot of vandalism" that led to "a lot of things that are broken that we're trying to get back fixed." "Then there were some things that from turning them off and being off so long - for the last couple of years - some vials of stuff and things like that, so there's a lot of repair work ... as well as the ones we had to turn off because of high lead levels," said Baylor. Those that tested high for lead are also getting repaired, he said. However, if they fix a fountain and it still tests high for lead, "they may not ever come back on." PGCPS will continue to provide water to those schools, said Baylor. Any lead test results that come back over 5 ppb have to be reported to the state and a state form is sent to the principal for them to send out to the community detailing which fountain or drinking source had an issue and what they're doing about it, he told Boozer-Strother, who followed up by asking about keeping parents informed.

Based on interviews and calls made by the News Review, it appears all Greenbelt schools cur-

rently have their water fountains turned off. This is not the case across the county, however. Miles is a Greenbelt resident enrolled in the international baccalaureate program at Parkdale High and reported that his school has operating water fountains and that all the fountains also have "bottling stations," where the students can fill their water bottles. Unlike the schools in Greenbelt, his school has stopped providing bottled water to teachers, with the exception of gym teachers, said the ninth grader.

Elementary Schools

At Greenbelt Elementary (GES), although the water fountains are turned off, teachers keep bottled water in the classrooms, according to students. If a student finishes the bottle they bring to school with them they're given a plastic one, says Poppy, who is in third grade, and Tom, who is in second. Springhill Lake Elementary reported the same. A representative reached by phone reported that water was available both in the classrooms and centrally. A representative from Magnolia Elementary told the News Review their fountains are off and they're still receiving shipments of bottled water from PGCPS.

"I had no idea the water fountains were turned off!" Keysha Kerdock, a GES parent, told the News Review. "I'm going to put a drink in her lunchbox now because I had no idea - and the water available in the classroom is probably room temperature."

Water at DKFI

The News Review spoke with students in five different grades at Dora Kennedy French Immersion (DKFI), a K-8 school in an old building. They reported, unlike GES and Springhill Lake, there wasn't bottled water in their classroom. One seventh grader said there was last year but this year "they're not doing that." Currently, there's one filtered water filling station at DKFI, located in the cafeteria and used to serve

the school's nine grades, and there's bottled water stored centrally in the gym, said students.

"So long as you don't ask to go in the first or last five minutes of class you can go to get water," said a seventh grader. A sixth grader had a different experience, though, and said they couldn't leave in the first or last 10 minutes of class, nor when a teacher was explaining anything, "which means you can't go anytime, really, or only if you finish all your work early and you're waiting for others to finish." A third grader similarly reported that they don't have water in the classroom but "you just have to ask and then you can go to the gym [where disposable bottles are stored] or the cafeteria [where the filling station is located]." "Some teachers are very strict," said a fifth grader who found his teachers were upset if he didn't have his own water. "Sometimes they tell you, 'No. It's your responsibility to bring your own.'" A second grader complained, "It's a long walk for [students] upstairs or [students who are] downstairs, but people on the middle floor only have to go a bit," referencing the fact the school is spread over different levels.

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ERHS Students Remember 9-11



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Senator Ben Cardin meets ERHS students.

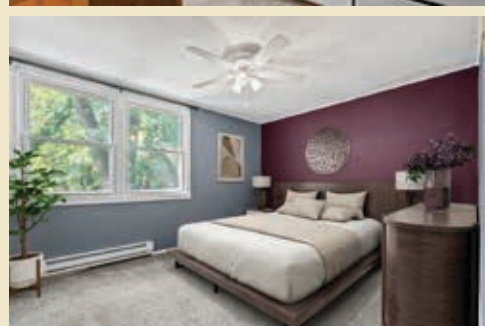
Maryland Senator Ben Cardin and Superintendent Millard House II joined students at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) on Monday to reflect on the September 11 terrorist attacks.

Cardin challenged students to embrace public service "whether as a school teacher, firefighter, wearing the uniform of our nation or being active in your community."



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A red milkweed beetle on some milkweed at the Three Sisters Community Garden. These beetles are also called Tetraopes, because their antennae are positioned so close to their eyes that it splits them, resulting in four eyes.



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meeting, council met to adopt a methodology for making an appointment, as the process in this case was not specified in the city charter. With elections imminent, there was no time for a special election so council decided to identify candidates and vote on their appointment at the regular council meeting – allowing for public comment. One constraint included not choosing someone who would be a candidate in the upcoming election.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts objected to the process, saying there should have been public

input and advertising to identify a field of contenders. The only candidate ultimately proposed (by Councilmember Ric Gordon) was Konrad Herling, former longtime councilmember and a citizen active in several local organizations.

Herling was duly elected and sworn in, though Roberts voted nay because of his objection to the method of choice, despite his approval for Herling. Herling then participated in the meeting, harking back to his long tenure on council.

Additional council actions will be dealt with in a future story.



PHOTO COURTESY CITY OF GREENBELT

Councilmember Judith “J” Davis sends her love to the City Council and its attendees after announcing her retirement.



PHOTO BY CATHIE MEETRE

Konrad Herling stands with councilmembers after his swearing in. From left, Ric Gordon, Judith Davis, Emmett Jordan, Herling, Kristen Weaver, Silke Pope and Rodney Roberts

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around 1995 and organized the parade for 12 years. She also helped Kelly with the entertainment, booking bands from a wide array of different music styles. After becoming president of the committee in 2008, she added the Rising Stars talent program to showcase Greenbelt’s talented youth and built up the Craft Fair on Sunday and Monday so that Roosevelt Center is full of booths.

Ivy persevered in leading the Labor Day Festival through extraordinary and difficult times. Festival committee member Jon Gardner praised her leadership, saying that she “provided continuity in the Festival committee, and without her, it’s not clear that the Labor Day Festival would be continuing.” She oversaw the Festival through the pandemic and moved activities online in 2020 including a “virtual parade” video. In 2021, she kept the Festival running even without carnival rides – rides returned in 2022. Similarly, in 2014, when after 50 years the Rosedale company moved to a longer event in Virginia, Ivy found a replacement and brought the company back the next year. Ivy said people call the Festival, “Greenbelt’s Homecoming, because people come home for it.”

Ivy has stepped up in many ways to serve the Greenbelt community. For example, she organized a collection of hats, gloves and scarves through Realty 1 called, Working Together to Keep Greenbelt Warm. Ivy explained, “A couple of winters when it was really cold, the people who needed it could go through the box and take what they needed to keep warm.” Because she had three daughters, she organized a collection of prom dresses called Operation Pretty & Polished Prom Donation Drive to provide prom clothing to area high school students who couldn’t afford fancy gowns. In addition to her daughters, Ivy has a son, 14 grandkids and three great-grandkids. Ivy worked for the law office in Roosevelt Center with attorneys William Edwards



PHOTO BY JON GARDNER

Former Outstanding Citizens, from left, John Henry Jones, Maggie Cahalan, Shaymar Higgs, Greg Fisanich, Linda Ivy, Rick Ransom, Konrad Herling, Paul Downs, Mary Lou Williamson, Lore Rosenthal and Michael Hartman line up at the reception on Friday evening at the Labor Day Festival.

and later, David Cross. Because they did real estate settlements, she got her realty license, but not as a full-time realtor. She is now happily and productively retired.

The Outstanding Citizen award is primarily supported by the Greenbelt Rotary, along with Greenbelt Federal Credit Union and Fieldstone Properties, proprietors of Franklin Park. Ivy received a gift basket including gift certificates from Cedars of Lebanon, East Pearl Asian Bistro,

Generous Joe’s, Greenbelt Arts Center, Greenbelt Barber and Stylist, Greenway Liquors, Jersey Mike’s Subs, New Deal Café, Old Greenbelt Theatre, Shiatsu Massage Therapy, Silver Diner, Three Brothers Italian Restaurant and Wood’s Flowers and Gifts. Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket also provided a goodie basket and Greenbelt Nursery School contributed its Greenbelt is Great T-shirt.



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A bright spot at the end of summer

Happy Retirement Karen

The McCarl Dental Group thanks Karen Faherty for 39 years in our dental office. Karen started as a dental assistant in 1984 the same year doctors Clayton and Jay McCarl graduated from Dental School and joined the practice. She transitioned to the front desk and occupied the seat closest to the front door, greeting patients and friends for many years. Helping patients, answering questions, planning office events, keeping track of past and present employees were all great skills of Karen. Sometimes our office seems like “cheers, a place where everybody knows your name”. Karen was a big part of that. Thank you and enjoy your retirement.



Karen with husband Bob



Karen with Dr. Clayton and J Davis.

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markers, victims can better notify where they are so police can get to them quicker.

I partnered with the Rite Aid Foundation and KidCents Safe Kids Medication Disposal Program in installing a drug drop box, now located in front of the Greenbelt Police Station at 550 Crescent Road. This box is used to conveniently and safely dispose of unwanted, unused and expired prescription medication.

I continue to serve on the city's Advisory Planning Board and am a member of the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club.

As a child, I could not imagine the impact Greenbelt would have on my life. Today my wife and I can imagine no better place to raise our children. Conceived as a part of FDR's New Deal, Greenbelt lives up to the promises of its founding. When I was a boy, my parents brought our family here to take part in those promises.

I am running because I believe in Greenbelt.

James Whipple

I am James Whipple. I am a new generation for a new deal. I am running for city council.

I was born in the Walter Reed Medical Center on March 8, 1993 to a father who devoted his life to the army and an immigrant Filipino mother who worked around the clock for her children. The household was poor; we were barely able to keep up with bills and it seemed like an emergency was just around the corner waiting to drain any savings we could scrounge up.

Growing up in a low-income household I had no delusions about going to college. I knew it was important, but I also knew that we could not afford it. But, with great effort, I was able to not only be accepted to University of Maryland, College Park in their engineering program; I was offered a full scholarship through the Incentive Awards Program (IAP). I graduated from UMCP in 2015 with a B.S. in mechanical engineering, and a minor in international engineering.

While I was in college, the IAP enabled their scholars to become more connected to their communities through volunteer efforts. After the first year I volunteered to be on a committee to organize, plan and track these outreach efforts, with particular interest in assisting smaller organizations.

After college I worked as an engineer for a small engineering contractor that mostly does work for the U.S. Postal Service. I gained a reputation for being an honest and earnest worker, willing to do whatever it took to get the job done right while being fully transparent. In 2021, I joined the NIST Center for Neutron Research where I work as an electronics engineer supporting the research reactor that services most of our nation's neutron research. I also volunteer some of my time with the Incentive Awards Program and the NIST mentoring program.

I purchased a house in GHI in 2022, settling down permanently here with my wife. I successfully ran for the GHI Board of Directors in the same year I moved in. I've worked to find consensus on difficult problems that face our housing cooperative, and I've championed the effort for alternative revenue streams for GHI. I am still on the board of directors for GHI, and intend to fulfill my commitment to GHI if elected to city council.



James Whipple

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Masquer-AID the Café Ball To Raise Funds for New Deal

by Mark Cheater

The New Deal Café, Greenbelt's award-winning music and arts venue and "community living room," is facing severe financial difficulties stemming from the Covid epidemic and its aftermath. To help keep the doors open and continue serving the community, the Café is launching a fundraising campaign with a goal of \$10,000.

The signature event of this campaign will be a gala at the Café on the evening of October 14: Masquer-AID the Café Ball. "We hope to capture the Halloween spirit, provide top-quality entertainment and raise money for our music program with a costume ball," says Katy Gaughan, co-chair of the event. "Get ready to don your favorite mask and dance the night away!"

The ball will be a ticketed event at \$50 per person, featuring music from two of the region's most popular bands, Just Stones and The Wild Anacostias. Guests will enjoy performances from these compelling and energetic bands while dining on an array of finger foods and desserts throughout the evening, culminating in a champagne toast at the end of the night.

The Café is seeking sponsors for the gala (who will receive tickets to the ball, limited-edition art prints and recognition on commemorative plaques). All proceeds from sponsorships and ticket sales will go directly to the Café's music and arts program. The Café is a member-owned, volunteer-managed, not-for-profit cooperative.

"Your support will enable us to continue providing award-winning musical programming that brings people together and strengthens community bonds," says Caitlin Gompf, the Café's music director and co-chair of the event. "If you love the New

Deal, if you love a masquerade or if you just love rockin' tunes, this is a night you simply can't miss!" she said.

For details on the Masquer-AID the Café Ball, including sponsorship levels and benefits as well as how to buy individual tickets, visit newdealcafe.com/cafeball. For questions or more information, email Gaughan (katy@katygaughan.com) or Gompf (music@newdealcafe.com).

City Notes

Street Maintenance began Labor Day clean-up and painted new parking lines on Ridge Road near the Police Station. Refuse/Recycling collected 27.40 tons of refuse and 11.09 tons of recycling material.

Museum Labor Day events included two walking tours and over 110 people visited on Sunday for house tours. The Retro Town Fair had approximately 45 entries, the most yet. The Museum won runner-up in the Parade's vehicle category. Following the Parade, 28 people came by for tours of the house.

The Community Center accommodated Greenbelt Concert Band, Golden Age Club, Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee, Greenbelt Community Orchestra, Public Safety Advisory Committee, Advisory Planning Board and the Greenbelt Assistance in Living program.

Therapeutic Recreation began finalizing plans to move the Senior Food and Friendship Program to five days per week beginning in October.



GreenCAPS Mosquito Tip: Dense Vegetation

Bad news for those of us who like to garden, and bad news for those who rather leave their gardens to look more natural. Mosquitoes love dense vegetation. Tall grass, dense overgrowth and even flowering vegetation are all attractive to them. Wind is one of the biggest enemies of mosquitoes, so even with the slightest breeze they will look for shelter like piles of branches, raked piles of leaves or grass clippings, overgrown bushes and grass that hasn't been mowed. Your compost pile looks very inviting to them, too. Even better for mosquitoes: These areas rarely dry out, and they make ideal breeding sites.

To combat mosquitoes, try to strike a balance between the natural look and mosquito prevention: Slightly thin out your most dense plants and shrubs, and clean up the piles of leaves and grass cuttings. Mow the lawn, and sprinkle some Mosquito Bits on your compost pile. Mosquito Bits won't harm your compost or your plants, but they will effectively and reliably kill mosquito larvae, even after repeat cycles of your compost going wet and dry.

Preventing mosquitoes is the safest, cheapest and most efficient way we have to mitigate mosquito populations. As a reward, you will be able to enjoy your yard again, with much less worry about mosquito bites. To learn more, to support our work, and/or to volunteer, email GreenCAPS – Greenbelt Citizens Avoiding Pesticides, at GreenbeltGreenCAPS@yahoo.com.

Senior Nutrition Program Luncheon

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

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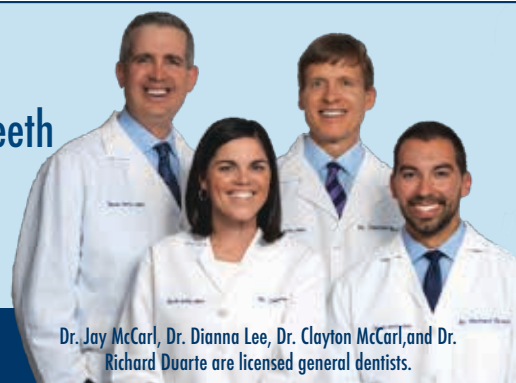
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next two weeks.” Until then, Reid said she has approval to hire a security guard to be on the premises. She also said she would observe the parking lot and request management install more lighting if necessary and ask the city to trim surrounding trees.

Reid is also working on getting a fire inspector out to renew the building’s extinguishers. “We are working with new diligence to rectify these problems,” said leasing agent Pace.

As to the pest control issue, Reid said she has contracted with a pest control company, and they will begin regular spraying and remediation on an ongoing cycle.

City to Inspect

Greenbelt Mayor Emmett Jordan, who also attended the meeting, said he’s had numerous complaints from residents about maintenance and security. “The city has stepped up enforcement efforts and is in the process of undertaking its annual inspection of the building,” he said. He is also working with the Maryland State Attorney General’s Division of Consumer Protection to see if they can assist residents.

Hoping for Change

Many tenants acknowledged that Reid and Pace seem to be serious about addressing the problems but remain skeptical that all the issues will be resolved. “The fact that [Reid] showed up is a sign things are heading in the right direction,” said tenant Robin Houston, who has been living in Charlestowne North since March 2020, but she’ll wait to see if



PHOTO BY GRACE BEUGHEL

Disgruntled residents of Charlestowne North attend the meeting.

promises are kept.

Four-month resident Malone noted that the new building owners have been very hands-off, citing a lack of cleanliness and issues with service. “I’d like to see more transparency from the owners and a more hands-on

approach to day-to-day building operations.”

While he is pleased his maintenance issues are beginning to be addressed, Khalid remains wary. “It’s easy to talk, but when it’s time to deliver, time will tell,” he said.

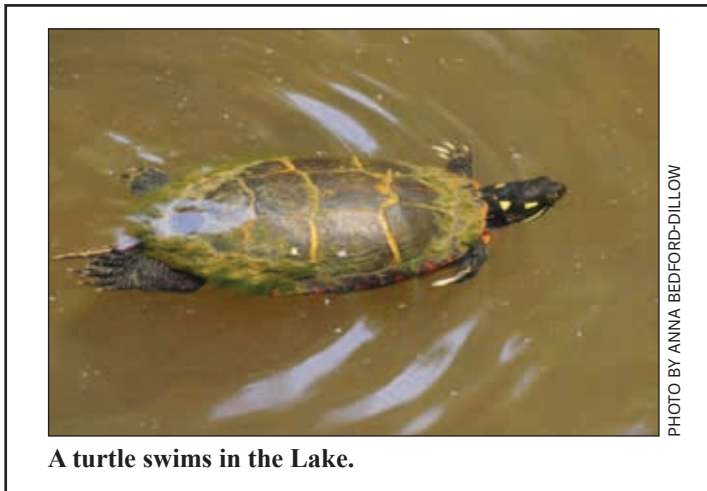


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A turtle swims in the Lake.

Greenbelt Cooling Stations

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention data show how hot days impact the health of people in the U.S., reporting that on average about 67,500 people visit an emergency department due to heat each year. The rate of those visits tends to grow alongside rising summer temperatures, yet those temperatures continued this month.

Amid last week’s unusually

high temperatures, the City of Greenbelt opened cooling centers around the city at the Greenbelt Police Department, Community Center, Youth Center and the Springhill Lake Recreation Center. The centers offered seating, restrooms and vending machines in several areas of both the youth and community centers, providing a welcome respite from the punishing weather.

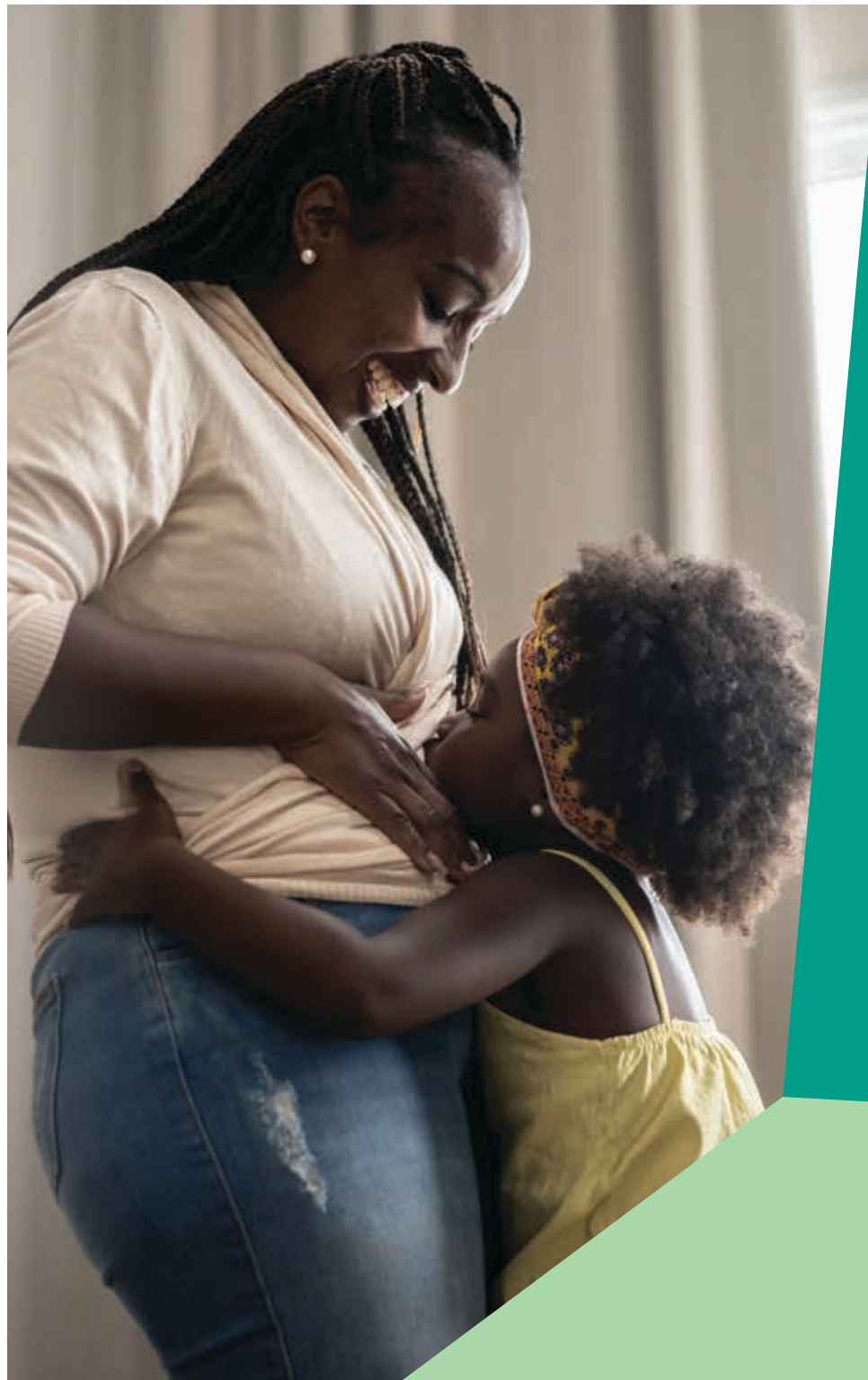


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Incidents reported here occurred September 4 to 10, 2023. Readers are encouraged to contact the police if they have information that may aid in an enquiry. Call the non-emergency number 301-474-7200 or email pd@greenbeltmd.gov. Times provided are when the incidents were reported.

Greenbelt Police Department reported one sexual assault, six domestic disputes and three mental health diversions.

Stabbing

On September 7 at 6:38 p.m. near 5700 Cherrywood Lane, a man was stabbed in his upper right arm. Officers applied a tourniquet above the wound, and the man was taken by ambulance to a local hospital for further medical treatment. A witness stated that the man had argued with another man who pulled out a knife and stabbed the victim before leaving the scene.

Animal Complaint

On September 9 at 11:52 p.m. near 400 Ridge Road, a man reported that when he went outside a neighbor's dog started to bark at him. He ran because he was scared of the dog but the dog ran behind him and bit him. The neighbor told him that they would pay his bills.

Assault

On September 8, a Roosevelt High School student reported that she was approached by another girl and her friends who attacked her as she attempted to get away. The incident was reported to school administration.

Break-ins

On September 4 at 3:53 a.m. near 7900 Belle Point Drive, officers responded to a commercial property alarm. The exterior door lock was broken, but they found no one inside. The store manager stated that the safe had been broken into and money was taken.

On September 9 at 10:33 a.m. near 9300 Edmonston Road, a residence window was broken with a glass cutter in an attempted break-in.

Disorderly

On September 7 at 11:10 a.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, a security officer witnessed a woman attempting to steal items and confronted her. An alleged brief physical interaction ensued between the two, and the woman was banned from the property.

On September 10 at 5:46 a.m. near 7200 Hanover Drive, a woman became irate and began arguing with an employee. She attempted to climb over the counter with a second suspect holding her back. She threw a sign at the employee, striking her. The employee retreated into the office as both suspects began to throw and

damage objects.

Suspicious Person

On September 5 at 5:33 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, a man stated that his daughter had been approached by a stranger asking her if she would like to play a game. The girl said no and ran away to find her father. A check of the area didn't find anyone fitting the description.

DUI Arrest

On September 8 at 2:01 a.m. near Greenbelt and Mandan Roads, an officer on patrol observed a sedan swerve and cross the painted lane divider twice before beginning to drive slower than the flow of traffic. When stopped, the driver was nervous, shaking and avoided eye contact, his speech was slurred, labored and mumbled, and his eyes were glassy, watery and bloodshot. The driver agreed to undergo standardized field sobriety testing, displayed multiple signs of impairment, and was arrested on suspicion of DUI.

Fraud

On September 7 at 1:59 p.m. near 7500 Greenway Center Drive, a business received a fraudulent check for \$2,800. The bank reported that the check had already been cashed in Pennsylvania the previous day.

Theft

On September 5 at 9:32 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, an electric scooter was stolen outside the gym. At 9:45 a.m. on Centerway, a man left his electric bike and satchel containing IDs, credit card and cash on a loading dock, and when he returned everything was gone. At 10:47 p.m. near 6900 Hanover Parkway, a cell phone was taken from an unattended stroller left outside. On September 6 at 8:04 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, commercial theft was reported.

Threats

On September 10 at 2:23 p.m. near 7500 Greenbelt Road, a terminated employee made threats to return and harm or shoot some of his former coworkers.

Trespassing

On September 9 at 11:24 a.m. near 160 Westway, officers issued a notice of trespass to a woman found in a vacant unit.

Vandalism

On September 4 near 12:09 p.m. near 105 Centerway, an outdoor table was damaged.

On September 10 at 3:32 near 9100 Springhill Lane, a woman shattered the window to a residence with a baseball bat, and then drove off. The vehicle's tag was provided, and officers identified the registered owner.

On September 10 at 6:50 p.m. near 9300 Edmonston Road, a window was damaged by BB gun bullet holes.

Vehicle Crimes Stolen Vehicles

Eight vehicles were stolen including five Hyundais and one Kia: September 5 near 9000 Breezewood Terrace, a silver 2012 Hyundai Elantra (Md. 5EV6528); September 6 near 100 Westway, a red 2009 Nissan 370z (Md. Dealer tag: 2A29269), and near 9300 Edmonston Road, a blue 2012 Hyundai Sonata, (Va. temporary tag: 32927Y); September 7 near 8 Laurel Hill Road, a gray 2009 Hyundai (Md. 04619CD); September 8 near 9100 Edmonston Road, a black 2017 Kia Sportage (Pa. LTG0070); and September 9 near 8000 Mandan Road, a Hyundai Sonata (Md. 3FA4252). On September 9 near 7500 Mandan Road, two vehicles were stolen from the same owner: a silver 2016 Hyundai Elantra (Md. 6FM4567) and a black 2013 Toyota Corolla (Md. 2DX7954).

Stolen Vehicle Involved in Crash

On September 10 at 3:15 a.m. near 6200 Breezewood Court, a silver 2014 Hyundai Sonata crashed into the tow hitch of a Ford pickup truck. The Hyundai's rear window and ignition were already damaged; the truck was undamaged. A witness saw the suspects flee in an unknown truck.

Attempted Theft of Vehicles

Several vehicles (including three Kias and three Hyundais) had damaged windows and ignition: on September 7, a 2020 Kia Soul near 100 Lastner Lane; a Kia Sorrento near 9100 Springhill Court (tools were reported stolen); a 2016 Hyundai Sonata near 9200 Springhill Lane; a 2021 Kia Sorrento near 200 Lakeside Drive; on September 8, a vehicle near 9100 Edmonston Terrace; and on September 10 near 5900 Cherrywood Lane, a gray Hyundai Elantra and a black 2018 Hyundai Elantra.

Stolen Vehicles Recovered

On September 9 a 2012 Hyundai Sonata was stolen near 9100 Edmonston Road and located via tracking device in New Carrollton with a damaged ignition.

On September 9 near 9160 Edmonston Road, a red 2013 Hyundai Elantra was stolen and located before owner knew and reported it.

On September 9 near Cherrywood Lane and Kenilworth Avenue, an unoccupied Hyundai Tucson with a damaged window and ignition was recovered prior to the victim reporting it as stolen.

Theft from Auto

Tags were stolen September 5 near 8000 Lakecrest Drive (rear tag Md. 2FH0314); near 120 Westway, tags stolen from two vehicles (Va. TNN9229 and Va. VYW6205); near 120 Lakeside Drive, Md. 65247CH; and on September 6 near 5700 Greenbelt Metro Drive, Md. KTB251.

Wheels were stolen from a 2018 Toyota Camry September 9 near 7200 Hanover Drive, and from a 2023 Honda Accord September 10 near 6400 Ivy Lane.

The catalytic converter was stolen from a 2020 Nissan NV

cargo van September 6 near 7400 Greenbelt Road.

On September 9 near 7400 Greenway Center Drive, the window of a rental truck (2023 Chevy Silverado) was broken, and a tool bag with various tools was stolen.

On September 10 near 9000 Breezewood Terrace, a 2019 Kia Forte had damaged windows and a backpack, suitcase, laptop and cash stolen.

On September 4 near 6400 Cherrywood Lane, cash was stolen from a vehicle with no signs of forced entry.

Vandalism to Auto


Windows were damaged on a 2017 Kia Optima on September 5 near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace; a 2012 Infiniti G37 September 6 near 6900 Hanover Parkway; a 2016 Hyundai Sonata September 7 near 5800 Cherrywood Terrace; and a 2014 Toyota RAV4 September 10 near 5800 Cherrywood Lane.

On September 4 near 6200 Breezewood Drive, a side mirror was damaged. On September 10 near 5900 Cherrywood Lane, a 2014 Hyundai Elantra had the driver-side door handle broken.



PHOTO BY ERIC RAUN

A Southern Leopard Frog visits a plot in the Henry's Hollow garden field on Hamilton Place.



PRELIMINARY AGENDA
Meeting of the GHI Board of Directors on
September 21, 2023

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

- a) Approval of Membership Applications
- b) Approve Minutes of the Special Meeting held on April 13, 2023
- c) Approve Minutes of the Open Meeting Held on July 6, 2023
- d) Committee Reports
- e) Companion Animal Committee Report
- f) New Website Update
- g) Strategic Plan Discussion for FY2024
- h) Motion to Hold a Closed Meeting on October 5, 2023

Members and visitors who wish to attend the Open meetings must register in advance via the following link:
https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAtcu6srTwvH9NVcuUO7UapG_xv449g-NGx

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

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What: Greenbelt's 2nd Electric Vehicle Event

Free Admission

When: Saturday, September 30, 10am-2pm

Where: Back Parking Lot at Beltway Plaza by Target

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*** If you are an EV owner, and would like to show your vehicle or talk to visitors, please email Steve Skolnik <Sdskolnik@gmail.com>**

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Greenbelters Travel



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Timothy Mitchell reads the News Review on the balcony of his rental home in the verdant hills of Kiogoro, Kisii, Western Kenya. He has been visiting old friends since mid-June in Kisii, Nairobi, and Mombasa.



PHOTO BY MONICA JERBI

Cole Titus, a 16-year-old Greenbelter who attends the Eleanor Roosevelt Sci-Tech Program, checks out the News Review in Fira on Santorini Island in Greece, during a recent cruise.



PHOTO BY COLE TITUS

Monica Jerbi reviews the News Review after visiting the Aedicule inside the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem.

Fine Receives Environmental Award for BARC Initiative

The Prince George's Sierra Club will present its 2023 Environmental Service Award to Maureen Fine for outstanding work nurturing local ecosystems. The award presentation will be part of a special community forum, Environmental Justice and You: Stormwater Management, on Saturday, October 7 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Mount Rainier Nature Center. All are welcome to attend this fall meeting to celebrate Fine's work and to join in the community discussion about nature-based solutions for stormwater problems. To register for the event and to learn more, visit sierraclub.org/maryland/prince-georges.

The award honors Maureen Fine for her Save BARC initiative, her work as a habitat advisor with the Prince George's Audubon Society's Wildlife Habitat Program and decades of local environmental activism.

Each year, the Prince George's Sierra Club presents an Environ-



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Environmental activist Maureen Fine

mental Service Award to a Prince George's County resident who has done outstanding work for the environment in the county. Past recipients have included diverse professionals, government officials, entrepreneurs and volunteers who have been recognized for their work in conservation, advocacy, education, legislation, environmental justice, climate action, waste diversion and more. To learn more about past recipients, visit the Sierra Club website at act.sierraclub.org.

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Water at ERHS

Water fountains at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) are also still shut off, a staff member confirmed on Tuesday. They were unable to comment on whether the school was receiving sufficient water from PGCPD and directed us to a full voicemail box.

"A few classrooms have sinks that you could use to fill your water bottle, but otherwise you have to leave class to fill it, or fill it between classes," said an 11th grader at the school. However, most, if not all classrooms have several cases of bottled water for students to take from if they want a disposable bottle, he reported. "I haven't seen any of my classes run out of bottled water this year, but last year, some classes didn't always have enough," he told the News Re-

view. Evan, a ninth grader at ERHS said all the water fountains were off but students could refill their water bottles using bottled water that was available in all the classrooms. "There is enough bottled water for everybody who needs it," he said.

Water at Greenbelt Middle: The building supervisor at Greenbelt Middle School had not been able to respond to questions from the News Review at time of press.



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Labor Day Festival Fun



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Proverbs Reggae band performs on the Festival Stage on Saturday.



PHOTO BY LINDA IVY

Donna Peterson won grand prize for her water pie in this year's Retro Town Fair. Water pie is a Depression-era recipe, used to create a pie out of very little. It calls for a few simple ingredients: a deep crust, a layer of water sprinkled with sugar and flour, then butter and vanilla.



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A family enjoys one of the carnival games.

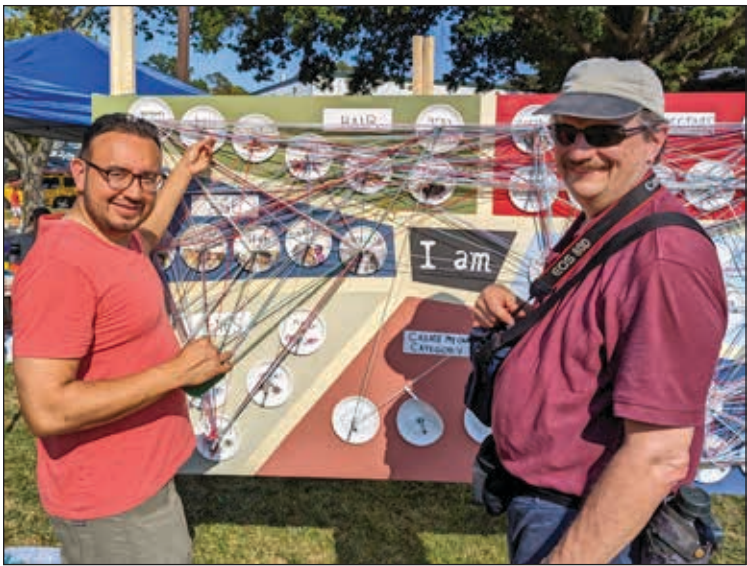


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New City Manager Josué Salmerón, left, participates in the community art project Who We Are: Making Connections on Sunday afternoon. The project was funded by an ARPA micro-grant. Also pictured is Festival committee member Jon Gardner, who designed the project.



PHOTO BY JON GARDNER

Eliana, age 11, shows her pet rats, Amour and Ife, at the pet show on Saturday.



PHOTO BY DANA TOMPKINS

Two-year-old Parker visits the Greenbelt Nursery School booth and creates some art on their easel during the Labor Day Festival.



PHOTO BY JEFFREY ALLEN JONES

We're ready. Let's go!



PHOTO BY SUNUNU BAH

Young art critics enjoy the craft show.



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The used book sale tent at the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival is bustling with browsers on Friday evening. The book sale benefits the Greenbelt Elementary School PTA.



PHOTO BY JEFF LEMIEUX

The Labor Day bike ride stops at Greenbelt Station.