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Carriers and Deliveries: Paper Versus Electronics

by Cathie Meetre

The carriers are the link between the newspaper and its recipients throughout the community. In all weathers, by themselves or with a parent, friend or sibling, the News Review carriers walk from one house or apartment building to the next and drop off papers. Not all our carriers are youngsters – indeed our oldest carrier, ‘Doc’ John Henry Jones, has eased himself past the 80th mile marker and is moving steadily toward 90. Perhaps his fine fettle is due to delivering the paper for so many years.

Many carriers are school-aged, from 10 years old and up. As they get older, they get friends to help them and often pass the route on to a neighbor student a bit younger than them as they go off to college. It’s not clear whether kids who are News Review carriers are just born with character or whether delivering the paper develops it – but many carriers have gone on to successful careers in a variety of areas of endeavor and a substantial number have returned to Greenbelt and now have children delivering the paper. It is entirely feasible that there are families living in town with three generations of carriers. Such families are encouraged to identify themselves to the paper.

Carrier Culture

Carriers are paid a small stipend for delivering the paper each week. At the end of the year the paper gives them tip envelopes to distribute which individuals on their route can use to send reward to the carrier. The carriers look forward to this all year. A measure of the carrier’s appreciation is shown in the thank you note pictured in this issue. This charming hand-drawn card was reproduced and hand-written in for each of Clara ‘Findley’ Holland’s re-

cipients on her North End route. It is never too late to send a tip to a carrier – contact circ@greenbeltnewsreview.com

Delivery

Delivering the paper has changed a bit over the years though the basic structure of pick up points throughout the city hasn’t changed. In the last year, the paper has been working on having a more structured approach to its routes. Carriers now have the traditional shoulder bags worn by their colleagues for generations. Because the USPS doesn’t permit deliveries into individual mailboxes, the carriers have to be inventive about deliveries, especially when it is wet or windy. The wet and windy problem hasn’t been entirely solved, but carriers are encouraged to use the plastic bags provided by the paper to deliver in wet or blowy weather. Recipients can help by creating a place to put the paper, for example a downward slanting waterproof tube with one closed end or a box near the mailbox or garden gate that clearly indicates to the carrier that it’s for the paper. Such a landing place spares the environment a plastic bag, stops the paper getting wet or dispersed and is quick and easy for the carrier. Notifying the carrier coordinator at circ@greenbeltnewsreview.com about a new box or tube allows the information to be passed to the carrier.

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What Goes On

Saturday, March 18

10 a.m. to noon, Free Compost Workshop, Public Works Facility

Monday, March 20

7 p.m., Council Worksession, Greenbelt Community Development Corporation, Greenbelt Road Corridor, Joint Session with Berwyn Heights and College Park, Municipal Building. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and 998, streaming at Greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv

Tuesday, March 21

6:30 p.m., Employee Relations Board, Municipal Building
7:30 p.m., Community Relations Advisory Board, Schrom Hills Park Meeting Room

Wednesday, March 22

1 to 3 p.m., Free Nursing Triage Appointments, Community Center

7:30 p.m., Council Worksession, Goddard Space Flight Center, Community Center

Thursday, March 23

7 p.m., Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Municipal Building

Council Honors Butler Family; City Co-sponsors Health Fair

by Kathleen Gallagher



PHOTO BY BEVERLY PALAU

Front row: Brian and Camille Butler receive a letter from Mayor Emmett Jordan (center), while Councilmembers Edward Putens, Leta Mach, Silke Pope, Judith Davis, Konrad Herling and Rodney Roberts look on.

At its March 13 meeting, the Greenbelt City Council presented a letter to Brian and Camille Butler, recognizing their work in raising awareness of sickle cell trait in the community and supporting the Journey to Health Fitness and Awareness Fair to be held Sunday, March 26 from 1 to 5 p.m. at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Presented by the Journey to Happiness Movement, Inc., the fair is co-sponsored by the City of Greenbelt and the ERHS basketball team. Admission is free.

The Journey to Health Movement (J2HM) was established by the Butlers in memory of their daughter, Journey Bessai Butler, who died in July of last year from renal medullary carcinoma, a rare cancer associated with the sickle cell trait. The mission of J2HM is to educate society about the health concerns associated with the sickle cell trait, many of which are unrecognized and unknown. Its goal is to ensure that people are aware of the risks of being a sickle cell trait car-

rier and to increase the numbers being screened for the trait, as well as educating those already diagnosed.

The Journey to Health Fitness and Awareness Fair will be hosted by WPGC’s Guy Lambert. On the entertainment side, it is family-friendly and includes music, games, raffles and performances by the Greenbelt City Stars, #TGP, hip-hop dancers and the ERHS cheerleaders.

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Roosevelt Students Test Water Biweekly in WISP Program

by Dylan Sinn

As the academic year inches toward a close and the weather gets warmer, some students inevitably get the urge to leave school and spend time outside.

One group of students at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) doesn’t have to wait until the summer to spend time outdoors during the week. They have been spending a part of class time outside all year.

The 28 members of the Watershed Integrated Study Program (WISP) leave school once every two weeks during their last period of the day and fan out to a variety of bodies of water from Laurel to Upper Marlboro to run chemical and physical tests. Four of the sites are in Greenbelt, including the stream above Greenbelt Lake, the stream below the Lake and two spots on Still Creek.

“I honestly think they really enjoy being outside,” said Alex Kinder, the WISP coordinator, during an interview in his classroom. “I think many of them don’t get that opportunity as much as they would like. At

the training [before the program started] I could tell a lot of them were excited to be there, excited to get their feet wet ... and get their hands dirty.”

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PHOTO BY AMY HANSEN

Peach tree blossoms are glazed by ice on March 14.

Letters to the Editor

Memories of Mr. O

We moved to Greenbelt in 1957 and lived in a modest house on 131 Northway. My parents, J. Paul Smith, Jr. (Fort Worth, Texas) and Mary Stockdale Battye (Huddersfield, England), were married in 1945. There were four children: Elizabeth, Jay [Judson], Robert and Kathy. We all went to North End Elementary School and Greenbelt Jr. High School. Joseph O'Loughlin, Mr. O, was my fifth and sixth grade teacher.

All of my male classmates at North End Elementary School had absent fathers. As young boys we were really looking for someone to look up to and to be our guide to the future. Mr. O was a wonderful role model for this very impressionable group of boys and he really got us interested in achieving in school and enjoying sports.

Greenbelt was the most sports-centered small town on the planet earth at that time. There was swimming at the Greenbelt pool (pick up trash for an hour and Mr. O would give you a 10 cent ticket to swim all day), pick-up football games at Braden Field (Mr. O would frequently participate), pick-up basketball games at the youth center, roller skating at the youth center, ping-pong at the youth center (George Moraz was # 1), Little League baseball, Little League football, track and field at Braden Field, discuss throwing in the field behind our home on Northway (Marvin Chaney and I), the Greenbelt 9-mile "marathon" (Mr. O always was a participant), etc.

So Mr. O was the surrogate dad to many elementary school kids at North End (Lee Dorsey, Jim Bergman, Mat Emanuel, Jay Coleman, Ronnie Rowe, Ronnie Newark, Andy Rimar, Tom Hoffman, Tommy Sharp, Kibby Moore, etc.). I do not think Mr. O had any real idea of the profound impact he had on us at that time. His basic philosophy was the golden rule. He was not preachy or stiff. He in many ways was just a "big kid" who happened to be a teacher.

I will always remember Mr. O and in many ways he made us what we are today. He gave us encouragement, self-confidence, a good moral compass. He treated us fairly and with compassion.

He knew that our biologic dads were not participating in our growing up and he filled the gap so well. I have not encountered anyone quite like Mr. O since; he was one of a kind. I will always remember his warm smile and that box of Milk Duds that he kept in the bottom drawer of his desk.

Judson Smith

Kid's Club

Kid's Club started in 2002 and was purchased in 2004 by Cherylann Stegmeier. Kid's Club offered a wonderful child care experience for two of my grandchildren and for me it is a Greenbelt treasure. Upon first meeting Ms. Cheryl, one can be distracted by her heavy West Virginia accent. Do not be fooled. She is one of the most innovative and creative child care teachers I have ever met, and she is passionate about helping children learn.

Enrollment begins at age 2. Kid's Club uses the Mother Goose curriculum that emphasizes repetitive activities and hands on experiential learning activities. That certainly has been my experience with my grandchildren. They entered school excited about learning and were disciplined and socialized enough to be able to concentrate on participating in classroom activities and yes, they have been at the top of their classes academically.

Ms. Cheryl states that her goal is to help create leaders who are solution oriented and critical thinkers. That is why Kid's Club has a total learning environment from the music used to the activities children engage in each day. Children interact and communicate with one another and the focus on collaboration and team work tends to strengthen socialization skills.

In addition, children engage in science and environmental activities such as water pollution and cleanup. They also learn about bugs and insects and how they live and what they eat.

For parents who need to leave for work, Kid's Club does place children on school buses and meets them in the afternoon from Greenbelt Elementary School.

Tuition is one of the lowest in this area and Kid's Club works with parents to make childcare

affordable. Half and full days are available. Kid's Club also accepts Purchase of Care (POC) from Prince George's County.

Call 301-345-5758 for more information about this treasure in Greenbelt.

Lois Rosado

Worth Recognition

I would like to personally thank and commend Greenbelt Middle School Student Government Association; Eleanor Roosevelt High School Student Government Association members Sarah Leonard, Megan Leonard, Kristen Ukeomah and Chidinma Ezinne; and Eleanor Roosevelt High School newspaper members Nancy Vu and Nora Stewart.

On February 23, at the Board of Education these students raised awareness, organized and effectively advocated to ensure that Prince George's County Public Schools continued to pay for the cost of Advanced Placement testing for all students on Free and Reduced Lunch in our county.

Thanks to their advocacy, the board of education voted to allocate \$500,000 to cover the cost of Advanced Placement exam testing for all students on Free and Reduced Lunch.

They are truly an example of what it means to be "Great By Choice."

This accomplishment is well worth recognition and applause because without their advocacy the decision made by PGCPSS School Board would not have been made.

Juwan Blocker
Student Board Member
PGCPSS

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Mar 17 - Mar 23

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Sat. 2:30, 5:15 PM
Sun. 2:30 PM, 5:15 PM
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Thurs. 5:15 PM

THE SALESMAN
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- Jim Link



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On Screen

Race Relations in the 60's and Iranian Lomans

Two new Oscar-nominated movies come to Old Greenbelt Theatre this Friday, March 17: I Am Not Your Negro and The Salesman.

I Am Not Your Negro

I Am Not Your Negro is a searing glimpse into race relations in America from the 1960's to now, as seen by the formidable James Baldwin - novelist, essayist, playwright, poet and prophet. Baldwin's trenchancy, humor, scorn, erudition, irony and elegance are all on display with the help of Samuel Jackson's voice over.

Directed by Haiti-born Raoul Peck, one critic calls I Am Not Your Negro "unmissable and unforgettable."

Running time 1 hour, 33 minutes

Rating PG 13

The Salesman

The Salesman explores the tensions in the marriage of Emad (Shahab Hossieni) and Rana (Taraneh Alidoosti), two Iranian actors playing the parts of Willy and Linda Loman in Arthur Miller's Death of a Salesman. After Rana is attacked and injured in her shower by a mysterious intruder, Emad plays detective and seeks revenge.

Like director Asghar Farhadi's celebrated The Separation, The Salesman probes the fissures in a middle class marriage, the atavistic instincts which thrive even in very cultured citizens, and the hobbled lives of those living in a repressive theocracy.

Running time 1 hour, 35 minutes

Rating PG 13

Community Events

Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

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

All meals include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of March 20 are as follows:

Monday, March 20: grape juice, grilled beef strips with gravy, whipped potatoes, kale, wheat bread, sliced peaches.

Tuesday, March 21: apple juice, garlic rosemary chicken, cut yams, broccoli, wheat roll, diced pears.

Wednesday, March 22: orange juice, diced baked potatoes, diced chicken and shredded cheese, mixed green salad with Thousand Island dressing, fresh fruit.

Thursday, March 23: grape juice, baked chicken with Creole sauce, lima beans, sliced carrots, cornbread muffins, tropical fruit.

Friday, March 24: cranberry juice, vegetarian chili, scalloped potatoes, green beans, wheat roll, fresh fruit.

Hello, Rising Stars

There will be a kids' open mic at the New Deal Café this Sunday, March 19 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. The kids' open mic takes place on the third Sunday of every month. Those aged 17 and under are invited to play a musical instrument, sing, dance, recite a poem or otherwise perform.

This is not a talent show but an opportunity for kids to showcase and practice their skills in an informal family-friendly atmosphere. Walk-ins are welcome.

Contact Becky at bbholober@comcast.net for any questions.

Writers Group Meets Friday, March 24

The Greenbelt Writers Group will hold its first meeting of the year on Friday, March 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center. All writers are invited to attend and participate in setting plans for the year, including ideas for an anthology and for reinstating critiques. Open readings will be held. Input is needed. Current and new members are invited. Contact Mary Moien at 301-474-4713 for more information.

Maker Space

Thursday, March 16, Coding Club from 7 to 8 p.m.

Friday, March 17, Open Projects

Saturday, March 18, More Open Projects

Sunday, March 19, Quilting 101 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Animation Meetup from 2 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, March 21, Chess Club (for all ages) from 7 to 9 p.m.

Wednesday, March 22, Fiber Fans from 6 to 9 p.m.

Save the dates:

Maker Festival: Saturday, April 15

Next Repair Cafe: Saturday, April 22

Sign up for Spring Break and Summer Camps on the website (make125.org).

GIVES Meets March 18

The quarterly meeting of GIVES (Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service) will take place on Saturday, March 18, at 10 a.m. in the Community Center.

Interested in learning about GIVES? Coming to a meeting is a good way to learn about this organization which, for over 20 years, has been helping the people of Greenbelt help each other. When someone needs a ride to an appointment, help at home or just friendly reassurance, a GIVES member is there to help another member.

Come to the quarterly meeting and get to know the friendly people who do what they can to help carry on the Greenbelt tradition of "neighbor helping neighbor." For further information, call Jean Cook at 301-345-2597.

Faculty/Student Basketball at GMS

The Greenbelt Middle School PTA is sponsoring a faculty vs. student basketball game on Friday, March 17 from 4 to 6:15 p.m. There will also be free-throw contests and raffles, plus a not-to-be-missed halftime show.

Tickets are being sold to students during all lunches through March 17 and at the door. Snacks and drinks will be sold at the game.

Students are reminded to keep their tickets; those who lose their tickets will be required to purchase another at the door.

Doors open at 4 p.m.

Volksmarchers Walk Greenbelt

On Saturday, March 18 the Great Greenbelt Volksmarchers, in celebration of their 30th and Greenbelt's 80th anniversary, will hold Walk Greenbelt as Designed 80 Years Ago and Greenbelt Now. There will be options for 5K and 10K walks, difficulty level rated 2B.

The walks will begin in front of the Youth Center. Walkers must start between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. and finish by 4 p.m. Two loops, each 5K, will feature Old Greenbelt and its garden paths or newer areas with their garden paths and the lake. Both trails are on sidewalks with natural surfaces with small hills, presenting some difficulty for strollers and wheelchairs.

The walks are free; there are fees for new walker packets, International Volksmarch credit and event books.

For more information, call Yvonne Pennington at 301-431-6668, GreenbeltMVA@gmail.com, or visit ava.org or mdvolks.org.

GHI Notes

Thursday, March 16, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room

Tuesday, March 21, 8:30 a.m., Yardlines Committee Meeting, Board Room

Tuesday, March 21, 7 p.m., Pre-purchase Orientation, Board Room

Tuesday, March 21, 7:30 p.m., Companion Animal Committee Meeting, GHI Lobby

Tuesday, March 21, 7:30 p.m., Task Force of Solar for Administration Building, GHI Office

Wednesday, March 22, 7 p.m., Buildings Committee Meeting, Board Room

Thursday, March 23, 6:30 p.m., Investment Committee Meeting, Board Room

Thursday, March 23, 7:30 p.m., Finance Committee Meeting, Board Room

Friday, March 24, Office closed. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011.

Compost Workshop At Public Works

Learn how to compost on Saturday, March 18 from 10 a.m. to noon at Greenbelt Public Works, 555 Crescent Road. Compost bins available for sale only to Greenbelt residents while supplies last. RSVP to ejosephitis@greenbelt-md.gov or 240-542-2168. Free.

At Reel and Meal, Equal Means Equal

The Reel and Meal will feature Equal Means Equal on March 20 at the New Deal Café. Chefs Jeremy Ehrenreich and Lisa Voith will offer a delicious optional vegan meal (for a fee) at 6:30 p.m., followed by the free screening beginning at 7 p.m.

Equal Means Equal is an unflinching look at how women are treated in the United States today. By following both real life stories and precedent setting legal cases, director Kamala Lopez discovers how outdated and discriminatory attitudes inform and influence seemingly disparate issues, from workplace matters to domestic violence, rape and sexual assault to the foster care system, the healthcare system and the legal system. Along the way, she reveals the inadequacy of present laws in place that claim to protect women, ultimately presenting a compelling and persuasive argument for the urgency of ratifying the Equal Rights Amendment.

Local leader Aileen Kroll will facilitate this timely discussion. Kroll, whose background is in grassroots social work, civil rights law and legislative advocacy, has been a feminist and supporter of the ERA since her teenage years. She is also director of The Center for Dynamic Community Governance. Julie McVey, graduate student at the University of Maryland Women's Studies program, will enhance the discussion through her focus on gender, labor history and women in social movements throughout the twentieth century.

Reel and Meal is a monthly dinner and documentary series sponsored by three organizations: Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group, Prince George's County Peace and Justice Coalition, and Green Vegan Networking. For more information, contact Susan Barnett at susnbarn@earthlink.net.

Star Party Will View Supernova Remnants

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party, open to the public, on Saturday evening, March 18 at the observatory located at Northway fields.

Attendees may observe Mars and the Orion Nebula, and Jupiter late in the evening. The featured object is the Crab Nebula, the remnants of a supernova explosion bright enough to be seen in daylight for weeks in the year 1054 A.D. and the pulsar at its center and other interesting features. Also observe a few of the many observable galaxies in the constellations Leo, Virgo and Coma Berenices. As always, visitors are welcome to set up their own telescopes on the hill. The Moon will not be up, so it will be dark.

Observing will begin at around 8:30 p.m. and continue for about two hours. There is no fee for the event. Attendees are asked to park in the ballfield lot, not up on the hill, unless bringing a telescope. The star party will be canceled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy.

Order Rain Barrels Before March 19

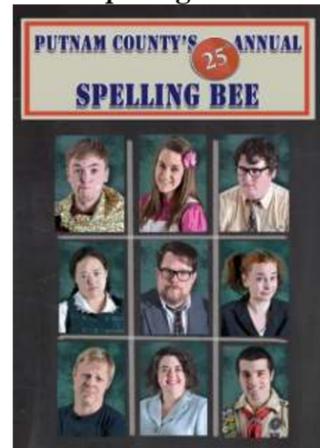
Rain barrels can help improve water quality and possibly save money. The City of Greenbelt, in partnership with Prince George's County Department of Environment and Plumbers and Gasfitters UA Local 5, is offering discounted 50-gallon rain barrels for a limited time. To learn more contact Erin Josephitis at ejosephitis@greenbeltmd.gov or order at rainbarrelprogram.org/Greenbelt. GHI owners should be aware that rain barrels have not yet been approved for GHI. Consult with GHI Technical Services before purchase.

The last opportunity to order is March 18. An installation demo and rain barrel pickup is scheduled for Saturday, April 1 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Plumbers and Gasfitters Training Facility at 5000 Forbes Blvd. in Lanham where you can see a rain barrel installed and apply for a rain check rebate.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

Greenbelt Arts Center DON'T MISS

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee



March 17, 18, 24, 25 at 8PM
March 19 at 2PM

Ticket prices: \$25 General Admission, \$22 Students/Seniors/Military, \$14 Youth (12 and under with adult)

COMING SOON

Tribute - Apr 21 - May 13 - Directed by Gayle Negri
She Speaks - June 2 - 18 - Guest Production from the Rude Mechanicals

For information & reservations, call 301-441-8770 or email: info@greenbeltartscenter.org or BOOK TICKETS ONLINE at www.greenbeltartscenter.org



Make • Create • Craft Build • Play

Explore more than 50 exhibits and activities that celebrate the Maker Movement. Meet artists who use 3D printers, scientists who develop aquaculture farms, crafters who make their own felt, homeowners who recycle materials into useful tools, and robot engineers with lots of robots! This is a **FREE** event.

Saturday - April 15, 2017 - 10am - 4pm
Roosevelt Center - Greenbelt MD

Face Painting
Balloons • Slime
Fort Building
Robotics • LEGO

What do you MAKE? Join the Maker Festival as a participant! We also have **free** space reserved for last minute "show and tell" projects. For info, see:

make125.org/festival

Police Blotter

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

Burglary

March 3, 6:56 p.m. 6300 block Golden Triangle Drive. A watch, cologne and an iPad were taken from a hotel room at the Courtyard Marriott.

Assault

March 7, 5 p.m. 6300 block Golden Triangle Drive. Officers responded to two people fighting inside the lobby of the Courtyard Marriott. A 58-year-old woman of no fixed address was arrested and charged with second degree assault, disorderly conduct and trespass. She was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

March 4, 6:38 p.m. 9200 block Springhill Lane. A woman saw a man urinate in public. She verbally confronted him he spit on her and fled in what's described as a white Mercedes Benz sedan. He is described as black, 5'9" tall, 150 pounds, a thin build, wearing a grey sweat suit and white Jordan brand sneakers.

DWI/DUI

March 4, 1:36 a.m. Greenbelt Road and Southway. A 21-year-old resident was arrested and charged with driving while impaired by alcohol and other traffic related charges by officers who were investigating a nearby traffic accident. The man was released on citations pending trial.

Robbery

March 1, 4:50 p.m. 6100 block Springhill Terrace. A man walking along a footpath was approached by three men; one punched him causing him to fall to the ground. His cell phone was taken and the men left. They are described as black males, between 16 to 18 years old, around 5'10" tall. There was a delay in reporting the incident but no reason given.

Indecent Exposure

March 4, 3:20 p.m. 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace. A woman was walking to a residence when suddenly a man turned to face her and exposed himself to her, threatened her then walked away. He is described as Hispanic, 5'7" tall, curly hair, wearing a red, white and black jacket, black pants, blue sandals and a black backpack with a large Nike emblem.

Automotive Crime

A man walking to his car at 6100 Breezewood Court found an intruder inside his unsecured vehicle. The man took money and a pair of sunglasses and fled. He is described as Hispanic, curly black hair, wearing a red and white jacket.

There were several thefts from vehicles reported. In 6900 block Hanover Parkway, an in-dash radio was taken out of a vehicle when its driver's side window was broken and another vehicle was broken into but nothing taken. A computer carry bag was removed from a car in 6600 block Lake Park Drive as its driver's side window was broken. A handicap placard was stolen from a vehicle in 7600 block Mandan Road that was broken into by the driver's side window. In 6200 block Springhill Court, a front license plate was stolen, and someone rummaged through a vehicle but nothing was taken in 8100 block Mandan Terrace.

In 1 Court Hillside, a liquid that appeared to be lighter fluid was poured inside a vehicle.

A 2008 BMW motorcycle was recovered by the police department in 9100 block Edmonston Court. A 2000 Honda Civic that was reported stolen on February 20 was recovered by police in the 1900 block Palmer Road, Fort Washington.

The Department is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a suspect in any of the unsolved crimes reported in the blotter.

Call 1-866-411-TIPS.

People may anonymously report suspected drug activity by calling the Drug Tip Line at 240-542-2145.



Looking for the church page or an obituary? Check on page 8 this week only.



Letters Continued

Co-op ATM Gone

The sudden removal without notice of the ATM machine in the Co-op grocery store is a kick in the teeth to us loyal Bank of America customers.

Our loyalty dates to the establishment of the Bank of America branch in the late eighties after the tribulations of the savings and loan crisis and the bank consolidations that impacted so many Maryland banking institutions. The bank's ATM was installed in the Co-op as a concession to its customers when the bank

chose to close its branch that was where, most recently, Curves was located.

If the bank's decision to abandon us is indeed associated with the failure of the Greenbelt Police to protect our town center during these recent brazen ATM machine thefts, this should be a huge embarrassment to us all. Have things gotten so unsafe in our town that the most basic service providers feel compelled to abandon us? We pay some of the highest property tax rates in the state for this kind of protection?

Francis Mihalovic

Homeschoolers Learn First Aid at GAFC

by Li'l Dan Celdran



Students practice applying direct pressure to control bleeding.

Greenbelt Homeschoolers learned about basic first aid on Thursday, March 9 at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center. Students practiced how to apply a splint, control bleeding and iden-

tify a choking victim and learned what items belong in a first aid kit (for their home or car).

Thanks to GAFC for sponsoring this lesson.

MakerSpace Becomes Co-op, Asks, "What Do You Want?"

by Jane Ulrich

Greenbelt MakerSpace has large windows filled with kirigami snowflakes, origami butterflies, computers, legos, yarn and many other tools. Often pedestrians can be seen peering through the windows with a curious look on their faces. This is the MakerSpace and it's a non-profit, it's open to the public and is now a "certified" cooperative.

Around the outside corner there is a Little Free Library with free books. The space out front has tables and chairs so activities can move outside when the weather is nice. Inside to the left is the crafting area. There is a large table for sewing, several sewing machines, a wall of craft supplies and a cutting board. To the right is a mini-classroom with 20 laptops, tables, chairs, a presentation wall and charging cables. In the back is a small kitchen sometimes used for the fermentation meet-up and a woodshop with tools, table saws, routers, paint, etc.

The MakerSpace is looking for local talent. They are putting together a maker festival and want to show off local artists or scientists and various projects. There will be approximately 75 booths that need to be filled. Jennifer Page, MakerSpace president, asks that interested individuals stop by this week and discuss their ideas with some of the members. She is also looking for individuals willing to teach the community arts, computers and other topics.

Often discussions are overheard in the MakerSpace stating, "I have this idea," and someone else replies, "Sure, let me help you." For the last four years the MakerSpace has offered classes and workshops on fermentation, community building, animation, soldering, microcomputing, arduino and knitting. They also host spring and summer camps for children.

MakerSpace was founded by Eva Fallon and George Boyce in 2012. Both Fallon and Boyce have tried several times to step down. Now they are handing the torch to Page. "I am really excited to see the new Cooperative MakerSpace being embraced by the community. We have had a nice show of support," Page exclaimed. In the past month the co-op has gathered 80 paying members, adopted bylaws, elected a board of directors and has begun to plan a membership week.

The new board members are hoping to increase community involvement and volunteerism. "We have the tools, and now the question is what to do with what we have," said Page. "The co-op is in the process of engineering a dynamic display made up of old computer monitors set in the window to show people what we offer to the community and display the website that shows a glimmer of what the MakerSpace is."

Brett Fishburne is the new vice-president of the cooperative. "Going forward it's important



PHOTO BY KATHRYN BEARD

Great Blue Heron perched on log at the forebay

Have You Seen This Bird?

I would like to ask readers, has anyone seen this heron lately? I don't get to the lake as often now since I am working, but I have seen this particular heron January 13, 31, February 2 and 6. I thought this heron had chosen the new forebay area as its home, but the next two days I went to the lake, a goose sat where the heron had been. The heron hasn't been back; seagulls, geese and a few ducks are on the lake.

A passerby on one of my walks stated there is a fox den near the new forebay area. I wonder, has the heron been eaten or driven away by other birds? An inquiring mind wants to know.

Kathryn Beard

Editor's Note: Great Blue Herons nest early, so the local heron likely moved to its nest site.

to discover what the community wants us to offer," he said. "Would they enjoy being able to borrow from a tool library? Would they like small engine repair workshops or bike repair workshops? Would they like more offerings from the wood shop?"

The week of April 8 to 14 will be a membership drive where the community can sample what the MakerSpace offers. There will be an animation meet-up, craft demonstrations, political lectures, games, a fermenters club meeting, a knitting/yarn creators group, introductions to lego league, minecraft and more.

Denna Lambert, a frequent visitor, said, "The MakerSpace provides a centralized space and a sense of community. If you don't live in the co-op, you may not feel like you are part of Greenbelt. The beauty of the MakerSpace is that it makes space for everyone. The people make the space. It's free form, not a preformed institution. We can make a container as opposed to being a box that we need to be limited by." Lambert likes it because it's so laid back.

Other makerspaces often charge fees ranging from \$12 to \$100 per month. The new model for the Greenbelt MakerSpace is an extremely low yearly membership fee. Join in person or online or try some of the free activities during the week of April 8. For more information stop by or visit the website make125.org.



Condolences to the family and friends of longtime Greenbelt resident Tom McArdle, who died on March 9, 2017.

Condolences to the family and friends of former Greenbelt resident Laurence Fitzgerald III, who died on March 9, 2017.

Condolences to the family and friends of former Greenbelt resident Elbert S. Morris, 66, of Powhatan, Va., who died on March 6, 2017. He is survived by sons David Morris of Greenbelt and Eric Morris of Beltsville; brother, Wythe Morris Jr. (Sharon) of Wytheville, Va.; sister, Becky Crawford (Joe) of Barren Springs, Va.; and partner, Dawn Bean of Powhatan, Va.

Please share your news for the next Our Neighbors column by sending complete details on your news to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com.

City Notes

Public Works staff supervised renovations at Braden Baseball Field #1 and ordered new sod for the outfield and ballfield mix for infield.

Street Maintenance/Special Details crew prepared and hauled mulch from the Northway Fields compost site to Braden Field for work on leveling the ballfields.

Refuse/Recycling/Sustainability crew cleaned up and hauled away illegally dumped construction waste at Northway Fields.

Horticulture/Parks crew assisted other crews on correcting the elevation in the outfield on Braden Field.

Therapeutic Recreation: Thirty-three seniors went on a History Mystery trip. The mystery stops were the National Civil War Museum in Harrisburg, Pa., and the National Fire Museum of Pennsylvania.

Support GES Through Click for Kids

The Greenbelt Elementary School teachers encourage the entire Greenbelt community to support GES through WTOP's Click for Kids fundraising. This is an opportunity for the school to win funds ranging from \$5,000 to \$15,000. Three schools win based simply on the number of votes received during the voting period. Voting continues through Friday, March 17 at 5 p.m. Voting takes place using the following link: wtop.com/contests/2017-click-for-kids-voting/

There are a few rules. People can vote once each day but can only vote from one email address. If anyone creates or uses multiple email addresses to vote, those will be disqualified and the school is at risk of being disqualified. Please register only one email address and use that each day to vote. Anyone over the age of 13 can vote.

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City Information

MEETINGS FOR WEEK OF MARCH 20-25

Monday, March 20 at 7:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION** re: GCDC Greenbelt Road Corridor-Joint Session with Berywn Heights & College Park at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and 998, and Streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv

Tuesday, March 21 at 6:30pm, **EMPLOYEE RELATIONS BOARD** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *On the agenda: Review of hearing procedures and Other business.*

Tuesday, March 21 at 7:30pm, **COMMUNITY RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD (CRAB)** at Schrom Hills Park, 6915 Hanover Parkway-Meeting Room. *On the Agenda: Approval of Minutes, Lower voting age referral, Plan next Police/community relations forum. This agenda is subject to change.*

Wednesday, March 22 at 7:30pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION w/NASA/GSFC** at the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

Thursday, March 23 at 7:00pm, **FOREST PRESERVE ADVISORY BOARD** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *On the agenda: Discussion on AMT Forest Preserve Health Assessment – Goals and Recommendations – Section 12 (Forest Health), Policy Statement, Section 1 (Introduction), Section 5 (Invasive Species), and more, time permitting.*

Detailed agendas are posted on the calendar at www.greenbeltmd.gov. This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.

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

SENIOR MOBILITY SURVEY

Attention Greenbelt Residents 50 years or older, your input is needed!

Share your insights about transportation for Greenbelt residents by completing the **Greenbelt Senior Mobility Survey**. This online survey, at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GreenbeltSeniorSurvey>, is part of a study that will help seniors and residents with disabilities live longer in their homes by removing barriers to mobility and improving transportation options.

Paper versions of the survey are available at the Greenbelt Community Center, on Connection Bus, and at GAIL office.

Please complete this survey by March 31, 2017. Paper surveys can be returned to SURVEY, GAIL Program, Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Rd, Greenbelt, MD 20770. Info: Christal Batey 240-542-2012 or cbatey@greenbeltmd.gov.

CONTRA DANCE

SATURDAY, APRIL 1

7-9:45pm, Beginner Lesson at 6:30pm
 Greenbelt Community Center Gym
 15 Crescent Road

\$10 cash at door; \$5 for ages 7-17; Free for 6 & under
 Come out to this fun event with Parry Shafran calling to the music of Organic Family (Jacob Raitzk (fiddle/foot percussion), Rebekah Geller (fiddle) and Michael Raitzyk (guitar) and Judith Geller (French Horn))

Free Nursing Triage Appointments

Wednesday, March 22, 2017 from 1-3:00 pm
 Greenbelt Community Ctr., 15 Crescent Road, Rm 103
 Pick and Choose from the list below. But you must schedule an appointment: Blood Pressure Screening, Body Mass Index Review, Heart and Lung Check, Weight, Mental Health Screening Activity of Daily Living Assessment, Brief Cognitive Assessment

For more details please call Katherine Farzin at 240-542-2033

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Call Katherine Farzon, GAIL Public Health Intern to register at 240-542-2033 or kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov

Less is More

Support Group Now Forming

Many people become overwhelmed with the tasks of sorting, reorganizing and uncluttering. Is it very difficult for you or someone you care about to part with "stuff" even if it seems to be of no value, duplication and gets in the way of his or her daily living or may even be dangerous? A lot of the Greenbelt homes have very little storage space. This group will help member develop strategies and identify resource for maintaining a safe, livable environment. Please call Tom Patota at the City of Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program - 301 345-6660 for more information.

FREE COMPOST WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, MARCH 18 from
 10AM-12noon

Public Works-555 Crescent Road
 Come to this free workshop and learn how to compost. Compost bins from N.I.E. Institute will be available for purchase for \$30.

RSVP to erjosephitis@greenbeltmd.gov
 Compost bins available to Greenbelt residents while supplies last.



SPRING GED COURSES

Monday, Wednesday Course at Springhill Lake Clubhouse at 6101 Cherrywood Lane from April 3 to June 7th from 10am-12pm

Monday, Wednesday Course at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Rode from April 3-June 7 from 1pm-3pm

Registration is on the first day of class. Must be at least 16 and have withdrawn from school. FREE to Greenbelt residents with proof of residency. Non-Residents must pay \$175 for registration. All students are required to purchase GED textbook, calculator and test-taking materials from CARES for \$45.

Questions: Judy Hering 301-345-6660 or jhering@greenbeltmd.gov

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SADD Students Promote Awareness of Bullying

by Ekaete Ekpo



PHOTO COURTESY ERHS SADD

From left, Oluwaseyi Ajaji, Taylor Avent, Maya Whaley, Joanne Read (director of ERHS SADD), Jeremy Nadasa-Reynolds, and Rolando Pined

Students in Eleanor Roosevelt High School's SADD Chapter (Students Against Destructive Decisions) have been taking strides to keep their peers informed and vigilant about how they live their lives.

On February 16, SADD members hosted a special event that promoted awareness of pressing issues in today's society. At the SADD Shines Day Luau, members dressed in tropical attire; distributed leis, candy and colorful bracelets; and performed a fun, festive hula.

They also handed out pamphlets focusing on a dynamic trifecta of important causes: teen dating violence awareness, anti-bullying and suicide prevention. During various lunch periods,

SADD members reached out to other students and encouraged them to sign anti-bullying and anti-cyber bullying pledges.

The event was full of energy and insight, and many students learned about the dangers that face them and how to handle them responsibly and effectively. ERHS's SADD Chapter continues to diligently spread the word about destructive decisions and how to avoid them. Keep an eye out for their activism. Follow them for frequent updates: Twitter: @_erhsadd; Facebook: ERHS SADD.

Ekaete Ekpo, a student of Eleanor Roosevelt High School, is the publicity director of the ERHS SADD Chapter.

Poetry Open Mic And Fond Memories

On Saturday, March 18, from 1 to 3 p.m., the New Deal Café will celebrate the 6th anniversary of its monthly poetry open mic event. People are welcome to read their own poems, someone else's poems or just come listen. As part of the event, friends will remember the poetry and music of Anne Sucher. A fixture at the New Deal Café and in the Greenbelt poetry scene, Sucher was the editor-in-chief of the Iguana Review, a Greenbelt poetry journal. There will be readings of some of her poetry as well as acoustic performances of her songs.



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On the health education side, staff from Howard University Hospital's Center for Sickle Cell Disease will provide free screenings for sickle cell trait. A number of support and education organizations will also participate, including R.M.C. Support, which raises awareness of renal medullary carcinoma; the Maryland Sickle Cell Disease Association; Cimone and Friends, which provides support for families of children with sickle cell anemia.

Brian Butler is coordinator at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center. He and Camille also worked together on an award-winning mentoring program for the Greenbelt Recreation Department that was designed to provide safe, positive outlets, build friendships, establish self-esteem and create a strong sense of community for young people aged 8 to 16 in the Springhill Lake neighborhood. This program was honored in 2005 with the annual Innovative Program Award from the Maryland Recreation and Parks Association.

For more information about J2HM and the March 26 fair, visit facebook.com/journeytohapinessmovement.

Winterberries Coated in Ice

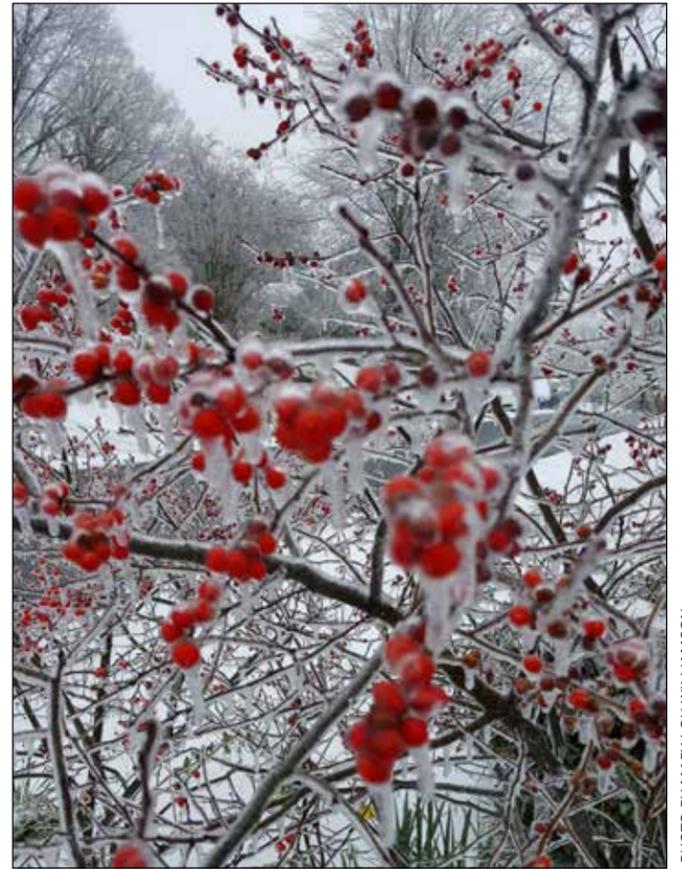


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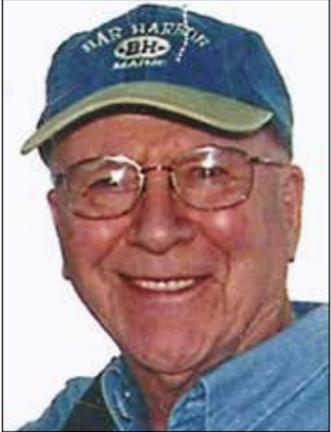


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Tom McArdle

Thomas C. McArdle died at the age of 92 in Annapolis on March 9, 2017.

He was born in Scottdale, Pa., in 1924. Mr. McArdle's life spanned the great changes in our nation of that era. His childhood in the Pittsburgh steel country during the Depression, where he was often hungry but always happy and well cared for, prepared him for the prosperity of a well-lived retirement. In between those benchmarks, he served his country during World War II on a sub chaser in the Pacific. After the war ended, he went to college at St. John's University and then graduate school at Georgetown University.

Mr. McArdle began his career as a social worker and shortly after that he met Jeanne Werner as a counselor at a summer camp in upstate New York. They were married for 63 years and never spent a night apart after exchanging their vows until Mrs. McArdle went into full-time care.

Mr. McArdle adopted two children, Michael and Anne Marie (Nancy). Mr. McArdle became a social worker with the federal government and Mrs. McArdle established her career as a public health nurse. The family moved to Arizona when Mr. McArdle accepted a two-year stint with the Bureau of Indian Affairs in 1963. When it came time to return East, they purchased a home from a brochure in a new community called Belair at Bowie. Twenty years later, they moved to Greenbelt to be closer to their daughter Nancy and their four grandchildren.

Mr. McArdle's favorite pastimes included organic gardening, hiking, camping and reading. He was a lifelong baseball fan; his favorite player was Al Kaline. In later years, he followed the Washington Nationals.

Mr. McArdle is survived by a son, Michael McArdle of Bowie; a sister Jean (McArdle) Junk of New Jersey; six grandchildren, Emily, Joe, Julia, Sam, Bennett and Henry; and a great-grandchild. His daughter Nancy and wife Jeanne predeceased him. A private Mass and service will be held at St. Pius X in Bowie for family members.



PHOTO COURTESY OF FITZGERALD FAMILY

Laurence "Bucky" Fitzgerald

Laurence "Bucky" William Fitzgerald, III, a 21-year resident of Berwyn Heights and previously of Bowie and Greenbelt died on Thursday, March 9, 2017. He was 59.

Born August 14, 1957, in Washington, D.C., to Geraldine E. and Laurence W. Fitzgerald, Jr., he graduated from St. Hugh's School in Greenbelt, DeMatha Catholic High School in Hyattsville and Prince George's Community College. Mr. Fitzgerald was a member of the Sons of the American Legion in Greenbelt, was an avid Washington sports fan and loved music.

He is survived by his wife of 33 years, Beverly J. Fitzgerald; a son, Laurence W. Fitzgerald, IV; five siblings, Vito Ascosci, Maureen Aichele, Eileen Uber, Kathleen Schiavone and Celine Butland; 15 nieces and nephews; five great-nieces; and three great-nephews.

Friends are invited to celebrate his life at the George P. Kalas Funeral Home, 2973 Solomons Island Road, Edgewater, Md., on Saturday, March 18 from 9:30 a.m. until his memorial service begins at 10:30 a.m. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. An online guestbook is available at KalasFuneralHomes.com.

FBI Building Decision Once Again On Hold

Congress must secure funding for the new \$2 billion FBI headquarters before the federal government will decide on a site, according to a statement released on March 10 from the General Services Administration.

Greenbelt, Landover and Springfield, Va., are the three locations still being considered for the new headquarters. The decision was expected to be announced this spring, but GSA did not set a new deadline for the decision.

Maryland's representatives including Steny Hoyer and Chris Van Hollen, as well as Prince George's County Executive Rushern Baker all expressed concern over the delay.

Senior Mobility Survey

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Direct questions to Christal Batey at 240-542-2012 or cbatey@greenbeltmd.gov.

"If I Were Mayor . . ." Contest

The Maryland Municipal League's "If I Were Mayor" essay contest provides fourth graders an opportunity to learn about municipal government by explaining how they would operate their jurisdiction if they had the chance to be a mayor. Each 275-word essay must open with the line: "If I Were Mayor, I Would..." and then proceed to answer three questions that address the 2017 contest theme, "Inclusion."

All Maryland students enrolled in the fourth grade during the 2016-2017 school year are eligible to participate in the contest. Entries must be submitted by the student's teacher. Eleven regional winners will be honored with a Governor's Citation, a boat cruise of Annapolis on the Harbor Queen and a \$100 cash prize at the Maryland State House at a special spring reception. Win-

ning authors will be honored by Governor Larry Hogan, mayors from the winning districts, family members, teachers and other dignitaries.

"The contest challenges Maryland's budding authors and leaders to delve into understanding the important role of leading our cities and towns," said Scott A. Hancock, executive director of the league. "Maryland's fourth graders represent our state's future, and we're especially excited to see how they believe a city's elected officials should manage inclusion."

Essays will be judged based on essay relation to contest topic, displayed knowledge about municipal government and the role of a mayor, creativity and proper use of grammar. For more information, visit mdmunicipal.org/essay.

visit www.greenbeltnewsreview.com

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For Information and to reserve a place by March 19:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/father-gregory-boyle-visits-adelphi-friends-meeting-tickets-31952162779>

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A paper paper?

From time to time, people ask why the News Review is still delivering the paper when print is disappearing and the need to recycle and not waste resources becomes ever more apparent. The staff of the paper is well aware of the concern and shares it – nobody is keener on trees and the environment than the News Review. The delivery policy is reviewed regularly and thus far has not deviated from the door-to-door approach even though there are certainly arguments to be made for an entirely electronic delivery. The paper is still delivered in paper form, even though it is also available online.

Paper Stays

In Old Greenbelt, particularly, there is a significant fraction of the population which is older and cannot deal easily with electronic media. For them the physical paper is an important source of information on the many activities of the city and the organizations that serve older people. Other readers also prefer the tactile experience of reading a paper and hearing it rustle rather than watching it on a screen. Somehow curling up with a tablet isn't the same.

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So perhaps there's something to be said for tradition and, if not, the paper on the doorstep will go the way of the dodo. Just not yet.

Mother and Baby Wellness Fair

A free mother and baby wellness fair will be held on Wednesday, April 5 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Springhill Lake Community Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane. The first 200 registered babies will receive free diapers, baby wipes and books. Babies must be registered by Monday, March 20. Some of the topics covered in the fair are baby health information and resources, health insurance information, medication safety and free discount prescription cards.

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WISP is one possible path for the Research Practicum at ERHS, which all seniors in the Science and Technology Program at the school participate in.

The WISP program is popular – as many as 75 students apply each year, according to Kinder – and the students go through an application process during their junior year. Once the 28 students are chosen for that year's program, they are split into teams of four.

The teams are trained in testing techniques at Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary in June and then test at their assigned sites four times during the summer and every two weeks during their senior year.

"[Research Practicum] is very stressful, so having a team they can fall back on is useful," Kinder said.

Daniel Ramos, who participated in the program in 2015 and is now a sophomore at the University of Maryland, echoed that sentiment.

"I really liked the group work," said Ramos, a chemistry major at Maryland. "It really helps to have that support system. I found myself relying on my team a lot whenever I needed them to help me out with a paper or poster, data collection. You know, it works both ways, I was helping them out a lot, too."

The students test chemical parameters such as turbidity (how cloudy the water is), temperature, and dissolved oxygen (oxygen in the water in gas form, which is essential for some fish and plants) at each site every two weeks and test physical parameters such as

macroinvertebrate levels once per quarter during the school year. The students then upload the results into spreadsheets that have the results of tests going back to 1999, the year WISP started.

Over time, the students are able to detect patterns in the testing sites. Kinder says the tests show the water at Jug Bay has stayed mostly constant over the years. "They try really hard to keep that kind of a pristine, unadulterated area," he said.

However, some testing sites have seen a large drop in the macroinvertebrate population over the last 2 to 3 years. These creatures, such as clams and mussels, are good indicators of water quality because they are sensitive to water pollution.

"We haven't really looked yet at why [the population has dropped]," Kinder said. "I know they're doing a lot of construction near some of our sites, so it might be the construction runoff that's made them drop off. Usually when construction happens, though, they do rebound."

ERHS chemistry teacher Coit Hendley started WISP in 1999 as a way for students who didn't get an internship as part of Research Practicum to still be able to get out of the classroom.

"My thought was, given they do this for the entire year, why not make it something they have interest in and if possible, have a greater good for the community as a whole," Hendley said.

Hendley said he thought WISP would help because the state does a lot of monitoring of water quality for larger rivers, but not as much for smaller streams.

"I thought let's get the students out in the environment, get them muddy, in the streams, run some tests and use that as our dataset," he said.

Hendley ran the program until his retirement from teaching in 2016 and, in that time, he shared WISP's data with park rangers, community activists and the Greenbelt city government, among other groups.

"So when you walk in the classroom, you can tell this is not just to get you through your course," he said. "It's also to collect data for long-term studies and to provide a greater good."

Ramos said the program also helps prepare students for work they will do when they reach college. Skills he learned during WISP, such as writing research papers and working with spreadsheets, have given him a leg up at Maryland.

"It's a lot of little things, but it's things they don't usually teach you in other classes," Ramos said. "Now that I'm in a college, a lot of sophomores – my year – don't even know how to do that stuff."

Kinder said the students like spending time on a project that isn't an abstract concept, as well.

"I think they really appreciate doing a project they can directly relate to," Kinder said. "They know water's important; they know if they affect their watershed, it's going to affect their water quality. So I think they get to see how relatable research can be."

Dylan Sinn is a University of Maryland graduate student in journalism writing for the News Review.

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Professor Nadasen Addresses Feminism through History

by Amy Hansen

“Feminism is about women’s autonomy, women’s choice and women’s equality,” said Premilla Nadasen as she spoke to about 40 people at a gathering organized by the Concerned Greenbelt Women on March 12 at Greenbelt Community Church United Church of Christ.

Nadasen, a professor of history at Barnard College in New York City, said this is her own definition. However, she said, differing definitions have led to historic rifts.

Nadasen led the audience through a brief history of feminism in the United States. There were two beginnings, she said. Most people associate the beginning of the feminist movement with Betty Friedan’s *The Feminine Mystique*. However, Nadasen said, there was a concurrent beginning with the Welfare Rights



PHOTO BY AMY HANSEN

Premilla Nadasen

Movement, articulated by Johnnie Tillmon who wrote *Welfare is a Woman’s Issue* in the first issue of *Ms. magazine*.

These groups had very different expectations and experiences. Some of the rifts that still face the country can be tracked to those beginnings.

Author Father Gregory Boyle Talk on Gangs Intervention

by Susan Richardson

Adelphi Friends Meeting (Quakers) will hold a special mid-week service on Wednesday, March 22 at 7 p.m. with author, founder and executive director of Homeboy Industries, Father Gregory Boyle. Boyle will share models of relationships needed to help change take place through an insightful discussion on his New York Times bestseller, *Tattoos on the Heart: the Power of Boundless Compassion*.

Homeboy Industries is now the largest gang intervention rehabilitation and re-entry program in the world. Homeboy employs

and trains former gang members in a range of social enterprises, as well as provides critical services to 15,000 men and women who walk through its doors every year seeking a better life.

There will be a Finger Food Potluck at 6 p.m. Adelphi Friends Meeting is at 2303 Metzert Road in Adelphi, 301-445-1114. The event is free, but for more information and to reserve your spot by March 19, please visit www.eventbrite.com/e/father-gregory-boyle-visits-adelphi-friends-meeting-tickets-31952162779

Green Yards Composting

by Connor Roesler

Looking for a way to lower the amount of food waste in landfills, mitigate climate change, improve soil quality and filter stormwater runoff? Look no further than backyard composting.

Composting is a process that converts kitchen food scraps, yard waste (no sticks), and non-recyclable paper into dark, earthy, crumbly material that improves soil. Microorganisms will do the work of breaking down these organic materials if provided the essentials of air, water, and food. Aerating a compost bin can be done by layering shredded newspaper, leaves or straw to provide air pockets or by manually turning compost with a shovel or pitchfork. Compost should be kept as moist as a wrung-out sponge when squeezed in your hand. This means that in dry times water should be added, while during wet times the compost pile should be protected from rain and have proper drainage.

The two types of food for compost bins can be remembered as browns and greens. Browns provide carbon for the microbes and include straw, dried leaves, shredded newspaper and shredded brown cardboard. Greens provide nitrogen and include fruit and vegetable scraps, egg shells, coffee grounds, tea bags, house plant trimmings and grass clippings. Refrain from adding meat, dairy, weeds or pet waste to composting piles. Backyard composting requires browns and greens in approximately equal volumes to each other. This can be achieved by incorporating alternating layers of browns and greens in the compost system. This will ensure an equal ratio and provide aeration. The composting process will be

complete in approximately three months depending on the time of year.

Backyard composting has many environmental benefits. Compost can hold 20 times its weight in water and acts as a filter for stormwater pollutants. Compost improves soil quality by increasing the organic matter and allowing for more drainage when it is mixed in yards or gardens. The act of composting reduces the amount of waste sent to landfill which saves habitat for wildlife and mitigates climate change by reducing methane emissions from food waste.

For anyone who is interested in purchasing a compost bin, Public Works will be hosting a Compost Workshop this Saturday, March 18 from 10 a.m. to noon at 555 Crescent Road. Discounted compost bins will be for sale to Greenbelt residents for \$30 cash or check payable to NIE Institute. For more information or to RSVP contact Erin Josephitis, 240-542-2168, erinjosephitis@greenbeltmd.gov.

CHEARS is initiating a compost pilot project for Greenbelt residents interested in collecting food scraps for composting.

CHEARS is seeking a total of 15 households (five from Greenbelt Center, five from Greenbelt West and five from Greenbelt East) to collect and deliver compostable food scraps to compost bins in the CHEARS Three Sisters Demonstration Gardens at the Community Center, Springhill Lake Recreation Center and Schrom Hills Park. Hurry to reserve a space in this new program. For more information, contact CHEARS Project Leader Maggie Cahalan at maggie@chears.org.



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Erin Josephitis sells a compost bin to Becca Hazamy



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Connor Roesler discusses pesticide problems at the Green Yards and Gardens Workshop.

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