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# Parade Marchers Swelter, Spirits Soar as Greenbelt Celebrates

by Nora Eckert



The Greenbelt Police Department Honor Guard leads Outstanding Citizen Greg Fisanich, the Continental Color Guard and the Old Guard Fife & Drum Corps. Councilmembers ride next in vintage splendor.

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Pirates, robots, trick-performing dogs, boy scouts, political candidates and activists all took to the streets of Greenbelt on

Monday for the 64th annual Labor Day Parade. With such a variety of participants, the parade had something for everyone who turned out to watch.

Supratik Chaudhuri, who marched with the Friends of Old Greenbelt Theatre group, says,

"This is the one place where everyone comes together, and you get to see all of it."

Even as temperatures climbed high into the 80s, Greenbelt residents showed up with excitement

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# BARC Update on Campus Raises Occupancy Concerns

by Kathleen Gallagher

City Council met with representatives of the Beltsville Agricultural stakeholder worksession. The discussion included the status of the BARC campus and progress on efforts to increase the occupancy of the buildings and utilization of

On August 29, the Greenbelt the center resources and activities and upcoming events. The meeting covered state initiatives, such Research Center (BARC) for a as magley, that could potentially affect Greenbelt, BARC and the region.

> Attending from BARC were Dr. Charles Onwulata, associate director for the Northeast Area of

the Agricultural Research Service, and Dr. Naomi Fukagawa, who for the last three years has served as the director of the Beltsville Human Nutrition Research Cen-

One topic that recurred throughout the meeting was the importance of maintaining agriculture and agricultural research in Maryland, Delaware and Virginia. Onwulata spoke of the importance of BARC's collaboration with the University of Maryland and other area universities. Fukagawa announced an all-day

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Tuesday, September 11 8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building Wednesday, September 12 8 p.m. Council Worksession, County Storm Water Management, Community Center

# Register to Vote by October 16 In November General Election

by Kathleen Gallagher

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Greenbelters who are not currently registered to vote at their residence address or who need to make corrections to their voting information must do so by the registration deadline of Tuesday, October 16, if they wish to vote in the general election.

Voters who may have changed parties to enable them to vote in the Democratic or Republican Party primary elections in June must update their information by October 16 if they wish to return to their prior affiliation or choose another party before the general election. Political parties currently recognized by the State of Maryland include Democratic, Republican, Libertarian and Green.

How to Register

The options for registering or changing registration information have remained the same for several years. Registering can be accomplished entirely online by using Maryland's Online Registration System at the website

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Outstanding Citizen 2018

# Coach Fisanich's Grand Slam Hits Labor Day Out of the Park

by Elliott Davis



2018 Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen Greg Fisanich poses with his wife, Cathy Fisanich.

In front of the crowd in attendance for the 64th Annual Greenbelt Labor Day Festival's Opening Ceremonies, Outstanding Citizen Selection Committee Chairman Bob Zugby announced this year's winner by referring to him as the king of Greenbelt

Little League Baseball. His name is Gregory M. Fisanich, the 46th Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen.

The Outstanding Citizen award is given to someone who exemplifies the qualities that make

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# Festival Recycling, Composting Kick Off Zero Waste Week

by Tom Taylor

Greenbelt is observing Zero Waste Week September 3 to 7 as a result of a proclamation adopted by the Greenbelt City Council at its August 13 meeting. The proclamation was read by Mayor Emmett Jordan and presented to Luisa Robles, the city's sustainability coordinator, and members of the Greenbelt Zero Waste Circle, which is part of the city's Green Team.

In honor of the week's observance, volunteers worked with the Department of Public Works at the Labor Day Festival to promote zero waste and help with proper sorting of waste into the recycling and landfill bins that were placed together throughout the festival grounds. Limited sorting of food scraps and foodsoiled paper items for composting also was done during two evenings of the festival.

A total of 22 volunteers - 16 students and six members of the Zero Waste Circle - contributed more than 100 hours of service to zero waste activities at the festival. The students received credit for community service hours for

See **ZERO WASTE**, page 10



The Eleanor Roosevelt High School Junior Varsity Cheerleaders perform during the Parade.

# **Letters to the Editor**

# Review Council Development Goals

I urge News Review readers to be aware of the coming discussion and possible adoption at the September 11 council meeting of the draft Community and Economic Development Goals document prepared by City Manager Nicole Ard.

The News Review has extensively covered the evolution of this document, including council's decision to postpone action in order to allow for more public input. With the decision rapidly approaching I urge all Greenbelt residents to review the Development Goals document located on the city website at greenbeltmd. gov/DocumentCenter/View/4364. Ed Fallon

# **THANKS**

Hats off to all the people, volunteers and Public Works employees who contributed to the Labor Day Festival.

It was quite hot, except for the brief rain on Saturday but nevertheless, quite successful.

There were so many new rides this year as well as the continued eats, photos and art show. The musicians were very good, especially Johnny Seaton and his band, Bad Behavior. In spite of the heat, they gave an excellent show, and I took many pictures.

Thanks to all who showed up for the Festival.

Joyce Yarwood

# Yield to Pedestrians

Using the crosswalks to cross Crescent Road to and from the Lake Park at Lastner Lane and at Greenhill Road can be very dangerous for pedestrians and dog walkers.

On Monday, August 27 I was nearly struck by an inattentive driver. I was walking in the marked crosswalk at Greenhill Road crossing from the lake path with my 90-year-old father. We looked both ways as no vehicles were approaching. As we made it halfway and were just past the center yellow lines I saw an SUV approaching from the direction of St. Hugh's doing at least 40 mph. Being in a crosswalk, and more than halfway across, I wasn't moving. At the last second the driver saw me standing in front of him adamantly pointing down to the crosswalk causing the driver to do a panic stop. I drive the same make and model SUV and know that his ABS braking system fully engaged to come to a stop about 15 to 20 feet from hitting us.

Pedestrians are supposed to have the right of way in a marked crosswalk. Perhaps some enforcement from the police like they do in Montgomery County may help. Police officers in regular clothing walk in marked crosswalks and radio ahead to pull over the vehicle(s) that fail to yield the right of way to pedestrians in the crosswalk. Drivers are then issued warnings or fines up to \$500.

Enforcement may help, but on the side of the SUV of this inattentive driver, it said City of Greenbelt Police in a marked SUV/cruiser.

Greg Fisanich

# Looking for Spinners

I recently became aware of an event known as the Worldwide Spin in Public Day scheduled for the third Saturday in September, which is September 15 this year.

I'm a beginner spinner with an electric spinning wheel and a supported spindle. I don't know of any other spinners in Greenbelt

How can we let other spinners know about this event to see if something can be coordinated in Greenbelt?

Pat McCoy

# FDR Wouldn't Back The SCMaglev

The SCMaglev publicity team is becoming desperate in its efforts to sway Greenbelters to support their project! Consider Robert Snyder's latest letter on the topic in last week's paper where he attempts to invoke the support of Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt and other New Dealers for a project they would probably reject.

Yes, Franklin Roosevelt frequently traveled by train. So did many prominent people in his time. That says nothing about what his views would be about 21st century train proposals. FDR was also a stamp collector; from that fact, we cannot deduce what he would say about every current question facing the United States Postal Service.

Yes, Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt and other New Dealers often set aside the status quo in favor of novel alternatives. But they did not buy into just any proposal. Franklin was a gifted politician and an experienced administrator. Before becoming president, he served as assistant secretary of the Navy and for two terms as governor of New York, at that time the most prominent state in the country. Roosevelt was open to new ideas, but selective about the ones he embraced. His first question about SCMaglev might be the obvious one, "Why not instead improve existing systems of public transportation which are chronically underfunded?"

Franklin Roosevelt cared deeply about the environment.

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# On Screen

# Christopher Robin, All Grown Up

Christopher Robin comes to Old Greenbelt Theatre this Friday, September 7. Christopher (Ewan McGregor) is all grown up, married to Evelyn (Hayley Atwell) and the father of daughter Madeleine (Bronte Carmichael). His high stress post-WWII job doesn't stop him from reuniting with his old friends Eeyore, Tigger and Winnie the Pooh (computer generated) back in Hundred Acre Wood. Director Marc Foster

Running time 120 minutes Rating PG

- Jim Link

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See our website, greenbeltnewsreview.com for articles in Spanish.

# Next Blood Drive Is September 7

The next blood drive is scheduled for Friday, September 7 from 12:30 to 6 p.m. at the Community Center, Room 201.





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Sun. 2:30 (OC), 5:00,
7:30 PM
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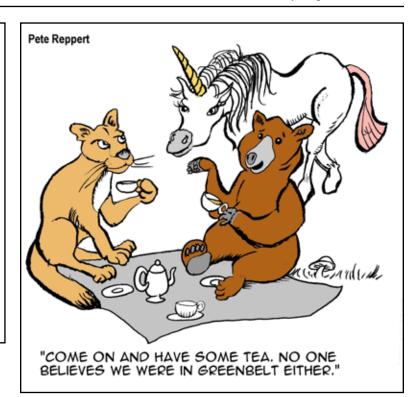
Fall Family Series:
PETER PAN w/ live piano!
(1924) (105 mins)
Sat. 11:00 AM
Storytime on Screen: FREE!
Mon. 10:30 AM

MAN IN RED BANDANA (PG - 13) (2017) (85 mins): FREE!

Sponsored by RUAC Tues. 8:00 PM

Taiwanese Classic Film Series: FREE! EAT DRINK MAN WOMAN (1994) (124 mins) Thurs. 8:00 PM

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# **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, which provide at least one-third of Recommended Dietary Allowances for older adults, include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of September 10 are as follows:

Monday, September 10: Hawaiian chicken, black beans and rice, zucchini and squash, wheat bread, fresh fruit, cranberry juice.

Tuesday, September 11: Cheese lasagna roll-up with tomato basil sauce, mixed vegetables, wheat bread, pineapple tidbits, orange juice.

Wednesday, September 12: Cream of mushroom soup, sweet and sour meatballs, confetti rice, sliced carrots, wheat bread, fresh fruit, cranberry juice.

Thursday, September 13: Sliced turkey with gravy, Delmonico potatoes, Brussels sprouts, dinner roll, applesauce, grape juice.

Friday, September 14: Sites closed for senior picnic.

# Police Explorer Post Open House Coming

The Greenbelt Police Department invites all teens and young adults, ages 14 to 20, who are interested in joining Police Explorer Post 1937 to an open house on Wednesday, September 12 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Police Station on 550 Crescent Road. There will be food and beverages, activities and demonstrations.

Other eligibility requirements include a 2.0 GPA and no felony or misdemeanor convictions.

For more information, call George Mathews, public information liaison, at 240-508-0238.



# **GHI Schedule**

Thursday, September 6, 7:45 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room

Friday, September 7, office closed. Emergency maintenance service is available at 301-474-6011.

Monday, September 10, 7 p.m., Water and Sewer Pipe Task Force Meeting, Board Room

Tuesday, September 11, 7 p.m., Legislative and Government Affairs Committee Meeting, Board Room; 7 p.m., Zoning Re-Write Task Force Meeting, GHI Office

Wednesday, September 12, 7 p.m., Member Outreach Committee Meeting, GHI Lobby; 7:30 p.m., Architectural Review Committee Meeting, Board Room

Thursday, September 13, 7 p.m., Board of Directors and Finance Committee Worksession, Board Room

# Presentation Sept. 12 On the Anacostia

Greenbelter Harriette Phelps will present a program on The Whole Picture About the Anacostia River at the Golden Age Club meeting on Wednesday, September 12 at 11 a.m. in the Community Center.

Phelps was a biology professor at the University of the District of Columbia for 45 years. For many of those years, she and her students conducted research along the Anacostia and published findings on the sources of toxicity in the river. Members and guests are invited to learn more about these

# Repair Café Sept. 15 At MakerSpace

The Greenbelt MakerSpace in Roosevelt Center is hosting its quarterly Repair Café Saturday, September 15, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Come learn how to repair tired or broken stuff or help repair others' items and rescue them from the recycling or garbage bins. Bring clothing, furniture, kitchen appliances, computers, jewelry, toys, etc. for the challenge of making it useful again. Volunteers are welcome in making this a great community event, no experience necessary.

The MakerSpace Repair Café program, the first in the Mid-Atlantic region, started in 2014 and was made possible by a Jim Cassels Award from the Greenbelt Consumer Co-op and by an eager supporting army of volunteers. For more information, visit make125.org/things\_to\_do/repair-cafe/.

# Weekly Music Time For Preschoolers

Rhythm & Rhyme, a song and story time for little ones and their caregivers, will be starting up Wednesday, September 12 at 9:30 a.m. in the Multipurpose Room at the Youth Center. Following the half-hour circle time, there is free play either inside or outside depending upon the weather. The target age for Rhythm & Rhyme is newborn to age 4, but all are welcome. The program runs Wednesday mornings throughout the school year. This group is organized by Greenbelt Mamas and Papas and sponsored by the Recreation Department.



# Medicaid Long-Term Care Workshop

Every day, lawyers see families who suffer because of lack of preparation. Attorney R. Anthony Pasciuto from Byrd and Byrd, LLC, will explain Medicaid's long-term care benefit guidelines and requirements of the Medicaid process. He will also answer questions regarding the process of applying for Medicaid, how to qualify and how to preserve

The workshop will be held on the second floor of the Municipal Building on Monday, October 1 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Registration is required; call Katherine Farzin to RSVP at 240-542-2019.

# Coping with Dementia Related Behaviors

Dementia Friendly Prince George's County North Sector will be hosting two sessions of a tools, tips and techniques workshop to help caregivers cope with some of the behaviors exhibited by people with dementia. The free workshops will be held on Thursday, November 8 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or from 1 to 3:30 p.m. in the council chambers in the Municipal Building.

Attendees will participate in an interactive workshop designed by the Center for Aging Research and Education—University of Wisconsin Madison's toolkit.

Registration is required and attendance is limited to 10 attendees per session. To RSVP contact Katherine Farzin at 240-542-2019 or kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov.

# Star Party Coming Saturday Evening

On Saturday evening, September 8, the Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party at the City Observatory, located at Northway Fields. Attendees may expect to see Jupiter, Saturn, Mars and deep sky objects such as galaxies, nebulae and star clusters currently high in the sky, viewed through the observatory telescope and astronomical camera. As always, visitors are welcome to set up their own telescopes on the hill.

Observing will begin at around 8:30 p.m. and continue for two hours. Attendees are asked to park in the ballfield lot, not up on the hill, unless bringing a telescope. The star party will be canceled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy. This event is free and open to the public.

# **Greenbelt Access Television**



# Orientation - FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Learn about our Policies and Procedures and how you can become a community producer at GATe. September  $15^{\rm th}$  at 10:30am

# Basics of Editing - \$100

Learn the basics of the editing art form by learning an overview of the different editing software available at GATe including Adobe Premiere Pro, Final Cut Pro X, and Davinci Resolve. Members Only

Eight Classes Thursdays starting September 20th at 6pm

Check out our Channel on Comcast 77 and Verizon Fios 19 For our schedule, visit: www.greenbeltaccesstv.org and click on "Channel"

# NASA Drama Club Seeks Musicians

NASA Goddard's Music & Drama Club (MAD) is seeking musicians to play for their fall production of Beauty and the Beast. They especially need violins, cellos, double bass and percussion. To find out more about the production, visit madtheater. org. For more information about the orchestra or to volunteer your talents, email orchestra director Chris Wells at christine.wells@verizon.net.



# GIVES Will Hold Quarterly Meeting

The quarterly meeting for Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service (GIVES) will be held on Saturday, September 8 at 10 a.m., in the Community Center. Information will be available regarding the next Safe Driving Course and other autumn events.

Non-members are welcome to come to the meeting to learn more about this organization that works to assist Greenbelt citizens in helping one another when temporary assistance is needed. Members drive one another to appointments and perform other tasks that are requested. We work together to help one another.

For further information, contact Jean Cook at 301-345-2597.

# CDCG: Committees That Work Well

The Center for Dynamic Community Governance (CDCG), as part of its second Sunday no-cost offerings to the community, invites all to a session on community committees on Sunday, September 9 from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Community Center, Room 112. No pre-registration is necessary.

John Buck, co-author of We the People, Consenting to a Deeper Democracy (now in its second edition) and Companywide Agility with Beyond Budgeting, Open Space & Sociocracy, will share basic dynamic community governance skills, including transparent communication, consent-based decision-making and circle processing to further community building. This offering will focus on processes and structures that help diverse voices be productive and effective. Join in a mindful, fun sharing.

# Discussion Group At MakerSpace

"The early bird gets the worm." Pithy folk wisdom? Encouragement to early rising? (For birds maybe, but surely not the worms.) What does this really mean and is it life guidance? The thoughtful discussion group will explore this topic on Tuesday, September 11, from 7 to 9 p.m. at MakerSpace. All are welcome.

# Utopia Film Festival

Presents:

"Writer With No Hands," (2017)

"Light Thief," (2017)

"Roll Call- A Dance Story"

Sunday, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, Wed., Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, and Fri., Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> Beginning at 8 PM

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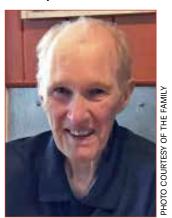
Ticket prices: \$22 General Admission, \$20 Students/Seniors/Military, \$12 Youth (12 and under with adult)

# COMING SOON:

Spring Awakening - Sept 14 – 30 - from Wolfpack Theatre Company The Toxic Avenger – Nov 2 – 24- Directed by Jeffery Lesniak GREENBELT ARTS CENTER-123 CENTERWAY-GREENBELT, MD (UNDER THE CO-OP GROCERY STORE)

# **Obituaries**

# Dr. Ralph Bram



Ralph Bram

Dr. Ralph A. Bram, age 85, of Belcamp, Md., died on August 24, 2018, at his home. Born in Washington, D.C., in 1932, he was the son of Walter and Frieda (Schertenleib) Bram, who emigrated from Switzerland to the U.S.A. via entry point Ellis Island in their 20s. He was the husband of 57 years to the late Antoinette Marie (Houck) Bram (who was mayor of Greenbelt from 1993 to 1997).

Dr. Bram's professional career was spread over 40 years. First, as a veteran, he served his country in the U.S. Navy. He also worked as an entomologist for the U.S. Department of Agriculture specializing in tick-borne diseases, served as a professor at the University of Maryland and Purdue University and worked at the Smithsonian Institution. He was a published author/editor for many scientific journals in entomology and gardening.

He was a loving father, grandfather, great-grandfather, fatherin-law, brother-in-law and uncle. He was an extensive traveler in both his professional and private life, and enjoyed traveling with his wife, Toni. He had an appreciation for art and watercolor. He was a consummate gentleman and friend to all.

Dr. Bram is survived by his son Timothy R. Bram (Kiersten M. Bram); three daughters, Re-





gina R. Bram Howard (Terri L. Hett), Simone A. Moran (Timothy J. Moran) and Jennifer M. Ward; seven grandchildren, William Howard, Zachary Howard, Austin Moran, Tyler Moran, Jacob Bram, Marisa Bram and Molly Ward; and three great grandchildren, Mason Howard, Wesley Howard and Holden Howard. He was predeceased by his brother, Walter Bram.

Visitation will be at McComas Funeral Home in Abingdon, Md., on Saturday, September 8, from 10 to 11 a.m. A memorial service will follow at 11 a.m.

Contributions may be made to the Parkinson's Disease Foundation, 1359 Broadway, Suite 1509, New York, NY 10018. To send flowers or a remembrance gift to the family of Dr. Bram, visit the website of McComas Funeral Home, mccomas-funeral-homeabingdon.tributecenterstore.com.

# Lydia Goldstein



Lydia Goldstein

Former long-time Greenbelt resident Lydia Kramer Goldstein died on August 21, 2018 at her home in Augsburg Lutheran Village in Baltimore. Mrs. Goldstein moved to Greenbelt as a young newlywed in 1956. She raised her children, Susan Goldstein Smoter and Alan Goldstein, in their home in 7 Court Crescent. She also

lived in houses on Southway and Gardenway.

Mrs. Goldstein was an active member of the Greenbelt Lions Club, the Greenbelt Homemakers Club and the Red Hats. She attended Holy Cross Lutheran Church and, in her retirement, she became a Stephens Minister to provide high quality, confidential, Christ-centered care to people who are hurting. She was ordained as a parish nurse encouraging physical and spiritual health and wholeness by developing and leading programs within the area's faith communities.

Mrs. Goldstein loved to cook and frequently made meals to share with family, friends and others outside her home. She loved to travel and often took day trips with her good friends.

Mrs. Goldstein graduated from Sinai Nursing School in Baltimore, earning her RN in 1953. Nursing was her life's joy. She thoroughly enjoyed her choice to be in health care working at the Glenn Dale TB Hospital and as an occupational health nurse for the U.S. Public Health Service where she had a distinguished career with many awards and accolades. She trained to be an emergency response nurse and took part in training with the military and other first responders.

In 2010, Mrs. Goldstein moved to Augsburg Lutheran Village in Baltimore where she continued her care-providing through extensive volunteer work. She received the Baltimore County Service Award in 2017 for providing meaningful volunteer service that makes a measurable difference within her community.

Mrs. Goldstein is survived by her family: daughter Susan Smoter (Dennis); son Alan Goldstein (Tammy); sister Ruth Kramer Corkern; four grandchildren, Aspen Massengill-Goldstein (Mike), Damian Smoter, August

Massengill-Goldstein and Victoria Smoter; and two great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her sister Barbara Kramer and former husband, William Goldstein. She also leaves behind many relatives and friends who will greatly miss her friendship and advice.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, September 8 at 11 a.m. at the Augsburg Lutheran Home Chapel, 6811 Campfield Road, Baltimore, where a fellowship luncheon will immediately follow. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Mrs. Goldstein's name may be made to Augsburg Lutheran Village. Contact the Augsburg Development Office at 410-486-4573, extension 120 or at givedirect.org/give/givefrm. asp?cid=945. Messages can be left for the family on the Borgwardt Funeral Home website, borgwardtfuneralhome.com/ notices/Lydia-Goldstein.

#### Obituaries

The News Review publishes obituaries of Greenbelt residents, past or present.

You write it or we will if you prefer. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.

Curneighbors

Our condolences to the family and friends of Lydia Goldstein, a long-time Greenbelter known for her work in the Lions Club, Homemakers Club and through Holy Cross Lutheran Church.

Sympathy also to the family and friends of Dr. Ralph Bram, renowned entomologist but best known in Greenbelt as the husband of former mayor the late Toni Bram.

Congratulations to Darrell and Leta Mach who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 17 while on a cruise in Scandinavia.

Happy belated birthday to Solange Hess who celebrated her 90th birthday on August 7. She has not slowed down and is still in charge of the food pantry at St. Hugh's church and active with the Ladies of Charity and the Greenbelt Golden Age Club.

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



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



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

Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor



Worship Service 10 a.m. Aging Well is the Best Revenge.

# Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church 3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi Phone: 301-937-3666 www.pbuu



www.pbuuc.org

Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community



Sept. 9 10 a.m.

# "The Return of Public Education"

PBUUC Member Jeanne Contardo; with Elizabeth Porter, Worship Associate Decisions about where and how to educate our children are viewed as deeply personal, with parents and caretakers expected to make the best choice for their family. But what if being a good UU means thinking more broadly?

> Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ

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

Whoever you are and wherever you are on your Spiritual journey, you are welcome HERE. Join us for this Sunday's message at 10:15

"She said WHAT?"

1 Hillside Road, Greenbelt

301-474-6171

Rev. Glennyce Grindstaff

# Greenbelt Baha'i' Community

Abiding Presence Lutheran Church

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Rev. Jongkil Na

www.APLChurch.org

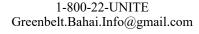
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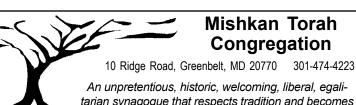
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Thursday, September 13, ages newborn to 2, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m., limit 15 babies with parent(s)/caregiver(s); ages 2 to 3, 4:15 p.m., limit 20 people.

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Friday, September 7, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., The Mamas and Papas Parenting Group. 2:30 to 4 p.m., Music Makers Jam Session for all levels of musicians. 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., The Bad Influence Band, blues and roots music.

Saturday, September 8, 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., The Wharf Rats, a psychedelic jam band.

Sunday, September 9, 7 to 9 p.m., The Resonant Rogues. Based out of Asheville, N.C., the band's influences include Appalachian old-time, Balkan folk music, gypsy jazz, Eastern European Romani brass bands, Middle Eastern rhythms and early New Orleans jazz.

Tuesday, September 11, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Eli Lev and the Fortunes Found perform their special brand of neo-folk at the New Deal Café.

Wednesday, September 12, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Marianna Previti and her jazz ensemble will play reel-book favorites from the 50s and 60s. Previti is a three-time winner of D.C.'s WAMA award for Best Jazz Vocalist.

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# City Information

# **GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**

September 11 at 8pm

Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road

#### **ORGANIZATION**

Call to Order

Roll Call

Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag Consent Agenda – Approval of Staff Recommendations (Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by \*] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)

Approval of Agenda and Additions

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Presentations

- -Tami Watkins of Pepco
- Earl "Butch" Hicks, American Legion Post 136: September 11th Presentation
- Mayor Andrew Fellows of the National Center for Smart Growth Center and College for Information Studies: University of Maryland, Campus Community Connection

#### Petitions and Requests

(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)

Minutes of Council Meetings

Administrative Reports

\* Committee Reports

#### **LEGISLATION**

- A Resolution to Negotiate the Installation of Solar Photovoltaic Energy System to Offset Municipal Electricity Consumption to EDF Renewables Distributed Solutions of Columbia, Maryland (Solar Farm) - 2nd Reading, Adoption

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- Economic Development Policy
- General Orders for City Police and Federal Immigration Enforcement
- Opinion of the Open Meetings Compliance Board
- Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Public Safety Fund participation.
- \* Resignation from Advisory Groups
- \* Reappointment to Advisory Groups
- Council ActivitiesCouncil Reports

MEETINGS-Schedule future meetings

# MEETINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 10-14 Monday, September 10 at 5:30pm YOUTH ADVISORY

**COMMITTEE** at Greenbelt Youth Center, 99 Southway. On the Agenda: Youth Forum dates, Voter Registration Event at ERHS, Youth Higher Learning Prep, Chairperson nominations

Tuesday, September 11 at 8pm **REGULAR CITY COUN- CIL MEETING** at Municipal Building,25 Crescent Road.
Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at www.
greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv

Wednesday, September 12 at 7:30pm **ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. On the Agenda: Introduction and Discussion of Redevelopment Plans for Beltway Plaza

Wednesday, September 12 at 8:00pm COUNCIL WORK SESSION w/ Prince George's County Storm Water Management, at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

Thursday, September 13 at 7:30pm, COMMUNITY RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD (CRAB) in the meeting room at the Schrom Hills Park, 6915 Hanover Parkway. On the Agenda: Approval of Minutes, Community Feedback, Update on Police-Community Relations Report, Draft Report on Community Pledge, Update on Referral on Census 2020 & Complete Count and other pending referrals as time permits. This agenda is subject to change.

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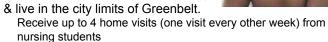
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Greenbelt a special place to live, according to Zugby. Members of the public nominated individuals who have "distinguished themselves for their outstanding volunteer service to our community," according to the Labor Day Festival website.

In his speech, Zugby led the attendees through Fisanich's impressive list of service work. "He is a life-long Greenbelter... [He] has raised funds for the maintenance of St. Hugh's church [and] regularly helps the elderly and other neighbors with grocery shopping, car washing, snow shoveling and lawn mowing," Zugby said.

Fisanich's true claim to fame in Greenbelt is his volunteer service to the city's Youth Baseball league, where he played in the 1970s and has since held various leadership roles for 30 years. As a coach he led his teams to seven championships and five runnersup. Now he can add Outstanding Citizen award winner to his list of roles in the city.

"Been nominated a bunch of times and I was quite surprised, very surprised," Fisanich said at the Outstanding Citizen reception held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. "I didn't know until about two or three minutes before [Zugby] started talking. My wife said, 'don't leave, don't leave!"

Serving as coach is not the only role Fisanich has filled with Greenbelt Youth Baseball. He has served as the Greenbelt Baseball treasurer, vice president, president, manager and commissioner, according to Zugby. He initiated the construction of Mc-Donald Field's batting cage and snack shack and even painted the dugouts. The focus of Zugby's speech about Fisanich, however, had to do with lightbulbs. Fisanich took the reins on repairing McDonald Field's vandalized scoreboard by personally replacing the board's 117 lightbulbs, one by one.

"The scoreboard that was there was from the 1970s, and it didn't work. I got a ladder, climbed up and looked to see what it needed," Fisanich recalled. "There were BB's, marbles, pellets. So, I changed the lightbulbs to see if it'd work, and it worked!"

Fisanich was joined on stage

by his wife, Cathy, who was Miss Greenbelt in 1979. With their accolades, one might describe the couple as Greenbelt royalty.

"It feels absolutely awesome," said Mrs. Fisanich. "We actually met here at the Labor Day Festival 10 years ago ... The tradition runs deep."

"All the lives that he touched, all the people that we run into constantly that were on his team at some time or another, is just unbelievable. I'm really happy for him."

Among those who also joined Fisanich on the stage to support him include Mayor Emmett Jordan, along with Councilmembers Judith Davis, Colin Byrd, Leta Mach, Silke Pope and Rodney Roberts. State Delegate Alonzo Washington and Prince George's County Councilmember Todd Turner were also on the stage. Jordan, Washington and Turner all read official proclamations in honor of Fisanich's award. Lupi Quinteros-Grady, member of the Prince George's County Public Schools Board of Education, also gave remarks from the stage, noting how grateful she was that her son had the opportunity to play on one of Fisanich's Youth Baseball teams.

Fisanich was awarded with a gift basket along with gift certificates from 16 local businesses, including Generous Joe's, Gus's World Famous Fried Chicken, New Deal Café and Old Greenbelt Theatre. He also served as the Grand Marshal for the Labor Day Parade on Monday, September 3 and will see his name added to the Outstanding Citizen plaque in the Community Center.

At the Outstanding Citizen reception, Mayor Jordan said that in Greenbelt, "community service is not just something we talk about, but something we live by," before awarding Fisanich with a statuette and posing for photos with past Outstanding Citizens.

When asked how he plans to live his life now that he is Greenbelt's newest Outstanding Citizen, Fisanich said that he would be focusing his efforts on improving pedestrian safety.

"I may show up to more council meetings," he added with a smile.



The Larry Noel 15K road race starts on Northway on Sunday.



Runners take off at the start of the Larry Noel 3K Fun Run.



A little boy and his mother play arcade games at the Festival.



2018 Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen Greg Fisanich waves during the parade. Sitting in the front is his wife, Cathy Fisanich. Driving the car is Dea Zugby.





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# SOURMING CHANNING

Coco the Chihuahua performs at the Children's Pet Show on Saturday at the Labor Day Festival.

Jewelz Stoney, age 4, from Lanham, has her face painted by The Face Paint Lady.



Festivalgoers browse the books at the annual Greenbelt Elementary School PTA used book sale.





Dalia Al-Leftawi, age 11, from College Park, pets Wonder Woman at the animal control booth.



K Divas perform at the Rising Stars talent show.



Girls enjoy the carnival rides all weekend.

# Roaches and Snakes and Dogs Oh My, In Labor Day Pet Show

by Samantha Hawkins

Greenbelt's Labor Day pet show brought out both cockroaches and snakes this year, as members from around the community came together with their pets Saturday morning.

No one is quite sure when the pet show first started, but a few participants say that "forever" is a good estimate. "I was born and raised here, and I remember the pet shows from back when I was a kid," Greenbelt resident Sheila Maffay-Tuthill recalled.

This year is the first year that Troop #27, a Girl Scout troop from Greenbelt, hosted the contest. The troop includes 10- and 11-year-old juniors and cadets who earn merit badges in camping, geocaching and birdwatching.

A couple of the girl scouts brought their own pets, like 11-year-old Aeryn Wesley-Hunt, who shed her troop vest so that she could enter three of her Madagascar hissing cockroaches into the contest. "Me and my brother wanted pets, but my mom didn't want to be emotionally attached to anything when they die," Aeryn explained, as she proudly passed around Gerald Dean, Junior and Ornery.

Some contestants had more traditional pets. "Your socks are probably going to stay on, but it's all he's got," prefaced 13-year-old Jackson Maffay-Tuthill, as his Boston Terrier, Louis, sat for a treat in front of Troop #27, who, after asking questions and watching tricks, created their own award categories for the pets.

The ten pets received awards such as Silkiest Fur, Most Energetic Senior or Best Presence on Instagram.



Mikey (left, 6) and Marie (8) McAndrew pose with their dog Jewel, who won the Best Presence on Instagram award at the children's pet show.

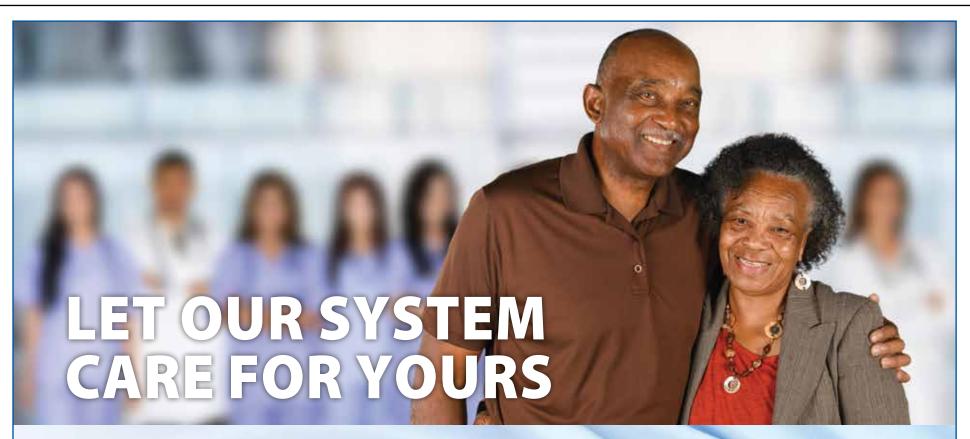


A hissing cockroach makes an appearance at the Labor Day Festival pet show.

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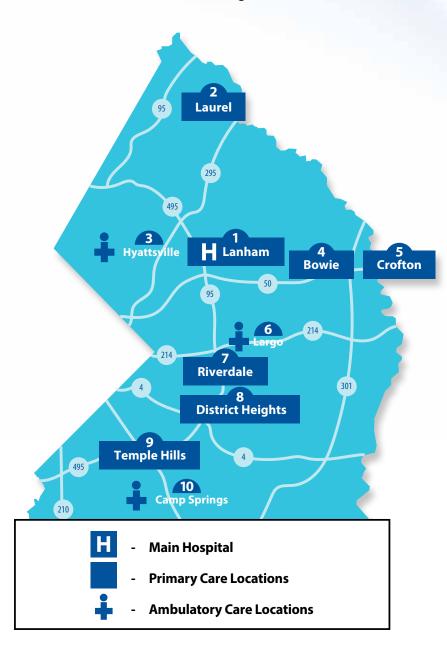
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# Greenbelt's Business



# New Massage and Acupuncture Practice Opens in Greenbelt

by Matt Arbach



Inside the new office of Heavenly Well, well wishers enjoy refreshments and conversation. From left: Renée Cooper, Jane DeVane, Julia Shapiro, Christine Doran, Megan Plyler and Rossana Del Vecchio

The newly opened Heavenly Well, Acupuncture and Massage, is aimed at "making wellness accessible," according to their website (heavenlywell.com). The grand opening was September 4 and the location is 6301 Ivy Lane, Suite 108. Acupuncturist Julia Shapiro and massage therapist Renée Cooper are "two practitioners who are passionate about healing and deeply care about their clients and this community," said Shapiro. According to their website, this a "winning idea - a joint venture in wellness."

Heavenly Well is the only business in Greenbelt that offers both acupuncture and massage. Shapiro remarked that acupuncture is time tested and addresses imbalances in the whole person, physical as well as emotional. It is very effective in treating painful conditions both acute and chronic. She added that massage is one of the most direct ways of achieving relaxation and that it can soften a tense body and soothe an agitated mind.

Shapiro and Cooper are both Greenbelt residents yet originally hail from Germany and Austria respectively. They met in 2007 while participating in co-op duties at Greenbelt Nursery School, which both their daughters attended, their mutual interest sparked by the presence of another German speaker. Said Cooper, "it was the beginning of a friendship that would last."

Cooper said that "ever since I was a little girl growing up in Vienna, Austria, I have enjoyed helping people." She was introduced to massage as a child by observing her father receiving it as treatment for back surgery which immediately piqued her curiosity. She said that "since then I enjoyed giving and receiving massages being guided by what I thought was comfortable for the other. Supporting the body to heal was, I decided, my mission and dedication." She graduated from the Baltimore School of Massage in 1994 which led to her first paid employment. She has also been part of the massage team at Women's Resource Center of Mercy Medical Center in Baltimore and for several years was a member of Cycling Across America Sports Massage.

Shapiro received her training in acupuncture at the master's degree level at Maryland University of Integrative Health, beginning in 2013. She has a deep interest in complementary and alternative medicine, specifically disciplines such as homeopathy, herbalism, chiropractic and Ayurveda. She added, "what

fascinates me about integrative health is the possibility of collaboration between the different disciplines, each contributing a piece to the puzzle. Practicing acupuncture and seeing its remarkable effect on people's lives brings me great joy. I am thrilled to do this for a living!"

Shapiro noted that there will be many opportunities to reach out to the community – community-health day and teacher appreciation week, to name a few. They plan to provide seated massage and group ear acupuncture. As well, Shapiro envisions holding community education workshops on various wellness topics as well as offering movement and meditation classes. Another goal is to conduct lunchtime sessions.

Daughters Mila Shapiro and Sophie Cooper, both aged 13, have lent a hand to their parents' new venture. They have aided in constructing the website and, along with 9-year-old Lana Shapiro, have shown themselves adept at assembling furniture.

Concerning the grand opening, Shapiro declared it "a successful day!" While no sessions were conducted, the roughly 10 people



Julia Shapiro and Renée Cooper open their new office.

who visited spent hours enjoying the "soothing, good atmosphere" which included a tea bar. She said that the jovial open house energy would be quite distinct from the meditative tone of an actual session. Said Shapiro, "everyone was pleased with the space." They expect to hold more such events in the future.



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A Review

# Cynicism and Laughter: Timon of Athens at GAC

by Jim Link

Shakespeare's Timon of Athens, showing on September 7 and 8 at 8 p.m. at the Greenbelt Arts Center, resonates uncannily with today's moral, financial and political climate, which helps the Rude Mechanicals to present it so well. The Rudes tweak this shrill, extreme tale of philanthropy and misanthropy with their trademark creative excellence - "no holds Bard," indeed. They persuade the audience to get its catharsis from laughter rather than tears. As director Joshua Engel says, "In 2018, it's (laughter) the only thing that keeps me from screaming. Timon plays a darkness that's all too recognizable, whether you're living under Pericles, Elizabeth I or Trump."

Timon showers his wealth on all his friends for all the wrong reasons: he aims to buy their respect and love, but of course attracts only sycophants, phonies, empty parasites, pompous lords and senators, a banal poet and mediocre painter seeking patronage. After "pouring out gold like Pluto," Timon goes broke and attempts to cull some reciprocal generosity from his false friends, who reject his justifiable requests with smooth excuses. Enraged, Timon swings to the opposite extreme, spews vitriol against all mankind and banishes himself from Athens to a primitive, wretched homemade campsite.

Ironically he discovers gold there and pays the treacherous Alcibiades, who has been banished by the Athenian senators, to mount an army to destroy Athens. He also pays the prostitutes, Phrynia and Timandra, to infect the populace with venereal disease. "We'd do anything for gold," the pliant ladies reply.

Before Alcibiades can sack Athens, Timon dies – "seek not my name," his epitaph says, and the "good" senators soften Alcibiades' wrath. He ends by restoring a semblance of order and calm in Athens, much as Fortinbras does in Hamlet's "rotten" Denmark.

It's interesting that three of the four main characters, all male, are played by women. So are a host of lesser male parts. Is this some sly Rude Trick? It certainly works.

Melissa Schick is unctuous and vicious by turns as Timon; she is wonderful as the sadistic host of a mock banquet served to her former "friends." He serves them water in pet dishes. "Uncover, dogs and lap!" Heaping vitriol on the "curs," he sends them packing. Poor Apemantus also feels the lash of his tongue: "Toad! Rogue!"

Laurel Miller-Sims is the only decent moral compass in the play as Flavius, Timon's loyal, honest, compassionate steward/accountant. When Flavius presents Timon with the harsh facts of his rash prodigality, Timon blithely continues to live in his imaginary world, a "ceaseless flow of riot." "I am wealthy in my friends," claims naïve Timon, before reality thuds him.

The excellent Lynda Clarkewallis plays the churlish, cynic philosopher Apemantus, who speaks truth to power and is mocked by the parasites eating Timon's substance. In this topsyturvy world, the wise are considered fools.

Peter Eichman plays Alcibiades, dignified at first, then vengeful as he leads his army of tattooed, leather-clad punk bikers, armed with chains and baseball bats. Claudia Bach and Erin Nealer are very convincing as saucy Phrynia and Timandra, respectively, the gold-digging prostitutes clad in red sheaths and black underwear. Alan Duda does triple duty as the doddering Old Athenian, oily lord Sempronius and pompous Senator Stampp: three different characters, which he etches with nuanced particularity. And all of his costumes came from his own closet. Wes Dennis and Leah DeLano, the poet and painter, respectively, are speaking tissues of aesthetic clichés, walking examples of inauthenticity. Dennis looks good shirtless, by the way, as a soldier, as does DeLano with her shimmering white gown, swishing feather boa and smiling rictus.

Sound designer Jaki Demarest adds urgency to the plot with her selection of ominous violin music and punk rock, the Sex Pistols in particular. The costumes and makeup were boffo – credit Spencer Dye and Linda Swan – garish, ornate, glitzy at the Gatsby-ish early parties; dark tattered, punkish in Timon's lair.

Assistant director and stage manager Liana Olear helped with lighting design (with Jeff Poretsky). The sets and props were handled by Erin Nealer and Magdalena Willow respectively. Their décor of Timon's lair was especially impressive, boosted by Joshua Engel's creativity. The tattered vertical mattress, the Basquiat-like wall of punk graffiti, the tacky plastic canopy under which Timon invisibly broods all prompt a smile.

See this savage piece of cynicism, laced with saving laughter, on Friday and Saturday, September 7 and 8 at 8 p.m.



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# Granny and the Boys Bring Funk To Greenbelt

by Theresa Diffendal

A funky, toe-tapping beat called to visitors at Greenbelt's Labor Day Festival, cutting through children's delightful peals, the roar of rides and ferris wheels, and the classic smell of fried carnival food. An interesting crew commanded the stage: five black men on the bongos, drums, bass, guitar and vocals, and an 85-year-old white-haired woman serenely plunking away at a keyboard.

"We're Granny and the Boys!" called the lead singer Shelton Hawkins, shirt dark with sweat and face lit with a wide grin. "And Granny says she wants to play something funky, y'all!"

As he threw his head back to start their next bop, Granny and the Boys launched into Wild Cherry's Play that Funky Music. Seated on metal bleachers and in folding chairs, the young, old and even pets of Greenbelt could not resist the infectious energy and began dancing despite the sun and heat.

As a woman twirled her small,

panting dog in her arms, a group of young children ran onto the grass in front of the stage. They linked hands and spun in circles, falling and laughing. "People in Greenbelt make the world go 'round!" cried Hawkins with a snap of his fingers as the band leapt into The Stylistics' People Make The World Go Round.

Granny, real name Alice Donahue, has lived in Greenbelt for 61 years. The funk fusion group got their start playing Sunday nights at Showtime Bar in D.C. and has accumulated a large following.

"We try to find local groups," explained Davina Johnson, a member of the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee that booked the group. This was the band's first year playing at Greenbelt's Labor Day Festival. Granny was happy to be able to give back to Greenbelt.

"I came just for them," said Tonya Webb, a festival attendee who was "interested in their dynamic." Even Granny admitted, "There's nothing quite like it."

# ZERO WASTE continued from page 1

their work.

"You all are doing a great job," one festival vendor told a passing volunteer clad in a safety-yellow work vest with a litter picker in hand.

The Greenbelt observance is part of an international celebration that the Zero Waste Week website describes as "a grassroots campaign raising awareness of the environmental impact of waste and empowering participants to reduce waste."

The city's proclamation noted that "Zero Waste is a philosophy where no trash is sent to landfills or incinerators and all discarded materials are considered as resources to be recovered and reused." It cited harmful conse-

quences associated with landfill and incineration, such as "toxic gas and groundwater pollution and significant loss of natural resources."

The proclamation ended by encouraging "all our residents and city programs to increase their zero waste efforts by engaging in reducing waste, reusing materials, composting food scraps and yard waste, and increasing household and city recycling, as these are effective ways to make a positive impact on our environment, preserve our natural resources, protect our health, reduce our landfill needs and costs, and enhance the quality of life for present and future generations."



Michael Travis (above) and John Lippert (right) volunteer with the Zero-waste team during the Festival.



# Shuttle Brings in Relaxed And Ready Festivalgoers

by Ian Round

If you found the perfect parking spot at the Labor Day Festival, you may have the shuttle to thank. The shuttle makes it easier for people outside the center of Greenbelt to attend, and opens up parking for those who choose to drive.

"We have the shuttle because we have such limited parking in the center and a lot of the people that live here don't want to find a parking space," said Festival President Linda Ivy. She said with the shuttle's two loops, "we're touching all the areas."

Davina Johnson organized the shuttles for the festival, but she was able to enjoy herself on Saturday, too. "I've been here since 11:30," she said around 6 p.m. "I like watching the bands."

Ivy said the city of Greenbelt used to provide the shuttle service, but when the buses became too old, the city provided a grant to the festival for transportation. They used the grant to rent buses from O'Brien Bus Service. Ivy said the festival committee will meet September 11 to discuss ways to improve the service.

Reggie Nelson drove the shuttle on Saturday. This is his fourth year volunteering at the festival. "You get the majority of people from Greenbelt Elementary School," he said. Because he was driving, he didn't get a chance to walk around the festival on Saturday.

Erv Beckert said he volunteered as a shuttle driver for five or six years, and stopped two years ago. He and his wife,

# **Kindness in Action**

Since the announcement of RUAK's (Random Unselfish Acts of Kindness) emergence in Greenbelt, the organization has been very busy. The organization is sponsoring a free community showing of the movie "Man in Red Bandana." The movie tells the story of Welles Remy Crowther who saved 18 lives from the Twin Towers after the attacks in New York City on September 11, 2001. The movie will play on Tuesday, September 11 at the Old Greenbelt Theatre at 8 p.m., with free admission.

In other work, RUAK greeted community members at the Greenbelt Farmers Market, spreading its message of kindness and community and hearing wonderful experiences from the recipients of kindness. Promoting kindness and spreading community, RUAK was also present at each of the six Greenbelt locations of National Night Out. RUAK distributed those cool green kindness bags which are now circulating in Greenbelt. (Reminder for those who have received one of the bags, contact spreadruak@gmail.com with your address and the bags' number before replenishing the bag and continuing its journey.)

For further information about RUAK or suggestions, contact Robert Goldberg-Strassler at 301-345-8755 or spreadruak@gmail.





The shuttle moves festivalgoers to various parts of the city.

Laura, have been coming here for 21 years for the funnel cakes, the live music and the talent show. "When I drove the shuttle I always had 10 or 15 people," Beckert said. "The shuttle was pretty well utilized, a great little service because you don't have to worry about parking."

He had a favorite shift. "We always tried to get the Friday night shift because that was the fun one," he said. "Everyone's very exuberant about the beginning of the festival, and you could also enjoy the rest of the weekend."

Laura Beckert said, "I like the family atmosphere and you get to see a lot of people that you don't see the rest of the year."

Jack Leslie, an electrician who has lived in Greenbelt for 60 years, said the shuttle makes attending the festival much easier. Leslie said he comes for the music and the food.

Norma Belt said she appreciates the small-town atmosphere. She said she has volunteered a lot in Greenbelt and has come to the festival off and on since the early 1990s. "This is a good way to spend your Labor Day weekend," she said Saturday evening. "Both of the bands they had this afternoon were great."

Belt lives in Hyattsville and said she dislikes the traffic and luxury condos near her home. She said of Greenbelt, "This is hometown America."



Decorations on the barriers brighten up the Festival, thanks to local artist Mike McMullin.

# **News Review**

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of the Maryland State Board of Elections at elections.state.md.us. Just click on Voter Registration. Those who are not sure if they are registered or who wish to ensure their information is correct can go to the same URL to have a check and make changes if need be.

The paper voter registration form can also be used either for a new registration or for changing an address, a name or a political party affiliation on an existing registration. The form is available for printing from the website and may be mailed or taken to the Prince George's County Board of Elections, 1100 Mercantile Lane, Suite 115A, Largo, MD 20774.

Alternatively, a registration form may be requested through the mail by calling the County Board of Elections at 301-341-7300. Forms can also be picked up at the city clerk's office in the Greenbelt Municipal Building and mailed to the county board office. In addition, residents can register or change information in person at the board office in Largo.

Although registering in person at the Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) offices in Largo or Beltsville is also an option, occasional computer communication problems between MVA and the County Board of Elections suggest the wisdom of either choosing another method or at a minimum checking to be sure the registration has been received in time by the County Board of Elections.

Registration forms being returned by mail to the county board office must be postmarked no later than October 16. Forms returned in person to the county board office must arrive by 4:30 p.m. on October 16. Registration online must be completed no later than 9 p.m. on October 16.

#### Eligibility

To be eligible to register to vote in Prince George's County, a person must be a U.S. citizen, at least 16 years of age, a resident of the county, have not been convicted of a felony or, alternatively, have completed serving a court-ordered term of imprisonment. The individual may not be under guardianship for mental disability. Although a person may register to vote at age 16, voting in the general election requires turning 18 by election day. Students enrolled in college in Maryland may register to vote and vote in Maryland if they qualify as Maryland residents and meet the other requirements.

#### Still to Come

Options for voting will be covered in future articles, but dates to be aware of include the following. Early voting will begin on October 25 and continue through November 13, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. The deadline for requesting an absentee ballot is October 30 to have it mailed out or November 2 to receive a link to download it. The absentee ballot must be returned or mailed with a postmark no later than 8 p.m. on November 6. The form to request an absentee ballot can be printed from the state website or provided by mail from the county board by calling 301-341-

# BARC continued from page 1

BARC Symposium Workshop to be held on Thursday, September 20, titled Urban Agriculture Today and Tomorrow: Research for Sustainable Solutions, which is designed to include scholars and other interested community members.

More information on the symposium can be found at ars. usda.gov/northeast-area/beltsville-md-barc/beltsville-agricultural-research-center/docs/barc-symposium-2018. Online pre-registration is required for security reasons and payment may also be made online.

#### **Treasury Bureau Plans**

This worksession was the second one for council and BARC this year. The earlier one, held in February with BARC Director Howard Zhang and Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP) Project Manager Chuck Davis, was for purposes of briefing the city council on plans under consideration for BEP to relocate to the BARC campus. BARC and BEP are in agreement that the best way to protect the BARC campus is to have another federal agency with compatible goals and activities in residence there.

Mayor Pro Tem Judith Davis, who chaired the meeting until the later arrival of Mayor Emmett Jordan, asked the status of the negotiations regarding BEP's possible move. Onwulata said they were moving forward. The necessary authorization request for BEP to relocate to the campus of another federal agency had been submitted to Congress but was now awaiting action in

the House of Representatives. He also noted that there were additional locations for the BEP move, in addition to BARC, still under consideration as well.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts reiterated the objections to the BEP move to BARC he had raised at the February meeting, since he considers BEP to be an industrial function that will release water that will damage the creeks despite its having been treated. He also deplored the condition of many of the buildings on the property that the federal government has not maintained.

Onwulata replied that in fact BEP would reclaim and upgrade the area where it would be located. He said the problem with maintaining the buildings is that there are fewer funded programs to support the infrastructure. Where there were once 400 scientists working at BARC, there are now fewer than 200. Fukagawa raised another issue that was explained at the February meeting: that the nature of technology and research has changed, with fewer people taking less time at a lower cost to undertake the same work. Most of BARC's programs are still active, with fewer scientists working in them. There are currently 193 occupied buildings, with 307 vacant.

Davis commented that Greenbelt has been concerned for years that as there is less funding, then less upkeep and renovation, eventually Congress would feel justified in taking the property.

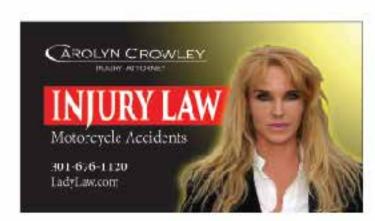
#### **Magley and BARC**

Among other updates, Onwulata said they had attended a meeting on August 21 regarding a proposal from the maglev group to use 200 acres of BARC land for the proposed train maintenance yard. Jordan said he was shocked to hear this and that the last he had heard, it was 100 acres that would be sought from BARC. When Jordan asked which side of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway was currently under consideration, Onwulata said as far as he knew, both sides were still under consideration. He added that BARC is responding to requests from higher up in the Department of Agriculture for information on potential impacts to BARC. The 200 acres in question include some historical research sites, which could present a problem. In response to a question from Councilmember Leta Mach, Onwulata agreed there was potential for damage in areas where research had been conducted for many years and could be lost.

Jordan asked if the maglev group was also asking for additional right of way on either side of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. According to Onwulata, that was still an open question.

Onwulata also informed council that BARC has been asked to join a working group regarding the proposed widening of I-270. He said he does not see changes there affecting BARC, though councilmembers noted that a widening of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway might.





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# Who is Lady Law?

She was born and raised in Greenbelt (Crowley family has over 50 years residency in Greenbelt).

Attorney Carolyn went to Eleanor Roosevelt High, U of Md, and American U for law school.



# Letters continued

Historian Douglas Brinkley recently published a book over 700 pages long devoted to FDR as a conservation leader. Throughout his presidency, Roosevelt focused on the needs of the great majority of Americans rather than a few. These are ample reasons to believe that he would criticize the SCMaglev project for what it is: environmentally destructive throughout this region and elitist, serving only a tiny fraction of area residents.

Charles Hoffacker

# Maglev Would Duplicate Services

I read with interest the letter to the editor "What would the Roosevelts Do? in last week's paper. The writer suggests that President and Eleanor Roosevelt would "wholeheartedly" agree with the concept of SCMaglev technology and its possibilities of invading our bucolic surroundings. Many think otherwise; history tells us so.

Joseph Arnold, in his epic "New Deal in the Suburbs," notes the sleight-of-hand FDR laid out. In September 1935, \$31 million was allotted to the three "Greenbelt" towns, with the implication that another \$37 million "might" be forthcoming at a later date. Even his initial commitment waivered. FDR added stipulations too many to note here; deadlines were not met. Our town was completed with the urging of Eleanor Roosevelt and Wallace Richards, the government's project coordinator. But cutbacks had to be made.

Recently, in searching the files of the Library of Congress, I came across an early plan for the town. Early concepts show more housing, underpasses, parks, garages and a larger Lake park.

Here's the main point: SC-Maglev is duplication of services. The rails that took FDR and company to Hyde Park are still in daily use – It's called... AMTRAK! We should keep in mind the many millions of tax-payer dollars that have gone to upgrading trackage and "rolling stock." The next phase of Acela (high-speed passenger equipment) will come close to speeds of 200 mph. How fast is fast enough? Let's leave the crystal ball alone and stick to the facts.

Mark Hanyok

# A Wise Investment?

In the August 30 edition of the News Review Robert Snyder appeals to the authority of Franklin Roosevelt to support the SC-Maglev project. While appeal to authority is a poor substitute for arguing the actual merits of the case, I will nonetheless follow the same fallacy to suggest that his two successors would, while not necessarily opposing the concept, cast a more skeptical eye on the project as defined.

Before he was president, Senator Harry Truman led a committee that investigated how contractors were spending the money allocated for the war against Germany and Japan. His efforts saved the country \$15 billion in 1944 dollars. Surely he would give the financing of this plan a very skeptical read, and surely he would ask why the plans only included a route from Washington to Baltimore, when the technol-

ogy is intended for long intercity routes such as from Tokyo to Osaka

Before he was president, Ike was the Army officer who led the first cross country convoy in 1919. According to Wikipedia, this convoy was intended to test new vehicles and highlight the need for improved highways, and averaged 5 (yes, really!) miles an hour. Certainly Ike knew the value of investment in transportation infrastructure after that, and our interstate highway system now bears his name.

However, while Ike was an advocate for transportation infrastructure, he was also the advocate of a small and balanced budget. Surely Ike would be taking a good look at whether there was a less expensive way of improving commuter rail in the Baltimore-Washington area.

While appealing to the ghosts of Truman and Ike for the purpose of this letter, the questions that they would hypothetically raise are exactly the ones I want answered before I would support such a project. Certainly I see driving to North Linthicum and taking light rail to Camden Yards as a more viable option than going to BWI and taking a Maglev to Camden Yards at twice or more the price.

Mike Stark

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# Council Hears from Red Cross, Debates Charging Station Fees

by Diane Oberg

Three weeks after a fire destroyed a building in Franklin Park the Greenbelt City Council received an update from the National Capital Region of the American Red Cross at its August 13 regular meeting. Council also dealt with several pieces of legislation, such as what the city should charge for vehicles to use the charging station at the Municipal Building.

#### Red Cross

Candice Covin, Disaster Program manager, reported that the Red Cross helped 33 families. In addition to the residents of the 11 units that were destroyed, the Red Cross also aided the families in adjacent buildings who were not permitted to reenter their units as all utilities had been turned off. The families in the destroyed building have all found new places to live, some in comparable units in Franklin Park. The families in the adjacent buildings have all returned to their homes.

Covin said that 71 people received financial assistance for immediate need. She praised Prince George's County Public Schools and the City of Greenbelt for all the help they provided. It is rare for the Red Cross to get so much assistance from a city, she said.

The Red Cross ensures that those displaced have somewhere safe to go, food to eat and essential items like diapers for their babies. It works with schools to make it possible for children displaced in a fire to continue with their education and maintain some source of continuity. Based on the needs of the children displaced, the school system might provide uniforms, backpacks and even transportation.

The Red Cross offers programs on emergency prepared-

ness. It also partners with local fire companies to distribute and install free 10-year smoke detectors. There should be one for each sleeping area and one for each level of the home.

Anyone interested in volunteering with the Red Cross may contact Covin on candace.covin2@redcross.org or by calling 202-359-9676.

#### **Charging Station**

In response to comments from council, Sustainability Coordinator Luisa Robles along with representatives from Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability proposed a new fee for use of the city's electric car charging station. Users would pay a flat \$2 per use, plus 17 cents per minute. Robles said that the fee is slightly under the market rate as the city is not looking to profit from this proposal.

The recommendation was not universally hailed by council. Councilmember Rodney Roberts argued that a higher price is needed to establish a fund to cover the costs when the charging station wears out. Other councilmembers wanted a discount for Greenbelt residents.

John Lippert, chair of Green ACES, noted that most cars can be slowly charged using a very common 120-volt outlet. He felt that there is not a need for Greenbelters to charge at the Municipal Building and therefore no need for a discount for Greenbelters.

Councilmember Judith Davis argued for permitting non-Greenbelters to use the charging station, saying that the station is bringing non-residents into Greenbelt who may then patronize the merchants in Roosevelt

It took three attempts to do so, but Davis finally won approval of her third version of a motion. Council approved the rate schedule. However, council asked staff to research the effects of a discount for Greenbelters and whether to establish a higher fee rate in the future to ensure the charger could be replaced.

#### Other Legislation

Also in this meeting, council unanimously approved legislation increasing fees for the Aquatic & Fitness Center by roughly 3 percent and reducing the number of members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to nine (previously 11). The latter legislation was made at the request of PRAB, which has had difficulties getting a quorum.

Council introduced for first reading a resolution authorizing the city to install a solar photovoltaic energy system that would offset the municipal electricity used by the city to a solar farm located outside of the city.

This item is expected to be on the agenda for the September 10 council meeting.

#### **Funding Request**

Council reviewed the request from the Forest Preserve Advisory Board to establish a funding source for them. Council also unanimously approved a motion from Davis to fund environmental or historical research as requested by FPAB.

Despite the agreement several councilmembers presented concerns about the process someone would follow in advance to receive funding, and a desire to know about the types of projects being funded. They also want to

know to what extent the projects are for University of Maryland students.





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# **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.

#### Car Jacking

August 26, 3:15 a.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace. A pickup truck pulled up to three people who stood outside a sedan in a parking lot talking. The two occupants who exited the truck wore ski-type masks and were armed with handguns. They announced a robbery and fled in the sedan, described as a 2012 Toyota Corolla, after they took cell phones, wallets and the car key. The pickup truck left behind, a 2006 Ford F-150, was found to have been reported stolen to D.C. Metropolitan police. The sedan was recovered August 28 by D.C. police in the 3400 block Cruffton Place, S.E.

#### Robbery

August 27, 8 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Lane. A food delivery person passed three men as he walked to an apartment to complete a delivery and after doing so, the three approached him. One displayed a handgun and demanded money. All three fled on foot after getting money. They are described as being black, each taller than five feet six inches and with medium complexions. One wore a white tank top, had hair in dreadlocks, the tattoo of a star under his left eye and a mask covering his mouth.

August 28, 11:12 p.m., 6200 block Springhill Court. An 18-year-old man and 17-year-old youth, both Greenbelt residents, were arrested and charged with two counts of strong-arm robbery and two counts of theft after an officer saw them ducking down between parked vehicles as if hiding, and then observed them running from the area. They were stopped in the 9100 block Edmonston Road. A short time later two people approached the officers and said the man and the youth had earlier taken a hat, cell phone and earbuds from them by force and punched one of them in the face during the robbery. The 18-year-old was transported to the Sheriff's Department for a hearing before a district court commissioner. The youth was released to a guardian pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

# Assault

August 25, 7:05 p.m., 9300 block Edmonston Road. A person was walking down the sidewalk when a woman displayed a pocket knife in her hand and called out to the person and began to approach her. The woman being approached left and contacted police. The woman with the knife is described as being black, approximately 20 years old, five feet five inches tall, with a thin build, a light complexion and hair in dreadlocks, wearing a white shirt and light colored blue jeans.

August 25, 12:20 a.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace. A 21-year-old man and 18-year-old woman, both Greenbelters, were

arrested and charged with possession of phencyclidine (PCP) with intent to distribute and possession of phencyclidine after the vehicle they were in was stopped for a registration violation. They were transferred to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

#### Theft

August 27, 5 a.m., 6100 block Breezewood Court. A bicycle was taken from the patio area of a residence and was recovered later in the day after a resident asked the man riding it if it was his bike. The man then threw the bike toward the resident and fled.

August 27, 7:30 p.m., 6200 block Springhill Court. A parcel package was taken from the front stoop of a residence.

August 29, 10 p.m., 7500 block Greenbelt Road. A man lost his wallet at Safeway. A credit card in it was later used to make several unauthorized purchases.

#### **Disorderly Conduct**

August 22, 9:38 p.m., 6100 block Springhill Terrace. A 22-year-old nonresident woman was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct by officers responding to a report of a possible domestic dispute. She was released on citation pending trial.

#### **Trespass**

August 23, 11:35 p.m., 5700 block Cherrywood Lane. A 36-year-old Greenbelt man was arrested and charged with trespass after he was observed at Shell Food Mart after having been banned from the establishment by agents of the property. He was released on citation pending trial.

August 26, 4:45 p.m., 6200 block Greenbelt Road. A 33-year-old resident was arrested and charged with trespass after he was observed inside Beltway Plaza after having been banned from the mall by agents of the property. He was released on citation pending trial. Two days later he was arrested again for trespass at Beltway Plaza and again released on citation.

# Burglary

August 23, 8 a.m., 6100 block Breezewood Court. Several pairs of shoes were taken and items in a residence were vandalized after entry was gained by possible use of a key.

# Vandalism

August 23, 11:03 a.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Lane. A rock was used to break out the living room window of a residence. The resident knows the person suspected of doing this. An investigation is ongoing.

August 24, 9 p.m., 7700 block Hanover Parkway. Spray paint was used to place graffiti on the wall of an apartment building.

# Vehicle Crime

One vehicle was stolen, a tan 4-door 1994 Honda Accord with Md. tags 5AFJ70, which was taken from the 6900 block Hanover Parkway on August 23.

Two vehicles were recovered.

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.

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A 1996 Honda Accord reported stolen August 4 from the 8000 block Mandan Road was recovered August 24 by Prince George's County police in the 6200 block Livingston Road in Oxon Hill. One adult was arrested. A 2013 Hyundai Elantra stolen August 24 from the 6100 block Breezewood Court was recovered the same day in the 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace.

An attempted theft from vehicle occurred in the 5900 block Cherrywood Lane, where a car was rifled through after a window was broken out to gain access. Nothing appeared to have been taken

Three thefts from vehicles were reported. Two occurred after windows had been broken out. In the 7900 block Greenbury Drive money was removed, and in the 7800 Mandan Road camera equipment, a drone and jewelry were taken. In the 100 block Centerway rear Md. tag 23102BY was taken.

# Pedestrian Killed On Kenilworth Ramp

On Sunday, September 2 at approximately 4:20 a.m., the Greenbelt Police Department responded to a report of a pedestrian struck in the area of the ramp from southbound Kenilworth Avenue to Greenbelt Road. Fireboard responded and despite lifesaving efforts the victim succumbed to her injuries and was pronounced dead on the scene.

Preliminary investigation revealed that the victim was walking on the left shoulder of the ramp when she walked into the roadway and was struck by two passenger cars. Both drivers remained on the scene. The victim has been identified as Paulinette F. Pearl Bedran, 29, of Silver Spring. Investigation is ongoing.

# Assault Reported At Buddy Attick Park

A walker was assaulted on the lake path at Buddy Attick Park on Saturday, September 1 at approximately 8:20 a.m. The victim reported that she was walking on the lake path near Greenhill Road when she passed the suspect. He approached her from behind, told her to lie down and then threw her to the ground. When the victim began yelling, the suspect fled on foot toward St. Hugh's church. The victim was treated on the scene for minor injuries.

When asked how often attacks like this have happened in the past, George Mathews, public information liaison of the Greenbelt Police Department, said that such a thing was "very unusual," and that he "did not recall any such attack in recent memory.' Mathews offered reassurance that the lake park is a very safe place to walk. With beautiful surroundings and well-maintained paths, the lake attracts many walkers and thus "many eyes and ears." However, he notes that no matter the situation, there is safety in numbers. People often walk around the lake in groups for socializing as well as safety. Even at such an early hour as this assault occurred, lake patrons are wise to stay alert. If any unusual behavior or events cause walkers to be suspicious or nervous, they

are encouraged to notify the po-

lice department.

The Greenbelt Police Department is actively investigating the assault. The suspect is described as a black male in his twenties, 5'11" to 6', with a thin build and black hair in medium dreadlocks, wearing a black button-down shirt

and black pants. No further infor-

mation is available.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact the Greenbelt Police Department at 301-474-7200.

# At Greenbelt Park

Saturday, September 8: Junior Ranger Beginner's Tree Walk. Come join a beginner tree walk and learn to identify the trees in the forest. Meet at the Ranger Station near the campground at 9:00 a.m.

Saturday, September 8: Ranger Talk: Nike Hercules, Washington Nuclear Air Defense in the Cold War. Until 1974, nuclear-warhead Nike Hercules missiles defended cities, including Washington and Baltimore, from expected and fearsome swarms of Soviet bombers that never attacked. Learn about the abandoned sites nearby that once bristled with nuclear missiles in a ring of supersonic steel. Meet at the Ranger Station at 11:00 a.m. for this one-hour program.

# School Lets Out Early



Crossing guard Mary Anderson helps Springhill Lake Elementary School students as they get out early on the second day of school due to high temperatures. Anderson has been a crossing guard on Springhill Drive for 18 years.

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# **Sports**

# Greenbelt Lady Angels to Host City Council in Rubber Match

by René Sewell-Raysor



Greenbelt Lady Angels and supporters await the benefit game.

Politics and basketball make strange bedfellows, but on Saturday, September 8, the Springhill Lake Recreation Center will host the rubber match between the Greenbelt City Council and the Greenbelt Lady Angels basketball team. Bragging rights will be settled by the final buzzer.

Rumors are that the council has been meeting in extra worksessions to perfect their game. It is also rumored that some councilmembers may not be gameready and have recruited city employees as substitutes, citing Article XX from an unnamed document. The demands of city governance require that the council always bring their "A" game and this may be part of their

The 4:30 p.m. jump ball will signal the third time that these teams have met, making this the deciding game of the series.

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gels] have won four international championships in Canada and feel that they are ready for the politicos - Dems, Republicans or Independents. They want this win.

Coach Herb Allen says this is just a warm-up for the tournament that the Greenbelt Lady Angels will host in October. "I've seen the competition and they have a couple of good players. I haven't seen these substitutes, but I think we can take them," Coach Allen offered. The Lady Angels play year-round and Coach Allen thinks this gives them a distinct

The game is Saturday, September 8 at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane. Doors open at 4:00 p.m. Half-time will feature 3-Point Shooting and a Free Throw Contest. Refreshments will be available.

Admission is free but donations are welcomed. This benefit

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Lady Angels raise money to buy uniforms. This win-win event is family-friendly so come out and support your favorite team.

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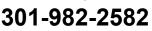
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and energy for the parade. In between handing delighted children pieces of candy, Captain Gordon Pracht of the Greenbelt Police Department explained that water stations, emergency cooling areas and safety personnel were at the ready in case any attendees had problems with the heat.

However, longtime parade goers already had their heat precautions down to a science. Residents Gina and Jeffrey Wesley-Hunt hung a tarp to shield themselves, and the three families that later joined them, from the beating sun.

Jeffrey Wesley-Hunt said one of the reasons he and his wife have attended the parade since 2006 is watching the political candidates and campaign helpers. "It's fun to be part of the longstanding tradition of political activism," he adds.

Several participants turned out to march not for a candidate but for a cause. Joani Horchler, the co-leader for the Prince George's County chapter of Moms Demand Action, explained that her chapter of the organization marched in the parade for the first time this year as a way to raise awareness for their cause of ending gun violence.

The Sheet Metal Workers Local 100, part of the Sheet Metal Workers International Association, marched because, as Tom Killeen, the legislative director for the

group, exclaimed, "It's our day!" Killeen says that he and his fellow members wanted to celebrate the importance of labor unions. He especially loves the audience at the Labor Day Parade because it "best represents our membership. These are middle class people in Greenbelt that are just like us. They work for a living."

Although many children sat on the sides of the route eagerly waiting to catch airborne pieces of candy, several participated in the parade themselves. The Greenbelt Elementary School Parent Teacher Association marched with the theme Once Upon a Time, complete with children dressed as pirates, princesses and classic fairytale characters. Jessica O'Roark, the vice president of the GES PTA, said the members march because "We want to be part of the community and join in this tradition." She added, "We're marching because it's fun, even on this hot day!"

From sheet metal workers to children dressed as storybook characters, the Labor Day Parade is a place where residents can promote their organization or raise awareness for a cause while celebrating the Greenbelt community. "The parade brings everyone together," says Dennis Taylor, who has attended nearly every Labor Day Parade for the 36 years he has lived in Greenbelt. "It's a great tradition."



Alice Hughes and Haley Dunn share a day in the sun and ice cream.





Children from the Greenbelt Elementary School PTA parade entry encourage the crowd to read books.



K'lah Morgan, 14, performs with the Greenbelt SITY Stars.



Greenbelt Dog Trainers amuse the watching crowd at the parade.



Maryland gubernatorial candidate Ben Jealous greets Lavelle Cassell, 76, during the parade.

