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Greenbelt Youth Baseball Little League Cubs do their happy dance of victory over the Laurel Nationals on Tuesday, May 21 at Braden Field. See article on Sports Page.

Budget 2020

Council Hashes Out Budget Changes Before Final Hearing

By Diane Oberg

The Greenbelt City Council met with City Manager Nicole Ard and city staff to develop a final proposed budget for consideration at the Second Public Hearing on the budget during the regular council meeting on May 28 starting at 8 p.m. This will be the last opportunity for Greenbelt residents to comment on the proposal.

Budget Adjustments

Assistant City Manager David Moran briefed council on changes to the figures since the budget was prepared. The city negotiated with its insurance company to reduce the increase from ten to two percent. This reduced this budget item by \$142,000. In addition, City Treasurer Jeff Williams revised the budget's es-

timated vehicle fuel costs, in light of the recent increases estimated to add \$25,000 to the proposed budget. And finally, the city is required to reimburse the Friends of the Old Greenbelt Theatre for revenues lost by the upcoming shutdown, estimated at \$78,500. These changes resulted in a total increase of \$38,500. Council also discussed a few other additions to the budget. When all was said and done, council came to a consensus on the additions. These are: training for community development staff (\$5,000), and a science fund requested by the Forest Preserve Advisory Board (\$2,000). This reduced the funds provided to contribution

groups to the level proposed by the city's advisory board. Council then reinstated several of the requests that had not been fully funded by the advisory board including increasing the contribution to Senior Softball by \$500, granting the Arts Advisory Board an additional \$1,000 to host artist receptions and increased funding to the Soccer Alliance of \$2,000. Several large projects were included on the list including renovating the kitchen in the community center (estimated at \$5,000), renovations to the police station to accommodate animal control personnel (\$30,000), installation

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Budget 2020

City Recreation's 2020 Budget Builds on Year of Achievement

by Gary Childs

"The mission of the recreation department is to provide recreation programming and facilities which are responsive to the needs of the community, are fun, result in self-development through stimulating and satisfying activities, promote wellness and enrich social and cultural experiences." Greg Varda, recreation supervisor for the Greenbelt Recreation and Parks Department, read these words which summarized the department's mission.

With Joseph McNeal, assistant

director of recreation, and Nicole DeWald, arts supervisor, Varda briefed council on May 6 on the accomplishments and activities of the department. He recounted the many and effective ways they met their goals last year and plan to succeed next year.

Increasing the Footprint

Varda enumerated those goals: To provide excellent programs and services; to promote natural and historic resources; to build community, promote wellness and ensure equal access for all;

to manage assets efficiently and effectively; and to cultivate an effective, dynamic workforce. These directives inform and guide the department's activities, Varda said.

Of particular note, in 2018 Springhill Lake Recreation Center offered Eagle V.I.S.I.O.N., a free summer drop-in program for elementary students. It provided active play, nutrition education and a healthy snack to all par-

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PHOTO BY REBEKAH SUTFIN

City Stars performed at Celebration of Spring this past Saturday and invited the audience to participate, including Springhill Lake Recreation Coordinator Brian Butler.

Springhill Lake Recreation Holds Spring Celebration

by Matt Arbach

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On Saturday, May 18, Greenbelt residents were treated to a sunny day of free food and entertainment at the Celebration of Spring at Springhill Lake Recreation Center (SHLRC). According to lead organizer and Recreation Coordinator Frank Jones, the purpose of the event was twofold: to provide a good time and to create

awareness of the plethora of local programs and groups available. Brian Butler, co-leader and coordinator, was happy about the big turnout and deemed it a success.

Entertainment at the event included three moon bounces, a live DJ, arts and crafts, a magician and several group information tables, including representatives from CHEARS, Neighborhood Composting, the Peace

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Doors of Opportunity Pop Up for the Old Greenbelt Theatre

by Karen Yoho

One of the biggest Hollywood stars at the time Greenbelt was built was one of its smallest. With her headful of ringlets and impish smile, Shirley Temple was a box office smash. She faced all sorts of strife and hosts of villains but always came out on top, usually singing and dancing. Looks like that same sort of tinsel town ending is in store for the Old Greenbelt Theatre as it faces four months of closing with stamina and stardust.

Owned and maintained by the City of Greenbelt, the theater building will undergo major upgrades, including the replacement of the current HVAC system and a new roof, beginning in June. The building's current HVAC system is close



PHOTO BY KELLY MCLAUGHLIN

Preparing for Pop-up's debut.

to 30 years old, with some components dating back to its original construction in the 1930s.

The nonprofit Friends of Greenbelt Theatre (FGT) is responsible for management of the space and will use the closure

period to install new seats and other auditorium upgrades paid for by the 2018 Save Me a Seat campaign.

Learning of the impending renovation by the city, the FGT See **THEATRE**, page 8

What Goes On

Monday, May 27
City offices closed

Tuesday, May 28
8 p.m., City Council Meeting,
Municipal Building

Letters to the Editor

Powerful "Declaration"

I just returned home from watching a powerful passion project "Declaration" put together by Eleanor Roosevelt High School students about the impact of school shootings. The play took place at the Greenbelt Arts Center thanks to both groups interest in providing the play at the local Roosevelt Center venue. The project was produced by Niya John and the Drama 3 class at our high school. It was followed by a very meaningful interchange of ideas from the student actors and the audience which included Councilmembers Leta Mach and Colin Byrd.

Some of the concerns expressed by the students included greater interaction with counselors, and to be open to conversation with fellow students regarding concerns and challenges that their fellow students face. Members of the audience, which included members of Moms Demand Action urged students to register to vote and to be involved in the political process. Students can register for county, state and national elections at the age of 16 and while not able to vote until they are 18, they are free to help with efforts to boost turnout. (Students at age 16 and 17 can vote in the upcoming city council election this fall.)

During the interchange Byrd suggested that ERHS students reach out to area schools to suggest that they explore producing their own play or consider other arts programming to keep the discussion going. As treasurer and former chair of the Prince George's County Arts & Humanities Council, I offered to explore working on this idea as part of a countywide arts program.

Earlier this year, The Washington Post reported that in schools alone, in the years since the April 20, 1999, shooting at Columbine, more than 223,000 children have

been exposed to gun violence during classroom hours.

More broadly, since the assassinations of Martin Luther King Jr. and Robert Kennedy in 1968, more Americans have been killed by guns than all Americans killed in all of our wars. Because of the courage of the students at Parkland and, on a local basis, students at Eleanor Roosevelt, more politicians are considerably more willing to express their viewpoints on this issue. The Maryland State Legislature has passed several pieces of common sense gun control legislation over the last couple of years but more still needs to be done.

Konrad Herling

More on Cell Towers

In her May 16 GNR letter to the editor, 5-G Cell Towers: Another View, Elizabeth K. Balcer-Kubiczek, Ph.D., makes an assertion that I will challenge:

Most of us have heard of persons competing for longest time living up a utility pole, but not one of us has seen cell phone tower climbers, competing for who can stay the longest at the shortest distance from the transmitter when it is activated. This is because they would get fried.

5G is but one of many frequencies on the electromagnetic spectrum which will impact heating. A microwave oven, at 2.45G obviously impacts heating. Our home stoves, working in the infrared part of the spectrum obviously impact heating. The sun, which sends us the entire electromagnetic spectrum, obviously heats everything, including the planet Mercury, which is the closest and the hottest.

But we can control our exposures by controlling our distance from the source and by controlling our exposure time. The physics rule is that if something is twice the distance away, it will receive only 1/4 the intensity of

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OC = Open Captions
CC = Closed Captions
DVS = Descriptive Video Service

SHOWTIMES

May 24th - May 30th

BE NATURAL (NR)(2018)

(103 mins)

Fri. 2:00 PM

Sat. 8:00 PM

(with guest speaker)

Sun. 5:00 PM

Mon. 5:00 PM

Tues. 8:00 PM

Wed. 5:00 PM

Thurs. 2:00 PM

TOLKIEN (PG-13)(CC)

(DVS)(2019)(112 mins)

Fri. 8:00 PM

Sat. 5:00 PM

Sun. 2:00 PM (OC)

Mon. 8:00 PM

Tues. 2:00 PM

Wed. 8:00 PM (OC)

Thurs. 5:00 PM

THE PUBLIC (PG-13)(2019)

(119 mins)

Fri. 5:00 PM

Sat. 2:00 PM

Sun. 8:00 PM

Tues. 5:00PM

Wed. 2:00 PM

Thurs. 8:00 PM

THE LAST UNICORN (G)

(1982)(92 mins)

Sat. 11:00 AM

GREENBELT'S BARRACU-

DAS SWIM TEAM FILM

Sun. 11:00 AM -FREE

Storytime on Screen

Mon. 10:30 AM - FREE

THEY SHALL NOT GROW

OLD (R)(CC)(DVS)(2018)

(132 mins)

Sponsor: American Legion

Mon. 2:00 PM - FREE



If only I was stuck home in Memorial Day beach traffic.
Greenbelt News Review May 27, 2004

The Greenbelt community is invited to an 11 a.m., Monday, May 27, Memorial Day ceremony at the Roosevelt Center-Greenbelt War Memorial. The ceremony, conducted by the Greenbelt American Legion, will honor those who gave their lives serving their country. The Greenbelt War memorial honors the 14 Greenbelt residents who died fighting during World War II. A second memorial there honors those who gave their lives in Vietnam. After the event, a buffet luncheon will be served at 12 p.m. at the American Legion on 6900 Greenbelt Road.

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On Screen

Three films alternate in the final week before Old Greenbelt Theatre's main auditorium closes for renovations.

Be Natural

A documentary searching for Alice Guy-Blaché, who, at 23 was the world's first female director, became a powerful figure in film from the late 1890s to 1919, then vanished. Featuring images from films more than 100 years old and interviews with modern-day filmmakers and academics, it is both a tribute and a detective story, tracing how an extraordinary artist faded from memory and how she was rediscovered.

Not rated; running time 103 minutes

Tolkien

This biopic explores the formative years of the well-known author's life as he finds friendship, courage and inspiration among a group of writers and artists at school. The brotherhood strengthens as they grow up and endure love and loss together, until the outbreak of the World War I threatens to tear their fellowship apart. These experiences would later inspire Tolkien to write his famous Middle-earth novels.

PG-13; running time 112 minutes

The Public

An act of civil disobedience turns into a standoff with police when homeless people in downtown Cincinnati take over the public library to seek shelter from the bitter cold. They turn the building into a shelter for the night by staging an "Occupy" sit in. This David versus Goliath story tackles some of our nation's most challenging issues and sets the drama inside one of the last bastions of democracy-in-action: your public library.

PG-13, running time 119 minutes

- Sandy Rodgers

Community Events

June 8 Event on Gun Violence Awareness

National Gun Violence Awareness Day is Friday, June 7, and Wear Orange Weekend will be held June 7 to 9 to raise awareness about gun violence. Prince George's County Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America will host a free screening of the movie Newtown on Saturday, June 8 at 10 a.m. at the Old Greenbelt Theatre. The Peabody award-winning movie documents three years after the horrific mass shooting in Newtown, Conn., that took the lives of 20 elementary school children and six educators. It shows how the small town was a traumatized community fractured by grief and driven toward a sense of purpose. Seating is limited, RSVP to kflamm47@gmail.com or 530-903-6685. Don't forget to wear orange.

At the Library

The Greenbelt library will be closed on Sunday, May 26, and Monday, May 27, for the Memorial Day holiday. The library will reopen on Tuesday, May 28 at 1 p.m.

English Conversation Club

Tuesday, May 28, 6 p.m. Learning to speak English? Join this club and practice speaking English in a friendly atmosphere with people from diverse backgrounds.

Ready 2 Read Storytime

Tuesday, May 28, ages 3 to 5, 7 p.m., limit 30 people.

Wednesday, May 29, ages newborn to 2, 10:15 a.m., limit 15 babies with parent(s) or caregiver(s); ages 2 to 3, 11:15 a.m., limit 30 people.

Thursday, May 30, ages newborn to 2, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m., limit 15 babies with parent(s) or caregiver(s).

Kids Achieve Club

Wednesday, May 29, 4:30 p.m. Mentoring, reading and homework help for students in grades 1 to 6.

Ready 2 Read Storytime: Pride!

Saturday, June 1, 10:15 a.m., ages 3 to 5, limit 30 people, first-come, first served. Join us for stories, songs, fingerplays and more at this special story time for Pride month.

The library provides a wide array of services in addition to sponsoring a dense agenda of events.

For more information go to pgcmpls.info/branch/location/Greenbelt.

Greenbelt Museum Has Special Event

On Sunday, June 2 from 1 to 3 p.m., Greenbelt Museum, 10-B Crescent, will offer a special family program marking the city's rich history of embracing new citizens and immigrants. Presenters will read aloud from oral histories, show early Greenbelt photographs and discuss how it would feel to be moving to a brand new town. The focus will be on people moving here and becoming citizens.

Attendees will learn about what it takes to become a U.S. citizen and try their hand at answering a few questions from the citizenship test. The program, which is open to all ages, finishes with staff helping make Greenbelt flags for everyone to take home. For more information, visit education@greenbeltmuseum.org.

Thoughtful Discussion At Community Center

Stories of travelers have held human attention since at least the Odyssey. The hero's journey infuses our literature, fiction and nonfiction. Why is the story of someone who goes away more interesting than that of someone who stays put? The thoughtful discussers, who have wandered from the MakerSpace to the Community Center, will explore that topic on Tuesday, May 28, from 7 to 9 p.m. Check the whiteboard under MakerSpace to find the room number.

The topic for the following week's discussion is decided on by the participants at the end of each week. Rather than not attending while waiting for a topic of interest to be announced, potential discussers should come and suggest a topic for the next week.

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 May 27 are as follows:

Monday, May 27: All sites closed.

Tuesday, May 28: Beef Santa Fe chili, brown rice, spinach, saltines, fresh fruit, orange juice.

Wednesday, May 29: Turkey burger, sautéed peppers and onions, broccoli, whole wheat bun, diced pears, apple juice.

Thursday, May 30: Cabbage roll with marinara sauce, whipped potatoes, green beans, whole wheat bread, fresh fruit, orange juice.

Friday, May 31: Sliced turkey with gravy, lima beans, sliced carrots, biscuit, mandarin oranges, apple juice.

Toastmasters Meet

The Greenbelt Toastmasters Club will meet on Wednesday, May 29 at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall of Greenbelt Community Church at Hillside and Crescent Roads. The group offers professionals, students, stay-at-home parents and retirees a supportive environment to improve skills in communication and leadership. For more information call 240-542-8625.

GAC Fundraiser On Saturday, June 1

The Greenbelt Arts Center will present a musical Cabaret Night on Saturday, June 1 at 8 p.m. A talented group of recent GAC performers will be featured in an evening of Songs I Normally Wouldn't Get to Sing on Stage. The evening will include songs from a wide range of musicals, including Hamilton, Evening Primrose, Guys and Dolls, Book of Mormon, Little Mermaid, Pippin, Gypsy and more.

The performers will sing songs from roles that they wouldn't normally get to perform because they are the wrong gender, the wrong age, the wrong ... whatever, to sing the song. Performers in the show are Harper Chadwick, Tiffany Chadwick, Susan Harper, Meg Nemeth, Emily Neubauer, Melanie Pino-Elliott, Laura Reiss, Joey Rolandelli and Stephen Yednock. All have starred in GAC musicals in the past few years.

The production is produced and directed by Jeffrey Lesniak, who directed Toxic Avenger last fall and who is currently preparing to direct Andrew Lipka's Wild Party, which opens August 31.

The evening will help to raise funds for some facility upgrades that are needed for the GAC theater. General admission tickets are available at a reduced price, but all donations will be gratefully accepted. For tickets to the Cabaret Night and to find out about other productions coming to the Greenbelt Arts Center, visit greenbeltartscenter.org.

Dance Benefits Special Olympics

Bring those dancing feet to Greenbelt Community Church's social hall on Saturday, June 8 at 7 p.m. Greenbelt's own Relics band, rocking for worthy charities since 2015, will deliver pop, rock and soul favorites as enjoyed at the New Deal Café and the Labor Day Festival.

The Relics' Keith Johnson, Lisa Granfors-Hunt, Tom Davey, Jim Tilton, Mark Granfors-Hunt, Tom Gill, Doug Tull and Rick Ransom will give a charged-up send-off performance highlighting Elliott Davey, whose flute, ukulele and vocal talents will be missed when Elliott leaves for Oberlin College.

Admission is free and donations will support the Special Olympics. Baked treats and drinks will be available to refresh dancers and raise money for this worthy cause.

The Greenbelt Community Church, on the corner of Crescent and Hillside, welcomes everyone.

Jack and the Beanstalk At the New Deal Café

Greenbelt residents and founders of Beech Tree Puppets, Ole and Ingrid Hass, will premiere their new show, Jack and the Beanstalk, on Saturday, June 1 at 11 a.m. at the New Deal Café.

Fee-fi-fo-fum! Join young Jack as he climbs an enormous beanstalk to a giant's castle in the sky. Discover a hen that lays golden eggs, a golden harp that sings by itself and a giant with a hearty appetite. Enjoy this classic English folktale, brought to life with beautifully hand-crafted puppets and sets, along with heart-warming music.

This show for all ages will run about 40 minutes. A donation is suggested per person.



Ole Hass rehearses for the upcoming premiere of the puppet show Jack and the Beanstalk at the New Deal Cafe.

Del. Washington Hosts Transportation Meeting

District 22 Delegate Alonzo Washington invites the community to join him for a public meeting to discuss the proposed maglev train and the Beltway expansion on Wednesday, May 29 at 6 p.m. at the Riverdale Park Town Hall Building (5008 Queensbury Road, Riverdale Park).

Representatives from the State Highway Administration and Baltimore Washington Rapid Rail will be in attendance to answer questions and concerns about these projects.

Help GAC Saturday With Stage, Seating

The Greenbelt Arts Center needs help on Saturday, May 25 beginning at 10 a.m. to rotate the seating and stage into a new configuration for the upcoming season. Help is needed to uninstall the acting area and stage, reconfigure the seating platforms and put up walls. Bring a personal battery-operated drill if available and wear work clothes and gloves. The theater is currently set up in proscenium configuration, in which all the seats face the front of the stage. On Saturday, it will be reconfigured into three-quarter thrust, in which the stage area is in the center of the room with seating on three sides. Three-quarter thrust allows more seating and a more immersive theatrical experience, as the audience feels closer to the action. For more information, visit greenbeltartscenter.org/.

At Greenbelt Park

Saturday, May 25. Campfire Program: May 1970 MD National Guard vs. University of MD Protestors. The smell of tear gas in the grass. Where were you in May 1970? Tear gas and more was deployed on campus by National Guard and police in quelling the riot and protest of Maryland students over the invasion of Cambodia. Fortunately the outcome at the University of Maryland was not the same as at Kent State University. Hear of different experiences during riots that occupied the college and closed U.S. Route 1 in College Park. Meet at Campfire Circle in B-Loop in the campground at 8:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 26. Join a walk in the park. Meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area at 9:30 a.m. to walk the 1.4-mile Loop Road. Beginners and pets are welcome. This is a part of the Healthy Parks Healthy People events throughout the national parks.



More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

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Obituaries

Jeanne McLaughlin



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Regina (Jeanne) Alice McLaughlin and feathered friend

Longtime Greenbelt resident Regina (Jeanne) Alice McLaughlin (née Stoll) died April 28, 2019. She was 72.

Originally from Buffalo, N.Y., Jeanne was the daughter of World War II veterans Clifford and Bella Stoll. She was a graduate of the Naval War College and received a bachelor's degree from SUNY Buffalo and a master's from Canisius College.

Soft-spoken and modest, Jeanne won numerous awards for her work as editor of Agricultural Research, Ag Exporter and Ag Economics.

Approached by her brother Cliff to edit a book he was writing, she helped propel The Cuckoo's Egg onto the New York Times Best Seller list, where it remained for over a year.

Jeanne was an avid learner with a lifelong curiosity and quest for knowledge. Every summer she studied and attended lectures at the Chautauqua Institute, where she relished deep conversations on a porch with a good friend and a glass of wine. She was a member of the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle Class of 2007. She competed several years in the American Crossword Puzzle Tournament and was proud that she never finished last.

In 2018, Jeanne enrolled at a local college and, following in

the footsteps of her grandson, interned for a Maryland State Senator.

Jeanne was a constant presence at the Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center and participated in a local widows support group. She was also a long-time member of the Co-op and a GHI member for over 20 years. She loved Greenbelt and would often strive to be involved in state and community events, ranging from volunteering for booths at festivals, to internships for local representatives, to attending the Old Greenbelt Theatre.

She is survived by her three daughters, Andrea (Robert Whiffen) Wiggen, Corinna (LTC Andrew (Ret. USA)) Farnsler and Sondre Barnett; and four grandchildren: Morgan, Alexandra, Victoria and Catherine. She was the widow of Lloyd McLaughlin and dear friend of Bob Greig. She was the sister of Clifford (Dr. Pat) Stoll, Hon. Rosalie (Thomas) Bailey, Donald (Therese) Stoll, Raymond (Donna) Stoll and the late Rene Stoll.

A celebration of Jeanne's life will be held on June 9 at the American Legion Greenbelt Post 136, where Jeanne was a member. In lieu of flowers, Jeanne requested that donations be made to Frederick Douglass High School or to the World Wildlife Fund.

Learn How to Save a Life at the Legion

Free training in a variety of lifesaving techniques will be conducted in conjunction with the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department at Greenbelt American Legion Post 136's Hofberg Hall on Thursday, May 30 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) is an emergency procedure that combines chest compressions, often with artificial ventilation, in an effort to manually preserve intact brain function until further measures are taken to restore spontaneous blood circulation and breathing in a person who is in cardiac arrest.

The automated external defibrillator (AED) that is a portable electronic device automatically diagnoses the life-threatening cardiac arrhythmias of ventricular fibrillation and pulseless ventricular tachycardia and is able to treat them through defibrillation, the application of electricity that stops the arrhythmia, allowing the heart to re-establish an effective rhythm.

Stop the bleed training equips bystanders to help in a bleeding emergency before professional help arrives.

Although the event is free, participants need to sign-up either in person at Post 136, 6900 Greenbelt Road, or by calling 301-345-0136.

At the Jewish Table

Mishkan Torah welcomes Phyllis Richman, long-time food critic of the Washington Post, and Todd Kliman, former food critic of Washingtonian, for an afternoon of thoughtful conversation and sampling of classic Jewish foods starting at 2 p.m. on Sunday, June 16. Although about a generation apart in age, the two James Beard Award-winning writers share the connection of having grown up in Greenbelt and attending Mishkan Torah.

Richman and Kliman will be speaking about their time in Greenbelt, the power of food in the Jewish tradition and the influence of their shared heritage on their evolutions as food writers, plus offer their perspectives on current trends in Jewish cuisine. Because food will be specially prepared for this event, reservations are required by June 9. For more information or to register, visit mishkantorah.org/the-jewish-table or call 301-474-4223.



Condolences to the family and friends of longtime Greenbelt resident Jeanne McLaughlin who died on April 28.

Congratulations to Dina Toulan who earned a master's degree in American Sign Language from Gallaudet University. Dina's family moved to Greenbelt 34 years ago because it was within 15 miles (that's as far as buses pick up/drop off students) from Gallaudet University, which was necessary since both Dina and her sister went to Kendall School. Little did the family know how much they would love it here, staying on long after both daughters graduated. The family has more ties with Greenbelt even than that. Dina's mother and son, Amina Khalifa and Alex Toulan, both help distribute the News Review in Greenbelt East.

Hats off also to Alyssa Heintzelman and her parents, Joanne and David, on her selection as the recipient of this year's David Craig scholarship. Best of luck at St. Mary's, Alyssa.

Congratulations to Maeve Balantine and Mira Willson who were awarded Dean's List academic honors for the spring 2019 semester at St. Mary's College of Maryland. Dean's List honors are awarded to full-time students who earn a semester grade-point average of 3.5 or better on 12 or more graded credits.

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- Psalm 8

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The Bible Says...

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- Jesus
John 15:17

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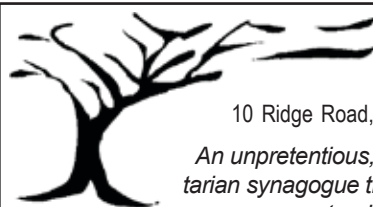
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UU congregations strive to engage in LGBTQ welcoming ministries, and there is always more to learn about diversity in gender identities and sexual orientations. Join Rob and Carol as they reflect on their growing understandings of these issues after learning in early 2018 that their child, assigned male at birth, is actually their daughter. Shantida will offer an additional reflection.



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St. Hugh's Car Wash

St. Hugh's youth group will hold a car wash on Saturday, May 25, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., weather permitting, in the St. Hugh parking lot. Freewill donations will support the youth group's annual trip to a conference in Steubenville, Ohio.

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City Information & Events

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL- REGULAR MEETING Municipal Building, Tuesday, May 28, 2019, 8:00 p.m.

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

- Peace Month
- Adopt-A-Cat Month
- Mental Health Awareness Month

Public Hearing on the FY2020 Budget

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 Meeting

Administrative Reports

* Committee Reports

- Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB) Report #2019-1 (City Holiday Decorating Contest)

LEGISLATION

-An Ordinance To Amend Article IV, "Public Ethics", Of Chapter 2 "Administration" Of The Greenbelt City Code To Expand The Number Of Board Members - 1st Reading

OTHER BUSINESS

- CAD Software License Purchase
- DC to Baltimore Loop Update
- Recognition Group Applications for Basic Certification in FY 2020
- Award of Purchase- (2) EV Charging Stations
- Consideration of Windsor Green Fee Waiver
- National Film Registry nomination for You Nazty Spy
- *Bike Task Force Subcommittee Approval
- *Appointments to Advisory Group
- * Reappointments to Advisory Groups
- Council Activities
- Council Reports

SCHEDULING OF FUTURE MEETINGS

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail banderson@greenbeltmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City Offices will be closed Monday, May 27, in observance of Memorial Day.

The Greenbelt Connection will not be operating.

REFUSE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Week of May 27

- Monday Route – Collected Tuesday
- Tuesday Route – Collected Wednesday
- Wednesday Route – Collected Thursday
- Thursday Route – Collected Friday

There will be no appliance/metal, hard plastics, or yard waste collections on Friday, May 31

MEETINGS FOR MAY 27-31

Monday, May 27: No Meetings-Memorial Day Holiday

Tuesday, May 28 at 3:30pm, **SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the agenda: FORA/GAIL update, Widowed Persons update, Not for Seniors Only update, and Staircase Edging update*

Tuesday, May 28 at 3:30pm, **ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *On the agenda: Feedback on Student Awards, Report on Education Forum with Dr. Thornton and 2019-2020 Budget*

Tuesday, May 28 at 8:00pm, **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING ON FY2020 PROPOSED BUDGET/CONSTANT YIELD TAX RATE** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and 996 and streaming at greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv*

Wednesday, May 29 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Dog Park** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and 996 and streaming at greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv*

Thursday, May 30 at 8:00pm, **CLOSED SESSION** (Please see notice below)

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

OFFICIAL NOTICE

In accordance with Section 3-305(b)(7) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of the Public General Laws of Maryland, a Closed Session of the Greenbelt City Council will be held on Thursday, May 30, 2019, at 8:00 p.m. in the Library of the Municipal Building to consult with legal counsel regarding Prince George's County School Board.

The purpose of this meeting will be to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter.

***The public may attend the Special Meeting of the City Council immediately prior to the closed session and observe the vote of Council to move into closed session on Thursday, May 30, 2019 at 8:00 pm.**

NOT FOR SENIORS ONLY

Learn about the benefits of Alternative Therapies

Saturday, June 1 from 1– 3pm

Greenbelt Community Center- Room 201

Reiki, Laughter Yoga, Benefits of Crocheting and Knitting, Essential Oils, Animal Whisperer

AN ARTFUL AFTERNOON

Sunday, June 2 from 1-4 pm

Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd, Featuring tambourine workshop, a free performance by Mike Funt, the new Circus Camp director, and a studio open house and art market, 1-4 pm. Times vary for individual activities.

FREE. All ages welcome.

GREENBELT DAY WEEKEND SCHEDULE

(Please see our full page ad next week. Also available now at greenbeltmd.gov/recreation)

SATURDAY, JUNE 1

Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center

Indoor: 8am-9pm

Outdoor Pool: 10am-8pm

National Trails Day

10am-1pm, Schrom Hills Park, 6915 Hanover Parkway

Wayside Panel Unveiling

10am-10:30 am, Dora Kennedy French Immersion School, 8950 Edmonston Road

Greenbelt Station

Central Park Dedication

11am-11:30 am, 8151

Greenbelt Station Parkway

3rd Annual Bike Rodeo

10am-12pm, Beltway Plaza (North Parking Lot),

Pet Expo Block Party

10am-2pm, Greenbelt Dog Park, 7201 Hanover Parkway FREE!

Not for Seniors Only: Alternative Therapies

1pm-3pm, Greenbelt

Community Center, 15

Crescent Road, Room 201

Greenbelt Concert Band

3pm-4pm, Greenbelt Community Center Gymnasium

15 Crescent Road

SUNDAY, JUNE 2

Naturalization Ceremony

12pm, Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent

Road

Greenbelt Day Weekend at the Greenbelt

Museum

1pm-3pm, Greenbelt

Museum, 10-B Crescent

Road

Greenbelt Farmers Market

10am-2pm Roosevelt

Center Parking Lot,

Centerway

Artful Afternoon

1pm - 4pm Greenbelt

Community Center, 15

Crescent Road

City of Greenbelt Animal Control

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PET EXPO BLOCK PARTY

SATURDAY, JUNE 1 FROM 10AM-2PM
GREENBELT DOG PARK, 7200 HANOVER PARKWAY



* Maryland SPCA Mobile Adoption Van will be on site! (Pets can be adopted for an adoption fee.)

* SPCA/HUMANE SOCIETY OF PG COUNTY: Rabies and Distemper Shots (each \$10) Microchipping for \$25. Cash or credit/debit. Dogs and cats only; all pets must be on leash or in a carrier. Documentation is not required.

* ALSO: City of Hyattsville Police K-9 Demo, Pet Dental Seminar, Food, Snow Cones, Games, Give-Aways, Moon Bounce, Prizes from "like on tv", Free gift bags for all cats & dogs, Nevetica will be giving out free pet assessments

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Bike RODEO

Saturday, June 1st
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Activity #337601-1
10am-12pm
Ages 4-10
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- > Bike Safety Check
- > Safe & Fun Riding
- > Obstacle Course
- > Helmet Check

Pre-Registration is encouraged! Bring your own bike and you MUST wear a helmet. Limited bikes are available for use.
Questions? Contact ALongworth@greenbeltmd.gov



NATIONAL TRAILS DAY

JUNE 1, 10 AM – 1 PM

Schrom Hills Park

6915 Hanover Pkwy

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Letters continued

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The preceding information is of necessity sketchy. Also, beware of anybody's one-liners. Do your own research on all sides of any controversial issue such as this one, even if it requires 100 hours of your precious time. Then decide for yourself who must be telling the truth. Our children, and other people's children, are worth it.

Bill Norwood

Thanks Again

Again, I want to thank the public, all 130 of you, that showed up to see The Three Stooges vs Adolf Hitler shown at the Old Greenbelt Theatre. Wow, what a turnout. Thank you for coming and picking up the flyers to nominate You Nazty Spy to the National Film Registry.

I also want to thank my friends and neighbors, Co-op employees, Rabbi Oresky and the Greenbelt City Councilmembers for coming to the show. And thanks to the Greenbelt News Review and Generous Joe's for their support.

Lastly my thanks to the staff, Brenna, Lucy and Ali, of the Old Greenbelt Theatre, and especially to Caitlin McGrath, executive director of the Old Greenbelt Theatre.

James William Thompson

Curious is Home!



PHOTO COURTESY OF CURIOUS'S FAMILY

Curious at home

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the wonderful people in Greenbelt who helped us look for Curious over the past 18 months. So many of our neighbors helped hang posters, drove around looking for him and alerted us when he was seen after he ran away in December 2017. Greenbelt police and Greenbelt animal control were also very helpful in our search. It feels like a miracle to have him back home with us again.

Special thanks to the Prince George's County Animal Services who managed to trap him in Laurel on May 15. This experience has reinforced for us what a special community we have here in Greenbelt. Be sure to get your pet microchipped – that is how Curious came back to us!

Trudi, Aldo, Deborah and Ariana



Alternative Therapies: Do They Work?

Interested in learning about the benefits experienced by people who practice some of the so-called alternative therapies? How about laughter yoga, the benefits of essential oils, or even the art of being an animal whisperer? If so, come to Room 201 in the Community Center on Saturday, June 1 at 1 p.m. That is when the Greenbelt City Council-sponsored Senior Citizens' Advisory Committee will once again be hosting its annual Not for Seniors Only event. Local consultants will be on hand to describe to attendees the methods of practicing each alternative therapy, as well as the benefits they can provide. Time will be allowed for questions from the audience at the end of the meeting.

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participants. Councilmember Leta Mach praised the program and its administrators, Brian Butler and Frank Jones.

While Councilmember Silke Pope concurred with the praise, she also wanted to ensure attendance was monitored. Varda confirmed that attendees needed a Greenbelt Recreation card to participate.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts took a moment to highlight Greenbelt West's issues with access, calling it "a big challenge." He asked how the recreation department planned to expand its footprint and increase access there. Was the department, Roberts asked, considering building a new recreation center?

Varda replied that though the budget doesn't allow for something of that scale, the department has been partnering with schools to use them after school as de facto recreation centers. He also said that the department needs a new van which would allow it to sponsor pop-up art and recreation activities which would also increase its footprint.

Roberts urged Recreation and Parks to consider "biting the bullet" and spending the money for a new recreation center in order to "make access a reality." Councilmember Judith Davis suggested partnering with the various Greenbelt homeowner associations that may have facilities that could be used to host recreational activities.

Arts

The Recreation and Parks Department annual report detailed the many art programs offered this past year. The department offered an estimated 191 arts education programs in a variety of disciplines, serving over 2,700 participants. This included about 124 quarterly visual arts classes, workshops and open studio programs serving about 1,200 enrollees. These arts programs served all ages and experience levels, from first time participants to professional artists.

The department further provided after-school art classes throughout the year at Greenbelt and Springhill Lake Elementary schools. New programs this past year included: A ceramic sculpture workshop; sewing and silk screen printing classes for teens; stained glass workshops for adults; and Parent's Night Out programs.

There were also dance and theater programs of note. The Greenbelt Dance Studio presented three performances of Alice In Wonderland, featuring a cast of 45 young dancer. The Greenbelt Youth Musical has sold out performances for several consecutive years; this year they presented Homeward Bound, based on The

Odyssey by Homer.

Davis lauded DeWald, saying that she and her department are "flexible and nimble and can turn on a dime." She recounted times when well-received programs were quickly put together in response to a need.

Statue Conservation

The Recreation and Parks Department accomplished several key activities involving Greenbelt historic resources. In particular, they collaborated with the Department of Planning and Community Development to secure a \$29,500 matching grant from the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority for the cleaning and conservation of the city's Lenore Thomas sculptures on the Community Center and the Mother and Child sculpture in Roosevelt Center.

When asked by Davis how the restoration was progressing, DeWald indicated an easement is necessary to do the work. To get the easement, staff from recreation and planning will jointly develop and administer a Request for Proposal for conservation services. They will then develop a plan of work, which must be part of the easement application.

Building Community

Davis praised the department's program for Black History Month in February. It included a celebration at the Community Center (presented in collaboration with community members) and a free showing of Hidden Figures at the Old Greenbelt Theatre. Franklin Park residents were provided free transportation to the screening

and lunch afterwards.

The department also hosted a summer singalong in the Community Center gymnasium on July 4, commemorating the 80th anniversary of a Greenbelt Independence Day singalong in 1938. The event included old-fashioned favorites and some selections from 1938 camp songbooks.

The Old Greenbelt Theatre and Greenbelt Recreation celebrated the 80th anniversary of the first film presented in the theater with a screening of that film, Little Miss Broadway. A selection of musical numbers from other Shirley Temple films was presented before the film with lyrics projected on screen.

Bottom Line

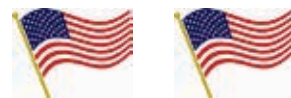
Greenbelt Recreation and Parks proposed a total budget of \$6,157,000 for Fiscal Year 2020. This is an increase from \$5,942,000 in 2019. The budget funds not only staff, but event and program administration as well as several facilities (including the Aquatic & Fitness Center, the Community Center and the various recreation centers around town). Department staff seek to defray overall work costs through fees. The budget figured nearly \$1,575,000 for fee-based programs and nearly \$279,000 in grants.

(To read the many other accomplishments of the Recreation and Parks Department along with the proposed 2020 budget, see the city website.)



PHOTO BY BEVERLY PALAU

Magnolia Elementary fourth-grader Avarie Johnson officially started the May 13 regular Council meeting and read the essay that earned her a seat at the table. Johnson was the district winner of this year's "If I Were Mayor, I Would ..." essay contest managed by the Maryland Municipal League.



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Legion Auxiliary's Poppies Commemorate Sacrifices

by Meredith (Rusty) Beeg

Greenbelt Unit 136, American Legion Auxiliary, kicked off its memorial poppy program on May 13 with a presentation to the Greenbelt City Council. While poppies are used year-round, the red crepe paper flowers are emphasized around Memorial Day. The objective is to remind everyone of the sacrifices that have been made through the years by military members and their families. The practice dates back to November 1918 when an intrepid lady named Moina Michael took the poem *In Flanders Fields* to heart. Knowing that many World War I veterans had poignant memories of barren landscapes brightened by blood-red poppies, Michael bought every poppy in the Wanamaker's department store. She took them to the New York City YMCA where she worked and persuaded the businessmen who held meetings there to wear one in memoriam. Later she lobbied to make the poppy a symbol of military sacrifice. The American Legion Auxiliary adopted the program at its first convention in 1921 as a

means to provide income to the veterans who assemble the flowers and to use donations received to assist disabled and hospitalized veterans.

Members of the Greenbelt Unit have been preparing the poppies for distribution to the three elementary schools in Greenbelt. Pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students will receive poppy themed coloring sheets and all other students and staff will receive poppies. These will be delivered on Thursday, May 23 in time for National Poppy Day on Friday, May 24. In addition, flower arrangements and containers of poppies will be placed in the vestibules of Green Ridge House and St Hugh's Church. Poppies will be available to attendees at the "Rolling Thunder" breakfast at the American Legion Post on Sunday, May 26, at Memorial Day observances in Roosevelt Center on Monday, May 27 and at the Legion from now to the end of the month. The poppies are furnished free of charge although donations in support of veterans programs are welcome.

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of a key card system (\$30,000), bike racks (\$1,000) and a reserve for security cameras at Schrom Hills Park. Concerning revenue, council proposes changing the dog licensing fee to \$10 per year from the current \$5.

Paying for Extras

The next question council considered was how to fund these projects as they significantly increase expenditures and only tweak revenues. The total expenditures for the items added to the list are estimated to cost \$102,000. Councilmember Leta Mach urged council to add an additional \$0.25 cents to the tax hike as recommended by Ard, which she said would fund the added projects. However, other councilmembers did not want

to raise taxes any further. Jordan asked City Treasurers Jeff Williams if it would be possible to use funds from the current year's budget to help fund these projects. After a brief break, Williams and Moran found a solution. They suggested that the more expensive items (kitchen and police station renovations, the key card system, and the reserve for cameras in Shrom Hills Park all three estimated to cost \$95,000), could be moved out of the general fund into the Building Capital Reserve Fund. To accomplish this, the city must, sometime before the June 30 end of the fiscal year, transfer money from the general fund to the building capital reserve fund, or another of the city's funds.

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staff and board members devised a plan to take over the lease for 125 Centerway, formerly occupied by MakerSpace, and convert it into a temporary screening room so that daily screenings of first-run films can continue while the main auditorium is closed for construction. The Pop-up will be a 40-seat microcinema, with a temporary buildout of sound baffling and acoustic paneling to improve sound quality.

While the theater is operating solely in the Pop-up, FGT members will be eligible to purchase tickets two days in advance of the general public. FGT is also offering a special membership deal now through June 1. Anyone who is a member on June 1 will be credited with four additional months of membership (or 16 months for the price of 12). Information can be found on greenbelttheatre.org/popupdeal/.

"It won't quite be the experience of our main auditorium, but will allow our audiences to continue enjoying our great programming uninterrupted during the closure period," said Caitlin McGrath, FGT executive director. "We have an immediate need for the additional space and the space

will bring new opportunities in the months ahead."

The theater's most popular programming (Monday Matinees, School's Out! and Storytime on Screen) will be held offsite for the months of the renovation. Monday Matinees will continue Mondays at 1 p.m. in the Community Center. School's Out! will be held on Tuesdays at 1 p.m. in the Community Center. Theater and Prince George's County Memorial Library staff are actively seeking options for alternative locations for Storytime on Screen.

When the main auditorium re-opens in October, the Pop-up will serve as a secondary screening room until the spring of 2020. After that time, construction and renovation will begin at 125 Centerway for a collective project called Beyond the Screen. The renovated space will allow for a permanent screening room (making the Old Greenbelt Theatre permanently a two-screen cinema), along with a dedicated Media Arts Literacy Lab for educational programming and workshops.



Sign directs patrons to the activities in the Theatre's two locations.

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Sity Stars perform at Celebration of Spring on Saturday.

and Justice Coalition of Prince George's County and the Greenbelt Recreation Department.

Carol Petrucci, art teacher at Greenbelt Elementary and Spring Hill Lake Elementary School, was present to share arts and crafts. With the help of volunteers, she created Mexican tissue flowers, among other things.

This was roughly the 20th year for this event. Under the aegis of the recreation department, this is the largest event at the SHLRC each year, according to Jones. Recreation Assistant

Director Greg Varda said that the recreation department coordinates with the Greenbelt Police Department and Public Works to make this possible. Said Varda, "We are all working together, which is great." Funding comes from the City of Greenbelt.

When asked about the biggest challenge, Varda replied, "We pray for good weather," as it dictates attendance. Butler estimated that close to 80 people came out this year, adding that there were more parents present this time.

The CHEARS table laid out many of their ongoing initiatives including the Three Sisters gardens at SHLRC, the Community Center and Schrom Hills Park. They also featured a photo update on the efforts of the Earth Squad working out of SHLRC, the Greenbelt Food Forest and a public art dedication.

Neighborhood Composting educated residents on their hot compost process, which involves combining food scraps with wood chips. The preparation bins were on site. When heat, water and oxygen (provided by shoveling) are added, a nutritious compost is the result. The group hosts neighborhood events throughout the year in this endeavor.

The Peace and Justice Coali-

tion highlighted three bills on racial equity in policing that are to be voted on by the county council. They deal with mandatory body cameras for the Prince George's County Police Department, required notification for inclusion on shared gang database, and non-cooperation between county police and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (aka ICE). This is the first time the coalition has participated in this event.

Varda and Therapeutic Recreation Supervisor Rebekah Sutfin provided information and promoted the Greenbelt Recreation Department with complementary fidget spinners.

Butler described the Franklin Park community that SHLRC serves as large and the most transient in Greenbelt. There are roughly 3,000 residents living in 2,800 units. The goal of SHLRC is to involve youth in positive and constructive programs in order to avoid trouble. He said it can be daunting at times to accommodate every program within the 11,000 square feet of the Center. He hoped that events like the Spring Celebration will let the community know that "We are here and ready to serve."



Playing at Celebration of Spring



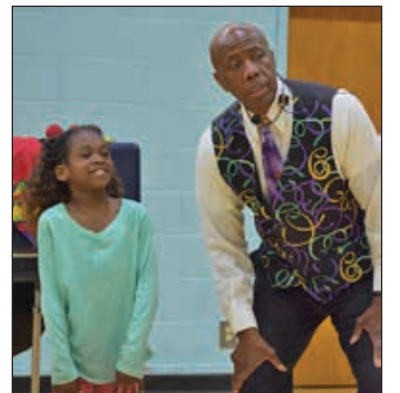
Enjoying cotton candy at Celebration of Spring

- Photos by Rebekah Sutfin

Greenbelt MakerSpace Activities Continue

Greenbelt MakerSpace board and members continue to hold activities around the city even as they search for more venues. At the board meeting on Sunday, May 19, the group gave a sample of some of their projects. The Spanish-English discussion group and Thoughtful Discussion group continue to meet on Tuesdays, at 5 and 7 p.m. respectively. On Wednesdays, Fiber Friendly group meets from 7 to 9 p.m. at the New Deal Café. The teenage Junior Makers are looking for a space to meet on Saturday mornings. The MakerSpace is also looking for a secured storage space for a tool-lending library and perhaps for the Repair Café.

Contact board@make125.org with suggestions and questions.



The Magic Show at Celebration of Spring was unreal. Everyone kept asking, How did he do that? The audience was in awe of his show.

GREENBELT Sunday, 10 to 2
Parking Lot
Roosevelt Center
Old Greenbelt

GREENBELT FARMERS MARKET

For vendor schedules, sponsor list, entertainment or to donate, check out GreenbeltFarmersMarket.org

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.

Robbery

May 11, 12:15 a.m., 7800 block Hanover Parkway. A man parked his vehicle and walked into a condominium building when he observed a man armed with a handgun, who pulled him down the stairs and announced a robbery. A second man then arrived and, after getting money and a cell phone, both men fled in a vehicle.

Assault

May 8, 10:45 p.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive. A 34-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with first degree assault after he allegedly stabbed another person during a verbal altercation. The injured man was transported to UM Prince George's Hospital Center for treatment of non-life threatening injuries. The arrested man was transported to Doctors Community Hospital for treatment of minor injuries sustained during the assault and was then transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Sex Offense

May 11, 3:34 a.m., 8100 block Greenbelt Station Parkway. A 50-year-old resident man was arrested and charged with third degree sex offense and second degree assault after he allegedly sexually assaulted a roommate, who was treated on the scene for minor injuries. The man was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Trespass

May 9, 8:40 p.m., 7400 block Greenbelt Road. A 52-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with trespass and public intoxication after he was located on the grounds of Greenway Center after having been banned from the shopping center by agents of the property. He was released on citation pending trial.

May 11, 3:30 p.m., 8000 block Lakecrest Drive. Two nonresident youths, both 17 years old, were arrested for trespass and fourth degree burglary by officers who responded to a report of a burglary and found the teens as they ran from a vacant apartment. Both were released to guardians pending action by the Juvenile Justice System. A 16-year-old nonresident who also fled was petitioned for trespass and fourth degree burglary.

Theft

May 13, 7:26 p.m., 200 block Lakeside Drive. A package was removed from the front stoop of a residence.

May 14, 1:40 a.m., 7600 block Greenbelt Road. A wallet was taken at CVS and a credit card in the wallet was later used to make an unauthorized purchase.

Vandalism

May 9, 11 a.m., 14 Court Crescent Road. The front door trim of a residence was vandalized.

May 10, 2 p.m., Buddy Attick Park. A playground slide was vandalized.

Paint on a vehicle was scratched in the 7500 block Greenway Center Drive.

Vehicle Crime

A 13-year-old nonresident youth was arrested for vehicle theft after she was found in the 9000 block Breezewood Terrace sleeping in a 2013 Audi A4 that had been reported stolen to D.C. Metropolitan police. She was released to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Justice System. A 15-year-old resident youth was also petitioned for vehicle theft in connection with this incident.

Four stolen vehicles were recovered. A 1983 Chevrolet Camaro stolen May 8 from Kenilworth Avenue near Crescent Road was recovered the same day by Prince George's County police on Craibon Street near Romsey Drive in Bowie. One tag, Md. 8107Z6, was not recovered and is still listed as stolen. A 2005 Chevrolet Suburban SUV stolen May 9 from the 200 block Lakeside Drive was recovered the same day by D.C. Metropolitan police in the 3100 block Naylor Road, S.E. A 2003 Ford Explorer stolen May 9 from the 9100 block Springhill Lane was recovered May 11 by D.C. Metropolitan police in the 1900 block Bladensburg Road, N.E. Two arrests were made.

A 2015 Chevrolet Camaro reported stolen to Fairfax County, Va., police was recovered May 10 in the 6100 block Springhill Terrace.

Two tags, Md. 4116Z4, were taken May 10 from 14 Court Hillside.

Two thefts occurred after windows were broken. In the 7300 block Hanover Parkway a purse and jacket were removed and in the 200 block Lakeside Drive the rear row of seats from an SUV was taken.

A carry bag was taken from an open trunk in the 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace.

Incident at Eleanor Roosevelt High School

A smoke bomb was set off in a classroom at Eleanor Roosevelt High School on Friday, May 17 at 1:15 p.m. During the sixth period, smoke was reported in a ground-level classroom. Students and staff evacuated the building and the authorities were alerted, including the local fire department and law enforcement since the exact cause of the smoke was not known at the time. Students and staff remained outside of the building until it was deemed safe to return. Upon further investigation, it was determined that students were responsible for lighting the smoke bomb in the classroom. There were no injuries reported.

Critical Missing Boy Sought by Police

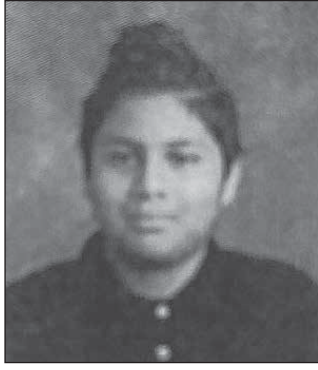


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Stiven Morales

The Greenbelt Police Department is seeking assistance in locating critical missing person Stiven Alexander Morales, age 14, pictured above. He resides in the 5900 block Cherrywood Lane and was last seen in the 6300 block Breezewood Court at approximately 7:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 16. He is described as Hispanic, 5 feet 6 inches tall, 120 pounds. He was last seen wearing a black polo shirt and tan pants. The only critical missing factor is his age.

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

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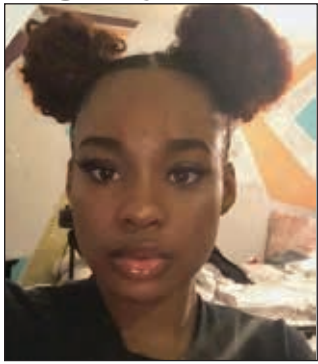


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Destiny Sidibe

The Greenbelt Police Department is seeking assistance in locating critical missing person Destiny Renae Sidibe, 16 years old, pictured above. She resides in the 7800 block Hanover Parkway and was last seen in her residence at 6 a.m. on Thursday, May 16. She is described as black, 5 feet tall, 100 pounds, with brown hair, possibly in a ponytail. There is no clothing description. The only critical missing factor is her age.

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

Critical Missing Youth Sought by Police



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Amir Wilson

The Greenbelt Police Department is seeking assistance in locating critical missing person Amir Phillip Wilson (pictured above). Wilson, 16, who resides in the 5900 block of Cherrywood Lane, was last seen at his residence on Saturday, May 18 at 10 p.m. He is described as black, 6 feet tall, 170 pounds. There is no clothing description. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Greenbelt Police Department at 301-474-7200.



PHOTO BY STEVE BUCCA

Newly sprouted mushrooms along Hanover Parkway

Assessment Team Invites Comments

A team of assessors from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) will arrive June 2 and spend several days examining all aspects of the City of Greenbelt Police Department policies, procedures, management, operations and support services.

The assessment team is composed of law enforcement practitioners from similar but out-of-state agencies. The assessors will review written materials, interview individuals and visit the various areas throughout the city where compliance can be observed.

The Police Department was originally accredited in 2006 and re-accredited in 2009, 2012 and 2015. Maintaining this status requires constant monitoring and updating of policies and procedures to assure that the department meets CALEA's standards. Re-accreditation is a formal recognition of the agency's professional excellence.

As part of the on-site assessment, a telephone number has been established to invite agency employees and members of the public to offer comments to the assessment team. The public may call 240-542-2111 on Tuesday, June 4 between 1 and 3 p.m. Agency employees and the public are also invited to offer comments at a public information session on Tuesday, June 4 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Police Station.

Comments by phone or at the public information session must address the agency's ability to comply with CALEA's standards. A copy of the standards is available from the accreditation manager at the Police Station. Written comments about the department's ability to meet the standards for accreditation can be sent to CALEA at 13575 Heathcote Blvd, Suite 320, Gainesville, VA 20155.

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Eleanor Roosevelt High School will hold its 2019 Graduation Ceremony on Wednesday, May 29. The school will be closed for the day.

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Sports

GTA Tennis Social May 18 Well Attended

by Stan Zirkin

The year's first tennis social, sponsored by the Greenbelt Tennis Association (GTA) and held at Braden Field on Saturday, May 18, was hugely successful. Almost 60 players of all skill levels showed up on a cloudy, relatively cool day and 27 agreed to become full-fledged members of GTA.

There was an adult/teen beginner court with experienced teachers and a ball machine for those with endless energy. For the more experienced players there were three separate sign-up sheets depending on the skill level of the participants.

All six courts reserved for the event were in constant use between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Between matches players enjoyed snacks and drinks provided by GTA.

In light of the GTA's experience in previous years, it was decided to skip sponsoring tournaments this year and concentrate on socials. If the first social is any indication it was a good decision. Stay tuned to the News Review for future announcements of tennis socials.

Stan Zirkin is treasurer of GTA.

Bike To Work Day 2019 Brings Out Area Cyclists

Greenbelters were among the 18,000 Washington area commuters who chose to leave their cars at home on Friday, May 17, to take part in this year's Bike to Work Day event. For many commuters, this fun and free event demonstrated that biking can be a viable alternative to a single-driver commute.

Co-organized by Commuter Connections and the Washington Area Bicyclist Association, the event was more prominent than ever with 115 pit stops throughout the region. Cyclists enjoyed free refreshments, bike tune-ups, games, entertainment, pit stop giveaways and a chance to win a new bicycle.

"Events like Bike to Work

Day not only bring the community together, but also promote healthier, more environmentally-friendly options for commuting to work," said Commuter Connections Director Nicholas Ramfos. "Bike to Work Day is a good way to try out bicycling to work and participants may begin commuting by bike more often."

Greenbelt's pit stop was the Aquatic & Fitness Center, open from 6:30 to 8:30 a.m. The pit stop was sponsored by several local businesses – including Bee Yoga Fusion, Co-op, Arrow Bicycle, Proteus and McCarl Dental Group, PC – as well as the City of Greenbelt and Prince George's County Department of Public Works and Transportation.



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Greenbelt Little League Cubs Dispatch Laurel Team, 15-1

by Amy Knesel

It was a perfect day under the lights at Braden Field #2 where the Greenbelt Youth Baseball Little League Cubs swung and slid their way to a 15-1 victory over the Laurel Nationals. Bolstered by four RBIs by Graham Marcavitch, the team easily defeated its opponent before the

official end of the game. Many Cubs parents were relieved at the fourth-inning mercy finish, as several Greenbelt Elementary School third graders on the team will be presenting major year-end social studies projects on Wednesday.



PHOTO BY AMY KNESEL

Greenbelt Cub Owen Hebert steals home in the second inning of Tuesday's game against the Laurel Nationals at Braden Field. The risky play is not an officially recorded stat but tell that to Ty Cobb.

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Pulpit of the Street Connects With Franklin Park Neighbors

by René Sewell-Rayson

The air crackled with music as the DJ cranked up the volume. Full-sized cartoon characters milled thru the crowd. Monchito the Clown gave instructions in Spanish and English and had everyone dancing – hands on head, arms flapping, give a little wiggle. Kids, moms, dads, grandparents forgot their day-to-day cares and lost themselves in the fun.

Pulpito de la Calle – Pulpit of the Street, a ministry of MCJ El Rey church, had taken over the parking lot at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center. They had come to serve the Franklin Park community with the theme of *restaurando tu hogar – restoring your home.*

“There is a large population of Spanish-speaking residents who don’t always feel connected and we are here to connect them,” said Pastor Billy Chavez.

“We can entertain, but Jesus changes hearts,” said Minister Joel Alvarado, who is part of the

evangelism ministry. “We have been in the community for almost two years. We see working-class families dealing with all the challenges that families face in this society and can benefit from being strengthened by connecting to Jesus.”

Children visited the pop-up tent to get free haircuts, provided by René Lugo, a member of MCJ El Rey.

The grill did a steady business of turning out hotdogs and burgers. “Jesus fed the multitude. So, we feed the multitude and then we feed their souls. How can we deliver the message when someone is hungry?” asked Alvarado rhetorically.

“We want to learn the needs of the community,” said Alvarado as he waded into the crowd.

MCJ El Rey is located at 6011 Ammendale Road, Beltsville. Services are at 8:30 a.m. (Español) and 11:30 a.m. (bilingual) on Sundays.



Pulpit of the Street offers free haircuts.

PHOTO BY RENE SEWELL-RAYSON



Monchito the Clown aka Ramon Navarro

PHOTO BY RENE SEWELL-RAYSON



Two Trees Pose Danger: Scheduled to Be Removed

by Amy Hansen



PHOTO BY BEVERLY PALAU

Struck by lightning over three years ago, this willow oak near the Youth Center shows growing signs of insect damage and will need to come down for safety reasons, explains Public Works’ Brian Townsend.

Two large trees near the Community Center are scheduled to be felled soon, according to Brian Townsend, assistant director of Public Works. This decision comes after years of monitoring and treating both trees. The first is the white pine that’s on the edge of the Community Center lawn near the Municipal Building; the second is a willow oak near the Youth Center.

Townsend worked with city videographer Beverly Palau to

create a short video, posting it to the city’s Facebook page. “We wanted to let everyone know what was going on,” said Palau. Townsend explained in the video that the illness of the trees makes them a hazard for the people nearby. Pointing at the white pine, Townsend said, “About three years ago, we had a large breakout,” meaning when a branch falls off leaving a hole in the trunk. He pointed at the hole where there were ants and bark falling off. “A large pocket of decay has shown up underneath the wound, and the wound itself is deep and almost goes to the center of the tree.” Townsend added that the decay shows that the tree is not healing and is showing stress fractures. “Pines

are very soft wood, so this kind of stress in this area increases the problem.”

The willow oak near the Youth Center is also stressed. “Three years ago, or maybe a little longer, there was a lightning strike on this tree and it caused a lot of damage,” Townsend said. “Since then we’ve been doing a lot of pruning annually.” The city also did extensive root treatments, but it isn’t working. Townsend pointed at the bark. “It looks like there is sawdust on the outside of this tree – there is something chewing on the inside of this tree.”

The tree is particularly dangerous, he said, because of its location. “When they do the summer camp programs, this is where they like to sit and eat their lunch. That’s why this tree is considered a good candidate for removal.”

The video is available on the city’s facebook page: facebook.com/cityofgreenbelt

Tambourines, Circus Featured At Upcoming Artful Afternoon

by Nicole DeWald

The Sunday, June 2, Artful Afternoon will feature a tambourine workshop, a solo performance, a studio open house and an art market. Artful Afternoons run from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Community Center with times varying for individual activities. There is no charge and all ages are welcome to participate.

Artist in Residence Rachel Cross will lead a free workshop in which guests can make and decorate their own tambourines. Guests may start at 1 or 2 p.m. and the workshop ends at 3 p.m. Reservations are recommended to ensure a seat: follow the link at greenbeltmd.gov/arts to sign up online. Participants will also be admitted on a walk-up basis for both seatings while supplies last.

At 3 p.m., enjoy a free performance by Mike Funt, the new Circus Camp director with Greenbelt Recreation. In his one-man show *Beyond the Nose*, Funt shares stories of his life traveling the globe to discover what it is to be a clown. Get whisked away to theaters, carnivals, theme parks, circuses and cabarets across time, geography and culture. Through a series of clown routines, monologues, mask performances and comedy sketches, this presentation explores the myriad ways

human beings have found to come together through laughter.

From 1 to 4 p.m., enjoy a variety of additional activities. Meet the Community Center’s artists in residence at a studio open house and art market. Find beautiful and affordable paintings, prints, ceramics, fiber arts, funky jewelry, assemblages and more. Savor one last look at the art gallery installation by Leslie Shellow which features works on paper inspired by air, water and rocks.

See the Greenbelt Museum exhibit at the Community Center, *The Knowing Hands that Carve This Stone: The New Deal Art of Lenore Thomas Straus*. Straus is best known locally as the creator of the iconic Mother and Child statue in Roosevelt Center and the impressive bas-reliefs on the façade of

the Community Center. From 1 to 5 p.m., enjoy a guided tour of the Museum historic house across the street at 10-B Crescent Road for a small admission fee.

Individuals who participated in the ceramic hand-building workshop at the May 5 Community Art Drop-In are reminded to pick up their finished pieces in Room 201 from 1 to 3 p.m., during the tambourine workshop. For more information about City of Greenbelt art programs, visit greenbeltmd.gov/arts or call 301-397-2208. Arts programs are sponsored in part by the Maryland State Arts Council.



The Two Faces of Mike Funt, Greenbelt’s new Circus Camp Director

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