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City Wins Sustainability Award With Record-setting Total Points

by Julia Arbutus

Greenbelt lived up to its name on Friday, October 9 when the city's sustainability efforts were recognized as best in the state by the Sustainable Maryland certification program.

"It's in the name, so we have to make sure we're in the game," Mayor Colin Byrd said.

The initiative, which was created in 2011 as a collaboration between the Environmental Finance Center and the Maryland Municipal League, works to help Maryland's 157 municipalities develop sustainability programs through trainings and financial incentives. Municipalities can then earn points toward a sustainability certification. In the past nine years, 40 municipalities have earned sustainability certi-

fications, and 79 have registered for the program.

Of the 11 newly certified and recertified sustainable cities, Greenbelt set a record for most points gained since the start of the program with a total of 795. Points are broken up across eight different categories ranging from community action to natural resources.

The application took three months to prepare and involved extensive documentation for each specific sustainability action, said Greenbelt Sustainability Coordinator Dr. Luisa Robles. Both John Lippert, chair of the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, or GreenACES, and Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll, the city en-

vironmental coordinator, helped Robles with the application.

As Sustainable Maryland has grown, there has been an increased interest in requiring policy changes to match sustainability efforts, a change that Byrd, who is city council liaison to GreenACES, feels strongly about on both the city and county level.

"I support the policies and practices that I think would make the city more sustainable," he said, noting he was to speak at a Prince George's County Council meeting about the benefits of the reduction of pesticide use.

"We're institutionalizing these sustainable practices," Robles said. "If it's codified in policy,

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New City Treasurer Brings Wide-Ranging Experience to the Job

by Beverly Palau

Bertha Anne Gaymon is the new city treasurer. Gaymon brings to this position over 20 years of experience directing and managing the business and fiscal affairs of government and non-profit organizations.

The city treasurer serves as the director of finance and is responsible for the administration of the financial affairs of the city. This includes business and financial planning such as budget development, debt management, accounting revenue collection, vendor payments and payroll.

Gaymon earned a bachelor's degree in business management from the University of Maryland and a master's degree in business administration from the University of Phoenix. She joined the Downtown Business Improvement



Bertha Anne Gaymon

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District Corporation in 1997 as the finance and administration director responsible for a full range of financial, human resources and administrative activities. Over the years, she has been instrumental

in keeping that organization's budget in balance and increasing its assessment collection rate.

"I had the good fortune of starting in a beginner's role and through hard work, determination and perseverance moving to leading roles, so I will encourage my team to do the same – not just within various levels of the finance arena but cross-functionally as well," stated Gaymon.

Gaymon has extensive experience in bank negotiations and relations, inventory control systems and directing and managing the business and fiscal affairs of government and nonprofit organizations. Before joining the Business Improvement District Corporation, she served as the director of finance and administration for the Finance Project, a specialized non-profit firm that

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GHI Selected for Pilot Study Of Statewide Flooding Impacts

by GHI Communications Committee

Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) has been chosen as the pilot study community for a study of flooding impacts in Maryland administered by the University of Maryland, according to GHI's Stormwater Management Task Force (SWMTF). GHI member Beth Olsen, Ph.D., is the lead scientist for the study. Olsen is a visiting assistant research scientist with the Earth System Science Interdisciplinary Center at the University of Maryland. Knowing the need in GHI for assistance with addressing flooding

issues and with the approval of the GHI board of directors, Olsen applied for a grant for the study on behalf of GHI.

The University of Maryland recently received the grant from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources to assess non-tidal flooding impacts in Maryland. Non-tidal flooding refers to flooding that is not related to tides along the coast. Such flooding can occur in streams as well as in roads and yards due to heavy rains.

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What Goes On

Monday, October 26 8 p.m. Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 27 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Free Flu Shots, Community Center. Flu shots require preregistration at vaccineconsent.com and are definitely not virtual.
Wednesday, October 28 8 p.m. Council Worksession: State Highway Administration
 All council meetings are virtual. See the meetings calendar at greenbeltmd.gov for agendas and information on public participation in these meetings.



PHOTO BY CAROLYN LAMBRIGHT-DAVIS

The Cheers Earth Squad has been busy putting free library boxes in all the community gardens and the Food Forest they helped to set up at Schrom Hills Park, Springhill Lake Recreation Center, and the Greenbelt Community Center. The books for the four boxes were supplied by RUAK (Random Unselfish Acts of Kindness).

Greenbelt Scavenger Hunt: Fun for All This Weekend

by Lois Rosado and Tom Adams

Este artículo está disponible en español en nuestra página web www.greenbeltnewsreview.com.

Looking for a local COVID-safe outdoor activity this weekend? Join neighbors of all ages Saturday, October 24, or Sunday, October 25 from 1 to 4 p.m. in an amazing scavenger hunt. Sponsored by Connecting Across Greenbelt and Random Unselfish Acts of Kindness (RUAK), Greenbelt's Own Scavenger Hunt (GOSH) offers a unique opportunity to learn about the many hidden gems right here in Greenbelt and to explore previously unknown parts of the city. Consider this treat this weekend whether

traveling by car or on foot, with a friend or family or solo.

Pick up a GOSH guide at any of several starting places: Schrom Hills Park in Greenbelt East, Greenbelt Station Park Pavilion in Greenbelt West and the Peace Pole in Historic Greenbelt any time between 1 and 4 p.m. on Saturday or Sunday. GOSH knows people are busy; participants can get started this weekend and finish whenever they want. See GOSH grid on page 12 for specific locations and more details.

Why a Scavenger Hunt? See **HUNT**, page 12



PHOTO BY SHARISE HAWKINS-GRAHAM

The Greenbelt police take part in a Trunk or Treat on October 20 through October 22. The drive-through event was done alongside some family fun activities planned by the city.

Letters to the Editor

What's in a Name?

I am writing in response to D. Ginsburg's letter to the editor in the October 8 issue titled "A Better Name". Ginsburg suggested there might be alternative anti-racist slogans that would help bring people together more so than Black Lives Matter (BLM). While the other phrases also take a stance against racism, I believe they allow one to do so without confronting the uncomfortable truth that black Americans are still suffering from racist policies and ideas that exist in our country. This systemic injustice is followed by racist actions that are downplayed and normalized, telling society that black lives do not matter, at least not as much as others. BLM brings attention to the issues of the black community, a demographic that is consistently marginalized and endangered in the U.S. Now is the time for all of us, all races, to stand together and say it needs to end as we fight for justice and equality. Changing the slogan to appeal to one's white comfort won't suddenly bring more people together. It will allow more people to ignore the truth of what racist policies and our inaction to change them have caused. As Ginsburg rightfully mentioned, racism has caused pain for far too long. I encourage all of us to show empathy and stand together with the Black Lives Matter movement.

Rosanne Douglas

polling places and the president openly attacking absentee voting, our democracy is fundamentally at risk.

In Greenbelt, we value democracy, which is why our elected officials should be making it easier for people to vote, not harder. Voter suppression is real. I know because I've experienced it firsthand. I moved down here from New Hampshire, where I was unfairly purged from the voter rolls because Republicans thought young people like me might swing the state blue and didn't deserve a voice in our democracy.

I'm glad to live in a place like Greenbelt now, but we have our own issues with long lines and an early voting period that is way too short. We have to be

on guard. In order to justify voter suppression policies that disproportionately impact Black and Latinx communities and people with low incomes, politicians continue to spread lies about 'voter fraud.' These false claims do nothing to protect the integrity of our elections, but they do hurt our democracy.

That's why we need to call out any attempts to suppress our votes. This election night will likely be unlike any other, and may last many days or even weeks. We need to stand together to demand every vote is counted – especially if bad actors attempt to call election results prematurely and prevent Marylanders who voted by mail from having their ballots counted.

Ellen Sandmeyer



Early fall foliage in Greenbriar

PHOTO BY STEVE BUCCA

GHI Deferral Fund

We are writing to follow up on the Greenbelt Homes Inc. (GHI) Member-to-Member COVID-19 Relief Fund covered in last week's paper. We want to send a huge thank you to the 68 supporters who got us to the \$12,000+ goal in just over two weeks which enabled forgiveness of deferred GHI monthly member fees due to COVID-19. We believe that when we strengthen our cooperative and build new systems of collective care, we survive and thrive as a community. The generous support of this campaign is an example of how our community can come together and support each other at times of challenge.

We want to give additional shout-outs to Bill Jones for refining our ideas, the GHI Board for allowing the funds to go directly to GHI, GHI staff – particularly Joe Perry and Eldon Ralph, and the GHI Communications Committee for helping spread the word. Also thanks to the rest of the ad hoc member group and others who provided input and support: Lore Rosenthal, Alfredo Goyburu, Ben Fischler and Molly Lester.

We will reopen the campaign if more fees are deferred. We also encourage support of the emergency assistance fund administered by the city to assist renters facing eviction.

Thank you again for the wonderful support!

Cynthia Newcomer
COVID Relief Committee

Important Election

The 2020 election will be the most consequential in my lifetime, and we need to make sure that every vote in Greenbelt is counted. Between the avalanche of election disinformation on social media, states shutting down

Election 2020

Key Dates and Sites For General Election

Eleven early voting centers will be open for voting on Monday, October 26, through Monday, November 2, as well as on Election Day, Tuesday, November 3, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Those closest to Greenbelt are DuVal High School, the Pavilion at the University of Maryland and the Wayne K. Curry Sports and Learning Center.

On Election Day, 30 more vote centers will be open, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., in addition to the early voting centers. The only voting center in Greenbelt on Election Day will be Eleanor Roosevelt High School. For the complete list of voting centers, visit princegeorgescountymd.gov/559/Board-of-Elections.

Please note that the Greenbelt Community Center is not a ballot drop-box or voting location for the 2020 General Election. Greenbelt residents will also not be able to vote at any of the usual Greenbelt voting centers except for Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

The Greenbelt Connection bus will be available to transport people to vote at Eleanor Roosevelt High School on election day and for early voting at DuVal High School. Residents are asked to call 301-474-2100 to make an appointment 48 hours in advance if possible. The Greenbelt Connection will also try to make accommodations for those calling less than 48 hours in advance.

Mail-in ballots can be returned to the Board of Elections office, 1100 Mercantile Lane, Suite 115A, Largo; through the U.S. Postal Service; or in ballot drop-boxes at multiple locations throughout the county. Those in or close to Greenbelt include Eleanor Roosevelt High School, DuVal High School, High Point High School, Northwestern High School, The Pavilion at the University of Maryland Xfinity Center, Wayne K. Curry Sports and Learning Center, and FedEx Field.

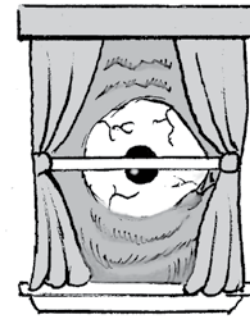
Drop-boxes will be available through election day. Ballots must be dropped off (or postmarked, not just placed in a mail box, if using the U.S. Postal Service) by 8 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3.

Registered voters can do in-person early voting or vote on election day at the voting center of their choice, anywhere in the county. Same-day registration is possible for all in-person voting, both early as well as on election day. Anyone wishing to do so must be a U.S. citizen, be a resident of Maryland, be 18 years old by November 3, 2020, and bring proof of residency, such as a Maryland driver's license or rent receipt.



A ballot drop-box is now installed at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

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Pete Reppert



AT LEAST 2020 IS ALMOST OVER - IT CAN'T GET ANY WORSE NOW.

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 6 - 8 p.m.

Office is currently closed to the public. Please phone or email.

GNR external office door mail slot is located up a few stairs 25 yards left of the Community Center's east door near the municipal building.

Community Events

Greenbelt Talks Asks A New Question

Greenbelt Talks wants to know: Why did you move to Greenbelt?

Greenbelt Access Television (GATe) invites the community to participate in another installment of their new video series, Greenbelt Talks. This week they want to know why people live in Our Fair City; what convinced them to live here?

Residents of Greenbelt – young, old and in-between – can voice their thoughts and opinions on issues of local and national importance. And it's easy! Using a cell phone in a horizontal position, click on video, put the face front and center, and give GATe and the community up to one minute's worth of words. Then, email the video to GATe, greenbeltaccess@gmail.com, on or before October 30.

Or, GATe staff and camera will be at this Sunday's Farmers Market, October 25. Stop by between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Watch for these videos featuring community members to appear on GATe's public access channel and social media.

Deadline for submission is Friday, October 30.

Some tips for recording: 1. Avoid dark or noisy surroundings. 2. No advertisements. 3. Watch your language; this is public access TV. FCC rules apply. 4. Keep the video to one minute or less.

Note: This is not part of GATe's Rose Award Program. For more information on Rose Awards, visit greenbeltaccessstv.org/rose-award.

Expired Medications Disposed of Safely

Drug Take Back Day is Saturday, October 24 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Police Station, 550 Crescent Road. People can bring their unused, unwanted and expired medications to the pop-up tent to be safely disposed of.

No need to get out of a vehicle and proper social distancing protocols will be practiced.

People who can't make it to the event Saturday can always place unwanted drugs in the drop-off box in front of the Police Station, but have to get out of their vehicle to do so.

Haunt the Highway

Greenbelt residents will be hosting Haunt the Highway marches, scheduled for Sundays, October 25 and November 1. The marches will begin at the Municipal Building at 10 a.m. and end at 11 a.m. Participants will march up the sidewalk to the intersection of Southway and Greenbelt Road. During these recurring Haunt the Highway events, the names of over 80 Black victims of police brutality will be recited. The final march will be held November 1. No advance registration is required for those wishing to participate in any of the marches.

At the Library

Greenbelt Library Curbside Service hours: Tuesday, 1 to 8 p.m.; Wednesday to Friday, 1 to 6 p.m. and Saturday, 1 to 5 p.m. (By appointment only, reserve up to 50 items in advance)

Read Woke Challenge

The Prince George's County Memorial Library System (PGCMLS) is collaborating with the Read Woke Challenge, a national initiative to encourage reading, personal growth and social justice, as part of its ongoing work to advance racial and social equity. Readers of all ages are encouraged to read (or listen to) at least five books between October 6 and December 15 that explore diversity, inclusion, equity, anti-racism and the many perspectives of the human experience. Readers can register on Beanstack through PGCMLS to participate. All who log five titles through December 15 will be entered to win a \$50 Amazon gift card raffle.

TeenTober

PGCMLS has also launched two new social media platforms for teens to engage with staff and each other, @PGCMLSTeens on Instagram and the PGCMLS Teen Zone Discord Server. Discord is a chat-based social platform similar to Reddit. This new PGCMLS platform will allow teens to constantly engage with peers and participate in meaningful service projects. Teens can get in shape, explore space and robotics, learn how to create apps and comic characters, impact social equity, and more with the Library's TeenTober virtual programs. Teens can visit pgcmls.info to access these online library services with their LINK card number or library card.

Access a full schedule of upcoming programs at pgcmls.info/events.

Library staff curate featured online resources by age level for elementary, middle school, high school, and post-secondary students. Free access is available to live tutoring, grade and subject-specific activities.

Astro Spooky Talk

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will hold its next meeting on Thursday, October 29 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held virtually over Zoom. The speaker will be Sue Bassett, who will present Astronomy Mystery Stories, a light-hearted, Halloween-themed talk that includes new evidence on an ancient mystery. For the Zoom link, see the ASG web page, greenbeltastro.org.

Boo to the Flu Offers Fun and Free Flu Shots

Community health center, CCI Health & Wellness Services, hosts Boo to the Flu – a pop-up vaccination clinic – to encourage the local community to get both their flu shots and caught-up on routine immunizations. The event, in partnership with Amerigroup, will also offer some COVID-safe Halloween fun for families.

The outdoor event will also include a socially distant trunk-or-treat staffed by CCI employees and a photo booth for creating fun family memories. The pop-up vaccine clinic will be held at CCI-Greenbelt, located at 9220 Springhill Lane on Friday, October 30 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Trick-or-treaters are encouraged to wear costumes and come ready to roll-up their sleeves. However, masks and social distancing are required, as staff will be on hand to make attendees adhere to COVID-19 safety protocols.

“As health care providers focused on community wellness, we believe it is vital that we focus on prevention and keeping families as healthy as possible,” said Dr. Sonya Bruton, CEO and president. “Boo to the Flu allows us an opportunity to meet our multiple aims of physical and emotional wellbeing by providing a small sense of normalcy with a fun Halloween activity while offering a free flu shot to all participants and updating vaccinations on existing patients.”

Dems Seek Drivers To Get Voters to Polls

The Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Club is reaching out to the community to enlist help driving Greenbelt residents to the polls for early voting Monday, October 26 to Monday, November 2 and on Election Day, Tuesday, November 3. As noted in previous Greenbelt News Review articles, usual polling places, such as the Community Center and Springhill Lake Elementary School, are not serving as voting sites for this election. The closest voting site, as designated by the State and County Board of Elections, is Eleanor Roosevelt High School, which is not within walking distance for many Greenbelt residents. Thus, the Club is dedicated to providing rides to and from the voting site for people who need transportation.

Anyone who would like to help drive folks to vote should call Konrad Herling at 301-345-9369 or email him at kongeneherl@gmail.com. The Club will provide updates on its webpage and its Facebook site, both of which can be found at rooseveltclub.com.

Club volunteers will continue to provide information about voting at the information tables Saturday, October 24 and Saturday, October 31 from 1 to 4 p.m.



Support BLM Legislation

The public is invited to participate in demonstrations held every day at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. The purpose of the demonstrations is to make people aware of local legislation relevant to Black Lives Matter issues.

For example, the group of demonstrators encourages passers-by to express support for Anton's Law, a bill before the Maryland House that would establish a statewide standard for law enforcement and use of force, as well as setting standards for transparency in policing.

The demonstrations take place Monday through Saturday from 5 to 6 p.m. and on Sundays from 10 to 11 a.m.

Candlelight Vigils

Weekly candlelight vigils are held on the second and fourth Saturday of every month from 7 to 8 p.m. at the intersection of Breezewood Drive and Cherrywood Lane, near the Shell station. The purpose of these vigils is to provide community members an opportunity to gather with candles and signs and to engage in dialogue to better understand one another and to understand issues of policing as well as sources of racism. All are welcome to join and it is not necessary for participants to bring a candle.



GATe GREENBELT ACCESS TELEVISION		
Friday October 23 - Thursday October 29		
PROGRAM	SCHEDULE	SUBJECT TO CHANGE
7 am	Greenbelt Newsreel	• or Selections From the GATe Archive
8 am	Democracy Now!	• Repeat of Yesterday's Program
9 am	Utopia Film Festival ★	• Films from Utopia 2018
	Selected Films • 2018	• Teachable Moment • Defending Utopia
11 am	Greenbelt Newsreel	• or Selections From the GATe Archive
SAT/SUN	Member Spotlight	• GATe Community Producers
12 pm	Democracy Now!	• Today's Program • Independent News
1 pm	Science Bowl PGCPSS	• Tulip Grove v Longfields • Glenn Dale v Hyattsville
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The Quadroon and the Dove

by Charlene A. Donaghy, directed by Rikki Howie Lacewell

Live Online: Saturday, October 24, 6pm & Sunday, October 25, 6pm

greenbeltartscenter.org

Coming Soon: The Revenger's Tragedy: Oct 30-31, Auditions for Twelfth Night: Nov 1-2

Seeking a Better World Through Film

Q&A with Filmmakers **Utopia Film Festival** **GATe**

Special Free Virtual Film Showings

Enjoy special screenings with Q&A discussion by the filmmakers from the comfort of your home. Space is limited to the first 100 registrants.

Join us on Zoom Sat. Oct 24, 7pm

Like A Woman- Director Gail Mooney
Zoom virtual showing **Sat. Oct. 24, 7pm**
Inspiring bios of women excelling in careers

The next showing Mon. Oct. 26th, 7pm
Suppressed: The Fight to Vote
Documents how Stacey Abrams "lost" the gubernatorial election in Georgia in 2018.
Will Anyone Help Save America's Small Businesses
A short about the realities of the recent Cares Act. Both Directed by Robert Greenwald

For Zoom connection and tickets check out our website- www.utopiafilmfestival.org

To view trailers and future announcements check out our facebook page - **Utopia Film Festival**

To join the viewing you will need to send us your email with choice of films- utopiafilmfest20770@gmail.com and download the **zoom.com** app. We will email you the codes to access the films the day of the viewing.

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Celebrate Change

This is the season to celebrate change. Change in the world and perhaps an internal change. This Saturday, October 24 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., take a small step toward change: families can find new ways to experience joy at College Park United Methodist's Fall Family Fellowship Day. There will be a glove giveaway, obstacle courses, nature exploration, a prayer wall, flying wishes, gratitude jars and more. All are invited and welcome to this event that will be safe and fun.

CPUMC (sister church to Mowatt) is located at 9601 Rhode Island Avenue and is a welcoming and affirming congregation. Reserve a spot today by emailing Amy Caruso: amybcarus@gmail.com. Masks required for those over 6 years of age. Other safety measures will be in place.

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The goal of the study is to provide information needed by small communities to better understand their flooding issues and the resources available to assist them in developing a plan for addressing their problem. The study, a collaboration between GHI and the University researchers, aims to produce a document called Development of a Community Guide to Assessing Non-Tidal Flood Impacts in Maryland. The Community Guide will provide specific tools and resources for local government officials, planners and engineers to use in addressing their flooding issues. The intended audience for the Community Guide is small incorporated cities, towns, villages and homeowner associations. However, the Guide will also be useful for state, county and Baltimore City planners in developing their own plans.

The GHI SWMTF addresses stormwater runoff within GHI, recommends policy changes and improvements to minimize flooding in GHI, and promotes best practices for reducing stormwater runoff and soil erosion. Results of the GHI pilot study will help the SWMTF fulfill its mission

Mowatt UMC Hosts All Saints Day Service

Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church invites the entire community to a candlelight service on Sunday, November 1, All Saints Day, rain or shine, at 6:30 p.m. in their picnic lot to mark the many losses this year.

Rev. Fay Lundin will lead attendees in mourning the loss of over 220,000 lives to COVID-19, as well as loss of connection, family, love, livelihood and liveliness. The service will also be remembering and honoring Greenbelter Louise Craig.

All are welcome. Social distancing and mask protocol are required.

Zoom Cooking Class With Ellen Weiss

Mishkan Torah Synagogue will host the second in a series of Zoom traditional Jewish cooking classes on Sunday, October 25 at 12:30 p.m., with Ellen Weiss.

Participants must RSVP by noon on October 23; call 301-474-4223 or email waysandmeans2@mishkantorah.org. Classes are open to the entire community, and there is no charge. Donations are welcome.

and increase its ability to obtain funding for future stormwater-related projects.

GHI members who experience flooding in their yard or court are encouraged to contact the GHI Technical Services project manager via phone at 301-474-4161, extension 1141. Providing the project manager with observations, photos and, if possible, a journal of flooding events in the yard or court will enable GHI to better address the court's flooding issues. The SWMTF will work closely with GHI management to prioritize stormwater issues that need attention.

Obituaries

William Patrick Scott

William "Billy" Patrick Scott, of Greenbelt, died unexpectedly on October 2, 2020. He was 26 years old. Billy grew up in Greenbelt and attended Greenbelt Elementary, St. Hugh's School and Eleanor Roosevelt High School and finished high school at Northwestern High School.

He grew up playing Greenbelt Little League and CYO basketball and could frequently be found at McDonald Field or basketball courts and playgrounds around Old Greenbelt. Billy enjoyed music, especially anything he could try and mimic on guitar. He also loved animals, but not nearly as much as they loved him.

Billy was a familiar face in Greenbelt. He was known by many from his time working at Greenbelt American Legion Post 136 and, at the time of his death, Generous Joe's.

He had a sense of humor all his own and a contagious, distinct laugh that made it impossible not to laugh alongside him.

When he wasn't working, he could usually be found at family or friends' homes around Greenbelt. He was always just a phone call away, ready to listen or help however he could. He had a heart

of gold, and he will be missed by many.

Billy was preceded in death by his parents, Mary Anne McAndrew Scott and David Anthony Boswell; his brother David Michael Boswell; grandparents Thomas J. McAndrew, Sr. and Margaret McAndrew; and Wilmer Edgar and Floy Landreth Boswell. He was also preceded in death by his aunt, Margaret "Peggy" McAndrew Jones.

Billy is survived by aunts and uncles, Robert Edgar Boswell, Katherine Boswell Clark (W. Mark) and Floy Elizabeth Boswell, Thomas McAndrew, Jr. (Mary), Michael McAndrew (Karen) and Patrick J. McAndrew (Linda); cousins Michael McAndrew (Demetria), Laura McAndrew, Lindsay McAndrew, Katherine McAndrew, Colleen McAndrew, Kristin McAndrew, Marie McAndrew, Michael McAndrew, Steven Andrew Colombo, Jr., Jacob Lee Boswell and Michael Mark Clark.

A private family service was held on Saturday, October 10.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the National Alliance on Mental Health at NAMI.org.



Our sympathies to the family and friends of Billy Scott, who died October 2.

GHI resident and University of Maryland Counseling Center employee Margaret "Margie" Gibbs is a recipient of the President's Distinguished Service Award for 2020. The award recognizes exceptional performance, leadership and service by members of the University staff. The receptionist and office supervisor at the Counseling Center since 1983, Margie is also its face, voice and heart. She and other honorees are feted in the University's virtual convocation, which may be seen online at umd.edu/convocation.

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

Obituaries

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

You write it or we will if you prefer. We try to include information about participation in various activities and organizations, where the person lived and something about the family. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.



CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
of GREENBELT

During the pandemic, we
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Liturgy of the Word
Sundays, 10:00 a.m.

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40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors

Find us on [facebook.com/mowattumc](https://www.facebook.com/mowattumc)
301-474-9410

Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor

Sunday, November 1, 6:30pm

All Saints Candlelight Service

Join us outside on the lawn.

Mishkan Torah Congregation



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Rabbi Saul Oresky, Cantor Phil Greenfield

An unpretentious, historic, welcoming, liberal, egalitarian synagogue
that respects tradition and becomes your extended family
in the 21st century.

Friday evening services at 8:00pm

Saturday morning services at 10:00am

All services and activities are currently virtual

For further information, call (301) 474-4223 www.mishkantorah.org

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"We must banish prejudice. Religious, patriotic, racial prejudices must disappear, for they are the destroyers of human society. We must become the cause of the unity of the human race."

—'Abdu'l-Baha



Greenbelt Bahá'í Community

www.greenbeltbahais.org

Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi

Phone: 301-937-3666 www.pbuuc.org



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October 25 10 a.m.

"Honoring Our Ancestors and Anticipating
Our Descendants"

Guest Speakers Penny Hughes and Eldritch; with Worship Associates Clark Ritz & Ebony Contreras

After the Autumnal Equinox, cultures in the Northern Hemisphere deeply felt the waning of Summer and the coming of Winter. Taking inspiration from nature, Celtic, Slavic and Germanic cultures recognized this time of year as the turning of a new year, a time to reflect on what was lost and what would come. We consider honoring our Ancestors and anticipating our Descendants through celebrations of Samhain, All Souls Day, All Hallow's Eve and Halloween.

ONLINE ONLY. Streaming info at <http://bit.ly/PB102520>

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Confessional
Reformed
Gospel Centered

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Sunday School at 9:45am
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301-474-4212
[@GreenbeltBaptist](https://www.instagram.com/greenbeltbaptist)

The Bible Says...

The Ten Commandments

#3-Don't Take The Lord's Name In Vain

Exodus 20:7



Sunday Worship Services
10a-11a ONLINE
MCFcc.org/online

Greenbelt Community Church



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are on your Spiritual journey, you
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**The Sacred is Here
and Now**
Leviticus 19:1-2
Matthew 22:34-46

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With joy, we return to the public celebration of Mass. Attendance is limited to 100 persons per Mass, all (3 and up) must wear masks. All details available on our website. Mon-Fri 7:15am, Sat 9am; Sat vigil 5pm; Sun 8am, 9:30am, 11am
Confessions Saturday 3pm - 4pm

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City Information & Events

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

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL- REGULAR MEETING Monday, October 26, 2020 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

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

- Closed Session Statement, September 21, 2020

Administrative Reports

Committee Reports

* Employee Relations Board Report #2020-01 (Procedure for Employee Appeals and Grievances — Summary for Employees)

LEGISLATION

Eviction Ordinance-1st Reading

OTHER BUSINESS

- Live Music Outdoors at the Roosevelt Center and Other Places in Greenbelt
- Municipal Building Electric Vehicle Charger
- I-495 & I-270 Managed Lane Department of Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS)
- Zoom Meeting Format
- Discussion of Signage at Former Precinct Polling Places and Use of Both Greenbelt Connection Buses to Provide Transportation to Eleanor Roosevelt High School on Election Day
- Pine Trees at Buddy Attick Lake Park
- Council Activities
- Council Reports
- * Request to Extend the Greenbelt Archive Project's Lease
- * Greenbelt Homes Inc and City of Greenbelt Joint Letter to Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission
- * Reappointments to Advisory Boards

MEETINGS-Scheduling of Future Meetings

COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE VIRTUAL Cablecast on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and 996 and www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv
Resident participation: Information will be posted on Meetings Calendar at www.greenbeltmd.gov

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

VIRTUAL MEETINGS FOR OCTOBER 26-30

Monday, October 26 at 8:00pm, **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING** Virtual meeting will be shown on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 & 996 and streaming on www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv

Tuesday, October 27 at 7:00pm **ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION** On the Agenda: "Meeting with PTA Presidents and Grants – Review Procedures & Deadlines"

Tuesday, October 27 at 7:30pm **GREEN ACES** On the Agenda: Development Plans for Beltway Plaza and Updates from Sustainability Framework

Wednesday, October 28 at 7:00pm **FOREST PRESERVE ADVISORY BOARD** On the Agenda: Maglev update, Trails Master Plan: Section III, and Easements or other conservation vehicles

Wednesday, October 28 at 8:00pm **WORK SESSION w/State Highway Administration (Stakeholder)** Virtual meeting will be shown on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 & 996 and streaming on www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv

Thursday, October 29 at 7:30pm, **FOUR CITIES MEETING**

Thursday, October 29 at 7:30pm **ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD** On the Agenda: Introduction of Holly Simmons, Community Planner, Introduction of the Phase 1 Beltway Plaza Detailed Site Plan and MAGLEV Task Force

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

2020 PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION

Early Voting will be held Monday, October 26th, 2020 through Monday, November 2nd, 2020 from 7am - 8pm each day. The closest Early Voting site is

Duval High School, 9880 Good Luck Road

Election Day is Tuesday, November 3rd, 2020 7am - 8pm. The closest day of voting site is

Eleanor Roosevelt High School, 7601 Hanover Parkway

For this Presidential General Election, voters are allowed to vote at any Prince George's County voting location listed at <https://bit.ly/35o6bG2>

REGULAR CITY VOTING LOCATIONS ARE NOT VOTING LOCATIONS FOR THIS PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION

The GREENBELT CONNECTION will provide transportation to the closest Early and Day of Voting Locations. Please call 301-474-4100 to arrange for a ride. Please call 48 hours in advance. We will try to make accommodations for calls with less notification, but it is not guaranteed.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on:

- Arts Advisory Board
- Employee Relations Board
- Board of Elections
- Forest Preserve Advisory Board
- Public Safety Advisory Committee
- Youth Advisory Committee
- Senior Citizens Advisory Committee

For more information call 301- 474-8000



SEEKING LIFEGUARDS AND POOL MANAGERS!

The Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center is now hiring lifeguards!

Apply now at www.greenbeltmd.gov/jobs

WEED WARRIORS

Saturday, October 24
10am-1pm

Buddy Attick Park

Twenty volunteers are needed for a service-learning event. Be a part of the community effort to restore native plant species to the environment around Buddy Attick Park. Volunteers will work with Public Works staff to install native plants in areas that have had invasive plant species removed. Masks will be required at all times.

Reminders:

- Wear weather appropriate clothes and closed-toed shoes
- Bring your reusable water bottle
- High school students: remember your service-learning forms
- Masks must be worn at all times

Volunteers must register with Environmental Coordinator, Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll, by emailing kdricoll@greenbeltmd.gov

TRICK-OR-TREAT

Governor Hogan has renewed his declaration of the COVID-19 state of emergency and catastrophic health emergency. Additionally, the CDC had declared Trick-or-Treating as a risky activity and recommends other ways to celebrate. If you decide that you will be Trick-or-Treating, please observe these suggestions.

- Participating in one-way trick-or-treating where individually wrapped goodie bags are lined up for families to grab and go while continuing to social distance (such as at the end of a driveway or at the edge of a yard)

- If you are preparing goodie bags, wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 second before and after preparing the bags.

- A costume mask (such as for Halloween) is not a substitute for a cloth mask. A costume mask should not be used unless it is made of two or more layers of breathable fabric that covers the mouth and nose and doesn't leave gaps around the face.

- Do not wear a costume mask over a protective cloth mask because it can be dangerous if the costume mask makes it hard to breathe. Instead, consider using a Halloween-themed cloth mask.

VISIT THE CDC FOR OTHER SAFE ALTERNATIVES

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html#halloween>

PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK



Saturday, October 24 from 10am-2pm

Greenbelt Police Department

550 Crescent Road

Safely dispose of unused and expired prescriptions.

OUTDOOR RECESS

Each session \$3

GREENBELT RECREATION
Fun • Fitness • Friendship

Mondays & Fridays
Two sessions each day
4:00-4:45pm
5:00-5:45pm

Greenbelt Youth Center Outdoor Court

Greenbelt Recreation is here to improve your e-learner's physical and mental health with our Outdoor Recess Program! Join us for a variety of outdoor activities to get moving after all that screen time. Online pre-registration by day is required. Class requires masks/face coverings and physical distancing for all participants. For Greenbelt residents, ages 6-12. Classes start October 5th.

Activity #: 432604-1 & 432604-2

Inclement Weather will cancel class. For more information contact aphelan@greenbeltmd.gov.

HEALTH MANAGEMENT

Be Prepared!

Flu Season is Coming

Get Your Free Flu Shot Here

Drive Thru or Walk Up
Vaccines for children 6 months - adults

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27
10AM-3PM
GREENBELT COMMUNITY CENTER
15 CRESCENT ROAD
GREENBELT, MD 20770

You must pre-register online at <https://www.vaccineconsent.com> to register please search by location - Beltway Plaza or Greenbelt Community Center.

More information or to register by phone call 240-542-2033

ELECTRONICS, STYROFOAM, AND PAINT RECYCLING

SATURDAY, October 24, 2020
Public Works Yard, 555 Crescent Rd.
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Electronics Recycling!
Accepted items include: TVs, CPUs, monitors, keyboards, mice, printers, laptops, recording equipment, speakers, scanners, surge protectors, wires and power cords, fax machines, cameras, telephones, radios, DVD players, VCRs, batteries taped on one end.
ALSO, expanded polystyrene (block "Styrofoam" #6)
NO Cups, egg cartons or food trays.
PLEASE CALL IN ADVANCE IF YOU HAVE ITEMS OVER 50 LBS.

Paint Recycling!
Cost—\$5 per container. DO NOT mix paint in other containers. In order for paint to be properly used, the contents on the inside need to match the label on the outside. If you are unable to attend the event, you may hire this service directly to come to your home for an additional \$50 service fee. Yuck Old Paint, LLC 888-509-9825 (YUCK) www.YuckOldPaint.com

Questions? Greenbelt Sustainability Office 240-542-2153




2020 GHI Election: October 29–30

Choose your path to vote!

Sign-in opens 7:00pm Thursday October 29 for the 2020 GHI annual membership meeting at 7:30pm; members can participate online or in-person. The election for Board of Directors and Audit Committee begins when the meeting goes into recess; members can cast ballots online or in-person.

Please see the official meeting announcement mailed to every member for more information.

For everyone's health and safety, we encourage online participation.

Path	Prerequisite	Where & When	Method
1. Absentee 	Must wear mask & socially distance	GHI Office During office hours Oct. 23, 26, 27	Submit absentee ballot application at GHI Office, then immediately vote on paper ballot
2. Online (preferred)	Your email address must be on file with GHI, and you cannot register for the Youth Center	GetQuorum website After meeting Thursday Oct. 29 until noon Friday Oct. 30	Secure personalized link from GetQuorum on your computer or smartphone
3. Youth Center 	First 42 members registered via meeting announcement form	Youth Center Immediately after annual meeting	Paper ballot
4. Standard 	Must wear mask & socially distance	GHI Office 4–8pm Friday Oct. 30	Paper ballot



Board of Directors 2-Year Term

(4 of 9 positions up for election)

Stefan Brodd

2 Court Westway

I have been a member of GHI since 1999, and a resident of Greenbelt since 1981. I was elected to the Board of Directors in May of 2016 and have served as Vice-President since that time. I currently chair and serve as Board liaison to the Member Outreach Committee and the Zoning Task Force; I previously served in either capacity on the Yards Solutions, Existing Windows and Doors, Parking Regulations, and Bylaws task forces. My husband Christopher Cherry and I offered our GHI home as part of the Pilot Project, the precursor to the current Homes Improvement Program. Professionally I am a musician; in a previous career I worked at NASA-Goddard Space Flight Center in software development and data analysis. I have served as a board member and volunteer for several non-profit organizations. I am committed to cooperative ideals and, in particular, to their living embodiment in GHI.

Zoe Carter-Woodbridge

9 Court Southway

Zoe Carter-Woodbridge is new to GHI, having recently purchased her first home. However, she is a lifelong resident of Prince George's County and has spent much time in Greenbelt enjoying the pool, the Co-op, community center, and Labor Day Festivals, and has always had close friends who live in the community.

She graduated from Fairhaven School in Upper Marlboro, Maryland's first Sudbury School, and has a strong knowledge of the democratic system and how to prioritize

needs and follow Robert's Rules of Order. She earned a Bachelor's in Sociology at Washington College in Chestertown, MD, and obtained her Master's of Social Work from the University of Maryland, Baltimore. She is currently a clinical social worker for an outpatient mental health agency and also has experience working for the Prince George's County Department of Social Services' foster care and adoption unit. While there, she served on the Performance and Quality Improvement Committee.

Although she is a new resident, Zoe is aware of the needs facing many GHI members at this time. She hopes to bring fresh eyes and a positive outlook to the Board. Zoe is also passionate about bringing racial justice and equity to GHI. She has been demonstrating in front of the municipal building since June to bring attention to local legislation including Anton's Law. GHI is welcoming more and more young and diverse families, and she hopes to represent those looking for affordable living and a positive community as a member of the Board of Directors.

Ed James

56 Court Crescent

Ed James has been an active GHI member since 1977. He has been a Director for over 14 years and Secretary for over 12 years. He serves on the Buildings, Long Range Planning, Investment, Finance, and Woodlands Committees, the Yards & Exteriors Task Force and the Sustainability Subcommittee. Other organizations include the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union (Director/President), the Greenbelt Community Development Corporation (Director/Treasurer) and the Greenbelt Community Garden Club (hobby).

Ed has previously served as GHI Treasurer and on the Audit Committee, been a Greenbelt Jaycees

Treasurer, Greenbelt CPR instructor, Greenbelt Internet Access Cooperative Director, New Deal Cafe Director and Audit Committee member, a member of Green ACES and an Old Greenbelt Neighborhood Watch Co-Chair.

His education includes degrees in Physics, Biochemistry, Zoology, and Computer Science. His professional background includes Martin Marietta Labs, the International Monetary Fund, Sprint, the University of Maryland, EPA, NASA, and DOT. He retired early as a Software Engineer, and enjoys volunteering in the community, physical training, and gardening.

One of Ed's major projects has been heavy involvement with the current HIP program. Ed worked on the planning of both the test portion and the main portion of HIP and continues to do so. Ed has also been involved with the planning of upcoming programs, such as the proposed WSSC pipe replacement program (a "work in progress"), and future replacement programs for some electrical and plumbing systems. Ed works to keep costs down while keeping our Co-op on solid footing financially and physically.

Deborah McKinley

55 Court Ridge

GHI has been my home since 2009. I am currently serving on the Communications Committee and Stormwater Management Task Force. In the past I was a member of the Water and Sewer Pipe Replacement Task Force. My involvement in these groups has made me familiar with some of the issues GHI is working on.

My education and career are in environmental engineering. I have worked both in the private sector and public sector (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and, more recently, the U.S. Army Corps

of Engineers-Baltimore District). My work experience is in wastewater treatment, environmental assessments, and site cleanup. Most of my career was spent studying and cleaning up large hazardous waste sites as well as small sites like those on the nearby Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC). Through my work, I have developed skills in teamwork, problem solving, and communication. I have worked as a member of technical teams to solve complex environmental problems. Coordinating with state and local officials and the public was a key part of solving environmental problems. This coordination included attending meetings and presenting information at public meetings and other public forums. I have written and edited technical documents that present the results of environmental studies, determine risks to human health and the environment, and evaluate cleanup options. My skills and attention to detail will make me a valuable member of the Board of Directors.

Audit Committee 1-Year Term

(All 3 positions up for election)

Christopher Carbone

37 Court Ridge

My name is Christopher Carbone and I am asking for your vote to serve on GHI's audit committee. I have lived in GHI since July 2014 and have been a Maryland resident my entire life. I love our community and would like to serve on the audit committee to provide the required oversight of GHI's operations. I hope my experience as an economist, writer, editor, data analyst, and communicator can be put to good use on the audit committee in meetings, investigations, and annual reports.

Candidates for GHI Election

The following GHI members have formally indicated their agreement to serve if elected, and provided the following biographical sketches to the Nominations & Elections Committee. GHI Members will elect Nominations & Elections Committee members during the annual meeting Thursday, October 29. The separate election for Board of Directors and Audit Committee will be held by ballots cast online and in-person. Board members are elected to staggered 2-year terms. There are 4 open Board positions this year; the other 5 will be elected next year.

News Review Annual Meeting Celebrates Roses, Manages Thorns

by Cathie Meetre

The Greenbelt News Review held its Annual Meeting on Sunday, October 18. About 40 members attended via Zoom, most online and visible and a few on the phone. Alas, the occasion lacked the usual camaraderie and shared meal of yore, but nonetheless maintained the spirit that has brought the newspaper so long and so far.

A major announcement was that the newspaper's editor since 2017 is moving on. Gary Childs has enrolled in a master's program of study and, perhaps inspired to write by his time at the newspaper, plans to spend more time on his own writing. During his tenure he has increased the thematic content of the paper, focusing on formerly less-covered areas of town, business, sports and incorporating a more arts and lifestyle approach to the back page. He's placed an emphasis on visual media – increasing the proportion of photographs on the front and back pages particularly – but also exploiting the newspaper's shift to all-color throughout each issue. He also created opportunities for more people to write for the paper and built or

strengthened bridges between the paper and a wide array of organizations, non-profit, special interest, city government, and others, in Greenbelt. He will leave the News Review in February, after three years as editor.

With the current uncertainties, the newspaper is not immediately recruiting for a new editor though if the right person were to arrive serendipitously, who would refuse? Instead, Editor Emerita Mary Lou Williamson will take up the challenge to bridge the gap.

New Board

The meeting was unanimous in electing René Sewell-Raysor to the board. The board, which is both a board of directors and an editorial board, retained the six members with which it has been operating, with Sewell-Raysor making up the complement of seven. Nominated by Board Member Sylvia Lewis, Sewell-Raysor's credentials, as described by Lewis, are a great match to the needs of the board, and in particular to amplify connections across the city to Franklin Park. Sewell-Raysor has been active in the community and in the news-

paper since she moved here, writing articles and championing the causes of her neighborhood. The other board members are Deanna Dawson, Tom Jones, Cathie Meetre, Diane Oberg and Pat Scully. Board officers will be decided at the next board meeting.

Team Structure

To cope with the interim period and assist Williamson, the newspaper is implementing a new team strategy that organizes members by their role in the newspaper to both simplify communication and provide support as a team. The shift to this collaborative effort – more a communications function than an increase in management structure – will take place between now and Childs' departure. It's accompanied by a strong and nearly complete push, spearheaded by Membership Coordinator Peggy Higgins, to get member records into apple pie order.

With more members now than at any time in its history, creating distinct Teams, each with its own coordinator, will assist in training and scheduling and

See MEETING, page 9

Co-op Month 2020

Core Principles Observed by Cooperatives World-wide

Co-op Identity: Cooperatives worldwide generally operate using the same principles as adopted in 1995 by the International Cooperative Alliance.

Definition: A cooperative is an autonomous association of persons united voluntarily to meet their common economic, social, and cultural needs and aspirations through a jointly owned and democratically controlled enterprise.

Values: Cooperatives are based on the values of self-help, self-responsibility, democracy, equality, equity and solidarity. In the tradition of their founders, cooperative members believe in the ethical values of honesty, openness, social responsibility and caring for others.

Principles: The cooperative principles are guidelines by which cooperatives put their values into practice.

1. Voluntary and Open Membership
2. Democratic Member Control
3. Members' Economic Participation
4. Autonomy and Independence
5. Education, Training and Information
6. Cooperation Among Cooperatives
7. Concern for Community



Halloween decorations greet visitors at 2 Court Gardenway.
- Photos by Glenn Harris

Candidates for GHI Election (continued)

Audit Committee

(Continued from prior page)

Sam Lee

8 Court Plateau

Sam has lived in Greenbelt for thirteen years and been a resident of GHI for five years. He completed a BS in economics from the University of Maryland. For the last twelve years he has worked as an actuary specializing in group health insurance.

Kathleen McNamara

58 Court Crescent

My husband and I moved to GHI from Silver Spring two years ago. I grew-up in Prince George's County so I was excited to move back while maintaining some of the metro accessibility and walkability that we loved.

As first-time home buyers, cooperative living put my mind at ease, knowing that we had back-up help we could call on when issues were more than we could handle. But unlike in apartment living, the best thing about cooperative living is that we have the privilege of guiding GHI to work in a way that is serving the community's needs.

I am seeking your consideration to serve on the Audit Committee. I have a master's degree in public policy from the University of Maryland. I have worked as a business analyst for past 7 years. The last 2 years working to develop and maintain software to administer the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) for several states,

including Maryland and Delaware.

As a business analyst, I dig into processes to find places where efficiencies can be made. I believe these skills will be helpful in learning about GHI's operations and administration. And will allow me to offer suggestions when necessary.

Nominations & Elections Committee 1-Year Term

(All 5 positions up for election)

Dan Gillotte

10 Court Hillside

Dan Gillotte is a long time co-operator having first become a member of a food co-op in Maine in 1992. Dan has been the manager of food co-ops since 1998 and moved here (and became a member of GHI) spring 2020. Dan has served on numerous boards over the years including:

- National Co-op Grocers (as board chair for 3 years)
- Co-op Grocers Information Network (as president for 4 years)
- AHB Community School (as chair for one year)
- Austin Independent Business Alliance (for more than a decade as a founding member)

Dan has worked for boards for his whole adult life and understands the importance of board perpetuation for successful organizations. He loves living in this

cooperative community of GHI and Greenbelt and is happy to jump right in and serve if elected.

Theresa R. Henderson

1 Court Laurel Hill

Theresa was born and raised in the Washington, D.C. area. She has lived in GHI since 1983. She currently enjoys living on Laurel Hill Rd. with her husband Steve, their two adult children Maddy and Steven, their two cats and a bird. She is currently employed at the USDA Beltsville Human Nutrition Research Center. She is actively involved with the Greenbelt Tennis Association, and is a member of Greenbelt Community Church and the Hemophilia Association of the Capital Area. She is presently serving on the Nominations and Elections Committee for her seventh term and enjoys working with the other committee members and staff.

Tom Jones

1 Court Woodland

Tom was raised on Northway and has been a GHI member since 1997. He has a Bachelor's degree in Physics and an MBA, and works as a Technical Program Manager for the University of Maryland Center for Advanced Transportation Technology Laboratory (CATT Lab). Tom has served on N&E for 6 years, including the past 5 years as chair.

In 2010, Tom chaired the GHI Finance Report Subcommittee that drafted revisions to make each year's report easier to understand. In 2011, he chaired the

GHI website redesign committee resulting in the current ghi.coop site, and he also served on the GHI Information Technology task force.

For other Greenbelt co-ops, Tom has served on the News Review Board of Directors since 2014. In prior years, he served on the New Deal Café Audit Committee for 5 years and the Rapidan Camps Board of Directors for 22 years, including 15 years as president.

Luisa F. Robles

32 Court Ridge

I have lived in GHI since the spring of 2001 (19 years!). I bumped into GHI while pursuing my PhD at UMD. I came to see a movie at the theater and fell in love with the Roosevelt Center and the friendliness of people. My degree was in environmental sciences and sustainable development and I am now the Sustainability Coordinator for the City. I have served on the Board of Directors and the Woodlands Committee for GHI and on the Forest Preserve for the City.

Mary Salemme

1 Court Woodland

I grew up in Riverdale and moved to GHI in 2017. I love the community feel and cooperative spirit here in Greenbelt. My background is in IT. I was a DNS administrator for many years and now do technical project management for a network engineering group at a large communications company. I am currently serving on the Nominations and Elections Committee and would like to continue participating.

Citizens for Public Safety Rally at Municipal Building

by Robert Snyder

The Greenbelt Citizens for Public Safety (GCPS) sponsored a rally on Saturday, October 10. Over 50 Greenbelt citizens rallied in front of the Municipal Building to show support for Greenbelt's first responders and to advocate for improved public safety.

The weather cooperated in providing slightly overcast skies and just-right temperatures for the day (just prior to the arrival of the remnants of Hurricane Delta). At the rally, a school teacher with Prince George's County Public Schools shared her opinion that the school system has a shortage of school-based nurses and counsellors and she wished her school had a school resource officer (SRO).

A large number of signs thanking the Greenbelt police and the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and emergency medical personnel for their public service throughout Greenbelt were visible at the event.

Informal Group Grows

The group began meeting informally over the summer and focused initially on getting its message out over several local social media sites including an online petition available through change.org. The Maintain and Improve Greenbelt Public Safety petition calls for the Greenbelt City Council to reject any defunding of the city's police budget that would negatively impact police response times, public safety and the investigation and resolution of crimes within the city. The petition also calls for council to reject any attempt to divert or

move police budget funds to other social programs and untested proposed alternative programs. It supports maintaining the SRO program, maintaining appropriate legal protections for police officers and establishing additional emergency call boxes in city areas that experience repetitive crimes. Signatures are still being collected. Those wishing to add their signature may do so at: chnq.it/Bw4KjdfpQ4. These rallies began in September in response to discussions around the nation of law enforcement practices and calls for defunding police departments.

Local Concerns

Many participants at this rally expressed concern over the recommendations set forth by the Prince George's County Peace & Justice Coalition and Greenbelt Racial Equity Alliance (see letter in August 13 issue of the News Review). GCPS members expressed their opinion that these recommendations are unnecessary, presumptuous, and are attempts to mirror efforts in some of our nation's cities to remake and weaken law enforcement to the detriment of its citizens and public safety. GCPS believes Greenbelt's police are diverse, professional, well qualified and well trained.

GCPS expects, assuming Greenbelt grows over the coming months and years, that first responders and other city services will likely be stretched further than they are now and that more funding and first responder staff may be necessary.



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A group gathers at the Municipal Building to support Greenbelt's first responders.



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City Notes

Sustainability/Environmental staff led eight Weed Warrior volunteers in mulching the pollinator garden. Sustainable Maryland named Greenbelt as 2020 Maryland's Sustainability Champion with the highest-ever score for their efforts.

Public Works installed headstones at Greenbelt Cemetery and signage at Sunrise Forest Preserve Tract.

Refuse/Recycling collected 29.52 tons of refuse and 12.98 tons of recyclables.

Animal Control has issued 11 Dog Park permits and rangers began monitoring the park. One rabbit and five cats are in the shelter.

The frequently updated Virtual Recreation Center offers recreation opportunities, including on-site, COVID-safe fall programming. At Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center, lifeguards trained for recertification.

Community Center staff fielded questions about polling places, and signage has been posted with election information. The Community Center hosted Greenbelt Assistance in Living's produce and diaper distribution and an American Red Cross blood drive. Fourteen Golden Age Club members joined Therapeutic Recreation's Zoom Tea Party and 39 seniors received Food and Friendship meals.

Museum staff assisted an Oklahoma University student researching Greenbelt's Museum and Judy Hering welcomed nine University of Maryland student volunteers to CARES's ESOL and GED classes.

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caters to public and private sector leaders, and was the corporate director of the National Commission on Children, a bipartisan entity chaired by former Senator John D. Rockefeller IV of West Virginia. She also has served in various positions in the Prince George's County government and the State of Maryland.

City Manager Nicole Ard stated, "I am thrilled that Bertha Gaymon is joining the City of Greenbelt. Ms. Gaymon is an energetic, seasoned CFO including over 20 years of service alone to an innovative, nonprofit serving diverse residents, cultural institutions and businesses. Her familiarity with financial operations of trash and recycling, infrastructure, homeless services, workforce development, the arts, public and open space, security, economic development, as well as with collective bargaining, will serve Greenbelt well. Gaymon is also familiar with Greenbelt through community service at Doctors Hospital."

Her many accomplishments with the Downtown Business Improvement District Corporation include: increasing staff retention by 15 percent within two years, increasing revenue collection rate from 87 to 98 percent of a \$12 million budget, enhancement of the procurement system to significantly reduce turnaround times and earning an "unqualified audit opinion," the cleanest rating audit ranking for the past 22 years for multiple corporations.

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Notice of the Annual Membership Meeting

The Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative will hold its Annual Meeting on Saturday, November 7, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Old Greenbelt Theatre (129 Centerway). Current COVID-19 guidelines allow up to 30 members in the Theatre. Registration will be required to attend the meeting in person. Send email to info@greenbelt.coop.

All members are encouraged to attend the meeting virtually. (Details about registration as well as attending the meeting virtually will be forthcoming.)

The agenda will include:

Reports by the Treasurer & General Manager

Report on Rays on the Roof

Vote on a Bylaw Change*

Election of two members for the Board of Directors

Presentation of the Jim Cassels' Community Service Award.

According to the Co-op's bylaws, 25 members constitute a quorum. In the absence of a quorum, those present can schedule another meeting, which can proceed even in the absence of a quorum. Call 301-474-0522 with questions. Note: Voting members have \$100 or more in their member capital account.

*Amend the GCC Bylaws by inserting the following after the first paragraph of Section 2.01:

Section 2.01:

Each year the Board of Directors shall divide each member's patronage refund into three parts: (1) Paid to the member in cash or the equivalent, (2) Member Capital, which is added to the member's account and retained until after the member withdraws from the Cooperative, and (3) Sustaining Equity, which does not earn interest and is retained in the member's account as long as the law allows. Any member may choose to designate some of their member capital as Sustaining Equity.

Also in Section 2.03: Withdrawal of Membership, replace "Membership capital (including accrued patronage refunds) shall be refundable by the Cooperative" by "Member capital shall be refundable by the Cooperative".

Police Blotter

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

Suspicious Death

October 11, 4:50 p.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Lane. Officers responded to a report of a man down in the wooded area near the 5800 block Cherrywood Lane and found him to be deceased. The subject has been identified as Luis Marek Portillo-Ramos, 33, of no fixed address. No foul play is suspected.

Robbery

October 12, 8:23 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane. A man gave a woman a ride and after he left the area, he received a phone call from her, asking him to return to help her find a key that might be inside his vehicle. He went back and after he began looking inside the car, three men approached, assaulted him and took his car keys, cell phone, wallet and checkbook. The men then fled on foot, as did the woman to whom he had given a ride. He was transported to a local hospital for treatment.

Assault

October 9, 7:23 p.m., 5700 block Cherrywood Lane. Officers responded to a report of a fight involving a knife. A woman reported that a man holding a knife approached her. She grabbed it and threw it into a nearby trashcan. The man then fled on foot. Officers recovered the knife later.

Fraud

October 9, 4:09 p.m., 7718 Hanover Parkway. A man attempted to purchase a cellphone over a social media app and after paying for it online, discovered the seller had given him a fake name. He never received a phone.

Indecent Exposure

October 10, 9:11 a.m., 6100 Greenbelt Road. A woman in the parking lot near Target saw a man in a nearby vehicle as she placed items in her car. He began shouting obscenities at her and she got into her car and locked

the doors, at which time the man exposed himself. She then drove to Capital One Bank, where she saw the same man taking photographs of her from his vehicle. She contacted police.

Theft

October 8, 8:55 p.m., 6101 Breezewood Court. A package was taken from the front stoop of a residence. A witness saw two teens remove the package and walk toward 6102 Breezewood Court.

October 10, 12:01 p.m., 9133 Edmonston Terrace. A package was taken from the front stoop of a residence on October 9.

Malicious Destruction

October 7, 7:17 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A 22-year-old nonresident woman was arrested and charged with malicious destruction after she allegedly threw a bottle at another patron during an altercation at Greenway Liquors. The bottle hit and broke a window. She was released on citation pending trial.

Burglary

October 14, 1:14 p.m., 6114 Breezewood Court. DVDs were taken after the balcony sliding glass door was forced open.

Vandalism

October 10, 7:01 a.m., 11 Crescent Road. What appeared to be paintballs were shot at a window at the Greenbelt Library.

October 11, 11 a.m., 5907 Cherrywood Lane. A projectile was used to break out the bedroom window of a residence. It also penetrated the drywall and was recovered.

October 14, 10:22 a.m., 25 Crescent Road. The credit card slot of the car charging station was tampered with.

Vehicle Crime

A 2010 Nissan Altima reported stolen to Montgomery County police was recovered in the 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A white

1999 Ford E-150 pickup truck with Maryland tags 8DM9057 was stolen from 7911 Mandan Road.

A gold 2001 Mercedes Benz ML320 SUV bearing Maryland temporary tag T100328 was stolen in the 7700 block Hanover Parkway when the owner was showing it to a prospective buyer, who looked at it and then jumped in and drove away.

Four tires and rims were taken from each of two vehicles at 7480 Greenway Center Drive and the same in 7826 Hanover Parkway, where windows were also broken. At 5907 Cherrywood Lane one tire and rim were taken.

Two airbags were taken from a possibly unlocked vehicle in the 7500 block Greenbrook Drive.

Handicap placards were taken from two vehicles in the 8100 block Lakecrest Drive after windows had been broken to gain access.

Tags were taken in two locations, rear Delaware tag 940357 from 9008 Breezewood Terrace and rear Maryland tag 4CX3821 from 50 Crescent Road.

The following items were taken after windows were broken to gain access. Sunglasses, perfume and a pair of sneakers were taken from 6700 block Lake Park Drive, two pairs of sunglasses from 5993 Springhill Drive and a driver's license from 5801 Cherrywood Lane.

A power tool was taken from 7901 Mandan Road after the front passenger door lock was broken.

Windows were broken in three locations, 7903 Mandan Road, 6027 Springhill Drive and 5913 Cherrywood Lane.

At 7823 Mandan Road a driver's side door handle was damaged. Entry was not gained.



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allow a wider variety of roles and responsibilities. It also simplifies the onboarding of new members through a framework that provides a way to integrate new people.

Fiscal News

The mildly encouraging news was that the newspaper, which saw a 50 percent drop in advertising revenues early in the public health emergency, did not lose as much money as anticipated and is seeing a slow but fairly steady rebound in advertising sales. Although every newspaper except two (including this one) since March have been published at a loss, the amount of advertising has been growing slowly but fairly steadily. Advertising provides the income that permits the newspaper to publish. During this time, payments to staff have continued, whether to employees receiving a wage or to members receiving a small dividend.

At the meeting, Vice President Diane Oberg, speaking for the Business Team, noted that the paper's reserves are healthy enough to sustain the current rate of loss for some time.

Archive Progress

Encouraging news also came

from the digital archive project which, after an initial slowdown due to COVID-19, has picked up speed again. The disruption was sufficient that a request was made to the city for the continued use of the space in the Community Center but completion is expected by spring of 2021. Newly minted scans are gradually replacing the older versions in the News Review archive. The difference is breathtaking – photos and text stand out with clarity and text is fully searchable.

Until We Meet Again

The year has been one of hard work and readjustment for the newspaper. But, despite the setbacks, the Greenbelt News Review has still not missed an issue. Not too shabby! All the members left the meeting hoping for better times ahead but reassured that the resolve and capability of the newspaper was in a good position to continue.



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- **Wind and Solar Energy** – The City of Greenbelt currently offsets 100 percent of its energy usage by purchasing wind-based renewable energy credits. In addition, numerous solar energy projects have been completed or are under development to provide the city and residents with clean, renewable energy, including a contract with the Rockville-based company Standard Solar to provide about 90 percent of the total municipal energy usage from a large photovoltaic solar energy farm. Solar panels have also been installed at Springhill Lake Recreation Center, and residents are able to purchase solar energy through Neighborhood Sun's Community Solar project.

- **Complete and Green Streets Policy** – The City of Greenbelt has adopted a Complete and Green Streets Policy that envisions the city as a place where vehicles, pedestrians, bicyclers and public transportation can all safely travel throughout the city with ease.

- **Food Scraps Drop-off Program** – Through a partnership with the Department of Public Works and private contractor Compost Crew the city has established a food-scraps drop-off location at the Buddy Attick Park Residential Recycling Center. This program serves as a collection point for food scraps and other compostable items to be collected and then taken to the Prince George's County Organics Facility where it will be composted and used in the community as a product called LeafGRO Gold. This program will help lower the amount of compostable materials entering the landfill and help maintain local soil health.



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The City of Greenbelt accumulated 795 points and completed the required mandatory and priority actions necessary for certification. Greenbelt's priority actions consisted of supporting a community garden, performing a municipal energy audit, developing a municipal carbon footprint, upholding a green purchasing policy, and maintaining a stormwater management program. **The City is our 2020 Sustainability Champion, having been awarded more points than any other municipality this year.** Greenbelt should be extremely proud of its efforts and position at the forefront of sustainability in Maryland.

Warmest regards,

Jennifer Cotting
Director
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then if someone leaves, those actions still happen."

The team reiterated ongoing sustainability projects throughout the application and highlighted goals the city has met since the past awards cycle, like the implementation of a sustainable land care policy, efforts to preserve Greenbelt's tree canopy and the calculation of the community carbon footprint.

Over the next three years, further sustainable efforts include the establishment of a solar farm to offset Greenbelt's electricity consumption, a buy-local campaign and a food scraps drop-off program to increase citywide composting. Additionally, the city will apply for a Bee City USA certification, continue to promote residential energy savings and conduct a Community Barriers and Benefits Assessment to help better understand how Greenbelt residents interact with the city's sustainability efforts.

"The number one thing people can do is to be informed on what the best practices are," Robles said.

She encouraged Greenbelt residents to peruse the city's sustainability framework, located on the GreenACES webpage (greenbeltmd.gov/government/boards-committees/green-aces), to familiarize themselves with current efforts and actions that still need to be addressed. Then, Robles said, send her an email

and she can direct residents on how to help Greenbelt according to their interests.

Numerous innovative projects are detailed in the report, which can be found at sustainablemaryland.com by clicking on the Participating Communities link.

This certification is a reflection of the hard work and dedication to sustainability and the environment throughout the various city departments, by councilmembers and committee members and by the residents of Greenbelt. Department of Public Works Director Jim Sterling phrased it well when he said, "Needless to say, this is a reflection on all staff, the Green Team and the city council. It is years' worth of work and continued efforts on all things sustainable. Public Works is proud of all of our initiatives and efforts that make up this award." Every Greenbelter should brim with pride at the achievements accomplished to pursue a sustainable environment for residents now and into the future.

Byrd also recognized the community's role in Greenbelt's sustainability efforts.

"As much as I applaud the city as an entity, I want to applaud our residents," Byrd said. "Everyone did their part."

Julia Arbutus is a University of Maryland graduate student in journalism reporting for the News Review.

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Large floorplan w/addition Half bath on main level. Masonry townhome w/ fenced backyard & brick patio. Zoned HVAC system, 11' x 17' master br.

Cape Cod SFH 3br 2 1/2ba home with rem. Kitchen, above-ground pool & wrap-around deck. Finished basement with family room and office space.

Townhome with 2 additions 2 bedroom GHI home on fenced corner lot. Large fenced backyard, extra storage in front. Central HVAC.

4 Bedroom 3 Level Townhome Master bedroom & full bath on main level. Opened remodeled kitchen, fireplace in lr. Backs to protected woodlands.

Townhome with addition 2 br townhome w/ front laundry/office addition. Opened kitchen, full bath, pantry. Fenced backyard with large deck.

Charlestowne Village Single-level 1-br condo in Greenbelt - no stairs! Parquet flooring throughout. Remodeled kit. With SS appliances. \$149,900

Addition - Backs to Woodlands Completely remodeled throughout; half bath on main level. Central A/C system. Fenced yard, shed & raised deck.

Brick Townhome 2 Bedroom GHI townhome remodeled throughout. Modern kitchen with s/s dishwasher. Hardwood both levels. \$169,900

Upper Level One Bedroom GHI home with full-sized washer and dryer in separate laundry room. Refinished hardwood flooring throughout. Nice!

2 BR Townhome Remodeled GHI home w/ new carpet fresh paint & ceramic bath. Priced to sell at \$124,900

Your Greenbelt Specialists In Roosevelt Center

Consider Documenting COVID-Safe Lifetime Events Online

by Susan Harris



Shayna Skolnik and Eddie Gonzales, on Zoom, and Tim Sauerwein and Dee Sweeney, wearing masks, are two examples of “Plan B weddings” now posted to GreenbeltOnline.org/blog.

Greenbelters’ big life events – weddings, anniversaries, big birthdays and funerals – are still happening during the pandemic shutdown, but gatherings are dramatically different to be COVID-safe.

The nonprofit GreenbeltOnline.org is calling for these stories of resilience to inspire and inform our community. They will appear online and will then be archived by the Greenbelt Museum for posterity as part of the national

#archivethemoment campaign by museums and libraries to record local history during these extraordinary times.

To share a story of a big event during the pandemic, just email editor@greenbeltonline.org. The stories can be any length, written by one person or collaboratively through a telephone interview. At least one photo is needed.

There are two examples of “Plan B weddings” now posted to

GreenbeltOnline.org/blog. After cancelling their California beach wedding, Shayna Skolnik and Eddie Gonzales shared their rooftop wedding ceremony via Zoom. Tim Sauerwein and Dee Sweeney were required to be alone during their courthouse ceremony, but celebrated with friends and family in a series of small get-togethers throughout the day.

Susan Harris is editor of GreenbeltOnline.org.

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Virtual Utopia Festival Offers Relevant, Quality Films, Q & As

by Linda Lucas

The annual Utopia Film Festival is presenting this year’s offerings via free, virtual Zoom showings. Up to 100 persons can watch from the comfort of their homes and participate in an active Q & A session with the respective directors. On Monday, October 19, Director Gabriel London’s Definition of Insanity (2020) presented a progressive justice reform program, the Jail Diversion Project (JDP), in Miami, Fla.

The film deals with the overwhelming number of individuals with serious mental illness who cycle in and out of the criminal justice system, many released with few social supports and

without developing the skills and structure to maintain themselves without the regimentation of jail. As a result, high percentages relapse into criminality or drug or alcohol dependency only to find themselves back behind bars.

JDP provides multi-system, coordinated care as part of a treatment program that, according to London, has been shown to reduce recidivism, save taxpayer dollars and may be able to serve as a national model.

The Utopia Film Festival continues on Saturday, October 24 and Monday, October 26, both at 7 p.m. See the ad on page 3 or visit utopiafilmfestival.org for more information.

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Connecting Across Greenbelt came together this fall to organize events and conversations that make real the idea of “one Greenbelt.” There are physical barriers of highways, schools and big shopping centers that divide residents. And individual and collective histories here can further divide people.

In talking with residents in community conversations, frequent refrains are, “Oh, I didn’t know that was part of Greenbelt,” or “Where is that?” or “I live in Greenbelt East or West or Central and don’t have any reason to go to other parts of Greenbelt.”

There are hundreds of reasons to get to know all of Greenbelt. For the curious, there are historic cemeteries hidden in Greenbelt. But it’s difficult to find the Hamilton or Turner cemetery without help. Or some may be looking for new not-so-used walking

paths or parks they didn’t know existed. Or they want to see the Springhill Lake Three Sisters Garden or the Dragonfly Sculpture.

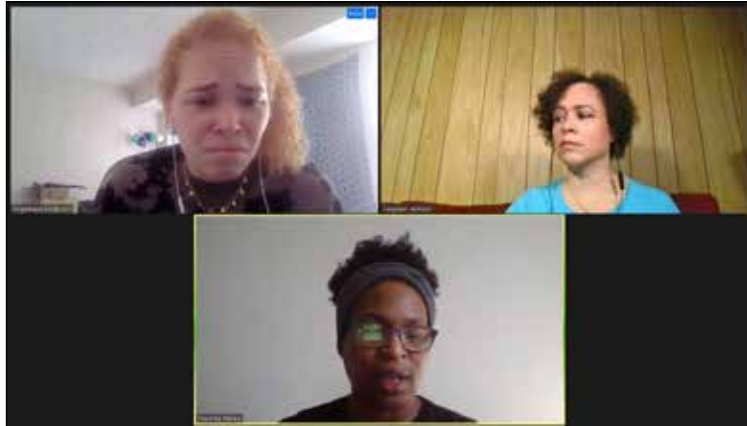
This weekend’s Scavenger Hunt introduces people to 18 of these Greenbelt treasures. In each of the three launch stations, Hunters will meet neighbors who can fill in the details on GOSH and tell them more about Connecting Across Greenbelt and listen to their ideas for building connections.

And as a gift from Greenbelt’s own RUAK, children who come by the Peace Pole on Saturday and Schrom Hills Park’s lake on Sunday will receive a free children’s book.

For more information, email Connecting Across Greenbelt at communityconnections@gb@gmail.com.

Play Examines Intersections Of Race, Gender, Class, Power

by Kyla Hanington



From top right, Angeleaza Anderson (Dove), Cheramie Jackson (Clarice) and Shemika Renée (Narrator) rehearse for the upcoming Zoom production of The Quadroon and the Dove.

The Greenbelt Arts Center will hold a Zoom performance of Charlene A. Donaghy’s new play, The Quadroon and the Dove, on Saturday and Sunday, October 24 and 25, starting at 6 p.m. each night. Each live performance will be followed by an opportunity to discuss the play with the playwright.

An important and timely work about the intersections of race, gender, class and power, the play tells the story of Clarice, a free woman of color in New Orleans, and the negotiations she must make to live a life of her choosing while protecting her young niece in a world hostile to them.

Director Rikki Howie Lacewell explains, “The reason for this play is to really have that discussion about race and classism (which have) been around for centuries...to do a show that illuminates that struggle; we can hopefully discuss the joy that comes from it.” Lacewell adds, “Sometimes people cannot see or discuss joy unless they are shown misery.”

The story follows Clarice as she prepares for the Quadroon Ball, where young women of col-

or are presented to white men as potential matches. The resulting relationships, known as plaçage, acts as a sort of common-law marriage arrangement. Whether or not Quadroon Balls actually took place is a matter of historical debate, but the play uses the Quadroon Ball as the way to examine the power imbalances of race, gender and class. The play allows viewers to consider our collective histories and how our contemporary structures support – or challenge – inequity.

During COVID-19, the Greenbelt Arts Center is bringing Zoom readings of important works to the residents of Greenbelt. Visit greenbeltartscenter.org to reserve free tickets to The Quadroon and the Dove, and to get more information about this meaningful play and other upcoming performances.



PHOTO BY RIKKI HOWIE LACEWELL

Greenbelt West	Central Greenbelt	Greenbelt East
Community Compost Bins 6101 Cherrywood Ln 39.007637, -76.904691	Dragonfly Sculpture Between 238 and 240 Lastner Ln 39.010460, -76.883640	Greenbelt Dog Park 7300 Hanover Dr 38.989032, -76.879446
Springhill Lake Three Sisters Garden 6101 Cherrywood Ln 39.007650, -76.904302	Peace Pole Off walking path near Greenbelt Youth Center parking lot, 99 Centerway Dr 39.002508, -76.879269	Spellman Overpass connecting Greenbelt East and Central Greenbelt* Btwn Gardenway & Hanover Pkwy 38.997895, -76.871502
Indian Creek Trail Entrance Cherrywood Ln & Breezewood Dr 39.002335, -76.912681	Toaping Castle Marker Corner of Walker Dr and Capitol Dr 38.996558, -76.894784	Eleanor Roosevelt H.S. mural and rice sculpture Front entrance of H.S., 7601 Hanover Pkwy 38.994153, -76.869016
Wall of Fame, Beltway Plaza* TJ Maxx entrance of the mall NOTE: Inside the mall 38.999144, -76.909510	Greenbelt Museum 10 Crescent Rd Unit B 39.000738, -76.880493	NASA Goddard Visitor Center outdoor rocket garden* ICESat Rd 38.992889, -76.847407
Greenbelt Station Central Park Pavilion S. Center Dr and S. Channel Dr 39.002117, -76.915781	Tunnel on path under Hillside Road* Btwn Laurel Hill & Research Roads 39.009101, -76.876969	Schrom Hills Park Three Sisters Garden* 6915 Hanover Pkwy, behind the playground 38.984834, -76.873766
BONUS: Boardwalk along the Indian Creek Trail* Walk west from the trail entrance around the pond 39.002299, -76.912677	BONUS: Greenbelt’s cemeteries* Turner - Ivy Ln and Turner Pl, 39.009059, -76.892898 Hamilton - end of Hamilton Pl, 39.002645, -76.869529 Walker - end of Walker Dr, 39.000174, -76.894152	BONUS: Deer statue on Hanover Parkway Roundabout on Hanover Pkwy at Hunting Ridge entrance 38.985887, -76.876018

How much do you know about Greenbelt? Join us in a scavenger hunt to explore our city. Many of the selected sites can be seen from the car, those marked with * will require a short walk. On October 24 and 25, volunteers from the Connecting Across Greenbelt group will be at the Peace Pole, the Greenbelt Station Park Pavilion, and Schrom Hills Park from 1 to 4 p.m. to explain the purpose of the group and collect your scavenger hunt or other Greenbelt stories (properly masked and distanced, of course). At the Peace Pole on Saturday and Schrom Hills Park on Sunday you can also pick up a free children’s book provided by Random Unselfish Acts of Kindness (RUAK). Use the addresses or enter the latitude and longitude numbers (in blue) into your favorite mapping software to find each location. Online version of this grid: <http://bit.ly/GreenbeltScavengerHunt>

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