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# Walk to the Firefly Sanctuary Brings Back Old Enchantments

#### by Kyla Hanington

The other day Dan and I celebrated our anniversary. By celebrate I mean we had a conversation that went like this:

Me: Is our marriage strong? Dan: Yes.

Me: I mean, can it survive anything?

Dan: Yes.

Me: Are you sure?

Dan (after a thoughtful pause): Um, pretty sure.

Me: I've never listened to Buffy St. Marie.

Negotiating that marital bombshell kept us up past our usual

now 8:45 p.m. and getting dark, we decided to go visit the Firefly Sanctuary. I had heard of the Firefly Sanctuary from all the signs posted around it and from the occasional write-up in the News Review. But I hadn't been particularly interested - there are, after all, fireflies in my backyard - until Amy Hansen texted me and asked, "Have you seen the magic yet?"

I had not seen the magic yet. And now, hopped up on ice cream and day-old birthday cake, Dan and I invited the kids to join bedtime and, given that it was us on a walk to check out the sanctuary. The kids linked hands and skipped down the street singing, "We've had sugar" at the top of their lungs, while Dan and I trailed along. We started looking at our camera to figure out how to take night pictures, something we probably should have done before we left on our excursion.

The Firefly Sanctuary is on the walking trail behind Northway and can be accessed a couple of different ways. Visitors can park at the St. Hugh Catholic Church, cross at the marked crosswalk, and continue straight up the path to the sanctuary; walk down a small cement walkway off Northway; or catch a trail from alongside Laurel Hill Road and walk through the

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The rocket's red glare illuminates the Greenbelt sky over the Lake on July 4. See more photos throughout the paper.

by Patrick Gleason

Make It Sound Like Summer

Camper Folklore and Fun:



Campers Makayla Land and Adam Savage look on as Alissa Umanzor expresses herself during another day at Camp YOGO.

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

It sounds like summer in Greenbelt again. The warmth of a humid July morning seeped in and out of each word of Camp YOGO lore as a new crop of campers learned about the mystery of the amongalong - "a mythical yet very real creature" – and the childlike laughter and energy that can deter its presence. Camp YOGO, short for "Youth on the Go," is in its 13th year; however, in response to the

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# Beltway Plaza Redevelopment Plan Meets Council Concerns

#### by Matthew Arbach

750 units, a 92-room hotel and

27,068 square feet of indoor rec-

reation space dedicated for use

by the city. In a break from pre-

vious plans, a community garden

is now an orchard park and a tot

lot is now a public amphitheater.

A 3,000-square-foot dog park and

an art walk have been added.

The three anchors remain: Giant

grocery, Target and AMC movie

theaters. There are four parking

decks serving residents and retail,

with surface and underground

parking. Each of the residential

buildings has interior courtyards

On June 23, the GB Mall Limited Partnership presented the Greenbelt City Council with their Detailed Site Plan (DSP) for Phase One of the redevelopment of Beltway Plaza. Both council and staff had significant concerns regarding the plan and were reluctant to give their full approval, while generally acknowledging that some improvements have been made per their previous feedback and input from groups like the Advisory Planning Board (APB), the Park and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) and GreenACES. Five phases have been planned.

The DSP, which focuses mainly on the northern portion of Beltway Plaza (currently used for mall parking), includes the following: three multifamily residential buildings with a total of with amenities such as a pool and outdoor dining features.

Sheryl Fishel, of Rodger's Consulting, the main architects of the redevelopment, laid out the landscaping concepts which focus on connectivity throughout the site and create "a balance between human needs with environment and infrastructure." Bioretention approaches that trap water in plantings and pools will predominate as a stormwater management system.

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#### Treasury's BEP Print Facility Looms Ever Larger at BARC

#### by Cathie Meetre

As the government continues to print more money, the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for building the Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP) facility has now been published, containing a summary of the comments received during the Draft Environmental Impact Statement public review period and the agency's proposed changes/responses (see front page article in the June 10, 2021 issue of the News Review). Although it is not clear whether public concerns on the FEIS will be received, the environmental law firm of Jill Grant and Associates, retained by the city in their opposition to the SCMaglev project, recommends that the city comment on any new items or new comments/actions pertaining to previous items appearing in the FEIS to establish the city's right to future input or appeal on those topics (if they fail to reference a point they later wish to make, there's no going back). The BEP facility is to be built at the intersection of Poultry and Odell Roads in the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) and will be between 40 and 50 feet tall and almost one million square feet in extent (~21 football fields) plus parking. It will likely generate heavy and continuous truck traffic on Powder Mill Road.

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#### What Goes On

Monday, July 12 8 p.m. City Council Meeting Tuesday, July 13 8 p.m. Council Worksession: Financial Policies Wednesday, July 14 8 p.m. Council Worksession: PSAC Report on Reform of Police Procedures

All meetings are virtual. See the meetings calendar at greenbeltmd.gov for agendas and information on public participation in these meetings.

Nattily hatted, Eva and Jordan Choper join the ice cream social held at Schrom Hills Park pavillion on Wednesday, June 30. See more photos, page 2.

# **Letters to the Editor**

#### Interdependence

Thank you for publishing the letters from Vijay Parameshwaran, Trudy Croyeur and Jean Newcomb in the July 1 Greenbelt News Review, each relating to our interdependence not only with humans but equally with the natural world. And Jean Newcomb's graphic translation of the bird songs brought tears to my eyes indeed they tell us to stop abusing Earth and our fellow citizens, both non-human and human, so that all may live and thrive. I have her drawing posted where I can see it each day as I hear the birds sing outside my window, "Give Wildlife a Chance!"

Robin Hawley Gorsline

#### Bee Hotels Next Question

What a good thing Raina Dirksen and others are doing by building bee hotels for some of our native bees, as well as birdhouses. As development takes away more and more of the wild places that provide food and shelter for these creatures, the next question for an enterprising Eagle Scout – or anyone else – might be this: Will there be enough resources in our area to sustain these creatures we're helping to bring into the world? Bees have to fly to hundreds or thousands of flowers a day for the pollen and nectar they need (and along the way, they pollinate our food crops). For many, it's not just any flower; they need specific kinds of flowers. The big meadow near the courthouse on Cherrywood Lane is gone now, and with it whatever native flowers grew there. A short drive east on Route 193 provides many more examples of new destruction. So I urge Raina and like-minded heroes to take on a new project: to create backyard habitats that provide food and shelter for native bees and birds, and educate Greenbelt citizens about how and why they can do the same. The National Wildlife Federation, the Xerxes Society, the Audubon Society and other organizations provide resources on how to create such habitats, along with

other great information. Susan Cahill



John Henry Jones and Rebekah Sutfin

- Photos by Robin Olson



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Letters may be edited for clarity, grammar, civility and space constraints. The News Review may add a comment from the editor if deemed necessary.

All letters must include the letter writer's name, physical address, and telephone number. Only the name will be published; the News Review will consider requests for the name to be withheld.

#### **City Notes**

Public Works, park rangers and police delivered an orderly, neatly landscaped and wellattended 4th of July fireworks event.

Planning and Arts explored opportunities for public art in Beltway Plaza's redevelopment. Arts' successful county grant application means another year of free arts activities for Springhill Lake students. At Creative Kids Camp, filming of the movie musical has begun.

The Animal Control office moved from the Community Center to the Police Station. One sheltered cat was adopted, leaving three dogs, three cats, nine kittens and a rabbit.

Refuse/Recycling collected 28.43 tons of refuse and 11.67 tons of recyclables and Street Maintenance removed limbs downed by last week's storm.

#### PETE REPPERT



#### I'M FULLY VACCINATED AND FULLY SINGLE.

#### UMD Reporter

Melissa Signorini, a Maryland journalism major soon to graduate, is an intern writing for the News Review.

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From left, Barbara Ford, Kathie Haigler, Joan Baker, Joyce Bailey and Arlie Dobbin enjoy the company at the Golden Age ice cream social at Schrom Hills Park pavilion on Wednesday, June 30. Starting July 12, the need for reservations ends at the Aquatic & Fitness Center.

Therapeutic Recreation facilitated Golden Agers' first inperson meeting in 15 months and provided home meal delivery for 29 seniors. Park rangers assisted with another successful Moonlit Movie and led a nature-themed activity for Camp Pine Tree.

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- Tuesday 6 p.m. Classified Ads and camera-ready display ads.

- Email submission is available. Hardcopy submissions (delivered by respective deadline) may be mailed to the address above or left in the Co-op grocery store drop box or GNR external office door mail slot, as shown below.

- Payment must accompany ads except by prior arrangement

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**

#### At the Library

The Greenbelt library is now open to the public, with hours Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Wednesdays from noon to 8 p.m.; and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sidewalk service for held books is available outside the upper-level entrance. Study rooms are open but meeting rooms remain closed.

Appointments for one hour of computer use can be made up to seven days in advance at pgcmls. info/reopening or 240-455-5451; some computers may be available with no appointments. The library is not accepting book donations for the foreseeable future but has a third-party book donation bin outside the lower-level entrance.

#### **Mobile Printing, Hotspots**

The Greenbelt Library now offers mobile printing to the public. The first 10 black and white pages are free. More information is available at pgcmls.info/ mobile-printing.

Families can borrow mobile hotspot devices for up to nine weeks at a time. Adults ages 18 and older with library cards in good standing may request a SmartSpot through the curbside booking form. One device per household may be borrowed.

#### Learning Resources

Brainfuse HelpNow offers an array of additional learning resources for Prince Georgians, including SkillSurfer, a library of lessons, videos, tests and more, available year-round. The library also helps students prepare for standardized tests and writing college admissions essays through the EBSCO LearningExpress online resource. Check the PGC-MLS virtual events calendar regularly for related programming, such as virtual career chats and conversations about the college experience.

#### **Summer Reading**

The Washington Nationals and Prince George's County Memorial Library System are partnering for a second year on Summer  $(\tilde{a})$ Your Library, Prince George's County's summer reading and library engagement program. The 2021 theme is Tails and Tales and the program will be offered in English and Spanish for all ages. This year's program runs through Friday, August 20 and will be primarily offered online with select in-person events.

#### **County Has Rent Help**

Prince George's County is offering rent relief because of Covid-19. The county's 2021 Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) will help eligible applicants with payment assistance for rent and utilities. Landlords may also apply on behalf of their tenants. Applications will be accepted until funds are out. To apply and for more information visit hcd.mypgc.us and click "Emergency Rental Assistance Program."

#### **Drum for Wellness**

On Saturday, July 10, from 10:30 a.m. to noon, reconnect with community and support your health with an in-person drum circle led by Katy Gaughan of Drumming for Wellness and sponsored by Heavenly Well. Drumming regularly with a group of people boosts the immune system, reduces stress, increases endorphins and helps bond with others. Best of all, it's fun! Family friendly, all ages welcome, no experience necessary. Each circle will include basic instruction, games, rhythms and jamming. Drummers are encouraged to bring their own drum but some drums will also be provided. The drum circles will be held at an indoor-outdoor space that has shelter and plenty of open air for safe air circulation. Address will be provided upon registration. Free parking and access to rest rooms. All circles will be socially distanced. Donations encouraged but no one will be turned away. For more information, contact katy@ katygaughan.com.



#### **Outdoor Meetup** For Visual Artists

The Greenbelt Recreation Arts program invites visual artists working in all media to meet outside the Community Center for a Virtual Art Share on Friday, July 16 at 7 p.m. Artists may also Zoom in if preferred.

The event is a casual, friendly forum intended for adults, no matter what their experience, and all are welcome. Artists are invited to bring one to three pieces to share and discuss. The program is free, but advance registration at greenbeltmd.gov/arts is required. Art Shares are held monthly.

#### Learn About Greenbelt's **Pride Movement**

Join the Greenbelt Museum for a virtual event Thursday, July 15 at 7:30 p.m. to explore Greenbelt's Pride movement. The program will begin with an interview with Frank DeBernardo, one of the founders of GreenBeLT Pride. Following the interview, there will be an informal discussion about gay pride and life in Greenbelt. The idea behind this event is twofold: to honor Greenbelt's movement and raise awareness about it, and to collect this vital history. The Zoom event will be recorded and will become part of the Museum's archives.

Greenbelt was designed as a garden city that would be a model of modern town planning and cooperative living in America. Despite its progressive history, though, questions to explore include: was it always welcoming to gay people? Have attitudes changed over time in the community?

This is a virtual event. Register via Eventbrite by 5 p.m. on the day of the lecture at eventbrite.com/e/exploringgreenbelts-pride-movementtickets-161273151337?ref=eios.

- Megan Searing Young

#### A Bit More Peace

In a world where many of us often attempt to do more, do it better and do it more quickly, the Mishkan Torah Sisterhood has quietly offered summer guided meditation classes to Greenbelters for the past six years. Meditation this year will be offered via Zoom.

Class sizes have ranged from eight to 19 people, from teenagers to senior citizens. All attendees have expressed a desire to quiet their bodies, minds and spirits and to deepen inner stillness while improving their ability to reconnect with themselves. Class participants have described feeling more peaceful, serene, relaxed and mindful, both during and between classes. Many individuals have experienced a greater ease falling asleep and more patience during challenging times.

A difference has been made in many people's lives when utilizing meditation practices that teach one to slow down, become quiet, go within and experience a bit more peace. Summer classes started on June 21 and will continue from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. every other Monday through September 13. For more information email Katrina Boverman at Katrinaboverman@yahoo.com or call her at 301-641-1035.

#### Mindful Yoga Sunday

Greenbelt Unplugged continues its monthly mindfulness session over Zoom on Sunday, July 11 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. This month's session will be a bit more active than normal, as Elizabeth Arnold, a local Yoga teacher, will give a gentle introduction to Yoga and the group will explore the mindful aspects of this ancient practice. The session will be appropriate to beginners. A yoga mat is not necessary but a carpeted space will help, along with a foldedup blanket as a cushion for the knees. Loose, comfortable clothing works well. As always, the session is free. Send an email to events@greenbeltunplugged.org for the Zoom link.

#### **Connecting Across** Greenbelt

Consider joining Connecting Across Greenbelt (CAG). CAG meets monthly to build understanding of each other, to encourage inclusivity, cultivate relationships and to ensure that the city's resources and services are equitably distributed across populations within Greenbelt.

The group's next event is a Forum on Public Safety to be held Thursday, July 22 at 7 p.m. on Zoom. Join in to hear from a panel of neighbors about what makes them feel safe or unsafe in Greenbelt.

CAG is a multi-cultural, multiracial and multi-generational group of residents who gather virtually to build relationships across neighborhoods and to learn about current challenges of Greenbelters. The group is building multiple resources. The first is research-tested coping strategies for self-care and stress management called Caring and Connecting Toolkit (bit.ly/ CAGtoolkit).

On a recent Sunday, CAG joined Unplugged for a day of outdoor fun with croquet and lawn games. To find out about monthly meetings and the Community Conversations program, email communityconnectionsgb@ gmail.com.

#### GCAN Will Meet Virtually on July 14

The July meeting of the Greenbelt Climate Action Network (GCAN) will take place via Zoom on Wednesday, July 14 from 7 to 9 p.m. The Zoom link is available at chears.org/gcan. This month, two topics will be covered: plastic waste and the Prince George's County Climate Action Plan.

Alexis Goldsmith of Beyond Plastics will speak on the cradle-to-grave impacts of plastic and a variety of legislative solutions, including the federal Break Free From Plastic Pollution Act. During the latter part of the meeting, the preliminary draft of the Prince George's County Climate Action Plan will be examined. At their June 24 Public Information Session, the County Commission on Climate Action released their 27 Priority Recommendations available at chears. org/gcan, which meeting participants are encouraged to review. GCAN participants should plan to get ready for the third Public Information Session in August and can submit comments (the comment form is also available on the GCAN website).

The meeting will close with an overview of upcoming events.

For more info, or to suggest events that should be added to the calendar, contact Lore Rosenthal, SimplicityGroupsMD@ gmail.com, 301-345-2234 (landline, no text).

#### Md. Taxes Due July 15

Thursday, July 15, is the deadline for Maryland state income tax returns. Customers may pick up a Maryland 2020 resident tax booklet directly inside the Greenbelt Library or obtain two copies of the booklet per sidewalk service visit. For most Maryland state tax forms and information, visit the Comptroller of Maryland website (marylandtaxes.gov), or for forms only, call 410-260-7951.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

#### **Greenbelt Access Television** Jul 9, Fri – Jul 15, Thu Verizon FIOS Channel 19 • Comcast 77 Streaming on www.greenbeltaccesstv.org

#### Blood Needed

Greenbelt's American Legion Post 136 at 6900 Greenbelt Road will host a blood drive on Monday, July 12 from 1:30 to 6 p.m. The drive is in response to a severe blood shortage that continues nationwide, according to the American Red Cross. Donors of all blood types are needed, but type O and platelet donations are most urgently needed.

Donors who give blood between Wednesday, July 7 and Saturday, July 31 will receive a \$10 Amazon gift card and get a chance to win gas for a year. To schedule an appointment and to see when and where other nearby blood drives are scheduled, visit RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-733-2767.





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**Obituaries** 

#### Lawrence White



Larry White

Dr. Lawrence M. White, former longtime resident of Greenbelt, died on May 21, 2021, in Vero Beach, Fla., after suffering two strokes and contracting Covid-19. Larry left home at age 19 to join the Air Force. Later he pursued an undergraduate degree at Kings College in Wilkes Barre, Pa., where he received his bachelor's degree in economics. Larry was the only one of his siblings to attend college.

Larry and his late wife Marie relocated to the Maryland/ Washington, D.C., area where they would raise their family in Greenbelt. Larry accepted a position as a personnel research analyst with the Department of the Navy in Washington, D.C. He retired in 1988 and went on to further his education. Larry received his master's degree from Catholic University. He later received a doctorate from Fielding Institute of California, a lifelong goal and dream. He then accepted a position with the University of Maryland, University College and taught graduate level computer science courses for 13 years. Larry and Marie also traveled overseas where he taught computer courses to military men and women at various naval bases.

The Whites were religious education instructors during the



FDeBernardo@aol.com

1970s at their home in Greenbelt. Larry was an active member of Saint Vincent de Paul and the Knights of Columbus, College Park, and later was president of the Irish Club in Vero Beach, Fla.

Larry will be remembered for his love of dance and his dedication to his family. He will be deeply missed by his family and friends.

Larry was preceded in death by his wife, Marie C. White. He is survived by his daughters Ann Marie (Mike Teske), Lisa Rose (Jim Simmons) and Katherine Mary (Jon Lange) and son Mark Antony; seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren; and siblings Stanley, Wilfred and Nancy. He was preceded in death by his parents Reed and Lottie White, his sister Dollie Remmick and his brother Raymond.

A funeral service was held on June 16, 2021, at St. Hugh of Grenoble Church in Greenbelt.

#### Anne Ricciuti



**Anne Ricciuti** 

Anne Roberta Ricciuti, 64, of Walkersville, Md., died peacefully at home on Friday, June 25, 2021, surrounded by loved ones. Born January 29, 1957, in Marlborough, Mass., she was the oldest child of Mildred Calandrella Ricciuti and the late Robert Anthony Ricciuti, who moved to Greenbelt in 1959. Anne grew up in the Boxwood neighborhood of Greenbelt, attended St. Hugh Catholic School and Church and North End Elementary, where she played Dorothy in The Wizard of Oz. She attended Greenbelt Junior High and graduated from Parkdale High School in 1975. Anne received a B.A. from Hood College and a master of social work degree from the University of Maryland, Baltimore, and dedicated her life to service as a licensed certified social worker - clinical (LCSW-C). She worked for Frederick County Public Schools as a community agency school services coordinator, school social worker and pupil personnel worker in the Brunswick area schools, Heather Ridge School and most recently Hillcrest Elementary School.

Anne was a lifelong advocate for students and families. She collaborated with Teamlink, Inc. to provide outdoor adventure experiences to at-risk students. As a Red Cross volunteer after Hurricane Katrina, she provided mental health crisis support in Mississippi. Anne was a longtime volunteer with the Old Rag Mountain Stewards, a member of the National Association of Social Workers and a Hood College field instructor mentoring social work students.

An outdoor enthusiast, Anne enjoyed hiking, kayaking, traveling and gardening and captured the beauty of nature and the humans she loved in photography. She was known by her friends and family for her sense of humor, her kind and supportive presence and for being a great listener. She thrived on spending time with her loved ones and she will be truly missed.

In addition to her mother, she is survived by her three children,

The Bible Says...

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"Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest."...Jesus Matthew 11:28



Christopher Law, Katherine Law and Stephanie Law; grandson Rowan Anderson-Law; siblings Dorothy Ricciuti, Tom Ricciuti, Frank Ricciuti, Gina Ricciuti-Ballinger, Peter Ricciuti and James Ricciuti; her partner, Dan Behnke; her former husband, Jack Law; and many extended family members.

A celebration of Anne's life will be held on Sunday, July 11 beginning at 1 p.m. at the Delaplaine Arts Center in Frederick.



#### 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.

Our Neighbors

We are saddened to hear of the death of Anne Ricciuti who grew up in Greenbelt.

Condolences to the family and friends of Jamya Williams who died in a car crash on July 3.

Congratulations to Sally Davies, whose artwork was awarded two prestigious honors for her series, Community Spirit: Paintings of Neighborhood Life with Time-Lapse Films. The project won a Creativity Award from Maryland State Arts Council and a Fellowship Grant from the Prince George's Arts & Humanities Council. The funds support purchasing art supplies, updating technical equipment and the cost of entering juried art exhibits and film festivals. Phoebe McFarb and Frank Gervasi at GATe put together a two-minute video tour of Davis' solo show that ended in May this year. See youtu.be/ RuN9PyDON1O.

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



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  - Sat vigil 5pm\*
  - Sun 8am, 9:30am,11am
- · Confessions Saturday 3pm 4pm. For the time being, we will still be wearing masks.

**CELEBRATE WITH US** 135 Crescent Rd. www.sthughofgrenoble.org



Sermon Title:

of Truth

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Man is organic with the world. His inner life moulds the environment and is itself also deeply affected by it." - Shoghi Effendi



#### Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi Phone: 301-937-3666 www.pbuuc.org

Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community



July 11 10am. Gita and the Art of Winning



Zoom video at https://zoom.us/j/93495780708

Raj Nigam with Worship Associate Ebony Contreras

Gita is part of a Hindu scripture written about 500 BC. In this story about two warring families, Krishna teaches Arjun about self-worth, the meaning of action, individual responsibility and interdependence. He reveals what to do when faced with a conflict between duty and love - the art of winning. Learn about these Hindu teachings and how they relate to our Unitarian Universalist principles.

GREENBELT ,



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.

#### Meetings July 10th - July 16th

#### Monday, July 12

- Council Regular Meeting, 8pm, in person
  - Parks and Recreation Month Proclamation
  - Resolution to Authorize the Negotiated Purchase of Replacement Interview Room Recording Equipment
  - Resolution to Authorize the Negotiated Purchase of Replacement Radio and Telephone Recording Equipment
  - Fair and Just Policing Act
  - Juneteenth as Official City Holiday
  - o Marijuana Policy
  - Police Department Collective Bargaining Agreement
  - Police Crime Report
  - Council Activities
  - o Council Reports

#### Tuesday, July 13

 Council Work Session Financial Policies 8pm, in person

#### Wednesday, July 14

- Maglev Task Force, 7pm, via Zoom
- Work Session PSAC Report (Reform of Police Procedures for the Greenbelt Police Department, 8pm, in person (tentative)

#### Thursday, July 15

• Board of Elections, 6pm, via Zoom

The Community Relations Advisory Board will be holding a virtual forum to discuss community policing on **Thursday, July 8 from 7:00pm-8:30pm**. The Greenbelt police will be in attendance at this first meeting. This is the first of two virtual forums, the second will be held on **Sunday**, **July 18 from 10:00am-11:30am** without police attendance.

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.

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.





Saturdays, July 10th and 17th, anytime from 10 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.

Learn about fireflies and their habitats from a Sanctuary Committee member.

The Sanctuary is located in the Stream Valley Park. To get there, park in the St. Hugh's School parking lot, walk across Crescent Road (push the button for the pedestrian-crossing light first, for visibility). Follow the lighted path up to the Sanctuary. Or enter the path from the opposite direction, through the pedestrian tunnel under Hillside Road, which is lighted.

Water will be available and you won't be bombarded by cicadas – they'll be gone by the time these two events take place!

# Want to make a difference?

- The following committees & boards have vacancies:
- For more information visit www.greenbeltmd.gov or call 301-474-8000.
- Advisory Committee on Education
- Arts Advisory Board
- Senior Citizens Advisory Committee
- Youth Advisory Committee





#### **VIRTUAL SESSIONS**

THURSDAY, JULY 8, 7:00 - 8:30 PM SUNDAY, JULY 18, 10:00 - 11:30 AM Members of the Police will join the July 8th session

#### SEE THE GREENBELT CITY WEBSITE FOR DETAILS: GREENBELTMD.GOV



#### Greenbelt Recreation Announces Spots still available in CAMP YOGO Ages 12-15

Camp YOGO is back—prepared to help campers engage and interact through traditional camp games and activities that will keep both the body and mind active. "*Try everything once*" is the perfect motto for a group that gives campers the opportunity to expand their comfort zones while building lifelong

summer memories. Visit <u>www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation</u> to see the complete Camp Guide LOCATION: Greenbelt Fire Dept., 125 Crescent Rd. TIME: 8:30am – 11:30am WEEKLY FEE: R: \$74, NR: \$85 SESSION DATES: June 28- August 20

Please call 301-397-2200 for more information.

# Name Your Choice for 2021's Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen

#### by Barbara Havekost

Good-bye pandemic. Good-bye cicadas. Hello summer and soon the Labor Day Festival. That means it's time for one of Greenbelt's hardworking, dedicated volunteers to be named the city's Outstanding Citizen. Following a tradition begun in 1973, the name of the person selected will be commemorated on a plaque that hangs in the Community Center. Nominations are traditionally received for men and women who have labored tirelessly to make Greenbelt the special community it has been since its beginning in 1937.

Nominees must be volunteers; city employees and elected officials may not be considered. If you know a person who stands out, someone who gives generously of his or her time, shows concern for others, someone who demonstrates leadership, enthusiasm and cooperation, now is the time to send in your nomination. A nomination form is provided in this paper on page 8, although a simple letter will do as well. Nominations may be submitted until Monday, August 2 to Robert Zugby, 94 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 or email Outstandingcitizengb@gmail.com.

Who are some of the former Outstanding Citizens? They have been involved in a wide variety of volunteer work. If there is one thing that characterizes them all, it is a willingness to help others and to work tirelessly for the benefit of the community.

If you've nominated someone before without success, don't be discouraged – try again. The committee receives many wonderful nominations each year but

#### County Schools Offer Free Summer Meals

Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) is operating its annual Summer Food Service Program through Wednesday, August 18. Grab and Go breakfast and lunch meal packages will be available on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 62 schools, including Greenbelt and Berwyn Heights Elementary Schools. Students attending in-school summer programs will receive breakfast and lunch.

Visit the PGCPS website for a complete list of school and library meal sites or find a nearby meal distribution site by visiting MDsummerMeals.org. only one can be the final selection. Since there was no selection for 2020 due to the pandemic, there should be no shortage of worthy nominees for this year. Your favorite could be this year's winner.

Prizes donated by local businesses will be given to the successful nominee and proclamations will be presented by local officials. Don't let this opportunity pass to honor someone you feel is special.



Greenbelt Outstanding Citizens Lore Rosenthal and Michael Hartman pose in front of the antique fire truck before the 2019 Parade.





#### Cicada Mania Crowns Labor Day Photo Show

After 17 years, the Cicada Mania category is returning to the 2021 Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Photo Show. The Photo Show will definitely be happening, even if it ends up being only online again. Look for updates about the 2021 Festival with details on how to enter.

# Greenbelt Labor Day Parade Returns Monday, September 6

#### by Jim Tilton

After a one-year hiatus due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Greenbelt Labor Day Parade returns this coming Labor Day, September 6. Make plans now to participate. To avoid crowding along the parade route, the number of participants will be limited this year and no applications from political office holders and candidates will be accepted except for the Greenbelt City Council. Community, school and government groups, local businesses or even informal groups formed just for the parade are invited to fill out and submit a parade application, obtainable from the parade participants website, greenbeltlaborday.com/ get-involved/parade-participants. Create a float, put together a

performance, show off an antique or otherwise unique vehicle or simply march together displaying signs advertising the group. One may even win a prize.

All parade participants must pre-register no later than August 27 by emailing a completed parade application to GreenbeltLaborDayParade@ verizon.net. All parade applications will be acknowledged with a confirmation email. Send a follow-up email if no confirmation email has been received within a few days.

The Parade will take place on Monday, September 6 from 10 a.m. to noon. The parade route is along Crescent Road, from Greenhill Road to Southway.



A winning Parade entry at the 2017 Labor Day Festival is the New Deal Café.





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# Advisory Boards and Committees Give Annual Comments to Council

#### by Matthew Arbach

On Wednesday, June 2, the Greenbelt City Council had its yearly meeting with the city's advisory boards and committees. As acknowledged by council, these volunteer organizations provide essential analysis and advice on areas that affect the lives of residents and the well-being of the city.

Charles Jackman, chair of the Advisory Committee on Trees (ACT), reported that the group celebrated Arbor Day this year by planting seven trees at the Community Center. With the Forest Preserve Advisory Board (FPAB), ACT has been hiking at the Forest Preserve to identify significant trees (those with a diameter of two feet or more), with a final inventory available soon.

Steve Skolnik, chair of the Board of Appeals, said that the group has not been very active due to the diligence of city staff. Typically, the group advises on cases where a variance has been requested from permitting guidelines.

FPAB, as represented by cochair Damien Ossi, has continued to create a Master Trail Plan for the Forest Preserve. FPAB requested the Maryland Geological Service give proper names to the creek that runs parallel to Northway and the currently dubbed Goddard Branch. FPAB is awaiting council actions on their recommendations on adding Greenbriar Park to the Preserve and establishing boundaries at Greenbelt community gardens regarding shade remediation and managing invasive plants.

The Park and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) remains committed to completing the Buddy Attick Park Master Plan, working to bring in a facilitator. They are studying the impact that an upcoming minimum wage increase to \$15 will have, especially on the seasonal summer staff, with chair Jake Chestnut suggesting more wage equity with other jurisdictions to draw in and retain existing staff. PRAB recommends improving recreation facilities and programs in Greenbelt West.

Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (Green-ACES), according to chair John Lippert (who also chairs the Greenbelt Green Team), has been very active this past year. Some of their recommendations to council included USDA for Community Compost and Food Waste Reduction Project, the Royal Farms development and a petition in support of the County's CB-8-2020 Pesticides Bill. GreenACES also advised Public Works on the proposed Bureau of Engraving and Printing move to BARC, the Beltway Plaza redevelopment and the redevelopment plan for the NASA/Goddard campus. The Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) has recently released its report on Mayor Colin Byrd's Just and Fair Policing Reform Act. Chair Laura Kressler said that PSAC is working on simplifying the glut of signs throughout the city which obscure important safety signage. Marti Galvin, chair of the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee (SCAC), thanked liaison Rebekah Sutfin for making Zoom available

to enable its two meetings per month. SCAC has been working with Public Works to highlight the edges of stairs and improving lighting throughout the city. SCAC plans on resuming its fall open forum about "what's good about Greenbelt and what needs to be improved" on September 25 and share this feedback with council.

The Advisory Committee on Education (ACE), led by Melinda Brady, is seeking to poll local school administrators on what programs they find most useful and to streamline its operations. ACE recently had its second virtual awards ceremony.

Kristen Stenson, chair of the Arts Advisory Board, was excited about the improved lighting, done by Public Works at the Co-op and on the Mother and Child statue at Roosevelt Center. She hoped for a return, perhaps in the fall, to their regular art mixers.

The Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB), represented by co-chairs Jaime Krauk and Rick Ransom, is considering changing the name of the Festival of Lights to the Winter Lights Festival, alongside efforts to make the event more inclusive of all holidays. In conjunction with Dr. Kris March of the University of Maryland, CRAB intends to have forums, in person if possible, in the late summer on police and community relations. Said Ransom, CRAB is not "out to get anybody," but to get "the pulse of the city."

Kevin Murphy, chair of the Employee Relations Board, reported no appeals or grievances last year. The Police Collective Bargaining Agreement has been a frequent topic in recent years.

Councilmember Emmett Jordan brought up the subject of recruitment efforts needed to maintain a full complement of members in each group. An idea embraced by all was a possible Advisory Groups Day or open house, or at the very least, a presence at events like the Labor Day Festival. Chestnut advised "going to where the people are," like social media and neighborhood outreach. All agreed that simply posting vacancies in the News Review was not sufficient.

Term limits to boards were debated, as there are times when interested parties are turned away due to lack of vacancies. In some boards, specialized knowledge is required and to train new members would be difficult. The consensus was that some level of turnover is desirable, especially the chair positions, as it would afford new ideas and approaches, with Councilmember Judith Davis recommending phasing out less committed members with new, more motivated applicants.

All groups were encouraged to promptly post minutes from meetings and all reports in public forums like the city website, which all the representatives were committed to doing.





Fireworks over the Lake

Attendees spread across the lawn in Buddy Attick Park as they eagerly await the fireworks show on Sunday, July 4.





The pyrotechnics crew lines up the pontoons containing fireworks. The fireworks were remotely controlled and ignited by a crew member operating a console located next to the Lake. The audience thoroughly enjoyed the display presented by the company.

A big storm on Thursday, July 1 ran up Hanover Parkway, across from Eleanor Roosevelt High School, and caused extensive tree damage.

- Photos by Steve Bucca





#### FIREFLIES continued from page 1

culvert that passes underneath Hillside Road. The sanctuary is between the culvert and the playground farther down the pathway, but it will make itself known to you should you get there about 9:20 p.m., and we strongly advise that you do.

Fireflies, how exciting can they be? Let me put it to you like this. Back in the 1980s, before the days of the internet, growing up in a house with only two TV channels, CBC and a very snowy, imaginationrequired CTV, there was just about no greater outing than going to The Enchanted Forest (enchantedforestbc.com). I went twice, once with my family and once on a school field trip. I will never forget running along little wooden walkways and pausing to peer at gnome houses and random doors inside trees. Any forest is alive with possibility, but The Enchanted Forest was especially so for a small girl from a very small town who hoped for a kind of freedom in the woods, a world of escape. Even after all these years I remember The Enchanted Forest and how I wished I could disappear into it.

So when at the Firefly Sanctuary, both of us at a loss, trying to take in and find words for something beyond our capacity

# HOTO BY ANJA HANINGTON

From left, Findley Holland and Abby Jorgensen lie on the path at the Firefly Sanctuary taking in the twinkles.

of description, Dan finally said, "It's ... it's like it is enchanted." I thought immediately of The Enchanted Forest and all the hopes and dreams of 7-year-old Kyla. I answered Dan as honestly as I could. "Yeah," I said, "except better."

What could be better than enchanted? I do not know. I don't have words for the magic of the Firefly Sanctuary behind Northway. The innumerable fireflies flashing on and off do not look like Christmas lights twinkling in the night – there are more

fireflies, more lights, more beacons of hopeful mystery than I have ever before seen, no matter the richness of a mid-December night. The kids lay on the pathway and looked up at bats swooping overhead. We were surrounded by the yellow-green flashes of fireflies on all sides. We wanted to stay there, to drink it in. We tried and failed to take pictures. We tried and failed to find the words.

Perhaps it is best left as Amy Hansen put it to me. "Have you seen the magic yet?"

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Another day is filled with fun at Camp YOGO as, from left, Dalia Al-Leftawi, Jenna Whelan, Evangeline Costen and Noah Eubanks try to discover what objects can fit behind "the green glass door."

coronavirus, Greenbelt Recreation has replaced the traditional three field trip weeks with a cornucopia of classic camp activities during the shortened three-hour camp day. Still, each day provides the laughter and energy needed to deter the mythical monster that generations of YOGOs can recount.

Despite the alterations to the typical YOGO routine, counselors and campers alike are excited to return after the first Greenbelt summer void of camps since their inception. Fourteen-year-old camper Henry Dynan, one of only two returning YOGOs so far this summer, is happy to be "getting out of the house," while he anticipates visiting the pool for the first time in nearly two years. Longtime counselor and pillo polo extraordinaire, Jenna Whelan, is happy to be "interacting with kids in person" since you "can't goof around on Zoom." For those unfamiliar, pillo polo is a classic YOGO game similar to hockey that pits a yellow team against a blue team. Generations of YOGOs, many now camp interns and staff members, can recall epic pillo polo battles as easily as they can recite the legend of the amongalong.

And the assortment of new campers, aged 12 to 15, have quickly taken to the Camp YOGO balance of routine and spontaneity. After her first week of camp, 12-year-old Evangeline Costen said, "the games were really fun" and decided to sign up for a second week. Whether they are making bracelets, discovering "the green glass door," playing kickball, or walking through the paths of Greenbelt, the YOGOs are still "on the go," even if they don't have a bus to transport them this summer.

Perhaps that's even better as their laughter and merriment can continue to protect Greenbelt from the ominous presence of the amongalong.

include a list



At the North Tract of Patuxent Research Refuge, upcoming wildlife adventures include a night hike, a bicycle trail excursion and a dragonfly hunt.

The Night Hike on Merganser Pond Trail on Friday, July 9 from 8:15 to 9:45 p.m. offers sights and sounds of beavers, bats, lightning bugs, frogs and night birds. On Saturday, July 10 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., experience North Tract wildlife on a fair-weather summer bicycle ride, experiencing the beauty of local wildlife, plants and historical sites. Participants in the ride should bring a bike, snack, water and helmet. On the Dragonfly Hunt, Sunday, July 11 from 9 to 10 a.m., see flying wonders with vibrant colors and amazing speed.

All ages are welcome to these free activities. Registration is required by calling 301-497-5887. More information can be found at fws.gov/refuge/patuxent.





Drop us a Line! Electronically, that is. editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com

#### NOMINATION FORM

**Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen** 

Submit this form by August 2, 2021, to: Bob Zugby, Chair Outstanding Citizen Committee 94 Ridge Road; Greenbelt, MD 20770 or outstandingcitizengb@gmail.com



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Great Blue Heron at the Lake

Name of Nominee:
Address:
Attach a statement (preferably printed or typed), which explains why this nominee deserves recognition as Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen. Possible subjects include of organizations or activities in which the nominee has participated, including leng

ing length of time, specific accomplishments during period of service, the impact on Greenbelt or on people within the City, and personal qualities which make the nominee special. Award is for volunteer (unpaid) work only. Supporting printed material is useful to the Committee but is not required. Testimonials by others as to the person's good works will be helpful.

You may be contacted for additional information. If you prefer, send this form now and complete the statement later. The form and any additional information must be received no later than the August 2nd deadling

Nominated by:

Name(s) (please print)

Signature(s) Telephone Thank you!

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In a memo to council, the city's planning staff laid out their main concerns about the DSP. These include their desire for an overall reduction in the building footprint(s) of the site (including the removal of the hotel) to allow for more open space and to conform to Development District Overlay Zone (DDOZ) standards (which the applicant has requested to be adjusted to conform to their plan), a more complete understanding of the construction sequence of each phase and the site's ongoing function during that phase and a variation in architectural design for the structures along Breezewood Drive.

Council shared many of staff's concerns, especially the need for more open space. Councilmember Rodney Roberts felt "the plan gets worse and worse," citing the inadequate recreation space; the use of stick construction, which he deemed lacking in quality and a fire hazard; and the lack of consideration of a school that could potentially be needed to service an influx of children. Councilmembers Emmett Jordan and Edward Putens pressed for an opportunity to see the final product, feeling the phased approach contained too many unknowns. Councilmember Judith Davis remarked on the extensive maintenance needed for the many amenities, which would likely mean high rents; she suggested having a variety of native trees instead of the edible orchard park, which can be messy. She added that it was likely that any schoolage children would need to be sent to schools outside the city.

Davis was keen to note her approval of certain aspects of the DSP, like the addition of EV charging stations, frontage improvements to the parking garages and rooftop seating areas.

County Executive Angela Al-

sobrooks has publicly commented

in favor of the BARC location

for the new plant, meaning, as

Councilmember Judith Davis

commented, that there was little

likelihood of county support for

Councilmember Rodney Rob-

erts pointed out that, although

the DEIS itself had narrowed the

choices down to include only one

site option, all the 16 or so origi-

nally suggested sites were located

within Prince George's County

the city's opposition.

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#### Faith in Quantum

Director of Planning and Community Development Terri Hruby said that, while the city does have a memorandum of understanding with the applicant that "lays out benchmarks that must be met," there is no binding agreement that would ensure the phases, making it crucial that each building be able to stand alone. Notwithstanding, Jordan stated his faith in the Quantum Companies, citing their long and engaged relationship with the city.

Hruby said that a traffic study found that Breezewood Drive would be adequate to accommodate the redevelopment and its three entrance points, adding in a separate interview that minor modifications are being made to curb radii. There would also be parking that would continue to serve Franklin Park.

David Sullivan, of Rodger's Consulting, said that the core market they are looking to serve is young, urban professionals, citing that adjacent Franklin Park is available more for families. Yet, he felt that the 9.26 acres of open space in the DSP could suffice as play areas for children.

In regard to the current business tenants, Sullivan said that the intention was to retain as many as possible.

According to the applicant, if the DSP is approved, the construction could begin next year, with completion of Phase One in five to eight years and final redevelopment in 15 to 20 years.

In a subsequent interview, Community Planner Molly Porter said that the council vote on the DSP is now scheduled for the August 9 regular meeting, to allow time for the applicant to respond to the concerns of both council and staff.

tary, an effort by the city to at-

tract the administration's attention

to its concerns would perhaps not

staff to draft an appropriate letter

once their analysis of newly pub-

lished material is complete.

Council authorized the city

go amiss.

#### Carjacking Suspect Arrested

According to a police press release, the Greenbelt Police Department has successfully identified and charged a man in the two separate carjacking attempts that occurred June 5 in the area of Southway. Detectives began investigating the incidents immediately after they occurred.

Keyonte Vashon Uzzelle, 25, of Greenbelt was charged with attempted carjacking, attempted armed carjacking, armed robbery, robbery, assault first degree, firearm use in a violent crime/felony, assault second degree, reckless endangerment and handgun violations.

#### **Report Sick Birds**

After receiving reports of sick and dying birds with similar symptoms since late May, wildlife officials advise caution around wild birds until a cause is identified. Disease symptoms include swollen eyes and crusty discharge in most birds affected.

Official precautions emphasize avoiding direct contact. Bird feeders and birdbaths can transmit avian diseases, so they should be washed with 10-percent bleach and decommissioned until the mortality event is over. Touching a wild bird is never safe, but if necessary, disposable gloves are imperative. Wild birds are also a danger to pets, especially sick or dead birds.

If you encounter sick or dead birds, contact the MD DNR/ USDA Wildlife hotline at 877-463-6497. For more information, see news.maryland. gov/dnr/2021/07/02/bird-illnessinvestigation-continues-in-severalstates/.

#### Donate Sneakers For People in Need

The Board of Congregational Life at Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ (GCC) is collecting athletic shoes by partnering with GotSneakers. This sneaker recycling program helps to keep sneakers out of landfills, which has harmful effects on the environment, and will send the sneakers to countries where the poor often go barefoot out of necessity. A donation box for sneakers is located outside the Fellowship Center.

# **Adventure is Worthwhile**

# **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.

#### Carjacking

June 24, 2:48 a.m., 6200 block Breezewood Drive. A 2016 black Honda Accord with Maryland tag 326468T was taken by three men at gunpoint. It was recovered at 10:36 a.m. by D.C. Metropolitan Police in Southwest D.C.

June 24, 8:31 p.m., 6151 Springhill Terrace. Four men robbed a man at gunpoint and demanded his car keys. They were surrendered but none of the four men could drive a manual transmission vehicle so they fled. Theft

June 24, 9:04 p.m., 6223 Springhill Court. A package was taken from outside a residence.

June 28, 6:44 p.m. 207 Lakeside Drive. A purse was stolen from a park bench.

June 30, 4:29 p.m. 7415 Greenbelt Road. Personal items were taken from a locker at LA Fitness.

#### Burglary

June 24, 2:42 p.m., 6500 block Springcrest Drive. A man was arrested and charged with burglary.

#### Vehicle Crime

Four autos were reported stolen. Two occurred on June 25, when a gray 2001 Acura MDX with Maryland tags 3ED0074 was taken from 7516 Mandan Road and a blue 2011 Nissan Altima with Maryland tags 7DF9932 was taken from 5923 Cherrywood Terrace.

A black 2012 Infinity was taken from the 7200 block Mathew Street on June 29 and a gray Honda Accord with Maryland tags 6DY2654 was taken from 6100 Breezewood Court on June 30.

Two stolen vehicles were recovered. One was located in the 5900 block Cherrywood Lane, where one arrest was made on June 23 and a 2015 Chevy Corvette with Texas tags NFY4518 was recovered in the 7500 block Mandan Road on June 24.

Tags from three autos were reported stolen. They include Maryland 1FYB13, taken from a 1998 Toyota Camry at 157 Westway on June 24; Maryland tag 9DW4552, taken from 403 Ridge Road on June 25; and D.C. EZ6906, taken from 6003 Cherrywood Terrace on June 26.

A laptop computer was stolen on June 26 from 6002 Greenbelt Road.

Two vehicles were spraypainted, one with Virginia tags UGC3094 at 6925 Hanover Parkway on June 28 and the other on June 26 at 6204 Springhill Court.

The Department is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information. Call 1-866-411-TIPS. Drug Tip Line 240-542-2145.



- Approve Minutes of a Closed Meeting held on June 17, 2021
- Request from a Non-Member to Reside at a Unit
- Legal Counsel's Opinion re: Legitimacy of Hiring an Investment Advisor to Invest GHI Funds
- Member Complaint Matters
- Member Financial Matters

#### B. GHI Open Meeting begins at 7.45 p.m. (open to members and visitors)

- Announcements of Complaint Panel Hearings Held on June 28, 2021, June 29, 2021, and July 6, 2021
- 2021, and July 6, 2021
  Announcements of Closed Board Meetings Held on July 1, 2021and July 15, 2021
- Approve Minutes of the Special Open Board Meeting Held on June 17, 2021
- Approve Minutes of the Special Open Board Meeting Held on June 17, 2021 Approve Minutes of Regular Open Session Meeting Held on June 17, 2021

so, had Alsobrooks supported another location, the county was still a shoo-in for the muchcoveted federal jobs. As Roberts noted, he was disappointed that BARC was selected, when the other candidate sites were not in areas as environmentally sensitive.

Also commenting was Vijay Parameshwaran who revealed that the Department of the Treasury has recently been cited by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for problems with BEP's chemical and air emissions handling at its D.C. and Fort Worth, Texas, facilities. He suggested that with a new and more environmentally concerned White House and a new treasury secre-





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- Permit Request to Add a Sunroom to an Existing Gardenside Addition
- Resolutions for Board Signatures
- Review Report re: Strategic Planning Work Session Held on June 21 and June 27, 2021
- Committee and Staff Recommendation re: Improvements for Larger Homes
- Proposed Revisions to Procedures re: How to Deal with Mold Within GHI Homes
- Motion to Hold a Closed Meeting on August 12, 2021

To deter hacking, GHI requires persons who wish to attend the GHI Open session meeting on July 17, 2021, to register in advance by accessing the following link:

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0qdeuhrD8uGNAnkAlpJMbjsUtoyd1HFz5R

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# **Sports**

# Greenbelt Babe Ruth 18U Are on a Winning Streak

by Ian Gleason



Greenbelt outfielder Atreece Gray and Laurel catcher Daylan Smith look to the umpire for a decisive call in the 5th inning on Monday, June 28.

- Photos by Kathy Smith

The Greenbelt Babe Ruth 18U team is playing their best baseball of the season heading into the last week of the regular season. They have won four of their past five games, including a close 8-to-6 victory on Monday, June 28 against the Laurel Bolts and a 15-to-8 victory on Friday, July 2 over the DC Knights. Monday's victory was powered along with extra base hits from catcher Antoine Franklin, Jr. and shortstop Logan Beasley. Fernando Gomez came in to pitch three innings in relief. With the bases loaded in the last inning and Laurel's best hitter at the plate, Gomez induced a pop-up to first baseman Chris Hanno to seal the victory.

This past Friday Greenbelt started Adam Howard on the mound who settled in after a rocky first inning to lead Greenbelt to a Friday night romp, 15 -to-8. In the bottom of the second inning, Greenbelt exploded to take a lead on a bases-clearing double by AJ Rizzo. Matthew Baravechia wreaked havoc on the base paths all night scoring multiple runs while offering solid defense in centerfield. Justin Adames added to the defensive efforts with a highlight-reel running catch in right center field.

Howard worked himself into a groove on the mound mixing up his fastball with a dangerous breaking ball, which received audible excitement from the bench and crowd upon each delivery. In fitting fashion Howard closed the game out with a strikeout and a confident walk-back to the dugout. Greenbelt closes out its season with a doubleheader versus the Laurel Bolts on Friday July 9 at Braden Field. The 15U team plays at 6:15 p.m. and the 18U team plays at 8:30 p.m.





David Aylward holds up the Greenbelt News Review on the deck of the Pride of Baltimore II, under sail at Latitude 32 degrees 49.50 North and Longitude 65 degrees 57.17 West.



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Leadoff hitter Matthew Baravechia focuses at the plate during Greenbelt Babe Ruth 18U's 8-6 victory on Monday, June 28.

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# Greenbelt Artists Featured In Virtual Open Studio Tours

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While making art during the pandemic isolation has been difficult, Greenbelt artists have used that time to experiment and to find new creative directions. as evidenced in the recent Open Studio Tour sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation ARTS Program. The following excerpts reflect moments from the studio tours; to link to the full videos, Instagram livestreams, artist websites and online exhibition of works by these artists, visit greenbeltmd.gov/government/ departments-con-t/recreationparks/greenbelt-virtual-openstudio-tour. It is evident that through close examination of the natural world, introspection, experimentation and finding new uses for old materials our Greenbelt artists have creatively weathered the Covid-19 pandemic.

#### **Celestine Ranney-Howes**

A focal point of Ranney-Howes' studio is her wall of fabric: metal shelving filled with many boxes of fabric and fabric scraps, ribbon, yarn and lace that she uses in creating her art quilts, wearable art and costumes. "It's well-known in the fabric world and in the sewing world that she who dies with the most fabric wins," Ranney-Howes observes. These materials also include multi-colored thread scraps that she has incorporated into some of her more recent small-format art quilts, using a new technique she calls "thread art" to recreate, for instance, the textures of foliage in a landscape scene. (Ranney-Howes is a Greenbelt artist in residence emerita.)

#### Mary Gawlik

Gawlik has been experimenting with several new glazing techniques, such as paper resist and transfer printing, that add variations to the application of underglazes that cannot be achieved by using brushes, often resulting in more abstract presentations of her nature-based ceramic tiles and tile panels. These inventive explorations are evident around her glazing table, where she has hundreds of small tiles that she uses to test new glazes and glaze combinations beby Letty Wilson Bonnell



Summer Meadow by Mary Lou Gawlik, 2021



Octopus Teapot by Gina Mai Denn, 2020



Untitled by Kathy Karlson, 2021

#### - Photos courtesy the artists

#### residence and instructor.) Gina Mai Denn

Guiding us through her studio, Denn points out some of her new works, which include several figurative pieces: a jar in the form of a head with pierced ears and a removable hair/lid; different versions of a female torso container; and a petite female standing figure, as yet unfinished, as Denn explores new glazing tone possibilities. Known also for her octopus-themed platters, teapots and figurines - some inspired by the documentary "My Octopus Teacher" - she plans also to introduce a new element to her octopi figurines: small, colorful, glass eyes. (Denn is a Greenbelt artist in residence and instructor.)

# (Karlson is a Greenbelt artist in residence.)

#### Chris Corson

"When I work I try to open inwardly and let what is inside of me come out through my hands," Corson explains about his ongoing series of modeled clay relief panels. In these, heads or hands project from different quadrants of 12"x12" panels, each head or hand angled in a unique position, some in high relief, some much flatter, suggesting a variety of fealings and avareasions. The

of feelings and expressions. The final pit-firing process produces panels with a distinctive swirling pattern of gray, black and brown, often speckled with white. Calling his series Becoming, Corson reflects that after moving to Greenbelt in 2019, "I was quite literally embodying my inner feelings and even anxieties about exploring and reorienting myself in a new place and finding a new path forward." (Corson is a Greenbelt artist in residence and instructor.)



July 4, 2021

Many Greenbelters and people from neighboring towns gather at Buddy Attick Park to watch the fireworks on Sunday, July 4.





fore applying them on a work. "I have been known to do as many as 50 test tiles to do a piece to make sure that those colors and glazes are doing what I want them to." (Gawlik is a Greenbelt artist in residence and instructor.)

#### Karen Arrington

Arrington's new works often rely on the serendipity of the firing process used in finishing a ceramic work. For example, Arrington points out the difference between the glassy, darkspeckled glaze in one of her wood-fired sugar and creamer sets and the textured 'orange-peel' surface of a salt-glazed coffee cup. The glazes brushed onto the stippled texture of another set of tea bowls eventually pool in varying ways in the recessed areas, so that "even though they are all glazed the same, they all come out a little bit different." (Arrington is a Greenbelt artist in

#### Kathy Karlson

Many of Karlson's canvases display a tension between wildness and calm, abstraction and landscape/seascape, which is often expressed through color. Although color dominates most of her compositions, as she has gotten older, Karlson notes that, "I don't have much ego in these colors anymore, I'm asking only to get out of the way of the colors." One passion she has continued through the pandemic is to donate her paintings to So Others Might Eat (SOME), a service organization in Washington, D.C., that provides help for those experiencing homelessness and poverty. "This is the great happiness of my life, to manifest paintings for people who might otherwise not have too much art."