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Recovering from the Pandemic, Beltway Plaza Looks to the Future

by Matthew Arbach

Beltway Plaza continues to make a recovery from the pandemic, while facing its ongoing challenges. At the Greenbelt City Council worksession on September 7, Mayor Emmett Jordan said that Beltway Plaza, which began phased construction 57 years ago, is the city's "strongest corporate partner." Marc "Kap" Kapistan, from Quantum Companies, the entity that handles managing and leasing for the Plaza, was on hand to share an

update on the site's economic health, infrastructure and security issues, and where the process of its redevelopment into a mixed residential and commercial facility now stands.

Kapistan is also tasked with community and tenant relations at Beltway Plaza on behalf of Quantum (which came on board in 1990). The Plaza itself has been owned by Greenbelt Mall

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Celebration of Public Lands Day Brings an Awareness of Nature

by Stephanie Quinn



PHOTO BY STEPHANIE QUINN

Volunteers uproot invasives, exposing native ferns in the Greenbelt Food Forest.

Volunteers celebrating National Public Lands Day at Springhill Lake Recreation Center Saturday cleared Greenbelt's Food Forest of pandemic overgrowth and damage from summer storms. Uprooting invasive stilt grass, they revealed native ferns. With gloves and shears, they freed trees of choking vines.

"Look, I have dreams about porcelain berries strangling me," said Carolyn Lambright-Davis, convener of the board of the Chesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society (CHEARS) and coordinator of the children's environmental education group Earth Squad. "I get the bus a lot. There's a bus stop over here, and there's nothing but porcelain berries. It's so beautiful."

Beautiful but deadly

Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll, environmental coordinator at the Department of Public Works and director of Saturday's event, told volunteers the vine weakens trees, causing treefalls, and produces sugary berries that lure birds but lack the nutrition to sustain them through local winters or southward migration. The Food Forest, a CHEARS project, aims to demonstrate sustainable cultivation practices and strength-

en the community's bond with nature.

Volunteers from CHEARS and area schools, Mayor Emmett Jordan and Greenbelt City Councilmembers assisted Public Works staff in removing invasive species and replacing pawpaw trees killed in July's severe storm.

Lori Thiele, acting supervisor of the Public Works horticultural crew, said the storm felled a mulberry tree and half of a mimosa tree, which squashed two pawpaws in the Food Forest. A Public Works team rushed to clear the wreckage Thursday and

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What Goes On

Monday, October 3
7:30 p.m., City Council Worksession: Space Study, Municipal Building
Wednesday, October 5
7:30 p.m., Council Worksession: TBD, Municipal Building

See the meetings calendar on page 5 or visit greenbeltmd.gov for more information.

Susan Ives, Living New Deal Editor, Visits Greenbelt Sites

by Melissa Sites

Susan Ives, who works with the Living New Deal (livingnewdeal.org), came to visit Greenbelt from Berkeley, Calif., and visited many historic Greenbelt institutions, including the Forest Preserve, New Deal Café, Greenbelt News Review, Old Greenbelt Theatre, Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket, Greenbelt Museum, Greenbelt Community Center and Greenbelt Access Television (GATe) – all coordinated by her friend, local Greenbelt environmental activist

Susan Barnett. Also joining us at the New Deal Café was Amethyst Dwyer, the former music coordinator who put the Café on the map as an award-winning music venue.

"I'm thrilled to be in Green-



PHOTO BY SUSAN BARNETT

Susan Ives poses with Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt at the Old Greenbelt Theatre.

belt," Ives said. "I've been reading and writing about the town for so long." Ives manages communications and events for the Living New Deal and edits its monthly newsletter, *The Fireside*.

In Maryland, the Living New

Deal has documented 153 New Deal sites. This website uses crowdsourcing to catalog and investigate an ever-growing list of over 17,500 New Deal sites around the country. The Living New Deal is the first national database documenting the towns, post offices, schools, parklands, artworks, murals and more constructed through New Deal programs including the Works Progress Administration, Civilian Conservation Corps and many others. The Living New Deal's latest print map may be obtained from the Greenbelt Museum, alerting users to 500 New Deal sites around Washington, D.C., highlighting 34 notable sites as well as the area around the National Mall.

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Crazy Quilt Music Festival Has Something for Everyone

by Deb Daniel

On Saturday, October 8, Roosevelt Center treats the community to music, dancing, quilts, special family activities and bubbles, bubbles everywhere. This year's Crazy Quilt Music Festival marks a special celebration of the New Deal Café's 27 years of being Greenbelt's community living room by providing a festival of eclectic music: drums, folk,

bluegrass, blues, world, brass party grooves and classic rock. This lineup, like a crazy quilt of different patterns, shapes and colors, reflects the diverse music featured at the Café. Original quilts will be hung for viewing all around Roosevelt Center. All events are free and open to the public beginning 11 a.m. and ending 11 p.m.

The lineup of bands include:

Community Drum Circle with Katy Gaughan (Drums), Grief Cat (Folk), Rock Creek Revival (Blue Grass), Dirty Soul (Blues), Dogo Du Togo (World), Black Masala (Brass Party Grooves) and Just Stones (Classic Rock, inside the Café during the evening).

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PHOTO BY ANNA BEDFORD-DILLOW

On display are the community pumpkin carvings from a previous year's festival. See story, page 12.

Letters to the Editor

Trees, Storms And Power Security

We love our trees, both those in the Forest Preserve and those all around town. Maintaining and extending our tree canopy is desirable in terms of aesthetics, temperature moderation and the atmosphere.

At the same time, we're worried about power outages due to trees hitting power lines. Climate scientists say we can expect new weather patterns, including storm activity. It's not long since we've seen violent weather interrupt our electric distribution, even though we're not at anything like the level of risk suffered by our fel-

low citizens in Puerto Rico.

We wonder how responsibility for keeping judicious clearances between trees and power lines is shared between Park and Planning and Pepco – and perhaps homeowners associations. Is this something our code enforcement officers are trained and tasked to monitor, or if not, who keeps an eye on it? It also would be reassuring to know that this issue is taken into account, including budgeting for ongoing maintenance, as our town maintains and extends the tree cover that is so much of what makes Greenbelt Greenbelt.

David and Mary Jo Shapiro

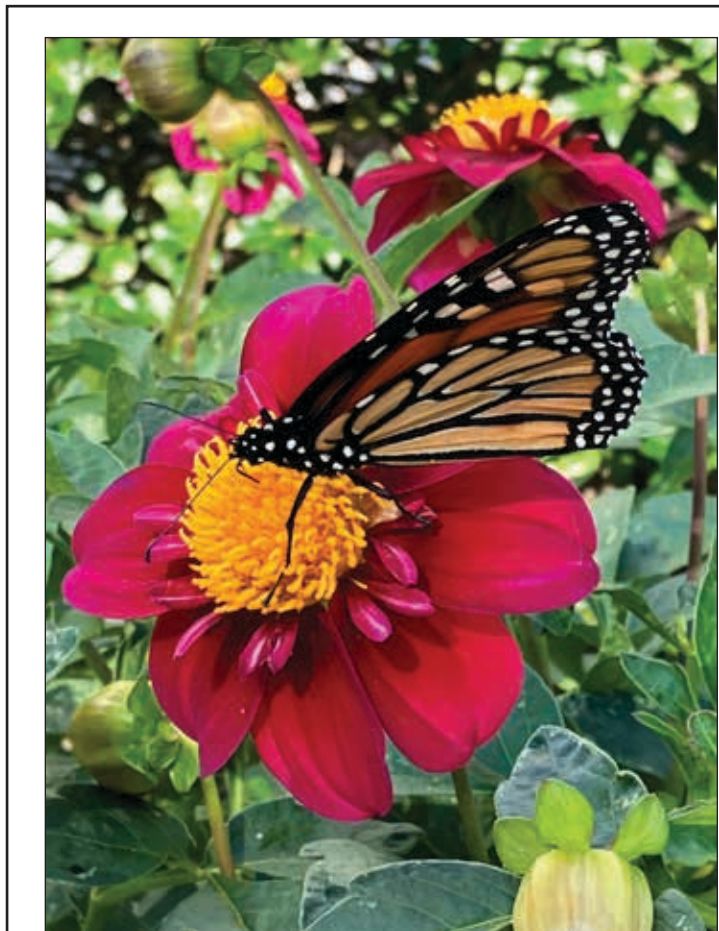
Correction

The picture of the Earth Squad at Springhill Lake Three Sisters Garden was incorrectly attributed in the September 22 issue. The photo was taken by CHEARS garden coordinator Carolyn Lambright-Davis.

Crisis Hotline's New Number is 988

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline dialing code is now 988 and is available for phone calls and text messages.

Calls and text messages are confidential and free.



Monarch on dahlia, outside McCarl dentistry office

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BROS (R) (CC) (DVS) (2022)
(115 MINS)

FRI. 5:00 PM, 8:00 PM **SCREEN 1**
SAT. 12:45 PM, 3:30 PM **SCREEN 1**
SUN. 2:00 PM, 5:00 PM **SCREEN 1**
MON. 3:30 PM, 6:00 PM **SCREEN 1**

MOONAGE DAYDREAM (PG-13) (CC) (DVS) (2022)
(134 MINS)

FRI. 5:15 PM **SCREEN 2**
SAT. 3:00 PM **SCREEN 2**
SUN. 5:15 PM **SCREEN 2**
MON. 2:00 PM **SCREEN 2**

SEE HOW THEY RUN (PG-13) (CC) (DVS) (2022)
(98 mins)

FRI. 8:15 PM **SCREEN 2**
SAT. 12:30 PM **SCREEN 2**
SUN. 2:30 PM **SCREEN 2**
MON. 5:30 PM **SCREEN 2**

Monday Matinee: FREE
TOUCH OF EVIL (PG-13)
(1958) (108 mins)

Mon. 1:00 PM **SCREEN 1**

On Screen at Old Greenbelt Theatre

Bros

From the ferocious comic mind of Billy Eichner (Billy on the Street, 2019's The Lion King, Difficult People, Impeachment: American Crime Story) and the hit-making brilliance of filmmakers Nicholas Stoller (the Neighbors films, Forgetting Sarah Marshall) and Judd Apatow (The King of Staten Island, Trainwreck, The Big Sick), comes Bros, a smart, swoony and heartfelt comedy about finding sex, love and romance amidst the madness. "Bros leans into the giddy little revolution of its own existence, inviting the audience into a good, gay time that hasn't exactly happened, in this way, before," said Richard Lawson of Vanity Fair.

Moonage Daydream

A cinematic odyssey, Moonage Daydream explores the late English singer-songwriter David Bowie's creative, spiritual and musical journey. From the visionary mind of Director/Producer/Writer Brett Morgen, the film features captivating, never-before-seen footage and performances spanning Bowie's 54-year career. The film includes 40 exclusively remastered Bowie songs and is the first film ever sanctioned by the Bowie Estate, with local access to the artist's archives. Stephanie Zacharek of TIME Magazine said, "Moonage Daydream captures [Bowie] as we'd like to remember him: dazzling, sensitive, full of questions – and in the end, as happy, probably, as a truly brilliant person can ever be."

See How They Run

In the West End of 1950s London, plans for a movie version of a smash-hit play come to an abrupt halt after a pivotal member of the crew is murdered. When world-weary Inspector Stoppard (Sam Rockwell) and eager rookie Constable Stalker (Saoirse Ronan) take on the case, the two find themselves thrown into a puzzling whodunit within the glamorously sordid theater underground, investigating the mysterious homicide at their own peril. "Since the movie is exceptionally well cast and stylishly filmed, I thought it was a hoot," said Nell Minow of RogerEbert.com.

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Community Events

Star Party on Saturday

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party, free and open to the public, on Saturday, October 1 at the City Observatory located at Northway Fields. Attendees can expect to see the Moon, Saturn, Jupiter, and galaxies, nebulae and star clusters currently high in the sky, viewed through the observatory telescope and astronomical camera. All are welcome, and visitors are encouraged to set up their own telescopes on the hilltop.

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

Hot-composting Day For Volunteers, Students

On Saturday, October 8, starting at 9 a.m., join other volunteers in an outdoor workday at the three-bin hot-composting station behind Roosevelt Center, alongside the Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center. ERHS students can earn volunteer hours and learn how to prepare food waste, diverted from Greenbelt's own Co-op Supermarket, for rapid hot composting. Enjoy snacks and conversation while working.

Anyone who would like to learn more about how hot composting works and help to turn food waste into a valuable resource used to grow plants and sequester carbon – instead of producing methane at the landfill – can come by anytime between 9 and 11 a.m. on Saturday. Email NewDealWigglers@gmail.com with questions.

GMS to Celebrate Hispanic Heritage

On Friday, October 7 from 6 to 8 p.m., Greenbelt Middle School will celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month at the rear of the school. The school will celebrate its Hispanic families through food, dance, music, flags, sports, crafts and more.

For more information, contact Carlos Pugh at carlos.pugh@pgcps.org.

Luminis Health Hosts Pink Ribbon Rally

Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center will host a Pink Ribbon Rally on Friday, October 14 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. This free event will feature mammograms, clinical breast exams, bra fittings, health and wellness sessions along with music and games and more.

Anyone wishing to host a table at the event should contact Lori Wishard at lwishard@luminishealth.org or call 443-481-5555.

Food for Life Classes Will Run in October

By adopting a healthy plant-based diet, not only will you reduce your risk for breast cancer, but also other cancers, diabetes, heart disease and other chronic illness, including Covid-19. Come to these CHEARS-sponsored Food for Life classes and learn steps to take right now to reduce your cancer risk and improve survival! The first four classes in the series (held on October 11, 18, 20, 25) include information about how certain foods and nutrients can promote or discourage growth of cancers, including breast cancer. The final class (October 27) focuses specifically on foods relevant to breast cancer risk reduction and survival. The intended audience of this class series includes breast cancer survivors, their family and friends, as well as anyone who wants to learn to cook some healthy, delicious, plant-based recipes. These classes are not intended for individuals currently going through active cancer treatment. Classes will be held 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center, Schrom Hills and Springhill Lake. Go to the following website to register for any or all of the five classes: chears.org/publications/fulltext/NutritionClasses.pdf.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

Ekphrastic Reception At New Deal Sunday

A reception for the artists and poets participating in the Ekphrastic Fantastic Art Show will be held Sunday, October 2, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the New Deal Café.

For this show, the first of its kind at the Café, nine poets wrote poems in response to specific pieces of visual art and nine artists created new artworks in response to specific poems.

Thanks to a generous grant from the Greenbelt Community Foundation, Friends of New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA) is able to award a small stipend to each of the poets and artists.

The show will remain on display until October 24.

Roosevelt Center Arts Crawl Is October 16

A Roosevelt Center Arts Crawl will be held on Sunday, October 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., rain or shine, sponsored by the City of Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board. Discover Greenbelt arts at this free celebration featuring open houses at the Old Greenbelt Theatre, New Deal Café, and Greenbelt Arts Center. Visit each location for interesting activities and enjoy entertainment in Roosevelt Center as you walk to each open house. Enter a raffle to win wonderful prizes. Local arts organizations are invited to participate by setting up tables in the Center. To register for a table, contact the Arts Advisory Board at aab@greenbeltmd.gov. For more information, visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts.

Pompi to Hold Listening Session

Jenni Pompi, a candidate for the Prince George's County School Board, will hold a Virtual Listening Session on Thursday, September 29 at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom. She will be joined by special guests Mayor Emmett Jordan, Mayor Patrick Wojahn of College Park and Ashanti Martinez of New Carrollton. The event is sponsored by Councilmember Ric Gordon. Register for the session at tinyurl.com/Jenni-Pompi-for-School-Board.

Crazy Quilt Music Festival

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In case of inclement weather, the festival will move inside the New Deal Café. For more information, visit newdealcafe.com and facebook.com/CrazyQuiltMusicFestival.

Astronomical Society Monthly Meeting

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt (ASG) will hold its monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 29, in Room 114 of the Community Center, and virtually over Zoom. The Zoom link will be published on the calendar on the ASG website, greenbeltastro.org, shortly before the meeting. The speaker will be Selene Willis, who will speak on the topic of Getting Students Excited about Space. Willis has been a formal science educator for 15 years in public and independent middle and high schools. Most recently, she completed the Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship at NASA, focusing on equity, inclusion and broadening participation of STEM education for Science Activation projects within NASA's Science Mission Directorate.

Greenbelt Artist Exhibits at Refuge

Greenbelt artist Amanda Spaid will exhibit her work in October at the John Hollingsworth Gallery, National Wildlife Visitor Center, Patuxent Research Refuge, 10902 Scarlet Tanager Loop, Laurel. The Visitor Center is open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays and is closed Sundays, Mondays and federal holidays.

Golden Age Club Plans For the Coming Year

The Greenbelt Golden Age Club is meeting weekly on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. at the Community Center second floor meeting room. The club has now been meeting in person for many weeks and the board and members are making plans for the future. First, all Greenbelt seniors (60 and over) are invited to join. It's a great way to make and keep friends. The meetings are a combination of fun and information with bingo thrown in on the 4th Wednesday.

Most months, the meeting on the first Wednesday is a business meeting and a meet-and-greet. The second Wednesday involves a speaker or activity. The third Wednesday celebrates the month's birthdays and members will bring a bag lunch and share an easy dessert. The fourth Wednesday is bingo.

Although some board members are willing to continue to serve, the club is always seeking members to join the board. The Nominations Committee is seeking nominations for all positions: president, vice-president, treasurer, recording secretary and corresponding secretary. Although not a board position, one or more people also are needed to assist with membership activities. To obtain more information on the duties or to indicate interest in being nominated, contact Suze Marley at jimmsuzem@aol.com.

Marley is also working on a list of speakers and activities for the year. Her plans are in process and if anyone has any speakers or activities in mind, contact her. She is planning an auction for the second Wednesday in November. It is a chance to donate never-used gifts for the benefit of the club. And a fun activity.

Golden Age Club: No Meeting

The Golden Age club will not meet on Wednesday, October 5, due to Yom Kippur which begins at sunset on October 4. The next meeting will be Wednesday, October 12.



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Friday, 9/30, Built 4 Comfort (Blues, Soul, R&B), 8 - 11pm

Saturday, 10/1, Community Drum Circle with Katy Gaughan, 3:30 - 5pm,

AND: WAMMIE-nominated Billy Coulter Band with an opening set by The Truehearts! (Roots Rock & Power Pop) 8 - 11pm

Sunday, 10/2: FONDCA Arts Reception: Ekphrastic Show, 2 - 4pm,

AND: Eleanor's New Deal Cabaret Spooky Spooptacular, 6 - 8pm

Monday, 10/3, New Deal Cafe Board Meeting, 6:30 - 8pm

Tuesday, 10/4, S.A.W. Open Mic with Lynn Hollyfield, 7 - 9pm

Wednesday, 10/5, The Campfire Sessions (Monthly listening room), 7 - 9pm

Thursday, 10/6, Wolf's Thursday Blues Show & Sit-In Jam, 6:30 - 10pm

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**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8th: CRAZY QUILT MUSIC FESTIVAL!**

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| 8am  | Democracy Now!                   | Yesterday's Syndicated Program                        |
| 9am  | Classic Movies Horror/Comedy     | The Little Shop of Horrors • 1960 Roger Corman        |
| 11am | Greenbelt Newsreel               | Community Programming                                 |
| Noon | Democracy Now!                   | Today's Syndicated Program                            |
| 1pm  | PGCPS Science Bowl               | Phyllis E. Williams v Templeton                       |
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# Obituaries

## Jim Sturdivant

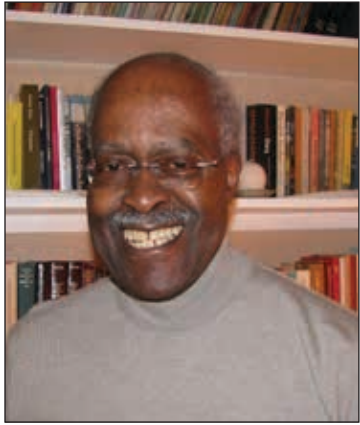


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Jim Sturdivant

Longtime Greenbelter James (Jim) Sturdivant died September 21, 2022, in South Orange, N.J., at the age of 86. Born in the District of Columbia, Jim began his career working in the D.C. Post Office before becoming an accountant. In 1965, after reading an Ebony magazine article entitled Bahá'í: A Way of Life for Millions, Jim studied and then joined the Bahá'í Faith. He traveled to meet with Bahá'ís in many places, including Italy, Germany, Greece, England and Israel.

In 1972, on a trip to Central America for the opening of the new Panama Bahá'í House of Worship, he met Firoozeh Firouzi, a D.C. nurse originally from Iran. On the plane ride home, he exchanged seats with another passenger in order to sit next to her, and four months later they were married. After two years of Bahá'í service in Papua New Guinea, they moved to Greenbelt and lived in Charlestowne Village before settling in their home on Mathew Street, where they lived until 2015. Their children Neysan and Nooshin attended Prince George's County schools and

graduated from Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

A few years after the 1979 revolution in Iran, the Sturdivant household in Charlestowne Village more than doubled when Firoozeh's mother and four other family members fled Iran to escape the religious persecution against the Bahá'ís there. Jim welcomed them with open arms and helped them as they began their new lives in America.

The Sturdivant home was a well-known gathering place for people of all races, nationalities and faiths for conversation, prayers and music related to making the world a more peaceful, just and unified place. Evening visitors to the home were invariably invited to join the family at the dinner table, with invitations to come back again.

Jim was an elected member of the Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'ís of Greenbelt for more than 35 years, and, unknown to many, also served the Bahá'í community in multiple regional and national capacities, all the while maintaining a full-time career in accounting.

In Greenbelt, Jim was a Bahá'í representative to the Greenbelt Interfaith Leadership Association (GILA) and served as chair of the HOA for his Mathew Street neighborhood.

Jim was known for his serious but congenial manner, infinite patience, rigorous personal discipline and his steadfast dedication to family, community and faith. He is fondly remembered as a mentor who shared wisdom and guidance in teachable moments, and a model of good character and consecration to positive action.

Jim is survived by Firoozeh, their two children and their spouses of Severn, Md., and South Orange, N.J.; a daughter from a prior marriage, Iris Dawn; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and numerous in-laws and nieces and nephews (including Kian and Farinaz Firouzi of Greenbelt).



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## HUG WALK Joins WALKTOBER

Random Unselfish Acts of Kindness (RUAK) is again organizing the annual HUG WALK (Help Unite Greenbelt With A Little Kindness) to be held on Sunday, October 9, rain or shine. This year the City of Greenbelt and RUAK will be partnering with the State of Maryland in promoting health and wellness during WALKTOBER.

The HUG WALK route is as follows: 1 p.m., gather at the Indian Creek Trail bridge at Greenbelt Station; 1:30 p.m., walk sets off; 2 p.m., walk continues from Springhill Lake Recreation Center; 2:30 p.m., join the walk at Buddy Attick Park; 3 p.m., join the walk at Roosevelt Center; 3:30 p.m., join the walk at Greenbriar Community Center; 4 p.m., join the walk at Windsor Green Community Center; 4:30 p.m., walk concludes at Schrom Hills Park.

For further information, contact Robert Goldberg-Strassler at [spreadruak@gmail.com](mailto:spreadruak@gmail.com) or 301-345-8755.



Condolences to the family and friends of Jim Sturdivant, a longtime Greenbelter and active member of the Bahá'í community, both in Greenbelt and beyond.

Send details of your news to [editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com](mailto:editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com).

## Stronger Memory Program Has Waitlist

The City of Greenbelt's GAIL Program and Dementia Friendly America – Northern Prince George's County Sector, in partnership with Goodwin House Inc., a senior living and healthcare services organization located in Northern Virginia – is offering an innovative brain health program for older adults. The September through December program is full. To be added to the waitlist in case places open or an additional program is added, contact Sharon Johnson at 240-542-2029 or [sjohnson@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:sjohnson@greenbeltmd.gov).

## BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

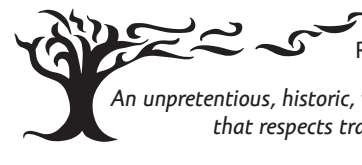
Monday, October 3rd at 6:30 PM  
**Mowatt Memorial UMC**  
 40 Ridge Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770.



Our Blessing of the Animals is to celebrate and give thanks to our Creator for the special role our pets play in our lives.

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**City Notes**

At the Aquatic & Fitness Center, a CO2 leak caused a multi-day closure.

The Electric Vehicle Fair at Schrom Hills Park was facilitated by Public Works and park rangers. Code Enforcement staff attended the Mid-Atlantic Life Safety Conference.

Animal Shelter residents are currently five cats, 10 kittens, three dogs, a turtle and a bunny.

Refuse/Recycling collected 28.58 tons of refuse and 10.52 tons of recyclables. Sustainability/Environmental, with three volunteers, removed invasive species and improved drainage in the Forest Preserve, and Street Maintenance installed six turn-lane bollards on Hanover Parkway.

The Community Center welcomed Greenbelt Unplugged, Concert Band, Golden Age Club, Community Development, Volksmarchers and the Greenbelt Assistance in Living program.

Arts staff offered fused glass, raku and embroidery workshops and the first Parent's Night Out since the onset of the pandemic. Therapeutic Recreation facilitated the Annual Seniors Open Forum and delivered meals to seniors' homes.

CARES Tammy Mountcastle attended a conference at Johns Hopkins Medical School about the opioid crisis.

**Fire Department Hosts Bull and Crab Feast**

Advance tickets are strongly suggested for the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department's annual, always-sold-out bull roast and crab feast on Saturday, October 1 from 1 to 5 p.m. On the menu are crab soup, corn on the cob, cole slaw, hot dogs, baked beans, steamed crabs and pit beef, the best in the area they claim, served with all the trimmings.

Games and raffles are always a part of this, the Fire Department's biggest fundraiser of the year. For online tickets, go to [engine35.com](http://engine35.com) and then click on the highlighted "Tickets are available at [engine35.square.site](http://engine35.square.site)" at the bottom of the page. Bring family and friends for a fun time, great food – all-you-can-eat on the premises – and support the Fire Department.



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**City Information & Events**

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**MEETINGS FOR OCTOBER 3-7**

Monday, October 3 at 7:30 pm, **WORK SESSION - SPACE STUDY**

Tuesday, October 4 at 7 pm, **Public Safety Advisory Committee**, On the Agenda: Meet & Greet with Other Local Municipal Public Safety Advisory Committee Members, Discussion of Police Reform Resolutions Problem

Wednesday, October 5 at 7:30, **WORK SESSION - TBD**

Thursday, October 6 at 6:30 pm, **ETHICS COMMISSION - IN PERSON**

**In advance, the hearing impaired is 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](mailto: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 meetings above, visit the meetings calendar at [greenbeltmd.gov](http://greenbeltmd.gov)**

**FREE FLU & COVID-19 VACCINE CLINICS**

October 4, 10 am - 12 pm  
Greenbelt Community Center (Ground Floor East)  
15 Crescent Road



October 6, 12 - 7 pm  
Springhill Lake Recreation Center (Gymnasium)  
6101 Cherrywood Lane

To register visit <http://ow.ly/PrxM50KOxj1> OR visit [www.marylandvax.org](http://www.marylandvax.org) and follow the following steps:  
- Click "Find the flu clinic" or "Flu Clinic" at the top of page  
- Find "Search by Name or Location" and enter preferred location  
- Complete the application and bring your COVID-19 vaccine card

**UPCOMING RECYCLING AND WASTE EVENTS**

Greenbelt Shredding - October 15, 9 am - 12 pm  
Greenbelt Electronics & Recycling - October 22, 9 am - 12 pm

**GREENBELT NURSERY PROJECT**

This **FREE PROGRAM** is available to families living in the city limits of Greenbelt, newborn to 2 years old, children who wear pull-ups.  
Call Katherine Farzin at (240) 542-2019 or [kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov)

**FAMILY FUN AT SPRINGHILL LAKE RECREATION CENTER  
1:30 - 3:30 pm, Sundays from September 18 - December 11**

Families are invited to enjoy group games and drop-in gym time every Sunday afternoon this fall. Complimentary recreation equipment is available on site. Facility ID is required for participation. Contact Brian Butler at (240) 542-2213.

**COMMITTEES & BOARDS VACANCIES:**

- Advisory Committee on Education
- Arts Advisory Board
- Board of Elections
- Community Relations Advisory Board
- Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability
- Park and Recreation Advisory Board
- Public Safety Advisory Committee
- Reparations Commission
- Senior Citizens Advisory Committee
- Youth Advisory Committee

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**PRESCHOOL PROGRAM IN HISTORIC GREENBELT**

Check out Greenbelt Recreation's pre-school program Greenbelt Littles Preschool (formerly Mom's Morning Out). Greenbelt Littles Preschool is a licensed traditional preschool program that focuses on social development, fine and gross motor skills, listening, and following instructions. Greenbelt Littles has a heavy emphasis on learning in a fun way!

We offer our program Monday through Friday at the Youth Center. Financial aid is available for eligible Greenbelt residents. Registration for fall is now open.

For more information, please visit our Virtual Recreation Center online at [greenbeltmd.gov/recreation](http://greenbeltmd.gov/recreation) or give us a call at (301) 397-2200.

**Greenbelt ARPA Funds Assistance Programs Update (as of 9/12/22)**

Rent and Utility Assistance  
· 336 Greenbelt Households were granted assistance totaling \$1,626,259.81  
Mortgage and HOA fee Assistance  
· 15 Greenbelt Households were granted assistance totaling \$51,421.51

**BUDDY ATTICK PARKING LOT CLOSURE**

Please be advised that Buddy Attick Park parking lot and Recycling Center will be closed to pedestrians and motorists on Thursday, 9/29 and Friday, 9/30.



In response to resident requests, in early October, the City will install two temporary speed bumps near mid-block crosswalks on Ridge Road between Westway and Southway. This pilot project will last until Nov. 15. Questions? Call (301) 345-5417.

**GREENBELT COMMUNITY CENTER IS SEEKING NEW TEAM MEMBERS!**

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**MOSQUITO CONTROL**

Protect yourself and your home from mosquitoes this summer. Visit <https://bit.ly/3yXpMwD> for tips on mosquito control and preventing West Nile Virus.



**Yard Waste Removal and Chipper Rules**

Branches 2 to 6 inches in diameter can be chipped! Stack branches on the curb with ends facing in the same direction and then call (301) 474-8004 to schedule a chipper collection! Help get rid of all of your unwanted debris from all of our recent storms.

Visit <https://www.greenbeltmd.gov/government/departments-con-t/public-works/trash-recycling/yard-waste>

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Limited Partnership since 1996. Kapistan reported that the Plaza has a number of new tenants, including Third Space Lounge, owned by the 2021 Outstanding Citizen Shaymar Higgs, which provides free art to the community. Higgs and the Beltway Plaza security team have also collaborated to create a gathering space for teens, furnished with a stereo system, ping pong tables and games. Other new tenants include Charley's Cheesesteaks and Wings, La Curva Restaurant and EZ Kabob. Meanwhile, the vacancy rate is at 5 percent. Some of the former stores whose vacant spaces are now being marketed are Lovin' Time, Books-a-Million, Kid's Foot Locker and Payless Shoesource.

Kapistan explained the process by which prospective tenants are chosen and their operating costs and rents are devised. Sales figures gleaned from past tenants of similar types, like jewelry stores, are reviewed and future anticipated sales are factored together. Kapistan is very committed to only bringing tenants in who can provide something unique that will not present significant competition to the existing tenants. Over time, operating costs can be adjusted if the sales parameters do not meet the initial predicted levels. Kapistan indicated that operating and utility costs are higher in an enclosed mall framework.

### Tenant Assistance

The pandemic presented difficult financial challenges to many Beltway Plaza tenants. Kapistan stated that the period of mandated closure early in the pandemic created a situation where businesses were basically "starting over." They worked closely with their tenants, at times lowering costs to match receipts or deferring rent payments. In some cases, balances were written off at lease renewal time, with no lawsuits to recoup funds. Quantum also endeavored to encourage fledgling businesses with capital

loans, which it sometimes offered if there was confidence in the business's ability to thrive. All of these loans have since been repaid.

Kapistan said that, during the pandemic, major retailers like Target made initial miscalculations over inventory needs, resulting in an excess amount. In order to reduce their merchandise excess, severe discounts were at times instituted, which Kapistan said has had a negative effect on the mall's smaller tenants who can't match these prices. Kapistan strongly encouraged residents "to buy locally" in order to support the city's businesses. Online shopping has proved a huge detriment to shopping at Beltway Plaza. He was sensitive to the plight of many in these times, faced with the high cost of living and the lack of discretionary income.

Kapistan was glad to hear that the city has brought on a new economic development coordinator to assist in Beltway Plaza's recovery. Councilmember Judith Davis extolled the past work of Charise Liggins, whose efforts in this area have laid down a strong foundation. Kapistan praised the job that Assistant City Manager Debi Sandlin has done in Liggins' absence. A survey, issued through the Greenbelt Business Alliance, indicated that the city needs to be "more business friendly." The Greenbelt Business Alliance, of which Kapistan (along with 13 other businesses) is a part, is off to a strong start, having now been incorporated and federally identified. Resident and member Michael Hartman, credited Kapistan with being personally responsible for much of this.

### Events

Council thanked Kapistan for the many community events hosted by Beltway Plaza, such as National Night Out, Spring Skate Jam and a Halloween program in conjunction with Franklin Park. Kapistan singled out the Ro-

tary Club for their numerous charitable efforts, like feeding the homeless, providing used bikes to Jamaica and giving supplies to Springhill Lake Elementary School students.

Kapistan said that, in regard to security, the real issue lies outside the mall from a small, familiar group of what he called "knuckleheads," who loiter and cause nuisance. He hoped to get some significant prosecutions, working with the Greenbelt Police Department and the State's Attorney's Office, to effectively discourage this behavior. The upper parking structure is also now in an active construction phase to address safety and provide the parking spaces that tenants are entitled to.

Beltway Plaza is in discussions with WSSC concerning the remediation of the main water pipe to the mall, which ruptured last December, causing days of closing. Kapistan reported that WSSC says they do not have the funds to replace it at this time.

### Development

In the next 60 days, ground will likely be broken for redevelopment, according to Kapistan. The first structure in this phase will be a 315-unit residential building, one of three planned buildings in this initial phase. Kapistan said that Franklin Park ownership has initiated legal action against moving forward at several stages, all of which were unsuccessful. Although he has a good relationship with their management, the ownership, according to Kapistan, views this addition of new housing as a threat to their own leasing.

A 93-room hotel is part of this first phase, yet an inquiry has been put out to assess the market need. Davis advised consulting city hotels, which have suffered during the pandemic, to gather feedback on its necessity.

The idea of a circulator shuttle that would service all three parts of the city is still being considered, with several stakeholders, including Beltway Plaza, onboard. A main issue is how it will be funded, perhaps through stakeholder funds.

Jordan asked Kapistan if any tenants could provide letters of support for the possible relocation of the FBI building to Greenbelt. The deadline is Monday, October 3. Kapistan was "happy to help."

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### Kids' Stuff

Kids will enjoy a special community art project and can decorate the sidewalks with chalk in addition to dancing to the music. And BYOBB (Bring Your Own Bubble Blaster) which is any toy that "shoots" bubbles.

### Booths

For shopping pleasures, an array of vendors will be available. The original Eleanor Roosevelt festival T-shirt will be available in multiple colors and sizes. In case of inclement weather, the festival will move inside the New Deal Café.

## Crazy Quilt Festival Invites Local Quilters to Show Work

As a part of the 1933 Century of Progress World's Fair in Chicago, a contest was held calling on quilters across the U.S. to prepare their best work. Along with the prize for the winning entry, the quilt was to be presented to First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt and reside at the White House. Over 2,500 quilts were submitted. The winning quilt was made by Margaret Rodgers of Lexington, Ky. There is no record of what happened to that quilt later.

Now Greenbelters are invited to bring out and show off their quilts, whether homemade or purchased, to pay homage to this craft. On Saturday, October 8, as part of the 20th Annual Crazy Quilt Music Festival, the quilts will be displayed in Roosevelt Center.

Eleanor would approve. To participate email [stonesoupchef@live.com](mailto:stonesoupchef@live.com) or call 301-310-9068.

- Richard McMullin



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Eleanor Roosevelt examines the handiwork in a quilt in 1933.



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**PRELIMINARY AGENDA**  
**Meetings of the GHI Board of Directors on**  
**October 6, 2022**

GHI Closed Meeting - starts at 7:00 p.m. - closed to members and visitors

- a) Approve Minutes of the Closed Meeting Held on August 11, 2022
- b) Member Complaint Matter

GHI Open Meeting - starts at 7:45 p.m. - open to visitors and members

- a) Statement of a Closed Meeting of the Investment Committee Held on September 8, 2022
- b) Statement of a Formal Complaint Hearing Held on September 12, 2022
- c) Statement of a Formal Complaint Hearing Held on September 19, 2022
- d) Statement of a Formal Complaint Hearing Held on September 22, 2022
- e) Statement of a Closed Meeting of the Board of Directors Held on October 6, 2022
- f) Approve Minutes of the Open Meeting Held on August 11, 2022
- g) Companion Animal Committee's Report Covering the Period January 2022 to July 2022
- h) Companion Animal Committee's Brochure re: Living with Companion Animals
- i) Bicycle Committee's Social Event on October 15, 2022
- j) Incentives to Encourage Participation in Pilot Program re: Replacing Pipes in Frame and Masonry Homes
- k) Investment Committee's 2022 First-Half Report
- l) Motion to Hold a Closed Meeting on October 20, 2022

Members and visitors who wish to attend the Open meetings must register in advance via the following link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/join/register/tZYuf-CvqTMvHtQpnQPtPqMMAgpt63BCdd32>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

## News Review on Vacation



PHOTO COURTESY MICHAEL G. STEWART

The News Review makes an appearance on a Smithsonian Folkways adventure in Los Angeles at The Mexican Cultural Institute with famed children's performer and educator Jose-Luis Orozco and News Review contributor, Michael G. Stewart.



PHOTO COURTESY HARRY SCHOMBERG AND NANCY SOLOMON

Harry Schomberg and Nancy Solomon grip their News Review tightly on top of Twin Peaks in San Francisco on a very windy day.



PHOTO BY DEBBIE FINTAK

Councilmember Judith Davis and her sister took a road trip in August to visit their 95-year-old aunt in Indiana and 90-year-old aunt in Tennessee, as well as a niece in Kentucky and a cousin in North Carolina. They stopped at many sites as they travelled, including Churchill Downs in Louisville.



PHOTO COURTESY JOHN CAMPANILE

John Campanile reads the News Review at sunrise on the beach in Ocean City, New Jersey.

The News Review was on the road again with Carol Slatin, to countries of the former Yugoslavia. It was a very interesting trip; she even met a journalist in Sarajevo.



PHOTO COURTESY CAROL SLATIN

# Greenbelt Educator Addresses Family Diversity in New Book

A new children's book, *My Rainbow Dads*, available on Amazon, was recently published by Springhill Lake Elementary teacher and author, Dr. Ivy Hilay Wilcher.

In *My Rainbow Dads*, readers experience the world through the eyes of a little girl being raised by multiracial, same-sex parents. By illustrating one family's individuality, Wilcher highlights the importance and impact of supporting all types of families. She hopes her story will spark dialogue on social awareness, diversity and inclusivity. "My goal is to make children aware that families come in all shapes and sizes, and it is our differences that make us special," Wilcher said.

Wilcher's message of tolerance was inspired by the many families she has encountered in her classroom and by the changing times that are recasting the archetype of a family. The book promotes mindfulness and tolerance of nontraditional family structures, social awareness and self-awareness. She advocates acceptance of the culture, color and uniqueness of each child and family.





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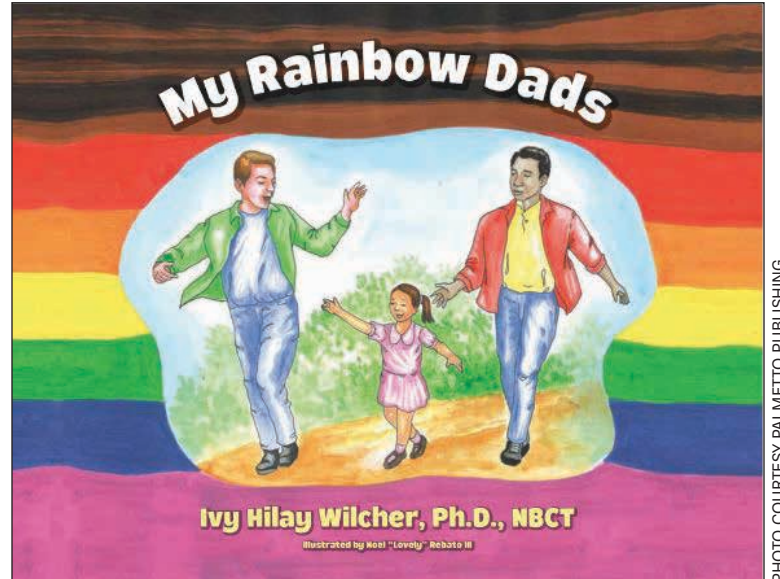


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The book's cover is colorful and inviting for young readers.

Wilcher teaches special and general education. Born and raised in the Philippines, she taught there for seven years before immigrating to the U.S. When she's not teaching, Wilcher loves to write, play musical instruments, paint, draw and dance. She lives with her husband and two cats, Riley and Jinkey.

*This article was drawn from a press release from Palmetto Publishing.*

## Greenbelt Listings



**UNDER CONTRACT**  
**15H Laurel Hill**  
**\$178,000**

Expanded kitchen to accommodate laundry and extra storage, beautifully tiled bathroom, a big pantry for extra storage, and miles of Greenbelt Forest Preserve right out the back gate. 2br 1 bath.



**PRICE REDUCTION to \$175,000**  
**9J Research Rd.**

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**14T Laurel Hill Rd.**  
**\$205,000**

Giant screen porch overlooking the deep woods of the Greenbelt Forest Preserve. Opened up kitchen with plenty of counter space and storage. 2br 1 bath.



**UNDER CONTRACT**  
**1A Plateau Pl.**  
**\$200,000**

End unit with 2nd full bath and addition to include laundry, sitting room, and roomy deck overlooking the trees. Big shed and extra parking out back. What a find!

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Friday before Saturday's event. The Food Forest and Springhill Lake garden in Greenbelt West, along with gardens in the central and eastern parts of the city, form the Three Sisters Gardens, a CHEARS project.

The event underlined the partnership between CHEARS and Public Works. "They lost two pawpaws, and we brought six," said Thiele. Lambright-Davis said Public Works has enabled CHEARS and the Earth Squad to pursue goals of piquing youths' appreciation of nature. "We have a great Public Works Department," she said.

Whisper Shikwa, a 17-year-old senior at the SEED School of Maryland in Baltimore, said that although he hasn't always been passionate about the outdoors, environmental stewardship puts him at ease. "What got me into it was volunteering. Service hours," said Shikwa, who is from New Carrollton, while digging a hole to plant a pawpaw. "Giving me a peace of mind sometimes. Some quietness. Nature."

Carpenter-Driscoll envisioned that National Public Lands Day

would help in "building that community and making that introduction between the community and nature – how to interact with it and what sort of food system designs can we have and make them accessible."

Amid the cranberry bushes, fig and pawpaw trees, Lambright-Davis and CHEARS' other "weed connoisseurs" schemed about future events. Line dancing in the Springhill Lake garden. A work day in the Schrom Hills Park garden. A kids' recycling program with special hats, if Franklin Park Apartments signs off. "Doesn't that sound cool?" Lambright-Davis said.

Thiele said National Public Lands Day can inspire people to be "good stewards of the land."

In Thiele's words, "Even in an urban and suburban area, there's oases that we can take over and give back to nature. And create food in the process."

*Stephanie Quinn is a University of Maryland journalism graduate student writing for the News Review.*



PHOTO BY STEPHANIE QUINN

Volunteers remove invasives in the Greenbelt Food Forest.

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"The New Deal is all around us but often is unseen," Ives pointed out, an omission that the website seeks to remedy. The project got going around 10 years ago, after geography students at the University of California at Berkeley began to map New Deal projects, and then turned to crowdsourcing to learn more about obscure and forgotten sites. Ives pointed out, "There's now a phone app where you can send in the description and the GPS coordinates. There are probably hundreds of sites out there yet to be discovered. Around the beginning of World War II, records [of New Deal projects] were lost, or never documented in the first place."

The Living New Deal also offers webinars such as one beginning in October about endangered New Deal art.

Ives and Barnett spent an enriching morning walking through the Greenbelt Forest Preserve with Owen Kelley, member of the Greenbelt Biota natural history society and author of *A Hundred Wild Things: A Field Guide to Plants in the Greenbelt North Woods*, a book with over 200 photographs of different species and descriptions of their ecological role and their natural history in Greenbelt. Barnett pointed out, "The woods come more alive when we share them with someone new. The huge and ongoing effort to save and protect our forest is the right thing to do, and in many ways the forest is what defines us."

Ives had lunch at the New Deal Café, with Barnett, News



PHOTO BY OWEN KELLEY

Susan Ives and Mary Lou Williamson sit by the Mother and Child statue in Roosevelt Center.

Review editor Mary Lou Williamson, and Frank and Susan Gervasi, whose film *Defending Utopia* inspired Ives to visit Greenbelt. Barnett noted that Williamson "helped to create a story that continues to inspire us all," referring to the News Review case that went to the Supreme Court in the late 1960s. Amy Hansen, who was managing editor until recently, also met Ives at the office in the Community Center where the News Review continues to be produced every week.

Ives was treated to a behind-the-scenes look at the historic Old Greenbelt Theatre by Director of Operations Stephenie Arcido, viewing the main auditorium and the new screening room and even climbing the

spiral staircase up to the projection booth. Greenbelt Museum Director Megan Searing Young gave Ives a special tour of the Museum, as well as a peek at the house next door which is being developed into a visitor center. At the Community Center, Ives examined the bas reliefs of the Preamble to the Constitution and looked at the exhibit about sculptor Lenore Thomas Straus, as well as the historic photographs lining the halls. Ives rounded out her visit with an outdoor interview with Frank Gervasi, filmed by Phoebe McFarb for GATE, followed by a quick tour through the well-stocked aisles of the Co-op, where so many impromptu "Greenbelt moments" occur.

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# Police Blotter

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### Assault

On September 20 at 12:35 a.m. near 7200 Hanover Drive, a dispute between customers turned physical.

### Disorderly

On September 21 at 2:36 p.m. near 6198 Greenbelt Road, a woman was arrested after causing a disturbance in a movie theater and refusing to leave. Also on September 21 at 4:28 p.m. near 6100 Greenbelt Road, a man was banned from the property after being found in possession of a large knife.

### Found

Officers found stolen vehicles on September 20 near 7901 Mandan Road and on September 24 near 5717 Greenbelt Metro Drive. On September 22 near 9180 Springhill Lane, a juvenile reported missing was later found.

### Fraud

On September 21 at 9:57 a.m. near 7500 Greenway Center Drive, an unknown suspect impersonated a government official to fraudulently make purchases.

### Stolen Vehicles

A 2014 Kia Soul stolen near 106 Greenhill Road, 9:29 a.m., September 24; a 2008 Yamaha R1 motorcycle stolen near 6400 Ivy Lane, 7:45 p.m., September 24; a 2017 Suzuki GSX-R1000 motorcycle stolen near 7511 Greenbelt Road, 10:08 p.m., September 25.

### Theft

Personal property was stolen at a bus stop near Hanover Parkway and Mandan Road, 12:22 a.m. September 21. Commercial thefts occurred near 7607 Greenbelt Road, 11:01 a.m., September 19; and 12:59 a.m., September 25; and near 6100 Greenbelt Road, 1:14 p.m., September 22. Package thefts occurred near 8000 Greenbelt Station Parkway, 3:05 p.m., September 22, and near 6200 Breezewood Drive, 9:36 a.m., September 24.

### Vandalism

On September 23 at 12:05 a.m. near 6000 Breezewood Drive, a residence window was broken by a rock. On September 23 at 3:07 a.m. near Cherrywood Lane and Springhill Drive, plastic newspaper boxes were intentionally damaged. On September 23 at 8:44 a.m. near 8150 Lakecrest Drive, a vehicle tire was damaged with a knife by an individual known to the victim.

### Vehicle Crimes

### Tampering

On September 23 at 6:04 a.m. near 6010 Springhill Drive, two

men attempted to pry open the right rear passenger door of vehicle when they were interrupted by the owner and ran off.

### Theft from Auto

Steering wheel airbags were stolen from Hondas: on September 19, a 2012 CRV near 6126 Breezewood Drive, and a 2014 CRV near 5827 Cherrywood Terrace; on September 22, three Civics and an Accord near 6231 Springhill Drive, and a 2018 Civic and a 2019 Accord near 9156 Springhill Court; and on September 24, a 2014 Accord, a 2012 Civic, a 2013 Civic and 2016 Civic near 400 Ridge Road.

Catalytic converters were stolen from a 2018 RAM 2500 near 9108 Edmonston Road, September 19; a 2020 Ford F-150 and a 2016 Ford F-150 near 6223 Springhill Court, September 21; and a 1999 Chevrolet Suburban near 6010 Springhill Drive, September 22.

On September 19 near 6158 Springhill Terrace, registration sticker stolen. On September 20 near 6005 Springhill Drive, handicap placard stolen. On September 23 near 7915 Mandan Road, registration tags stolen.

# Tool Lending Library Opens, Seeks Helpers

The Greenbelt MakerSpace Cooperative has opened its tool lending library down the outside staircase of The Granite Building in Roosevelt Center, with initial hours of Fridays 5:30 to 7 p.m. and Sundays 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., depending on volunteer availability. It is also accepting donations of tools and other items suitable for lending. To see a list of tools available and to register, go to [tools.greenbeltmakers.org](http://tools.greenbeltmakers.org). Volunteers are welcome and very much needed; those interested can email [staff@make125.org](mailto:staff@make125.org) or use the SignUpGenius link on the website. Weekly borrowing requires only membership (initially \$20 for the first six months) but no per-item fees.



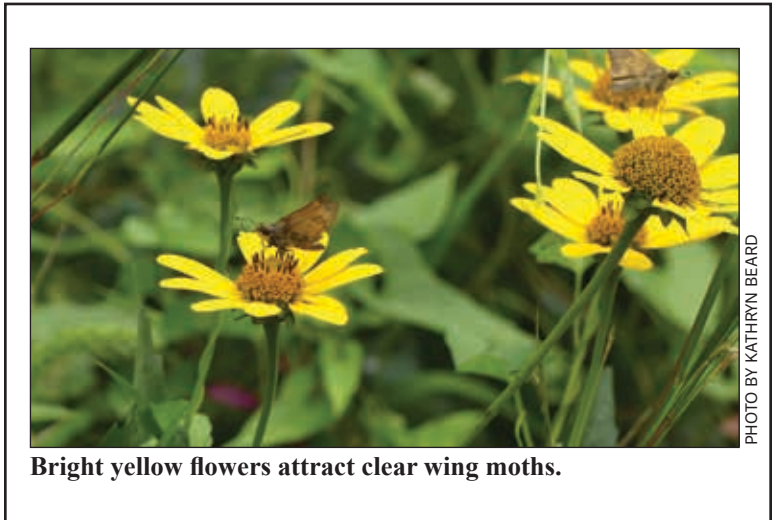
From left, Mayor Emmett Jordan joins MakerSpace Tool Lending Library board members Pat Boyd and Laura Lising during the Library's opening on September 23. The library has tools for many kinds of activities including construction, sewing and gardening.



- Photos by Amy Hansen



The MakerSpace tool lending library opens on Friday, September 23, in the basement of The Granite building.



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# Sports

## Both ERHS Varsity Teams Enjoyed Victory over DuVal

by Patrick Gleason

On September 22, a fittingly crisp day that welcomed the beginning of fall, both Eleanor Roosevelt varsity soccer teams enjoyed victories over the DuVal Tigers, though the games unfolded very differently. The boys toiled for a 3-2 win after conceding Tiger goals in the game's first and last 10 minutes. Senior centerback Karl Kraske equalized with a header five minutes later, followed by a Raider penalty kick conversion by Osenose Ibhagui to provide a 2-1 halftime lead. In the second half, sophomore Crey Perez Ramos curled a shot into the top corner of the far post, to provide Roosevelt with a cushion they would need after Kraske scored an own goal as the final whistle approached.

Meanwhile, the girls coasted to an 8-0 victory behind two goals apiece from sophomore classmates Gabriella Martinez and Jada Savage. Before a minute of game time elapsed, Martinez struck, assisted by Savage during a contest where the Tigers offered little resistance. Seniors Sarai

DeSouza, Julia Beckmann and Alexis Casey also scored, while sophomore Alena Beckmann tallied the final goal.

However, the Raiders suffered a setback the following evening as they traveled to Oakland Mills, conceding multiple goals off corner kicks in an otherwise competitive game that followed the junior varsity's 1-0 victory over the Scorpions. Freshman Leilah Eggleston, midfielder, assisted Olivia Gills' second-half goal in a game with few scoring opportunities for either team. After a two-day break to honor Rosh Hashanah, the Raiders will return to the field against the C.H. Flowers Jaguars on Thursday, September 29. The girls host Flowers, with the junior varsity starting at 4 p.m. and the varsity following at 5:30, while the boys travel to Flowers. After an unexpected playoff loss to Flowers last October, the varsity girls seek a strong performance as the cooler breeze and crisp leaves hint at playoffs that are a month away.



Julia Beckmann (14), Jada Savage (21), and Sarai DeSouza (13) battle for the ball during the Raiders' contest with the Oakland Mills Scorpions.



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Freshman Leilah Eggleston carries the ball in the ERHS junior varsity's 1-0 victory on September 22.



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# Greenbelt Recreation Arts Hosts Studio Open House

by Amanda Demos Larsen

On Sunday, October 2, Greenbelt Recreation Arts will host a Studio Open House from 1 to 4 p.m. Guests can visit the studios of the Community Center's seven artists in residence, view the gallery show by artist Greg Minah and meet other Greenbelt Recreation Arts instructors and participating artists in surrounding classrooms. To preview the artists' work, visit [greenbeltmd.gov/arts](http://greenbeltmd.gov/arts) and follow @greenbeltrecreationarts on Facebook.

The Community Center is a hub of art creation and education year round. Artists in residence work in their studios at least 30 hours per month (usually many more) and display their work in the third-floor hallway. The arts education program offers approximately 40 classes and workshops each session for all ages. The Community Center gallery has a new art show every three months that is curated by Arts Supervisor Nicole DeWald. The Art Studio Open House allows members of the Greenbelt community to taste a sampling of all of these artistic ventures.

Guests can start their tour in the gallery, viewing the light-bending paintings of Greg Minah. They will continue to the room next door to see visual arts instructors Racquel Keller (painting, collage and mixed media), Sally Davies (watercolor and acrylic painting), Maureen Stone (stained glass), Leah Cohen (fiber art and print-making) and Amanda Spaid (colored pencil and digital art). They can then make their way across the hall to see a sampling of art by artists who regularly attend Art Share, a monthly meet-up for community artists. Next, guests can head upstairs where the artists in residence share three studios. Kathy Karlson creates abstract paintings and Rachel Cross produces three-dimensional collages. Mary Gawlik, Gina Denn and Karen Arrington are ceramics artists; Gawlik produces tiles and panels while Denn and Arrington produce both wheel-thrown and sculptural wares. In the final studio, Chris Corson creates figural sculptures and Laurence Anderson makes violins.

The tour doesn't end there. The hand-building classroom will showcase three ceramicists: Tara Wilcox (ceramic jewelry and fiber art), Carol Petrucci (carved ceramics and jewelry) and Heidi Olson (hand-built functional ware and sculptures). Guests can finish their tour in the wheel classroom where they can see work by ceramics instructors Nadette Boughton, Peter Holden and Judy Goldberg-Strassler and try their hand at throwing on the wheel.

For more information, call 301-397-2208. City of Greenbelt arts programs are supported in part by the Maryland State Arts Council.

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**Dream House by Artist-in-Residence Rachel Cross**



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**Forsythia by Maureen Stone**



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**Artist-in-Residence Kathy Karlson works in her studio.**

# Pumpkin Walk, a Fall Favorite, Needs Volunteer Help to Resume

by Rebecca Redeker

The first Greenbelt Pumpkin Walk since the Covid-19 pandemic struck is likely to take place this October, and volunteers are needed.

"We're going to try to make it happen this year," coordinator Amy Knesel said during the Forest Preserve Advisory Board (FPAB) meeting on September 22. Knesel wants to schedule the Pumpkin Walk for Saturday, October 22. This means the community carving would take place that Friday, October 21. Permits for dates and locations are not yet in hand, but the goal is to make the walk similar to how it was before the pandemic hit.

Recruiting volunteers for the popular event is now the immediate challenge. "The problem is, I have reached out to this general

email list and I think that what I need to do is just start assigning people tasks," Knesel explained. "I'm always like 'who can help?' and it's just crickets." Members of the FPAB seemed eager to see the decades-old community tradition return. They were willing to adjust to Knesel's needs to use the trails for the walk. A couple also offered to volunteer when they had the time.

"It is a fully volunteer-led, donation-funded event," Knesel explained. To enable this event to happen, numerous volunteers will be needed. Knesel asks anyone able to assist financially, or with the gift of time, to contact her at [amyknesel@gmail.com](mailto:amyknesel@gmail.com).

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**The legendary Goatman appears on the Greenbelt Pumpkin Walk.**



## Art and Photo Show Winners From the Labor Day Festival

### Community Favorites – Art

- First place, Alex Hill, Opossum & Leek
- Second place (tied), Amanda Spaid, Flamingo and Amanda Spaid, Immaculate Peregrines
- Third place, Rachel Antzak, Cat in the Darkness
- Fourth place, Rachel Antzak, Sci-fi Nights

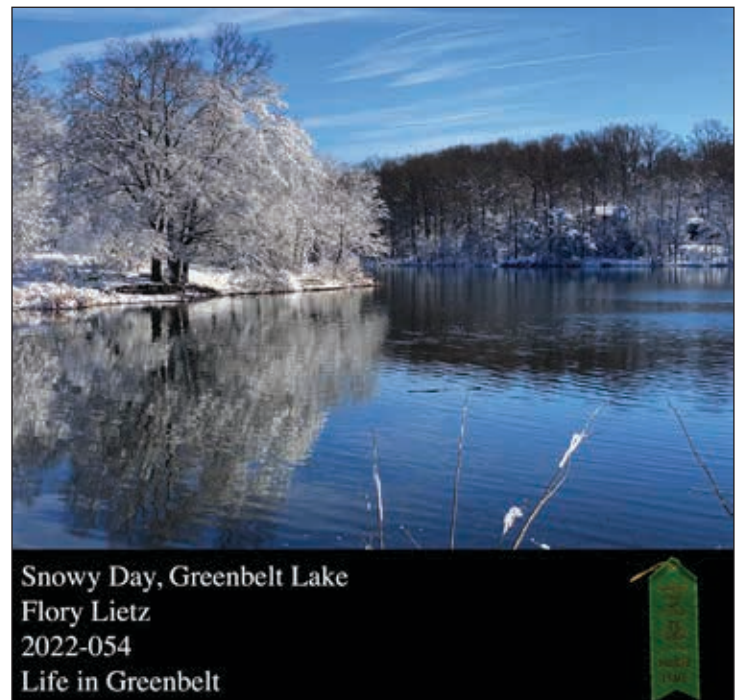
### Community Favorites – Photos

- First place, Stanley Turk, Before the Mission
- Second place, Steve Skolnik, Thermal pool at sunset, Yellowstone National Park
- Third place, James Hsu, Enchantment of the Seas
- Fourth place, Flory Lietz, Snowy Day, Greenbelt Lake



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**Opossum and Leek by Alex Hill**



**Snowy Day, Greenbelt Lake**  
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