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## Tragic Ending to the Search For Mariame Toure Sylla

by Anna Bedford-Dillow

The month-long search for Mariame Toure Sylla, a longtime Greenbelt teacher who went missing on an evening walk at Schrom Hills Park on July 29, drew to a tragic close on Friday when police announced they had identified her remains.

During a press conference on Friday, September 1, Prince George's County Police Chief Malik Aziz announced remains found in a park on Old Alexandria Ferry Road in Clinton have been identified as Sylla's. The remains were found on August 1 on some rocks by a pond. DNA is still being processed but provided enough preliminary results to positively identify the remains as Sylla's, they announced Friday. Police reported she had been decapitated and dismembered. An autopsy to determine cause of death is still being conducted.

James Spence, principal of Dora Kennedy French Immersion School where Sylla taught,



The PGCEA marches in memory of Mariame Toure Sylla in Greenbelt's Labor Day Parade.

and Sylla's sister from the Ivory Coast, Fatma Toure, were present for the press conference.

Landon Charged Harold Francis Landon III, 33, of University Park, has been charged with Sylla's murder, police also announced at the same press conference. He's been in custody on domestic violence charges since August 1, arrested the day after they believe he dumped Sylla's remains. Police do not believe he and Sylla knew each other.

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## Greenbelt Station HOA Talks Crime, Recreation and Rentals

**Inside Stories** 

ERHS soccer,

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#### by Maurice Crawford

The Greenbelt City Council held a stakeholder worksession with the Greenbelt Station Homeowners Association (HOA) on Monday, August 28. Greenbelt Station was represented by Roseana Gilmore of the Greenbelt Station Master Association and Cornell Lynch of the Greenbelt Station HOA. Greenbelt Station is a nine-year-old community composed of 505 units, including townhouses and condominiums. During the meeting several topics were covered, ranging from public safety to recreation and the arts.

#### **Public Safety**

Concerns expressed by community representatives included

crimes related to vehicles and the stealing of packages. However, Gilmore said there was good communication with the Police Department, which was very responsive to calls. Because of the limited access to the community, a single ramp from Greenbelt Road, Councilmember Judith Davis and Mayor Emmett Jordan suggested that cameras may be useful to record autos entering and leaving the area.

**GNR Info Day** 

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Speeding is another concern even though the roundabouts help to slow traffic. Greenbelt's Department of Planning and Community Development is currently

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In the Same Boat: Greenbelt Gliders, a Cooperative Team

by Torrence Banks

## Another Amazing Labor Day Festival Enjoyed in Greenbelt

Last weekend residents and visitors enjoyed yet another spectacular Labor Day celebration spread over four days in Greenbelt. It marked the 69th Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, one of the largest all-volunteer organized events in the state. The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival was started in 1955 as a way of raising funds to build a Youth Center. It had been held every year since until 2020 when it was cancelled due to the Covid pandemic. In 2021 a smaller-scale Festival was held,







The Greenbelt Gliders rowing team leaves the dock. From left to right: Maria Roldan, Jessica Blacksten, Piri Jenkins, Amy Knesel, Pat Jackson - a kind substitute, Melissa Ehrenreich, Stephanie O'Brien, Corita Waters and coxswain, Amanda, also a substitute.

On a sunny Saturday morning, a regatta - or boat race - on the nine women from Greenbelt traveled to Bladensburg Waterfront teams from the DMV area. Park to partake in a less common form of exercise. Instead of going on a morning run, they hopped in a boat to participate in

Anacostia River against six other

Crew is a sport that allows eight rowers to paddle

See GLIDERS, page 6

without the usual accompanying carnival. Last year, 2022, was the first year back to a full Festival and this year organizers described it as a "banner year."

One of the many highlights is the vibrant Parade. This year's Parade winners reflect the diversity of those marching, from the theatrical musical performances of the Greenbelt Honk! Situation, which encompassed dancing, puppetry, unicycling and plenty of brass to the sweet flowers of Greenbelt Elementary School, "where students grow," the Barbie Dream Home of Town Center Realty, the cheers, pool noodles, barracudas and decorated car of the Greenbelt Swim Team and the fantastic athletic choreography of the Greenbelt S.I.T.Y. Stars and Lady Raiders.

Though they didn't win prizes, many politicians gave an enthusiastic appearance, including Steny



Greenbelt S.I.T.Y. Stars jump rope team wins Best Performing Group at the Labor Day Parade.

Hoyer, who no longer represents Greenbelt due to redistricting but continues to join the Parade each year, Delegate Nicole Williams and Prince George's County Councilmember Ingrid Watson, among others. This election year Parade participants also included Greenbelt City Council challengers Matthew Inzeo and Jenni Pompi.

#### Parade Winners 2023 **Best In Parade**

First Place: The New Deal Café/Greenbelt Honk! Situation won a trophy and top monetary award of \$400.

#### Best in Parade - Fire and Emergency

First Place: Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department (trophy and

\$100 check)

First Runner-up: Prince George's County Community

See **FESTIVAL**, page 12

### What Goes On

Monday, September 11 7:30 p.m., City Council Meeting, Municipal Building Wednesday, September 13 7:30 p.m., Council Worksession: Parke Crest Apartment Complex, Municipal Building

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



Outstanding Citizen 2023 Linda Ivy speaks at the Opening Ceremony after being introduced by Bob Zugby, left. More in next week's issue.

## **Letters to the Editor**

### Public Input on Buddy Attick Park Master Plan

I missed the master plan meeting and have suggestions not mentioned in the article in the August 24 News Review: the health of trees and soil, the addition of squirrel-proof trash cans, fishing-line containers and recycling, a second restroom at the peninsula end and new information signs at the water's edge.

The last few storms have knocked down many trees regardless of storm severity. Many falling trees may indicate poor tree health, soil or too much moisture in the ground. A study should be conducted to determine the cause of falling trees and remedial steps taken to replace trees with those matching the habitat.

I agree with entrance signage and in Spanish, but not trail conduct signs and right of way to pedestrians. My personal experience has been these signs are ignored, and the trail would need to be widened to accommodate lanes and take away from the natural feel of the lake.

I agree trail accessibility is an issue. However, most of the trail is packed down hard and should be accommodating to wheelchairs. There are some areas that need to be graded, require drainage pipes or removal of concrete, paving and roots, but I don't see the need to make the whole trail concrete or pavement. However, I agree to permeable surfaces (like the parking lot sidewalk) from the parking lot to the trail due to erosion from storms and an added trail on the peninsula.

Nice to have: a two-sided bench under the awning where the swing existed, near the bathroom so people can sit while waiting for the bathroom or to use the ball court.

Please take the survey (www.surveymonkey.com/r/ buddyattickpark), there is a comments section at the end of the survey to add whatever comments you have regarding the lake and completion links to the first community meeting PowerPoint.

Kathryn Beard

### Hearing Changes After Festival Possible

I suggest that if you or persons you care about have had ringing in the ears or any other hearing irregularity after Labor Day Festival events, you may want to have your hearing checked.

Bill Norwood

#### Literacy and Fun **For Young Children**

On Friday, September 8 at 10:30 a.m. at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, RUAK (Random Unselfish Acts of Kindness) with Prince George's County Libraries presents engaging lively stories and activities for young children and their caregivers to help build early literacy skills.

This monthly bilingual program is an introduction to reading aloud to children. Afterward, the children can stay and play with balls in the gym. Free children's books and healthy snacks.

Spread the word to friends and families. Libros, Bolas, Burbujas

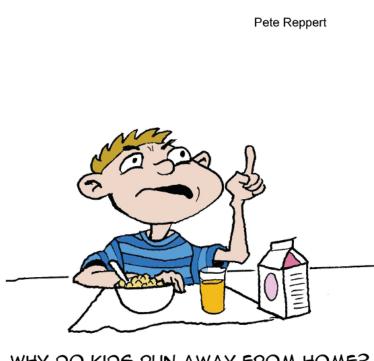
El viernes 8 de septiembre a las 10:30 a.m. en el Centro Recreativo del Lago Springhill, RUAK (Random Acts of Kindness) con el sistema de bibliotecas conmemorativas del condado de Prince George's presentará interesantes historias y actividades animadas para niños pequeños y sus cuidadores para ayudar a desarrollar la educación temprana y habilidades de alfabetización. Este programa bilingue mensual es una introducción a la lectura en voz alta para los niños como una forma de inculcar el amor por la literatura. Después de las lecturas, los niños pueden quedarse a jugar con pelotas en el gimnasio. Libros infantiles gratis! Aperitivos saludables y nutritivos gratis! Corra la voz a amigos y familiares.



The Golden Age Club thanks everyone who baked, bought or sold items at the annual bake sale to help fund scholarships to Camp Pine Tree for Greenbelt youth. The Club made almost 40 percent more than usual. Shown, from left, are Kathy Sciannella (coordinator), Suze Marley and Robin Olson



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WHY DO KIDS RUN AWAY FROM HOME? KALE CEREAL, THAT'S WHY.

- News Review, September 10, 2020

#### **Letters Policy**

Deadline for letters is 6 p.m. Monday. Submission does not guarantee publication. Letters should be no longer than 300 words (shorter letters are more likely to be published).

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.



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#### On Screen at Old Greenbelt Theatre

## My Big Fat Greek Wedding 3 From writer and director Nia Vardalos, the worldwide phenom-

enon My Big Fat Greek Wedding is coming back to theaters with a brand-new adventure 20 years after the first film in the series. Join the Portokalos family as they travel to a family reunion in Greece for a heartwarming and hilarious trip full of love, twists and turns.

## The Adults

Eric (Michael Cera) returns home for a short visit and finds himself caught between reuniting with his sisters and chasing a victory with his old poker group. As the trip extends, he finds it increasingly difficult to avoid confrontations and revelations as his carefully constructed façade of his adulthood gives way to old childhood conflicts. While Maggie (Sophia Lillis) attempts to recreate the intimate world the three of them once shared, Eric and Rachel (Hannah Gross) are faced with the divide between their childhood selves and the adults they are now.

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Thurs. 7:45 PM	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

Regular hours at the Greenbelt Library are Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesdays and Wednesdays, noon to 8 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sundays, 1 to 5 p.m. In case of inclement weather or an emergency, real-time updates to the Library's schedule are posted at pgcmls.info/alerts.

#### Storytimes

Friday, September 8, 11:15 a.m., ages 2 to 3. Register at pgcmls.info/event/8723445.

Monday, September 11, 10:15 a.m., ages newborn to 2. Register at pgcmls.info/event/8723500.

Wednesday, September 13, 12:15 p.m., ages 3 to 5. Register at pgcmls.info/event/8723485. **News Suite** 

The News Suite (pgcmls.info/ news-suite) offers quick and easy access to many national and international newspapers and magazines, including digital editions of The Washington Post and The New York Times.

#### **Cub Scouts Invites** New Members to Join

Greenbelt Cub Scout Pack 202 invites interested families of boys and girls in grades K-5 to their annual Back to Scouting Night on Thursday, September 14 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on the lawn of the Greenbelt Community Church at 1 Hillside Road. There will be games and program information for both new and returning families. Reach out with questions: GreenbeltPack202@gmail.com or check out greenbeltpack202.com.

#### **Senior Nutrition Program Luncheon**

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunch for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at 11 a.m. Meals must be reserved one week ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208 ext. 4215.

Two menu options, one vegetarian, will be offered for each luncheon. All meals, which provide at least one-third of Recommended Dietary Allowances for older adults, include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk.

### **Build Giant Puppets** In Sept. 17 Workshop



Sun puppet in Labor Day Parade

The giant sun puppet, Taiyang, built this summer by Nicole DeWald and the Creative Kids Camp festival arts class, enjoyed mingling with Greenbelters on Monday as she marched with the Greenbelt Honk! Situation band in the Labor Day Parade with the help of volunteers including Chris Corson, Jan Morrow, and Nick and Vanessa Zanin.

The Greenbelt Recreation Arts Program invites community members ages 12 through adult to sign up now for a free giant puppet workshop on Sunday, September 17 to create more giant, backpack puppets in preparation for Greenbelt's annual Wild Rumpus Halloween celebration. Learn more and sign up to create puppets at bit.ly/44e0V3R.

City of Greenbelt arts programs are supported in part by the Maryland State Arts Council. For more program information, visit greenbeltmd.gov/arts.

#### **GIVES Membership** To Meet Sept. 9

GIVES will hold its quarterly membership meeting on Saturday, September 9 from 10 to 11 a.m. in the Community Center, Room 114. Both members and nonmembers are welcome to attend. Come learn about our services.

For more information call 301-507-6580 or email givesoffice@ gmail.com. The office is staffed from 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. every weekday.

#### Poetry in the Garden

The next meeting of Poetry in the Garden is on Sunday, September 10 from 3 to 5 p.m. in Schrom Hills Park (Club House). Bring a poem to share with the group or come to listen and express your thoughts and feelings related to the poems shared. Feel free to invite friends and relatives.

For more information, call Effie at 443-415-1053.

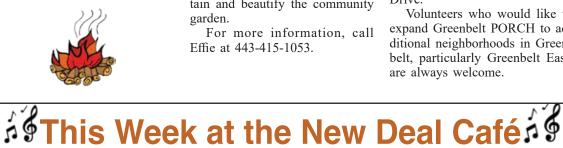
#### **Campfire Programs** At Greenbelt Park

Saturday, September 9, 7 p.m: Greenbelt Park will host a free campfire program, The birth and origins of Greenbelt Park. Built in conjunction with the Baltimore-Washington Parkway, which bisects the park, Greenbelt Park offers a natural suburban oasis just 10 miles from downtown D.C. Developed during the National Park Service, Mission '66 initiative. Greenbelt Park has welcomed visitors seeking a green refuge for hiking, picnicking and camping buffered from the bustle of its urban surroundings.

Saturday, September 16, 7 p.m: Stories from the Road and Live Music with Bob Reilly and Joe Goulait. Come to the campfire to hear a storyteller-musician sing songs of travel and the experience of the open road. Reilly and Goulait will offer their folklore of travelling and the songs that make the trip an enjoyable experience.

Saturday, September 23, 7 p.m: The History and Extinction of the Passenger Pigeon: Where did the birds go? Ranger John explores the history of the Passenger Pigeon.

Saturday, September 30, 7 p.m: Cold War Defenses of Washington: How did Washington, D.C., defend the nation's capital during the Cold War?



#### **Chess Club to Meet On September 11**

The Greenbelt Chess Club will meet on Monday, September 11 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the New Deal Café. All ages and skill levels are welcome. Teaching will be provided as needed.

443-415-1053.

#### Student Volunteer **Opportunities at NASA**

The NASA Goddard Visitor Center has in-person volunteer opportunities for high school students this school year. Students will help with afterschool and weekend programs, provide demonstrations and interact with visitors. If interested, email Amanda Harvey, visitor center program coordinator, at amanda.c.harvey@ nasa.gov by Monday, September 25 at 5 p.m. with your name, age and grade, as well as a short paragraph describing why you would be interested in volunteering. Students should anticipate a virtual interview and, if selected for the volunteer program, will need to be available for a required training session on Saturday, October 7, at 2 p.m.

#### **Come to Blues Festival On Saturday, Sept. 16**

The 20th Anniversary of the Greenbelt Blues Festival is on Saturday, September 16, from 11:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. at Roosevelt Center. Come out and enjoy an afternoon of great Blues Music.

#### **Schrom Hills Garden Needs Volunteers**

Three Sisters Garden in Schrom Hills Park is in urgent need of volunteers to help maintain and beautify the community garden.

For more information, call Effie at 443-415-1053.

#### Seniors Host Open Forum September 23

On Saturday, September 23 from 1 to 2:30 p.m., the Greenbelt Senior Citizens Advisory Committee will hold its annual open forum. It will be an inperson meeting held in the Com-For more details, call Effie at munity Center, 15 Crescent Road, Room 201. No registration is required. Greenbelters of all ages are invited to share what they like about living in Greenbelt and their concerns and issues throughout the community. The group reports the main comments from this open forum to the city council. Council, the Police Department and the Public Works Department have been invited to attend to give direct feedback to the attendees.

> For more information call 301-397-2200.

#### Greenbelt PORCH, An Answer to Hunger

Greenbelt PORCH collects donations of nonperishable food and hygiene products for the local food pantry. To participate, contact Robert Goldberg-Strassler at spreadruak@gmail.com with your address by noon on the scheduled monthly pickup date. Leave donations, marked RUAK or PORCH, by the front door visible from the street. Make sure that donated items have not passed their expiry dates.

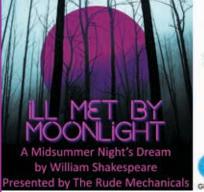
#### September pickup schedule:

Sunday, September 10, by 11 a.m. for 1-8 Courts Ridge, 1-8 Courts Crescent and 1-2 Courts Westway; by 4 p.m. for Boxwood Village and PAL (including former Woodland Hill donors)

Saturday, September 23, by 10 a.m. for 14 and 15 Courts Laurel Hill

Sunday, September 24, by 4 p.m. for 9, 11, 12 and 13 Courts Ridge; by 5 p.m. for Lakeside Drive

Volunteers who would like to expand Greenbelt PORCH to additional neighborhoods in Greenbelt, particularly Greenbelt East, are always welcome.



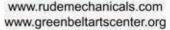
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#### THIS WEEK on GATe . Your Community Access Station

Featured Film (9am, 3pm, and 8pm)

#### Too Late For Tears (1949)

What would you do if you found a suitcase full of money? This film noir / crime drama explores the possibilities... and the consequences! Starring Lizabeth Scott, Arthur Kennedy, Dan Duryea, and Don DeFore.

#### New This Month

#### HUG Walk 2023 PSA

Join Robert Goldberg-Strassler and friends on October 15th for the annual HUG (Help Unite Greenbelt) Walk. We're going to bridge the gap between Greenbelt West, East, and Center!

All this and more on the GATe channel this week! Check greenbeltaccessty.org for the full broadcast schedule, and visit Greenbelt Access Television on YouTube for new video productions

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TH 9/07	FRI 9/08		SAT 9/09		SUN 9/10	
Wolf's Blues Show and Sit-In Jam 6:30-10pm A big, bodacious boogie blues jam You never know wl will show up!	PETER REPPERT, 6 Mama Moon &	-7:30P The rs	DEMOCRATIC OF AMERIC The Rous 8-11p If you think the blues, th	A, 1-3pm tabouts om you know	DEAF BRUNCH* 10:30-12pm Tex Rubinowitz 6-8pm A true DC rockabilly legend and NDC fav!	
MON 9/11	TUES 9/12	V	VED 9/13	ТН 9/	14	MON - FRI
MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION NIGHT 4-9pm Chess Club, 6-8pm	Open Mic w/ Tom Gleason 7-9:30pm SIGN UP AT 6:30pm Express Yourself!	Eli Lev 7-9pm Rising singer- songwriter with songs for everyday enlightenment		Big Howdy 7-9pm Multiple award- winning progressive bluegrass		Happy Hour 4-7pm \$1.00 off beer and wine
Join or renew your membership. Go to www.newdealcafe.com, click on "ABOUT", then "BECOME A MEMBER OR RENEW."						

\* For more information on these and other events, visit the NDC CALENDAR page on our website. FUNDING FOR THESE ADS COURTESY OF A GENEROUS DONOR.

Sympathy to the family and

The News Review joins the

friends of George Jackson, who

was killed in a dirt bike accident

City of Greenbelt in congratulat-

ing Dawane Martinez, director of

human resources, on his recent

commissioning as an ensign (Re-

stricted Line Human Resources

Officer) with the United States

who died in August.

last weekend.

## **Obituaries**

#### Genevieve lacovazzi

Genevieve "Jenny" Iacovazzi died at the age of 80 in August 2023. Jenny's life leaves a legacy of kindness, compassion, conscientiousness, generosity and a strong faith in God.

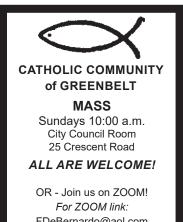
Jenny was born and grew up on a family farm in upstate New York near the Finger Lakes, with Italian immigrant parents and three older sisters. She married and moved to other states, settling in Florida for over 50 years. Jenny was a homemaker during the first third of her adult life, supporting and caring for her husband and their only child.

After being divorced in middle age, Jenny worked as a bookkeeper by day and attended college by night to earn a bachelor's degree in accounting, being first in her immediate family to earn a college degree. This helped her secure long-term employment at Tri-County Transit in Orlando (now Lynx). She earned a second bachelor's degree in business administration.

Jenny enjoyed her loving family and friends, her purrific cats, traveling, Bible study, quilting and sewing, water aerobics, line dancing, volunteering at the Orlando Shakespeare Theater and walking. Jenny volksmarched on 10-kilometer walks with her daughter and daughter-in-law. Her travels led her to visit and hike in many parts of the U.S.

Jenny moved to live with her daughter and daughter-in-law in Greenbelt in February. She enjoyed St. Hugh of Grenoble Catholic Church, Greenbelt Community Church's Zoom Bible Study Group, Gifts from the Heart, Golden Age Club, Senior Nutrition Program, Club 300 walking club and water aerobics.

Although fiercely independent, Jenny cared for the needs of her community, volunteering many hours of her time while in Florida. As a leader in the



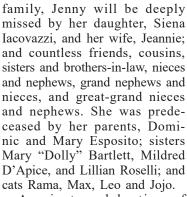


**Genevieve Iacovazzi** 

Council of Catholic Women, she organized an effort to collect bottle caps to buy wheelchairs for people who could not afford them and raised money for kids in domestic violence living situations. She performed with line dance troupes to encourage older people to exercise in a fun way. She cofounded an interfaith Community Bible Study, and was an active member for two decades.

What is most remembered about Jenny was her presence, the kindness and sparkle in her eyes, and her warm smile.

As the matriarch of a large



A private celebration of Jenny's life was held in Greenbelt. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Jenny Iacovazzi's name to the Alzheimer's Association, National Parks Conservation Association, Sierra Club or other charities. To share a memory or make a donation, visit Jenny's tribute page at Gary L. Kaufman Funeral Home: dignitymemorial.com/ obituaries/elkridge-md/genevieveiacovazzi-11408335.



"All religious, racial, patriotic and political prejudice must be abandoned, for these are the destroyers of the real foundation of humanity." - 'Abdu'l-Bahá Greenbelt Bahá'í Community www.greenbeltbahais.org



Our Neighbors

Over recent weeks we joined the Greenbelt community in hoping Mariame Toure Sylla could be found and now share in the deep sadness at the news of her murder. Mariame Sylla was a beloved teacher, sister, mother, colleague and friend. We offer our condolences to her family and the Dora Kennedy School community of teachers, administrators, students and families who are grieving her loss.

Condolences to the family, friends and fellow parishioners of Jenny Iacovazzi, a recent but involved resident of Greenbelt

From left: new ensign Dawane Martinez, Greenbelt Mayor Emmett Jordan, Mayor Bennard Cann of the Town of Morningside and Greenbelt Councilmember **Kristen Weaver** 

Send details of your news to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com.

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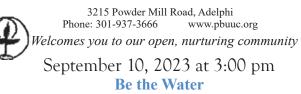
## Mishkan Torah Congregation

10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 Rabbi Saul Oresky, Cantor Phil Greenfield

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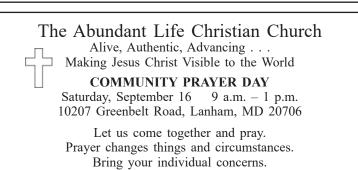
#### Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church



Rev. Ann Kadlecek with Worship Associate Lula Beatty

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  - Sat vigil 5pm\*
  - Sun 8am, 9:30am,11am
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## City Information & Events

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

#### GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR MEETING Monday, September 11, 2023 at 7:30 pm

ORGANIZATION

Call to Order Roll Call Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag **Appointment to City Council** Petitions and Requests Consent Agenda - Approval of Staff Recommendation

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

#### COMMUNICATIONS

#### Presentations

- Oath of Office City Manager Josue Salmeron
- Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center Lifeguards
- National Public Lands Day Proclamation
- National Hispanic Heritage Month Proclamation
- \* Minutes of Council Meetings
- Administrative Reports
- \* Committee Reports
- \* Forest Preserve Advisory Board Report #2023-05 Proposal to Close and Reroute Trail Section Along Goddard Branch

#### LEGISLATION

- A Resolution to Authorize the Negotiated Purchase of Certain Goods and Servies from Various Vendors as Enumerated Herein When Total Fiscal Year Purchases from Each Vendor Exceed Ten Thousand Dollars; - 2nd Reading, Adoption

- A Resolution of the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, providing for a Referendum to be held at the Regular Municipal Election on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, to submit to the Voters of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, the Question of Amending the City Charter and Code to Allow Voting by Resident Noncitizens for City Elections; 2nd Reading, Adoption

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- Maglev MDE Water Quality Certification Request and Project Update
- Greenbelt Forest Preserve Master Trail Plan
- National Capital Planning Commission Referral on Bureau of
- Engraving Printing Relocation to BARC
- Reallocation of ARPA Funds
- Council Activities
- Council Reports
- \* Meetings \* Stakeholders
- \* Deannointment to
- \* Reappointment to Advisory Board/Committee
- \* Resignation From Advisory Group

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.

#### **MEETINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 11-15**

Wednesday, September 13 at 7:30 pm, WORK SESSION - PARKE CRESCENT APARTMENT COMPLEX

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. 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 <u>www.greenbeltmd.gov/calendar</u>.

#### CITY ELECTION INFORMATION VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR CITY ELECTION OCTOBER 9, 2023

Greenbelt residents are reminded that to participate in the 2023 City Council election—whether as a voter, a candidate for City Council, or a signer of a petition for a candidate—you must be qualified to vote in Prince George's

#### MEET & GREET WITH YOUR NEW CITY MANAGER! Tuesday, September 12, at 6 pm

Join us for an exclusive opportunity to meet our dynamic new City Manager Josue Salmeron. Tuesday, September 12 at 6 pm at the Municipal Building in the Council Chambers.

Light refreshments will be served.



EARLY AND MAIL-IN VOTING ANY REGISTERED GREENBELT VOTER MAY CHOOSE TO VOTE BY EARLY VOTING or VOTE BY MAIL-IN NO MORE EXCUSES!

**EARLY VOTING:** Any qualified voter of the City of Greenbelt may choose to vote by EARLY VOTING.

#### EARLY VOTING DATES AND LOCATIONS

**Greenbelt Community Center** – (15 Crescent Road) Saturday, November 4th, 10 am – 3 pm and Sunday, November 5th, 10 am – 3 pm

Schrom Hills Park Clubhouse – (6915 Hanover Parkway) Saturday, November 4th, 10 am – 3 pm and Sunday, November 5th, 10 am – 3 pm

Springhill Lake Recreation Center – (6101 Cherrywood Lane) Saturday, November 4th, 10 am – 3 pm and Sunday, November 5th, 10 am – 3 pm

**VOTING BY MAIL:** Any qualified voter of the City of Greenbelt may choose to vote by MAIL-IN BALLOT.

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Military service members, their families, and other U.S. citizens abroad who are covered under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act may also use the Federal Post Card Application (http://www.fvap.gov) to request an absentee ballot for City election.

Applications to receive mail-in ballot must be received by noon on **Monday**, **November 6, 2023**. We encourage you to return your application (by mail or in-person) as soon as possible.

Return your executed mail-in ballot by

- Sending it through the U.S. mail in time to arrive by November 6,
   Hand-delivering it to the City Clerk's office, or
- 3) Placing it into one of the three drop-box locations above.

Questions? Call the City Clerk at (301) 474-8000, or send email to <u>banderson@greenbeltmd.gov</u>.

#### CITY ELECTION INFORMATION ELECTION CLERKS NEEDED

The City of Greenbelt Board of Elections is seeking several residents who would be willing to serve as election officials on November 7, 2023, from 6 am until about 9 pm. Clerks must also attend a training session on November 6 from 7 pm until about 9 pm.

This is a rewarding experience for anyone who is interested in the political process and would like to play an active role in the local election. There is a stipend of \$175 plus a training fee of \$25.

There may also be a need for additional clerks to count mail-in and early voting ballots. This job would entail working for three to four hours in the late afternoon/early evening of November 7. No preliminary training is necessary. The pay for mail-in and early voting ballot clerks is \$50.

Application forms are available on City's website www.greenbeltmd.gov.and

#### GREENBELT CITY CALENDAR

Be sure to check out the City calendar for all up to date events at greenbeltmd.gov/calendar.

#### CURRENT CARES PROGRAMS

CARES is happy to provide the following programs FREE of charge this fall: Emergency Diaper Program, Nursing Program, My Groceries to Go, Powerful Tools for Caregivers Series, Assistance in Lowering Household Expenses, Stress Surfing, PEACE Program, Generational Legacy Planning, Dealing with Behavioral Issues of Dementia Seminar, and Staging Cognitive Decline.

For descriptions and links visit <u>www.</u> greenbeltmd.gov/CARESprograms.

#### BUDDY ATTICK PARK MASTER PLAN COMMUNITY SURVEY

The City of Greenbelt would like your participation to help determine priorities for improvements to Buddy Attick Park. Your input will help guide City staff in planning and managing the park well into the future. This survey should take approximately 5 minutes to complete and is available in both Spanish and English.





#### **GREENBELT ARTS**

LEARN HOW TO RUG-HOOK with artist Judith Kornett Saturdays, September 16 & 23 10 am - 2 pm

Activity #453204-1: R: \$95, NR: \$105 Greenbelt Community Center Registration Info: https://bit.ly/3OGrNDW.

Visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts

#### CITY ELECTION INFORMATION Nominations for 2023 Regular City Election

In accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter, a regular election will be held in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, to elect the seven members of the City Council.

Any qualified voter of the City may be nominated for the office of Member of Council upon filing a nomination petition with the City Clerk (signed by not fewer than 50 Greenbelt resident voters), a written acceptance of the nomination, and other statements that are required by the City Charter or by law. Required forms and information are available at 25 Crescent Road, beginning Monday, August 21, from 8:30 am until 4:30 pm.

NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM MONDAY, AUGUST 21 THROUGH TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2023.

County.

To register, you must:

- · Be a citizen of the United States of America
- Be at least 16 years of age
- Be domiciled within the corporate limits of the City of Greenbelt as of the date of registration
- Not have been convicted of a felony, or if you have, you have completed serving a court-ordered sentence of imprisonment, including any term of parole or probation for the conviction
- · Not be under guardianship for mental disability

#### VOTER REGISTRATION

For information about registering to vote in Prince George's County, contact the County Board of Elections at 301-430-8020 or visit www.elections.state. md.us. Forms for voter registration and address and name change are available on the city website, <u>www.greenbeltmd.gov</u>.

All forms must be received by the County Board of Elections in Upper Marlboro **no later than 4:30 pm, Monday, October 9**.

For additional information, contact Bonita Anderson, City Clerk at (301) 474-8000 or <u>elections@greenbeltmd.gov</u>.

If you are already registered to vote in Prince George's County but have moved or changed your name since the last election, you must complete an application to have this information changed. \*\*This can also be done online at <u>www.elections.state.md.us</u>.

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#### CITY ELECTION INFORMATION Dates & Deadlines for 2023 City Council Elections

First day to receive papers and file nomination petition	8/21			
Last day to file nomination petition (5 pm)	9/26			
Date of drawing for placement on ballot (7:30 pm)				
First interim Campaign Contributions & Expenditures Report (by 12 pm)				
First day to send out mail-in ballots	10/06			
Last day to register to vote (must be received by 4:30 pm in Upper Marlboro)	10/09			
Second interim Campaign Contributions & Expenditures Report (by 12 pm)	10/27			
Early voting begins	11/04			
Training session for election judges and clerks	11/06			
Election (7 am - 8 pm)	11/07			
Mail-in ballots must be received (by 6 pm)	11/07			
Final Campaign Contributions & Expenditures Report (12 pm)	11/10			
Charter meeting for swearing-in (7:30 pm)	11/13			
For additional information, contact Bonita Anderson, City Clerk, at (301) 474-8000 or email <u>banderson@greenbeltmd.gov</u> .				

do encourage others who are

interested in learning to row to

consider doing the program. "The

Washington Rowing School is perfect for beginners," Knesel

said. "Coach Cindy Cole was an

incredible instructor and endlessly patient. It's great for beginners as

well as people who have rowed

## GLIDERS continued from page 1

cooperatively in one boat, with each person having their own oar. An additional person, called a coxswain, sits at the back of the boat facing the rowers and gives them steering instructions. The coxswain has a rudder and steers with their hands.

"There are oars on one side of the boat and there are oars on the other side of the boat," said Melissa Ehrenreich, a member of the Greenbelt Gliders. "And if you're not all rowing together, it's as if you only have one person rowing."

The event was part of the Washington Rowing School's Community Challenge program, which offered DMV residents free rowing classes starting on July 29 and culminated with a regatta on August 26. During the weeks leading up to the race, participants had the opportunity to practice four days a week.

"It's really an opportunity for people who have either never gotten in a boat, or who want to get back in a boat," Ehrenreich said. "It also [allows] people to engage their neighbors in being in a boat together."

#### Forming a Team

Greenbelt resident Amy Knesel received an email from the rowing school regarding this year's community challenge and thought that it would be a great opportunity for herself and some of her friends. She then created a Facebook post and asked around, successfully locating more women from Greenbelt who wanted to participate in the program. "When they brought up this idea of a month-long rowing challenge, it seemed like a perfect fit for some of my Greenbelt friends," Knesel said.

Several of the Greenbelt Gliders members had a connection to rowing before participating in the Community Challenge. Team member Corita Waters rowed when she was a student at St. Mary's College. Her fond memories of the camaraderie and being on the water made her eager to participate in the challenge.

"I love being out on the water, but having other people from Greenbelt, we carpool together," Waters said. "And that really helps that outward motivation of [knowing] someone else is driving down there and getting up at 5 a.m. to head down to the river."



Members of the Greenbelt Gliders crew team participate in Washington Rowing School's Community Challenge. From left, Piri Jenkins, Melissa Ehrenreich, Corita Waters, Amy Knesel, Jessica Blacksten, Amanda (substitute coxswain), Pat Jackson (substitute), Maria Roldan and Stephanie O'Brien. Team members not pictured: Gisela Bardossy and Lei Zong.

Jessica Blacksten of the Greenbelt Gliders attended a rowing interest meeting in high school. However, after she was told that she would have to be the coxswain, she decided to play soccer instead. "They normally put really small people there [as a coxswain]," Blacksten said, recalling the situation. "And I was really small, and the rowers are the people that are like 6 feet tall. So, at 5 feet 3 [inches], they were not going to put me in a boat, not even the lightweight boat."

Piri Jenkins did not previously row but her husband's family is really into the sport. His uncle was a part of the 1980 U.S. Olympic rowing team. "I've just heard so much about rowing,' Jenkins said. "And I was really trying to get my husband to sign up, but he wouldn't."

#### The Regatta

The race started with three heats, or groups, of two boats each being sent out about 20 minutes apart, starting at 8 a.m. The first-place teams from the different heats were then grouped for one semifinal race and the second-place teams were grouped for another. The two fastest boats from the first semifinal and the winner of the second semifinal were then placed in a grand final round.

A team comprised of residents from D.C., Alexandria and Arlington won the challenge. While the Greenbelt Gliders were eliminated in the semifinals, the team members were happy about their performance.

"Considering it was the first time that all of us on that boat had rowed together, we did a really good job," Knesel said after the race. "We could have done better." Jenkins added, "I think my favorite part is being out on the water. We saw a whole bunch of egrets today and ducks and it was beautiful."

#### Making Rowing Accessible

This is the 11th year that the Washington Rowing School has offered the Community Challenge. Cindy Cole, founder of the school, said that the sport was once more popular. However, accessibility has made it another regatta next year, they a challenge for more people to participate. She buys used equipment for people who live near the boathouse to use.

"Not everybody has waterways and boathouses that they can access to do this sport," Cole said. "So, it has evolved."

While the Greenbelt Gliders aren't sure if they'll compete in

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before.'

collecting traffic data to develop further remedies. Also discussed was the lack of parking, although the creation of one-way streets has helped with this and elicited positive feedback from the community.

#### Recreation

Greenbelt Station representatives were concerned about the lack of recreational areas for young adults and children. Councilmember Kristen Weaver noted that the Recreation and Public Works departments assisted in the community's summer party on June 10 and will likely help in future events including an outdoor movie and a Halloween party.

Davis mentioned that Greenbelt Recreation's mobile van is a way to provide activities for youth. In addition, plans are moving forward with installing shaded seating areas in the Central Park.

Rentals

There was some discussion

around students renting in the community and the issues that raises. Currently, about 17 percent of the homes have been licensed by the city for rental. However, some councilmembers cautioned that too many rental units may affect the ability to receive home loans. Representatives commented that there are no rules in the Greenbelt Station HOA bylaws limiting the number of rental units, and changing the bylaws is an onerous task.

#### WMATA Trail

There was also a conversation regarding the status of a trail that will connect the Greenbelt Station community to the Greenbelt Metro Station. This project is affected by the possible future FBI headquarters because if it is built, its placement plays a role in where the trail would be located. Unfortunately, a decision regarding the location of the FBI facility has not yet been made, preventing the trail project from moving ahead.





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Mike Westcott Band

MC: Katy Gaughan

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#### Afterwards in the New Deal Cafe:

#### Still Standing Featuring Linwood Taylor & Big Boy Little

with Wolf Crescenze & Joe Wells

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New Deal Cafe • Friends of New Deal Cafe Arts (FONDCA) with support from the City of Greenbelt BluesinMD • Soundscenes • Greenbelt Honk Situation Atomic Music • East Coast Drums • Beltway Plaza Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation



Eli Lev, born Justin Lev, hails

from Boonsboro, Md. He's a

unique musician, captivating audi-

ences far and wide. On Wednes-

day, September 13 he'll bring his

soulful melodies and passionate

lyrics to the New Deal Café. Lev

last performed at the New Deal

in 2019 and is looking forward

to returning for what will be

the release show for his upcom-

ing single That Universal Song,

which will be released the same

has had the opportunity to shape

his career on his own terms. "I

don't feel like I'm in the music

industry," he said. "As an inde-

pendent artist, I am doing my

own thing on my own timing." Lev does not have a manager or

a record label. But like musicians

who sign to record labels, Lev

still has a strong fanbase. "I have

a community called the 'Levitat-

ers' and we are our own feedback

system," he said. The community

inspires and supports him as he

continues to create and connect

Lev's music goes beyond the

stage, with participatory music

videos that invite listeners to be-

come part of the storytelling. His

next EP, Present Journey, reflects

his deep introspection and obser-

vation of how the world interacts

and reacts to itself, according

to Lev, hinting at the depth and

with his audience.

As an independent artist, Lev

day.



To observe the original purpose of Labor Day at the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, the DC Labor Chorus conducted a sing-along to a packed house at the New Deal Café on Labor Day. The Chorus, made up of both active and retired singers from various unions, sang and led the audience in songs, some in Spanish, focusing on fair livable wages and working conditions, as well as peace, justice, equity and inclusion.

#### <u>Point of View</u>

## Troubles of the New Deal Café: Clarification of Some Points

#### by Michael Hartman

As president of the New Deal Café, I am writing to clarify some of the points that were highlighted in the News Review article about the Café's open board meeting on August 28.

The New Deal Café is in financial peril and without a steady revenue stream, we are at risk of having to close. We have been fortunate in the past to have such a generous community response, but without a new business plan in place that responds to our current situation, we are at risk of being back where we are today in 6 to 12 months.

The board is proposing multiple actions to generate direct and fixed revenue to support the Café's current operations. Some of these ideas may go against the way the "Café's always done it" but the way we've been doing it just isn't working anymore.

Covid changed everything, from labor, food, logistics, etc. Those changes come with increased costs. Other costs include rent, utilities, equipment maintenance and replacement. These must be borne by "someone." In the past, that "someone" has always been the Café. In the current contract with the Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative (Co-op), they have borne those expenses.

The Café has borne the costs of operating our music and arts programming. These costs now include the rent, as well as salary for our music coordinator, licensing that allows our bands to perform copyrighted songs and longterm debt that was incurred to most important is our music. Where else can you go see a live music show in the D.C. area for free? Well, it is #3 that we need to build upon. Whether that is tickets for events, a cover charge or a nominal fee charged on transactions, we need to at bare minimum allow the music to support itself.

It is our goal to provide a sustainable business model that will carry us through until we can successfully hire a new food vendor.

These changes may come as a shock to our community but as with anything different, we feel that our community will adjust with the change and find it beneficial.

The Café will work through the options on the table during September and aim to announce and implement a change on October 1.

We will then use October 1 to January 31 to evaluate the effectiveness of the new revenue model, the community impact and its sustainability moving forward.

This also buys us some muchneeded relief while we and the Co-op consider the evolving financial situation.

It also allows the Café, if the board finds it is preferable, to search, negotiate and award a contract with a new food vendor moving forward.

The Café will not survive without a fixed income business plan, and reactionary community fundraising is not a business plan. We do want to continue to raise funds, offer galas and community festivals, but these funds should be used for "improving" the Café and its offerings to the community, not just to keep the lights on. As an example of the Café's current efforts, we are planning a first-time ticketed "Masquer-AID the Café" Ball on October 14 and offering sponsorships as well as tickets on our website at newdealcafe.com/cafeball.

## Musician Eli Lev to Perform At the New Deal Café Sept. 13

#### by Ruby Roane

thoughtfulness that fans can expect.

As a musician, Lev cherishes the interactions with his audience and the personal impact of his songs. "I like the interactions and to see the songs affect them personally," he said. His songwriting process is deeply rooted in everyday life, as he explained. "I'm listening to everything around me and am connected to how people are responding."

#### Pandemic Impact

The Covid pandemic brought challenges for musicians worldwide and Lev was no exception. "It had a lot of impact on my career, my shows were canceled," said Lev. Like many artists, he had to find ways to adapt. "In shifting my business, I started live streaming," he said. "People needed to feel connected and that's how we could."

Live streaming not only became a way for Lev to share his music but became a way for him to engage with his audience on a personal level. "It's been a way for me to connect with people and to see how their week is going," he said. He believes in the power of music to unite and uplift others.

Looking toward the future, Lev said, "My long-term goals are to just keep going." His inspiration for music often comes from unexpected places like the

### \*\*\*DEADLINE EXTENDED\*\*\* CALL for POETS and VISUAL ARTISTS: Ekphrastic Fantastic Art Show

FONDCA (Friends of New Deal Café Arts) is seeking submissions for the show Ekphrastic Fantastic, which is scheduled to be displayed from October 30, 2023, to January 8, 2024, at New Deal Café!

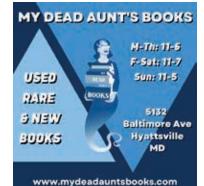
Have you written a poem that lends itself to interpretation in a painting or drawing? Have you created a painting or drawing that would inspire a poet to write a companion piece? This might be the show for you!

We are seeking 15 artists and 15 poets to create pieces for this show.

Here's how it works: poets and artists interested in participating submit a poem or a drawing or painting. We'll select 15 poems and 15 paintings or drawings from the submissions. Each poem will be assigned to a visual artist and each piece of visual art will be assigned to a poet for creation of a new piece in response. Identities of the poets and artists will be secret until the show is hung. vast valleys of New Mexico or the bustling cities of Spain.

"What I am about is acceptance and that there is a place for you," he emphasized. Lev's journey as a musician is about fostering connections and sharing meaningful stories with the world.





## Scan for Kim's latest listing info





Kim Kash

keep the Café from permanently shutting down during the worst of the pandemic and allowing us to reopen when it was safe to do so.

However, to continue to serve the community and act as the "living room," we are going to need to look toward our guests to help keep this model alive. After all, to enjoy a living room, one has to pay rent or a mortgage and pay utilities.

The Café does have three key "assets" that we own and need to leverage properly. 1) We have our awesome community, whom we know we can count on. 2) We have our name, which just won first place in Washington City Paper's 2023 Best of DC for Best Place to Experience Local Music and Best Place to Have Dinner with Live Music, plus additional recognition for Best Jazz/ Blues Venue, Best Neighborhood Music Series and more. 3) The Michael Hartman is president of the New Deal Café.

Please send submissions to julieawinters@verizon.net by Saturday, September 9. Poems should be sent as Word documents. For visual art, please send a good-quality photograph of the piece, along with title, dimensions, and description (mixed media, watercolor, pencil, etc.). Participants will receive confirmation of selection and assignment of pieces for creation of new art/poetry by September 11; the deadline for the new pieces is October 23. Realtor® m 301.789.6294 kim.kash@compass.com

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#### **Identifying Landon**

Around 9:30 p.m. on July 31 a witness saw a man dumping something from his white pickup truck at the park in Clinton and then cleaning his hands in the pond, police shared. The witness took a photo and reported the incident to police. Surveillance video from the park confirmed the presence of the pickup truck and revealed the driver turned off the headlights as he drove toward the pond. Cellphone records place Landon at the park in Clinton around 9:30 p.m. on Monday, July 31 and at Schrom Hills Park around 7 p.m. on Saturday, July 29, when Sylla was thought to be walking there. Police say he has also been identified in the photo and surveillance video by people who know him. Power tools, including a reciprocating saw, were found at his residence in University Park.

Landon has several previous arrests, including for domestic violence. Records show there was a previous restraining order from May this year, related to domestic violence, that included the surrender of firearms, though it was dismissed at the request of the petitioner nine days later. He is currently incarcerated on further domestic violence charges, to which the charges of first- and second-degree murder have now been added.

#### Chance

So much in this case seems to have come down to chance. With no evidence Landon knew Sylla, it appears to have been chance that he was at Schrom Hills Park as she took her regular nightly walk. Ricardo Dennis of Greenbelt Police Department told the News Review of his dismay that the beloved teacher's murder was likely a random event, in which she was walking at the wrong time, in the wrong place.

It was also chance that helped bring murder charges against Landon, who was already incarcerated, arrested by Greenbelt Police on unrelated charges. A witness happened to be working late that evening. A smoker, he went outside for a cigarette at the exact time he would see something being dumped by the pond.

The case also highlighted the importance of assistance from the community, something Greenbelt police had been calling for. One tip that was called in turned out to be unrelated to the Sylla case but helped solve another crime. "We're thankful for the break in this case," said Dennis, who



On Friday, September 1, police announced they had identified the remains of Mariame Sylla, who taught at Dora Kennedy **French Immersion in Greenbelt** for 17 years.

an educator. She joined Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) in 2006, when she taught for a year at Robert Goddard Montessori School before joining the Dora Kennedy school the following year. "She was passionate about teaching French and maintaining high standards for students. We will miss her caring personality, beautiful smile and helpful spirit," said Principal Spence.

In Greenbelt's Labor Day Parade on Monday the Prince George's County Educators' Association handed out black and red ribbons in awareness of murder victims and drove a car with a sign saying, "In Memory of Mme. Mariame Toure Sylla."

"We are devastated that she was taken from us in such a heinous way," said the school's PTA. "We stand with her family - both blood-related and her family of educators and friends. As we process what this means for us all, let us continue to pray for one another, to show kindness and respect to one another and to support those in their suffering."

As students at the Greenbelt

K-8 school return after the long Labor Day weekend, the school will have a support team of psychologists and school counselors ready to assist students and staff in dealing with the news and working through their grief. "We anticipate no less than 20-30 professional school counselors, crisis personnel and division-level administrators" to be at the school on Tuesday, said a letter from Spence on Monday. The support personnel will be available for counseling and to cover classes as needed. An announcement from the school said counseling will be available as long as necessary.

The funeral prayer for Madame Sylla has been scheduled for Friday, September 8 at 1:45 p.m. at the Divanet Center of America (Turkish Mosque) at 9610 Good Luck Road in Lanham. On Monday, Spence said he anticipated modifications to normal instruction at the school but didn't yet have a definitive plan.

The school had requested permission from PGCPS to make Friday an asynchronous virtual day for staff and students so they would not need to be present in their classrooms or online during the services for Sylla. On Tuesday evening the PTA announced that the request for a virtual day had been denied. "Our community has spent the last month tirelessly searching for, praying for and bringing awareness to the disappearance of our beloved Mme. Sylla. The devastation felt by her colleagues when they were informed of her heinous murder is palpable. The heartbreak of her students who canvassed neighborhoods and distributed flyers in hopes of bringing her home is overwhelming," said an announcement from the PTA. "We believe that one of the most benevolent acts the county could take to truly show solidarity with our staff and community would be to allow them this one day to honor their friend and mourn her loss.'

## Dirt Bike Passenger George Jackson, 22, Killed in Collision

The Prince George's County Police Department's Collision Analysis and Reconstruction Unit is investigating a fatal collision involving a dirt bike on Monday, August 28 in Lanham. The deceased passenger on the dirt bike is 22-year-old George Jackson of Greenbelt.

On August 28, at approximate-8:45 p.m., officers responded to the area of Lanham Severn Road and Main Street.

The preliminary investigation

#### GILA, Bahá'ís Offer **Local Dialogue Series**

The Bahá'í Community is teaming with Greenbelt Interfaith Leadership Association (GILA) to offer Sacred Ground (episcopalchurch.org/sacred-ground/about), a free 11-session film-based series of dialogue circles on race and faith. Registration is open. The time and place for meetings, and whether they will be by Zoom or in person, will be decided collaboratively by registrants.

The idea to offer the series originated with the August 21 Reel and Meal showing of the film Traces of the Trade: A Story from the Deep North, which details the discovery by filmmaker Katrina Browne that her Rhode Island ancestors ran a major international slave-trading business in the 1800s. Browne now lives in Takoma Park, and was present at the New Deal Café to moderate the discussion. She introduced the Sacred Ground series which she herself developed for the Episcopal Church. The Episcopalians now offer the curriculum free for any faith-based organization that forms a group of participants.

To register interest in joining the local Sacred Ground dialogue circle or to ask questions, email Jim Fischer at jfischer2@verizon. net.

revealed the involved car was heading eastbound on Lanham Severn Road and the dirt bike traveling westbound. As the car's driver attempted to make a left turn onto Main Street, his car and the dirt bike collided. The dirt-bike rider and the passenger, Jackson, were both transported to a hospital. Jackson died a short time later. The dirt-bike rider suffered serious injuries. The driver and passenger in the involved car were not injured.

#### **Church to Honor First Responders Sept. 17**

Greenbelt Community Church (GCC) is planning a special church service to honor Greenbelt's first responders to be held on Sunday, September 17 at 10:15 a.m. A reception with light refreshments will be served immediately following the church service.

GCC's Reverend Clara Young and congregants want to express appreciation for the hard work that individuals working with the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad and Greenbelt Police Department do to keep community members out of harm's way. These individuals put their lives on the line to keep us safe and protected each and every day of the year.

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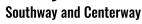
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believed more information would be forthcoming as the murder case continues, led now by Prince George's County police.

**Community Grieves** Sylla was a 17-year veter-









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## **Police Blotter**

Incidents reported here occurred August 28 - September 4, 2023. Readers are encouraged to contact the police if they have information that may aid in an enquiry. Call the non-emergency number 301-474-7200 or email pd@greenbeltmd.gov. Times provided are when the incidents were reported.

Greenbelt Police Department reported three domestic disputes, one involving a weapon.

#### Carjacking

On September 1 at 8:43 p.m. near 9100 Edmonston Court, a man with a handgun took a parked gray 2010 Honda CR-V (Md. 3DN0727) and its keys.

#### Robbery

On September 1 at 11:51 p.m. near Breezewood Drive and Edmonston Terrace, a man was lying unconscious in the street. The victim was awakened and appeared to be intoxicated and uncooperative. He said he was struck in the face and robbed of his cellphone and ID by four men.

On September 3 at 8:27 p.m. near 99 Centerway, a man was robbed of his bag by a man who implied he had a weapon. After taking the bag, the subject fled on foot back into the Labor Day Festival. While being interviewed, the victim noticed the defendant standing with a crowd of people and positively identified him as the robber, who was taken to Greenbelt Police Department for processing. The bag was never recovered.

#### Arrest

On August 30 at 3:30 p.m. near 9100 Edmonston Court, a Black man wearing a gray sweater broke into a vacant apartment unit. When he tried to flee, officers chased and caught him. He was identified as Ty're Isaiah Bonds-Bishop. Because of a warrant in Charles County for armed robbery, he was taken into custody, and charged with 4th degree burglary and providing false information to a police officer.

#### Break-in

On August 30 at 2:59 a.m. near 121 Centerway, responding to an alarm, officers searched the supermarket and found the door lock broken but no one on scene. The pharmacy door was also broken and medications were stolen.

#### Break-in and Vandalism

On September 1 at 11:11 a.m. near 7300 Hanover Parkway, a man in a dispute with a former tenant had the locks changed but when he returned the door was open. There was no damage to the door or locks but the walls and a door had holes in them. The man thought the vandal was the former tenant but had no evidence.

#### Firearms Arrest

On September 3 at 7:38 p.m. near 99 Centerway, two girls were fighting at the Labor Day Festival. Officers stopped the fight, and the two girls were identified and released.

## Accidental Ingestion of Marijuana

On September 2 at 1:14 p.m. near 99 Centerway, a boy approached the police booth stating he felt high, and it was determined that he had consumed some marijuana Oreo cookie edibles. The boy's mother was notified and he was released into her care.

#### DUI

On September 2 at 1:41 a.m. near Greenbelt Road and Walker Drive, an officer on patrol observed a vehicle operating with a South Carolina temporary tag that had expired in July. A check of the temporary tag revealed it as nonvalid, and the vehicle was stopped. The officer made contact with the driver, smelled alcohol on his breath as he spoke and observed an open alcoholic beverage lying in plain view near the passenger seat. Upon request of his license and registration, the driver responded with slurred speech and failed to present any registration. The officer told the driver he had reasonable suspicion that he was operating the vehicle while impaired, and the driver consented to standard field sobriety testing (SFST). The driver displayed multiple signs of impairment and was arrested on the suspicion of DUI.

On September 2 at 12:09 a.m. near Kenilworth Avenue and the Beltway interchange, an officer on patrol observed a vehicle operating in an unsafe manner, drifting in and out of the lane. Upon contact with the driver, the odor of alcohol was detected, and the driver's eyes were bloodshot and glassy. The officer also observed an open alcoholic beverage inside the vehicle, and administered SFST. The driver displayed multiple signs of impairment and was arrested on the suspicion of DUI.

On September 3 at 12:09 a.m. near Greenbelt Road and Cunningham Drive, an officer on patrol observed a vehicle run a red light. Upon coming into contact with the driver the strong odor of alcohol was present in the vehicle. The driver stated that he had only had two drinks. The driver agreed to undergo SFST, but due to an unrelated medical condition he was not able to complete all of them. The driver's bloodshot eyes, slurred speech, strong odor of alcohol on his breath and display of multiple signs of impairment was cause to be arrested on the suspicion of DUI. On September 3 at 2:02 a.m. near Hanover Parkway and Greenbelt Road, an officer on patrol observed a vehicle sitting at the green light for two cycles. Upon making contact with the driver, the officer smelled alcohol and could see that his eyes were bloodshot and glassy with his speech being slurred and labored. The officer asked the driver if he would consent to SFST and he consented. The driver displayed multiple signs of impairment and was arrested on the suspicion of DUI.

near 7200 Hanover Drive, an officer observed a vehicle operating on suspended registration. The strong odor of alcohol emanated from the vehicle and became stronger as the driver spoke. There were multiple open alcoholic beverages on the passenger side floor of the vehicle. The driver refused SFST. The officer then told the driver, that due to his training, knowledge and experience he would be subject to arrest regardless of consenting to SFST due to his observations. He exited the vehicle and was placed under arrest without incident.

#### **Drunk and Disorderly Arrest**

On September 2 at 6:34 p.m. near 5700 Cherrywood Lane, officers observed a man drinking behind the Shell Food Mart, sitting on top of the hill. He was detained and issued a criminal citation for intoxicated public disturbance.

#### Fraud

On August 30 near 6000 Springhill Drive, the victim received a letter in the mail from a collection company in reference to a rental car. The victim said they had never rented the car and reported the fraud.

On August 31 near 5800 Cherrywood Lane, a man was advised by Verizon about an account in his name. He told Verizon that he had not opened another account or bought another phone under his name.

On September 2 near 105 Centerway, a woman said she purchased a table spot for the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival from an advertisement online. She sent the money electronically and then was blocked by the seller. A check with the event organizers revealed that the seller's information was false and not affiliated with the event.

On September 2 near 7700 Hanover Parkway, someone gained access to a woman's cash benefits card and removed money from her account.

#### Theft

On August 29 at 4:51 p.m. near 6100 Greenbelt Road, two men attempted to steal a cartful of items from a store. One was quickly detained, and the other was caught by officers after a short foot chase. Both were arrested and issued criminal citations for burglary, theft and trespassing.

On August 30 at 9:50 a.m.

near 6100 Springhill Terrace, someone a man met online came for a visit, and when he left the man noticed his firearm was missing. It was reported stolen and entered into the system.

On September 1 at 8:51 p.m. near 6300 Golden Triangle Drive, a man used an ATM, walked away without the money, and when he returned the money was gone.

Commercial theft occurred on August 28 at 11:15 a.m. near 6100 Greenbelt Road, and at 12:29 p.m. near 7500 Greenbelt Road; September 1 at 4:28 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road; and September 3 at 16:43 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road.

#### Vandalism

On August 29 at 4:17 p.m. near 9200 Edmonston Road, someone threw a bottle through a living room window before fleeing on foot.

#### Vehicle Crimes Stolen Vehicles

Four vehicles were stolen: August 29 near 9100 Springhill Lane, a 2022 Chevy Malibu (Md. 9FC2462); August 31 near 9100 Edmonston Road, a 2018 Silver Kia Sorrento (Md. 7FA7215); September 1 near 8 Laurel Hill Road, a 2016 Kia Soul (Md. 5CR1815); and September 2 near 9200 Edmonston Road, a 2007 Hyundai Santa Fe (Md. 8FL4906).

#### **Stolen Vehicles Recovered**

On August 29 near 5400 Stream Bank Lane, a black 2023 Lexus GX (Md. T1476902) was stolen. The owner used a GPS app, and police in Howard County found and held it for the owner.

On August 29 near 5300 South Center Drive, a blue 2018 Nissan Altima (Md. 2FF1274) was reported stolen and was found the same day in Howard County.

#### **Attempted Theft of Vehicle**

Two vehicles had damaged windows and ignition: on August 29 near 9100 Springhill Lane, a 2021 Hyundai Elantra, and on August 30 near 9100 Edmonston Court, a Hyundai Sonata.

On September 2 near 7800 Emilys Way, officers responded to a report of tampering. A suspect was seen inside the vehicle, a 2017 Kia Sportage, and ran toward Hanover Parkway. He was not found. The Kia had no damage to the windows and no signs of forced entry but the vehicle's ignition was damaged.

#### **Stolen Tags Recovered**

On August 29 at 23:33 p.m. near Lakeside Drive and Lakecrest Drive, an officer on patrol observed an Infiniti G37 Coupe operating with tags reported stolen in Virginia. The tags were recovered and the operator was issued a criminal citation.

#### **Theft From Auto**

Wheels were stolen on September 2 from a 2018 Honda Accord near 6400 Ivy Lane and a 2012 GMC Denali near Walker Drive.

On August 28 near 6100 Springhill Terrace, a purse containing IDs and credit cards was stolen from an unlocked 2013 Subaru Forester.

On August 29 near 9100 Edmonston Terrace, a 2022 Hyundai Elantra had a window broken and property stolen.

#### Vandalism to Auto

On September 2 near 7800 Walker Drive, a 2024 Acura Integra had a broken window but nothing missing. In the same parking lot, a 2020 Jeep Cherokee had a window broken. On September 3 near 9100 Springhill Lane, a 2016 gray Dodge Challenger had a damaged window.

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#### Fighting

On September 2 at 4:27 a.m. near 6100 Breezewood Drive, two people fought over a dispute, leading to minor injuries; they refused medical attention.

On September 3 at 11 p.m.

near 25 Crescent Road, an employee stated that another employee was stealing money from the business.

On August 31 at 2:05 p.m.



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## **Sports**

# Stellar Returning Players, Rising Stars Offer Promise for ERHS Girls Soccer

The conclusion of the preseason offers promise and excitement for the Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) girls soccer team. The varsity team combines 13 players from last fall's league and county championship squad with 12 newcomers. Returning seniors Angel Ngwane, Victoria Obisesan and Kaia Booker plan to best last season's accomplishments by first winning the region championship; afterward they will aspire to even loftier state goals. The Raiders begin their regular season hosting a tournament on Wednesday, September 6, against Holy Child at 5 p.m. followed by St. Mary's Ryken at 7 p.m.

Though the Raiders graduated senior wingers Sarai DeSouza and Julia Beckmann, Julia's sister Alena Beckmann provides blazing speed to the Raider offense, which will look for goals from forwards Gabriella Martinez, Claudia van der Have, Sofia Zuniga and Azaria Muhammad. The Raider midfield includes 2022 Honorable Mention All-State player Jada Savage along with classmate Sadie Swart, who helps facilitate the Raider offense. Sophomores Esther Obisesan and by Patrick Gleason

Autumn Freeman join Booker and Obisesan's older sister as key components of the Raider defense, along with freshman revelation Claire Alolga.

Aside from the opening tournament, highlights for the fall schedule include a trip to Georgetown Day School on Saturday, September 23 at 3:30 p.m. and a 5 p.m. home showdown on Thursday, September 28 against Bowie - the Raiders' lone county loss last fall. Roosevelt will develop depth with former junior varsity players including Olivia Gills, Cora Moore, Emelin Talavera, Alyssa Casey, Alicia Galban, Riley Rios, Leilah Eggleston and Nicole Lilja, while also adding newcomers Camilla Obamogie and Mahelet Dejenie.

Meanwhile, the junior varsity squad sports as much promise as the varsity, guided by sophomore defender Iris Gaycken's leadership and the skill of a talented freshman class. Ninth graders Nora Marx, Naomi Petralia, Julia Visnic and Ariana Cruz provide a plethora of options in the Raider midfield, while twin sisters Yadira and Karina Reyes Carranza join Gaycken as sophomore leaders.



Senior Azaria Muhammad prepares for the Roosevelt scrimmage against Elizabeth Seton High School on August 24 as Gabriella Martinez and Leilah Eggleston look on.

Newcomers Bayleigh Galie, Lien Gareri and Anna Grim solidify the Raider backline in front of keeper Zeala Tantoh. Sophomores Kira Moore, Madison Walker, Addison Green and Genelle Marshall will contribute to the Raider attack as they embark on an ambitious out-of-county schedule that starts with a home matchup on Monday, September 11 against

Mount de Sales Academy.

The Raiders kicked off their Labor Day weekend with their tradition of a three-mile run around Greenbelt Lake and back before enjoying their last long weekend of summer. Afterward, they return prepared for a fall of challenges, growth and accomplishments.



Senior centerback Victoria Obisesan challenges junior midfielder Alyssa Casey for a Raider team focused on exceeding last season's successes.

- Photos by Eric Konchou

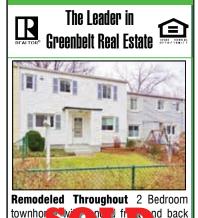






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## Information Day Booth Gives Benefits to Members & Guests

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Seven-year old Rian Conway and her mother, Lamore, enjoy experiencing old-school technology at the News Review's Information Day booth.

- Photos by Peggy Higgins



News Review members were out in force at Information Day on Saturday, September 2 during the Labor Day Festival. Over 20 members participated to make the Information Day booth successful. Visitors to the booth had the opportunity to learn more about the newspaper, to consider joining it or to play on the Smith-Corona portable typewriter ("Where's the enter button?" said one youthful experimenter).

But that was not the only benefit. With Eleanor Roosevelt looking benignly on, News Review members spent time mingling with different combinations of their colleagues. Week by week, the successive nature of the tasks required in publishing results in some paths rarely crossing, so some almost-mythical names became reality.

Sporting their matching new mint-green T-shirts and sheltered from the sun by a canopy generously lent by the Farmers Market (thank you), News Review participants and their visitors enjoyed a pleasant and constructive early fall day.

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College Emergency Medical Ser- Fife (trophy and \$100 check) vices (\$50 check)

**Best in Parade - Car** First Place: Beltway Plaza Merchant's Association (trophy and \$100 check)

First Runner-up: Friends of Greenbelt Museum (\$50 check)

#### **Most Humorous**

First Place: Greenbelt Arts Center (trophy and \$100 check)

First Runner-up: Greenbelt Elementary School PTA (\$50 check)

#### **Best Pet Unit**

First Place: Girl Scout Service Unit 22-5 (trophy and \$200 check)

First Runner-up: Maser (\$100 check)

#### **Best Performing Group**

First Place: Greenbelt S.I.T.Y. Stars (trophy and \$300 check) First Runner-up: Lady Raiders

Step Squad (\$200 check) **Best Novelty** 

First Place: Monumental City

First Runner-up: Mishkan Torah (\$50 check)

#### **Best Theme**

First Place: Town Realty Center (trophy and \$200 check)

First Runner-up: Greenbelt Cub Scouts 202 (\$100 check)

#### **People's Choice**

First Place: Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness (trophy and \$100 check)

First Runner-up: Queer Youth Ensemble (\$50 check)

#### **Best Community**

First Place: Greenbelt Municipal Swim Team (trophy and \$200 check)

First Runner-up: Friends of Greenbelt Theatre (\$100 check) **Most Entertaining** 

First Place: Seabrook Seahawks Pathfinders (trophy and \$100 check)

First Runner-up: Mission BBQ (\$50 check)



The Greenbelt Municipal Swim Team wins Best Community.



**Carol Griffith** 

The New Deal Café/Greenbelt Honk! Situation wins Best in Parade on Monday.





**Greenbelt Elementary School's PTA wins** Runner Up for Most Humorous in the Parade with their growing students.



News Review members have a great time at the Labor Day information booth. From left, Deanna Dawson, Linda Lucas, Mary Lou Williamson, Cathie Meetre, David Shapiro and

A member of the Monumental City Fife group, which won Best Novelty

Caitlin McGrath represents Old Greenbelt Theatre in the Parade.

