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## WSSC Promotes Amnesty, Water Tower Repair Plans

by Diane Oberg



PHOTO BY MARK HANYOK

This house at 241 Lastner Lane, adjacent to the water tower, was recently purchased by WSSC.

Representatives of WSSC Water (WSSC), the agency that provides water and sewer services to Montgomery and Prince George's counties, met with the Greenbelt City Council on June 21 to discuss the agency's Get Current amnesty program and refurbishment of the water tower on Lastner Lane. After the worksession, council briefly discussed potential issues with the July 1 legalization of recreational marijuana.

### Get Current

The amnesty program is important because on July 5, WSSC will significantly increase the number of customers eligible to have their service disconnected. Monica Marquina, WSSC government affairs manager, said the agency wants to get customers

who are behind on their bills onto a payment plan. The program only applies, however, to properties with individual water meters. WSSC defines a residential customer as one with an individual water meter. Customers in condominiums, apartments and other housing types with master meters are not eligible.

Marquina said that the current threshold for disconnection is an unpaid balance of \$1,000. Once the Get Current program ends, that threshold will be reduced. The Get Current program has recently been extended through July 31.

According to the WSSC website eligible residential customers See WSSC, page 8

## Costa Rica Travelers Spot Surprising Patch of Home

by Patrick Gleason



PHOTO BY PATRICK GLEASON

A familiar patch was spotted on the door of a small roadside restaurant in Guanacaste Province, Costa Rica.

Guanacaste Province, Costa Rica, is over 3,000 miles from Greenbelt. Located there is Café & Macadamia, a roadside restaurant and gift shop, where the scent of cinnamon and coffee mingle in the warm morning air to arrest your senses. After passing to the outdoor seating area, the panorama of Lake Arenal, a vast body of water as impressive

as the volcano of the same name, halts your eyes. Cats lounge in the al fresco setting – drinking in the verdant hills enhanced by the Central American rainy season – as locals and tourists alike enjoy the sweet pastries and rich brews on a late June morning. Wind turbines stand sentry on the hills

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## Natolis Sell Generous Joe's; Remembering Golden Start

by Erica Johns

This is part one of a three-part series.

The orange booths in Generous Joe's Deli were busy with families, couples, teens and kids at lunchtime on a recent Tuesday, eating pizza, sandwiches and Italian hoagies. The air was filled with chatter, laughter and music; staff talking with customers and each other; and customers' congratulations to longtime manager and new owner Aaron Mengel. Owner Joe Natoli, Jr. retired in June 2023, transferring to Mengel the restaurant first opened in 1966 by Joe Jr.'s parents, Joe Sr. "Golden Joe" and Barbara Natoli.

### Family Affair Begins

The Natoli family moved from D.C. to Greenbelt in the 1960s. The Fill Your Belly Deli at 107 Centerway has been a community gathering place and a family affair since the beginning, with "family" including the Natolis, staff and the Greenbelt community. When Golden, wife Barbara and other family members opened the Greenbelt Carry-Out, it was only as wide as the current kitchen and counter, with seating for just 12 (possible because the counter was further back than it

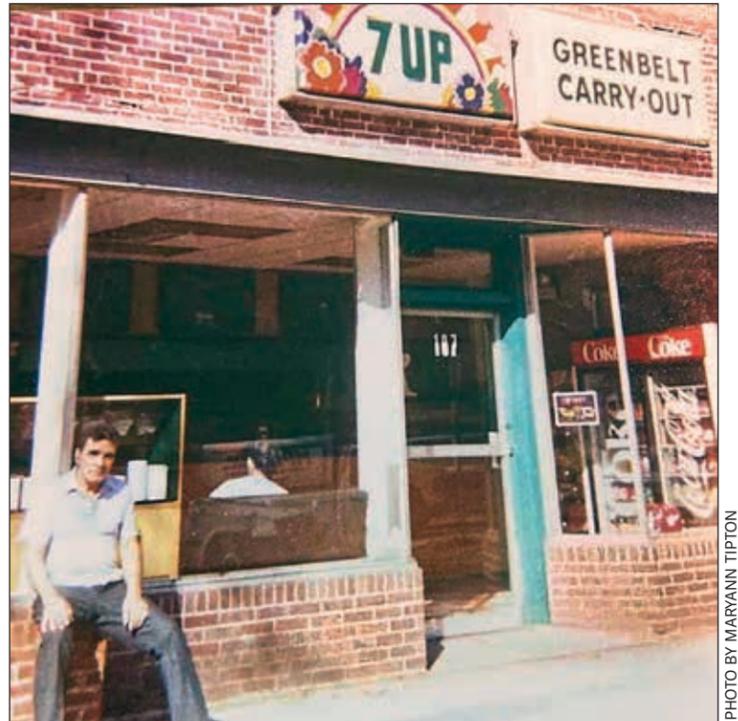


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Joe Sr. sits outside Greenbelt Carry-Out, before it became Generous Joe's.

is now). Joe's is now a Greenbelt institution, one of only three businesses operating in Roosevelt Center (in one form or another) for over 50 years.

(The other two are the Co-op Supermarket and the Old Greenbelt Theatre.)

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## WMATA, ARPA and Auditors Plus Council's State Priorities

by Cathie Meetre

June 20's Greenbelt City Council meeting focused on the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority's (WMATA) "visionary" Better Bus Network which had been the subject of an earlier council worksession. Assistant Director of Planning Jaime Fearer interacted with council to flesh out a letter to be sent to WMATA on the city's position. The transit plan, as yet unfunded, proposes a significant expansion in bus provision in WMATA's service area and can be seen at [wmata.com/initiatives/plans/Better-Bus/Discover-the-Network.cfm](http://wmata.com/initiatives/plans/Better-Bus/Discover-the-Network.cfm).

Reiterating WMATA's intentions, Fearer stated that a focus of the plan was to offer a level of coverage and frequency that would result in at least one bus per half hour on all routes on- and off-peak and to start routes earlier in the day. She emphasized that this was a proposal and not imminently to be implemented.

**Changes Affecting Greenbelt**  
Some councilmembers had

invested time in studying the maps to identify the differences between today's bus coverage and the proposal. Councilmember Silke Pope noted that whereas there is now a bus that connects Lakeside Drive, Lakecrest Drive, University Square and Westway directly with New Carrollton Metro Station, under the new plan riders would apparently need

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### What Goes On

**Monday, July 10**  
7:30 p.m., City Council Meeting, Municipal Building  
**Wednesday, July 12**  
7:30 p.m., Council Worksession: Advisory Board/Committee Chairs Meeting, Municipal Building

See the city ad on page 5 or the meetings calendar at [greenbeltmd.gov](http://greenbeltmd.gov) for more information.



PHOTO BY KIRSTEN CRASE

Children watch the fireworks from Maplewood Court. See firework photos, page 12.

# Letters to the Editor

## Thoughts on July 4th

The June 29 article about the origins of the real Texas Juneteenth pointed to June 19, 1865. It was then, explains the article, that a Union general announced that all the enslaved Blacks in Texas were free. Commemorations were not so much festive as religious, solemn, dignified and serious.

I want to add to the article by filling in a gap left by the comment: "July 4th was just a day on the calendar."

It was the founding of the USA in 1776 that made Juneteenth possible. A Bible verse quotes Jesus as saying: "The Truth will set you free." Our founding documents planted many truth-seeds for future harvesting, including: "All men are created equal..." "governments should rule by the consent of the governed" and "taxation without representation is tyranny."

It was the USA, a government "of the people, by the people, and for the people," that gave birth not only to Juneteenth, but also to the Dred Scott decision, to MLK's "I have a dream" speech, and to Rosa Park's stand on public transportation, to name only a few.

Humility is also useful. Haven't all nations had to rid themselves of slavery? And who wants to live where life is not hard because your neighbors are required to make it easy for you. I would rather work with my unique set of God-given talents for the common good.

God bless America.

Michael Burchick

## Crime Awareness

If I had been at the Post Office a split second earlier today, I would have witnessed someone breaking a car window and stealing someone's valuables while the owner of the car had just stepped away from their car, or I might have been a victim of this crime myself. It happened around 3 p.m. when there were plenty of other people around, and certainly not a time I tend to think a brazen crime would occur. A similar crime happened about six months ago plus there have been too many carjackings in the area recently.

Please, please, please lock your cars, be mindful of what/who is around and do not leave anything of value in sight.

Katrina Boverman

## Differing on Bag Bill

Green ACES and the Greenbelt Green Team wrote the content of the Bag ordinance which the city converted into a legal format. We are the ones to blame – or thank – depending on your viewpoint. We "lifted a lot of language for Ordinance 1389 directly from" many different bills as appropriate. Councilmember Kristen Weaver is the liaison to Greenbelt's Green ACES/Green Team and has been very helpful in that role, but she did not draft the ordinance.

In his letter last week, Alexander Zajac states that local businesses will need to "retain legal counsel to figure out how they can comply with these competing bills." We realize that we have a lot of work to do over the com-

ing months to educate Greenbelt residents and the business community before the ordinance goes into effect on January 1, 2024, as well as continuing education efforts afterwards. We will be here to answer any questions, and we will not charge for this service! By the way, there is no penalty for the first infraction. Businesses will be told what needs to be done to comply with the ordinance.

We designed the ordinance to minimize a financial burden on Greenbelt businesses by allowing businesses to keep the 10 cents they collect for each paper bag provided; the city does not profit from this collection.

Council did not "rush forward" with this ordinance. Green ACES, Greenbelt Green Team (along with our Zero Waste Circle) and our many supporters,

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Mon. 3:00 PM, 5:30 PM  
Tues. 7:45 PM  
Wed. 7:45 PM  
Thurs. 7:00 PM

Ziggy Stardust and the  
Spiders from Mars  
(NR) (1979) (103 mins)  
Sun. 11:00 AM, 8:00 PM  
Mon. 8:00 PM

Lilo & Stitch  
(PG) (2002) (85 mins)  
Free School's Out screening  
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Thurs. 1:00 PM

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Asteroid City (PG-13) (CC)  
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Playing at GAC through July 8: The Patchwork Girl of Oz.

## 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).

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## On Screen at Old Greenbelt Theatre

### Past Lives

Nora and Hae Sung, two deeply connected childhood friends, are wrested apart after Nora's family emigrates from South Korea. Two decades later, they are reunited in New York for one fateful week as they confront notions of destiny, love and the choices that make a life. "It's a film full of quiet magic; of the power of words not spoken, and the enduring strength of love," said critic Moira MacDonald of the Seattle Times.

### Asteroid City

In this Wes Anderson film, the itinerary of a Junior Stargazer/Space Cadet convention (organized to bring together students and parents from across the country for fellowship and scholarly competition) is spectacularly disrupted by world-changing events. Starring Jason Schwartzman, Scarlett Johansson, Tom Hanks, Jeffrey Wright, Tilda Swinton and Bryan Cranston. Said critic Katie Walsh of the Tribune News Service, "Anderson hasn't just delivered his best film in years, he's also managed to capture the zeitgeist in his own unique way."

### Ziggy Stardust and the Spiders from Mars

Documentarian D.A. Pennebaker focuses his lens on a 1973 concert by David Bowie, who performs under the moniker Ziggy Stardust with his glam-rock backing band, the Spiders From Mars. While some backstage footage of the theatrical singer-songwriter is featured, the majority of the film is devoted to the music played onstage, which includes hits, album cuts and covers of Rolling Stones and Velvet Underground songs. Bowie also shocks fans by announcing his intention to drop the Stardust persona.

### Lilo & Stitch

A tale of a young girl's close encounter with the galaxy's most-wanted extraterrestrial. Lilo is a lonely Hawaiian girl who adopts a small ugly "dog," whom she names Stitch. Stitch would be the perfect pet if he weren't in reality a genetic experiment who has escaped from an alien planet and crash-landed on Earth. Through her love, faith and unwavering belief in ohana, the Hawaiian concept of family, Lilo helps unlock Stitch's heart and gives him the ability to care for someone else.

# Community Events

## Arts Advisory Board Meeting

The Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board will meet on Tuesday, July 11 at 7 p.m. on Zoom. The board will plan upcoming events. For more information and to obtain the Zoom link, write to: [alarsen@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:alarsen@greenbeltmd.gov).

## GREA Meets July 11

The Greenbelt Racial Equity Alliance (GREA) will meet by Zoom (audio-only option available) on Tuesday, July 11, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Agenda items include a conversation with Tyra Smith, diversity, equity, and inclusion officer for the city; Reparations Commission updates; ARPA funds status; Building Bridges, Breaking Barriers follow-up; and consideration of the candidate forum for city elections in November. Visit the GREA website, [greenbeltraciaequity.org/events](http://greenbeltraciaequity.org/events), for meeting access information.

## Free Veteran Lifetime National Park Passes

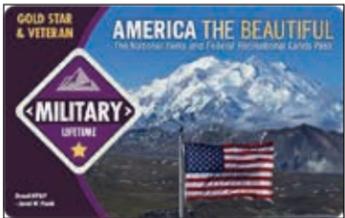


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### A park pass

The National Park Service offers free Veterans Lifetime passes as well as Access passes for disabled veterans in appreciation for the sacrifice and service of those who have served in the military.

The lifetime veteran passes and access passes are available at the Greenbelt Park ranger station near the campground. For more information, call 301-344-3944.

## Français, s'il vous plaît: French at the Café

A French conversation group meets at the New Deal Café on Thursdays at 7 p.m. All levels and ages welcome.

## PORCH Collections

Greenbelt PORCH is continuing its program to collect food in the month of July as scheduled below:

Sunday, July 9 – by 11 a.m. at 1-8 Courts Ridge Road, 1-8 Courts Crescent Road and 1-2 Courts Westway

Saturday, July 15 – by 10 a.m. for 14 and 15 Courts Laurel Hill

Sunday, July 16 – by 4 p.m. for Boxwood Village

Sunday, July 23 – by 4 p.m. for P.A.L. (PORCH at large) members (including former Woodland Hill donors), 9 and 12 Courts Ridge Road and 11 and 13 Courts Ridge Road

Sunday, July 30 – by 5 p.m. for Lakeside Drive.

Please leave donations of non-perishables and hygiene products by the front door marked RUAK or PORCH visible from the street. Ensure that donated items have not expired.

Volunteers who would like to expand Greenbelt PORCH to additional neighborhoods in Greenbelt are always welcome. Coordinators in the Greenbelt EAST area are needed. Anyone with questions or who is interested in being a volunteer or starting a new neighborhood for monthly food collection with Greenbelt PORCH, email Robert Goldberg-Strassler at [spreadruak@gmail.com](mailto:spreadruak@gmail.com).



## Meditation Classes Offered via Zoom

Ever wondered what meditation is about and how it might be beneficial for you? Katrina Boverman with the Mishkan Torah Synagogue Sisterhood offers Summer Guided Meditation classes via Zoom.

Classes are held every other Monday from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. through August 28. There is no charge; donations are welcome.

For more information email [Katrinaboverman@yahoo.com](mailto:Katrinaboverman@yahoo.com) or call 301-641-1035.

## Three Sisters Garden Floral Photography



PHOTO BY EFFIE LEVNER

### Photos of flowers among the flowers

All are invited to visit and enjoy the Floral Photography exhibit at the Three Sisters Garden in Schrom Hills Park. It is a self-guided tour throughout the day. Feedback and comments are appreciated. Send them to [Effielevner@aol.com](mailto:Effielevner@aol.com).

Upcoming Poetry in the Garden meetings will be on Sundays, July 9, August 6 and September 10 from 3 to 5 p.m. All meetings take place in the garden if weather permits. Otherwise they will be at the Clubhouse in the park.

## Senior Homeowner Tax Credit Available

Beginning July 1, Prince George's County will provide up to a 20 percent credit of the county portion of some older residents' property tax bills, inclusive of any Homeowners and Homestead Credit (for a total maximum of 20 percent), for up to five years.

To be eligible for this credit one must meet all the following criteria: 1) be a homeowner aged 65 and over (by June 30); 2) own and reside in the property for at least the previous 10 years; 3) the assessed value of the property must not exceed \$500,000 as of July 1, 2023; and 4) applications must be received by October 1 of the fiscal year the credit is sought (for example, October 1, 2023, for the fiscal year July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024).

Applications are available online at [princegeorgescountymd.gov/426/Property-Taxes](http://princegeorgescountymd.gov/426/Property-Taxes).

## Golden Age Club Upcoming Meetings

The Greenbelt Golden Age Club meets every Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the second-floor meeting room of the Community Center. Visitors are always welcome.

July 12, Barbara Hopkins presentation on genealogy

July 19, Celebrate July birthdays and bring lunch

July 26, BINGO.

## No Kid Hungry Feeds Children over Summer

No Kid Hungry is working with schools and community organizations across the state to connect kids with free summer meals. Dora Kennedy French Immersion School, located at 8950 Edmonston Road, is the only meal site in Greenbelt. Breakfast will be served from 8:30 to 9 a.m. and lunch from noon to 12:30 p.m. through Thursday, July 13.

Healthy and balanced meals are provided free of charge to all children and teens 18 and under; no registration or proof of residency or citizenship needed.

## Senior Nutrition Program Luncheon

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunch for seniors Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 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.

## Star Party

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party, free and open to the public, on Saturday, July 8 at the City Observatory located at Northway Fields. Attendees can expect to see deep sky objects such as galaxies, nebulae and star clusters currently high in the sky, viewed through the observatory telescope and astronomical camera. All are welcome and there is no charge. Visitors are encouraged to bring their own telescopes to set up on the hilltop.

Observing will begin at 9:30 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.

## Chess Club Meets



PHOTO BY EFFIE LEVNER

### Chess Club night at the New Deal Café

The Greenbelt Chess Club will meet on Monday, July 10 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the New Deal Café. The group meets on the second, third and fourth Mondays of each month.

This group is for all ages and skill levels. For more information, call Effie at 443-415-1053.

## Toastmasters Meet

The Greenbelt Toastmasters Club invites all to join them online every first, third and fifth Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. The club provides a fun and friendly environment for anyone interested in improving their public speaking and leadership skills. Learn more at [greenbelt.toastmastersclubs.org](http://greenbelt.toastmastersclubs.org).

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

Book and Lyrics by Adrian Mitchell

Music by Andy Roberts

Directed by Eliot Malumuth  
Choreographed by Summer Moore

Music Direction by Christine Wells  
Produced by Jenna Jones Paradis

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**The Hitch-Hiker (1953)**  
This high-stakes thriller, the first film noir to ever be directed by a woman, will have you on the edge of your seat! Buckle up for one of the most suspenseful road trips in cinema!

Music from the New Deal Cafe (2pm, 10pm)  
**The Marianna Previti Group**  
Spend a warm summer evening with us as we revisit a soothing set from this award-winning, traditional jazz vocalist.

All this and more on the GATE channel this week! Check [greenbeltaccessstv.org](http://greenbeltaccessstv.org) for the full broadcast schedule, and visit [Greenbelt Access Television on YouTube](http://Greenbelt Access Television on YouTube) for new video productions.

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MON 7/10	TUES 7/11	WED 7/12	TH 7/13
<b>Membership Appreciation Night*</b> 4-9pm Chess Club 6-8pm	<b>New Deal Open Mic w/ Tom Gleason</b> 7-9:30pm Sign-ins at 630pm	<b>Lonesome Dave Fisher</b> 7-9pm Incredible rockabilly trio	<b>The Redwine Jazz Band</b> 7-9pm New Orleans-based jazz with improvised arrangements
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# Obituaries

## Sharon Walton

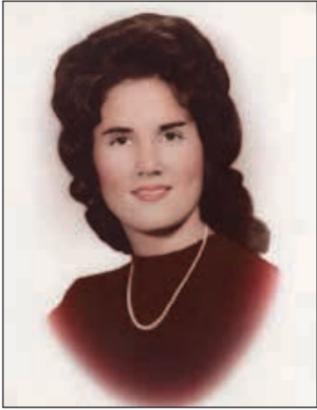


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Sharon Walton

Sharon Walton was a beloved mother, Memaw, sister, aunt, cousin and friend, and it is with heavy hearts that her family announces her death on the afternoon of June 28, 2023, at her home.

Sharon Lee Walton was born on August 29, 1945, in Washington, D.C., to Henry "Blackie" Ogden and Harriett Natalie Watt. In 1956, her family moved to Greenbelt, where she grew up with her younger siblings, Diana, Tommy and Janice.

She graduated from High Point High School in 1964; one of her classmates described her as "the prettiest girl in Greenbelt" in her senior yearbook. It is no surprise that on her 21st birthday, she went on her first date with Landon "Lanny" Walton, who would eventually become the love of her life. They married in 1975 and together raised her daughter Tamara and son Todd.

A vivacious personality with a great sense of humor, Sharon was many wonderful things to many people. Still, she will always be fondly remembered as Mom, a mother figure to many. She will be forever missed by her children – Tamara and Todd and dog Marley (aka Mr. Bubs) – and surviving grandchildren –

Nicole and Olivia. She is also survived by all of her siblings, by her nieces Angel, Michelle, Mary Pat, Sharilyn and Melinda, and nephews Anthony and Michael.

One of the family's few comforts with her passing is that she is hopefully reunited with her husband Lanny, her grandson Nick, her mother Natalie and several members of the family who have left this Earth. Rest in paradise, Memaw.

Sharon's life will be celebrated on Sunday, July 9, 2023, from noon to 3 p.m. at Borgwardt Funeral Home, 4400 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville. A reception will follow at American Legion Post 66 on 9605 Old Laurel Bowie Road, Bowie.

ceded in death by her husband of 64 years, William, and a son, David Charles. She leaves behind sons John and Bill Jr., six grandchildren (Candice, Darla, Luke, Matt, Mike and Rachel); and two great-grandchildren, Eliza and Mattie. Her resplendent life will be celebrated at a private gathering of her loving family, with interment beside her husband in Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery.

### Obituaries

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

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

## Jeanne Rowland

Longtime Greenbelt resident Jeanne Schaeffer Rowland died peacefully at home on June 15, 2023. Adventurous, she held a smile in her voice and was always quick to laugh. Loved by all, she will be missed for her clever wit, her caring grace and her quiet strength. She was pre-

"What else will rescue the world but the efforts of countless souls who each make the welfare of humanity their principal, their dominating concern?"

– The Universal House of Justice



**Greenbelt Bahá'í Community**

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- Daily Mass: Mon-Fri 7:15am\*, Sat 9am\*
- Sunday Mass:
  - Sat vigil 5pm\*
  - Sun 8am, 9:30am, 11am
- Confessions Saturday 3pm - 4pm.

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\*Live-streamed on Facebook and available on our YouTube page later.

CELEBRATE WITH US

135 Crescent Rd.

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Condolences to the family of Pat Walsh who died on June 25 at the age of 88. Her Greenbelt family include daughter Kim Walsh, son-in-law Joel Cahalan and grandson Tae Cahalan.

Our sympathies too to the family and friends of Jeanne Schaeffer Rowland who died on June 15. She was a longtime resident of Greenbelt.

Condolences as well to the family and friends of Sharon Walton who died on June 28. Sharon grew up in Greenbelt.

Congratulations to Councilmember Kristen Weaver on completing the University of Maryland School of Public Policy's Academy of Excellence in Local Governance.

Congratulations also to Councilmember Ric Gordon for his contribution to the Washington Post article on Prince George's County's recognition of Pride Month.

Three cheers for Greenbelt resident and Catholic University Performing Arts student Hannah Taylor who has been cast as Gretchen in Freaky Friday at The Little Theatre of Alexandria. The show runs July 22 to August 12.

Congratulations to Mariah Corley who graduated from Hood College in Frederick with a Bachelor of Arts in social work.

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



## Mishkan Torah Congregation



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

Friday evening services at 8:00pm

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Offering hybrid services, online and in-person activities

For further information, call (301) 474-4223 [www.mishkantorah.org](http://www.mishkantorah.org)

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## Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi  
Phone: 301-937-3666 [www.pbuuc.org](http://www.pbuuc.org)



Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community



July 9, 2023 at 3:00 pm

Faithfully Becoming: Reflections on  
General Assembly

Rev. Ann Kadlecsek with Anne Hoover, Liturgist

What's going on in Unitarian Universalism, and what might it mean for us? In this service, Rev. Ann will share some takeaways and reflections from our big denominational gathering, two weeks ago, in Pittsburgh.

Streaming to our Facebook page, on Zoom and in person at 3:00 at: University Christian Church, 6800 Adelphi Road, Hyattsville, MD



## St. John's Episcopal/Anglican Church

11040 Baltimore Avenue Beltsville, MD 20704  
301-937-4292 [www.saintjohnsbeltsville.org](http://www.saintjohnsbeltsville.org)

The Reverend Joseph M. Constant, Rector  
Join us for In-Person Worship every Sunday at 10 AM  
Youth Sunday School 11:15 AM

To view services online:

Go to <https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsZionParish/Live/>  
Other services online via Zoom: Wednesday Noonday;  
Thursday Bible Study and Compline 7 PM via Zoom

Please contact the church office if you are interested in any of these resources.

Our Mission: To share God's love with everyone to bring hope and change lives.

**CATHOLIC COMMUNITY of GREENBELT**  
**MASS**  
Sundays 10:00 a.m.  
City Council Room  
25 Crescent Road  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!**  
OR - Join us on ZOOM!  
For ZOOM link:  
[FDeBernardo@aol.com](mailto:FDeBernardo@aol.com)

**Greenbelt BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Christ-centered  
Biblical  
& Reformed  
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am  
Sunday School 9:15am  
Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00pm  
101 Greenhill Rd. Greenbelt, MD  
[www.greenbeltbaptist.org](http://www.greenbeltbaptist.org)

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One Hillside Road  
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**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 Greenbelt Library's schedule are posted at [pgcmls.info/alerts](http://pgcmls.info/alerts).

**Summer Reading**

Prince George's County's summer reading and community engagement program, Summer Prince George's (SPG), offers new opportunities to learn, socialize and engage with neighbors. Presented by PGCMLS and the Washington Nationals, SPG 2023 celebrates the national summer reading theme of All Together Now and invites Prince Georgians of all ages to connect across generations and communities by reading, attending library or partner events (in-person or virtually), visiting neighborhood branch libraries and engaging with library resources, whether streaming movies and music or taking LinkedIn Learning classes.

**Storytimes**

Friday, July 7, ages 2 to 3, 11:15 a.m. Register at [pgcmls.info/event/8555430](http://pgcmls.info/event/8555430).

Monday, July 10, ages newborn to 2, 10:15 a.m. Register at [pgcmls.info/event/8555380](http://pgcmls.info/event/8555380).

Tuesday, July 11, ages 3 to 5, 6:30 p.m. Register at [pgcmls.info/event/8555469](http://pgcmls.info/event/8555469).

**Search for Warblers on the North Tract**

Search for tiny, colorful warblers that spend the summer at the North Tract of the Patuxent Research Refuge on Saturday, July 8, from 8 to 11 a.m. Ages 8+; registration required at 301-497-5887. Warblers include the American Redstart, Northern Parula, Prairie Warbler, Pine Warbler and Hooded Warbler. There's also a chance of seeing a Worm-eating Warbler, Prothonotary Warbler or Kentucky Warbler. Beginners are welcome.

These active songbirds can be challenging to spot, so bring binoculars if possible. Also bring a water bottle, bug repellent and a snack. The program will involve some driving and easy walking. Meet at the visitor contact station on Bald Eagle Drive, off Md. Route 198, between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Md. Route 32.

**Aviation Festival**

Celebrate Aviation in Maryland at the College Park Aviation Campus, 1985 Corporal Frank Scott Drive, on Saturday, July 8 from noon to 5 p.m. Enjoy a day of discovery and learning with aviation professionals and organizations from across the state.

There will be aircraft displays, networking with aviation enthusiasts and professionals, kids activities, flight simulator tests, tours, demos, food trucks and more. Explore the wonders of aviation and be inspired to soar.

For more information, call 301-864-6029 or email [collegeparkaviation@pgparks.com](mailto:collegeparkaviation@pgparks.com).

**Crisis Hotline's 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.



# 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, July 10, 2023 at 7:30 pm

**ORGANIZATION**

Call to Order  
Roll Call  
Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag  
Petitions and Requests  
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**  
- Parks & Recreation Month Proclamation  
\* Minutes of Council Meetings  
- Work Sessions: 6/16/21, 5/2/22, 5/20/22, 9/19/22, 10/3/22, 20/26/22  
- Administrative Reports  
\* Committee Reports

**LEGISLATION**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

- Selection of Election Vendors for 2023 City Election  
- Request for Proposal - Diversity Equity and Inclusion City Audit  
- Greenbelt Middle School Letter of Support  
- Council Activities  
- Council Reports  
\* Meetings  
\* Stakeholders

*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).*

**MEETINGS FOR JULY 10 - 14**

Wednesday, June 12 at 7:10 pm, **ADVISORY BOARD INTERVIEW**

Wednesday, June 12 at 7:30 pm, **WORK SESSION - ADVISORY BOARD/COMMITTEE CHAIRS MEETING**

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**COMMITTEES & BOARDS VACANCIES:**

- Advisory Committee on Education
- Advisory Planning Board
- Arts Advisory Board
- Board of Appeals
- Board of Elections
- Community Relations Advisory Board
- Employee Relations Board
- Forest Preserve Advisory Board
- Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability
- Park and Recreation Advisory Board
- Senior Citizens Advisory Committee
- Youth Advisory Committee

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL (301) 474-8000.**

**WHO CAN GET MEDICAID?**

**To be eligible, you must:** Be pregnant (you do not need to be a citizen to apply), Live in Maryland, and Meet income limits. The best way to know if you can get Medicaid is to apply.

**What healthcare can I get?** Medicaid will pay for: Doctor visits, Prenatal visits – doctor visits to check you and baby before baby is born, Hospital care, Hospital stay – when you have baby, Dental care Lab work and tests, Prescription drugs – medicine from your doctor, Mental health care, Behavioral health care - help to stop smoking, drinking alcohol or using drugs, Transportation services - a ride to and from medical care through Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT)

**Starting July 1, 2023, you can apply:** Online at [marylandhealthconnection.gov](http://marylandhealthconnection.gov), By using the app: Apple or Android, By calling 1 (855) 642-8572. TTY users call 711 for Maryland Relay, In-person at a local Health Department, In-person at a local Health and Human Services Office.

**ASK ME ABOUT ARPA**

Your website for all of **Greenbelt's ARPA projects & grants**, including:

- Greenbelt Education Scholarship Grant
- Homebuyer Grant Program
- Tree Canopy Grant
- Micro Grant
- Business Improvement Recovery Fund, Round III
- Business Capital Infrastructure Grant Program

View all grant programs at a glance at [www.engagegreenbelt.org/grants](http://www.engagegreenbelt.org/grants).

View the most recently updated ARPA programs by visiting [www.engagegreenbelt.org/updates](http://www.engagegreenbelt.org/updates).

For all up-to-date ARPA program information including project selection, project updates, department information, and more, visit [www.engagegreenbelt.org](http://www.engagegreenbelt.org).

**CITY MANAGER CANDIDATE MEET & GREET**  
THURSDAY, JULY 6, 6 - 7:30 PM

Greenbelt City Council invites all community members to meet the finalists for the City Manager role. Meet the finalists this Thursday, July 6, from 6 - 7:30 pm in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building located at 25 Crescent Road.

**OFFICIAL NOTICE**

In accordance with Section 3-305(b)(1) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of the Public General Laws of Maryland, a closed session of the Greenbelt City Council will be held on Friday, July 7, 2023, at 6 pm in the Library of the Municipal Building, to discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals.

The purpose of this meeting to discuss personnel matters regarding the City Manager Search.

**\* The public may attend the Special Meeting prior to the closed session, and observe the vote of Council to move into closed session on Friday, July 7, 2023.**

Bonita Anderson, City Clerk

**CREATIVE KIDS CAMP PRESENTS: HIDDEN LANDS**  
All ages. FREE. Fridays, 7/14, 7/28, and 8/11, 10 am & 2:15 pm

Enjoy the original musical written and directed by Chris Cherry and performed by Creative Kids Camp. For free tickets, visit the Greenbelt Community Center business office or call (301) 397-2208.

**ALL AGES ART WORKSHOP**  
FRIDAY, JULY 21, 6 - 8 PM, GREENBELT COMMUNITY CENTER

Create upcycled, stuffed monster friends with artist Gina Denton. All ages. \$5 residents, \$10 non-residents. Details and sign-up with activity # 333209-1: <https://bit.ly/42UVwyD>.

**CURRENT FREE CARES PROGRAMS**

**BACK TO SCHOOL FAMILY HEALTH FAIR**  
August 22, 10 am - 3 pm

Sign-up required. Contact Brendy Garcia at (240) 424-0302 or [bgarcia@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:bgarcia@greenbeltmd.gov)

**EMERGENCY DIAPER PROGRAM**

Supporting Greenbelt families in need of diapers. Greenbelt residents only, you must sign-up each month. Call (240) 542-2019.

**AGING SOLO**  
TUESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 12 - OCTOBER 17  
1 - 2:30 pm, Zoom

Aging Solo is a nationally awarded program that focuses on taking charge of your aging. Aging Solo will help you reflect on priorities, map out your support network, and put plans in place. To register please use the following link: <https://forms.gle/nSbh3DdHiYZZRfdL9>.

**NURSERY PROJECT**

September 19 - November 14  
Services includes diapers, formula, wipes, and more. Contact Katherine Farzin at (240) 542-2019 or [kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov).

**NURSING PROGRAM**

Starts in mid September  
Services include bathing assistance, medication management, and more. Contact Sharon Johnson at (240) 542-2029 or [sjohnson@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:sjohnson@greenbeltmd.gov).

**MY GROCERIES TO GO**

Limited slots available. Participants 60+ will receive a monthly grocery box. Contact Brendy at (240) 424-0302 or [bgarcia@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:bgarcia@greenbeltmd.gov).

**PINK PANTRY**

Assists low-income residents with access to menstrual products. Seeking donations and volunteers. Contact Katherine at (240) 542-2019 or [kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov).

**FREE PRODUCE DISTRIBUTION**

**JULY 20 TWO EVENTS/LOCATIONS**

**Community Center:** 1 - 3 pm

**Springhill Lake Recreation Center:** 12 - 1:30 pm, registration required. For Greenbelt West residents only; must live in: Verde at Greenbelt Station, Greenbelt Station Master Association, Franklin Park, Motiva. Register by visiting <http://ow.ly/uGnV50OHgTN>.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PRODUCE DISTRIBUTION**

Volunteers are needed every third Thursday of the month at the Spring Hill Lake Recreation Center & the Greenbelt Community Center. Volunteers will assist with setting up tables, sorting and organizing fresh fruits and vegetables, and distributing them to families in need.

**Springhill Lake Recreation Center Volunteers** - For information, contact Katherine Farzin (240) 524-2019. To register, please use the link: <https://forms.gle/AqNxCARjwioCntWf9>.

**Greenbelt Community Center Volunteers** - For more information, contact Flora Li (301) 412-2480.

# Letters continued

especially the Maryland chapter of the Sierra Club, have spent a lot of time researching the pros and cons of many such ordinances, both throughout Maryland and the entire country. We commend city council for passing Ordinance 1389, Bring Your Own Bag. Since the City of College Park and the City of Greenbelt

passed bag ordinances prior to Prince George's County passing its bill, we pioneers may have helped persuade the county to pass their bill.

*John Lippert, chair, and Jane Young, member, Green Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (Green ACES)*

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to the right, completing the fairytale feel to a location as pure as the Costa Rican lifestyle of "pura vida," which translates to "pure life" – a reminder to appreciate each moment. The phrase permeates daily life in this tropical locale more than the omnipotent humidity reminiscent of Maryland's annual summer saturation.

Upon reentering the café from the patio, there is a wall decorated with patches from police departments around the world. Amid this eclectic collection is one representing Greenbelt's very own. Hundreds of visitors pass this patch each day leaving us to wonder, how did this piece of our community land here? Can any readers claim credit for this patch's presence so far from its home?

While eight Greenbelt travelers, including your present News Review writer, who recently returned from the Costa Rican journey, cannot answer this question,

they can advocate for the adventure, hospitality and warmth any explorers will find upon visiting Costa Rica. The group consisted of Roosevelt alumni from the last four graduating classes as well as a rising senior and two chaperones, both lifelong Greenbelt residents. Education First, a global education company, coordinates trips like this eight-day tour of Costa Rica that included sights of stunning waterfalls and activities like white water rafting along the Río Sarapiquí. Though finding a bit of Greenbelt wasn't part of the itinerary, anything is possible in the age of airplanes, where small discoveries prove the world is as vast as it is connected.



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to change buses at Roosevelt Center. Councilmember Judith Davis also noted that Edmonston Road (near Dora Kennedy French Immersion School) would also not have service as it does now, though Fearer said that the service would instead run along Springhill Lane, Springhill Drive and Breezewood so that it avoided the congestion associated with school traffic while still serving the same neighborhood.

### Coordination Needed

Davis was concerned there seemed to be duplication between routes now covered by the Regional Transportation Agency of Central Maryland (RTA) and the proposed map, citing the Greenbelt to Laurel connection. Fearer, however, thought that the map covered services as a whole in the area and that the inclusion of a route on the map didn't mean WMATA would duplicate it but was to show services comprehensively.

Both Mayor Emmett Jordan, from the dais, and Bill Orleans, from the floor, urged regional level coordination, with Orleans noting that Four Cities and Maryland Municipal League groups should be involved. According to Orleans, the state supports Montgomery County's transit system more generously than Prince George's.

Orleans also suggested the city approach the Washington Suburban Transit Commission as part of a coordinated approach. Jordan said he'd favor urging limited 24-hour service on all routes, more focus on connections to the University of Maryland, College Park campus, and urged further consideration of regional connections, such as to BWI

Marshall Airport.

Fearer was asked to update the response letter, let council have a look at it and subsequently submit it to WMATA, copying to other interested parties, such as the RTA.

### AskMeAboutARPA

Public Information Officer Chondria Andrews held something of a pep rally for the AskMeAboutARPA campaign. Scheduled for kickoff in July to run all summer, it aims to make Greenbelt residents and businesses more aware of opportunities for them funded by the \$22M American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) allocation to the city – all of which must be designated for specific uses by December 31, 2024, and disbursed by December 31, 2026, with all projects completed.

With buttons, T-shirts, business cards and QR codes to bring

## JOE'S continued from page 1

Joe Jr. said of his father, "He loved people, talked to everybody and joked around a lot. He had a big personality, that's why a lot of people remember him. His last 10 to 20 years [after retiring], he came down every day, hung out and talked to people." Robert Wood wrote, "We put up with his outrageous sense of humor; he made us laugh all the time." Charlene Shaffer Backstrom remembered all the times he gave her lottery numbers to play.

Barbara Natoli still lives in Greenbelt. Joe Jr. said she worked at the deli – Golden Joe's – for a long time. "She really ran the kitchen, the real cook behind most of the work that got done, made sure things stayed on track. She was a hard-working lady and liked to cook. My dad liked the social part, he was in the front doing all the talking. She kept everything together in the kitchen."

Golden's 2011 obituary recalled childhood customers returning as adults, recounting his kindness to them as kids. Kevin McDermott wrote, "[Golden] always treated us kids with the same zest and appeal as his adult customers." Mengel remembered growing up with Golden Joe's as a place where you could go, know you're safe and there was someone you can talk to and joke around with. He said, "If a kid came in and didn't have money, Joe said, 'don't worry about it, go ahead and eat.' That's what Golden always did." Anne Marie Moore Utterback remembered



Generous Joe's counter around 1993, with, from left, Joe Natoli Jr., Joe Natoli Sr., Moji Abebe, Barbara Natoli, Alex Blahut and John Yearous



Barbara and Joe Natoli Sr.

"going in as a 13-year-old kid with not enough money in my pocket to buy a cheese steak. Joe said, 'I got it.' I will never forget the compassion in his eyes and kindness. I was from a single mom household and was always hungry. Joe was the most giving human being ever." Lynn Wells Davis wrote of Golden, "I know he used to call my mom in late at night on her way home from work and hand her a couple of subs, no charge. Great man." Leslie Wright wrote, "He knew all us kids and always kept an eye out for us."

Walter Webb recalled, "When [Golden] first took over that little hole in the wall next to the Twin Pines Savings & Loan office, he bought a soft ice cream server machine. It had a rather large piece of stainless steel, like a long rod with a hand lever on it. He was cleaning his new machine and laid out the parts on a towel on the counter, and some juvenile delinquent stole the dispenser lever. His new, expensive machine was now useless! Knowing that I was something of a ringleader among the juvenile delinquents, he asked me for help in locating the part. He was very gracious and made me feel important and sympathetic to his plight. He offered me a reward of some hoagies. The missing part magically reappeared the next day!"

Greenbelters A.J. Nuzzo, Jr., Kathy Reynolds and others organized a memorial bench installation at the Greenbelt War Memorial across from Joe's, where the bench plaque includes: "Mentor to many – Friend to all."

## 2023 Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen Nomination Form

Submit this form (or something equivalent) by **July 31** to Bob Zugby

Outstanding Citizen Committee  
94 Ridge Road, Greenbelt MD 20770

or [OutstandingCitizenGB@gmail.com](mailto:OutstandingCitizenGB@gmail.com)

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Attach a statement (preferably printed or typed) explaining why this nominee deserves recognition as Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen.

Possible subjects include a list of organizations or activities in which the nominee has participated, including length of time, specific accomplishments during their service, their impact upon Greenbelt or people within the City, and personal qualities that make the nominee special. The award is for **unpaid** volunteer work only.

Any supporting printed material is useful, but not required. Others' testimonials are also helpful.

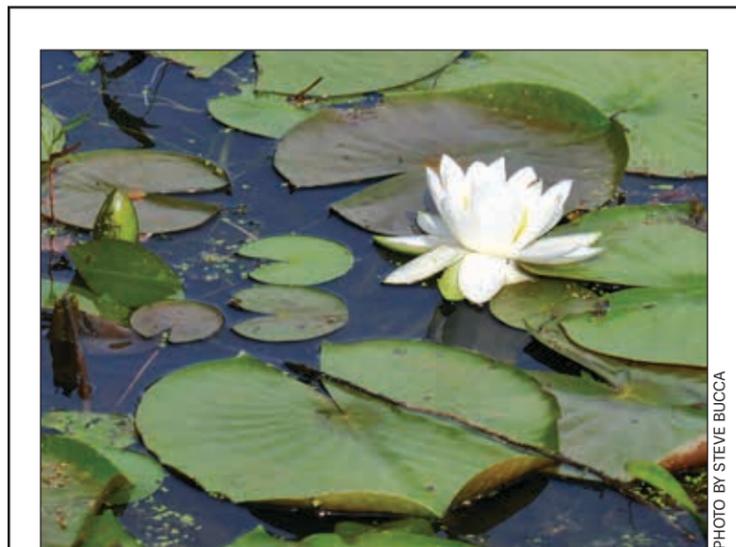
You may be contacted for additional information. If you prefer, send this form now and complete the statement later. The form and any additional information must be received no later than the **July 31 deadline**.

Nominated by:

Name(s) Signature(s) Telephone

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

*We need your input—thank you!*



Water lilies bloom on Greenbelt Lake.

PHOTO BY STEVE BUCCA



## More Volunteers Are Needed For the Labor Day Festival

Volunteers are needed to help run this year's Labor Day Festival. The planning committee will meet on Tuesday, July 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center, Room 114.

The Labor Day Festival is a high point in Greenbelt's year, as thousands of people come to enjoy the rides, entertainment and food booths and to watch the parade. The Festival is run by a committee of volunteers, who organize and plan all of the activities. Whatever one's skills are, the Festival committee could use help.

During the pandemic years the Labor Day Festival lost money, and so the committee is encour-

aging donations this year. The Festival Committee is a 501c3 nonprofit organization which is supported by donations and by sales at the Festival; the committee gets no direct financial support from the city. By becoming a donor or sponsor of the Festival, one can help support this community event. All donations received by Tuesday, August 8 will be acknowledged in the News Review pull-out. Donations at any level can be made through the website using PayPal.

For more information visit the Festival website at [greenbeltlaborday.com](http://greenbeltlaborday.com) or email [greenbeltlaborday@gmail.com](mailto:greenbeltlaborday@gmail.com).

## Who Should Be Greenbelt's 2023 Outstanding Citizen?

by Tom Jones

We're at the height of summer now, but in just nine weeks the Labor Day Festival will be here. Since 1973, the Festival has included a special Greenbelt tradition: designating the year's Outstanding Citizen. Starting exactly 50 years ago, Greenbelt each year celebrates one of its most generous volunteers at the Labor Day Festival and on a permanent plaque in the Community Center. The Outstanding Citizen is also Grand Marshal of the Labor Day Parade.

The Outstanding Citizen Committee needs you to identify someone deserving this honor. Nominees must be volunteers: elected officials and paid employees are not eligible. If you know someone whose volunteer efforts stand out in one or more community organizations, who shows concern for others and who demonstrates leadership, cooperation and enthusiasm, now is the time to submit your nomination. The nomination form is provided in this paper on page 6, although a letter is also acceptable. Nominations may be submitted until Monday, July 31 to Bob Zugby, Outstanding Citizen Committee, 94 Ridge Road, Greenbelt MD 20770, or to [OutstandingCitizenGB@gmail.com](mailto:OutstandingCitizenGB@gmail.com).

Last year's Outstanding Citizen is Maggie Cahalan, co-founder of CHEARS (Chesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society), which promotes environmental projects that protect the health of all life in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed. Prior Outstanding Citizens have been involved in a wide variety of volunteer work, including supporting sports, scouting and senior citizen programs. Most importantly, Out-

standing Citizens make Greenbelt a better place. Now is the time to recognize their contributions.

The Outstanding Citizen for 2023 will be announced during the Friday evening ceremony to start the Labor Day Festival. Local businesses have already set aside prizes for the winner, and local officials are ready to proclaim the accomplishments of one of our neighbors.

If you nominated someone in a prior year who was not chosen, don't be discouraged – try again. You may wish to include a deeper description of your nominee's volunteer experience, or letters of support from more people. The committee receives many excellent nominations each year, but can choose only one recipient. Submit your nominations now to ensure they're considered for this important community tradition.



**ANACOSTIA TRAILS HERITAGE AREA, INC.**

Explore the History, Culture, Arts and Nature of Prince George's County!

Curated routes and trail maps: [anacostiatrials.org](http://anacostiatrials.org)

# Retrofit of Stormwater Pond At Ora Glen, Hanover Pkwy

by Stephanie Quinn

The Prince George's County Clean Water Partnership has begun a retrofit of the stormwater pond at the intersection of Ora Glen Drive and Hanover Parkway. The retrofit, scheduled to finish in March 2024, will allow the pond to better remove pollutants from storm runoff before releasing it into local waterways, according to a Clean Water Partnership construction notice. Construction will close the far-right lane of Hanover Parkway.

The county and the environmental infrastructure company Corvias entered a 30-year agreement to form the Clean Water Partnership in 2015, with the aim of designing, improving and maintaining stormwater infrastructure to meet federal requirements. The partnership has completed projects at the intersection of Greenbrook Drive and Hanover Parkway and at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.



PHOTO BY STEPHANIE QUINN

The site of the stormwater pond retrofit at Ora Glen Drive and Hanover Parkway

## CROP Walk 2023 again Raises Funds to Assist Locally, Needy

by Mary Moien

Each year Greenbelters and others throughout the country participate in CROP Hunger Walks. CROP stands for Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty. Funds raised are distributed by the ecumenical Church World Service. Greenbelt joins with Hyattsville and other northern Prince George's County areas in sponsoring a walk – this year in May at Lake Artemesia. Greenbelt Golden Age Club member Lyn Doyle, who has been involved with CROP since 1981, helped organize the Greenbelt area groups.

Approximately \$40,000 was raised in the Greenbelt/Hyattsville area. At least three Greenbelt groups are traditionally represented: the Greenbelt Community Church, the Eleanor and Franklin

Roosevelt Democratic Club and the Greenbelt Golden Age Club. According to Marty Folk and Naomi Littlefield, the Greenbelt Community Church led the pack with more than 50 walkers. Each of the groups made monetary contributions.

Part of the funds raised are used locally. Twenty-five percent of the donations will be sent to Help By Phone of Prince George's County, an organization that helps those with an urgent need for food or temporary assistance.

## Fire Department Hosts Craft Fair on July 22

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Residents in arrears should call the number on their notices from WSSC, which will take them directly to representatives who can address their accounts. They will also try to connect eligible residents to federal/state/county assistance programs.

If customers experience unexpected changes in their bills, they should contact WSSC, which can investigate whether there are problems such as a pipe leak, a problem with a toilet or a malfunctioning meter.

Although customers with master meters are not eligible for the Get Current program, there is other assistance available, Marquina said. Such customers should go to [WSSC.com/assistance](http://WSSC.com/assistance) for more information.

Marquina said that customers in Prince George's County owe roughly \$25 million in past-due bills. About 13,500 accounts are delinquent by more than \$800. She said the agency has been cautioned by credit bureaus that failure to deal with the debt could result in downgrading of its credit rating, which would increase its cost to borrow funds for its infrastructure projects. She noted that unlike other utilities, such as Pepco, WSSC is a multi-county agency, not a business and it does not make a profit.

### Water Tower

The other main topic of discussion was the planned work to refurbish the standpipe (water tower) at the top of Lastner Lane. The tower predates the city. Although it sits on city land, Director of Planning and Community Development Terri Hruby said that in 1936 the Resettlement Administration, the agency responsible for the Green Towns program, including the founding of Greenbelt, granted rights to WSSC to use the property in perpetuity for providing water to Greenbelt. Although the land under and around the water tower



PHOTO BY MARK HANYOK

Trees marked for removal at 241 Lastner Lane, with the water tower behind

is recorded in land records as city property, the sub plat for Boxwood, she noted, shows WSSC as the controlling property owner.

WSSC has recently purchased 241 Lastner Lane, which is adjacent to the tower. Despite having been sent residents' questions in advance, the representatives at the meeting had little information about the project. In her email response to the questions submitted, Marquina said that "The property will allow the construction of replacement piping and valves."

Also in that email, Marquina said the standpipe was last refurbished in 1993; there are no issues with the ground settling or sinking under the standpipe; and there are no plans to explore replacing, rather than refurbishing the standpipe. She did not respond to a question about whether the WSSC driveway would be expanded.

At the meeting, the representatives were also unable to answer questions such as whether WSSC plans to demolish the house at 241 Lastner Lane and if so, when. However, Marquina said that purchasing a house for access to a standpipe is "not out of the ordinary." Customer Advocate David Wilkins said they

would take down the questions and get back to the city. As of July 3, the city had not received any response, according to City Clerk Bonita Anderson.

Other questions that were asked but not answered at the meeting included why this refurbishment required obtaining the house when previous refurbishments did not, whether WSSC will own the house in perpetuity and whether the city would be reimbursed for the loss of tax revenue that would otherwise have been paid on the property.

No zoning issues exist with the purchase as Hruby told council that as a public utility, WSSC's use of the property is consistent with its current zoning.

Wilkins did agree that there should be a community meeting, probably in August.

Robert Goldberg-Strassler, co-president of the Boxwood Village Civic Association, asked about the impact of the standpipe refurbishment project on Boxwood Village and on Lastner Lane. He pointed out that the road was the main thoroughfare to Greenbelt Elementary School and for emergency response vehicles.

### GHI

Jordan raised the issue of the

longstanding dispute over changes WSSC wants to make to its commitments to GHI. The meters in GHI are very close to the houses, meaning that WSSC is responsible for maintaining the pipes all the way to the meter locations. WSSC would like to move the meters closer to the street and transfer the burden of maintaining large sections of pipe to GHI. Jordan noted that the city is very supportive of GHI, which does not want to take on responsibility for a lot of additional infrastructure.

Marquina said that an internal meeting is planned in the next few weeks to bring the new GHI general manager and others up to speed on this issue.

### Marijuana

Councilmember Judith Davis reported that she had gotten a letter regarding potential problems after the state legalized recreational marijuana use. The writers were particularly concerned about problems with the smoke, particularly in multifamily housing and wanted a city ordinance. Davis asked what the city would

do if someone lit up a joint in Roosevelt Center.

Jordan said that he was also concerned but did not see that there was much the city could do given that state law permits recreational use. In addition, he said the city cannot really regulate what happens on private property. He expressed frustration about the lack of information/guidance from the state government.

Councilmember Kristen Weaver pointed out that smoking cannabis will not be permitted in areas where smoking is prohibited. So, she said, the response to smoking cannabis in Roosevelt Center would be the same as what happens if someone lights a cigarette there. Davis, in an undertone, muttered "nothing."

The law that went into effect July 1 prohibits smoking cannabis in public places, which is a civil offense subject to a \$50 fine for a first offense and up to \$150 fine for subsequent offenses.

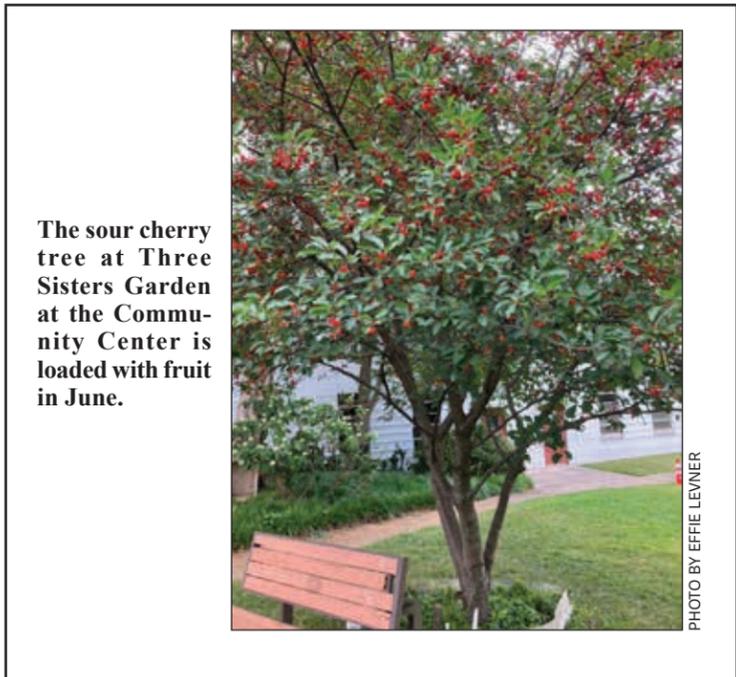


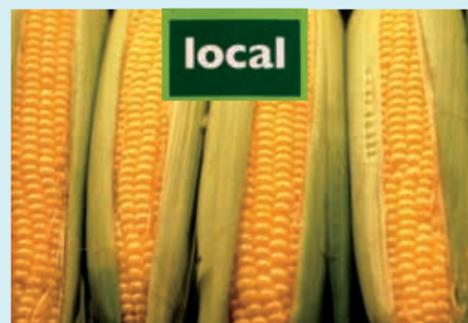
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The sour cherry tree at Three Sisters Garden at the Community Center is loaded with fruit in June.

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### Robberies

On July 2 at 12:22 a.m. near 5700 Cherrywood Lane, officers were flagged down by a man with an injury to his hand who stated he was robbed by someone armed with a knife who then cut the victim's hand. The victim was unable to provide consistent information of where the robbery happened and what was taken. The victim was transported to the hospital via ambulance for non-life-threatening injuries.

On June 26, a woman reported that at around 12:45 a.m., she parked her vehicle in the 9100 block of Springhill Lane and when she exited, she was approached from behind and felt an object pressed against her neck. The suspect demanded personal property and she complied. The suspect then ran away.

### Hit and Run

On July 1 at 9:04 a.m. near Kenilworth Avenue and Crescent Road, a driver fled after crashing into another car. Officers gathered evidence at the scene and have applied to have a warrant issued for the driver.

### Assault

On June 29 at 2:45 a.m. near 6000 Springhill Drive, there was a fight between adults.

### DUI Arrest

A DUI arrest occurred June 30 at 9:37 p.m. near Greenbelt Road and Walker Drive.

### Theft and Fraud

On June 28 at 1:54 p.m. near 7200 Hanover Parkway, checks were stolen from a drop box. On June 28 at 6:10 p.m. near 9100 Springhill Lane, a package was stolen. On July 1 at 2:58 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, a wallet was stolen out of a purse in a shopping cart. On July 2 at 11:39 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, a purse was accidentally left behind, and not found where the owner thought she left it.

On June 27 near 8000 Mandan Road, a wallet was stolen, and unauthorized purchases were attempted with the credit cards. Other fraudulent activity included: credit card fraud June 28

near 6400 Ivy Lane; unemployment identity theft June 28 near 6200 Springhill Court; identity theft June 29 near 8000 Greenbury Drive; gift card fraud June 30 near 8000 Mandan Road; loan fraud July 1 near Greenway Place; and identity theft July 2 near 8200 Greenbelt Station Parkway.

On June 30 at 10:28 a.m. near 6100 Greenbelt Road, a 22-year-old man was arrested for commercial theft. Other commercial thefts occurred June 26 at 6:29 p.m. near 6100 Greenbelt Road; June 27 at 1:53 p.m. near 5900 Greenbelt Road; June 30 at 6:09 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road; and July 2 at 1:38 p.m. near 7500 Greenbelt Road.

### Trespassing

On June 30 at 4:19 p.m. near Breezewood Court and Edmonston Terrace, a 31-year-old man was arrested for trespassing after he was previously banned from the property. On June 30 at 9:13 a.m. near 5800 Cherrywood Lane, a 23-year-old man was arrested after breaking into a vacant apartment and illegally occupying the residence.

### Vandalism

On July 2 at 1:25 a.m. near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace, a bedroom window was broken.

### Vehicle Crimes

#### Stolen Vehicles

On July 1 near 6200 Breezewood Court, a 2014 Hyundai

Sonata (MD plate: 8EM2106) was stolen. On July 2 near 6100 Breezewood Court, a 2008 Mercedes C300 (MD plate: 2EKX17) was stolen.

#### Attempted Vehicle Theft, Stolen Vehicles Recovered

On June 26 near 8100 Burkart Court, a 2020 Kia Soul had a broken window and damaged ignition. On June 27 near 8100 Lakecrest Drive, a stolen 2013 Honda Accord was found.

On June 28 near Vanity Fair Drive and Lady Anne Court, a stolen 2013 Kia Rio was found with a broken window and damaged ignition. On July 1 at 4:56 p.m. near 6200 Springhill Drive, officers found a 2014 blue Hyundai Sonata with ignition damage crashed into a tree, running and unoccupied. On July 2 near 100 Westway, a Kia K5 had a broken window and damaged ignition.

#### Theft from Auto

On July 2, all four rims and tires were stolen from a Toyota Camry near 6300 Golden Triangle Drive and from a Toyota Corolla near 7200 Hanover Drive.

On June 28 near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace, the steering wheel airbag was stolen from a 2017 Honda Accord.

On July 2 near 9300 Edmonston Road, both license plates were stolen.

On July 1 near 7600 Ora Glen Drive, a car window was broken and a purse was stolen from the

passenger seat. Other cars had windows broken and property stolen: June 26 near 7800 Walker Drive; June 30 near 7600 Ora Glen Drive; July 1 near 6400 Capitol Drive; and July 2 near 7800 Walker Drive. On June 26 near 7400 Greenway Center Drive, two cars in a parking lot had windows broken and were rummaged through; one owner later reported property stolen. Property was stolen from a car on June 27 near Southway. On June 28 near 6300 Golden Triangle Drive, property was stolen from an unlocked car. On June 30 near 7600 Hanover Parkway, after a car key was left unattended, a car was unlocked and property stolen. On July 2 near 7200 Hanover Drive, property was stolen from car, with no sign

of forced entry.

#### Vandalism to Auto

On June 28 near 9000 Breezewood Terrace, a car window was broken by a large rock. On July 2 near 6900 Hanover Parkway, a Kia Forte had a window broken, nothing taken.

### Drive High, Get a DUI

The Greenbelt Police Department is reminding residents that while recreational cannabis is now legal in Maryland for adults over 21, impaired driving is not. Using cannabis before driving can impair judgment, slow reaction time and affect ability to drive safely. "Be the driver who uses responsibly," they advise.



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For the first time in two summers, mama has her baby wood ducks in a row, but she seems worried about them.

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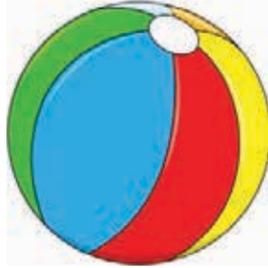
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that in their most recent report in early June, Greenbelt CARES had spent \$1.65M out of \$1.8M allocated. Jordan anticipated that there would likely be a further injection of funds to this program in the near future.

### Auditor Appointment

Gaymon requested that council accept the appointment of Mitchell Titus LLC as auditor at a budgeted \$68K for the coming year. The three-year contract also has two option years. Gaymon described the award process, noting that one of the three contenders offered a price of almost half the others – which the evaluators thought unrealistic – and that Mitchell Titus was second in cost. She also commented that a factor in their choice was that the engagement partner for the firm (who would oversee the audits) had been associated with previous Greenbelt city audits and thus would be considerably faster getting up to speed.

On being asked about the impact of ARPA funds on the audit, Gaymon told council that the impact was significant because the ARPA funds triggered a Federal Single Audit requirement. Mitchell Titus was already familiar with the process for this requirement. The hire was approved.

### MML Proposals

Each year, local jurisdictions submit legislative proposals to the Maryland Municipal League (MML), some of which the MML will promote to state legislators. Council discussed a number of alternatives and finally decided on three. Two related to single-use plastics (one about bags and the other, utensils like stirrers) because so many counties are already enacting this type of legislation.

The third, at the request of Gaymon, was for data on state property tax abatements to be delivered to municipalities at the same time it was delivered to homeowners and presented to municipalities in a form that was manipulable – like a spreadsheet – using tools like pivot tables to analyze it. Jordan noted ruefully that though he was completely in favor of the proposal, he didn't completely understand pivot tables, a response that struck a chord with his audience.

### Pollinator Week

During the presentation to city Environmental Coordinator Kevin

### Editorial Note:

#### Honey Bees in America

It was generally believed that there was no honeybee native to North America. The bees here now are the European honeybee (*Apis mellifera*) brought by colonists around 1622. A recent find, however, is a 14-million-year-old fossil bee, *Apis nearctica* (just one female worker), in Nevada which apparently dates from the mid-Miocene epoch. It is not known, however, when this species first appeared or when it became extinct.

Carpenter-Driscoll of a proclamation celebrating National Pollinator Week, Carpenter-Driscoll remarked that it had so far been a fairly good year for pollinators, though some rain would help. (This wish has since been granted.) Responding to a question from Councilmember Rodney Roberts, he said that there are now no honeybees in existence that were originally native to North America. Once there were, but they are extinct. (See box.)

#### Truck Parking Revisited

In a hardy-perennial, elusively-circular discussion on overnight truck parking, though some councilmembers expressed sympathy for truckers caught mid-trip and required by law to sleep, council once again struggled with the problem of parked trucks causing visibility hazards and pollution (running motors all night). They get ticketed one place, and move on, only to appear somewhere else in the city until ticketing catches up with them again. As Councilmember Kristen Weaver pointed out, the solution is to have somewhere for them to park – but nowhere was proposed.

In other city news, the Public Works Department is working on a five-year plan for conversion of equipment and vehicles to electric.

## Sports

### Barracudas Beat Marlins, Ready for Home Meet

by Iris Gaycken



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A Greenbelt Barracuda races during the team's second meet against the Belair Swim and Racquet Club Barracudas.

Recently there has been more activity at the Greenbelt pool than normal – that would be the Greenbelt Barracudas. From 6-year-olds to 18-year-olds, they practice every morning in the frigid waters of the outdoor pool.

The Barracudas started off the season with a home meet against the West Arundel Ducks on June 17. Although they came away from the first two meets with losses, they brought it back in the third meet against the Montpelier Marlins on Saturday, where they won 323 to 203 with the help of over 80 swimmers.

Swim team in Greenbelt is like a family because of the range of ages. The older kids help out the

younger kids with their strokes and are always encouraging. This creates a team spirit that is unique from other sports.

This coming Saturday there will be another home meet against the Russet Sharks, the team's fiercest competitor. In the past the meets against the Sharks have been consistently close, which often pushes swimmers to get personal bests. If passing by the pool on a Saturday morning, don't be shy, come cheer on the Barracudas.

*Iris Gaycken is a swimmer and volunteer coach with the Greenbelt Municipal Swim Team and a rising sophomore at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.*

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# Summer Camp Session One Ends with Puppetry, Revelry

by Anna Bedford-Dillow

On June 30 the first two weeks of Greenbelt's city summer camps came to an end. Session one went out with a grand finale that included two performances of Hidden Lands, an original musical written and directed by Performing Arts Coordinator Chris Cherry, and the showcasing of various projects and skills children had been working on for the previous two weeks.

Campers enroll in afternoon sessions that range from circus skills to pottery, dance and MakerSpace activities. Following the afternoon musical performance by the Creative Kids Camp, there were performances of student-choreographed dance routines and an array of balancing, juggling and stilt-walking skits from the circus skills cohort.

Greenbelt's Honk! Situation band made a surprise entrance to lead a joyful parade from the stage to the art displays of pottery and crafts.

Plenty of applause, music, dancing, puppetry and revelry closed out the first camp session.



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Creative Kids Camp performs Hidden Lands, an original musical written and directed by Performing Arts Coordinator Chris Cherry.



Christian Leon-Lierman is a puppeteer.



- Photos by Anna Bedford-Dillow



The Honk! Situation performs.



A joyful procession leads the way to the art displays.



A circus camper walks on a ball.

## Greenbelt 4th of July



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The crowd watches the fireworks at the Lake.



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Fourth of July fireworks at the Lake



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A view of the fireworks at Buddy Attick Park from a nearby court