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Musicians Rally to Support Festival



by Jon Gardner and Amy Knesel

Mark your calendars for a special fundraiser at the New Deal Café on Thursday, July 20 from 7 to 10 p.m. in support of the much-loved Greenbelt Labor Day Festival. Gather together for an evening of fantastic music and community spirit, all while contributing to the success of this cherished Festival.

Kicking off the fun are home-grown favorites The Bachelor and the Bad Actress. The dynamic duo of Joe P Swelterpants and the fabulous Hillary will captivate you with their anarchic honky-tonk tunes. Expect foot-stomping rhythms and infectious melodies that will keep you dancing.

At 8 p.m., Griefcat (Louisa Hall and Annie Nardolilli) takes the stage with their extraordinary

repertoire. Their original songs range from side-splittingly hilarious to deeply heartfelt, channeling a unique blend of Flight of the Conchords, a sprinkle of Dolly Parton and a touch of indie flair. Griefcat will take you on a musical journey through the trials, joys and tribulations of modern life.

Starting at 9 p.m., Greenbelt Honk! Situation will wrap up the evening with their unique blend of funky street band music and dancing.

All three bands have generously agreed to donate all tips received during the event to the Labor Day Festival.

The pandemic years have been

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Three Finalists for Greenbelt City Manager Meet Residents

by Stephanie Quinn

The three finalists for Greenbelt's open city manager position met with residents at the Municipal Building last Thursday evening. Cohesion across Greenbelt's diverse communities, budgeting and a recent charter amendment allowing city council to waive the residency requirement for city manager pervaded discussions, as residents talked with finalists in small groups.

College Park Assistant City Manager Bill Gardiner and Yellow Springs, Ohio, Village Manager Josue Salmeron joined Tim George, Greenbelt's interim city manager since December 2021, as the three finalists.

Residency

While none of the finalists live in Greenbelt, Gardiner and



PHOTO COURTESY CITY OF GREENBELT

Greenbelt residents meet City Manager candidate Bill Gardiner. From left, Sylvia Lewis, Bill Gardiner, Katrina Boverman, Lois Rosado

Salmeron said they intend to move to Greenbelt if appointed. George, who owns a home in Crownsville, said, "I am fully committed to the city and staff and residents."

Priorities

Salmeron listed housing, social equity and stormwater infrastructure as Greenbelt's most pressing issues. Gardiner said he would partner with the Greenbelt City Council to write a work plan strengthening council rules and procedures. George stressed the need to allocate Greenbelt's un-

used American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, attract talented staff to fill city vacancies and provide more space for Greenbelt CARES and the Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

Addressing Inequality

Gardiner said that while major highways like the Beltway "make it really difficult to knit the communities together," cities should "make sure that resident engagement and city services in all the districts are comparable."

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Cannabis Legalization Sparks Hope, Curiosity, Questions

by Stephanie Quinn



PHOTO BY STEPHANIE QUINN

LaWann Stribling, the founder of Stribble District LLC, sells baked goods and herbal products at the July 2 Greenbelt Farmers Market.

"You just have to understand your why," said LaWann Stribling, the founder of Stribble District, LLC, selling baked goods and herbal products at the July 2 Greenbelt Farmers Market. Cannabis use, approached with that knowledge, has broad potential for healing, according to Stribling, 46, of Greenbelt. "That's the most important part is knowing why you have this need or what is it that you're trying to address," she said.

Since July 1, the Cannabis Reform Act has allowed adults 21 and over to purchase and possess limited amounts of cannabis.

The launch of Maryland's

regulatory framework for the cannabis industry has led cannabis users, business owners and law enforcement officers in and around Greenbelt to grapple with who can sell it, how to differentiate its medical and recreational uses and how to ensure its safe consumption.

The New Law

The new law permits adults to possess 1.5 ounces of dried flower, including joints and pre-rolls, 12 grams of concentrated cannabis, as in vape products, up to two cannabis plants and edible cannabis products containing no more than 750 milligrams of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), the

psychoactive compound in the plant.

The odor of marijuana, in itself, no longer constitutes probable cause for police officers to stop or search a person or vehicle.

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What Goes On

No Council Meetings this week.

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

Joe Jr. Flips Burgers at Age 12, Makes Partner by his Mid-20s

by Erica Johns

This is the second part of a three-part series about the historic diner. The News Review reported last week that Generous Joe's was sold to its manager, Greenbelt resident Aaron Mengel by the Natoli family who opened the diner in the Center in 1966 and has owned and operated the restaurant since that time. Last week we shared the beginnings of the Fill Your Belly Deli under Joe Natoli Sr. ("Golden"). For this article Erica Johns spoke with Joe Natoli Jr. about growing up working in the family's deli, taking over from his father and his decision to retire.

In a 1994 News Review profile of the restaurant, Joe Natoli Jr. told the reporter he started to fry burgers around age 12. When the reporter

teased him about child labor laws, Joe Jr. said "his dad would have called it babysitting." He

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PHOTO COURTESY THE FAMILY

Joe Sr. and Joe Jr. in the restaurant, around 1975, during Joe Jr.'s high school years

Letters to the Editor

More Thoughts On July 4th

I absolutely agree with Michael Burchick. Without the founding of the USA in 1776, there would not have been a Juneteenth. In fact, the very first person to die for the independence of our nation was Crispus Attucks, an escaped slave. George Washington was short of fighting men, so he called Black freemen to arms to help fight the British. They valiantly responded, thinking that they would be finally considered citizens of the new nation. That never happened. However, their participation helped to rout the British from the United States.

Only Thomas Paine, one of the Founding Fathers, called for the abolition of slavery. He called it barbaric and unchristian. Paine also stated that the colonists were being hypocritical by claiming to be enslaved by the British, when the vast majority of them were slave owners depriving other human beings of their freedom. (Common Sense)

Men like Phillip Reed, an enslaved man, who saved the Freedom Statue on top of the U.S. Capitol, would have been able

to flourish because of his knowledge, skill and craftsmanship. Working hard has never been a problem for Black Americans, but equal opportunity has yet to exist in the USA for everyone.

So, if July 4, 1776, had been done correctly by the nation's founders, slavery would have been abolished, all men and women, no matter their color or social status, would have been able to work hard to build a strong and vibrant nation, devoid of racism and class systems. Then, there never would have been a need for Juneteenth, or a Dred Scott decision, or Rosa Parks' act of defiance or M.L. King Jr. Everyone would joyfully celebrate July 4th without ambivalence.

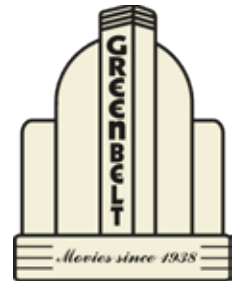
After over 400 years of slavery and 247 years of independence from Britain, the USA still has time to live up to its promise to all Americans that: "All men (and women) are created equal and that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

Lois Rosado

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Sun. 2:30 PM, 5:00 PM
Mon. 2:30 PM, 5:00 PM
Tues. 7:00 PM
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Thurs. 5:45 PM

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On Screen at Old Greenbelt Theatre

The League

In limited theatrical release, the documentary *The League* (2023), directed by Sam Pollard, is a detailed telling of the story of the Negro League Baseball that is both informative and entertaining, the kind of movie that should play well equally to fans of the sport and those who know nothing about it. Using lots of archival footage, *The League* is a story of triumph: neighborhoods getting together to watch the best athletes in their region in a way that felt almost like a party. Pollard and his experts portray the early days of Black baseball as a place of pride. There was a sense that this came from the community and belonged to the community. In the final chapter, Pollard examines how integration essentially meant the demise of Negro League Baseball, not only because the league's stars left for the major leagues but because the White owners didn't pay their previous owners anything to steal them. While undeniable good came in the integration of the sport, there was still greed under the surface dismantling something vital to the Black community.

Oklahoma!

A young Hugh Jackman stars in this interpretation of Rogers and Hammerstein's classic stage play *Oklahoma!*, originally filmed in 1998. Directed by Trevor Nunn, the production design gives a more rustic, realistic look to the sets while also restoring a ballet number. The music, including the opening number, *Oh What a Beautiful Morning*, makes some consider this one of the best musicals of all time.

The Miracle Club

Set in 1967, *The Miracle Club* is a heartwarming film following the story of three generations of close friends, Lily (Maggie Smith), Eileen (Kathy Bates) and Dolly (Agnes O'Casey), who have one lifelong dream: to win a pilgrimage to the sacred French town of Lourdes, a place of alleged miracles that draws millions of visitors each year. Just before their trip, their old friend Chrissie (Laura Linney) arrives for her mother's funeral, dampening their good mood and well-laid plans. The women set out on the journey that they hope will change their lives. Old wounds are reopened along the way, forcing the women to confront their pasts even as they travel in search of a miracle. Their shared traumas can only be healed by the curative power of love and friendship.

Community Events

Books, Balls, Bubbles, Snacks: Have a Blast

On Friday, July 14 at 10:30 a.m. at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, RUAK (Random Unselfish Acts of Kindness) and Prince George's County Libraries will present 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 as a way to instill the love of literature. After the readings, the children can stay and play with balls in the gym. Free children's books. Free healthy nutritious snacks. As a parent said upon leaving, "It was a blast!"

Spread the word to friends and families.

Libros, Bolas, Burbujas

El viernes 14 de Julio 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 County presentara 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.

Writers Group Meets on July 21

The Greenbelt Writers Group will hold its July meeting on Friday, July 21 at 7 p.m. in the Community Center. July is summertime – and it's been hot. Maybe members can share a new or old writing related to summertime.

Also, at the May meeting, a word was chosen by each to do a 10-minute writing challenge. Since we have not had time to hear all of these writings, they can be shared at the July meeting. There may also be time for open readings and group discussions.

The group is always looking for more members, so join in on July 21. For more information, contact Barbara Ford at barb.ford@comcast.net.

See Creative Kids Camp Performances and Art

Greenbelt Recreation's Creative Kids Camp invites community members to attend free, family-friendly performances on the last day of each camp session. See youth ages 6 to 12 and select staffers perform Hidden Lands, an original musical written and directed by Performing Arts Coordinator Chris Cherry. Join the campers as they journey to a fantastical island full of pirates and exotic creatures where they learn the importance of imagination and creativity.

Performances will take place at 10 a.m. and 2:15 p.m. in the Community Center gym on Fridays, July 14, July 28 and August 11. Following the 2:15 p.m. shows, enjoy additional short performances and an art show, as campers show off skills and creations from their elective afternoon classes.

For free tickets, visit the Community Center business office or call 301-397-2208.

Woodlands Parcel I Workday Saturday



PHOTO BY BRYAN BRUINS

Wisteria in GHI Parcel I

The GHI Woodlands Committee is having a workday on Saturday, July 15 from 9 to 11 a.m. Meet at the parking lot for 11 Court Southway. Help control invasive English ivy and wisteria. The task is to cut out sections from vines that are climbing trees. This will help protect the trees, control the spread of invasive species and enhance habitat for pollinators, birds and other wildlife.

This GHI Woodlands Committee workday will focus on GHI Parcel I (Eye), which is located between McDonald Field, the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and 7, 9 and 11 Courts Southway. Tools and gloves will be provided, along with guidance on identifying and controlling invasive vines, while also recognizing and protecting native vines, such as wild grape. Wear appropriate shoes and clothing for outdoor work, including areas with multiflora rose, greenbriar and poison ivy. Come as early as 8 a.m. or when it's convenient, for an hour or two or whatever fits. Rain date Sunday, July 16. For further information contact Bryan at EyeRewild@gmail.com.

New Deal Offers Free Film and Talk

Home is a Human Right, a Series on Immigration is the topic for Monday's free film and discussion at the New Deal Café Reel and Meal.

This powerful film series will be shown along with a short Utopia Film Festival selection.

Conflict, climate change and poverty are creating a growing world crisis of enormous proportions. The current prediction is for a billion climate refugees within 10 years. Already the world situation is a disaster. This film and discussion event is brought to you by the Greenbelt Refugee Aid Committee. Discussion will be led by representatives with the Greenbelt-based Lutheran Social Services National Capital Area.

View and participate either at the Café Monday, July 17, at 6:30 p.m., or online via a Zoom link at tinyurl.com/yc54vydv. If by Zoom, use the link to register first. If in-house, a full food and drink menu is available. Join us for this important free film and discussion program.

Star Party Saturday

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party, free and open to the public, on Saturday, July 15 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.

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.

Three Sisters Garden Floral Photography

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.

Upcoming Poetry in the Garden meetings will be on Sundays, 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.

Greenbelt Kite Fly

Come fly kites with neighbors on Saturday, July 15 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Northway Fields. This event is sponsored by Greenbelt Unplugged, The SPACE: Free Art For All and Greenbelt Rotary. Free kite kits and decorating supplies are available for children of all ages. No kite, no worries: there'll be many to share!

Chess Club Meets

The Greenbelt Chess Club will meet on Monday, July 17 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.

Français, s'il vous plaît French at the Café

A French conversation group meets at the New Deal Café on Thursdays at 6 p.m. All levels and ages welcome.

Mosquito Tip of the Week Birds and Pesticides

Here's one more good reason why we should avoid the use of pesticides: pesticides kill birds. From hummingbirds to warblers to owls and eagles and hawks – all birds, according to the American Bird Conservancy, are threatened by pesticides. A recent study by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology found that over the last 50 years the United States and Canada have lost more than 3 billion of their birds. That's a decline of 30 percent, meaning almost one of three birds have vanished since the 1970s. Pesticides are a major reason for this problem. The Smithsonian's National Zoo and Conservation Biology Institute's question is one that we all have to ask ourselves: "Should we heed the warning signs provided by birds, or continue to pay the high environmental and social costs of rampant pesticide use?" Future children and grandchildren should be able to watch cardinals and orioles fly and eagles soar. Start with small steps. Before calling a company to have pesticides applied to the lawn, check to find more environmentally friendly ways to prevent and fight mosquitoes. Talk to city representatives to make sure that no pesticides will ever be sprayed in this town. And always remember to prevent mosquito breeding sites, further preventing the use of pesticides. Keep checking for sources of standing water and remove them wherever possible.

To learn more, to support our work, and/or to volunteer, email GreenCAPS@yahoocom – Greenbelt Citizens Avoiding Pesticides at GreenbeltGreenCAPS@yahoo.com.



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*For more information on these and other events, visit the NDC CALENDAR page on our website.

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First up: educator and historian Reynald Smith shares his family history and personal ties to Juneteenth. Next: Mayor Emmett Jordan, along with the Greenbelt Museum and Greenbelt Black History and Culture Committee, delve into family histories of the community's first Black residents.
Music from the New Deal Cafe (2pm, 10pm)
The Mojo Priests
"Determined to play the devil out of the blues," Darren Johnson, John Potts, Kenny Johnson, Brian Frew, and Larry Spiwak bring a whole new blues sound to the New Deal Cafe!
All this and more on the GATE channel this week! Check greenbeltaccessstv.org for the full broadcast schedule, and visit [Greenbelt Access Television on YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...) for new video productions.

Obituaries

Brenda Purvis

Brenda S. Purvis, formerly of Greenbelt, died June 27, 2023, in Florida.

Brenda was born in Brentwood, Md., to Edgar and Magdalene Purvis. She attended college but never earned a degree. She stayed in her family's home until she moved to College Park in about 1983 where she lived until she came to Greenbelt.

Brenda waged a courageous fight for health after a tragic fall left her unable to stand or walk, also causing several other medical problems. She was a frequent shopper at Co-op and a patron of the New Deal Café where she enjoyed the vegetarian and vegan menu. She leaves behind many friends here in Greenbelt, especially those in the dog community. She was known for hosting impromptu doggie ice-cream parties at her home on Southway. She worked at animal shelters in Montgomery and Howard Counties, as well as in Washington, D.C.

She worked for the Prince George's County government as a property and code inspector for over 20 years until her early retirement in 2010. She and Linda wed in 2014, making their home on Southway.

She loved Greenbelt for its people, its dog park, the lake and the many wooded trails and paths where she would take her dogs for long walks. She was a true animal lover and seeing the deer, racoons, rabbits and many bird species brought her great joy.

She had a bit of a dry humor;

she would often catch you unaware with a twist of word or phrase, then sit there just smiling at you until you caught on. Then you would both have a good laugh.

She is survived by her wife Linda Guttman and her four-legged constant companion Harry, as well as her Aunt Mary and one cousin.

A memorial celebration of her life is to be held on July 17 in Florida. Condolences in the form of a gift to a local animal shelter, or PETA, would be thoughtful and appreciated.



PHOTO BY TIM UBER

Brenda Purvis

David Fogle



PHOTO COURTESY THE FAMILY

David Fogle

David Porter Fogle died June 25, 2023, at Anne Arundel Medical Center, age 94.

David was born May 4, 1929, in Lexington, Ky., son of professors David Edgar Fogle and Alice Porter Fogle. He attended Phillips Exeter Academy in New Hampshire and Princeton University in New Jersey, graduating with a BA in architecture. He served four years in the U.S. Navy and

earned a master's degree in city and regional planning from the University of California.

His life was dedicated to public service and historic preservation. After serving as a foreign service officer in Chile, Guatemala and Brazil, he became a professor at the University of Maryland in the School of Architecture. There, he and his students assisted in the restoration of the 19th century Rossborough Inn for use as a university faculty club. Later restoration projects included the Chalfonte Hotel in Cape May, N.J., and Riversdale, the home of Lord Baltimore's descendants, who founded the University of Maryland. He helped found the Maryland Study Center at Kiplin Hall, Yorkshire, England, the ancestral home of the Lords Baltimore.

David moved to Eastport in the 1990s. He was a member of the Eastport Yacht Club, the Cosmos Club in Washington and St. Luke's Episcopal Church, as well as an advisor to the Hammond Harwood House and Historic Annapolis. He was president of the Annapolis Preservation Trust and special assistant to the mayor of Annapolis, Ellen Moyer, during her eight years in office. In 2016, David was designated a Living Landmark by the Annapolis Heritage Commission.

David's contributions to chronicling Greenbelt's history include writing Chapter One – See OBITUARIES, page 6



Father Walter Tappe Celebrates 65 Years

On Sunday, July 9, St. Hugh of Grenoble Catholic Church parishioners held an international potluck 65th birthday party for their pastor, Father Walter Tappe. Fr. Tappe is in his 20th year as pastor of the church and he said, "You all are truly my family, and I am very blessed to be able to really get to know you over these many years. I prayed that I would be able to be a pastor of a church like St. Hugh one day and my prayers were answered. We are a diverse church community, but we are united in our faith."

Over 150 parishioners attended the event and enjoyed foods from all over the world that they prepared for the party. Parishioners expressed their joy and gratefulness for having Fr. Tappe as their pastor for so many years and many more to come.



PHOTO BY MARY ANN TRETNER

St. Hugh's celebrates its pastor's birthday.

Condolences to the family and friends of John (Jack) Leslie who died on June 28. He was a long-time resident of GHI.

Our sympathies to the friends and family of Henry Haslach Jr. who died on June 15. He lived many years in Greenbelt.

We were saddened to hear of the death of Brenda Purvis on June 27. She was a true animal lover.

Our condolences also to the family and friends of Joseph Kanayo Nwude who died April 14 in Nigeria. He lived in Greenbelt while working at the University of Maryland.

Our sympathies to the family and friends of former Greenbelter Linda Forristal, who died July 6.

Our condolences also to the family and friends of David Fogle, University of Maryland professor and preservationist, who made significant contributions chronicling Greenbelt history and who died on June 25 at the age of 94.



"Call none a stranger; think none to be your foe. Be ye as if all men were your close kin and honored friends. Walk ye in such wise that this fleeting world will change into a splendor and this dismal heap of dust become a palace of delights."

– 'Abdu'l-Bahá



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City Notes

For July 4th festivities in Buddy Attick Park, the Arts program, the Museum and The SPACE: Free Art For All collaborated to offer art activities. Public Works placed and removed activity and public safety tables plus 120 barrels along Kenilworth Avenue, and picked up litter along Crescent Road. Refuse/Recycling collected 21.65 tons of refuse and 10.55 tons of recyclables.

For the city manager vetting process, various city departments provided interviewers for panels, and a meet and greet event for residents was hosted in the Council Chambers.

Recreation launched summer programs at Schrom Hills Park and Springhill Lake Elementary School in collaboration with Park and Planning. Camp Encore performed their final presentation; Creative Kids Camp continues.

The Community Center conducted a camper fire drill and accommodated the Concert Band, Golden Age Club, Economic Development and nine rentals.

Therapeutic Recreation consulted with camp managers and contacted parents of inclusion campers about inclusion strategies. Senior Nutrition luncheons are now offered three times a week.



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.

Book Club

Saturday, July 15, 10:30 a.m., ages 18+ (Adult). Money as You Grow is a financial education program for parents/caregivers of children from ages 3 to 8. It encourages adults as they assist their children in developing new skills through interactive reading and family activities. Register at pgcmls.info/event/8523246.

Story on Screen

Monday, July 17, 10:30 a.m., ages newborn to 5, at the Old Greenbelt Theatre. Listen to stories read from the big screen, view a short film and enjoy an art activity. This program is in collaboration with the Old Greenbelt Theatre. Register at pgcmls.info/event/8555584.

Storytimes

Friday, July 14, ages 2 to 3, 11:15 a.m. Register at pgcmls.info/event/8555431.

Monday, July 17, ages newborn to 2, 10:15 a.m. Register at pgcmls.info/event/8555391.

Tuesday, July 18, ages 3 to 5, 6:30 p.m. Register at pgcmls.info/event/8555470.

STEM-tastic

Tuesday, July 18, 4:30 p.m., ages 8-12. Become a scientist by conducting hands-on, fun science activities using basic scientific principles. Celebrate Summer Prince George's by working "All Together Now" to solve the puzzle and escape the room. Acompañenos a explorar la ciencia, la tecnología, la ingeniería y las matemáticas. Register at pgcmls.info/event/8551386.



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.

MEETINGS FOR JULY 17 - 21

Monday, July 17, **NO COUNCIL MEETING**

Tuesday, July 18 at 7 pm, **ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TREES**, *On the Agenda: Review Past Meeting Minutes, Discussion of Applications for Tree Canopy Grant, Update on PEPCO Pruning, Discuss Significant Tree Walk for Fall Fest 2023, Adjourn*

Tuesday, July 18 at 7 pm, **REPARATIONS COMMISSION**, *On the Agenda: Ice Breakers; Welcome; Subcommittee Reports: Facilitation Subcommittee, Educational Subcommittee, Historical Subcommittee; Administrative Reports: Recommendations and Vote on Facilitators, Librarian, Communicator, Secretary, and Parliamentarian, Adjourn*

Wednesday, July 19, **NO COUNCIL MEETING**

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 www.greenbeltmd.gov/calendar.

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- 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.

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All ages. FREE. Fridays, 7/14, 7/28, and 8/11, 10 am & 2:15 pm
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**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/42UVvYD>.

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Lifeguarding classes are offered by the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center; call (301) 397-2204 for more information.

ASK ME ABOUT ARPA

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

- Greenbelt Education Scholarship Grant
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- 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.

View the most recently updated ARPA programs by visiting 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.



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ELECTRONICS, STYROFOAM, & PAINT RECYCLING

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CURRENT FREE CARES PROGRAMS

BACK TO SCHOOL FAMILY HEALTH FAIR

August 22, 10 am - 3 pm

Sign-up required. To register: <https://forms.gle/AoXWynNa5XcHNYbU8>. Contact Brendy Garcia at (240) 424-0302 or bgarcia@greenbeltmd.gov

EMERGENCY DIAPER PROGRAM

Supporting Greenbelt families in need of diapers. Greenbelt residents only, you must sign-up each month.

To register: <https://forms.gle/CAVPPThr4TsP4XZC7>.

Questions? 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.

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.

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.

PINK PANTRY

Assists low-income residents with access to menstrual products.

To receive please register: <https://forms.gle/tUkz6k7PdvbnHDD7>.

Seeking donations and volunteers.

Contact Katherine at (240) 542-2019 or kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov.

ABUNDANT AGING-IN-PLACE: BEING BETTER PREPARED FOR THE BEST PHASE OF YOUR LIFE THURSDAY, JULY 20 AT 7PM

Join Joan Jackson Owner of JMJ Information Services, LLC. Founder and Content Creator for the website, balancedabundantliving.com and explore the aging-inplace concept, its benefits and challenges, and the resources and support available to help seniors achieve this goal. To register visit bit.ly/3JSH1UN.

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Starting July 1, 2023, you can apply: Online at 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.

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.

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The Development of Greenbelt for the 50th Anniversary book, *Greenbelt: History of a New Town 1937-1987*, as well as co-writing the Epilogue with Virginia Beauchamp and Keith A. Winsell. He and Joseph Arnold worked with Sandra Barnes, Anne Meglis, Virginia Beauchamp, Jack Downs, Al Herling, Margaret Hogensen, Betty Allen, Don Volk and others on the organization of a national/international conference on New Towns in April 1987. That year he also spoke on the significance of Greenbelt's history and the 50th anniversary of the city at a photo exhibit at the Greenbelt Library commemorating the milestone. In 1991 David hosted the video program on Greenbelt's history at the museum. He also served as an advisor to the Greenbelt Arts Center and on their Development Committee.

David is survived by his five nieces and nephews, and their spouses, children, and grandchildren.

A celebration of life service will be held at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Eastport, on Saturday, August 5 at 2 p.m., followed by a reception at the Eastport Yacht Club.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the University of Maryland School of Architecture Program for Historic Preservation.

Henry Haslach Jr.



PHOTO COURTESY THE FAMILY

Henry W. Haslach Jr.

Longtime Greenbelt resident Dr. Henry W. Haslach Jr. died on June 15, 2023. His many roles included Acolyte; Eagle Scout; fraternity brother; poet; playwright; political activist; 1st baseman; union activist; movie narrator; 50-year co-operative member/supporter; mathematician; engineer; designer; educator; mentor; research scientist (medical); friend; brother; husband; uncle/great-uncle and skilled tomato grower. And he was always kind to animals.

He is survived by wife Nicole de Marait, brother Stephen and 11 nieces and nephews, including greats. His brother Robert preceded him in death.

John "Jack" Leslie III



PHOTO COURTESY JILL LACROSS

Jack Leslie represents Greenbelt Sunoco in the Labor Day parade.

John "Jack" Leslie III died suddenly on Wednesday, June 28, 2023, in the GHI house where he grew up in Old Greenbelt.

During his youth, Jack played Little League baseball. He also joined Greenbelt's Volunteer Fire Department, becoming a Junior Associate, although he did not become a regular member. His sister Jill noted that when his mother was hemming his uniform pants, he ran out of the house twice for fire calls, pants legs dangling. Jill stated that his real passion was hunting, particularly turkeys in season. He was a member of the National Wild Turkey Foundation.

Jill said Jack was the cool kid because he was cute when he was younger and he was always independent. Indeed, he lived alone all of the time that I knew him for the past 50 years. He did live in an apartment in Riverdale with his friends Terry Walton, Pat Fern and Richard Patterson during a time when they spent much time building and riding motorcycles, according to Richard, who also spoke of attending motorcycle and NASCAR races with Jack.

Jack attended Center Elementary and Greenbelt Junior High. He graduated from Bladensburg

High School where he learned the basics of the electrical worker's trade. He subsequently became a Journeyman Electrician and a member of the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Union Local 26.

Jack frequented Roosevelt Center and Woody's Flying A (now Sunoco) from his youth to the day he died. He had been somewhat disabled during the past few years, but he continued to attend many events at the American Legion and at my home and the homes of other friends. In fact, my wife Barbara and I were on our way to pick him up for a barbecue with Donald Nickolson and Tick Mangum when we found that he had left us for a bigger and more long-lasting party, as it were.

He was a good and loyal friend who liked to spend time with his Greenbelt buddies. He was somewhat of an historian about events and friends in our Old Greenbelt gang. He had a good memory and I could rely on him to set me straight when speaking or writing of someone. If he could, I am sure he would call me about this article. His friends noted that he would do anything for you. He installed a circuit for a microwave, a track light and a ceiling light, as well as serving as a reference for all things electrical. When he picked blueberries, he would often bring a batch to our door.

Jill noted that he remained loyal to his mother after his father died. He would share dinner with her nearly every night, and he moved back in with her when her dementia set in. He remained in the family home after her death, but had said he had planned to return to his own one-bedroom GHI home in the North End of town.

We will miss Jack's smile, although it was hard to see through his long beard and bushy mustache. We will also miss his sense of humor and his laugh at

jokes and life's absurdities.

He is survived by a sister, Jill LaCross (Matt) of Montgomery Village and his nephews Paul and Scott. His parents, John Jr. and Dorothea predeceased him. Jack was 69 years old.

There will be a memorial service on Wednesday, July 19 at 2 p.m. at Holy Cross Lutheran Church. A reception will follow at Greenbelt American Legion Post 136.

---Rick Ransom

Joseph Kanayo Nwude

Dr. Joseph Kanayo Nwude, who was born in Nigeria in 1940, died on April 14, 2023, in Nigeria. He was preceded in death by his father, Nwude Nnebe, mother, Deborah Coco Chief Nwude, and seven brothers.

Dr. Nwude, who was affectionately called Nayo or JK, loved talking to people. Those who enjoyed and those who did

not so much enjoy conversations with him, experienced his tendency to overpower everyone else in group discussions. One of his favorite topics was politics - local, national or international; it didn't matter. Ironically, if truth is to be told, Dr. Nwude spent most of his life in the United States without a voice. "Your vote is your voice in the USA." He was not a U.S. citizen and could not vote until he went through the process to become a citizen. Though late in life, Dr. Nwude did obtain his U.S. citizenship and all of the rights, entitlements and privileges that came with it. He became a registered voter in 2004.

In his youth, Dr. Nwude was small in size but strong. He could handily wrestle bigger mates to the ground. Ever so resource-

ful, he would fish in the Obibia River, a big river near his village, and catch loads of fish, and bring down big birds with his catapult to put food on the table. His athleticism paid off because he rose to become captain of the football/soccer and cricket teams at the prestigious Government College Umuahia. Dr. Nwude was a very smart student so it wasn't a surprise upon graduation that he was the only one to obtain admission to Government College Umuahia with a full scholarship. Upon graduation from Umuahia, Dr. Nwude continued his education in the United States on a full scholarship, awarded to him by the African Scholarship Program of American Universities.

Dr. Nwude earned a bachelor's degree from Purdue University and a master's degree from MIT in mechanical engineering. Subsequently, he earned a doctorate from Dartmouth in engineering with an emphasis in industrial development and industrial engineering. He was employed by General Electric Company and later hired as a full-time professor at Drexel University.

In 1971, Dr. Nwude married Rebecca Peace. Two sons were born from this union, Joseph Kanayo II and Obiora Peace. In 1976, the family moved to Nigeria where Dr. Nwude became Department Head of Engineering at the Institute of Management and Technology in Enugu of Anambra State, Nigeria.

Returning to the U.S. in 1985, Dr. Nwude was hired with the D.C. Government in Washington, D.C. His family's first home when they came to the area was at Springhill Lake Apartments. Their children, Joseph Kanayo II

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Joseph Kanayo Nwude



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Theater to Show Oppenheimer Film, July 21 Panel Will Discuss His Legacy

by Donna Hoffmeister

The Old Greenbelt Theatre will showcase the film *Oppenheimer* on Friday, July 21, a thought-provoking production based on the Pulitzer Prize-winning book *American Prometheus* by Kai Bird and Martin J. Sherwin. The film sheds light on the life of J. Robert Oppenheimer, a renowned theoretical physicist and the director of the Manhattan Project's secretive Los Alamos Laboratory. Oppenheimer is often referred to as the "father of the atomic bomb" due to his instrumental role in the development of the first nuclear weapon.



J. Robert Oppenheimer

This devastating weapon caused the deaths of an estimated 100,000 to 200,000 people in Hiroshima and Nagasaki, effectively bringing World War II to an end in August 1945.

Following the war, Oppenheimer served on the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission, where he voiced his opposition to the development of the hydrogen bomb. The United States conducted its first test of the hydrogen bomb in 1952, ushering in the era of the nuclear arms race with the Soviet Union. Oppenheimer strongly advocated for stricter control over nuclear weapons as the arms program escalated. However, his voice was stifled by the McCarthy hearings, which aimed to expose alleged communists within the federal government. It is worth noting that while Oppenheimer developed an interest in communism during the Great Depression, he never officially joined the U.S. Communist Party. Nevertheless, opponents of his views on nuclear weapons exploited this information to smear his reputation by claiming he was a security threat.

In 1954, the government revoked Oppenheimer's security clearance, effectively ending his career as a government advisor.

lives of 2 billion people and potentially bring an end to modern industrial civilization. It is crucial that we revoke the sole discretion of U.S. presidents to launch atomic attacks. Currently, upon assuming office, a president gains absolute authority to initiate a nuclear war, without the need for a second opinion, rendering the defense secretary and Congress powerless. Nuclear weapons remain the greatest threat to our existence.

In Maryland, efforts are underway to contribute to the global movement for the elimination of nuclear weapons.

Baltimore became the first major city to pass a "Back from the Brink" resolution in 2018, followed closely by Montgomery County. In 2022, both the city of Frederick and Prince George's County also adopted such resolutions. As a result, approximately 43 percent of Maryland's population now resides in areas that have embraced this initiative.

I encourage you to join us on July 21 to watch *Oppenheimer* and stay for the panel discussion that follows. This film tackles issues of utmost importance, compelling us to contemplate our survival in a nuclear age.

PORCH Collections

Upcoming Greenbelt PORCH pickups are scheduled below:

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.

Leave donations of unexpired nonperishables and hygiene products by the front door marked RUAQ or PORCH, visible from the street.

Contact: Robert Goldberg-Strassler at spreadruak@gmail.com.

Greenbelt Labor Day Festival FUNDRAISER @ New Deal Cafe




The Bachelor and the Bad Actress

Thurs., July 20 - 7:00-10:00pm



Betty and Bob Sonneveldt show their News Review in Split, Croatia.

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Metro's Green Line Closures To Run from July 22-Sept. 4

On July 5, Metro reminded customers that there will be no Metrorail service between Greenbelt and Fort Totten from July 22 to September 4. Station closures include Greenbelt, College Park, Hyattsville Crossing and West Hyattsville. A free shuttle service will be available July 24 to September 4 during Metrorail operating hours. Go to wmata.com/initiatives/plans/2023-Major-

Construction for updates and more information.

As reported in the April 27 News Review, this shutdown will focus on installing fiber-optic cables to improve rail network technologies. Once installed, the fiber-optic cables will allow Metro to get more updates done during non-customer hours, which means less downtime in the future.



Free shuttle service is provided between July 24 and September 4.

Fire Department Hosts Craft Fair on July 22

The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad and its Ladies Auxiliary invites the community to Be Jolly in July with a vendor show at the firehouse on Saturday, July 22 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Come find handcrafted items, decorations, gifts, crafts and more. Food and drinks will be sold.

Contact Kim Lewis at 240-304-8776 or firemama_35@msn.com for vendor space information.

Wednesday Lunch At the New Deal Café

Telecommuters, retirees and all others are invited each Wednesday this summer for lunch at the New Deal Café, 113 Centerway. Interested in meeting new people, building community and supporting your Café? Join us from noon to 1 p.m.

For questions contact rspeterson1@gmail.com.



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.

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It is still illegal to consume cannabis in public or drive while smoking or impaired by cannabis.

“What I tell people is, think of it like alcohol, not tobacco,” said Greenbelt Police Department Deputy Chief Tim White.

The new law required all previously licensed medical cannabis dispensaries to convert to dual medical and recreational licenses by July or risk suspension of their licenses.

Kurt Lane, 42, of Beltsville, said that Waave Cannabis Dispensary in Greenbelt, where he is general manager, netted triple its usual sales on July 1 after converting to a dual license, and that business has since been increasing.

New Licenses

The first round of state licenses for new growers, processors and dispensaries in the fall will be open only to social equity applicants from communities most hurt by cannabis prohibition.

Stribling said Maryland’s criteria for social equity applications exclude the most vulnerable. To qualify as a social equity applicant, a business must be 65 percent owned and controlled by someone who lived in a disproportionately impacted area for five of the past 10 years, attended a public school in such an area for at least five years or attended a college or university where at least 40 percent of attendees are eligible for a Pell Grant.

Stribling currently sells baked goods and hemp products, but she wants to apply for a micro license to expand her business. Stribling herself does not qualify as a social equity applicant because, despite being a woman of color who experienced homelessness and became a teen parent, she didn’t attend a public school for five years. However, her husband and business partner does qualify.

Users’ Concerns

The new law has inspired hopes as well as fears.

Lane said Waave staff are helping patients and customers fight fear and stigma surrounding cannabis. “You’ll see a lot of recreational or adult-use customers come in, and they’re very apprehensive because they’re afraid of maybe law enforcement or they’re afraid of what happens if our database gets sent to federal, which it doesn’t,” Lane said. “It’s just state, and we don’t send stuff like that out to people.”

Tyronda Cole, 50, of Temple Hills, worries that products she relies on to manage chronic pain from multiple sclerosis, nerve damage, carpal tunnel syndrome and other conditions will become unavailable or unaffordable now that recreational users are buying

some of the same products.

“I would think if you’re gonna legalize it, you ain’t thinking about the people with the medical issues,” Cole said. “Because now it seems like it’s gonna be a demand. So your demand, that’s gonna make your products smaller. Is it gonna make it more? Is it gonna be better, or is it gonna be worse? Are we gonna get the same thing?”

Medical and Recreational

The new law reserves some products, such as higher-dose gummies, for medical cardholders. Waave has installed kiosks and opened additional registers to address recreational demand, reserving some registers for medical cardholders only.

Still, Lane said that there is overlap between medical and recreational cannabis users, with some customers buying cannabis products to address health problems without medical cards.

“That’s been our biggest challenge from the back end. Making sure that there’s nothing available for rec that can only be available for med,” Lane said.

“But it’s also a good upsale tool. Sometimes we get people come in that say, ‘I’ve seen this on the menu, I’ve seen that on the menu, but I can’t get it once I come in.’ We just talk about the advantages of having a card versus not having one.”

Aaliyah Matin, 24, of Brentwood, a policy student and Waave employee, said that the recreational and medicinal properties of cannabis were part of what drew her to cannabis and working in the industry.

“It expands your perspective... because it’s not only mind-altering. It also heals your body at the same time,” Matin said.

Matin uses cannabis to manage ADHD and sciatic nerve pain, but also recreationally.

“It helps slow down my mind,” she said. She said it’s also brought her a lot of friends.

Cole thinks recreational and medical sales should be separate – ideally with medical users obtaining their cannabis from a pharmacy for a co-pay.

For Matin, legalization may raise labor issues. “It’s like double the work doesn’t necessarily

mean it’s going to be double the money,” said Matin.

Policing

Legalization also raises questions for policing, according to White.

White said the majority of firearms confiscated during traffic stops in Prince George’s County resulted from vehicle searches based on the smell of cannabis. He predicts that police will recover fewer firearms due to the new law.

Police are still determining how to gauge whether someone has consumed enough cannabis for their driving to be impaired, since the field sobriety test that officers administer roadside is geared to alcohol.

“On the roadside or back at the police station, as of right now, we do not have any ability to do a test for impairment by cannabis like we do for alcoholic beverages,” White said.

Education

Stribling emphasized the importance of education about healthy cannabis use. It’s not just about getting high, she said.

“I just want to be in this space so I can speak loudly about these issues. Because that’s why we’re drawn to that, because we’re still dealing with trauma. Especially in my community.”



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French Mayor Visits Greenbelt

by Xavier Courouble

Amidst a visit to their daughter Pauline, a D.C. French-immersion elementary school teacher, Fabien and Marie Kremer recently spent a couple of days enjoying the charms of our city of Greenbelt.



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The Kremers admire Greenbelt Community Center’s sculptures.

Fabien Kremer is the mayor of the French commune of Deneuvre. Recently Deneuvre’s constituents and elected officials joined Mayor Kremer in planting 1,700 Douglas firs, 1,300 spruce trees, 900 oak trees and 15 chestnut trees, keeping the municipal tree canopy well above 67 percent. For fans of American history, Thibault de Ménonville’s

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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.

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Armed Person

On July 3 at 8:43 a.m. near 7900 Mandan Road home security footage showed an individual holding a firearm walking by the residence but officers did not locate the man. On July 8 at 2:59 p.m. near Greenbelt Road / Kenilworth Avenue a road rage incident occurred where the suspect flashed a badge and told the victim to pull over. The suspect was driving a vehicle with flashing lights and flashed a firearm at the victim who thought the suspect was a police officer. Investigation is ongoing.

Armed Robbery

On July 5 at 4:37 a.m. near 7900 Good Luck Road three men entered a store and commanded the employees to get on the floor. One of the men was carrying an axe. The suspects then pried open the ATM and took the money inside. No further suspect information is available. On July 9 at approximately 6:30 p.m. near 7500 Mandan Road officers responded to a report of an armed robbery. The victim stated he was robbed at gunpoint and the suspect stole his Rolex watch. The suspect was described as a young Black male with dark skin, approximately 5'10" with a thin build, armed with a tan and black handgun. The suspect fled in a tan Hyundai sedan.

Break-in; Missing Teen Located

On July 8 at 8:30 a.m. officers responded to 201 Lakeside Drive for a complaint from Lerner University Square Property Manager reporting unauthorized occupants in a vacant apartment. Officers located a 22-year-old, a 21-year-old, a 20-year-old, a 14-year-old and a 13-year-old in the residence. The 13-year-old was previously reported missing to GPD on July 6. Two of the adults were transported to the Department of Corrections, one adult was given a criminal citation and the juveniles will have charges filed at a later date.

Disorderly

On July 5 at 2:51 a.m. near 7900 Mandan Road a 20-year-old woman was arrested after she caused a disturbance in an apartment hallway and kicked responding officers.

DUI Arrest

On July 6 at 8:41 p.m. near Greenbelt Road/Edmonston Road.

Found

On July 4 at 8:19 a.m. near 6900 Hanover Parkway shell casings were found on the ground near the bathroom area at Schrom Hills Park.

Fraud

On July 5 at 7:12 p.m. near unit block Crescent Road the victim received a call from someone claiming to be from U.S. Customs demanding money or the victim would be charged with a crime. (The U.S. government will never call you and demand money in exchange for avoiding criminal charges; if you receive a phone call saying otherwise, hang up). On July 7 at 3:12 p.m. near 9200 Springhill Lane a check was stolen and altered. On July 8 at 1:16 p.m. near 8100 Mandan Terrace a victim was advised that her computer was locked out. She called a number alleged to be Microsoft who told her to call a bank to withdraw money

and place money into a crypto account. Total amount deposited was \$50,000.

Indecent Exposure

On July 9 at 11:56 a.m. near 5800 Cherrywood Lane a man exposed his genitalia to an adult woman. The suspect is described as a Black man, rather thin build, skin faded haircut on the sides and back, and seemed of tall stature, driving a gray 2017 Ford Escape. The suspect drove away once the victim began taking photographs and calling police. The investigation is ongoing.

Shoplifting

On July 9 at 8:24 p.m. near 6100 Greenbelt Road a 36-year-old man was arrested for commercial theft.

Theft

On July 3 at 5:41 p.m. near 7600 Greenbelt Road cash from a self-checkout machine was stolen from a customer. On July 5 at 5:06 p.m. near 5900 Greenbelt Road, commercial theft; at 5:39 p.m. near 5900 Cherrywood Lane, commercial theft. On July 6 at 12:57 p.m. and again at 5:17 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, commercial theft. On July 7 at 10:37 a.m. near 500 Crescent Road a wallet was stolen from a duffle bag during the firework show at Buddy Attick Park. On July 8 at 12:34 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, commercial theft. On July 9 at 6:14 p.m. near 6100 Greenbelt Road, commercial theft.

Vandalism

On July 5 at 7:09 p.m. near 7800 Mandan Road a residence window was broken. On July 8 at 10:59 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road a door lock was damaged.

Vehicle Crimes

Vehicles Located

On July 3 near 200 Lakeside Drive a stolen Hyundai Sonata was found with the engine running, a smashed rear window and popped ignition. On July 6 near 100 Westway a stolen Hyundai was found parked in a disabled parking space without displaying a disability placard. The right rear window was broken and the ignition was popped. On July 8 near Ora Glen Drive /Frankfort Drive a stolen Hyundai Sonata was found with a broken rear window and the ignition damaged.

Stolen Vehicles

On July 3 near 6900 Hanover Parkway a 2015 Kia Optima was stolen and then found by Prince George's County Police Department. Other vehicles were stolen: on July 3 near 6400 Cherrywood Lane a black 2021 Hyundai Elantra (MD plate: 5EL5402); near 5900 Cherrywood Lane a 2021 black Chevrolet Tahoe (MD plate: 8FH5466). On July 5 near 6900 Hanover Parkway a 2014 Hyundai Elantra (MD plate: 2BH3814). On July 6 near 200 Lakeside Drive a gray 2019 Hyundai Sonata (MD plate: 4FG1759); near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace a black 2016 Hyundai Sonata (MD plate: 5ED2701); near 8100 Lakecrest Drive a 2015 gray Kia Optima had the rear passenger window broken and the ignition damaged. On July 8 near 100 Westway a 2017 blue Hyundai Elantra (VA plate: UKV1635). On July 9 near 100 Westway a red 2020 Kia Sportage (MD plate: T1416480);

near 9100 Springhill Lane a Hyundai Santa Fe (DC plate: GG8207); near 9100 Edmonston Road a 2019 Infinity Q50 (MD plate: 1FM2365).

Theft From Vehicles

On July 3 near 6400 Cherrywood Lane personal property stolen from car, no damage; near 6300 Golden Triangle Drive, all four rims and tires stolen from a 2023 Toyota Camry. On July 4 near 7200 Hanover Drive, passenger window broken, wallet stolen, credit cards used fraudulently. On July 5 near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace, front license plate and the faceplate for the front camera stolen. On July 6 near 7500 Mandan Road, owner reported invalid front license plate stolen; officers seized the back license plate; tow notice issued. On July 6 near Cherrywood Terrace / Breezewood Court, two cars had windows smashed with a rock, personal property stolen. On July 7 near 6100 Greenbelt Road, personal property stolen from an unlocked car. On July 8 near 6200 Springhill Court, rear passenger window broken, work tools stolen. On July 9 near 200 Lakeside Drive, grill stolen from a 2014 Chrysler 300; near 9000 Breezewood Terrace, rear license plate stolen; near 5900 Cherrywood Lane, personal property stolen from an unlocked car.

Vehicle Vandalism

On July 4 near 7800 Mandan Road, front passenger-side

window was broken, nothing taken; near 7700 Mandan Road a passenger-side window was broken, nothing taken; near 7700 Hanover Parkway the front passenger-side window was broken, nothing taken. On July 6 near 100 Westway, a left rear window of a 2014 Hyundai Sonata was broken, nothing taken. On July 8 near 6000 Springhill Drive, two cars in the parking lot had two tires slashed. On July 9 near unit Ridge Road, two vehicles had windows broken, nothing taken; near 9000 Breezewood Terrace a 2017 Hyundai Sonata had the rear passenger window broken, nothing taken; near 200 Lastner Lane three cars in parking lot had the rear windows broken, nothing taken; near unit Ridge Road the rear driver-side window and the back window were broken, nothing taken.

PGCPS Bus Driver Job Fair on July 19

Prince George's County Public Schools is hiring school bus drivers. There continues to be a shortage of drivers. There will be an in-person school bus driver job fair on Wednesday, July 19 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Tanglewood Regional School located at 8333 Woodyard Road, Clinton. The link to register for the event can be found at pgcps.org/offices/humanresources/careers/drive-with-us.

MakerSpace Volunteers

The Greenbelt MakerSpace is seeking volunteers to staff the tool library and organize classes and other events. People are asking for more open hours (currently only Saturdays 10 a.m. to noon). Your help is needed for us to expand. Sign up for shifts at signup.com/go/UNkLnqk or email staff@make125.org if interested in other times or jobs.

The Greenbelt MakerSpace is down the outside stairs on the west side of the Granite Building at 115 Centerway.

Four Armed Teens Rob, then Shoot Man near Plaza ATM

On July 5, at approximately 10:06 p.m., a Greenbelt Police Officer located an injured 38-year-old man in the 6200 block of Greenbelt Road, in the vicinity of Beltway Plaza, who reported he had been shot after being robbed. The victim stated he was at the ATM when he was approached by four teenage boys wearing face masks and armed

with handguns. A confrontation ensued and the victim was shot. The victim was transported to a local hospital with serious but non-life-threatening injuries.

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Sports

Barracudas Top Russet Sharks; Mia Moore Breaks Record

by Anna Bedford-Dillow



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Oscar Gaycken leads the Barracudas in a cheer at the home meet on Saturday.

On Saturday, July 8 at their home swim meet the Greenbelt Barracudas beat the Russet Sharks by a narrow margin of 277 to 272. Last year the Sharks beat the Barracudas by a single point.

It was a sweltering day but the event was well attended. Frozen popsicles were some of the popular concessions for sale as part of a fundraiser for the home team. Mayor Emmett Jordan was among those who came by to cheer on the municipal swim

team.

During the meet 12-year-old Mia Moore broke Greenbelt's team record in the 11- to 12-year-old 50-meter freestyle, swimming the distance in 29.68 seconds.

The final meet of the summer season will take place away against the West Laurel team this weekend.



OBITUARIES continued from page 6

(JK) and Obiora (Obi), graduated from Springhill Lake Elementary School. Both Dr. Nwude and his wife worked at the University of Maryland. They chose Greenbelt because of its proximity to the University and the reputation of the schools. They moved from Greenbelt to Lanham, a stone's throw away, and still kept in touch with Greenbelt. In the 1990s, Dr. Nwude became an entrepreneur and part owner of a company and served as the executive director of Business Development, which successfully provided cellphone service to sectors of Nigeria. Dr. Nwude retired from the D.C. Government Public Service Commission in 2015.

Dr. Nwude and Rebecca divorced in 2002. In 2013, he married Chinyere Bianca in Awka,

Nigeria. Three children were born during this union: Kennedy Okenna, Michelle Ogechu, and Bianca Kosisoch.

In addition to his wife and three children, Dr. Nwude is survived by his sons, Joseph Kanayo II and Obiora (Adrienne) and two granddaughters, Adora and Dawn Nwude; a sister-in-law, Celina Nwude; two nephews, Okwuchukwu (Tochi) and Emeke; and eight nieces: Ngozi, Unoma (Peter), Uchenna (Patrick), Ogo (Chidi) Ifeyenwa, Chikodili, Chinyere and Ebele; in addition to an extended family.

Dr. Nwude is also survived by his former wife, Rebecca Peace Nwude, three sisters-in-law Bettie Dawson (Jonah), Sallie Graves and Josephine Peace; one nephew, seven nieces and an extended family.

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challenging for the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, resulting in financial setbacks. To ensure that this year's event is a resounding success, the Festival Committee is calling on the community to rally together to support the Festival. All donations received by Tuesday, August 8 will be acknowledged in the News Review pull-out, and all donations at or above \$250 are eligible for special recognition on stage as

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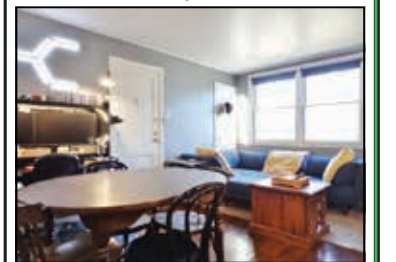
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Gardiner also underscored the need for cities to promote environmentally friendly development, such as bike paths and energy efficient buildings. "Cities can do a lot and should do a lot to lower greenhouse gases," Gardiner said.

To address social inequity, Salmeron emphasized service delivery to those most vulnerable. He resisted closing Yellow Springs's pool early in the Covid-19 pandemic against public sentiment and at a financial cost, he said, because low-income children relied on it for recreation and working parents needed it as childcare.

"We have to approach all of our work through an equity lens," Salmeron said. "Who are the people affected who need the assistance that we are designed to provide?"

Connectivity

George highlighted transportation as a way to increase connectivity between Greenbelt's communities, saying the city is looking into purchasing a second vehicle to expand the Greenbelt Connection bus service.

"Transportation should never be the reason why youth can't do something, or senior citizens or anyone else," George said. "That's a solvable problem."

Space Expansion

George voiced his commitment to expanding spaces for organizations that serve Greenbelt residents. He described Springhill Lake Recreation Center as "too small to meet the needs of the community," especially since the

opening of the Motiva apartment complex in Greenbelt West.

Infrastructure

George cautioned that developing city infrastructure and services should not unduly burden taxpayers or grow a large deficit, suggesting earmarks or grants as funding sources. Of the \$22.9 million in ARPA funding made available to Greenbelt, he said, over \$2 million remain uncommitted and must be allocated by December 31, 2024.

Salmeron said that addressing infrastructure problems early can save money in the long run.

"Not addressing some of these stormwater issues ends up costing more," Salmeron said. "What are the things that we can do to reduce our costs long-term?"

Local Roots

Each finalist has a connection to the Washington area. Gardiner served two terms as the mayor of Hyattsville, where he and his family currently live. Salmeron, whose mother fled El Salvador during the Salvadoran civil war, grew up in Columbia Heights.

Council met in closed session on Friday to take stock of resident feedback and discuss the candidates. City Clerk Bonita Anderson said staff were not involved in Friday's meeting and as of Monday they did not believe any offer had yet been made. Mayor Emmett Jordan confirmed that council met in executive session on Friday evening but on Monday they didn't have any further information to share about the selection or timeline.

City Manager Finalists

The following are descriptions of the three city manager finalists, drawn from their biographies.

Bill Gardiner



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Bill Gardiner is the assistant city manager of College Park. He grew up in LaPlata and attended Wake Forest University in North Carolina. After college he was a Peace Corps volunteer in Mali, then taught high school in San Antonio, Texas, and Prince George's County, Maryland. He has a master's degree in urban planning from the University of Maryland. Gardiner was also part of the Prince George's County Economic Development Corporation, where he was responsible for new business development, research and collaboration with Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and the federal government. He has completed the Maryland Municipal League Academy of Leadership and is an active member of the International City/County Managers Association. He currently serves as the vice president of the Maryland City/County Managers Association.

Gardiner served as mayor of Hyattsville from 2003 to 2011. After two terms he moved to Santiago, Chile, where he worked as a grant writer and editor for an international nonprofit.

In 2014 Gardiner became the assistant city manager for the City of College Park. He led the development and implementation of the city's strategic plan and co-led the city's Government Alliance on Race and Equity team. He was a key member of the city leadership responsible for College Park's new City Hall and helped develop the Council Orientation Manual, leadership trainings and numerous employee policies. He

has served under three different city managers and was acting city manager for most of 2021.

Gardiner and his wife currently live in the City of Hyattsville with their two children. He loves to travel, spend time with his kids, visit family and work on small woodworking and house projects.

- Photos courtesy City of Greenbelt

Tim George



Tim George

Tim George is the interim city manager of Greenbelt. He began working in economic development, then worked as an economic and strategic planning consultant for over 20 years. He has six years direct experience in city management, all in Prince George's County, the last two years of which have been in the City of Greenbelt.

George believes in a values-based leadership approach and fully understands the city manager has a responsibility to create a culture that embraces, promotes and supports inclusiveness and equity based on trust, honesty, fairness, ethics and integrity.

George is an avid golfer and cyclist and enjoys outdoor time with his family of four and their three dogs. He is also an active member of his church, teaching Sunday school, ushering at services and participating annually in a service project in Appalachia (ASP). At ASP, he leads a group of youth working on homes making them warmer, drier and safer. He also volunteers on his homeowners association's covenants committee and assists in organizing community events.

Josue Salmeron



Josue Salmeron

Josue Salmeron is the village manager/chief administrative officer of Yellow Springs, Ohio. There he manages the village's operations, Public Safety, Public Works, Utilities, Capital and Infrastructure Improvements and economic/community development. He oversees a budget of over \$18 million and leads a team of over 50 staff members. He is also charged with executing policies of elected officials, while serving as a conduit to the community to address needs and concerns.

Salmeron previously served as the managing director for Community Impact Strategies (CIS), Community Preservation and Development Corporation, where he provided a combination of administrative and leadership support to the CIS Department that serves over 8,000 residents across 26 affordable housing properties totaling 4,600 units. In the past Salmeron also served as deputy director at Collaborative Solutions for Communities, where he had oversight of strategic initiatives, operations and business development and as deputy director at the Mayor's Office on Latino Affairs.

Salmeron has a Master of Business Administration from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and a Bachelor of Science in biomedical sciences from Antioch College, and a Project Management Professional certification. In 2022, Salmeron was selected as a 40 under 40 award recipient by the Dayton Business Journal. He is a husband, father of two, a tinkerer and loves the outdoors.

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started working in the family restaurant when "I was a little kid. I probably got in the way. I remember being a little kid waiting on people, and they would say to Dad, 'Can we get a real employee here?' I was certainly working there in high school."

In 1985 the clothing consignment store Chris and Lindsay's Closet moved out of 105 Centerway next door to the diner, and the owner offered the Natoli family the chance to purchase the space. Joe Jr. was instrumental in convincing his father that the added space was a good idea, adding the booths you see today and doubling the restaurant size. Initially Joe Sr. said, "No, I like my little thing here." Joe Jr. replied, "Dad, you've only got seating for 12 people." "That's fine," his father replied. "Dad, I'll take care of it, I'll do all the work." That's when we became partners," said Joe Jr. "I was in my mid-20s, and already working there full time. It was a fun job, so I thought, 'Why not?'"

In 1987 Joe Jr. took over the deli and renamed it "Generous Joe's," aiming for a name with more personality than "Greenbelt Carry-Out." Everybody already called it Joe's, and "Generous" referred to the sandwich sizes. It also described its heart, as described in last week's article.

Joe Jr. told the News Review the deli supported his family and while it was a lot of work it was also fun – the most enjoyable part were the customers. He said he knew customers by their first names and faces, and what they ordered. "But especially, it's being there so long you get

to know people for decades, and their kids, and once a while, grandkids, come in. So it's just the sense of community, a big thing in Greenbelt."

Joe Jr. Retires

"It seems like the right time now [to retire]," said Joe Jr. "I've been thinking about it for a while." He's told the News Review he's excited about returning to biking and hiking, time with his family, visiting his mother daily, his wine club and about 112 house projects. He planned a bike trip with friends along the Great Allegheny Passage from Pittsburgh to Cumberland for this month. He also plans to seek some kind of volunteer work with the public.

Brian Sutherland worked at Joe's for 25 years. He'd been working at Famished Fannie's in College Park and when it closed in 1998 Joe Jr. hired him on the spot. Sutherland said retirement will be healthy for Joe, and that the transition is a good thing.

Joe Jr. and his photographer wife Sharon agree he looks forward to watching the Labor Day Parade, which he hasn't seen since he was a kid. "I almost never saw the Labor Day Parade, because I always worked, and right after the parade, it was really busy."



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Greenbelt resident John Campanile catches up on the latest while visiting his family's hometown of Mola di Bari in Italy.



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That's Big Ben reading the News Review over Carrie Hannigan's shoulder during her recent visit to London.