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Outstanding Citizen

## Maggie Cahalan Wins Award For Environmental Stewardship

by Melissa Sites



PHOTO BY SHARON NATOLI

The 2022 Outstanding Citizen of the Year, Maggie Cahalan, arrives at the reviewing stand of the Greenbelt Labor Day Parade on September 5.

Cheered on by half a dozen young green-shirted Earth Squad volunteers waving CHEARS signs, Maggie Cahalan was recognized as Greenbelt's 49th Outstanding Citizen.

As a co-founder of CHEARS (Chesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society, chears.org), Cahalan promotes environmental stewardship projects protecting the health of all life in the Chesapeake Bay watershed. One prominent project of CHEARS has been the establishment of Three Sisters Gardens in three locations around Greenbelt: in Schrom Hills Park, near Springhill Lake Recreation Center and near the Community Center. Cahalan has contributed to the Green ACES advisory committee and Greenbelt Climate Action Network. She also helped found the annual Green Man Festival, which has been held every year on Mother's Day Weekend since May 2005, combining music, arts, environmental education and strong Greenbelt community spirit.

Describing Cahalan, Selec-

tion Committee Chair Bob Zugby stated, "The awardee could be someone who is committed to peace, justice and inclusion; or it could be an individual committed to preserving the environment; or it might be someone involved in educating the public about matters of concern to all; or it might be a community organizer who brings all members of the community together to cooperate on a project. Does one of these criteria apply to our Outstanding Citizen of 2022? No. All of them do."

On the Festival stage, Cahalan received a certificate of special recognition from U.S. Senator Ben Cardin. From the Maryland General Assembly, Prince George's County District 22 legislative team, Cahalan received a certificate in recognition of her "unwavering commitment to the Greenbelt Community," presented by State Senator Paul Pinsky and State Delegate Nicole Williams (with Delegates Anne Healey and Alonzo Washington in absentia). Pinsky noted that

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Labor Day Festival

## Bingo: Problems, Solutions?

by Stephanie Quinn

There's more than one way to play bingo, according to participants in Greenbelt's two Labor Day weekend bingo events.

The "old way," said Mary McGrew, 80, a retired procurement officer, requires colorful ink "daubers" to mark squares on paper bingo cards.

The Ladies of Charity of St. Hugh of Grenoble Catholic

Church, which hosted bingo for 30 years at the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, used daubers during their four-day bingo fundraiser this year in the parish's Grenoble Hall.

An alternate way was on display as Greenbelt Youth Baseball hosted its own four-day bingo fundraiser on Festival grounds for the first time. Players in front

of the Community Center marked their cards with pinto beans.

"Then there's the side show that takes place," said Bernadette Thomas, 53, an assistant controller. "Every year some kid runs by and yells bingo."

Thomas has been playing bingo in Greenbelt for over 25 years.

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PHOTO BY ELIZABETH QUINN

Bingo on the Community Center lawn was hosted by Greenbelt Youth Baseball this year.

### What Goes On

**Monday, September 12**  
7:30 p.m., City Council Meeting, Municipal Building  
**Wednesday, September 14**  
7:30 p.m., Council Worksession: American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fund Recommended Spending Plan, Municipal Building

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

## City Council Debates ARPA Premium Pay for Employees

by Deb Daniel

On August 29, Greenbelt City Council met for two separate sessions. The first was a special meeting to act on Premium Pay for city employees. One and a half hours and three motions later, the decision was that eligible city employees can expect to receive their American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Premium Pay checks by Friday, September 9.

### Premium Pay Groups

Over 30 city employees, past and present, attended the special session on ARPA Premium Pay funding. Mayor Emmett Jordan started the meeting by describing that the past two years, 2020 and 2021, have been times of stress and uncertainty for all citizens. All city employees kept their jobs, sometimes working from home and sometimes working out in the community in direct contact with citizens suffering from health and safety concerns. Interim City Manager Timothy George presented the staff recommendation on grouping employees. Employees in direct contact with citizens (police officers, public works refuse workers, park rangers) and employees who have contact with those direct contact employees (code enforcement, other public works employees,

police dispatch) are tier 1 employees. Other employees are tier 2 employees. Unclassified employees are tier 3 employees. Retirees are included in the groupings but resigned or terminated employees are not included in the groupings.

### Premium Payments

Councilmember Judith Davis moved that tier 1 employees receive \$7,000 total (\$4,000 for 2020 service, \$3,000 for 2021 service) and tier 2 employees receive \$3,000 total (\$2,000 for 2020 service, \$1,000 for 2021 service) in ARPA Premium Pay. Jordan amended the motion to break these amounts into two payments. Councilmembers discussed the tax implications of two payments. Resident Lore Rosenthal noted that the ARPA payments were for years 2020 and 2021 and that further delaying payment by splitting the payment into two staggered amounts was further delaying city employees from receiving their ARPA distribution. The amendment failed.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts suggested that giving all employees equal amounts would

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2022 Labor Day Parade viewers sit by the grandstand at the corner of Southway and Crescent. More stories and photos from the Festival are spread throughout the paper.

# Letters to the Editor

## A Good Idea

I was happy to read in the News Review about the proposal by Jeff Lemieux and Emmett Jordan to install a bicycle path along

Greenbelt Road from ERHS to Goddard and Greenbelt East. I commute by bike from Old Greenbelt to Goddard, so I would use that path every day.

Jon Gardner

## Festival Rides



PHOTO BY STEPHEN KEARNEY

The Musical Chairs ride is a hit for children big and small.



PHOTO BY PETER TEUBEN

Great fun on the rides at the 2022 Labor Day Festival

## Crisis Hotline's New Number is 988

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline dialing code has changed, effective July 16. The new three-digit dialing code is 988 and it's available for phone calls and text messages.

The former Lifeline phone number (1-800-273-8255) will continue to be accessible.

Calls and text messages are confidential and free.

"No matter what problems you're dealing with, whether or not you're thinking about suicide, if you need someone to lean on for emotional support, call the Lifeline," the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline says on its website at [samhsa.gov/find-help/988](http://samhsa.gov/find-help/988).



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## The Old Curmudgeon



"I've won first prize in the Mr. Uncongeniality pageant at the Labor Day Festival!"

- News Review, September 2, 1999

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## On Screen at Old Greenbelt Theatre

### Three Thousand Years of Longing

Dr. Alithea Binnie (Tilda Swinton) is an academic – content with life and a creature of reason. While in Istanbul attending a conference, she happens to encounter a Djinn (Idris Elba) who offers her three wishes in exchange for his freedom. This presents two problems. First, she doubts that he is real and second, because she is a scholar of story and mythology, she knows all the cautionary tales of wishes gone wrong. The Djinn pleads his case by telling her fantastical stories of his past. Eventually she is beguiled and makes a wish that surprises them both.

### Emily the Criminal

Emily (Aubrey Plaza) is saddled with student debt and locked out of the job market due to a minor criminal record. Desperate for income, she takes a shady gig as a “dummy shopper,” buying goods with stolen credit cards supplied by a handsome and charismatic middleman named Youcef (Theo Rossi). Faced with a series of dead-end job interviews, Emily soon finds herself seduced by the quick cash and illicit thrills of black-market capitalism, and increasingly interested in her mentor Youcef. Together, they hatch a plan to bring their business to the next level in Los Angeles.

# Community Events

## Fire Department Hosts Bull and Crab Feast

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

Enjoy games and raffles, always a great time. This is the Fire Department's biggest fundraiser of the year. Come and support the local fire department. For online tickets, go to [engine35.com](http://engine35.com) then click on highlighted "Tickets are available at [engine35.square.site](http://engine35.square.site)." Bring family and friends for a guaranteed great time and great food that is all-you-can-eat on the premises! The Fire Department thanks the community for its continued support.

## Stronger Memory Program Has Waitlist

The City of Greenbelt's GAIL Program and Dementia Friendly America – Northern Prince George's County Sector, in partnership with Goodwin House Inc., a senior living and healthcare services organization located in Northern Virginia – will offer an innovative brain health program for older adults. The September through December program is full; see information below to be added to the waitlist.

The Stronger Memory program runs for 12 weeks, with one 30-minute check-in at 10 to 10:30 a.m. each Thursday from September 15 to December 8 in the Community Center senior classroom. To be added to the waitlist in case places open or an additional program is added, contact Sharon Johnson at 240-542-2029 or [sjohnson@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:sjohnson@greenbeltmd.gov).

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

## Cultivating Resilience

The Greenbelt Unplugged mindfulness series continues Sunday, September 11 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This Sunday's mindfulness will again be led by Debra Cope who is giving a follow-up to her last session on Cultivating Resilience. This workshop will be helpful for those struggling to stay focused, positive and confident, needing to release stuck emotion or to recover from setbacks and discouraging events. All are welcome, one does not need to have attended the first session; this session will cover new material.

The Zoom meeting ID is: 869 1887 7769 and the passcode is 016110. Or send an email to [events@greenbeltunplugged.org](mailto:events@greenbeltunplugged.org) to get the direct link, and get added to the distribution list for the series.



## Recreation Fall Activity Guide Available Online

The Greenbelt Recreation Fall Activity Guide and registration information are now available at [greenbeltmd.gov/recreation](http://greenbeltmd.gov/recreation). Upcoming programs include seasonal community celebrations and classes enabling participants to learn something new or improve their skills, all while socializing and staying active.

Registration is ongoing for Greenbelt residents and nonresidents. Classes begin during and after the week of Monday, September 12. For more information, call 301-397-2208.

## How to Help Ukraine

The City of Greenbelt has posted on its website a list of charities that support the people of Ukraine as they fight against Russian invaders. The city identifies 13 groups that are doing work in Ukraine including the well-known Doctors Without Borders as well as the lesser-known GoFundMe projects aimed at keeping journalists going. The list can be viewed under News on [greenbeltmd.gov](http://greenbeltmd.gov). The source of the list is the Washington Post.

## Racial Equity Meets Tuesday, Sept. 13

The Greenbelt Racial Equity Alliance (GREA) holds its next monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 13 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. over Zoom. Agenda items include American Rescue Plan funds allocations to support equity, the Reparations Commission and future directions for the organization.

For a link to the meeting, go to the GREA website at [greenbeltraciaequity.org/events](http://greenbeltraciaequity.org/events).

## Wanted: EV Owners

The Greenbelt Green Team seeks electric vehicle (EV) owners for its first EVent at Schrom Hills Park on Saturday, September 17 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Want to inform a greater audience than just neighbors and friends about your EV experience? Join fellow EV owners in answering questions about cost of purchase and ownership, real life range, cost of charging, types of chargers, etc. Email John Lippert, chair, Greenbelt Green Team, at [ecolivingmag@aol.com](mailto:ecolivingmag@aol.com) and let the group know which all-battery electric EV or plug-in hybrid EV you'll bring. There will be posters and handouts to help educate EV-owner wannabes.



BY JOHN LIPPERT

## Donate Sneakers For People in Need

Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ (GCC) is collecting athletic shoes by partnering with GotSneakers. This sneaker recycling program helps to keep sneakers out of landfills, where they have harmful effects on the environment.

A donation box is located outside the Fellowship Center (the small building behind the church) for people to drop off sneakers at any time.

## Red Cross Urgently Seeks Blood Donors

Appointments are no longer available for the American Red Cross blood drive at the Greenbelt American Legion on Monday, September 12, but there are open appointment slots for the drive being sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department on Friday, September 16 from 12:30 to 6 p.m. at the Community Center.

To find other drives or schedule an appointment to donate, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org), download the Red Cross Blood Donor app or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).



## Cookies at the Bridge Seeking Volunteers

Looking for something fun and worthwhile to do? Consider Cookies at the Bridge. The group meets weekdays from 3:15 to 4 p.m. to offer cookies to students coming home from Eleanor Roosevelt High School. The goal is to ensure the safety of the students as they make their way home. If interested, contact RobertGoldberg-Strassler, RUAK (Random Unselfish Acts of Kindness) at [spreadruak@gmail.com](mailto:spreadruak@gmail.com) or 301-345-8755 and leave a message or ask questions.



## Food Collection Dates

Greenbelt PORCH is continuing its program to collect food as scheduled below:

Sunday, September 11: by 11 a.m. at 1-8 Courts Ridge, 1-8 Courts Crescent and 1-2 Courts Westway

Sunday, September 18: by 4 p.m. for Boxwood Village, by 4 p.m. for P.A.L. (PORCH at large) members (including former Woodland Hill donors)

Saturday, September 24: by 10 a.m. for 14 and 15 Courts Laurel Hill

Sunday, September 25: by 4 p.m. for 9 and 12 Courts Ridge and 11 and 13 Courts Ridge; by 5 p.m. for Lakeside Drive.

Those in neighborhoods with no monthly food drive can help through P.A.L. To participate, contact Robert Goldberg-Strassler at [spreadruak@gmail.com](mailto:spreadruak@gmail.com) by noon on September 18 with your address on the scheduled monthly pick-up date and leave donation, marked RUAK or PORCH, by the front door visible from the street. Ensure that donated items are not past their use-by date.

Volunteers who would like to expand Greenbelt PORCH to additional neighborhoods in Greenbelt are always welcome. Particularly sought are coordinators in Greenbelt East. For more information or to become a volunteer, contact Goldberg-Strassler.

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Noon	Democracy Now!	Today's Syndicated Program
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Annette Wasilik & The Porchmen (Americana Indie-Folk), 6 - 8pm

**Monday, 9/12, MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION NIGHT!**  
Food & Drink Discounts for New Deal Cafe Members! 4 - 9 pm  
Chess Club, all levels and ages welcomed! 6 - 8pm  
Fall Risk (Classic Rock covers) 6 - 8pm

Tuesday, 9/13, New Deal Open Mic with Tom Woycheck-Gleason, 6:30 - 9:30pm

Wednesday, 9/14, Mike Elish (Rootsy, Poetic songwriter), 7 - 9pm

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with the support of Cahalan and activists like her, Maryland has adopted the Climate Solutions Now Act. Pinsky said, "Maggie has worked diligently, knocking on doors to get people organized and engaged. It's every town like Greenbelt that gives [legislative] colleagues the backbone to think of the future and take on these challenges." County Councilmember Todd Turner also noted the adoption of a climate action plan for Prince George's County, acknowledging Cahalan's tireless efforts in education and advocacy.

Cahalan expressed overwhelming gratitude to her family and friends. She began by acknowledging that Greenbelt occupies the traditional territory of the Nacotchtank (Anacostan) and Piscataway Conoy nations. Cahalan spoke eloquently about the need to work together: "We're all kind of in the same boat, interconnected, working together on a spiral quilt. Some put little bright squares and circles, some have to go back and fix what's broken and some recognize those who labor in any way to try to make things better."

At a reception in the City Council Chamber, with council members in attendance, Mayor Emmett Jordan presented Cahalan with a beautiful replica of Roosevelt Center's Mother and Child statue. Jordan noted that this award is "all about community service – not just a requirement to graduate from high school, but a way of life – and this is so true of so many people in the room." Outstanding Citizens present at the reception included: Shaymar Higgs, Paul Downs, Sylvia Lewis, Rick Ransom, Larry Hilliard, John Henry Jones, Konrad Herling, Lore Rosenthal, Michael Hartman, Sandra Lange, Maggie Cahalan and Leta Mach.

The Outstanding Citizen award



PHOTO BY HELEN SYDVAR

**Maggie Cahalan poses with her family after receiving her Outstanding Citizen award. From left are: Gabriel Cahalan, Bob Cahalan, Maggie Cahalan, Joel Cahalan and Kim Wallace. In front are Tae and Ruby Marie Cahalan, struggling to hold the gift basket donated by Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket and Pharmacy.**

is supported by the Greenbelt Rotary, Greenbelt Federal Credit Union and Fieldstone Properties, proprietors of Franklin Park. Cahalan received a gift basket including gift certificates from Cedars of Lebanon, East Pearl Bistro, Generous Joe's, Greenbelt Barber and Stylist, Marathon Deli, Mission BBQ, New Deal Café, Old Greenbelt Theatre, Shiatsu Massage Therapy, Silver Diner, Three Brothers and Wood's

Flowers and Gifts. Greenbelt Nursery School contributed its official Greenbelt Is Great T-shirt. Cahalan and husband Bob moved to Greenbelt in 1979, and their sons Joel and Gabe were raised here. Cahalan thanked her husband for being her "severest critic and most steadfast supporter." He can often be seen along with her at CHEARS and related events.

Maggie and Bob both went to

Thomas More College in Kentucky, and then to University of Illinois where Maggie earned a PhD in sociology. Bob was lab chief for the Climate and Radiation Lab at Goddard Space Flight Center. Maggie has worked for over 40 years doing research on demographic trends, primarily related to equity issues in higher education. She is a senior fellow at the Council for Opportunity in Education, Pell Institute for the Study of Opportunity in Higher Education, an organization dedicated to increasing access and success for low-income and potentially first-generation college students.

Cahalan has long engaged in civil disobedience. "I was first arrested back in the 1970s in graduate school in the anti-war movement. Recently, on my birthday, I was arrested with the Fireday Friday initiative on the steps of the Capitol. I think that the climate crisis is an existential threat and one that will hit those who are least responsible the hardest both globally and locally. I felt it was important for me personally to commit a small act of civil disobedience in that setting on my 75th birthday."

Cahalan said, "John Henry said we need love, that's what we need and that's true. Greenbelt used to have a sign that said we're building the inclusive community. We're building, working, laboring. We're not there yet, but we'll get there."

## Community Church Homecoming, Sept. 11

Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ invites former members and friends in the community to join us for worship and a special reception on September 11 for Homecoming Sunday.

Interim Pastor Rev. Clara Young and Pastor Emeritus Rev. Daniel Hamlin will give a dialogue sermon on the gifts of the Spirit. Also, those who have been members of the church for 40 or more years and those who were confirmed in the church will be recognized.

The worship service begins at 10:15 a.m. Masks are strongly encouraged while in the Sanctuary and are optional in the Social Hall downstairs. Masks will be available at the door for those who want them.

Homecoming Sunday can also be joined via Zoom. Call the church office at 301-474-6171 or email office@greenbeltucc.org to get the Zoom link.

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Chris McCann - DRE, Rev. Ann Kadlecek

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Exodus 20:4-6



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**City Notes**

For the Labor Day Festival, Public Works set up booths and delivered 60 chairs and four tables to the Festival stage. Tables and bleachers were delivered to several event locations, including 30 tables for the bingo area. Horticulture/Parks limbed up trees around the Roosevelt Center parking lot and installed water spigots for food trucks.

The Community Center provided space for Festival events including the Art and Photo Shows in the gym. Arts staff hosted a table in the art gallery promoting recreation events and activities. Therapeutic Recreation provided training on the speaker system.

With no park rental permits issued for the weekend, park rangers concentrated on Labor Day events and venues.

Animal Shelter residents are six cats, 10 kittens, a dog, a turtle and a bunny.

The Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program hosted the Back-to-School Mini Health Fair at Springhill Lake Recreation Center. Book bags and supplies were given to 125 students. Vendors included CARES, Camp Fire, Lions Club and Community Clinic.



**At the Library**

Face masks continue to be required at Prince George's County Memorial Library System buildings for everyone ages 2 and up.

**Storytimes**

Wednesday, September 14, 12:15 p.m., ages 3 to 5. Register at [pgcmls.info/event/6930172](https://pgcmls.info/event/6930172).

Thursday, September 15, 11:15 a.m., ages 2 to 3. Register at [pgcmls.info/event/6930347](https://pgcmls.info/event/6930347).

Ready to Read features stories, songs, fingerplays and more. All participants over age 2 must wear a mask to this event. This event may be subject to change if safety guidelines are updated.

**Teen Action Group**

Wednesday, September 14, 4:30 p.m. Ages 13 and up. Need to earn community service hours? Come make a difference in the community, gain friends and make your voice heard.

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Appointments (30-minute) can be made for Mondays and Thursdays, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 1 to 6 p.m.; and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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**Other Services**

Among other available library services are full browsing of library collections, in-house use of computers, printers and scanners, and study rooms or meeting rooms by reservation. The Library also has available Online 2Go Chromebooks (borrowable laptops with built-in internet access). At no charge, library patrons can borrow a laptop for work, education or entertainment and also have reliable access to the internet. Online 2Go Chromebooks don't need separate internet connection; access to the web is handled through built-in LTE wireless, which means no data usage or internet bill for the user.



# City Information & Events

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**GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR MEETING**  
Monday, September 12, 2022 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**
- National Public Lands Day Proclamation
- \* Minutes of Council Meetings
- Statement of Record - Closed Session, July 25, 2022
- Administrative Reports**
- \* Committee Reports

**LEGISLATION**

- A Resolution to Authorize the Negotiated Purchase of Certain Goods and Services from Various Vendors as Enumerated Herein when Total Fiscal Year Purchases from Each Vendor Exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) - 2nd Reading, Adoption

**OTHER BUSINESS**

- Network Security Assessment or Cyber Security Assessment
- Reconsideration of a Motion to adopt A Resolution to authorize the negotiated purchase of construction service to build a Gateway Signage Wall and install signage from Jopal Construction Inc. at a lump sum cost of \$39,000 with an agreement that if a change in material price increases more than 10% between the time of estimate (July 2022) and completion of project an extra charge will apply for this increase
- Proposed Changes to the Stakeholders List
- Reparation Commission Next Steps
- Vendor Submission for the City Manager Opening
- Council Activities
- Council Reports

**MEETINGS**

*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 SEPTEMBER 12-16**

Wednesday, September 14 at 7:30 pm, **WORK SESSION - AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUND RECOMMENDED SPENDING PLAN (TENTATIVE)**

Thursday, September 15 at 7:30 pm, **PGCMA MEETING - GREENBELT HOST CITY**

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

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**GREENBELT RECREATION'S 2022 FALL ACTIVITY GUIDE NOW AVAILABLE**

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Contact Sharon Johnson (240) 542-2029 or [sjohnson@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:sjohnson@greenbeltmd.gov)

**PRESCHOOL PROGRAM IN HISTORIC GREENBELT**

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

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

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

**COMMUNITY WORKSHOP**

Central Park at Greenbelt Station  
Wednesday, September 14 from 6 - 8 pm

Join us for an interactive design workshop to reimagine the green spaces in Greenbelt Station.

Sign up by visiting <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084babab2ba4ff2-community1> or by calling (301) 397-2200.

**Greenbelt ARPA Funds Assistance Programs Update (as of 8/29/22)**

Rent and Utility Assistance  
· 314 Greenbelt Households were granted assistance totaling \$1,471,104.65

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For more information visit: <https://bit.ly/3OBoe19>

**BUDDY ATTICK PARKING LOT CLOSURE**

Please be advised that Buddy Attick Park parking lot and Recycling Center will be closed to pedestrians and motorists on Thursday, 9/15 and Friday, 9/16.

**MOSQUITO CONTROL**

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



**Too much yard debris after all the recent storms? Make Yourself Acquainted with Public Works' Yard Waste Removal and Chipper Rules**

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

Visit <https://www.greenbeltmd.gov/government/departments-con-t/public-works/trash-recycling/yard-waste> for a complete rundown on the rules for yard waste pick up, chipper rules, and more.

# BINGO continued from page 1

"It's a whole world of very serious bingo players," said Lei Zong, 44, an engineering manager and one of a team of volunteers who worked all summer toward last weekend's Greenbelt Youth Baseball bingo. "I feel like after this they really should make a Netflix show."

Proceeds from St. Hugh's bingo will fund the parish's food pantry, which serves 50 to 60 families weekly, said Mary Ann Tretler, 68, president of The Ladies of Charity.

Patrick Keaton, 45, a project manager and Greenbelt Youth Baseball treasurer, said the league will use its proceeds for equipment and field improvements. The league aims to update aging batting cages and is working with the city to acquire storage space at multiple fields.

Both events took a lot of planning to overcome challenges.

The Ladies of Charity decided to hold its bingo in Grenoble Hall due to the challenge of recruiting enough volunteers, said Tretler.

The ongoing Covid-19 pandemic compounded some elderly and disabled parishioners' concerns about extreme heat and accessibility at the Festival site. Hosting bingo in St. Hugh's air-conditioned hall helped The Ladies of Charity get enough help to run the event.

"There's enough of us who want to attempt to get back to some normalcy," Tretler said.



PHOTO BY STEPHANIE QUINN

### Labor Day bingo at St. Hugh's

Zong said experienced bingo volunteers mentored Greenbelt Youth Baseball parents on topics from how much petty cash to have on hand to the application process for county permits.

Sara Mazursky, 46, a deputy director at Johns Hopkins, and Clark Rushing, 39, an ecology professor, were playing 18 cards between them Saturday afternoon at the Festival while they waited for Anya Rushing, 39, who works for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, to join.

The Rushings lived in Greenbelt for a decade before moving to Georgia four years ago. Before the pandemic, they traveled back to Greenbelt annually for the Festival.

Clark Rushing, who had yet to win at the Festival, said, "I've paid my dues. It's my turn."

Within an hour, the Rushings had won.

Keaton said players lit their cards with phone flashlights Friday evening because league volunteers forgot to arrange lighting for the tables in front of the bingo booth.

But in front of the Community Center Saturday night, at long tables lit by string lights, bingo players leaned intently over cardboard cards, on loan from St. Hugh's.

"This is the opposite of the Wild Wild West," Keaton said. "This town is big enough for the both of us."

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



PHOTO BY STEPHANIE QUINN

Steny Hoyer, redistricted away from his longtime Greenbelt constituency, cheers on successor Democratic candidate Glenn Ivey.



PHOTO BY SHARON NATOLI

Prince George's County Council Chairman Calvin S. Hawkins was not able to make it, but his face was everywhere at the Greenbelt Labor Day Parade.

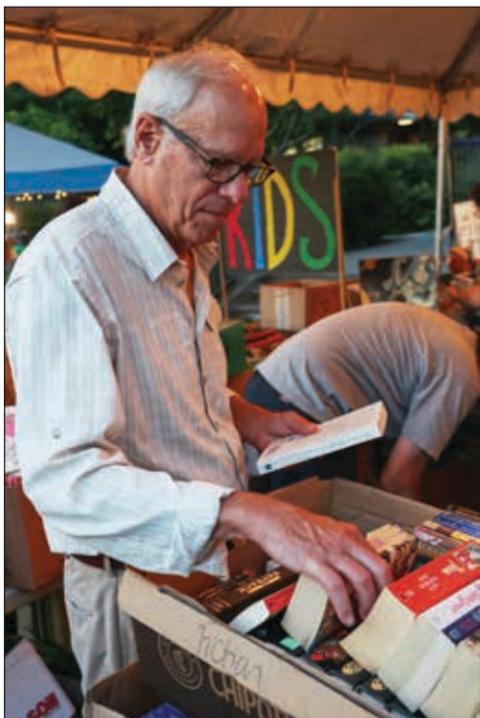


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Senator Paul Pinsky peruses the books at the PTA Book Sale.



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Labor Day Festival

# D.C. Labor Chorus at New Deal, Food Vendors Put in Long Hours

by Stephanie Quinn

Members of the D.C. Labor Chorus and their audience at the New Deal Café Monday afternoon stood and linked arms during the civil rights anthem We Shall Overcome. The group, which represents union members in the Washington, D.C., area, led a two-hour concert and singalong featuring songs for workers and social justice.

If Labor Day is the unofficial end of summer, the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival was a study in varied rhythms of work and play. Against the backdrop of the carnival's neon lights, Festival attendees celebrated labor, their ability to do work and workers' movement wins.

Local businesses worked hard at the Festival. Raul Baptiste, 30, of Greenbelt, had one word to describe the New Deal Café, where he is basic operations manager, during the four days of the Festival. "Pandemonium," he said. The Café's music venue was packed for much of the weekend. "It is so good to see the community out enjoying themselves after Covid," Baptiste said.

Calvin Cain, 55, of Glen Burnie, said Monday he and his team put in 14-hour days at PKG Mobile Kitchen. He said festival attendees had missed PKG's fries. Only one vendor was permitted to sell fries at the Festival this year. "We tried to get over the hurdle a little bit by using tater tots. But it's not as good as if we'd done the fries," Cain said. "The ability to work was a blessing. Without it, we couldn't do anything. So I enjoy having the health and strength to do labor."

Sherimane Johnson, 57, of Greenbelt, brought her company Night Owl Vegan to the Labor Day Festival to spread the word that "eating plant-based is delicious and beneficial for your body."

Johnson, whose son and daughter had to work Monday, called for more appreciation of



PHOTO BY MICHAEL HARTMAN

A full house joined the D.C. Labor Chorus at the New Deal Café on Monday, September 5, in a rousing singalong that embraced the trade unionism movement. It vividly exemplified the original purpose of the act passed by Congress on June 28, 1894, naming the first day of September a legal holiday called Labor Day. The songs sung during this event also focused on some of the other critical issues of today, such as equity, social and economic justice, women's health choices and all workers' rights.

workers on Labor Day and every day. "Sunday is supposed to be a day of rest. Labor Day is supposed to be like, 'Thank you for your labor.' And I don't think a lot of people get that thank you," she said.

Deborah Stavisky, 24, of Silver Spring, and Elianna Cooper, 24, of Washington, D.C., attended the D.C. Labor Chorus concert at the Café. Both are engagement co-chairs of the Jews United for Justice Union. "It's a good way to ground ourselves and be excited about all of the battles and

wins that our movement siblings have won, and it's a good way to ground us that there's still so much to be fighting for and moving forward," said Cooper. At this concert honoring workers, their T-shirts bore the fitting words of the early 20th-century trade unionist Rose Schneiderman: "The worker must have bread but she must have roses too."

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



PHOTO BY SANDY RODGERS

Food trucks labor to provide delicious food and aromas throughout the Festival.



PHOTO BY MICHAEL G. STEWART

Mary Shaver once again blows the roof off with new Blue Soul on Sunday, September 4, from the Festival stage. She was born and raised in Prince George's County.

**Greenbelt Farmers Market**

**Sundays 10a - 2p**  
Southway and Centerway

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**PRELIMINARY AGENDA**  
Meetings of the GHI and GDC Boards on September 15, 2022

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

- a) Contract for Installation of Windows, Doors and Siding Replacements for Larger Homes - 2nd reading
- b) Contract for Replacement of Roofs for Masonry Block Homes - 2nd reading
- c) Approve Minutes of the Closed Meeting Held on July 14, 2022
- d) Complaint Matters

**GDC Open Meeting – starts at 7:45 p.m. – open to members and visitors**

- a) Approve Minutes of the Open Meeting Held on July 14, 2022
- b) Proposal to Rent GDC Parkway Apartments to House Ukrainian Refugee Families

**GHI Open Meeting -starts after the GDC Open meeting adjourns – open to visitors and members**

- a) Statement of a Closed Meeting of the Board of Directors Held on September 1, 2022
- b) Statement of a Closed Meeting of the Board of Directors Held on September 15, 2022
- c) Approval of Addenda for Trust Ownership and Trustees' Affidavits for Two Units.
- d) Contract for the Repair of a Defective Stairway/Retaining Wall at 2 Ct Plateau Place - 2nd reading
- e) Approve Minutes of the Open Meeting Held on July 14, 2022
- f) Complaint from a Member about a Drainage Problem Affecting their Unit
- g) Recommendation from the Finance Committee re: Distribution of Unreserved Operating Funds
- h) Recommendation for Changes to the Optional Maintenance Reserve Program for Split System Heat Pump Units
- i) Motion to Hold a Closed Meeting on October 6, 2022

Members and visitors who wish to attend the Open meetings must register in advance via the following link:  
[https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYsf-igajouH9yplHsBp1f5oC-\\_d86QQ9Lk](https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYsf-igajouH9yplHsBp1f5oC-_d86QQ9Lk)

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# Labor Day Festival Parade



Dan Gillotte plays the sousaphone with Greenbelt Honk! Situation.



A fairy-in-training walks in the Parade with Town Center Realty.



- Photos by Jon Gardner

Cub scouts from Pack 202 reenact the Pinewood Derby to the Beatles' Baby, You Can Drive My Car.



Members of Greenbelt Dog Training show their paces in the Parade.

# Council Looks at Unencumbered ARPA Funds of about \$7 Million

by Deb Daniel

Following the Special Meeting on Premium Pay for city employees on Monday, August 29, the Greenbelt City Council began its worksession to consider the remaining American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding priorities.

As of August 8, Mayor Emmett Jordan reported the total ARPA funding available is \$22,890,228 of which \$14,902,800 is encumbered or allocated, leaving council with \$7,987,428 to spend on the ARPA funding priorities that have not been funded. Interim City Manager Timothy George mentioned that, after the premium pay was encumbered, the remainder of funds would be close to \$7,000,000. Of the ARPA monies spent, 61 percent has gone to rental and homeowners assistance (46 percent) and business assistance (15 percent). The remaining monies have gone to infrastructure, recreation and other programs. George said he was hoping to fully encumber all ARPA spending by early 2023 because delays in construction could result in returning unspent ARPA monies to the government by the end of 2024.

### Priority Categories

Jordan then suggested categories to group ARPA spending priorities so that priorities can be combined or deferred to stay within the ARPA funding budget. The categories are infrastructure,

security, recreation, pedestrian and bike transit, and equity investment (including health). In looking over the items, Councilmember Judith Davis suggested eliminating building security priorities from the ARPA priority list. Funding with monies from sources other than ARPA is more appropriate because ARPA money is to help people, not protect city buildings. Councilmember Kristen Weaver pointed out that some of the priorities were more a proposal than a project, so costing those priorities might be difficult.

Council recognized the need to define each priority and category in more detail. George suggested that he could provide estimates on costing for items. In addition, a tracking system should provide updates to council every few months as more information becomes available.

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## Kick Gas Go Electric!



**What: Greenbelt's 1<sup>st</sup> Electric Vehicle Event**

**When: September 17<sup>th</sup>, 10am-1pm**

**Where: Schrom Hills Park**

**Talk with local Electric Vehicle (EV) owners. See their cars and ask about their EV experiences, EV costs, driving and charging an EV, types of EV chargers, etc.**

**This Event is sponsored by Greenbelt's Green Team and the City of Greenbelt**

# Police Blotter

Incidents reported here occurred between August 29 through September 4. Readers are encouraged to contact the police if they have information that may aid in an enquiry. Call the non-emergency number 301-474-7200 or email [pd@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:pd@greenbeltmd.gov). Note that the times provided are when the incidents were reported.

### Robberies

On August 31 at 4:16 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, a man stole hundreds-of-dollars-worth of merchandise. When security officers approached him, he threatened them with a knife. Police arrested 56-year-old Guy Dewitt Clark.

On September 2 at 1:01 a.m. near 5700 Greenbelt Metro Drive, as an individual was leaving the Metro station, a man approached him and demanded his backpack. Police arrested a 34-year-old resident of Washington, D.C., and returned the stolen property.

On September 2 at 3:05 p.m. near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace, a person was robbed by someone they knew.

On September 3 at 8:47 a.m. near 7500 Greenway Center Drive, a man approached and demanded the victim's property. A struggle took place and the assailant fled without taking anything. He was described as wearing a blue shirt and blue pants.

### Weapon Arrest

On September 2 at 1:08 p.m. near Greenbelt Road and Cunningham Drive, officers conducting a traffic stop for expired registration found a black handgun, which was determined to be a "ghost gun," a privately-made and untraceable firearm without a serial number. The driver, a 30-year-old Lanham resident, was arrested for weapon law violations.

### Assault

On August 30 at 6:41 p.m. near 7600 Greenbelt Road, a dispute between customers ended with one man pepper-spraying another.

### Animal Complaint

On August 29 at 7:14 p.m. near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace, a maintenance worker was bitten by a resident's dog.

### Commercial Thefts

Thefts occurred September 1 at 1:24 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road and at 3:03 p.m. near 5700 Cherrywood Lane. Similar incidents occurred on September 2, 3 and 4, respectively, at 11:30 a.m. near 7400 Greenbelt Road, 11:24 a.m. near 6100 Greenbelt Road and at 9:21 a.m. near 7500 Greenbelt Road.

### DUI Arrests

Individuals were arrested September 2 at 12:27 a.m. near 8900 Edmonston Road; September 3 at 2:21 a.m. near Greenbelt Road and 63rd Avenue; September 4 at 12:28 a.m. near Greenbelt Road and Kenilworth Avenue; and August 31 at 10:07 p.m. near Crescent Road and Kenilworth Avenue.

### Fraud

Identity thefts were reported August 29 near 9100 Springhill Lane, and also near Southway. Online banking fraud was reported August 29 near 7300 Morrison Drive. On September 1 at 10 a.m. near 5500 Cherrywood Lane, someone impersonating a business employee requested money for a late bill. The victim complied but later discovered the request was fraudulent.

### Stolen Vehicle

A 2020 Nissan Altima was stolen, August 29 at 11:44 a.m. near 7800 Mandan Road after

keys were left in the car door.

### Suspicious Person

On August 30 at 5:19 p.m. near 6300 Golden Triangle Drive, a man was arrested on open warrants after causing a disturbance at hotels in the area.

### Theft

On August 31 at 12:25 a.m. near 7800 Mandan Road, a firearm was stolen from a residence. On August 31 at 11:19 a.m. near 8000 Mandan Road, school property was stolen from a student.

### Theft from Auto

On September 4 near 9100 Springhill Lane, airbags were stolen from a 2019 Honda Civic, a 2020 Accord and a 2019 Civic, and on September 4 near 6100 Springhill Terrace, from a 2020 Civic.

On September 3 on Ridge Rd, a vehicle window was broken and property taken.

### Vandalism

Near 9100 - 9200 Springhill Lane on August 30, a laundry room window was broken by a shovel and a vehicle scratched on both sides on both front and rear doors. On September 4 near 9100 Springhill Lane, a vehicle was scratched.

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be fairer as all employees worked during years 2020 and 2021. The motion by Davis giving tier 1 and tier 2 employees ARPA payments of \$7,000 and \$3,000, respectively, passed 6-1. Roberts voted against the motion because he wanted the Premium Pay funds to come from city funding, not ARPA funding.

### Employee Resignations

Council then considered whether employees who have resigned should receive ARPA Premium Pay for their service in years 2020 and 2021. At that point two former employees who have resigned from city employment discussed their service during the Covid-19 pandemic. Councilmember Silke Pope said that all employees, whether they have taken other jobs or not, who served during years 2020 and 2021 should receive ARPA Premium Pay. Roberts moved that all eligible employees, resigned included, receive ARPA Premium Pay for years 2020 and 2021. The motion passed 5-2 with Jordan and Councilmember Kristen Weaver voting no because more

information is needed.

### City Logo

Council also affirmed that the city logo is the same as the city seal and the city flag, with regard to its use for events sponsored or supported by the city. Councilmember Ric Gordon moved to approve the use of the city

logo in connection with the HUG (Help Unite Greenbelt) Walk and the motion carried unanimously. At a later meeting, council will address a policy change, that the city staff manage the city logo applications, notifying council of the decision. The special meeting adjourned.



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# Sports

## ERHS Soccer, Football Start Fall Seasons

by Patrick Gleason

With the final Bingo numbers called and the last funnel cake consumed, the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival's finale marks summer's unofficial end in Greenbelt. However, the afternoons remain warm enough to conjure a quick sweat for athletes at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS), eager to start the fall season. The boys soccer team commenced the fall schedule with a 3-1 victory over South River High School on September 1 behind two goals from senior Johnny Sesay and a penalty kick conversion from classmate Karl Kraske. Eric Benitez and Vincent Blough add to the Raiders' experience as senior starters, while the Raiders also present youth in their lineup with sophomores Steven Adams in goal and Cooper Baltimore on the wing. The boys head to Arundel High for a tournament on Saturday, September 10, before their home opener on Monday, September 12, against Dr. Henry A. Wise High School. The Raiders aim to improve upon last season's campaign that included an upset win over Parkdale High School whom they will visit on October 6.

### Girls Soccer

For the girls, the junior varsity begins the season by hosting St. Mary's Ryken at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, September 12, before traveling to Georgetown Day School on September 13. Sophomore Nicole Lilja anchors the Raiders in goal while forwards Azaria Muhammad and Alicia Galban will be goal-scoring threats as Olivia Gills manages the midfield; the junior varsity campaign includes a rigorous schedule of opponents including Episcopal, Mount de Sales Academy and the Bullis School.

Meanwhile, the varsity girls begin their home slate with Bishop McNamara on Tuesday, September 13, at 5 p.m. Pre-season revelation Autumn Freeman is only a freshman and prepared to solidify the Raiders' backline with senior Mia Hamilton in goal. Three more ninth-graders

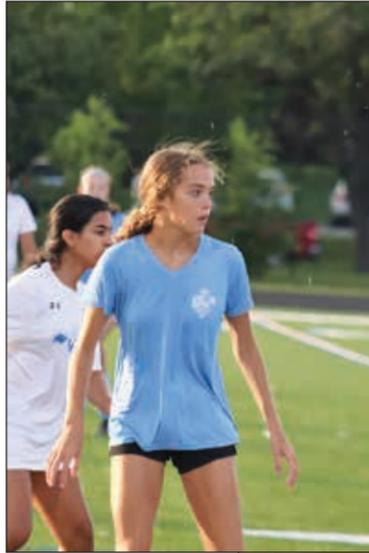
– Esther Obisesan, Sofia Zuniga and Claudia van der Have – join Freeman to give the squad a youthful feel, despite having eight seniors. The Raiders round out their opening week hosting High Point High School on September 15.

### Football

Furthermore, the football squad began their season with a narrow 24-22 defeat against Oxon Hill High School on September 6. The Raiders fell short after mounting a comeback from a 10-point halftime deficit, while the junior varsity earned a resounding season-opening victory. With Bladensburg visiting this Friday, September 9 at 7 p.m., the Raiders have a quick turnaround as head coach Tom Green hopes to dethrone the Wise Pumas who have dominated county play for the better part of the last decade.

### Volleyball

Lastly, the Raiders' volleyball squad starts a challenging schedule with a visit to the National Cathedral School on September 8, before a matchup with Elizabeth Seton High School on September 13. The Raiders will battle with annual rival Bowie High School for county supremacy, though the squads don't compete until October 17. The mornings are slowly turning cooler, but the warmth of September afternoons matches the excitement for a fall season full of competition, commitment and camaraderie – the pillars of a packed high school season.



Freshman Kira Moore is part of a strong freshman class for the ERHS girls soccer program.



Midfielder Olivia Gills attacks the James Hubert Blake High School as rain begins to fall.



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A rainbow offers an optimistic outlook at the start of the Roosevelt fall sports season.

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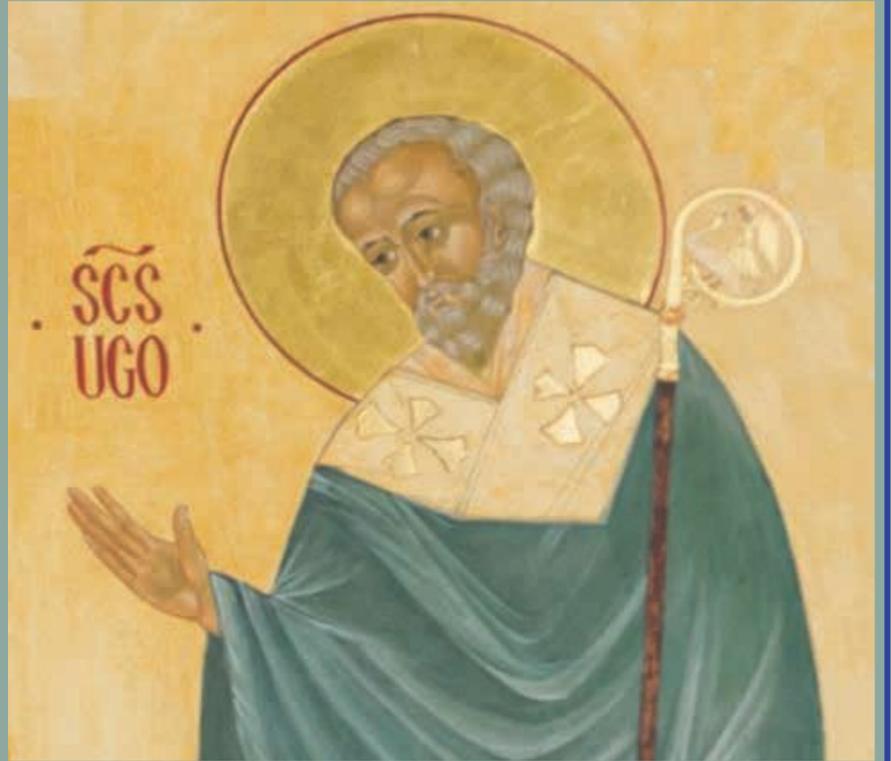
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