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## New GAIL Program to Offer Health Care Guidance

by Virginia Beauchamp

A new program to ease concerns of residents suddenly confronted with the need to locate home health care providers, such as aides and practical or registered nurses, began in Greenbelt on June 1. The culmination of a year-long research process carried out by a special committee, the Home and Health Care Study Group (HHCSG), the Preferred Provider Program provides information on providers of such services who emerged from a careful screening process.

The goal of this program is to provide eligible Greenbelt residents access to affordable quality home healthcare services at a below-market rate. The Preferred Providers have submitted their responses to a request for proposal (RFP) that was sent to over 85 providers. The HHCSG has selected the top five candidates based on their written responses, financial stability, years of experience, references, staffing, training, disciplinary procedures and other factors. Monthly quality assurance reports are required.

The HHCSG, chaired by Thomas X. White, is a subcommittee of FORA (Friends of the Resource Advocate), which works with Christal Batey, director of the Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program (GAIL).

The first of its kind in Maryland, the Preferred Provider Program is another tool in the GAIL program's array of services to help residents remain in their homes.

The Preferred Provider Program offers several advantages to Greenbelt residents: guaranteed best prices; providers evaluated by the Greenbelt HHCSG; multiple payment options including Medicare, medical assistance, private pay and longterm care insurance plans; and resident satisfaction surveys.

## Perry Becomes Youngest City Animal Control Officer

by Susie Hall

On May 22, seven-year-old Elaina Perry was honored for her continued contributions to the city's Animal Shelter by being made an Honorary Animal Control Officer.

At its meeting, the Greenbelt City Council recognized Elaina, who for her past two birthdays, instead of the toys, games and clothes a usual seven-year-old would want, has asked for pet food, cat litter, rawhide chews and squeaky toys. Her "birthday presents" have then been donated to the Greenbelt Animal Control program to help care for homeless animals in the city's shelter.

Animal lover Elaina, when asked why she did this, replied "I really have enough toys and

this seemed like a good thing to do."

Council and everyone present at the meeting were very impressed by Elaina and her family and their caring devotion to Greenbelt's abandoned animals. The family, including parents Pam and Todd and brother Noah, have adopted several homeless animals over the years. Their current pets include two previously homeless dogs, Max and Cooper. Even Elaina's Aunt Carol has adopted a cat through the Greenbelt Animal Control program. Council and city staff said they were proud to present this status award to such a remarkable, thoughtful young girl.



PHOTO BY BEVERLY PALAU

Elaina Perry holds the honorary plaque she was awarded at the May 22 City Council meeting. Attending were, from left, Elaina's father-Todd Perry, Councilmembers Ed Putens and Leta Mach, Mayor Judith Davis, Councilmember Rodney Roberts, Animal Control Officer Susie Hall, Councilmember Konrad Herling and Elaina's mother Pam Perry.

## SHLES Celebrates 40th Anniversary

This year marks the 40th anniversary of Springhill Lake Elementary School (SHLES) serving the needs of the children in the SHL community. On Friday, June 2 a celebration was held in the front parking lot of the school, including several student performances, food and games.

SHLES serves more than 700 students including a Head Start program, grades K to 5 and a culturally-diverse population representing more than 70 different countries. The school provides numerous opportunities for the "Springhill Lake Family" to get involved in education. Linda Sherwood has served as the principal of the school for the past 16 years.

## Carjacking Suspect Turns Himself In

On Thursday, June 1 at 9 p.m., Christopher Andre Gibson, 21, of 7919 Mandan Road, turned himself in to investigators at the Greenbelt Police Department. He was served with warrants charging him with the May 19 carjacking of a young mother in the 9200 block of Edmonston Road, as well as two armed robberies reported that day in the 9300 block of Edmonston Road.

The warrants charge Gibson with the following crimes pertaining to the carjacking – two counts of kidnapping, one count of carjacking, two counts first-degree assault, one count armed robbery, one count use of a hand-

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## Survey of City Services Released

The May 8 City Council meeting included a presentation by Assistant City Manager David Moran on the 2005 Election Questionnaire. The results and findings of the 2005 Election Survey were summarized in a booklet and distributed at the meeting. Chiaverini Senior Services International tabulated the survey data. There were 687 completed questionnaires, meaning that just 34.8 percent of the people who voted in 2005 took time to participate. Thirty-eight percent of all responses came from GHI; 45 percent of respondents have lived in Greenbelt more than 20 years. A key goal of the survey is for citizens to rate city services. The average rating of the services was 3.56 on a five-point scale. Senior Programs and Fire & Rescue were leaders, while Youth Center, Street Lighting and Springhill Lake Recreation Center were among the five lowest rated services in Greenbelt. For copies of survey results contact Moran at the city office.

## Possibly Rabid Raccoon Appears at Church Mass

by Eileen Farnham and Judy Bell

Last Friday morning on June 2 St. Hugh's parishioners at the 7:15 morning Mass were startled during prayer by the arrival of a raccoon in their midst. In pleasant weather the church doors have been left open during Mass, which offered an entryway for this raccoon.

The animal's daytime appearance, looking decidedly ill, deformed or injured, left Mass attendees scrambling to stand on pews. It made its way to the baptistry in the front of the church. When a parishioner tried to shoo it outside, it turned and bit her shoe.

The raccoon did leave the church and was seen by St. Hugh's School personnel who called the police. It crossed the parking lot and school grounds, then disappeared into the woods. Staff at the fire house were alerted.

## Adopted Cat Tests Positive for Rabies

On May 24, a 10 week old gray kitten was adopted from the Greenbelt PetSmart through Last Chance Animal Rescue. A few days afterward, the cat began behaving strangely and was brought back to Last Chance to be examined. While there, the cat bit the director of Last Chance, prompting a rabies test, which came back positive.

Anyone who believes they may have been bitten or scratched by the cat in question should call the Prince George's County Health Department at 301-883-7837 during business hours or 301-499-8400.

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## Greenbelt Holds Meeting Of Small Cities Council

by Sherry Conway Appel, NLC Staff

On the old sitcom "Cheers," everybody knew your name. The same can usually be said for life in a small town. Ed Putens, Greenbelt councilmember and chair of National League of Cities' (NLC) Small Cities Council, sums it up another way. "In small cities and towns, it's about a sense of community, a feeling of security and knowing almost everyone in town and, of course, they know you."

For children in a small town, everybody knowing your name can be both an advantage and a disadvantage. Coni J. Hadden, councilmember from Liberty, Mo., appreciated the fact that her neighbors "knew my children when they were walking to and from school. My kids knew other people noticed what they were doing."

Greenbelt will host the Annual NLC Small Cities Council Steering Committee meeting, which is traditionally held in the chair-

man's hometown. Members for the NLC will meet and discuss common issues June 8-10. On Saturday, June 10 the National League of Cities will celebrate National Small Cities and Towns Day, recognizing the important role of small towns in American life and honoring the service of elected and appointed officials in those communities. Here in Greenbelt, the NLC visitors will tour the Greenbelt Museum and the Community Center as part of the showcasing of the community.

Cities and towns across America will hold festivals, host panel discussions on efforts to build more inclusive communities and conduct a variety of activities highlighting the special stature of this country's small cities.

"Small communities make up the fabric of American life," said NLC President James Hunt,

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## What Goes On

Saturday, June 10

9 a.m. to noon, Donation Drop-off, Parking Lot between Municipal Building and Community Center

Monday, June 12

Noon to 5 p.m., Beginning Summer Hours for Temporary Skate Park, Lakecrest Tennis Courts, 7 Days a Week (Weather Permitting)

7 p.m., Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee, Community Center

8 p.m., City Council Worksession with M-NCPPC (Stakeholder), Municipal Building – Live on Chanel 71

Tuesday, June 13

7 p.m., Meet the Sheriff Forum, Municipal Building

Saturday, June 17

Passholder and Resident Registration for Children's Swim Lessons, Open Registration: Sunday, June 18 and Monday, June 19



## Letters

### THANKS

Thanks to everyone who helped with the Arthritis Walk at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Our grand total in fundraising for the Prince George's County Walk was \$19,548.

I am asking for the last Saturday in April next year for the walk for 2007. Eleanor Roosevelt High School officials say they are happy to help.

Barbara Taylor,  
Co-chair  
Arthritis Walk 2006,  
Prince George's County

### THANKS

Thank you for everything the city staff did to help with kinGTUT2(006). Thanks to the many, many volunteers – you know who you are. We couldn't have done it without you.

And thanks to the businesses who contributed: 3Brothers, College Park Bicycles, Denny's, Burger King, David D. Martin Realtors of Hyattsville, Atlanta Bread Company and Rawlins Bakers.

Let's make kinGTUT an annual part of Greenbelt Day Weekend.

Larry Hilliard,  
Race Director



Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of former Greenbelt Bill Devlin. Condolences to his sister Kathy Reynolds.

Sorry to hear of the death of former Greenbelt Police Officer Edward "Danny" Blake.

Our sympathy to the family and friends of Elsie Forbes of Greendale Place on the sudden death of her son Michael Hoffman. He was also the brother of Rae Brooks of Greendale Place and the son of the late Michael (Milt) Hoffman of Greenbelt. Graveside memorial services were held June 5, 2006.

Congratulations to ERHS student Tina Olayimika, who received honorable mention and a \$100 honorarium in the annual Gilder-Lehrman Institute of American History Civil War essay contest. Olayimika's national award-winning essay was titled "The Emancipation Proclamation: Lincoln's Stand Against Slavery."

Welcome to Veronica Conkling from the Smithsonian's Decorative Arts Masters program and Rachel Mirsky, a history major from Goucher College, who will be interning with the Greenbelt Museum this summer.

On June 11, 2006, residents of Green Ridge House will celebrate the building's 27th anniversary. At the dedication ceremony in June 1977 there were more than 110 new residents. At the beginning of May of this year five remained until Sally Carrano moved to New York to live with her daughter. The other four are Bernice Bryant, James Casseles, James Hudson and Louise Swiderski. They are called the "originals." All have been and continue to be assets to Green Ridge House.

Congratulations to the students, faculty and support staff of Springhill Lake Elementary School upon the celebration of the school's 40th anniversary.



### Cruz – Bodner

Daniel Bodner and Caroline Cruz were married May 27, 2006, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Rockville.

Rowena Cruz, sister of the bride was maid of honor. Best man was Robert Bodner, brother of the groom. A lot of family members took part in the wedding party, including nieces and nephews. Many out of town relatives attended the wedding.

Mrs. Bodner is the daughter of Nate and Alfredo Cruz of Rockville. They formerly lived in Cheverly and New Carrollton. She is a graduate of the University of Maryland at College Park, took a course at Catholic University and then graduated in nursing at the University of Maryland, Baltimore. She works as a nurse practitioner at Takoma Park Adventist Hospital.

Mr. Bodner attended the Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore. He is an art handler and crate maker.

The couple graduated from Eleanor Roosevelt High School and have been dating for 15 years.

A reception was held at the Washingtonian Sheraton, Gaithersburg, after which the couple left for a honeymoon in Hawaii. They will reside in Rockville.

### County Offers Free Homeownership Fair

As part of the Prince George's County Livable Communities initiative, the county is sponsoring the 2006 Homeownership Fair on June 10 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Prince George's County Sports and Learning Complex, 8001 Sheriff Road, Landover. The event is free and will be of interest to current and prospective homeowners in the county.

There will be workshops providing help and information on all aspects of the home-buying process as well as information on home maintenance and resale. Lenders and credit counselors will be present, along with realtors and developers.

This event will showcase the home ownership possibilities in Prince George's County – one of the metro area's most affordable and rapidly developing counties.

For more information call 301-883-4663.

### Help Needed to Study Perinatal Depression

The Mental Health Association of Prince George's County, Inc. (MHAPGC) and Community Crisis Services, Inc. (CCSI) are collaborating to conduct focus groups with women who have experienced perinatal depression.

They are interested in learning how women with depression during and/or after pregnancy recognized they needed help and where they found it.

The focus groups will be held on Saturday, June 24 at Southern Maryland Hospital from 9 a.m. to noon and Doctor's Community Hospital from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. The MHAPGC and CCSI are seeking 30 participants (15 each).

Call MHAPGC at 301-699-2737 or CCSI at 1-800-773-6667 to register for this event.

### O Negative and Other Blood Types Needed

Blood supply levels are at a critical low according to the Greater Chesapeake and Potomac Region of the American Red Cross. A special plea has been made for O Negative blood, considered the universal donor because it can be transfused to virtually any patient. The Red Cross is currently offering all blood program participants a "Be the One We Count On" T-shirt and a chance to win \$200 worth of free gas in a weekly drawing.

Call 1-800-767-9282, ext. 4680 or visit [www.my-redcross.org](http://www.my-redcross.org).

### NAMI Presents "Ask the Doctor"

The National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI), Prince George's County chapter will present a free workshop on Thursday, June 15 from 7 to 9 p.m. The program is titled "Ask the Doctor" with Dr. Anthony F. Lehman, a professor and the chair of the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Maryland School of Medicine in Baltimore. He is well-respected and has given "Ask the Doctor" meetings at other NAMI Maryland affiliates.

Some questions that might be asked are: What are the newest treatments? Are there new medications? If a loved one is having trouble with medication, what can be done? How can one deal with the negative symptoms of schizophrenia? What is the difference between schizophrenia and schizoaffective disorder? What can one realistically expect for a loved one's recovery? Why is recovery so difficult? Why do people stop taking their meds?

The workshop will be held at the Hanco Building at Beckett Field, 8511 Legation Road, New Carrollton. Refreshments will be served. For more information call Jane Kelley at 301-577-6026.

### Correction

In last week's paper, the photo of the motorcycle riders leaving the Greenbelt American Legion to join "Rolling Thunder" should have been credited to Linda Siadys. The News Review regrets the error.

### OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

#### WEEK OF JUNE 9

#### The Proposition (R)

Friday  
\*5:00, 7:30, 9:45

Saturday  
\*2:45, \*5:00, 7:30, 9:45

Sunday  
\*2:45, \*5:00, 7:30

Monday – Thursday  
\*5:00, 7:30

\*These shows at \$5.00

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### Grin Belt



"Looks like our hard work paid off. We won the Tree City U.S.A. award for the sixth time."

### On Screen

## Aussie Outback Up Front

"The Proposition," opening at Old Greenbelt Theatre Friday, June 9 is set in the Australian outback in the 1880s. Hard-driving Capt. Morris Stanley (Ray Winstone) seeks to solve a recent rape and murder by putting the pressure on two scape-grace brothers (Guy Pearce and Richard Wilson) to find and do in the major suspect – their third sibling (Danny Huston). Ratcheting up matters: Sheriff Stanley is English, the brothers are Irish. The captain's stylish wife (Emily Watson) and flower-bedecked home provide a contrast to the harsh landscape and the story's bloody concerns. Australian director John Hillcoat worked with write-songwriter Nick Cave, who wove in Irish ballads sung by the campfire and otherwise added weight to the score. R, 104 minutes.

– Eli Flam

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.  
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.



# Community Events

## Meet the Sheriff Tuesday Night

Prince George's County Sheriff Michael A. Jackson and his staff will address community concerns at a "Meet the Sheriff" forum on Tuesday, June 13 at 7 p.m. in the Municipal Building. Jackson will discuss the role and responsibilities of the Office of the Sheriff. Everyone is welcome.

## Youth Volunteers Needed by ACE

The ACE Reading Club, a youth reading-incentive program funded by the City of Greenbelt, needs high school students in Greenbelt to volunteer with programs for the summer and upcoming school year. This is an opportunity for students to earn service learning hours as part of their graduation requirement. Volunteers can assist with a variety of children's programs and/or administrative tasks. For more information on available programs contact Liz Murray, program coordinator at [lmurray@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:lmurray@greenbeltmd.gov) or call 301-345-6660.

## Summer Club Meeting

Parents looking for something that is fun and educational for their kids this summer will be pleased to hear that the ACE Reading Club, a youth reading-incentive program funded by the City of Greenbelt, will offer summer club meetings beginning in July. Club meetings will feature reading-related activities that are fun, including arts and crafts, drama, shared reading, pen pals, creative writing and at least one Book-It television taping (optional). Activities will focus on books written by Edward Eager including "Half-Magic" and "Knight's Castle."

Club meetings are free and will be held in room 202 of the Community Center from 3:30 to 5 p.m. on July 5, 12, 19, 26 and August 9 and 16. These programs are open to students in grades 4 to 6 who live or attend school in Greenbelt. Space is limited so early registration is advised. For registration forms or to get more information contact Liz Murray, program coordinator, at [lmurray@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:lmurray@greenbeltmd.gov) or 301-345-6660.

## Mamas & Papas Meet Wednesday

The Greenbelt Mamas and Papas meet every Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Babies, pre-schoolers and their parents are invited to play group, where the kids play and the adults swap parenting tips, tricks and support. The group meets at the playground opposite the Greenbelt Library. Every second Wednesday of the month is a potluck lunch. For more information call Tina Clarke at 301-474-9522 or send an email to [tina\\_clarke@comcast.net](mailto:tina_clarke@comcast.net).

## Pleasant Touch Walking Club

Pleasant Touch is sponsoring a Wednesday Morning Walking Club beginning June 14. Walkers should meet in Roosevelt Center at 8 a.m. sharp. The walk will be finished by 9 a.m.

Join Laudie Baer, Gwen Vaccaro and others in pursuit of a healthier lifestyle.

## Ask the Expert Topic Is Pain Management

This month's featured topic on "Ask the Expert" will be pain management, to be held from 11 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, June 20 at Green Ridge House. All are invited to join the Greenbelt Assistance in Living program for the filming of the June "Ask the Expert" show. Gwen Herman of Pain Connections will explore the many techniques available to manage pain.

The program will be filmed for later showing on Greenbelt's cable channel 71. Green Ridge House is at 22 Ridge Road. Those wishing to attend who are not Green Ridge residents are asked to RSVP by Monday, June 19 by calling Ernestine at 240-542-2036.

## Free Blood Pressure Screenings Available

On Wednesday, June 14 from 10 a.m. to noon, free blood pressure screening will be provided by Millenia Preferred Nursing in the Municipal Building second floor library.

A second session from 1 to 3 p.m. that day will be offered for Green Ridge House residents only, in the Green Ridge House dining room.

## Free Summer Tutoring at SHL

The free summer tutoring program sponsored by the recreation department will run from June 10 through August 12. The program will be held on Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center. This program is for grades 1 to 12; the level of tutoring will be remedial, review and advanced. Computers will be used as necessary and help for SAT will be available.

Tutoring will include samples of the Maryland School Assessment Tests for reading and math for grades three to eight, high school algebra and data analysis. Copies of solutions for algebra will be available on June 17.

For further information call Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2212.

## Still Creek Group Meets

Still Creek friends invite everyone to discover Greenbelt Park and the Still Creek watershed. Learn how to help in the protection and restoration of Still Creek and the Anacostia River. Meet at the ranger station classroom on Tuesday, June 13 at 7 p.m.

RSVP Kate Levendosky at 202-962-3374 or email [klevendosky@mwkog.org](mailto:klevendosky@mwkog.org).

## Events This Week At the New Deal

A variety of entertainment will be presented at the New Deal Café in the coming week. Sunday afternoon, June 11 Magic Ray plays jazz. Jazz is also presented by Alex Martin Tuesday evening. Doug Way does some old time pickin' and singin' on Wednesday and Thursday Steve Haus presents folk tunes. The Gliders perform on Friday evening and Sense of Wonder, a folk duo, wraps up the week on Saturday night.

## GHI Notes

Upcoming meetings and events:

Tuesday, June 13, 8:30 a.m. [not a misprint] – Ad Hoc Yard Line Committee meeting, GHI Library

Tuesday, June 13, 7 p.m. – Sustainable Design and Practices Committee meeting, Board Room

Wednesday, June 14, 7 p.m. – Woodlands Committee meeting, GHI Lunch Room

Wednesday, June 14, 7:30 p.m. – Companion Animal Committee meeting, GHI Library

Wednesday, June 14, 7:30 p.m. – Architecture and Environment Committee meeting, Board Room

Monday, June 19, 7 p.m. – Sustainable Design and Practices Education and Planning Work Group, Board Room.

## Dem. Club Ends Year With Picnic and Plans

The Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club will end its 2005-06 activity year with its 30th Annual Reunion Picnic on Saturday, June 10, from 4 to 7 p.m., at Schrom Hills Park on Hanover Parkway in Greenbelt. Families, relatives, friends and neighbors are welcome to attend. Attendees should bring a salad, main dish or dessert to share and the club will provide hamburgers and hot dogs for the grill as well as soft drinks.

Local elected officials and Democrats campaigning for local, county and state offices in the Primary Election on Tuesday, September 12 have been invited. Vice President Ed Terry will serve as Master of Ceremonies to introduce the dignitaries. Also attending will be field directors for the Coordinated Campaign. The Maryland Democratic Party is seeking volunteers for the primary and the general election, Tuesday, November 7.

Club President Patricia Unger will be away at a Maryland State Democratic Central Committee meeting and organizing convention in Baltimore. Additional information on early voting (scheduled for Tuesday through Saturday, October 31 to November 4) will soon be available. This and other topics, such as use of provisional ballots and on-demand absentee ballots, will be covered in a series of summer newsletters to members and friends. Over the summer, the club's executive board will meet to complete plans for the traditional funnel cake booth and Democratic Party Information booth at the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, Friday, September 1 through Monday, September 4. Call Ways and Means Chairs Lyn and Bob Doyle at 301-441-2585 to volunteer for a shift or to march in the Labor Day Parade.

The first meeting of the 2006-07 year will be held on Friday, September 15 at 7:30 p.m.. Call program chair Sandra Eichbaum, 301-277-3072, after August 1.

**YARD SALE**  
Saturday, June 10  
Greenbelt Golden Agers  
at  
Roosevelt Center  
9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## Greenbelt Baseball

### Major League Schedule

| Date            | Time       | Games                   |
|-----------------|------------|-------------------------|
| Mon., June 12   | 6:00 p.m.  | Indians vs. Orioles     |
| Tues., June 13  | 6:00 p.m.  | Lions vs. Giants        |
| Wed., June 14   | 6:00 p.m.  | Cubs vs. Tigers         |
| Thurs., June 15 | 6:00 p.m.  | Athletics vs. Cardinals |
| Sat., June 17   | 10:00 a.m. | Athletics vs. Tigers    |
| Sat., June 17   | 1:00 p.m.  | Tigers vs. Cardinals    |
| Mon., June 19   | 6:00 p.m.  | Playoffs Start          |

### Major League Standings as of Tuesday 6/06/06

| American League | W-L    | National League | W-L    |
|-----------------|--------|-----------------|--------|
| Orioles         | 14 - 1 | Indians         | 14 - 1 |
| Giants          | 8 - 7  | Cubs            | 6 - 8  |
| Athletics       | 6 - 7  | Lions           | 4 - 9  |
| Tigers          | 2 - 10 | Cardinals       | 1 - 12 |

All games are played at McDonald Field unless noted.

\*These games will be played at Braden #2.

## Mobile Post Office Comes To Municipal Building

Starting Monday, June 12, for a period of about two months, there will be a Mobile Postal Facility located in the parking lot outside the Municipal Building from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The Post Office expects to do a mailing by this weekend to notify residents of center city.

The city has been working to secure the additional services.

## Play by Shakespeare , Music by Cherry, Brodd

Free performances of "As You Like It," Shakespeare's original gender-bender comedy, will be presented by the professional actors of the Shakespeare Theatre Company's Academy for Classical Acting, beginning Monday, June 12 with music by Greenbelters Chris Cherry and Steve Brodd. Cherry composed new music for the five songs in the show; Brodd arranged the music and is playing the piano.

The performances will take place at the Shakespeare Theatre Company Studios, 507 8th Street, SE, in Washington, two blocks from Pennsylvania Avenue and the Eastern Market Metro station. Directions when driving from Greenbelt: down the B-W Parkway and 295, in on East Capitol, and then left on 8th Street.

Shows are on June 12, 13, 16, 20, 22 and 24 at 7:30 p.m. and on June 17 at 2 p.m. Admission is free but reservations are required. Patrons are invited to make a small, tax-deductible scholarship donation at the door. To reserve tickets call Christy McDonald at 202-547-3230, ext. 2402 or email [cmcdonald@shakespearetheatre.org](mailto:cmcdonald@shakespearetheatre.org).

## Learn about Scouting At Ice Cream Social

Girl Scouts will sponsor an ice cream social at the Greenbelt Library on June 15 from 2 to 4 p.m. for non-registered girls in grades 1 through 12. This service is provided in an effort to introduce girls to the Girl Scout organization and summer camps. Call Melissa Chislom for more information at 301-449-5690, ext. 26.

## At the Library Children

Tuesday, June 13, 10:30 a.m. – Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months with caregiver. Limit 15 babies.

Wednesday, June 14, 10:30 a.m. – Toddlertime for ages 18 months to 35 months with caregiver, limit 20 children.

Thursday, June 15, 10:30 a.m. – Drop-in Storytime for ages 3-5, limit 20.

### Adults

Saturday, June 10, 10:30 a.m. – Poetry Plus Club will meet in the basement conference room.

11 a.m. – "Gardens Galore – Shade Gardening" with master gardeners.



Greenbelt Baptist Church is hosting a Silent Auction, Sunday June 11, 2006 at 2:00 pm. Public Bidding will start promptly at 2:00 pm. Proceeds from the Auction will benefit the Scottish Mission Trip Team, who are scheduled to go to Scotland in early August. Address is:

**Greenbelt Baptist Church**  
101 Greenhill Road  
Greenbelt, MD 20770

Free parking!! Some of the exciting items up for bid are:

- ☞ Stereo Speakers;
- ☞ Clocks;
- ☞ Electric Guitar and case;
- ☞ Marshall Amps (for Electric Guitar);
- ☞ Baby Items, such as Stroller, Crib Mattresses, etc.;
- ☞ Casio Electronic Piano Keyboard and stand;
- ☞ Audio Equipment;
- ☞ Video Equipment;
- ☞ Cases of Girl Scout Cookies;
- ☞ A variety of Jewelry;
- ☞ Various Services (to be performed by members of the congregation)

...the list goes on!! You DON'T want to MISS this auction!!

For more information, call (301) 474-4212, or email [greenbeltbaptist@verizon.net](mailto:greenbeltbaptist@verizon.net)

**BIDDING ENDS AT 3:00 PM SHARP!**



## Obituaries

### Edward "Danny" Blake

A former Greenbelt police officer, Edward Daniel Blake of Stevensville, Md., died Friday, June 2, 2006, of cancer. He was 58 years old.

Mr. Blake was born on Sept. 21, 1947, in Richwood, W.Va., the son of the late Leo and Edna Blake of Richwood. After graduating high school, he entered the Marine Corps in 1965 and served until 1969. In 1966 he served in Vietnam and was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnamese Service Medal with two stars, Vietnamese Campaign Medal with Device, Purple Heart Medal, Presidential Unit Citation, Good Conduct Medal and the Pistol Sharpshooter Badge.

In 1969 he married Nancy Ann Harvey of Richboro, Penna. In 1970 he graduated from the Anne Arundel Police Academy and worked in Crofton and Greenbelt as a police officer until his retirement in 1984. In Greenbelt he joined the police force as a dispatcher on December 10, 1971, and was sworn in as a police officer after completing police academy training on July 26, 1972. In 1981 and 1982, Mr. Blake was named Greenbelt policeman of the year and outstanding employee of the year. He retired from Greenbelt's police department August 1, 1984. Later he worked for area builders and owned his own handyman business, crafting custom-made furniture.

Mr. Blake was a member of the FOP and the American Legion. He loved his grandchildren, fishing and being in the West Virginia mountains.

He is survived by his wife of 37 years, Nancy Ann Blake of Stevensville, Md.; his two children, Christine Blake of Chester, Md., and Patrick Blake and his wife Angel of Greensboro, Md.; five siblings: brothers, Doug Blake and Denis Blake of Ohio; sisters, Shirley Bills of Penna., and Jean Truman and Jackie Roach of W. Va.; two grandchildren, Noah Reem and Hailee Blake and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial services were held at the Kent Island United Methodist Church on Monday, June 5. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Hospice of Queen Anne's County, 423 Thompson Creek Rd., Stevensville, MD 21666 or to the Kent Island United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 308, Chester, MD 21619.

*Fellowship with us at Living Word Embassy Springhill Lake Recreational Center, Cherrywood Lane, Greenbelt*

Time 10:00 AM Every Sunday  
www.anointedwords.org;  
livingwordf@msn.com; 301-352-3657

### Baha'i Faith

"Now is the time for affiliation and now is the period of unity and concord. For thousands of years ye have been contending in warfare and strife. It is enough. Now is the time for unity."  
Abdu'l-Bahá

Greenbelt Baha'i Community  
P.O. Box 245  
Greenbelt, MD 20770  
301-345-2918 301-220-3160

www.bahai.org

www.us.bahai.org

### In Memoriam – Bill Devlin

Bill Devlin died in early May 2006 in Florida, where he lived his entire adult life. He was 59 (same as me). Bill spent six of his childhood years growing up as a Greenbelt boy. It's been a long time, mind you, but when I think of him, I think of summer. I see his sun-bleached hair and his sun-burned red face and then I see that great smile and hear that quick laugh.

He liked to make fun of you not to laugh at you but with you. He was just as quick to make fun of himself and together you could have a little joke at life's expense. He was friends with Ricky Barber and Jimmy Hetzler from his neighborhood on Ridge Road and by extension a friend of mine, too, when I was a skinny kid growing up on Eastway.

From all I've gathered, he carried the spirit of Greenbelt well in Florida. His sister, Kathy Reynolds, said Bill just lived to make other people happy. He was a Santa Claus (that is he helped Santa by making personal appearances in his honor, kids!). Thousands of children sat on his lap (not all at one time, silly!) and related to him their wish lists for the season. He loved it, I think partly because like most of us who grew up here, he still kept and cherished the kid inside of him. (The little humorous aside above is the kind Bill liked.)

Bill had a heart attack in 2002 from which he never really recovered. Not long after, he developed pulmonary fibrosis which dictated oxygen for him at all times and

took away nearly all of the activities on which he thrived. He was a decorated Marine and wounded in Vietnam. His ashes will be interred at Arlington National Cemetery in September.

Kathy held a benefit dance at the Riverdale Pizza Pub at which our band performed. Those who attended contributed some \$2,000 toward his expenses. I know some of you did not know Bill but you gave gladly for a fellow Greenbelter simply because we told you it was a worthy cause for a good guy. You marked him in this way as one of the family. I spoke to him on the phone then and he was just overwhelmed. I suppose I could brag of various associations throughout my life but none makes me more proud than to be a part of that same family. Greenbelt is great! Bill's brother Gary Devlin is still in the area. Bill's mother Adele, his son William Charles Devlin, Jr. and a younger brother Jack live in Florida.

– Rick Ransom



**Catholic  
Community  
of Greenbelt  
MASS**

Sundays 10 A.M.  
Municipal Building



**St. George's Episcopal/  
Anglican Church**

7010 Glenn Dale Road  
(Lanham-Severn Road & Glenn Dale Road)  
301-262-3285 | rector@stgeo.org | www.stgeo.org

**Sundays:** 8:00 am Simple, quiet Mass  
9:00 am Christian education for all ages  
10:00 am Sung Mass with organ and folk music, ASL interpreted  
1:30 pm Signed Mass (last Sunday of each month only)  
**Wednesdays:** 7:00 pm Simple, quiet Mass

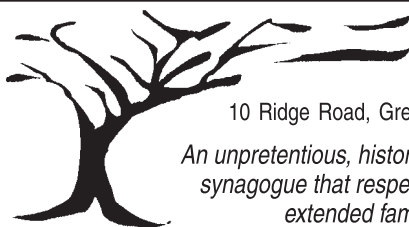
An inclusive congregation!

**Did  
you  
know?**

We wonder many times why things happen, why did God allow them to happen?

We have seen the difference that just a few years makes between the understanding of a child and an adult. Likewise, we have to know that we humans, with our limited vision and understanding, cannot always understand what God in His infinite wisdom knows. God consoles us by saying, "... it is possible that you dislike a thing which is good for you and that you love a thing which is bad for you. But God knows and you know not."  
– The Holy Qur'an, 2:21

To find out more about Islam, call 301-982-9463 or e-mail us at info@searchislam.org or visit the website www.searchislam.org.



**Congregation  
Mishkan Torah**

10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 301-474-4223

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

Shabbat services: Friday evening at 8:00 PM, except 1st Friday of the month, i.e. family service at 7:30 PM. Saturday morning services at 9:30 AM. Educational programs for children K-12 and for adults. Combined innovative full family educational program for parents and children. Conversion classes. Concert choir. Social Action program. Opportunity for leadership development. Moderate, flexible dues. High holiday seating for visitors. Sisterhood. Men's Club. Other Social Activities. Interfaith families are welcome.

*Historic synagogue dually affiliated with United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and the Jewish Reconstructionist Federation*

### Happy Birthday, Gudi

Congratulations to former city clerk Gudrun "Gudi" Mills who had her 80th birthday on May 25. Friends, former co-workers, neighbors and family celebrated the event at a surprise party held at her Maplewood Court home on June 3. At right, Shawn Murphy helps his grandmother blow out the candles on the cake. Photo by James Giese.



### Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

www.greenbeltumc.org 301-474-9410

Rev. Dr. Paul C. Kim, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 am Worship Service 11:00 am

Prayer Meeting Wed. 6:45 pm

Crossways Bible Study Tues. 7:30 pm Thurs. 10:30 am

Handicapped Accessible Come As You Are!



### GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner of Crescent and Greenhill Roads 301-474-4212

www.greenbeltbaptist.org greenbelt.baptist@verizon.net

Dr. Mark Johnson, Pastor



Sunday School: 9:30 am

Worship Service: 10:45 am

Weds. Worship: 7:00 pm

(Adult Bible Study/Prayer & Children's Ministry)

Helping People Connect with Christ and His Family through Loving Service



### HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

6905 Greenbelt Road • 301-345-5111

Sunday 8:00am

9:15am

10:30am

Worship Service

Sunday School/Bible Study

Worship Service



Fax 301-220-0694 • E-mail myholycross@verizon.net

### ST. HUGH OF GRENOBLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770

301-474-4322



Mass Schedule:

Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m.

Pastor: Fr. Walter J. Tappe

Pastoral Associate: Fr. R. Scott Hurd

### Greenbelt Community Church

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



Hillside & Crescent Roads

Phone: 301-474-6171 mornings

www.greenbelt.com/gccucc/

Sunday Worship

10:15 a.m.

Daniel Hamlin, Pastor

*"A church of the open mind, the warm heart, the aspiring soul, and the social vision..."*



Bring lawn chairs, pack a picnic basket, & join us for FREE wholesome family movies on the lawn! In the event of rain, the movies will be shown in the Church.

NO PETS—NO ALCOHOL!

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| 05/12 | Dreamer (Dakota Fanning-Kurt Russell) |
| 05/19 | It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World       |
| 05/26 | Angels in the Outfield                |
| 06/02 | Beauty & the Beast                    |
| 06/09 | Because of Winn Dixie                 |
| 06/16 | The Great Race                        |
| 06/23 | The Iron Giant                        |
| 06/30 | Chitty Chitty Bang Bang               |

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Snacks & Beverages are available



**Patuxent Refuge Offers Public Programs**

Six programs for various age groups will be offered in the coming week at two locations of the Patuxent Research Refuge. At the North Tract, located on Rt. 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 32. A bird tour for anyone over 15 years of age will be held on Tuesday, June 13 from 8:15 to 10:45 a.m. A bird walk takes place on Saturday, June 17 from 8:15 to 10 a.m.; and an "Owl Prowl" from 8 to 9:30 p.m. the same day. The latter two events are open to all ages.

At the Visitor Center on Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 197, another bird walk for people over 15 will be held on Friday, June 16 from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. "Nature Tots" ages 3 and 4 are invited to learn all about frogs and toads through stories, songs and a hike on Saturday, June 17 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and again from 1 to 2 p.m. Kids ages 8 to 10 are invited to a "Slimy and Scaly Hike" on Tuesday, June 13 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. to learn about snakes, turtles and frogs.

All programs are free but advance reservations must be made by calling 301-497-5887.

**Greek Festival Is Next Weekend**

St. Theodore Greek Orthodox Church will hold its annual Spring Festival on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 16, 17 and 18.

Enjoy popular Greek foods featuring baklava, souvlaki and gyros – a full meal and glass of wine or just a snack. Learn Greek dancing with live music nightly. Many handmade crafts are available for purchase. Everyone is invited.

The church is located on Cipriano Road two blocks south of Greenbelt Road.



# City Information

**NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2007 BUDGET FOR THE**

- GENERAL FUND
- BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND
- CEMETERY FUND
- DEBT SERVICE FUND
- REPLACEMENT FUND
- SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND
- GREEN RIDGE HOUSE FUND
- CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
- 2001 BOND FUND
- COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUND

At its regular meeting of June 5, 2006, the City Council of Greenbelt, Maryland, adopted the City's budget for Fiscal Year 2007, thereby approving expenditures as follows:

|  |               |
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| General Fund                           | \$ 21,272,400 |
| Building Capital Reserve Fund          | 151,400       |
| Cemetery Fund                          | 0             |
| Debt Service Fund                      | 928,200       |
| Replacement Fund                       | 399,000       |
| Special Projects Fund                  | 90,000        |
| Green Ridge House                      | 1,159,100     |
| Capital Projects Fund                  | 1,477,300     |
| 2001 Bond Fund                         | 1,500,000     |
| Community Development Block Grant Fund | 100,000       |

Copies of the adopted budget document will be available for examination in August 2006 at the City Offices at 25 Crescent Road, at the Greenbelt Library at 11 Crescent Road, and on the Greenbelt Citylink Web site ([www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov)).

**VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES**  
 Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups.  
 Vacancies exist on the:  
 Arts Advisory Board  
 Park and Recreation Advisory Board  
 Youth Advisory Committee (adult member)  
 For more information, please call 301-474-8000.

**GREENBELT AQUATIC AND FITNESS CENTER REGISTRATION FOR CLASSES**

**AEROBICS CLASSES AND ADULT SWIM LESSONS**  
 Summer Session I: June 12-July 7  
 Registration for all is now underway until classes are filled.

**SUMMER SATURDAY CHILDREN'S SWIM LESSONS**  
 Session Dates: June 24-August 12  
 Open registration for all is now underway until classes are filled.

**WEEKDAY CHILDREN'S SWIM LESSONS**  
 Summer Session I: June 20-23, and June 27-30  
 Passholders and Residents may register:  
 Saturday, June 17  
 Open Registration:  
 Sunday, June 18 and Monday, June 19th

For more information on classes call the Aquatic & Fitness Center at 301-397-2204 or visit [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov)

**DONATION DROP-OFF**

American Rescue Workers  
 Saturday, June 10th  
 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.  
 Parking lot between the City Office and the Community Center

For further information contact the City of Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8303.



Greenbelt Department of Planning  
 Community Development

**KITTEN & CAT ADOPT-A-THON**

Saturday, June 10th

11am-3pm

**Greenbelt Animal Shelter**

(Behind Police Station at 550 Crescent Road)

It's raining cats and kittens at the animal shelter. Open your home to a new pet! Come out and visit the kitties at our open house.

**ALL OF OUR CATS HAVE HAD HEALTH CHECK-UPS AND HAVE BEEN VACCINATED.**

REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED BY THE GIRL SCOUTS. REIKI SPECIALIST from the House of Autumn will teach how to reduce the stress on your new kitty as it transitions to its new home. For more information on Reiki, visit [www.houseofautumn.com](http://www.houseofautumn.com).

**Meet the Sheriff Forum Tuesday, June 13 at 7 p.m. Municipal Building**

Prince George's County Sheriff Michael A. Jackson and his staff will address community concerns and discuss the role and responsibilities of the Office of the Sheriff.

**Everyone is welcome!**

**U.S. POSTAL SERVICE MOBILE VAN**

A van to provide postal services will be available to residents, beginning next week, in the parking lot of the Municipal Building.

MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS  
 10AM-2PM

Residents will receive a mailing with more information.

**MEETINGS FOR JUNE 12-17**

- Monday, June 12, 7:00pm, Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee, Greenbelt Community Center.
- 8:00 p.m. City Council Work Session w/M-NCPPC (stakeholder), Municipal Building (live on Channel 71).

**GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL 71**

**MUNICIPAL ACCESS: 301-474-8000: Monday, June 12 at 8:00pm: City Council Work Session w/M-NCPPC (stakeholder) (live) Tuesday & Thursday, June 13 & 15: 10am & 6pm "Ask the Expert," 6:45pm "ACE Reading Club-Magnolia," 7:00pm "Hands Up Extravaganza-New Beginnings Dance Troupe," 8:00pm Replay of Council Work Session.**

**PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE): 301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, June 14 & 16: 7pm "Greenbelt Writers Showcase," 9pm GAC: "The Two Gentlemen of Verona."**

**GREENBELT TEMPORARY SKATE PARK SUMMER HOURS**

Beginning on Monday, June 12th the Temporary Skate Park, located on the Lakecrest Tennis Courts, will be opened:

12-5pm – 7 Days a Week

Weather Permitting

Info: 301-397-2200

**Academy 8 Theatres**

Beltway Plaza Mall  
 Center Court  
 301-220-1155

All shows starting before 6 p.m.

Are ONLY \$5.00

R = ID Required

(!) = No pass, No Discount Ticket

**Week of June 9**

**FRI. & SAT.**

Cars G (!)

1:10, 2, 4:20, 5:10, 7, 7:45, 9:45, 10:25

The Omen R(!)

1:45, 2:15, 4:40, 5:20, 7:20, 8:15, 10:20, 10:45

The Breakup PG13 (!)

1:30, 4:45, 7:30, 10:10

X Men: The Last Stand PG13 (!)

1:25, 4:30, 7:15, 10

The DaVinci Code PG13 (!)

1, 4:10, 7:20, 10:30

Over the Hedge PG (!)

1:20, 3:05, 5, 7:10, 9:35

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councilmember from the small city of Clarksburg, W.Va. "In fact, a majority of U.S. cities are under 50,000 people. Every day, and in many small ways, small towns are making a difference and improving the quality of life for their citizens."

Clay Ford, mayor pro tem of Gulf Breeze, Fla., thinks small towns are desirable because people "can call City Hall if they are upset and they know someone will listen." It's that feeling of connection, that access to decision makers that builds trust and gets people involved in the democratic process. Being closer to those providing city services also leads to more people knowing what their taxes are paying for according to Scott Ford, Dade City commissioner and Small Cities Council vice chair.

Families are a big part of the equation when it comes to living in small cities. "Raising another generation with the same sense of caring for others, particularly for our youth and our seniors - that's what it's all about," notes Putens.

**GIVES Meeting Sat.**

The GIVES annual meeting will be held Saturday, June 10 at 10 a.m. in the Community Center.

At this meeting elections will be held for vice-chairperson, treasurer and at-large members for the board of directors. Active GIVES members are eligible for these positions. Those interested in serving are asked to notify Marsha Voigt of the nominating committee by calling 301-345-7631.

**Pro Bono Counseling Available in Maryland**

The Pro Bono Counseling Project provides free mental health services for elderly victims of abuse, neglect or financial exploitation in Maryland. It serves a wide variety of clients' needs: family and couple issues, anxiety, self-esteem and social interaction problems, eating disorders, adjustments to terminal illness, grief, separation and divorce, physical and sexual abuse and other forms of violence. The staff is available to resolve any questions or problems that may arise.

The Pro Bono Counseling Project is a network and support system for participating mental health professionals. In addition, it provides a Family Violence Prevention Program for the elderly and underserved. This program links victims and/or family members with a mental health professional at no cost.

The project does not provide a crisis/hotline service, nor treatment for patients with chronic mental illness or disorders due to drug and/or alcohol abuse. A licensed clinician will process prospective participants for eligibility and will link their need to the clinician's specialty.

Call the Pro Bono Project toll free at 1-877-323-5800 for more information or to schedule

Amended bylaws will be available at the meeting and further bylaw changes will be presented. Annual reports will be presented by the GIVES chairperson and office manager.

All members and anyone interested in joining are encouraged to attend.

**RACCOON** continued from page 1

**Capture**

Later Friday afternoon the story took another turn when Bill Cornett saw an extremely sick raccoon, presumably the same one, in the creek behind 36 Lakeside. He already knew about the morning incident and that the police had been looking for the raccoon between the St. Hugh's parking lot and the fire house.

He reports: "I was walking along the lake path and heard the weirdest cry coming from the creek. After deciding it wasn't a bird, I went back to investigate and saw the waterlogged creature. It was so bad off it could hardly move, it just lay in the water and periodically gave off with a loud, painful cry. I called Animal Control on my cell phone and kept the raccoon in sight until Susie Hall got there."

"Capturing the raccoon was not a challenge since there was no question of the animal's moving fast enough to get away. The Animal Control officer said that it could also have distemper or some other illness but rabies was near the top of the list."

Cornett goes on to warn, "Watch your pets and keep away from wild animals. When I review the overnight recordings from my video security system, I see lots of free-roaming cats. If one of them should get in a tussle with an infected animal or eat off of an infected dead carcass and carry the disease back to the family, that could cause a huge tragedy."

This is not the only report of a possibly rabid raccoon. About

two weeks ago Virginia Beauchamp of Maplewood Court found a dead raccoon in the morning near the front corner of her house. There was no visible sign of injury.

Anyone observing the daytime appearance of raccoons should be alert to potential danger. Such an animal may be aggressive and/or rabid. Those seeing a fearless or oddly-behaving raccoon or any nocturnal animal during the day should not approach it and should immediately call 301-474-6124. At night and on the weekend the non-emergency number at the Greenbelt Police Department may be reached at 301-474-7200.

**Celebrate Saturdays In Old Town Bowie**

Something is happening every Saturday in June in Old Town Bowie. A&M Cycle will sponsor an Antique Bicycle Day showing 100 years of bicycling from an 1887 Columbia High Wheeler to late '70s Schwinn Stingrays (10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.). Celebrate a bit of Mexico at Villa Hermosa Grocery (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.). Tour a 1992 caboose at the Railroad Museum (noon to 4 p.m.).

The Back Page Band will play at the Village Green at 2 p.m. The Old Town Bowie Welcome Center provides an insight into Bowie life through its Heritage and Children's Museum (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.).

*Publick Playhouse*

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**Russian American Kids Circus**  
**Workshops for Washington-Area Kids**



**Wed/Thurs,**  
**June 28-29, 6 pm**

**Calling All Kids!**  
Here's your chance to get an inside look at the circus. Plus, the stars will teach you some cool tricks and skills that will amaze and astound your family and friends.  
Fee per workshop: \$25

**301-277-1710 TTY 301-277-3012**

**Prince George's Publick Playhouse** 

**BEZAK CHIROPRACTIC: CAN WE HELP YOU?**



Dr. Shaun Bezak Dr. Kelly Krol Dr. Brian Bezak

**BEZAK CHIROPRACTIC AND REHABILITATION, P.A.**

7415 Greenbelt Rd. (Inside Bally Total Fitness Gym)  
Greenway Shopping Center Phone: 301-220-0496  
Greenbelt, MD 20770 Fax: 301-220-2303

**Patient Success Stories at Our Clinic**

When I first came to Dr. Bezak, I had terrible lower back and leg pain. I was unable to stand up straight and could barely walk. So, I gave Chiropractic a try and just after a few weeks of treatment, I was pain free. Now it has been six months and I haven't had the pain since. Thank you Dr. Bezak. John

I came to Dr. Krol with severe migraine headaches that started years ago. I tried everything for my headaches, and was convinced that nobody could help me. I began therapy with Dr. Krol four weeks ago and I have noticed significant improvement. Thanks Dr. Krol. Christina

I came to Bezak Chiropractic with severe neck and shoulder pain. I could not turn my neck to drive. I was unable to work out or play sports. My friend told me to see a Chiropractor. I started treatment and noticed a difference after the first week. I followed Dr. Bezak's recommendations, and I am now pain free! Thank you so much. David

Four months ago, I was in an automobile accident. After two weeks of waiting for my pain to subside, it had actually gotten worse. I consulted with Dr. Bezak and he educated me about my condition. I started treatment and almost immediately began feeling like myself again after a short period of time. Thanks Dr. Bezak. Latasha

**HOURS**

**MONDAY/WEDNESDAY**

**8:30-12:00**  
**3:30-7:00**

**TUESDAY/THURSDAY**

**3:30-7:00**

**FRIDAY**

**8:30-12:00**  
**3:30-7:00**

**SATURDAY**

**9:00-11:00**

Dr. Shaun Bezak, his wife Dr. Kelly Krol, and his brother Dr. Brian Bezak of Bezak Chiropractic and Rehabilitation, P.A. would like to present anybody who has ever thought about benefiting from Chiropractic care, has a similar problem as described in our patient success stories above, or is dealing with one of the following conditions listed below with a special offer. When you bring in this article you are entitled to receive a new patient exam for only \$19. This offer includes a full orthopedic exam, neurological exam, and a Chiropractic Consultation. Please take advantage of this offer and let us evaluate you to see how we may be able to help you.

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|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Headaches        | Shoulder Pain     | Auto Injury      |
| Neck Pain        | Elbow Pain        | Work Injury      |
| Upper Back Pain  | Wrist Pain        | Sports Injury    |
| Middle Back Pain | Hand Pain         | Slip/Fall Injury |
| Low Back Pain    | Leg Pain          | Sprain/Strain    |
| Knee Pain        | Arm/Hand Numbness | Dizziness        |
| Hip Pain         | Leg/Foot Numbness | Tingling         |
| Foot Pain        | Tension           | Arthritis        |

**CHIROPRACTIC EXAM**

GIFT CERTIFICATE

**\$ 19**

- Over \$165 Value -  
Includes Consultation, Exam, X-rays

Valid through July 7, 2006 with this gift certificate. Redeemable at **Bezak Chiropractic and Rehabilitation** located inside the Greenbelt Bally Total Fitness. X-rays included if necessary. This does not apply to injuries subject to recovery under liability or workers compensation claims. Limit one per person.

**Located in the Greenway Shopping Center inside of the Greenbelt Bally Total Fitness**  
**Call to schedule your appointment today 301-220-0496**

***Greenbelt Consumer Co-op Ad***



# Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department.  
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

## Sexual Assault

June 1, 12:36 a.m., Greenbelt Metro Drive and Cherrywood Lane, a woman reported that she was walking from the Greenbelt Metro Station when she was approached from behind by two men, both armed with handguns. She was ordered to go over the guardrail into the wooded area, where she was sexually assaulted and robbed of jewelry. The men then fled the scene. A possible suspect vehicle seen earlier in the area is described as a dark green, older model Nissan 4-door. The assailants are described as a black male, 22 to 25 years of age, 5'9" with a stocky build, brown eyes and black hair in long plaits, wearing a black T-shirt and gray sweat pants; and a black male, 20 to 22 years of age, 5'9" with a thin build, black hair and brown eyes.

## Robberies

May 24, 2:47 p.m., 7200 block Hanover Parkway, a man reported that he was walking on the shoulder of Hanover Parkway when he was approached by two young men, one of whom asked him for the time. When he pulled out his cell phone to check, the young men began to punch and kick him, then took his cell phone and fled the scene toward the 6900 block of Hanover Parkway. The man was transported to the hospital for treatment of a broken nose. The assailants are described as a black male, 15 to 18 years of age, 5'5" to 5'8", 140 pounds, with short black hair, wearing shorts and a white T-shirt; and a black male, 15 to 18 years of age, 5'8" to 5'10", 140 pounds with black hair in braids, wearing shorts and a white T-shirt.

May 28, 1:15 a.m., 9100 block Edmonston Terrace, a man reported that he was walking down the sidewalk when he was approached from behind by another man, who pushed him to the ground, took his wallet and then fled the scene on foot. The suspect is described as a black male, 20 to 25 years of age with a thin build, wearing dark clothing. The victim declined treatment for a minor leg injury.

May 28, 1:39 a.m., 9100 block Edmonston Road, a man was grabbed from behind by another man in a parking lot who placed an object against the victim's head and announced a robbery. A struggle ensued, with the victim freeing himself from the robber's grasp and running from the area. The robber is described as a black male, 20 to 25 years of age, 6'2" with a medium build, wearing a black T-shirt, blue jeans and dark scarf or hat over his face.

June 1, 11:13 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Road, the victims reported that they had just exited an apartment building when they were approached by two men. One was armed with a knife and the other implied that he had a handgun. The first victim was robbed of a necklace and money. The second victim attempted to run from the scene but was pushed to the ground by one of the men and kicked several times. After taking his wallet, both robbers fled the scene on foot. The suspects are described as a black male, 25

to 27 years of age, 5'10" with a stocky build and black hair, wearing a black T-shirt with a white T-shirt over his head; and a black male, 16 to 17 years of age, 5'9" with a thin build and black hair.

## Assault

May 31, 2:30 p.m., Springhill Lake Elementary School, a resident youth was petitioned for assault after allegedly threatening a teacher in the school parking lot. The youth was released to a parent pending action by the school board and the juvenile justice system.

## Public Drinking

May 19, 5:08 p.m., Roosevelt Center, a resident man was arrested and charged with drinking in public. Police on bike patrol observed him drinking an alcoholic beverage on a park bench. He was released on citation pending trial.

## Burglaries

May 20, 2:59 p.m., 14 Court Ridge Road, unknown person(s) broke into a tool shed by breaking the padlock. A can of gasoline was taken.

May 20, 6:26 p.m., 14 Court Ridge Road, unknown person(s) broke into an unsecured tool shed. A weed trimmer was taken.

May 26, 12 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Terrace, unknown person(s) broke into a vacant apartment and removed cleaning equipment.

May 26, 5:45 p.m., unit block Fayette Place, unknown person(s) entered the fenced-in backyard of a residence and removed a quantity of bricks.

May 27, 8:51 a.m., 100 block Lakeside, unknown person(s) broke into an unsecured tool shed. A hedge trimmer and a weed trimmer were taken.

June 1, 9:02 a.m., 21 Court Ridge Road, unknown person(s) entered an unsecured garage and removed money from a vehicle inside.

## Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were reported stolen: a 1997 Honda Accord 2-door and a silver 2000 Honda Civic 2-door, Maryland tags 3BBY53 from Beltway Plaza; a silver 2001 Honda Civic 4-door, Maryland tags LYT599 from the 7900 block Mandan Road; a 1999 Acura Integra 2-door from the 6200 block Springhill Court; a 1996 Honda Accord 4-door from the 100 block Westway; and a 1990 Honda Civic 4-door from the 7800 block Emily's Way. In addition, a 2002 Chrysler Town and Country van was taken from the 9100 block Edmonston Road without authorization.

Eight vehicles were recovered, two by Greenbelt police with no arrests made, five by outside departments with an arrest in one recovery and one by the vehicle's owner with no arrest. One rear Maryland tag, UNC006 was not recovered and is still out as stolen.

Theft from, attempted theft from, attempted theft of and vandalism to vehicles were reported in the following areas: 7900 block Mandan Road, 8000 block Mandan Road, 7200 block South Ora Court, 4 Court Gardenway, 100 block Westway, 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace and 6200 block Springhill Court (two incidents).

## Greenbelt Employee Receives Award

Communications Specialist II Shaniya Lashley-Mullen was named Civilian of the Year at the Police Chiefs' Association of Prince George's County Annual Awards Program held May 24 at the Prince George's Ballroom in Landover.

Lashley-Mullen, who has been employed by the Greenbelt Police Department since 2002, was nominated by Communications Supervisor Alicia Coville for her exemplary performance. She has been a model employee and a leader within the communications unit, "stepping up to the plate" to fill many vacancies during critical shortages in communications. Ensuring that there is proper coverage in the unit often means sacrificing time away from her family.

Lashley-Mullen has received two formal recognitions – a letter of commendation for her performance during a high-speed pursuit involving felonious assault suspects who attempted to strike an officer and a letter of appreciation for her efforts in helping to locate a missing autistic child on the evening of April 18, 2005.

She was also recognized for her training of new dispatchers, never complaining of the increased workload necessary to train new personnel.

## Kenilworth Median Upgrades Start Soon

The Kenilworth Avenue (MD 201)/I-495 Interchange Environmental Restoration and Beautification Gateway Project is a Prince George's County Livable Communities Initiative. The objective of this project is to improve the aesthetic, as well as environmental quality of the MD 201 median between Crescent Road in Greenbelt and Pontiac Street in Berwyn Heights and at the four interchange loops of the MD 201/I-495 Interchange.

The project, which is scheduled to begin soon, entails construction stakeout, excavation, grading, construction of curbs and gutters, a closed storm drainage system, two brick gateway signs, bioretention facilities, filter swales, sediment and erosion control, landscaping, associated site improvement and all associated appurtenances and incidentals.

## CARJACKING

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gun during commission of a felony, two counts second-degree assault, one count transporting a handgun in a vehicle, two counts false imprisonment and one count theft. In addition he was charged with two counts each of armed robbery and first-degree assault and one count use of a handgun during commission of a felony for the two armed robberies in the 9300 block of Edmonston Road.

Gibson was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner and for service of the warrants.

## New Ambulance Arrives



Greenbelt was among the eight stations in Prince George's County to receive the first ambulances from the Ambulance Replacement Program. The county has purchased 70 new ambulances to be used as basic, paramedic and reserve ambulances. Greenbelt's new ambulance went into service on May 17. Three volunteers from Greenbelt ran the first call which afforded the opportunity to put the ambulance through its paces. The crew transported a patient involved in a bicycle accident to a local trauma center. The ambulance performed beautifully and has a much smoother ride for patients in the back.



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**A Review**

**GAC's "Equus" Performance Is Flawless**

by Carol Griffith

The last performance of Greenbelt Art Center's 2005-06 season, "Equus," currently playing at the Greenbelt Arts Center, is a flawless production – acted and staged beautifully.

The play, which takes place in a psychiatric hospital in the United Kingdom, opens with Magistrate Hester Salomon (played by Patti Restivo) bringing a new patient to her friend, Dr. Dysart, in charge of the hospital. She begs him to admit the 17-year-

old boy, named Alan Strang, since the doctor "is the only one who can help him."

Alan, a stablehand, has just blinded six horses in a terrible act of violence. Dr. Dysart (wonderfully played by John Decker) consents. And so begins an intense relationship that will cause Dysart to suffer personal and professional doubts while he treats, and ultimately helps, Alan.

Alan is played exceptionally well by Stephen Backus. He has mastered portraying the vul-

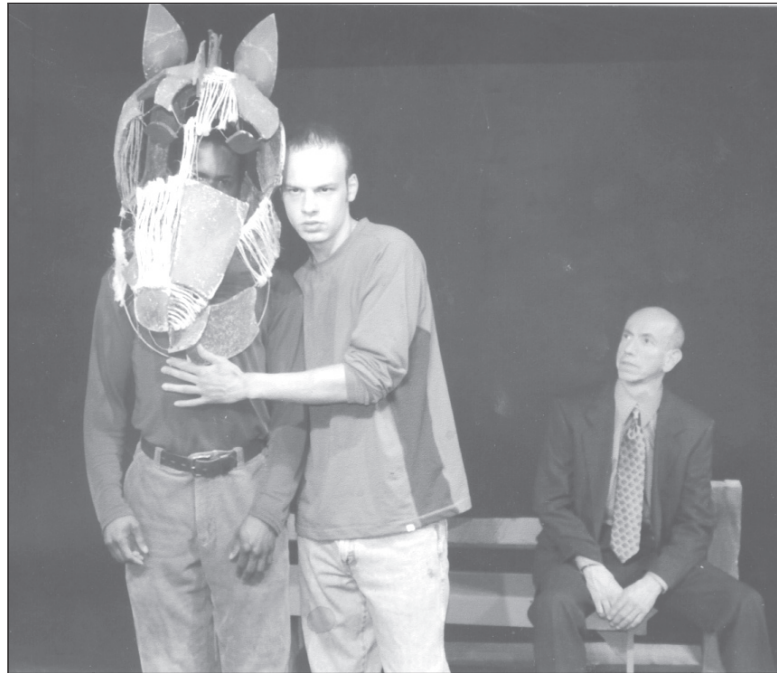
nerable adolescent part of the character, as well as the very disturbed aspects of his personality, and has perfected an unnervingly malevolent stare. Alan's parents, Dora (played by Barbara Ying) and Frank Strang (played by Sandy Irving in half of the performances) expose their marital and personal problems which have played a part in Alan's illness.

Also contributing to the portrayal of Alan's character is the owner of the stable who hired Alan, played by Dave Wisdom and Alan's girlfriend, Jill Mason, well-played by Allison Plourde. Jill and Alan's nude scene, integral to the dramatic ending, is handled tastefully.

The "horses," believable in their artistically crafted horses' heads, are played by Nigel Parkinson, Jr., Melanie Jester and stage manager Malca Giblin.

"Equus" is directed by Jeffery Lesniak and produced by Beatriz Mayoral, who also plays Dr. Dysart's nurse. It continues at the Greenbelt Arts Center, 123 Centerway, on June 9, 10, 16, 17, 23 and 24 at 8 p.m. Matinees at 2 p.m. will be performed on June 11 and 18.

Tickets may be obtained by calling the box office at 301-441-8770. Because of strong language and adult situations, no children under the age of 17 will be admitted without a parent.



In Greenbelt Arts Center's performance of "Equus," Dr. Dysart (John Decker) treats Alan Strang (Stephen Backus) in a series of dramatic interactions.

**It Added Up to What?**



PHOTO BY BILL CORNETT

City Councilmember Ed Putens has a jaw-dropping moment when his bids are totaled up at the St. Hugh's charity auction that took place on Saturday, May 6 at Grenoble Hall. Funds from the auction will go to St. Hugh's School.

**Marietta Holds Family Campfire**

Plan on an evening of family fun at Marietta House Museum's summer campfire under the stars on Saturday, June 17 at 8 p.m., rain date June 18. Enjoy an evening of hayrides, stargazing, storytelling and roasting marshmallows around the fire. Light refreshments will be provided. There is a fee.

Marietta House Museum is located at 5626 Bell Station Road, Glenn Dale.

For more information call 301-464-5291 or TTY 301-699-2544.

**Restoration Is Focus Of Open House**

The College Park Aviation Museum in association with the Smithsonian Institution presents a restoration shop open house on Saturday, June 17 from noon to 4 p.m. Take a short walk from the museum to the restoration shop to see the building of a reproduction Curtiss Pusher and the restoration of a 1940 Aeronca "Chief." Restoration Shop Manager John Liebl will be on hand to answer questions and provide a demonstration. The open house is included in the regular museum admission price.

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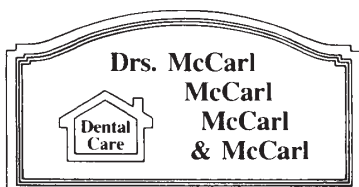
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GHI Townhome with addition. Bedroom and Full Bath on the main level. This cinderblock townhome has been recently remodeled. \$274,900

**3-Level GHI**  
This 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath townhome has a full, finished basement with bathroom. Large screened porch, remd. kitchen & more. \$304,900 SOLD

**Brick Townhome**  
Steps away from Roosevelt Center! This 2 bedroom all-brick home has a 12 1/2' x 18 1/2' living room. Call now for an appointment. \$223,900

**GHI with Extra Bath**  
Beautiful 3 br, 1 1/2 bath Frame GHI unit, many upgrades, new floor downstairs, move-in condition, great kitchen! Just \$204,900 U.C.

**Lakewood - Corner Lot**  
This 3 br, 1 1/2 bath home is in the heart of Greenbelt. Large bay window with custom window treatment. Large yard & great deck! \$390,000

**Overlooks Woodlands**  
Sliding glass doors that open onto a balcony in the master bedroom that overlooks woodlands. Walk to Greenbelt Elementary! \$174,900

**Corner Lot - Large 2-Room Addition**  
3 Bedroom townhome on a corner lot with large, 2-room addition and enlarged porch on the front. Lots of space for the money! \$207,900

**Front Porch Addition**  
Beautiful 2 BR townhome in move-in condition. Electric chairlift, addition with skylights, extra 1/2 bath & deck with woodland views. \$216,900

**Affordable Housing**  
GHI 2 bedroom townhome with hardwood floors & new paint downstairs; new carpet on the top level. Updated kitchen & bath. \$178,500

**Brick Townhome on Corner Lot**  
This 2 bedroom home has central air and heating; a rarity for GHI! Close to Roosevelt Center - rear addition laundry room. \$249,900 SOLD

**Frame Townhome - End Unit**  
Great value in this 2 bedroom GHI home. Two bedrooms and two full levels. Lots of improvements at a bargain price! Just \$164,900. U.C.

**Brick End Unit With Large Addition**  
GHI townhome with 3 bedrooms & hardwood floors upstairs. Lower level addition has half-bath. Steps to Roosevelt Center. \$264,900 U.C.

**Great Value**  
This two bedroom townhome is adjacent to protected woodlands and miles of hiking trails. Get out of the rent trap and buy now! \$178,900

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## Schools Adopt New Wellness Program

The Prince George's County Board of Education approved a wellness, nutrition and physical activity policy for Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) during the May 18 board meeting. By establishing a school wellness policy prior to the next school year, the board fulfilled its obligation under state and federal law to support wellness activities for students.

On June 30, 2004, the President signed the Child Nutrition and WIC (Women, Infants and Children) Reauthorization Act of 2004. School districts must set goals for nutrition, education, physical activity, campus food provision and other school-based activities designed to promote student wellness. Additionally, districts are required to involve a broad group of individuals in policy development and to have a plan for measuring policy implementation.

The Prince George's County School Health Council was charged with crafting a policy with input from school and community stakeholders. An Internet survey was conducted on the school system's website, gathering input from nearly 5,000 respondents. Almost half of the web surveys were completed by students.

The board used this and other information to design a policy that promotes the development of lifelong healthy habits. The PGCPS Food and Nutrition Services Department employs a fulltime registered dietician who analyzes all menu items for nutritional integrity. Currently, no foods are deep-fried and schools offer a variety of healthy choices in the cafeteria and vending machines.

Recognizing that significant research supports a positive relationship between good nutrition, increased physical activity and academic success, the board directed its chief executive officer to complete the following: ensure that all schools participate in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs; promote the physical, mental and social health of students through a coordinated school health program; enforce the current health education and physical education requirements as mandated by the Maryland State Department of Education; conduct a study to consider increasing the number of credits in health education and physical education required for high school graduation; provide a safe, healthful and pleasant environment with adequate time and space to eat, socialize and participate in a quality physical education program; and include separate facilities for physical education and food services in all new construction.

The board also directed the CEO to develop an administrative procedure for this policy to include nutrition education goals, physical activity goals, nutrition standards, other school-based activities and evaluation.

## Kindergarten Registration

Prince George's County Public School system is currently accepting registrations for pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students for the 2006-07 school year.

For detailed information on kindergarten admission procedures, contact the Office of Early Childhood Support at 301-808-4000.



# Schools in the News



## County Schools Offer Summer Programs

Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) offer something for nearly every student interested in retaining and building upon the lessons learned this school year. Registration is now open for all summer academic programs, which are designed to assist all age groups, English Language Learners (ELL), special needs children and incoming freshmen preparing for the PGCPS biomedical program.

The 2005-06 school year ends on June 9 for students. June 15 is the registration deadline for most summer programs. For a complete guide of summer programs, log on to the PGCPS website at [www.pgcps.org/~summer](http://www.pgcps.org/~summer). Summer offerings, by start date, are as follows:

### Schools Near Greenbelt

June 19-July 28 Middle School Summer Program for students who were not academically successful in Reading/English Language Arts, Math 7 or Pre-algebra, Social Studies or U.S. History 8 during the 2005-06 school year. Greenbelt MS. Call 301-985-2126.

June 19-July 28 Summer High School Program for students currently enrolled in grades 9-12 day or evening schools. This program provides opportunities to complete coursework for original credit or repeat coursework for credit, for review or enrichment and to earn credits needed for graduation at the end of the summer program for eligible students. Eleanor Roosevelt HS. Call 301-985-2126.

June 22-July 21 Kindergarten Summer Program offers academic support and reinforcement of critical developmental skills for students in kindergarten during the 2005-06 school year. Magnolia ES (Region 2). Call 301-952-6396.

June 22-July 27 Head Start Extended Year Summer School for children currently enrolled and attending Head Start and referred by their teachers based on educational need and age eligibility for kindergarten. Springhill Lake Apartments. Call 301-408-7932 or 301-408-7100, ext. 239.

July 5-27 Extended School Year provides an individualized extension of specific services beyond the regular school year. This program is designed to meet specific goals included in the Individual Education Programs (IEP) of special needs students. Eligibility is determined by the IEP annual review conference with parents and administrators - Springhill Lake ES.

## P.G. School Board's Building Committee

The Prince George's County Board of Education Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 13 at 5 p.m. at Sasser Administration Building, Board Executive Meeting Room, 14201 School Lane, Upper Marlboro. For more information contact Amber Wilson, 301-952-6239.

The CIP Committee focuses on issues pertaining to renovation and new school construction. The meeting is open to the public; however, there will be no public participation.

## Plan Now to Host Exchange Student

Pacific Intercultural Exchange (P.I.E.) is looking for families to host high school students from various countries for the 2006-2007 academic year.

P.I.E. is a nonprofit 501(c)3 educational organization that matches local volunteer families with young ambassadors from around the world. It is an accredited program with the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel and is an approved Department of State placement organization.

There is no such thing as a typical host family. Whether working or retired, married or single, with small children, teens or no children at all, anyone can have and provide a great experience hosting an exchange student. Hosts are needed immediately for students who will arrive in August and stay until June of 2007. Previous hosting experience is not necessary. P.I.E. provides orientation and local support for host families.

All the students are between the ages of 15 and 17, speak English and have medical insurance. These young people come to America in order to experience life in a democratic society. For more information call Dawna at 800-637-0217 or 817-558-2337 or email her at [dawna@azmail.net](mailto:dawna@azmail.net).

## School Board Holds Budget Session

On Monday, June 12 at 6 p.m. the Prince George's County Board of Education will hold a Fiscal Year 2007 budget worksession at the Sasser Administration Building, Board Meeting Room, 14201 School Lane, Upper Marlboro. The worksession will focus on the FY07 Requested Operating Budget. The meeting is open to the public; however, there will be no public participation. For more information call Cheryl Landis at 301-952-6308.

## School Board Holds Open Budget Session

On Thursday, June 15 at 6 p.m., the Prince George's County Board of Education will hold an open Fiscal Year 2007 budget worksession at Sasser Administration Building, Board Meeting Room, 14201 School Lane, Upper Marlboro. The worksession will focus on the FY07 requested operation budget. Public participation is encouraged. Interested persons may speak for two minutes by registering with the board office by 4 p.m. the day of the meeting. It is anticipated that the Board of Education will reconcile and adopt its FY07 Annual Operating Budget. For more information call Cheryl Landis at 301-925-6308.

## First Public Charter Schools Approved

The Prince George's County Board of Education recently approved three applications to operate the county's first public charter schools.

The board approved the applications of Potomac Charter School in Fort Washington, Turning Point Academy in Lanham and EXCEL Academy in Riverdale after a comprehensive review in accordance with the Maryland Public Charter School Act.

Potomac and EXCEL plan to use the Literacy First Process, a research-based instructional process. They also will utilize the Calvert curriculum from the internationally accredited Calvert School in Baltimore. Turning Point Academy's curriculum will focus on character education, family renewal and college preparation.

All three schools plan to open in August. Potomac and EXCEL plan to serve students in kindergarten to grade 5 and expand through grade 8. Turning Point Academy plans to serve students in grades K-3 and will add a grade each year until it serves K-6.

Open enrollment for the charter schools has ended. For more information about the schools, see [www.pgcps.org/~charter](http://www.pgcps.org/~charter) or call 301-952-6010.

### PUBLIC SAFETY IS A COLLECTIVE RESPONSIBILITY!

Friday, June 9 will be the last day of school for the Prince George's County Public Schools. That means there are likely to be lots of children throughout the day riding their bikes, scooters and skateboards and walking alongside Greenbelt's roadways. Pay close attention while driving.

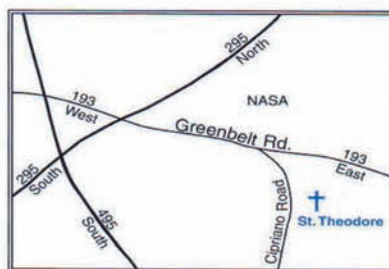
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