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## Local Democratic Club Hears From Greenbelt's Legislators

by James Giese

Senator Paul Pinsky and the three delegates from Legislative District 22, the district that includes Greenbelt, reported on legislative accomplishments and failures at the May 21 meeting of the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club.

Pinsky first talked about the efforts to legalize slot machines in Maryland. A strong opponent of slots, the senator called the effort to legalize them a "phenomenally ludicrous idea" that will enable "four to five people to make a tremendous amount of money" and enable the state to find the easiest way to make quick money to solve its fiscal woes. Calling slot machines "much more addictive than any other forms of gambling," he called both Governor Robert Ehrlich and Senate President Mike Miller wrong in their efforts to legalize them.

Pinsky advocated changing the tax structure in the state. Ehrlich has refused to authorize any increases in taxes. Pinsky would close tax loopholes and raise revenues. He would like to see the income tax become more progressive. It is now a flat percentage rate for most incomes. He would also close a tax loophole that permits corporations to avoid paying taxes by having offshore holdings. He said the governor did propose a bill to close this loophole but, now that it has been passed by the legislature, is considering vetoing his own bill. If vetoed, the legislature would have to override the veto by a super-majority vote of both houses in the next session.

"It's big business that is benefiting from it," he said.

### Higher Education

The University of Maryland is becoming more and more recognized for its academic standards, Pinsky said. However, the cost of tuition is rising too rapidly – 18 percent over the last year-and-a-half, he said. The legislature passed a bill that would put a cap on tuition increases at the university of five percent a year, the added money needed to be raised by putting a surcharge on private corporations. The governor may veto this bill, he said.

### Living Wage

The Maryland legislature became the first in the nation to pass a statewide living wage bill. This legislation would require contractors doing work for the state to pay all workers at least a living wage as defined by the law, an amount greater than a minimum wage, which Pinsky calls inadequate to support a family. He said that the governor had not approved that bill yet.

### Canadian Drugs

Pinsky would like to see citizens be able to import drugs from Canada where they are cheaper. The cost of drugs in this country is increasing more than 10 percent a year. Although the U.S. government says that it is illegal to import drugs from Canada, it has not taken action to prevent people from doing so. The state of Minnesota has a website that lists state approved Canadian drug retailers, he said. There was a bill in the legislature about buying Canadian

drugs that managed to pass the General Assembly in the last minutes of the session but did not make it in time for passage in the Senate.

### Finances

Delegate Anne Healey then reported on state finances. The legislature approved a 23.6 billion dollar balanced budget, she said, but there is a structural deficit that has not been resolved. The needs of the state are enormous, she said. This year's budget was balanced on some one-time adjustments and increasing fees. The governor did support measures to increase certain state fees, but did not support increasing taxes. Healey noted that the money raised from fees can only be used for specific purposes and not the general needs of the state.

Prince George's got some increased funding out of the budget. In total, the county will receive \$735.4 million in state funding. There will be \$74 million more for public schools to fund the Thornton plan previously approved by the state. However, other services may suffer because of Thornton. The budget provides nearly \$19 million for public safety but this is up only 1.5 percent from the current year.

Delegate Tawanna Gaines told the audience that health care and human resources suffered the most from cuts to balance the budget. She noted that the legislature cannot make increases but can only cut proposed expenditure items.

### Zoning Powers

Prince George's is the only county in the state with municipalities that do not have their own planning and zoning authority, Gaines said. A bill that

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## The New Electronic Voting Is It an Improvement?

by James Giese

Creating a paper record of votes on direct recording electronic voting machines is not as simple as some would have people believe. Nor would it assure greater accuracy in the counting of votes. That was the message brought to those attending the April 16 meeting of the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club by Carl R. Ruble, vice president of the Prince George's County Board of Elections, and Maryland State Senator Paul Pinsky, whose legislative district includes the City of Greenbelt.

After Maryland officials decided to standardize voting procedures throughout the state and to use electronic voting machines and subsequently agreed to purchase the AccuVote-TS machines from Diebold Electronic Systems in time for the spring primary election this year, Dr. Aviel D.

Rubin provided a critique, known as the Hopkins study, that found it possible for an evil-minded person to tamper with the voting machine process and results. This has resulted in additional studies by RABA Technologies and the Department of Legislative Services, which employed Science Application International Corporation (SAIC) to perform a study. These studies found that there was much that could be done procedurally to assure the integrity of the voting process. In his talk, Ruble told of the steps being taken to protect the integrity of the election process. Because Maryland is only the second state to implement this type of voting equipment, there is little in the way of experience of others on which to rely.

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### What Goes On

**Saturday, June 12**

**9 a.m. to noon**, Donation Drop-off, Parking lot between the City Office and the Community Center

**Monday, June 14**

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

**7:30 p.m.**, Council Work-session with GHI Board (Stakeholder), GHI Board Room

**Tuesday, June 15**

**11 a.m. to noon**, How to Avoid Becoming a Victim of a Scam, Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program, Community Center

**7:30 p.m.**, Community Relations Advisory Board, Municipal Building



PHOTO BY KARL PENA

**Greenbelt Elementary School's Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast on May 7 honored those who had served at least three years and are still serving including front row, from left to right: David Lange, David Haberman, Velvia Grantham, Florence Thompson and Irene Havas. Back row, left to right: Katherine Curl, principal; Aileen Sherman; Barbara Simon; Marsha Voigt; Diane Eades; and Reading Recovery teacher Diane Siegel. Other volunteers whose names are on the plaque but do not appear in the photo are Lenore Algaze, Sonia Guiland-Collins, Bhameney Fishbeck, Ed Griffin, Dan Hamlin, Sylvia Lewis, Mary Lindstrom, Fran Ritter and Dianne Wilkerson.**

## Elementary School Honors Many Volunteer Helpers

by Mary Moien

Before the children started streaming through the doors at Greenbelt Elementary School on May 7, teachers and staff gathered to honor the many volunteers who have tutored this school year. Some 25 women and men were given a volunteer appreciation breakfast. Diane Eades, reading recovery teacher, and Principal Katherine Curl were among the organizers of the annual event.

This year, however, a surprise was in store for many of the volunteers. Staff had noted how many helpers were long-time volunteers and wanted a way to honor them. A plaque was designed with the names of the 18 current volunteers who have worked with students for at least three years.

One major focus is volunteering as a reading tutor. Other veterans and newcomers include math tutors, art teachers, classroom aides and PTA volunteers.

Volunteer David Lange has coordinated volunteer projects for six years.

The honored volunteers and the year they began serving are: 1987 – Barbara Simon; 1994 – Ed Griffin, Irene Havas; 1995 – Sonia Guiland-Collins; 1996 – Sylvia Lewis; 1997 – Lenore Algaze, David Lange; 1998 – Velvia Grantham, Aileen Sherman; 1999 – Bhameney Fishbeck, Diane Siegel; 2000 – David Haberman, Dan Hamlin, Mary Linstrom, Fran Ritter, Florence Thompson, Marsha Voigt and Dianne Wilkerson.

Lange noted that many volunteers came because of a series of articles in the Greenbelt News Review in recent years. Some are PTA members and others belong to OASIS, a group based at Hecht's in Prince George's Plaza that assists with reading as one of their activities. More volunteers, it was noted, are always welcome.

## Fighter Jets Over Greenbelt



PHOTO BY KARL PENA

**On Tuesday, June 8 at approximately 6:30 p.m., nine F-15 fighter jets thundered across the skies over the Greenbelt Municipal outdoor pool. The nine F-15s were part of 21 fighter jets flying in formation from Andrews Air Force Base as a rehearsal for Friday's procession bearing the body of former President Ronald Reagan to the U.S. Capitol.**

# Letters to the Editor

## THANKS

Thank you to everyone who assisted with the Labor Day Festival's Basket Bingo last week. The event went very well. Thanks goes to the Recreation Department, the Greenbelt Co-op, Greenbelt Access TV, Greenbelt Community Church and St. Hugh's Church and School – all of whom played very important roles in making sure the event was a success. Thanks also to all of the individuals who helped work the bingo that night; their assistance was invaluable. It wouldn't have been possible without them. Thanks, as well, to all of the bingo players. Hopefully there were some local winners but regardless of that, we hope everyone had a great time! This was the first of many bingos the festival will be holding, so stay tuned!

*Patti Brothers,  
President  
Greenbelt Labor Day  
Festival Committee*

## Make Crescent Safe

How many memorials attached to telephone poles and trees will it take to make Crescent Road safe? There have been four deaths and five major accidents on a road where the speed limit is only 30 mph. All of these accidents have occurred between Northway and Greenhill Road. This is four deaths and five accidents too many. Crescent Road is being used as a cut through to avoid the Greenbelt Road and Kenilworth Avenue intersection. Vehicles that use Crescent Road do not observe the speed limit and if you do, others will pass you. The school zone which is 15 mph is never observed by the cars, Metro buses, school buses, etc. The cross walks which are clearly marked are seldom observed.

There are ways to stop the speeders on this road – (1) police presence, (2) speed cameras or (3) install stop signs at every intersecting road – Lastner Lane, Greenhill Road, Northway and Eastway. How many more deaths will it take to make Crescent Road safe?

*Residents of Lakewood –  
Monique Jezierski,  
Stephanie Kinzer,  
Craig Fielder, Kathy Smith,  
Susette Horstkamp*

## Bicyclists Need Lights at Night

Open letter to all bicyclists and loved ones of bicyclists: You need lights on your bike if you ride at twilight. Twilight is the time after the sun sets, when it is not yet dark enough to be called night. This is a time when it becomes harder to see bicyclists. The reflectors that come on bicycles are not good enough to make them visible to cars and trucks when it starts to get dark.

Lights that shine to the front and to the rear of the bike are needed. I was reminded of this when I came upon three bicyclists at about 8:45 p.m. I was returning to Greenbelt on Edmonston Road/Kenilworth Ave. extended and was between Sunnyside Ave. and Cherrywood Lane, at the point where there are woods on both sides. The three bicyclists "appeared out of nowhere" – which means I didn't see them until I was right on them. Fortunately, they were on the other side of the street (going north). If you ride at twilight, please put lights on your bike.

*Sheila Alpers*

## THANKS

We wish to thank everyone who came out to enjoy the 2nd Annual Roosevelt Center Arts Festival, Saturday and Sunday, June 5 and 6. The festival was produced by a coalition of non-profit, community arts organizations: the Friends of New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA), Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts (GAVA), Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC), Greenbelt Access Television (GATE), Greenbelt Writers Club and Friends of the Old Greenbelt Theatre.

Thanks also to the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union for helping to fund the festival and to the City of Greenbelt Public Works Department and Recreation Department for their assistance.

*Barbara Simon,  
Chair  
Roosevelt Center  
Arts Festival*

## At the Library

### Children

Daytime Storytimes – Tuesday, June 15, 10:30 a.m., ages newborns to 18 months with caregiver.

Wednesday, June 16, 10:30 a.m., ages 18 to 36 months with caregiver, limit 15.

Thursday, June 17, 10:30 a.m., ages 3 to 5, limit 25.

### Adults

Wednesday, June 16, 2 p.m., book discussion "Peace Like a River" by Leif Enger.

## How to Avoid Scams Is Program Topic

The Greenbelt Assistance In Living Program will present a special program, "How to Avoid Becoming a Victim of a Scam!" on Tuesday, June 15 from 11 a.m. to noon in the Community Center Senior Classroom. Crime Prevention Officer George Mathews of the Greenbelt Police Department will present tips on how to avoid mail, telephone and internet scams. This presentation will be taped for Channel 71. All are welcome.

For more information call Christal Parker Batey, 301-474-8000 ext. 2012.

## Correction

In the photo caption in the June 3 issue for the photo of Karen Haseley and her two summer therapeutic recreation interns the name of Teia Westbrook of Old Dominion University was misspelled. The News Review regrets the error.

## FREE WOOD

Greenbelt Homes, Inc., has a large volume of tree trunks from downed trees which can be split and used as firewood. The tree trunks have been cut into lengths that are approximately 2' x 3'. The wood is located on the grounds of the Administration Building on Hamilton Place. The wood can be collected anytime Monday to Saturday between 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. without charge. If interested in this free wood, please contact Mary Laws at 301-474-6011 in the Maintenance Department.

## TALENT SHOW & SALE EXTRAVAGANZA SATURDAY, JUNE 19, 2004

Where: Greenbelt Adult Care Center  
(Entrance is on the right side of the Community Center)  
When: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. – bake, yard & arts/crafts sale  
Noon to 2 p.m. – talent & fashion show  
(including renowned act "Season Players")

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301-507-6590

## OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

Week of June 11

SAVED (PG13)

Friday  
\*5:25, 7:30, 9:35

Saturday  
\*3:20, \*5:25, 7:30, 9:35

Sunday  
\*3:20, \*5:25, 7:30

Monday-Thursday  
\*5:25, 7:30

\*These shows at \$5.00  
301-474-9744 • 301-474-9745  
129 Centerway  
www.pgtheatres.com



## ATTENTION GHI MEMBERS

You are invited to attend  
A Member Input/Informational Meeting  
On Encroachment Problems and  
Determining Yard Lines

- Tuesday, June 22 7 PM
- Saturday, July 31 10 AM
- Monday, August 23 7 PM

GHI Administration Building

Light refreshments will be served.

# URGENT NEED! GIVE BLOOD

Greenbelt City Blood Drive – Municipal Building

Monday, June 22 from 2 - 8 p.m.

## Cicada Photo and Story Contest

Submit your photo (print or jpg) to Karl Pena, 69 Ridge Road (photo@karlpena.com) and your story to the News Review (newsreview@greenbelt.com). Include name, age, email address and phone number with submissions. (Maximum two pictures, one story per person.) Open to all Greenbelt residents.

Winners will be announced and winning entries will be published if space is available.

Greenbelt Arts Center  
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*Stephen Cox*

Produced by  
*Sheilah Crossley-Cox*

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.

# Community Events

## Bloomsday Comes To Greenbelt

Bloomsday is coming to Greenbelt – this year is the 100th anniversary of the date on which James Joyce’s literary masterpiece, *Ulysses*, takes place. On June 16, 1904, Leopold and Molly Bloom and Stephen Dedalus meander through Dublin in one of the most influential novels of all time. Cities all over the world are marking this event with Bloomsday celebrations.

To mark the occasion in Greenbelt, the New Deal Café will host a Bloomsday from 7 to 9 p.m. Volunteers will read selected passages of the novel. Anyone wishing to read should contact Deborah Taylor, [DeborahTaylor@aol.com](mailto:DeborahTaylor@aol.com) or 301-345-2485 by June 11. A good chapter-by-chapter summary of *Ulysses* is available online at [www.rejoycedublin2004.com/joyce/detail](http://www.rejoycedublin2004.com/joyce/detail). Come and listen or read as a bit of Dublin comes to Greenbelt’s own small town.

## Astronomy Club Hosts Star Party

Fresh from hosting a successful observation session for the rare transit of Venus, the Greenbelt Astronomy Club will host a star party on Saturday, June 12. This event will take place at the Wolfe Fields on Northway, extended. Club members will have telescopes available to share views of celestial objects.

Comet Linear may be visible early in the evening. The planets Jupiter and Saturn, as well as an assortment of star clusters and nebulae, should be seen. The star party will begin at dark; with sunset occurring at 8:34 p.m. that evening. Good viewing should begin at approximately 9:15 p.m. In the event of precipitation or hopelessly cloudy skies, that evening’s event will be canceled without further notice.

## Homeowners Meet At Windsor Green

Windsor Green Homeowners Association will hold its annual meeting on Tuesday, June 15, 7:30 p.m. at the Windsor Green Community Center, 7474 Frankfort Drive. The election for vacancies on the board of directors will be held at this meeting. All Windsor Green homeowners are encouraged to attend the meeting. Homeowners who cannot attend the meeting are asked to exercise their right to vote by mailing their proxy.

## Poetry Plus Meets

“Poetry Plus” – a monthly gathering for poetry readings and discussion – is scheduled for Saturday, June 12, 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Greenbelt Library. All are welcome and invited to bring copies of their own or others’ favorite poems, previously published or not yet published.

## GIVES Has Annual Meeting on June 19

The annual meeting for GIVES will take place at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 19 in the Theater Rehearsal Room (Room 202) in the Community Center. All members and interested citizens are urged to attend. Refreshments will be served.

## Free Folk Dance Open House June 18

Now that most of the cicadas have gone, Greenbelters can return to “The Way We Were.” Get started by attending the free International Folk Dance Open House on Friday, June 18, at 7:30 p.m. in the Youth Center. A summer session of eight classes begins June 25 at 8 p.m. Bargain rates are available.

## Discount Cards Are UCP Fundraiser

Twelve Greenbelt businesses are participating in the 2004 annual fund drive of the United Cerebral Palsy Association of Prince George’s and Montgomery Counties (UCP/PGMC) in support of education and therapy for children with cerebral palsy and related developmental disabilities. UCP/PGMC also provides services to adults to help them to develop emotionally, intellectually, physically, socially and vocationally to their fullest potential. The organization serves individuals of any age, race, color, national or ethnic origin or developmental disability.

The fund drive kicks off with the United Cerebral Palsy annual Casual Day on June 18, the last Friday before summer officially begins. In exchange for a \$5 minimum donation, employees of participating area businesses receive a button allowing them to dress down from their normal work attire. The employees also receive a UCP Value Card and get a T-shirt with a greater contribution.

### Value Card

For a modest fee anyone may purchase a value card that can be used to obtain reduced prices at nearly 500 area participating businesses. Cards may be used as often as people wish for one year.

### Businesses

The following Greenbelt businesses have agreed to support the project: 3 Brothers Restaurant, 6160 Greenbelt Road (10% off any order); Beltway Plaza Hardware, 6210 Greenbelt Road (10% off); Bennigan’s of Greenbelt, 6002 Greenbelt Road (20% off); Denny’s, 7405 Greenbelt Road (10% off); Domino’s Pizza, 151 Centerway (buy one pizza carry-out, get second free); Enterprise Rent A Car, 8500 Capitol Drive (10% off regular rates, reference code W19047); Generous Joe’s, 107 Centerway (free fry or 16 oz. soda with purchase of sub); Greenbelt Barber & Stylist, 151A Centerway (\$5 off women’s haircut); Heaven’s Bakery, Beltway Plaza, 6092 Greenbelt Road (\$10 off specialty cakes and \$1 off one pound of cookies); Popeyes, 6224 Greenbelt Road (free two-piece dinner with purchase of three-piece dinner and medium drink); Sir Walter Raleigh, 6323 Greenbelt Road (15% off entire check); Subway, 6094 Greenbelt Road (10% off any purchase); Taylor Reunion Services (assistance with fund raising efforts with alumni while planning a class reunion). Other restrictions may apply.

For further information call 301-459-0566 or 301-459-7691 (TT) or check the website at <http://www.ucppgmc.com>.

## PGCC Class Here On Opera Arias

A new Prince George’s Community College Continuing Education SAGE class focusing on opera arias is being offered at the Greenbelt Community Center this summer. The course will highlight the operatic voice from soprano to bass-baritone through video and audio recordings of opera arias sung by many different opera stars of the 20th and 21st centuries. Some of the arias and singers will be new to students, but many will be well-known arias and stars of the opera world. An excerpt from a complete opera will be presented at the end of the course.

The course is scheduled to begin on Wednesday, June 16 from 9 to 11 a.m. and the instructor is John Cahill. Registrations can be done at the Community Center. The SAGE reference number is #7295.



## Try Exploring Local History

The rich histories and traditions of Prince George’s County’s 27 cities and towns will come to life in the “Exploring Local History” class being offered at the Greenbelt Community Center from 1 to 3 p.m., beginning June 14.

Sponsored by Prince George’s Community College’s Continuing Education Program and taught by George D. Denny, Jr., retired county educator and historian, the course will feature a historical slide show tour of the municipalities in Prince George’s County, emphasizing how these jurisdictions contributed to the establishment and growth of the county as a whole.

Denny, mayor of the town of Brentwood, is the author of “Proud Past, Promising Future: Cities and Towns in Prince George’s County, Maryland,” recipient of the Prince George’s County Historical Society’s St. George’s Day Award in 1998.

To register for this and other courses being offered at the Greenbelt Community Center, call 301-397-2208.

## Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald

It’s a beautiful time of the year in Greenbelt and even those crazy cicadas are almost gone. Some of us will miss their high-pitched song and watching them crawl on our window screens. It’s amazing how all of us fit into nature’s plan for the universe, even 17-year cicadas.

The June birthdays will be celebrated on June 16 with a potluck lunch. Councilmember Rodney Roberts will speak on June 23 and we will play bingo on June 30. Joe Rimar will have a book signing on July 14 for his new book of poems, “Sands of Time.”

Travel coordinator Phyllis Budin still has seats on the August 5 trip to Atlantic City and there are openings on the July 8 trip to Hanover, Pa. The bus will leave at 7:45 a.m. on June 17 for Hershey, Pa.

## Greenbelt Baseball

### Major League Schedule

Date	Time	Games
Mon., June 14	6:00 p.m.	Cardinals vs. Giants
Tues., June 15	6:00 p.m.	Athletics vs. Cubs
Wed., June 16	6:00 p.m.	Lions vs. Indians
Thurs., June 17	6:00 p.m.	Orioles vs. Tigers
Fri., June 18	6:00 p.m.	Athletics vs. Giants
Fri., June 18	7:00 p.m.*	Cubs vs. Indians
Sat., June 19	10:00 a.m.	Orioles vs. Lions
Sat., June 19	12:30 p.m.	Tigers vs. Lions
Sat., June 19	3:00 p.m.	Tigers vs. Cardinals

### Major League Standings as of Tuesday, 6/08/04

American League	W-L	National League	W-L
Giants	12 - 2	Cardinals	11 - 3
Tigers	10 - 3	Cubs	7 - 6
Orioles	3 - 9	Lions	5 - 6
Athletics	3 - 10	Indians	3 - 10

### 2004 Machine Pitch Schedule

Date	Time	Games
Sun., June 20	1:00 p.m.	Machine Pitch All Play

All games are played at McDonald Field unless noted. \*This game will be played at Braden #2. \*\*These games will be played at Braden #3.

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Greenbelt Arts Center announces

### AUDITIONS

## ROMEO & JULIET

by William Shakespeare  
Sunday, June 13 from 2-5pm  
June 14 & 15 from 5-7pm

## AN AMERICAN DAUGHTER

by Wendy Wasserstein  
June 21 & 22 from 7-9pm  
Greenbelt Arts Center  
123 Centerway, Greenbelt, MD 20770  
Next Door to the Post Office  
301-441-8770  
[www.greenbeltartscenter.org](http://www.greenbeltartscenter.org)

Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO THE

### ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC

Saturday, June 12, 2004  
4 to 7 p.m.

Schrom Hills Park, Greenbelt  
(Rain or Shine)

Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Veggie Burgers, and Sodas will be provided.

Bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share  
*Admission is FREE!*  
Everyone is Welcome. Join Us, Get Involved and Let's Get Acquainted!

RSVP please by noon June 11, by calling 301-982-0111 or by email, [wmhunt@starpower.net](mailto:wmhunt@starpower.net)

# Obituaries

## Elmer Janosko

On May 28, 2004, Elmer Janosko, 89, died of heart disease at Laurel Regional Hospital. He was born September 14, 1914 in Clymer, Pa., and was raised in nearby Emeigh.



Mr. Janosko was a member of the United Mine Workers and worked at the mines as a weight checker, weighing coal.

In March 1943 he enlisted in the U.S. Army as part of the 310th Signal Battalion. Mr. Janosko served in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany and fought in the Battle of the Bulge.

In 1951 he married Irene Hanyok and in 1954 moved to a home in the 12 Court of Ridge Road. He was employed at ERCO-ACE, Riverdale, and later in the Production Control Department of Singer-Link, Silver Spring, from which he later retired.

Mr. Janosko was a long-time member and volunteer at St. Hugh's Church. He also belonged to American Legion Post #136 and Knights of Columbus Council #2809.

He is survived by his wife Irene, sister Helen Sackie of Barnesboro, Pa., and many nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held June 1, 2004 by Father Hurd at St. Hugh's Church with interment at Resurrection Cemetery, Clinton, Md.



## Bernice Brautigam

Lauretta Bernice Brautigam, 87, died on May 21, 2004 at North Arundel Hospital. A Greenbelt pioneer and former longtime resident, Mrs. Brautigam was the wife of Henry Brautigam, the town banker, who died April 3, 1997, at the age of 84. The Brautigams lived in Greenbelt from 1937 until moving to Bowie in 1963. They were members of Greenbelt Community Church. She was a piano teacher and a church organist.

At the time of her death she was a member of the Christian Community Presbyterian Church.

From 1947 to 1963 Mr. Brautigam was the branch manager of the first bank in the town, Prince George's Bank and Trust Company, which later became Suburban Trust Company. He was a civic activist and treasurer of many city organizations including the Lions Club and Fire Department. He also was a Greenbelt Homes, Inc., board member. Along with Vincent Caruso and Eli Don Bullion, he was a member of the first Labor Day Festival Committee. He also was a charter member of the Greenbelt Lions Club.

Survivors include a grandson and two great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Assoc., 839-E Quince Orchard Blvd., Gaithersburg, MD 20878.

## Greek Festival Is This Weekend

St. Theodore's Greek Orthodox Church in Lanham will hold its annual spring Greek Festival on Friday, June 11 through Sunday, June 13. Admission is free and the festival is open all three days from noon to 9 p.m. Greek food specialties will be featured, including gyro and souvlaki sandwiches, lamb, chicken, baklava and other Greek pastries.

The festival also features a live band with traditional Greek folk dancing starting at 5 p.m. There will be a moon bounce and other arts and crafts for children. A Greek grocery store and music, books and jewelry booths will offer goods for sale.

The church is located at 7101 Cipriano Road in Lanham. Visit St. Theodore's website at <http://www.sttheodores.org> for directions or call 301-552-3540.



Our sympathy to Irene Janosko on the death of her husband Elmer. The Janoskos have lived in Greenbelt for 50 years.

Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of Bernice Brautigam. She was a Greenbelt pioneer and the wife of Henry Brautigam, town banker.

To all our neighbors - this is your column. Send us news about your events and accomplishments.

## Maplewood Gang Performs



PHOTO BY JAMES GIESE

The "Maplewood Gang" performs on May 31 at the neighborhood picnic. The players are, from left: Tyler Siegel, Kelley Jo Wallace, Mary Loutsch, Sydney Siegel (in back), Chelsea Murphy and Joey Loutsch.

## Teen Wins Award at Film Festival

Greenbelt resident Jamie Phillips, 14, received the award for "Best Animation by an Individual" in the "Vids By Kids 5" film festival screened at the Old Greenbelt Theatre on June 6. His winning entry was "Old Super Fart," which he produced as a student in the GAVA (Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts)/GATE (Greenbelt Access Television) Animation Program classes

held at the GATE studios in the Greenbelt Community Center. "Vids," which is produced by GAVA and GATE, shows both animation and live-action videos produced by young film makers 18 years and younger from the D.C. - Baltimore area. The other four top awards went to teens living in Alexandria, Va., Montgomery County and Owings Mills, Md.

### MASS SCHEDULE:

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

Saturday 5 p.m.

Daily Mass: As announced

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

Rev. Thomas F. Crowley, Pastor

Rev. R. Scott Hurd, Pastoral Associate

Part Time Ministry

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	9:00 am	Christian education for all ages
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	1:30 pm	Signed Mass (last Sunday of each month only)
Wednesdays:	7:00 pm	Simple, quiet Mass

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301-474-9410

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

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Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm  
Third Friday, Games Night 7:30 pm

**Rev. DaeHwa Park, Pastor**

June 13

Sermon: "Canceled Debts"  
Friendship Dinner 12:15 pm

### Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

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### Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS

Sundays 10 A.M.  
Municipal Building

## Baha'i Faith

Dr. Ali Afnan

will give a review of the book "The Promised Day Is Come" at the Borders Bookstore in White Flint Mall on Sunday, June 13 at 2PM. This book analyzes the main trends of the past century and finds the underlying cause of the crisis of our age.

Greenbelt Baha'i Community  
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Dr. Mark Johnson, Pastor

**Sun. Worship 8:35 am, 11:00 am**  
**Wed. Praise and Prayer 7:00 pm**  
**Wed. Living Proof, Youth Event 7:00 pm**

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## Area Schools Gain State Recognition

The Maryland State Department of Education has recognized Greenbelt Elementary School, Robert Goddard French Immersion-North and Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) for making gains in student academic performance. These Greenbelt-area schools were among 586 elementary, middle and high schools in Maryland recognized by the awards program, which is now a requirement of the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act. The program marks the overall achievement of their students on the 2003 Maryland School Assessment and for improving the performance of special populations from 2002 to 2003. Special populations, identified under NCLB, include race/ethnicity, special education, limited English proficiency and those receiving free or reduced-price meals.

### Monetary Rewards

Title I elementary and middle schools will share about \$450,000 from State Title I funds, with each receiving \$4,000. Non-Title I elementary and middle schools will share \$1.2 million in state funds with each receiving just over \$2,900. High schools will receive certificates of recognition only. Neither federal Title I funds nor state funds are permitted to be used for high schools. Greenbelt Elementary and Robert Goddard French Immersion each will receive \$2,926.82. ERHS will receive a certificate.

"We applaud the efforts of our staff and our students. These schools deserve to be recognized for raising the achievement levels of all our students through good instructional practices," said State Superintendent of Schools Nancy S. Grasmick.

About 25 percent of the schools are being recognized for overall achievement and 25 percent for showing improvement among all subgroups. Some schools demonstrated achievement in both areas. The financial awards can be used for activities and equipment to improve student performance but cannot be used for staff bonuses or salaries. The School Improvement Team in each school decides how the funds can best benefit the school.

## City Acquires Observatory

The Greenbelt City Council on May 24 unanimously approved a Memorandum of Understanding between the city and the Greenbelt Astronomy Club for an observatory to be built on city land.

Revisions suggested by council at a council worksession in March have reportedly been incorporated. Details were reported in the April 1 issue of the News Review.

Signing of the agreement by Mayor Judith Davis and club president Matt Elliott passed ownership of the observatory from the club to the city. All costs are to be paid and recorded by the city with repayment by the club from authorized fund-raising activities. The club will be required to purchase liability insurance of \$2 million annually with the city named as an additional insured. Community planner Kristen Ward said construction would begin immediately but getting permits may take more time than actual construction.

Club member Doug Love said that Greenbelt will be the only city in the country with a municipally-owned observatory.



# City Information

### NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2005

**BUDGET FOR THE**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
 BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND  
 CEMETERY FUND  
 DEBT SERVICE FUND  
 REPLACEMENT FUND  
 SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND  
 TEMPORARY DISABILITY RESERVE FUND  
 UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION RESERVE FUND  
 GREEN RIDGE HOUSE FUND  
 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND  
 2001 BOND FUND  
 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUND

At its regular meeting of June 7, 2004, the City Council of Greenbelt, Maryland, adopted the City's budget for Fiscal Year 2005, thereby approving expenditures as follows:

General Fund	\$ 19,067,200
Building Capital Reserve Fund	63,000
Cemetery Fund	1,800
Debt Service Fund	927,900
Replacement Fund	296,300
Special Projects Fund	81,000
Temporary Disability Reserve Fund	55,000
Unemployment Compensation Reserve Fund	6,000
Green Ridge House	1,020,000
Capital Projects Fund	1,156,500
2001 Bond Fund	2,302,000
Community Development Block Grant Fund	100,000

Copies of the adopted budget document will be available for examination in August 2004, at the City Offices, 25 Crescent Road, at the Greenbelt Library, 11 Crescent Road, and at Greenbelt CityLink at [www.ci.greenbelt.md.us](http://www.ci.greenbelt.md.us).

### Meetings for June 14-June 18

**Monday, June 14, 7:00pm, Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee**, at Community Center.

**Monday, June 14, 7:30pm, COUNCIL WORK SESSION**, with GHI Board (stakeholder) at GHI Board Room.

**Tuesday, June 15, 7:30pm, Community Relations Advisory Board**, at Municipal Building, Council Room.

### BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, June 22nd from 2:00pm – 8:00pm  
 Greenbelt Municipal Building

**If you would like to make an appointment, please call Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2213.**

Each time you schedule an appointment to donate blood between May 1 and September 6, 2004, you will be automatically entered into a drawing for a cruise for two to the Bahamas!

### DONATION DROP-OFF

Saturday, June 12th  
 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**Parking lot between the City Office and the Community Center**

*The American Rescue Workers accepts donations of usable Household Goods (clothing, furniture, small appliances, curtains, towels, bedding, books, puzzles and toys.)*

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

### ATTENTION SUMMER CAMP PARTICIPANTS:

**The start date for Greenbelt Recreation Department Summer Camp Programming will remain: TUESDAY, JUNE 22nd.**

The Greenbelt Recreation Department originally changed its programming date due to the first change in the Prince George's County school calendar. When the school system once again changed its calendar to end on Friday, June 18th, all arrangements and budgets for summer camp programs had already been finalized.

We apologize for any inconvenience which this may place on your family and hope that you understand that this decision will allow us to provide the best possible experience for your family with the resources available to us. If you need to contact us concerning this matter, please call 240-542-2193.

### OPENINGS ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

**Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups. Vacancies exist on the:**

- Advisory Committee on Education
  - Arts Advisory Board
  - Board of Elections
  - Park & Recreation Advisory Board
  - Recycling & Environment Advisory Committee
- For more information, please call 301-474-8000.*

### The Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program presents:

## HOW TO AVOID BECOMING A VICTIM OF A SCAM!

**Tuesday, June 15, 2004**  
**11am-12noon**

### Greenbelt Community Center-Senior Classroom

Greenbelt Crime Prevention Officer, George Mathews of the Greenbelt Police Department will present tips on how to avoid mail, telephone and internet scams. This program will be taped for the "Ask The Expert" cable program on Channel 71.

### GREENBELT AQUATIC AND FITNESS CENTER CHILDREN'S SWIM LESSONS SUMMER SESSION I

**June 22-25, June 29-July 2**

Passholders and Residents may register  
**Saturday, June 19 from 9am-2pm.**  
**All may register Sunday, June 20 & Monday, June 21 from 9am-2pm**

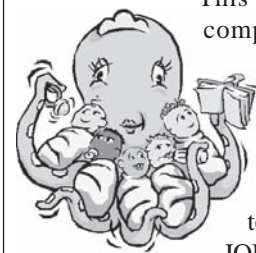
**For class schedules and information, download the Recreation Brochure at [www.ci.greenbelt.md.us](http://www.ci.greenbelt.md.us)**

**On June 19th the Greenbelt Swim Team will host a swim meet. The outdoor pool will open at 1:00pm on that day.**

### GREENBELT CARES BABYSITTING COURSE

**Wednesday, June 30th from 10am-1pm**

**Municipal Building-1st Floor Conference Room**



This free course is targeted toward students completing grades 5-8. Students will learn responsibility and health and safety issues of taking care of children, as well as learning about poison control and fire prevention. Students completing the course will receive a certificate and be eligible to participate in the Greenbelt CARES ODD JOBS/JOB BANK program.

**Info/Enrollment: 301-345-6660, ext 2016 or [jhering@ci.greenbelt.md.us](mailto:jhering@ci.greenbelt.md.us)**

### GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL 71

**MUNICIPAL ACCESS 301-474-8000: Tuesday & Thursday, June 15 & 17: 10am & 6pm "Ask the Expert Diabetic Foot Care," 10:30am & 6:30pm Pedestrian Safety Information, 7:30pm "Greenbelt Concert Band," 9:00pm "Greenbelt Museum Chautauqua-The History of the Greenbelt News Review."**

**PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE): 301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, June 16 & 18: 7pm "Public Safety," 7:30pm "Future View," 8pm Greenbelt Arts Center presents "Much Ado About Nothing."**

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However, there are those who argue that without a printed record, it is not possible to tell if a machine has been tampered with or malfunctioned and mis-cast the votes of persons using it. Thus, many advocate a process in which the machine will print out a record of each vote cast as well as record it electronically. The voter would then review the tally and, if found to be satisfactory, drop the paper receipt in a box. If the receipt does not agree with the voter's wishes, there would be a procedure for nullifying the vote cast and revoting. If there is a need to verify the accuracy of a machine or for a recount, election officials would have the paper receipts available to verify the voting machine's accuracy.

### Problems

Pinsky told of legislation before this year's Maryland General Assembly that would provide for voting equipment to be equipped with printers to provide the paper trail. The legislation did pass the Senate but failed in the House. The first problem with the proposal was its cost - \$15,000,000. The cost of the current equipment was \$55,000,000 and the add-on printers would be an additional expense. The legislation authorized the governor to buy the equipment if the necessary money could be found. The state already has serious budget problems that have not been resolved.

Another problem is certification. Voting equipment must now be certified as acceptable under the federally enacted Help America Vote Act. No printing device has yet to be certified. Printers can malfunction, also. The RABA report also points out that the Federal Election Commission goal is to have less than one in 2,000,000 votes counted incorrectly with electronic systems. Paper ballots have never achieved such accuracy. They can be mis-read, smudged, lost or stolen, destroyed, etc.

A third problem is that organizations representing and lobbying for the handicapped are raising serious concerns as to the usefulness of paper to the visually impaired. The polling places can now be provided with special machines that offer sound through ear phones to vocally guide impaired voters through the ballot process in full privacy and without the aid of others. These organizations are opposing legislation for paper ballots backups.

### "Good One"

Pinsky told the group that he believed the new voting system to be a good one. "Is it fool-proof? I don't know. Not even the experts can come to agreement on it," he said.

Ruble told the group of the various security measures in force in the county. Each precinct has one machine with an accumulator that will receive the tallies from the cards in each of the other machines and combine the tally for the precinct. Each machine also has a small printer (not capable of printing out the individual votes cast) that will print out the tally of votes cast for the machine at the end of the election day. In Prince George's County, these precinct votes were transmitted by telephone to a central computer at the Board of Elections where the county-wide vote was tallied. In Montgomery, the accumulators were transported to the election office for tallying, resulting in considerable delay in

that county's vote tally.

In Prince George's, the machine accumulators also are brought to the board offices. Here their results are transferred into a second central computer to provide a second tally of the votes to verify accuracy.

Ruble noted that the governor (Department of Budget and Management) had employed SAIC to evaluate security. Most of the SAIC recommendations were already in place in the county and the rest are being done.

### Procedure

There are 209 polling places and from 10 to 16 machines to a polling place - about one machine for every 200 voters. These machines are set up by technicians prior to the election one machine at a time, doing one polling place at a time. He noted that there are many different ballots depending on the precinct's location for county, legislative and congressional districts. There is an extensive check list to be followed. Following setup there is a test run to assure that everything is working properly. The test takes 25 to 30 minutes.

Each precinct has a VIBS (Visually Impaired Ballot System) voting machine for use by the handicapped.

After testing, the machines are locked down. They are placed in a container with other machines for the precinct and secured by a cable. Upon setup at the precinct, if a machine is found not to be working, it can be replaced. At the last election there were problems with 27 machines, all of which could be resolved.

The votes are also recorded on each machine's hard drive. If a recount is necessary, the hard drive can show each vote cast (unrelated to who may have cast it). After the vote is finalized and certified the machine cards and the hard drive are erased so that they can be used again.

If there is a power outage, the machines will keep functioning for six hours on a backup battery. Most of a machine's weight is due to the battery.

### Provisional Ballots

Ruble said that provisional ballots are now in force throughout the state. Anyone can come in and assert their right to vote even if their name is not on the registration list. For example, a voter may be on the list as having received an absentee ballot but claim that he or she failed to receive it. Such a person will receive a provisional ballot. The board reviews the provisional requests individually and if the claim is found to be valid the provisional ballot will be cast. It is possible to go to the wrong polling place and request a provisional ballot. However, that ballot may not have the correct offices listed for election because it is in a different district. If so, any vote for an incorrect office will be nullified when the provisional ballot is cast.

### Judges Election

The state made an error in the setup for the election of circuit court judges in the primary. The machines instructed voters to vote for two of the three candidates instead of all three. Since three incumbent judges were running unopposed in a primary for three offices, the error did not affect the outcome of the election. All three judges will be placed on the ballot at the November election as the candidate of both

Republican and Democratic parties, which is tantamount to their being elected to continue to serve as judges.

### Questions

Mayor Judith Davis complained that the voter lists are not up to date. Are they no longer being purged, she asked. Ruble said the only way that a name can be removed is if the voter informs the board or the voter's name appears in a death notice. Formerly, names of persons who hadn't voted in two presidential elections could be removed from

the registration list.

One person complained about the lack of a curtain at the voting machine and concern that others could see how he voted. Ruble noted that the screens cannot be read from off to the side. It was suggested that the machines needed to be arranged better in some polling places so that persons didn't walk past machines in use.

One woman quoted an article alleging that the president of Diebold had written a letter in which he committed himself to do all he could to assure Presi-

dent Bush's reelection in Ohio. Are Democrats concerned about how this distrust of voting machines will affect voter turnout?

Pinsky responded that he hadn't seen any report that anybody could break into the machines. That doesn't mean that there isn't that possibility, he said, but they have tried to consider every possible way of intrusion.

Ruble noted Diebold's extensive experience with building and operating ATM machines. "If you can count money, you can count votes," he said.



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# POLICE BLOTTER

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

## Carjacking

9300 block Edmonston Road, June 3, 11:52 p.m., a man reported that he had parked his car and as he was exiting his vehicle he was approached by another man, who produced a revolver and demanded the driver's car keys and money. The latter got into the victim's vehicle, a green 2001 Honda Accord 4-door, Maryland tags 1A47229 and drove away. The suspect is described as a black male, 5'8" to 5'10", 160 to 170 pounds with a dark complexion, black hair in a large Afro, brown eyes and a beard, wearing a black leather coat and a baseball cap.

## Assault

6100 block Breezewood Drive, May 27, 4:40 p.m., a 12-year-old resident youth was arrested for first degree assault and second degree assault after an altercation with another youth. The youth was released to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

## Robbery

9100 block Springhill Lane, June 4, 1:10 a.m., a man reported that he was walking home when he was approached by three men, one armed with a revolver and a second with a knife. The third man demanded money from the victim. The suspects took money and a cellular telephone and fled the scene. They are described as three black males, 18 to 19 years of age, dressed in all black and wearing masks. One was 5'11" to 6', 160 to 170 pounds with black hair and brown eyes; the second was 5'7" to 5'9", 140 to 150 pounds with black hair and brown eyes; and the third was 5'7" to 5'8", 140 to 150 pounds with black hair and brown eyes.

## Bomb Threat

Greenbelt Middle School, May 27, 1:38 p.m., two resident youths were arrested for false report of a bomb after they allegedly called in two bomb threats for the school. Both were re-

leased to parents pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

## Theft

Beltway Plaza Mall, May 29, a security officer observed a suspicious vehicle being driven in the parking lot. A computer check of the tag revealed that the vehicle had been reported stolen to the Prince George's County Police. The vehicle was later observed in the 6000 block of Springhill Drive, where a man exited the vehicle and fled the scene. As a result of further investigation, an arrest warrant was obtained charging a nonresident man with theft of a motor vehicle, unauthorized use, obstructing and hindering and two counts of trespass.

5900 block Greenbelt Road, May 31, a nonresident woman was arrested and charged with two counts of theft. Police observed a suspicious occupied vehicle. A computer check revealed that the tag on the vehicle had been reported stolen to the Fairfax County Police. Located inside the vehicle was a Maryland temporary tag reported stolen to the Prince George's County Police. The suspect was released on citation pending trial.

## Vandalism

6900 block Hanover Parkway, May 28, 4:56 p.m., a woman reported that she was driving when an unknown person(s) broke out a passenger window, possibly with a BB type gun. She advised that the shot may have come from the area of Schrom Hills Park.

## Drugs

7700 block Hanover Parkway, May 29, 12:42 a.m., a nonresident man was arrested and charged with possession of paraphernalia. Police responded to a report of several people possibly smoking marijuana in the courtyard area. A security officer detained one of the people and said that he observed the man in pos-

session of paraphernalia commonly used to store marijuana. The suspect was released on citation pending trial.

## Burglary

6100 block Springhill Drive, May 30, 1:32 a.m., unknown person(s) used unknown means to unlock the front door of a residence. The door chain lock was on and entry was not fully gained.

6100 block Breezewood Court, June 3, 4:56 p.m., unknown person(s) entered the residence by forcing open the sliding glass door. Clothing, handbags, a video game player, jewelry and DVDs were taken.

## Vehicle Crimes

The following cars were stolen: a silver 1999 Toyota Corolla 4-door, Maryland tags JAA892, May 28, from the 9100 block Edmonston Terrace; a 1998 Dodge Intrepid 4-door, May 28, from Beltway Plaza Mall, recovered the next day by the Metropolitan Police, no arrests; a 1990 Chevrolet, May 29, from the 7000 block Mathew Street, recovered prior to its having been reported stolen; a 1993 Econoline van, May 29, from the 6100 block Springhill Terrace, recovered the next day by the Metropolitan Police, no arrests; a black 2002 Cadillac Escalade, Maryland tags 140M933, June 3, from the 6400 block Ivy Lane; and a burgundy 1992 Honda Civic 2-door, Maryland tags MAN549, June 4, from the 6100 block Breezewood Drive.

Five vehicles were recovered, two by Greenbelt police with no arrests and three by other police departments with one adult arrest made.

Vandalisms to or thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas: Beltway Plaza Mall (four incidents), 9200 block Edmonston Road, 7400 block Greenbelt Road, 7400 block Greenway Center Drive and 7800 block Hanover Parkway.

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she supported to give them planning authority never got out of committee, she said. By the end of the session she thought that she had the necessary 12 votes to get committee approval, but by then it was too late for the legislation to be successful in the last minute scrambling to pass bills before the mandatory deadline for the legislative session.

## Health

The governor, county executive and county council all finally agreed on a five million dollar measure to keep the nearly insolvent Prince George's Hospital operating, Gaines reported. She also noted successful legislation that will permit taxpayers to make a voluntary payment on their income tax form for aid for breast cancer research.

## County Legislation

Councilmember Justin Ross, who was congratulated at introduction for becoming a first-time father of a baby girl, told of some local measures of interest. One bill will give the county the power to negotiate with developers on paying for needed school construction resulting from new developments. Another will expand the granting of tax credits for the renovation of historic properties to include up to a \$50,000 credit for homes and up to \$3,000,000 for commercial properties. This legislation will also make greater amounts of monies available to other areas of the state in addition to Baltimore, which has received 97 percent of the funds in the past. The credits are authorized until 2008.

## Slot Referendum

John Hollbrooke of Greenbelt asked Pinsky about his views on proposals for a statewide referendum on slots. Pinsky said that there has been a lot of maneuvering to put one or another into a corner on the issue. He noted that a lot of people who supported slots did not support having them in their own counties. He felt that if there were a referendum it should require a major-

ity in a county to favor slots for that county to acquire slots. He said he wasn't sure how the county would vote on the matter. While a lot of church leaders have expressed opposition, some of the church members have indicated privately that they would support slots.

## Gay Legislation

Lynn Doyle asked about anti-and pro-gay measures. Pinsky said that a bill that would permit one partner to make medical decisions for another lost by one vote in committee. He noted that this bill could have helped William Donald Schaefer, had he not been a former Governor, in being able to assist his long-time companion Hilda Mae Snoops when she became ill and unable to care for herself. He expected that anti-gay legislation would be proposed by some in future legislative sessions.

## Topic Is Planning For Diabetes Care

The Diabetes Care Center at Doctor's Community Hospital presents "Advance Directives or Planning for Your Care," a program in its continuing education project for diabetics.

This program will be presented by Darleen Skinner, a registered nurse, on Tuesday, June 15 at 7 p.m. in the 5th floor classroom of the hospital's Ambulatory Surgery Building.

The program is free, but persons wishing to attend are asked to call 301-552-5134 to register in advance.

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## Ozone/Air Pollution Is Still a Problem

For the fifth year in a row Maryland has failed the American Lung Association's annual clean air test. The association's report, "State of the Air: 2004," uses a new national surveillance network that for the first time measures particulate matter. High levels of microscopic, soot-like particles produced by power plant emissions, diesel exhaust and wood burning increase the risk of premature death. Maryland had three counties in the list of the nation's counties with the greatest ozone pollution - Harford, Anne Arundel and Cecil. Prince George's County, although not in the top 25 most-polluted counties, did show up as one of the state's

worst in the category of particle pollution.

Air pollution in the region has also been under review by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. In response to the settlement of a lawsuit brought by the environmental group Earthjustice, state and local governments are adopting new, more protective health standards for ground-level ozone. The new ozone standard - which measures ozone over an eight-hour period instead of over one hour - was issued in 1997 after research showed that longer-term exposure to lower levels of ozone can harm human health. Implementation was delayed by

the recently settled court battle.

Deadlines for meeting the eight-hour ozone standard range from 2007 to 2021, depending on the severity of an area's problem. Prince George's County and the rest of the metropolitan Washington, D.C., area are listed as having "moderate" ozone pollution with a compliance deadline of June 2010.

The Washington, D.C., area remains obligated under previous court decisions to upgrade its pre-existing clean air plans to achieve an 18 percent pollution cut by 2005, stronger controls on industrial pollution and contingency measures to take effect if pollution is not reduced.

## Laurel Boys and Girls Club U-14 Girls Soccer Tryouts

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# International Music Conference a Success

by Dr. C.V. Girija Vallabhan

An International conference on Indian music attracted many individuals from different parts of the United States and India who assembled in the Eleanor Roosevelt High School auditorium on May 8. "Music Transcends" above all barriers of human differences of religion, race or color was the theme of the conference put together by the Jayamangala School of Music and Dance. Participants sat with rapt attention all through the concert, where they could enjoy a symphony with musicians from both Indian and Western systems singing and playing south Indian classical compositions, describing the five seasons.

Instruments like cello, piano, western violin, guitar and drums on the side of Western artists and those like veena, violin, sitar, Indian bamboo flute, saxophone, mridangam, tabla, kanjira and ghatam on the Indian music side were played in unison. There were male and female vocalists from both systems.

One of the aims of the conference was to introduce and popularize Indian music to the western audience. T. R. Subramanyam formerly professor of music, Delhi University, gave an overall synopsis of Indian music. Other invited speakers included Dr. Samuel Magrill, professor of music, University of Central Oklahoma, who emphasized how Indian music can be transcribed into western music notation and presented some of his opera compositions using south Indian ragas. Another invited speaker, Dr. Mathew Allen, professor of music, Wheaton College, Norton, Mass., emphasized the intriguing role of music in Indian classical dances. Alif Laila, a sitar player from Bangladesh, demonstrated the role of sitar in the Indian classical music. The panel consisting of the above four speakers and a special invitee, Dr. Peter Westbrook, discussed the power of music to create world harmony. Music could transcend geographical limits, language barriers, religious and racial differences, they said.

The classical Indian songs for the final portion of the concert had been transcribed into western notation by Dr. Magrill and were performed by the western music participants. Also he was able to "tune in" collaboration of Jaya Bala, Shobha Subramanian, Sandhya Srinath and Srinath Bala and directed the song composed by Dr. Bala Nathan, the program director, praising Prince George's County.

The chief guests included His Excellency Rakesh Sood, chargé d'affaires, Embassy of India who spoke of the importance of conferences like this in the United States. Representing the office of the Prince George's County Executive, Michael Herman the chief of staff, spoke on the universality of music among people all over the world and declared May 8 as the Jayamangala day in the county.

The conference was conducted in collaboration with the InterFaith Conference of Metropolitan Washington, Multi-cultural affairs, Office of Community Relations, Prince George's County and the Embassy of India, Washington, D.C.



From left, Beth Wong, Christel Stevens, Kimiko Devadas, Malathi Rao and Rajalakshmi Krishna light the traditional lamp to mark the inauguration of the function.

## Greenbelt Race Gives to AHA



On April 22, Prince George's Running Club President Lucy Younes (left) and Race Coordinator Austin Conaty (middle) donated a \$250 check to American Heart Association VP for Corporate Relations Jeff Witten. The Club's Greenbelt Wright Stuff 5k benefit race which raised the funds was run around Greenbelt Lake in December 2003. The donation was in memory of Joseph Patrick Conaty, Austin's father, who died of a heart attack in 2002.

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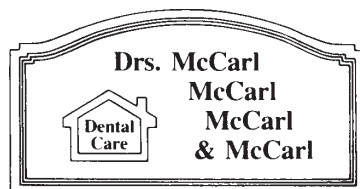
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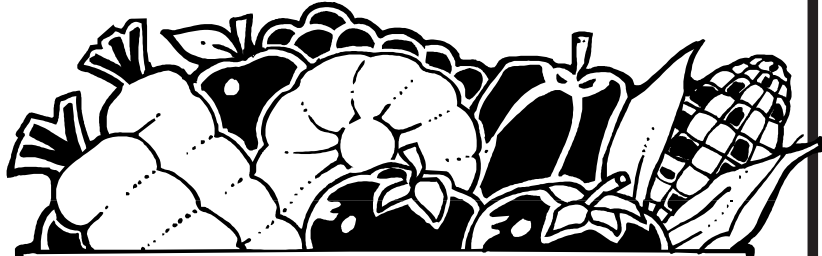
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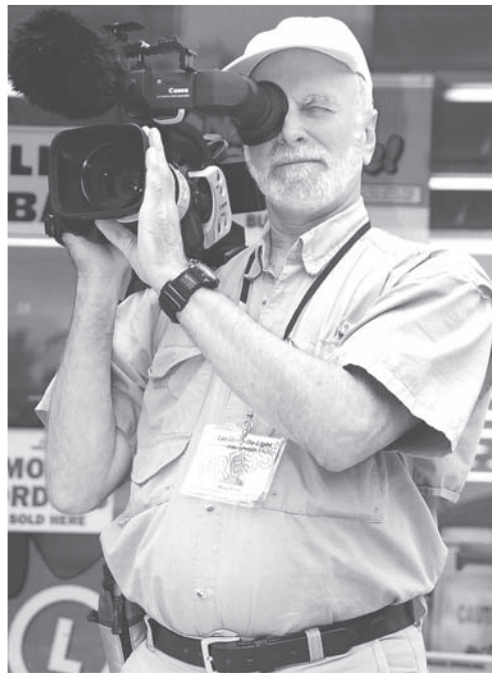
Alvaro Escobar and daughter Paula, age 4, learn how to start a fire without a match. Joseph Murray of Ancestral Knowledge, a newly formed nonprofit based in Greenbelt, teaches children and adults to live closer to the earth through ancient earth-based living skills. For more information, visit [AncestralKnowledge@yahoo.com](mailto:AncestralKnowledge@yahoo.com)



Jaqui McMullin's "Radiomime," a new urban funky blues band, keeps everyone on their feet with great music.



A wide variety of artwork was on display including this abstract piece by Dick Brown in the Greenbelt Community Center.



Steve Resz of Let-There-Be-Light, a Reston-based firm specializing in documentaries, picked an opportune time to conduct research for "Reston the Movie," about a planned community similar to Greenbelt.

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Linda Siadys



Elaine Forest was one of the many vendors on hand. Forest's table featured beautiful hand-made jewelry.



After successfully launching Greenbelt's first Basket Bingo on Friday to raise funds for the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, Patti Brothers (right) confers with Barbara Simon about her promotion activities.



Rick Huestons takes a moment from his demonstrations to give his dog Chagiya a lift with some one-on-one attention.



Charlotte Potter-King, age 3, dances to the music of the New Deal's Folk and Blues Festival.