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The staff of Laurel High School's student newspaper, *The Shield*, is aiming to make the 2009-2010 editions of our newspaper the best ever. We are proud to announce that our paper has received first place in the *International Quill & Scroll Society Journalism Competition* several times, and has also been declared a "Gold Medalist" from the *Columbia Scholastic Press Association* based at Columbia University.

We are striving to maintain and continue our professional look and high standards. We realize that this will require both more work and more funding, as having our paper printed at a professional printer is quite expensive.

We would be most grateful if you would **assist us by becoming a patron of our self-supporting newspaper**. We are asking for a contribution of **\$1.00 per issue or \$5.00 for the whole year**. As an expression of our appreciation, **your name, an organization's name, or the name of your business will be published** in the patron list of our newspaper.

Thank you for your support of student journalism,
The Staff of *The Shield*.

Patron Form/Newspaper

Name of Patron _____
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Amount of Contribution _____
(\$1.00 per issue/\$5.00 per year) **We appreciate all donations.**

If you wish to help us, please give this form, along with your **tax-deductible contribution** (cash or check made out to Laurel High School), to any member of the newspaper staff, or to our advisor, Mr. Giuliani, in room 269.

On **Back-to-School Night**, there will be a newspaper table in the main lobby where you may return this form throughout the evening, and also acquire a free sample of our paper. You also have the option of sending this form and a check through the mail to **Laurel High School, 8000 Cherry Lane, Laurel, MD 20707** or sending it to school with your child. Please direct all contributions to the newspaper advisor, **Mr. Giuliani, in room 269**.

The newspaper staff is also accepting advertising. We will even create the ad for you at no cost. Contact a staff member or Mr. Giuliani (301-497-2050, ext. 330) for an ad contract and more information.