Volunteers Create Facebook Page to Unite Citizens and Pets

Volunteers at the Prince George’s County Animal Management Division have created a Facebook page to assist with lost/found pets in Prince George’s County! Dogs and cats get loose every day; it’s a fact of life. Our page will provide help and support sharing information about your lost pet as well as sharing information about an animal you might have found. Please “Like” and “Share” our page so that all residents in the county are aware of it and can keep their furry family members safe! Go to https://www.facebook.com/Lost-Found-Pets-of-PG-County-Md-298360213621232/ today!

Breakfast with Santa Returns to Emmanuel

On Sat. Dec. 12 the United Methodist Men of Emmanuel

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By Anthony Kling

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By President Karen M. Coakley

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to All!!! The Citizen’s Association will not meet in December.

I would like to share a few of my “Holiday Safety Tips.” First, get an “RFID” wallet or envelope for your driver’s license, passport, credit, and debit cards. Thieves have found an easier way to pick your pocket and your identity at the same time. There are scanners that can obtain all of your account information just by being near you. Second, do not leave gifts visible from your windows. Third, if going out of town for the holidays, have timers on your lights and stop your mail and newspaper. Fourth, thefts from cars are on the rise. DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN YOUR CAR!!!! If you have a community concern, I can be reached at 301.937.3490 or karenmcoakley@msn.com.

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**Holiday Cheer**

With holiday music in the air and the festivities beginning, family and friends will be arriving before long. Now is the time to get your home looking its best for holiday entertaining. There are several things that you can do to quickly update your interiors that is sure to evoke a “WOOW” from your guests. Wallpapering with a neutral tone on tone pattern or with a simple geometric design above the chair rail in the dining room will create warmth and interest. A large novelty mirror with an unusual shape will accentuate the wallpaper while brightening the room. There is still time to order new drapery panels, sheers and blinds for the windows that will give a finished look to any room. Will’s Home Decorating (www.decoratemaryland.com) in Beltsville has a great selection of inexpensive in-stock wallpapers, special order wallpapers, draperies and Hunter Douglas blinds and novelty mirrors and lamps. Will’s also does upholstery and has lots of beautiful fabrics to choose from.

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their love of ice hockey and their desire to improve their lives. The Ice Dogs are led by a dedicated group of coaches and mentors who teach them to play the game, count on their teammates, and have fun! Anyone is able to join the team. The Ice Dogs are a member of The American Special Hockey Association (ASHA) and Special Hockey International. The team travels both nationally and internationally. A spirit of family runs through all special hockey teams. Their love of the game brings them together! You haven’t lived until you’ve been to a special hockey tournament to see the sportsmanship and family.

The Ice Dogs practice on Saturday mornings from 8:00 am-9:00 am for more experienced players and from 9:00 am-9:50 am for developing players. For more information, go to www.washingtonicedogs.org or email me at apkling@gmail.com.

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***FORMER PATRONS OF NU LOOK CLEANERS PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO READ***

Hello, we received an email from an elderly reader who was a former patron of Nu Look Cleaners. Around Aug. 31, she took a long, dark black “forecaster” winter coat to be cleaned. She came back a few days later and picked up her coat and took it home. She hung it in the closet and didn’t think about it again until it got colder. She went to take her coat out of the closet and realized that the cleaners had mixed her coat up with someone else’s. The coat she got back was a dark grey “forecaster” coat. If you happen to have received the wrong coat, could you contact us at The Beltsville News? You can email us at editor@beltnes.com, and hopefully we can return the resident’s coat to her. Thanks for reading.

Sincerely,
Rick

Santa Tour 2015

Santa Claus has confirmed his route with the Beltsville Volunteer Fire Department! Santa will begin his routes around 6:30 to 7:00 pm. Santa wanted to pass on a few tips so his trip to Beltsville can be enjoyable for everyone involved. If you meet Santa at the intersections listed below on the schedule, he will be able to meet more children and see more of Beltsville. Always use caution when visiting Santa. Please pay attention to the fire apparatus and stay out of the street. Sometimes Santa runs behind schedule by a couple of minutes, so be patient. He will follow the schedule as close as possible. Have Fun and make sure you know what you want for Christmas!

Sat. Dec. 5
James Duckworth Special Center (11201 Evans Trail)
Blueridge @ Pocono Place
Shenandoah @ Blueridge
Cherry Hill Rd. (at front)
Mayor Denton @ Cherry Hill Court
Townley Apartments
Cherry Mill Drive @ Cherry Tree Ct.
Collier @ Powder Mill Rd.
Cherryvale @ Weeping Willow
Cherryvale @ Cherryvale Terr.

Mon. Dec. 7
Caverton Elementary (3400 Beltsville Rd.)
Fullerton St. @ Blairemore Street
Fullerton St. @ Ivy Ln.
Chase Terr. @ Dunnring Rd.
Stone Hall @ Castlegleigh Rd.
Ingleside Dr. @ Dunnring Rd.
Greenmont @ Elkridge St.
Chapel View Dr. @ Craiglawn Rd.
Chapel View Dr. @ Ellicott Rd.
Craiglawn Rd. @ Lemar St.
Galway Dr. @ Cardoba St.
Galway Elementary @ Galway Dr.
Kilkenny St. @ Somnwood Dr.
Harbour Town Dr. @ Shalol Creek Terr.
Briggs Chaney Rd. @ Greenmont
Briggs Chaney Rd. @ Dunnring Rd.
Briggs Chaney Rd. @ Castle Pines Dr.
Old Gunpowder Rd. @ Spur
Bayhill Drive and River Creek Area

Wed. Dec. 9
Indian Creek St. @ Lime Tree Way
Hockberry Way @ Hammett St.
Old Baltimore Pike @ Brewer Rd.
Brewer Rd. @ Cordwall Dr.
Odel Dr. @ Old Baltimore Pike
Odel Farms Ct. @ Barkwood Ct.
Odel Rd. @ Ellington Dr.
Lighthouse Dr. @ Aschoft Dr.
Clocktower Ln. @ Admiral Dr.
Boulder Dr. @ Cap Ct.
Boulder Dr. @ Trade Wind Terr.
Summer Grove Dr. @ Hickory Grove Ct.
Summer Grove Dr. @ Poplar Grove Ct.

Fri. Dec. 11
Snowdon Wood Dr. @ Loch Lynn Ct.
Snowdon Wood Dr. @ Meadow Fields Way
Snowdon Wood Dr. @ Summerville Ct.
Old Munkirk @ Munkirk Rd.
Old Munkirk @ Longwood Dr.
Longwood Dr. @ Calen Ct.
Longwood Dr. @ Belmar Ct.
Starmore Dr. @ Breyers Pl.
Starmore Dr. @ Blue Pond Terr.
Sullivan Ct. @ Burdette Way
Longwood Dr. @ Paxing Way
Longwood Dr. @ Loughborough Pl.
Longwood Dr. @ Blue Pointe Ave.
Alloway Ln. @ Northampton Dr.
Northampton Dr. @ Crossfield Dr.
Gordon Ave @ Blackpool Dr.
Gordon Ave @ Flash St.
Franklin St. @ Flash St.
Franklin St. @ Franklin Terr.
Franklin St. @ Ammendale Rd.
Ammendale Rd. @ Holly Tree
North Lincoln @ Vergie St.

Sun. Dec. 13
Garove @ Hennessy Dr.
Indigo @ Barbara Dr.
Longhorn @ West View Ct.
Montgomery Place @ Montgomery Ct.
Montgomery Rd. @ Kenny St.
Kenny St. @ 34th Place
35th Pl. @ Yates Rd.
35th Pl. @ Sarasota Pl.
Montgomery Rd. @ Forreston Rd.
Forreston Rd. @ Stephen Ln.
Cedar Ln. @ Cedar Ct.
Howard Rd. @ Home Acres Terr.
Stocconga Dr. @ Dresden Dr.
Selman Rd. @ Weymouth Ave.
Ulster Rd. @ Woodbine Rd.

Tue. Dec. 15
Prince George's Ave. @ Wicomico Ave.
Howard Rd. @ Queen Anne Ave.
Rhode Island Ave. @ Garrett Rd.

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Veterans Education Challenge

Attending college seems like the natural next step for most high school seniors upon graduation. For those who have just recently separated from the military, financial and family constraints may make going to college a more difficult decision. The majority of veterans on college campuses are considered “non-traditional students” in that they did not go to college directly after high school. This means that they are older than the general college population, with forty-seven percent having a spouse and/or children. Sure the GI Bill and Pell Grants pay for a lot of the expenses, but they do not pay for all of them. To bridge this burdensome financial gap for our ex-service members, two scholarship funds were established. This past Veteran’s Day as a way of assisting our brave veterans as they embark on the next phase of their lives outside of the military. One fund is the $1 million dollar Veteran’s Scholarship Fund at The University of Maryland. The goal of this fund is to help eliminate the $6000 debt load that many UMD veterans incur. The other fund, the Veterans Education Challenge depends on public support to be successful. With this fund, a generous donor will match every dollar up to $1 million donated by the general public, with 100% of the money going towards veteran scholarships at select colleges outside of Maryland. To make a donation or find out more about the Veterans Education Challenge go to www.crowdrise.com/veteranseducationchallenge or contact Michael Richards or Valerie Kabelac of Will’s Home Decorating at 301-937-6100 or willsdec@atl.com.
Ines Comuzi Gomez

On Sunday, October 25 Ms. Gomes of Beltsville passed away. She was the beloved wife of 65 years to Frank Gomez; loving mother of Gloria Valenti, Linda Schuhmann, Barbara Davis, Donna Saur, Carolyn Rehwoldt, and Frank Gomez; sister of Alia Nardone; also survived by 11 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild; Memorial service was held at Borgwardt Funeral Home Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association.

Luther (LJ) J. Bryan

On Monday, October 26 Luther Bryan of Silver Spring, MD was called to rest by his Lord and Savior. Born September 1, 1930 to Glenn and Inez Bryan in Detroit, Michigan. Luther’s family moved to Asheville, NC in 1931. Luther is survived by his loving wife Ruth Louise of 65 years, son Ronald (Joanne) of Glenwood, MD; daughter Catherine Muskovac (John) of Ft. Myers, FL; grandchildren Scott Bryan, Allison Hardesty; great-grandchildren Grevson Bryan, Collin Bryan of Bethesda, MD; Sloane Muskovac (John) of Ft. Myers, FL. He was also a long time member of the Beltsville Lions Club and served as Lion King. Subsequent to retirement, Luther and Louise spent the winter months in Ft. Myers, FL. Please make donations to Montgomery Hospice, 1355 Piccad Dr. Ste. 100 Rockville, MD 20850 or Olney Baptist Church Building Fund 17523 Georgia Ave. Olney, MD 20830.

Ronald E. “Hutch” Hutchison

On Wednesday, October 28, Mr. Hutchison passed away. He was husband of Gloria Sullivan Hutchison for 63 years; father of Michael (Bettye), Ronnie (Lynn), Gary (Theresa), and Mark (Linda) grandfather of ten and great grandfather of 7. Preceded in death by his parents, Elmer and Margaret Hutchison, two brothers, Joseph and John and sister Ann Marie Fenc. Ron was born and raised in Washington, DC. He retired from IBM Corporation in 1990 after 39 years of service. A member of The VFW, American Legion and The Knights of Columbus. He served in the US Army during the Korean Conflict. Church memorial contributions may be made to Little Sisters of the Poor, 4200 Harewood Road, NE Washington, DC 20017.

Donald C. Galloway

On Sunday, November 1 Mr. Galloway passed away. He was the beloved husband of the late Mary Lou Galloway; son of the late Alexander Galloway and Elva Leoline Black; father of Stephen, Paul, Kathleen and Douglas; grandfather of Ben, Katie, Alex, Jordan, Adam, Matthew, Christopher, Robert and Victoria; great-grandfather of Liam; brother of Elva Lou and the late Doris Jean; guardian of in laws Nancy and Bill Bell. Condolences may be sent Online to www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com.

Beltsville Briefs

UMC (11416 Cedar Lane, Beltsville) have invited an old friend, Santa Claus, to come to Emmanuel and have breakfast with children and their families. The cost of the breakfast is $10 and per person and includes a picture with Santa Claus. If you would just like breakfast, the cost is $7 and children under 3 eat free. Pictures with Santa for children under 3 are just $3. You can register for this event by calling the main office (301.937.7114) or by going online and registering at http://eumcbeltsville.com/SantaBreakfast. Breakfast begins at 9 am. The meal includes pancakes, sausage, juice, milk and coffee.

Christmas Eve Services at Calverton Baptist Church

Calverton Baptist Church invites you to their Candelight Christmas Service on December 24 at 6:30 PM. Church is located at the corner of Fairland Road and Galway Drive. Please come join us during this special time of the year as we come together to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ our Lord. All are welcome to come celebrate with us as we worship together, sing praises and hear the meaning of this joyous season! We will have a dessert fellowship after the service.

Christmas Cantata at Beltsville Seventh Day Adventist

Beltsville Seventh-day Adventist Church presents its annual Christmas program for the community on Saturday, December 12, at both 9:30 a.m. and noon.

“The timing is perfect for families,” said Sheri Clemmer, director of the church’s choir and orchestra. “Children are awake and eager for something to do on Saturday morning, and the church’s presentations are a great family activity.”

This year’s cantata is “Christ in His Presence.” More than 50 people make up the church’s choir and orchestra, which will present the cantata.

The church’s normal worship services are Saturday mornings at 9:30 and noon. The public is invited to any worship services, but especially this special Christmas service.

Central Maryland Chorale presents Poulenc’s Gloria and Messiah Sing-Alongs

The Central Maryland Chorale, directed by Monica Otal and accompanied by the Montgomery Philharmonic, presents Francis Poulenc’s Gloria on Sunday, December 13, at 4:00 pm at The Luthern Church of Saint Andrew, 15300 New Hampshire Avenue, in Silver Spring, Maryland. Our featured soloist is soprano Kimberly Christie. After intermission, the chorus will lead the audience in portions of Handel’s Messiah, finishing with the “Hallelujah Chorus.” Bring your own score or rent one at the door for $1. Tickets are $20 general admission, $15 for seniors. For tickets and information, call 240.478.7052 or see www.centralmarylandchorale.com.

Living Nativity

The First Baptist Church of Beltsville invites you to see the Christmas story come to life on Dec. 5 and 6 from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Come out and live the story of the season!
The Diversity & Inclusion Committee of Riderwood hosted the first of a four-part series on breaking barriers with a panel discussion entitled “What Is the Meaning of Race?”

Over 200 residents and guests attended the event on November 12 at the Erickson Living retirement community’s Encore Theater. The distinguished, five-member panel consisted of: Rabbis Stan Levin, rabbi, Riderwood Jewish Community, and lecturer; Rev. Dr. Bruce Marshall, chaplain, Unitarian Universalist Community at Riderwood, and author; Dr. Jeffrey Perry, independent historian and author; Dr. Audrey Smedley, resident of Riderwood and professor emerita of anthropology and African-American studies at Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU); and Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Watson, author, adjunct faculty, University of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC), and director of operations for resident life and philanthropy at Erickson Living; and Rev. Dr. James T. Bell, author and pastoral ministries coordinator at Riderwood, served as the moderator for the discussion, which featured a scholarly, theological, and historical overview of the definition of “race” in world history, particularly as it relates to the United States.

The panelists also talked about the relationship between race and religion, economics, and politics.

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How Far Your Love Has Come

How could you, the Creator of the heavens and the earth, descend from Your vast grandeur and submit to such a birth?

How could you, Who formed mountains and the planets and the seas, compact Your precious goodness to be found in form like me?

How could You, Who gives power to the mightiest of men, place self at their disposal to endure the hate of them?

How could You, One so perfect, not a mark upon Your face, bow down before such suffering, such mocking, such disgrace?

How could You, Who cannot bear even one glimpse of our sin, allow Yourself to be the sponge absorbing it for men?

How could You, Who loved Father God, completely every day, let Him abandon You, because of us, and turn away?

How could You, Who made hearts and fully know what lies within, be witness to our misconceptions over and again?

How could you, the most worthy, supreme pinnacle of praise, hide meekly Your great glory for a sacrifice of grace?

There is no one like You. There is no one who can come near, displaying boundless splendor of the God of Heaven’s sphere.

It was Your humble advent in the weakness of a babe, that put to death the pride which wants to hold us in the grave.

Oh, thank You Holy Spirit, for revealing this pure Son, the King of kings, our Savior, and how far Your love has come.

Rebecca Hutchings
11/13/15
Steam

Valve, a maker of computer games, realized it had a problem: distributing patches to its games that were sold through the traditional channels. Valve decided to solve this problem by creating a system to send out patches or entire games. This platform also provided a digital rights management (DRM) that allows users more freedom in installing games for play on multiple computers.

Eventually, this solution became known as Steam and is now the largest online distribution platform of games. Steam has several thousand games available in its catalog. When a purchase is made, the game is downloaded using the Steam application and installed onto the computer. The Steam application allows the game to be installed on multiple computers but enforces the rule that only one person may be playing the game at a time. The authorization to launch a game is web based, but Steam allows most games to be played even when disconnected from the web as well. Steam almost always has a number of games on sale and several times each year Steam has very large sales with significant discounts on popular games. Steam also provides purchasing services to give access to some of the proceeds to charities.

Gifts of Games

Beltsville Agricultural Research Center Named National Historic Chemical Landmark for the Discovery of Phytochrome

By Jim Butcher

Why do plants start growing in spring? Why do some seeds germinate at the barest glimpse of light, and then become study and green as they poke through the soil. How do plants sense their neighbors, and how do sun-loving plants know to overlap their neighbors? How do plants of the same species bloom at the same time every year, and why do some seeds emerge as plants or tomatoes or later (chrysanthemums) in the growing season? What makes the regularity of plant growth and development so predictable year-after-year? How is it all possible?

“It explained came as one of the 20th century’s greatest plant science discoveries,” said Dr. Dariusz Swietlik, Area Director, North East Area, Agricultural Research Service (ARS), in opening remarks at the October 21, ceremony to honor the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center as an American Chemical Society National Historic Chemical Landmark for the discovery of phytochrome.

Unable to better their locations, Swietlik said, plants monitor light quality second by second and adjust their development accordingly to changing conditions. The substance that allows plants to do so is a bright, blue colored pigment. Once ridiculed by skeptics as a “pigment of the imagination,” the pigment now is recognized worldwide by the scientifically.
Club News

The Beltsville Young at Heart Club

At the November 5th meeting, we celebrated our Thanksgiving luncheon. Bill Miles catered the delicious meal of turkey; dressing; mashed potatoes; sweet potatoes; other side dishes; a scrumptious, caramel, chocolate apple pie; and some other dessert. Thanks Bill, you always do a great job. Lois Hamilton put together the raffles. Behnkes Nursery and TJ’s restaurant each donated two gift certificates. Marlene Adams donated a latch hook rug; Catch Giddings, two bottles of wine; and Lois Hamilton, a foot massager. Good food and a good time were had by all. Lena Reap is leaving us to go live with her son in Vermont. She was one of our 90-plus members and will be missed. On November 12th, club members went to Dutch Apple Theater in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, to see The Christmas Story. This was the last trip for this year. Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Beltsville Young At Heart members. The smile is the lighting system of the face and the heating system of the heart.

Holiday Food and Gift Program 2015

The Women’s Community Club of Beltsville is again coordinating our holiday food and gift program. We are asking Beltsville businesses, schools, service organizations, social clubs, churches, and individuals to help us provide food and gifts to needy families within our community for the holidays. We hope you can assist in this worthwhile effort. For Christmas we provide a holiday meal and presents for children. We accept non-perishable food, new toys and new clothes for children, monetary contributions, grocery store gift cards and Visa Debit cards. You or your organization are welcome to sponsor a family. As a certified 501©3 organization, contributions are tax deductible. A list of donors will be publicized in the January Beltsville News. Monetary contributions and gift cards can be mailed to: Women’s Community Club of Beltsville c/o Emmanuel United Methodist Church 11416 Cedar Lane Beltsville, MD 20705. The deadline for receiving your Christmas donation deadline is Wednesday, December 16. Contact Karen Coakley with questions or to schedule a pick up or delivery time of your donation. karenmcoakley@gmail.com or call 301.937.3490.

Patsy’s Honky Tonk Torch & Twang perform at the College Park American Legion

Patsy Stephens and The Hall Brothers (as Patsy’s Honky Tonk Torch & Twang) will be performing Saturday, December 12, from 8:00 pm-11:00 pm. The cost is $10 (cash only). Doors will open at 7:30. Patsy’s Honky Tonk Torch & Twang plays a mix of classic country and honky tonk music in the Baltimore/Washington area. They mix it up with some other styles thrown in for good measure…a little Western swing, some rockabilly, a few jazz standards, and plenty of Patsy Cline!

The Prince George’s County Genealogical Society

The monthly meeting of the Prince George’s County Genealogical Society will be on December 2nd at the New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway, New Carrollton, MD 20784 at 7:00 pm. Certified Genealogist Rebecca Koford will speak about “Researching War of 1812 Ancestors.” Refreshments will be served.

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Odeill Rd. @ Lexington Ave.
Manheim Ave. @ Caroline Ave.
Queen Anne Ave. @ Naples Ave.
Olympia Ave. @ Carroll Ave.
Lincoln Ave. @ Theresa St.
Quimby Ave. @ Carroll St.
Amelia St. @ Apex Ln.
Chesnut Grove @ Heartwood Rd.
Knot St. @ Wandering Oak Way
Roby Ave @ Macon Ave.
Caverly Ave @ Caverly Pl.
Pines St. @ Maple Pl.
Caverly @ Greenland Rd.
Greenwood Rd. @ Earnrd Rd.

Thu. Dec. 17

Ammendale Way @ Long Feather Ct.
Ammendale Way @ Clear Brooke Ct.
Ammendale Way @ Narrow Trail Terr.
Ammendale Way @ Horse Soldier Pl.
Ammendale Way @ Hawk Ridge Ct.
Saquioa Ln. @ Saquioa Terr.
Saquioa Ln. @ Saquioa Pl.
Ammendale Rd. @ Hidden Brooke Ct.
Cedar Ln. @ Yates Rd.
Brandon Ln. @ Francis Dr.
Earnrd Rd. @ Darst Ln.
Montgomery Rd. @ Cedar Ln.
Yates Rd. @ Garrett Ave.
Howard Rd. @ Cardinal Ave.
Brandon Rd. @ West Caroline
Worchester Ave. @ Yucca St.
Yucca St. @ Josephine Ave.
Brandon Ln. @ Hope Pl.
Montgomery Rd. @ 43rd Ave.
Usurgo St. @ 45th Ave.
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Tonquil St. @ 45th Ave.
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• Discover beautiful hand-crafted Jewelry from Shaha on Sunday, December 6
• Karen on Saturday, December 12
• Susan on Saturday, December 19
• Enjoy Seasonal Music by "Violin Dreams" Saturday, December 12 11am to 3pm
• Peruse Flower & Nature Photography by Carrie Sunday, December 13 11am to 2pm
• Monthly Orchid Diagnostic & Repotting Clinic w/ Carol Allen • December 12 & 13, 9:30 am to 4:30 pm

Beginner Hands-On Bonsai Class (one day) w/Master Ducky Hong Saturday, December 5, 2:00 to 4:00 pm Fee: $65 - all materials provided / registration required - www.shop.bhnkies.com

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Happy Holidays from Post and Unit #217

By Ivy Christoffers

We are officially into the blessed holiday season. By the time you read this, we will have already enjoyed the feast of Thanksgiving with our family and friends. We hope you remembered our veterans this past month and attended a ceremony in their honor. We at Post and Unit #217 were in attendance at the College Park Veterans Memorial on Veterans Day where our color guard advanced and retired the colors, our acting chaplain offered the opening prayer, and the College Park Chorale sang. The mayor of College Park, Mayor Brayman, brought greetings and introduced all the city officials in attendance, the Armed Forces Medley, and our guest speaker, who was very interesting relating the history of Armistice Day, which later became Veterans Day. Special recognition was given by Mary Cook, who was chairman of the program. Our M.C. was Tom Davis, and the benediction was given by our friend from the V.F.W. in College Park. Everyone was invited to come back to the Post Home to enjoy a bountiful lunch of chili, cornbread, and desserts. Post Chaplain Jim Hunter offered a moving prayer and blessed the food.

The American Legion Auxiliary (ALA), Department of MD, hosted the women veterans from MCVET (Maryland Center for Veterans Education and Training) on Saturday, Nov. 14, at Toby’s Dinner Theater in Columbia, MD. There were 23 in attendance, which included students and staff from MCVET, and seven Southern Maryland Auxiliary members who supported them. The show, Ragtime, The Musical, was phenomenal, and the food was superlative. Suffice it to say everyone had a great time. These women veterans from MCVET have not had such an experience as this in a long time, if ever. We all had a terrific time and really enjoyed being served by the actors. The department gave the students and staff a beautiful vase of red and white roses. This was donated by Bea Bowman, manager of Giant Food Store in Calverton, and the ALA presented the students with a Toby’s t-shirt and commemorative glass with Toby’s on one side and “Ragtime” on the other. Toby’s also presented the tour director with a “sweet” gift.

We continue to hold our Friday night dinner dances, which are open to the public; Big Bingo every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at noon; and Bloh’s Park Dancers in the hall on Saturday nights. Call the post at 301.411.2783 for the schedule of bands and dates. The post is also available for your function. All it takes is a call to the manager, Gary Kingerly, at 301.411.2783 to get on the schedule. We even have a great crew to serve the delicious food cooked by our awesome chef, Brian.

We will soon begin our holiday festivities for our Special Olympic children starting on the first Monday in December at the Fontaine Bleue in Lanham, where they will meet Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus. It is time to get out the red dress trimmed in white fur and the special booties the kids all seem to love.

The VA hospital gift shops also begin the end of November and continue through December where the hospitalized veterans are given the opportunity to shop for their loved ones at no cost. We purchase the gifts, wrap them, and in some cases, send them, via mail, to their homes. Others we give to the veterans to present to their families when they visit. The gift shops are held at the Baltimore, Perry Point, and Loch Raven VA’s as well as MCVET and Charlotte Hall Veterans Home. Other accommodations are made at Washington and Martinsburg VA’s. Hundreds of veterans are thus served. We will also hold two special holiday parties, one at the Washington VA and one at the Perry Point VA. These programs cost several thousand dollars each year, but we are happy to do this for our heroes.

We wish for you and your loved ones a most blessed holiday season and pray God spreads his loving arms far and wide to protect our troops serving around the world. See you next year.
Local Students Participate in Annual Fire Prevention Poster Contest

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Beltsville Volunteer Fire Department celebrated 38 years of conducting a Fire Prevention Poster Contest and Awards Program for Elementary schools in the Beltsville-Vansville area. Over 600 posters were received. The posters that best communicated the “Fire Prevention” message were selected to receive awards. The students were honored at an awards ceremony Beltsville fire station on October 11, 2015. Due to the number of students to be recognized, two award sessions were scheduled. Congratulations to all who participated in our annual Fire Prevention Poster Contest.

At right, Winners of the 38th annual Fire Prevention Poster Contest.
Johnny Seaton Christmas Show at the College Park Moose Lodge

Join us for a rockin’ good evening with Johnny Seaton and his Bad Behavior Band for his Christmas Show on Saturday, December 12th. Don’t miss this holiday show with an evening full of music and dancing to your favorite tunes from Elvis, Johnny Cash, Conway Twitty, Frank Sinatra, Stray Cats, Tom Jones, and more as well as your favorite Christmas songs.

Johnny is well known as a rockabilly artist for his tribute shows to Elvis. Originally from Beltsville, he has been amazing audiences all over the world from Las Vegas to New York City to Europe.

Tickets can be purchased at the College Park Moose Lodge for $20 per person for the show, which is from 7 pm-10 pm. Dinner is optional prior to the show beginning at 6 pm for $10 per person. This event is open to the public.

The College Park Moose Lodge #453 is located at 3700 Metzerrott Road, College Park. For tickets and information, please call 301.935.5525.

High Road Helps Support the Cause

On October 15th, the staff and students at High Road Upper School (HRUS) in Beltsville participated for the second year in a fundraiser to support All Shades of Pink (ASOP), Inc., for Breast Cancer Awareness.

All Shades of Pink, Inc., is a Maryland non-profit 501(c)3 corporation founded in the summer of 2007. Its mission is to assist men and women diagnosed with breast cancer by addressing the emotional, physical, and financial stresses they will encounter during their journey to survivorship. The organization is committed to taking the stress out of breast cancer.

In an effort to reach 20,000 of over 30 years are breast cancer patients and the blanket is packaged for delivery. The designated hospital representative presents each breast cancer patient with their blanket before or directly after surgery.

Each blanket is as unique as the person who receives it. Once the blankets are completed, a custom tag is sewn on each blanket, and the blanket is packaged for delivery. The designated hospital representative presents each breast cancer patient with their blanket before or directly after surgery.

HRUS Director Michelle Anderson’s mother was the recipient of one of these special blankets in February 2010. Anderson said, “This is a cause that is very dear to my heart. My mother, godmother, and a family friend of 30 years are breast cancer survivors. It starts off just as a day to wear a pretty color, but many of my students have begun asking the question, ‘What does the pink mean?’ These young girls need to know their family history and be aware of the signs, symptoms, and people to see if they have concerns regarding breast cancer. So many women of all ages endure this fight every year, and unfortunately many of them lose their battle with cancer, but for just one day in our school, we were able to bring awareness and encourage anyone dealing with this disease to keep fighting! We plan to support All Shades of Pink for years to come.”

For more information about or to support All Shades of Pink, please call 301.356.4688 or visit www.asopinc.org. For information about High Road Upper School, please call 301.210.4860 or visit www.sesi-schools.com.
December Events

BELTSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER
3900 Sellman Rd., Beltsville. Phone: 301-937.6613. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512. Regular hours of operation: Mon. – Thur. from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fri. from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sat. from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., closed Sunday. Hours of operation for Thorne Teens and Pre-teens: Fri. – Sat. from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Contact the Center regarding other events for December.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA CLAUS
Sat., Dec. 12 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Have a morning of fun with Santa Claus and make a craft while waiting for Santa to arrive. Children will be able to take a picture with Santa. Breakfast will be available. Reservation required by Sat., Dec. 5. Free. All ages welcome.

WINTER WEDNESDAY WONDERLAND
Wed. Dec. 16 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Families are invited to have some hot chocolate and have seasonal treats as we show a classic winter film. Reservation required by Dec. 14. Free. All ages welcome.

HOLIDAY CONCERT
Mon., Dec. 21 at 7 p.m. Come hear the Greenebelt Concert Band. There will be door prizes, refreshments, and announcements of the winners of the Holiday Decorating Contest. Sponsored by the Beltsville Recreation Council. Free. All ages welcome.

SENIORS ON THE MOVE
Tue., Dec. 22 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Join us as we take a trip to Arundel Mills for fun and last-minute shopping. The cost of the trip is free, but money is needed for other activities. Reservation required by Dec. 18. Ages 60 and up.

YOUNG AT HEART CLUB
The Beltsville Young at Heart Club meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 12 noon. Members must be at least 55 years old. If you visit us three times you can become a member. We have speakers, entertainment, trips, 50/50 bingo, plus light refreshments. Call Jean at 301.879.4304 with any questions.

GAME STRATEGY CLUB
Mondays from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Enjoy board games, strategy games, and tons of fun. All skill levels welcome. Any game can be played as well as brought to the club to be played. Free. All ages.

XTREME TEEN REGULAR EVENTS
Fridays and Saturdays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Free with valid Center ID card. Ages 13 – 17.

VANSICKE COMMUNITY CENTER
6813 Amherstale Rd., Vansville. Phone: 301.937.6621. Fax: 301.937.6623. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512. Regular hours of operation: Mon. – Thur. from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fri. from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sat. from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., closed Sunday. Hours of operation for Thorne Teens and Pre-teens: Fri. – Sat. from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Contact the Center regarding other events for December.

BUILD YOUR OWN CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATIONS
Thu., Dec. 17 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Reservation required by Dec. 14. Free. Ages 5 to 12.

HOLIDAY CELEBRATION AND LUNCH WITH SANTA CLAUS
Sun., Dec. 20 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Free. Ages 12 mos. to 12 years, with parent.

XTREME TEENS REGULAR EVENTS
Fridays and Saturdays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Ages 13 – 17. Free with valid Center ID card.

BELKNE NURSERIES GARDEN CENTER
11300 Baltimore Ave. Please call 301.937.1100, ext. 0 or see beltsviles.com for more information, additional events, and to register if requested.

Orchid Diagnostic And Repotting Clinic
Sun., Sat. and Dec. 12 and 13 from 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. If you have questions about a specific orchid, bring it in, and let the orchid lady, Carol Allen, take a look. If you need your orchid repotted, she will take care of that for a fee and also show you how.

BELTSVILLE LIBRARY
All library branches will be closed Dec. 24, 25, and 31, 2015 and Jan. 1, 2016. The library is located at 4319 Sellman Rd., Beltsville, next to the police station. Main phone number: 301.937.0234. Regular hours of operation are Mon. – Tue. from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Wed. – Fri. from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sat. from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed Sunday. Visit our library system website at www.pgcgov.info to use our online library services.

PROGRAMES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

PRESCRIBED STORYTIMES
Tuesdays at 7 p.m., repeated on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Ages 0 – 2.

SPECIAL EVENT: FOLK MUSIC
Dec. Sat., Dec. 5 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Music provided by Hungrytown. All ages welcome.

TODDLER STORYTIME
Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. for ages 0 – 2.

TALL WAGGIN' TUTORS
Sat., Dec. 19 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Children read to a dog. Registration recommended. Ages 6 – 12.

HOLIDAY FUN NIGHT
Mon., Dec. 21 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Decorate an ornament for an arts and crafts extravaganza! All ages.

BELTSVILLE EVENTS

CUB SCOUTS
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in the all important Scoutng for Food Drive collecting over 283 lbs. of food and doing 80 hours of service. The food was donated to the St. Joseph’s Food Pantry. The food pantry at Beltsville will welcome any additional donations for the upcoming holiday season. The Wolves have learned to fold the flag and tie the square knot. The Bears have learned a bit about the face, and the lanyard and other knots. Are you interested in discovering the fun of Cubs Scout with your son? If you would like more information about the event contact Regina Halper through www.BelAScout.org. Once you are on the site, just put in our zip code and look for Cub Pack 1031.
If you watch sports as much as I do, you see ads that glorify Fantasy Football. In past years, the only place you could lose your money was on cable. Now you can go into debt online. One site requires you to put $200 on your credit card! The thing is, I think you can go up against a computer and win, then your only fantasy isn’t in football. There is an old saying, “A fool and his money are soon parted.” It’s my opinion only, but here are 2 observations I have about this scam. I think employees have rigged the line so they win or one of their friends. Out west, there was a case of the same thing where a man rigged the computer in a state lottery. He was caught and charged with fraud but he pocketed over $1.5 million. My point is you can’t trust this type of scam. You may win money at first, but this is to sucker you in. If you send them your credit card number, you’re hooked. Let’s say one day you check your balance and find a charge of $300 on it. They claim you bet on it a fantasy football game and lost. Whom do you call to get your money back? Another old saying applies here, “Never buy aluminum siding from a company that has no fixed address.”

Well enough of that; this is the happy season and a time of joy and sometimes sadness, a time you may see all your holiday kids (you know the ones you only see on holidays). I hope you do not have any deployed in the armed forces. They have no idea what to do next under the current administration.

No, I’m not political, I will not back anyone in print. What I won’t let is that we have a whole year to listen to all the backstabbing in TV commercials every few minutes along with the auto commercials that never end. One company claims their car has won more awards than all others. My question is “From who?” Or whom.

The last 2 months my column included recipes for holiday no-spread cookies and great fruit cake. I have had a few ask for recipes again. They can both be found on my website, www.bakerbill.net. Just click on recipes, scroll down, and print them out. You’ll find many good recipes on there.

As you know, this is my last drive this year. Have a very Merry Christmas with no tears, and I’ll pick it up again next year.

Sincerely,
Baker Bill, AKA Bill Raulin

P.S. I like e-mail, so drop me a line at bill@bakerbill.net. I love fan mail and answer all who write.

School News

From the Hilltop: High Point News

The fall season was full of positive news and events at High Point High School, and the winter term brings with it many delightful activities and opportunities.

In October, Prince George’s County Public Schools started a new Saturday School program for which High Point functions as the host school. The goal of Saturday School is to raise student achievement by improving students’ mathematics skills and by preparing students for college success. The Saturday School serves the following area schools: High Point High School, Buck Lodge Middle, Beltsville Academy, and Adelphi, Calverton, Carole High, Middle, Beltsville Academy, and Calverton, Carole High, Beltsville Academy, and Calverton. The Saturday School serves the following area schools: High Point High School, Buck Lodge Middle, Beltsville Academy, and Adelphi, Calverton, Carole High, Middle, Beltsville Academy, and Calverton.

Winter Coat Drive as well. If you are interested in joining the Saturday School please visit Ms. Kasha Shelton, SGA sponsor.

November, High Point honored its senior students who had demonstrated a commitment to community service. The PBIS organization hosted an event where each student received a certificate from the governor’s office, acknowledging their community achievement. The celebrations continued in November as twenty-six students were inducted into High Point’s elite National Honor Society. Congratulations to Luis Garcia-Cerna, Samantha Venegas, Jenny Chen, Edgar Martinez-Angel, Elisabeth Ramos, Lynn-Marie Vaughan, Zayda Villalatoro, Kelsi Menendez, Keila Lobos-Hernandez, Florence Kyremantong, Angelica Arias, Lydia James, Morelia Mesa, Adriel Espinal, Oluwadamilola Oloyede, Eric Victor, Anaiyah Lynch, Izzatari Barrie, Mohin Uddin, Elias Fekadu, Samuel Doty, Bezawit Tesema, Kimberly Warner, Gabriela Hernandez-Soto, Jordan Major, and Maria Ramirez.

High Point’s Student Government Association completed a successful Canned Food Drive. Students were urged to bring canned goods to support those in need. Over 500 items were collected, and all of the donated items were delivered to the Maryland Food Bank to help families in need during the holiday season. SGA is continuing its giving spirit through the holiday season by organizing a Winter Coat Drive as well. If you would like to donate a winter coat, or to make a monetary donation, please contact Mrs. Kasha Shelt,

The first quarter ended last month and report cards were sent home on Friday, November 13. Congratulations to all of High Point’s honor roll students. Students are a few weeks into the second quarter, which will continue until January 21, 2016. Progress Reports will be released on December 22 and second quarter report cards will be released on February 4, 2016.

Coming in the month of December is the annual winter concert, which reveals the wealth of talented young people High Point has in the fine arts programs. With selections from the band, orchestra, choir, and dance team, the concert is sure to amaze. Continuing its work to provide support for parents and students, High Point’s PTSA will hold its monthly general meeting on Thursday, December 17, 2015. Parents and students are encouraged to attend. The PTSA meets every third Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at High Point High School.

Please remember that schools will be closed from Wednesday, December 23 until Friday, January 1 for the county’s winter break. We invite you to visit High Point’s home page online at http://www1.pgcps.org/highpoint for current information and High Point events.

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‘Fantasia Noel’
A Christmas Cantata Presented by the FBC Beltsville Choir
December 20, 6 p.m.
You are invited to worship the coming of the Savior
through the music of the Christmas Story.
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
December 24 at 6:00 p.m.
Sundays:
*Sunday School for all ages 9:45 a.m.
*Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Adult Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.
Wednesdays:
Adult Bible Study & Prayer 7:00 p.m.
RA’s, GA’s, Mission Friends 7:00 p.m.
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Sunday Services:
9:00 am Contemporary Service
11:15 Traditional Service
10:15 am Bible Study & Sunday School for adults & children
Nursery Care is available for both services
Sign Language Interpretation at 11:15 service

Upcoming Events in December
Dec 12 Breakfast With Santa 9:00 am
Dec 20 Christmas Cantata Performed by the choir and Praise band of Emmanuel at
9:00 am and 11:15 services.
Dec. 24th Christmas Eve!
6:30 Interactive Family Service
11:00 Candlelight Service

RIDERWOOD
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the role of economic power in
creating the concept of “race,”
examples of modern-day institu-
tional racism, the importance of
eliminating stereotypes, and future
goals for 21st century American
society. Following their presenta-
tion, the panelists took questions
from attendees.
Joyce Turner, a resident of
Riderwood, is the co-chair of the
Diversity and Inclusion Commit-
tee. “We are very proud of not
only the substantive quality of the
first event but also the high turn-
out and engaged audience,” said
Ms. Turner. “This series enhances
the signature programs created by
our committee.”
She noted that future panels
in 2016 will highlight Dr. Mar-
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have broken historical and pro-
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Norris, a member of the original
ARS phytochrome discovery team
and the developer of near-infrared
reflectance spectroscopy, which
can quantify the chemical compo-
sition of substances using certain
light wavelengths.
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*APR=Annual Percentage Rate. Holiday Loan Special is available for qualified borrowers. Loan subject to normal underwriting guidelines. Term limit is 12 months with a minimum loan amount of $500.00 and a maximum loan amount of $3,000. Representative payment example: A $3,000.00 loan at a fixed rate of 10.00% Annual Percentage Rate for 12 months would require 12 equal monthly payments of $265.00. Offer ends December 31, 2015. PGCU reserves the right to change or withdraw this offer at any time.