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Beltsville Briefs

Adopt a Dog

October is adopt a dog month. Beltsville Residents, if you are looking to adopt a pet you should go to the Prince Georges County Animal Management Division, 3750 Brown Station Road, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772, 301.780.7200. WWW.PRINCE-GEORGES-PETS4US.COM

International Christian Fellowship Seminars

Throughout the year, the International Christian Fellowship holds special seminars and studies on God's teaching on how to be victorious in personal life on various practical issues of life: Being a Servant Leader at Home, Godly responses in family conflicts, raising children to become Godly, freedom from anger, bitterness and resolving conflicts God's way, integrity and discipline in your personal life, and overcoming temptation—to the youth, by the youth. Please call or send us an email to cthomas20784@yahoo.com for the schedule of seminars or the weekly meeting schedule.

Glenn Dale United Methodist Church Holds Annual Smorgasbord

Take a break from your fall chores and leaf raking and enjoy a home-cooked meal at Glenn Dale United Methodist Church's Annual Smorgasbord on Saturday Nov 9 from 4 pm to 6:30. The low all you can eat prices are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 6-12 and free for children under 6. We are located near Goddard Space Flight Center at 8500 Springfield Road, Glenn Dale, MD, 301.262.2299.

The mouthwatering menu includes traditional turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, baked ham, fried chicken, mac and cheese, greens, sweet potatoes, corn, sauerkraut and kielbasa, green beans, creative casseroles, a myriad of vegetable, fruit and jello salads, deviled eggs, rolls, beverages and homemade desserts.

During the Smorgasbord, the church will hold a white elephant sale with old and new treasures and handmade Christmas decora-

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High Road Helps Support The Cause

On October 15, the staff and students at High Road Upper School in Beltsville participated 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. Their 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. They are committed to taking the stress out of breast cancer.

In an effort to reach 20,000 women to take a pro-active stand in their breast health over the next year, All Shades of Pink, Inc. will host monthly seminars and presentations to community, civic, as well as religious groups/organiza-



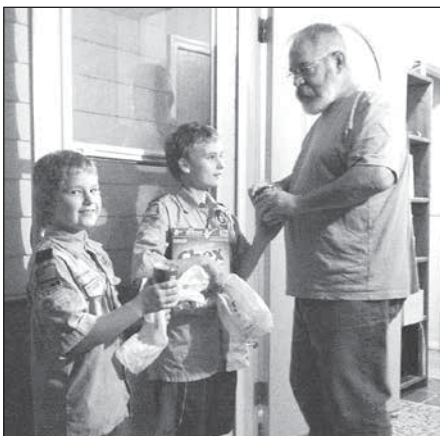
The staff and students at High Road Upper School

tions throughout Prince George's County and the surrounding local jurisdictions.

High Road Upper School's sponsored event was in support of ASOP's "Wrapped in Com-

fort" program. This award winning program (formerly known as the Comfort Blanket Program)

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Scouts are collecting food for the needy on Saturday, Nov. 9th.

Scouting for Food

November is Scouting for Food month in our area. Each year the Boy Scouts of America team up with Safeway and WUSA-TV to collect food for the hungry. Look for plastic grocery bags marked "Scouting for Food" on your doors on the weekend of November 2nd and 3rd. Please fill these bags with canned goods or non-perishable food and place them near your front door on

the morning of Saturday, Nov. 9th. It's best to place them outside your door on Friday evening so you don't forget. Scouts from Boy Scout Troop 1033 and Cub Scout Pack 1031 will come by between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon and will pick up the bags of canned goods. Please no glass containers! The food col-

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Sisters of Alpha Delta Kappa Sorority Gather

The sisters of the Maryland Alpha Alpha chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, an international educators' sorority, gathered on October 14 at the home of one of the members. International president June Bellamy had challenged all chapters in the United States, Canadian Provinces and other countries to celebrate the founding of the sorority by doing a service project. Alpha Alpha, which got its start at Calverton Elementary in Beltsville, rose to the occasion to assemble checker activity sets as a treat for ill children at the Ronald McDonald House in Baltimore and NIH Children's Center for Critically Ill Children. The sisters also remembered the founders with a special tea ceremony. Most of the members teach or used to teach at Calverton.



The sisters of the Maryland Alpha Alpha chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa

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On the Agenda

By Citizens' Association
President Karen M. Coakley

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

The holidays are just around the corner! The leaves are just beginning to change colors! Just a reminder Do Not pile your leaves on the street for pick up. Leaves must be in bags.


Officer Hamilton the COPS Officer for the Beltsville area will be our guest this month. She will give an update on crime in the area plus share safety tips. She will cover Holiday Shopping tips, winter car tips for home and the gas station, theft from autos, theft of air conditioning units, vacant homes and suspicious activity. Please let me know in advance if you have a specific issue that you would like Officer Hamilton to discuss. Call or email your questions or concerns by November 15, 2013.

Bring a Friend...Bring a Neighbor ...join us on Wednesday, November 20th at 7:00 p.m. The Citizens' Association meets at Beltsville Academy. I can be reached at 301.937.3490 or karenmcoakley@msn.com.



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25 Years Ago in the Beltsville News

By Phil Whitman

Extracted from the November 1988 issue

Service News

Pvt. Anthony Scott has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, SC.

Spec. Roberto Alexander has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

Airman Felicia Carroll has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

Engagement Announced

Deanne McNairy Dickson has been engaged to Matthew James Yetman. The wedding will occur at Montpelier Mansion in Laurel on December 23, 1988.

New Arrivals

Amber Skye Finnegan, daughter of Janen Stephanie Williams and Shawn James Joseph Finnegan

was born September 16, 1988.

Adrienne Michelle Baker, daughter of Darline Darnell Bell and Kenneth Douglas Baker was born October 14, 1988.

Jason Mark, son of Donna Elizabeth and Mark Eugene Fenicle was born October 5, 1988.

Ernest Anastasi, III, son of Donna Marie Anastasi and Ernest Anastasi, Jr. was born October 3, 1988.

Brandi Renee Whiting, daughter of Lisa Michelle Morris and Ritchie Edward Whiting was born October 2, 1988.

Jennifer Cristina, daughter of Nancy Esther and Luis Alejandro Borbeito was born October 3, 1988.

Samantha Maarie Holt, daughter of Bernadette Marie and Darryl Bernard Holt was born on October 18, 1988.

Elaine Elizabeth Huffman, daughter of Kim Shamp and George John Huffman was born October 21, 1988.

Adrienne Brittani Walter, daughter of Jacqueline Bradley

and Roderick O. Walton, was born October 22, 1988.

Twins: Jessica Diane and Jason Christopher of Cathy and Christopher Slaybaugh were born October 11, 1988.

Sarah Grace Parolski, daughter of Margie Lovina and Paul Parolski was born October 27, 1988.

Obituaries

Orman Elery Street, 85, passed away October 26, 1988. He was a retired professor at the University of Maryland.

Martha S. "Patti" Eller, 50, passed away October 29, 1988.

Viola R. Brock of Beltsville passed away October 16, 1988.

WSSC Ground Breaking

Political leaders of Prince George's County and Montgomery County joined in celebrating the ground breaking for the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission's new 12 story headquarters at the intersection of 198 and I 95 on a cold and wintry October morning.

Community Thanksgiving Dinner at Emmanuel UMC Beltsville

"Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to his disciples to distribute to the people. He also divided the two

fish among them all. They all ate and were satisfied," (Mark 6:41-42).

This year Emmanuel United Methodist Church (UMC) plans to start a new Thanksgiving Day tradition by hosting a free community dinner on Thursday, November 28, 2013, at 3:00 PM. In the spirit of thanksgiving and with the love of Jesus Christ, the church will open its doors and table to anyone who would like a holiday meal. If you do not have holiday plans, are alone, do not want to cook, cannot cook, are hungry, or just would like to fellowship with others then

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Letter to the Editor

To The Editor of The Beltsville News

AN OPEN LETTER OF GRATITUDE TO VETERANS

The members of The American Legion Auxiliary College Park Unit # 217 would like to express our sincere appreciation for the men and women who served in the United States Armed Forces.

Thank you for serving this great country. Thank you for pro-

tecting us. Thank you for the security we have and feel here at home. We know you sacrificed much for your country and all of us. And though you may no longer wear the uniform, we know you're always on call to serve and protect the freedom and security of the United States of America.

The American Legion Auxiliary supports and honors the sacrifice

of those who served by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military and their families, both at home and abroad. We invite everyone to pause November 11, Veterans' Day, to remember those who have fought for our freedoms. Thank you all who have so bravely protected us.

Learn more about the American Legion Auxiliary at: www.ALA-forVeterans.org

To learn more about our local programs in place to enhance the lives of our Veterans, our active military, the children of our military members and our communities, please contact the following: Ivy Christoffers, Secretary, College Park Unit #217, 301.595.5225, ichristoffers@verizon.net.

Neighbors in the News

CASA/Prince George's County's 2nd Annual World of Wheels Family Festival

Hyattsville, Md. (Oct. 19, 2013) – CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of Prince George's County invites transportation enthusiasts and families alike to join together for an afternoon of fun that will benefit abused and neglected children in foster care.

The non-profit's second annual *World of Wheels for CASA: A Touch-A-Truck and Family Festival* will take place Saturday, Nov. 9, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at DeMatha Catholic High School (4313 Madison St., Hyattsville, Md. 20781).

This community event will feature cars, trucks of all sizes, motorcycles and other unique vehicles, including: a 1958 refurbished Mac tractor, a Brink's Security armored vehicle, a Maryland Army National Guard Humvee, a Maryland State Highway Administration flusher truck and TurboHaul bulk trash truck.

Batman, himself, will appear with the Batmobile from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and the Maryland National Capitol Park Police Prince George's County Mounted Division will be on hand throughout the day.

Adding to the excitement will be food, music and an assortment of activities for "kids of all ages," including moon bounces, carnival games, craft tables, face painting, temporary tattoos and shopping at vendor display tables – new this year. Attendees also can learn about volunteer opportunities with CASA to provide a voice

to abused and neglected children in Prince George's County.

"We are excited to expand our World of Wheels Family Festival, bring it to Hyattsville and make it a signature event," said CASA of Prince George's County Executive Director Ann Marie Binsner. "In addition to being a fundraiser, we hope it will be a 'friendraiser' that helps more members of the community become familiar with CASA's mission, spread the word about our work and, ideally, get inspired to become volunteers."

All proceeds from the event will directly support CASA/Prince George's County. General admission is \$5/person and a VIP package – which includes a bag with snacks, a drink, freebies from our sponsors. A moon bounce pass is \$10/person. Children age two and under can attend for free. Tickets will be sold as Daily Deals on Certifikid and at the gate on event day.

Pepco, Evergreen Technologies, Dimensions Healthcare, Physical and Sports Rehab, and Scanlan Fleet Services are major sponsors. For more information about the event and its exhibit and sponsorship opportunities, visit the event web page at http://www.pgCasa.org/events/world_of_wheels-wow-4-casa or the "World of Wheels for CASA Event Page" on Facebook. Or, contact event organizers, Penny Gerber and Kara Bundy, at 301-209-0491 or wow4CASA@gmail.com.

dish, contributions are welcomed.

Dinner will start at 3:00 PM in the fellowship hall (Emmanuel UMC, 11416 Cedar Lane, Beltsville, MD). If you plan to attend, please RSVP at <http://eumcbeltsville.com/content/community-thanksgiving-2013-rsvp> or by calling 301-937-7114. Please direct any questions or interest to help with the event to patrick.elliott@emmanuelumcbeltsville.net.

Cub Scout Pack 1031 Visits the Library

Cub Pack 1031 is off to a good start this fall welcoming six new scouts. At the September pack meeting seven scouts received 25 belt loops and 14 Webelos Activities pins for activities done over the summer and in September. This helped show the new scouts how fun it is to earn "stuff" in Cub Scouts.

On Saturday, October 5th six scouts attended the American Legion Cub Belt loop day in Laurel. They earned over 20 belt loops including two new scouts who earned their first belt loops. Belt loops were offered in Map and Compass, Geography, Wildlife Conservation, Chess and Kickball.

The scouts met at the Beltsville Library on Monday, October 7th and had a fantastic introduction to libraries by the librarian. Scouts spent the hour learning about the Dewey Decimal system and exploring the library. They learned about dinosaurs, the value of a Lamborghini and lots of other



The Cub Scouts at the Beltsville Library

information found in the library! Many thanks to Ms. Capponi for taking time to talk the Scouts!

Cub Scouts is a program for boys from 1st to 5th Grade. Meetings are held at Beltsville Academy on Monday nights during the school year. They welcome any boy interested in joining to have "Fun with a Purpose." If you are interested, please contact the Cubmaster Kevin D'Eustachio, Committee Chair Eric Saathoff or Regina Halper, the Charter Organization Rep. You can reach Regina Halper at 301.937.9136 or through BeAScout.org.



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Tiles are hanging on accent walls, fireplace flues and columns in living rooms and bedrooms. In some instances tile is even replacing art, often covering an entire wall with chic mosaics. The minimalistic look of white bare walls dotted with a few pieces of art work is on the wane, being replaced by textured tile and wallpaper. The renewed demand for texture may help explain why the U.S. ceramic tile market ticked up 8.4% in the first quarter of 2013 over the same period last year. To keep up with a surge of interest in ceramic, porcelain and glass wall tile, Will's Home Decorating (www.decoratmaryland.com) has added new tile displays featuring the hottest colors and styles.



Michael and Valerie welcome you to see their great selection of vibrant tiles.

According to Will's design guru Michael Richards, "Wood looks are the biggest sellers today. I am finding that there is a real desire to bring the outside in while still creating depth and interest. Wood ceramics and porcelains bring a warm, outdoorsy feel to a room." The desire to capture that outside feeling while inside is taking on new twists as one recent client texturized her windowless home gym wall with green outdoor porch astro-turf like flooring. "It's all about accentuating textural elements whether it be with tile, indoor-outdoor carpet or wallpaper," says Valerie Kabelac, co-owner of Will's. For additional advice on using tile innovatively and to see the area's largest selection of ceramic, porcelain and glass tile stop by Will's Home Decorating.

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this meal is for you.

The hosts will cook a traditional Thanksgiving meal of turkey, ham, salad, mashed potatoes, vegetable medley, rolls, and pumpkin pie. Guests are invited to bring a side dish or dessert to share, but it is not required. Also, if you have plans but would like to send a



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Neighbors in the News

Retired Ambassador James Collins Talks Russian Relations with Residents of Riderwood

SILVER SPRING, MD—With international affairs in the Middle East taking center stage this summer, the relationship between the United States and Russia is again under the microscope.

Residents of Riderwood, the Erickson Living retirement community, were able to hear from a diplomat who has enjoyed a unique vantage point to relations between the two super powers.

The Continuing Education Committee of Riderwood hosted retired Ambassador James Collins on September 26th for a presentation entitled "U.S. Relations with Russia: Is the Past Prologue?" Over 150 residents attended the learning series event.

Ambassador Collins served as the U.S. Ambassador in Moscow during the transition from Boris Yeltsin to Vladimir Putin (1997-2000); retired from the diplomatic



Introduced by Robert Sprinkle (right) of the community's Continuing Education Committee, retired U.S. Ambassador to Russia, James Collins (left) fields questions from residents at Riderwood, the Erickson Living retirement community, on September 26th.

corps, he is now the Director of the Russia and Eurasia Program at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

"Career diplomats who represent the interests of the United States in foreign embassies often go unnoticed, but their service is vital to our nation," stated Robert Sprinkle, who coordinated the event and introduced Ambassador Collins. "We are proud to have such a distinguished public servant as James Collins share his insight and knowledge."

Ambassador Collins paraphrased a predecessor, Robert Strauss, in describing the typical state of affairs between the two nations. "They are never as bad as reported but never as good as you'd like them to be," stated Ambassador Collins.

He noted that domestic politics, not international events, often dictate the relationship between the United States and Russia. Ambassador Collins also identified pivotal opportunities that could influence the future of the two counties.

"The removal of U.S. forces in Afghanistan and the Syrian chemical weapons agreement offer openings for the relationship to be increasingly effective and productive, but they also could be nothing more than just marking time," he stated.

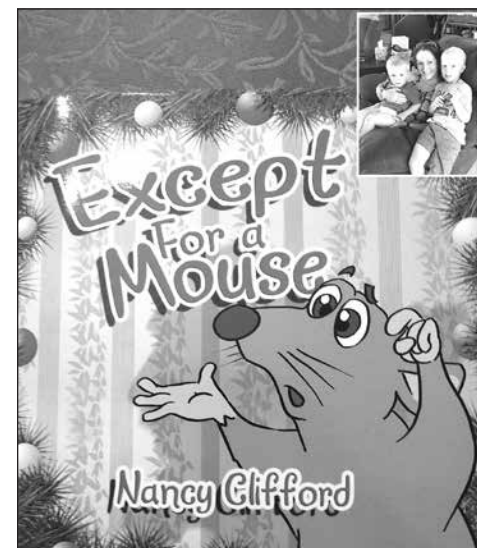
Following his presentation, Ambassador Collins fielded questions from the audience on topics that included the socio-economic development of Russia, the impact of the Iranian nuclear program and the interplay with China.

With degrees from Harvard and Indiana University, Ambassador Collins joined the Foreign Service in 1969 - his first assignment being at the Consulate General in Izmir, Turkey.

He has received distinguished service awards from the State Department, Defense Department and NASA as well as honorary degrees from The Russian Academy of Science, Nizhniy Novgorod State Linguistics University, Moscow State University, Indiana University and the University of Maryland University College.

Nancy Clifford Book Signing November 9

Newly published author Nancy Clifford will have a book signing at Behnke's craft show on Saturday November 9th from 10am till 4pm, and their Christmas Bazaar Saturday December 7th 10am till 4pm. Signed copies of "Except for a Mouse" will be available for purchase. This children's story for ages 10 and under tells an endearing story of Christmas and wonderful to read aloud.



The Cover of "Except For A Mouse." Inset: Author Nancy Clifford with her children.

November at Behnke's

Family gatherings should be fun.
Full of stories about the past and hopes for the future.
Food is often the focus, being carefully prepared,
sometimes taking days.
The house is thoroughly cleaned and polished.
So why not keep the décor simple. Easy.
Beautiful, blooming plants can be picked up early
and will last a long time. One big indoor mum
nestled in a basket or decorative pot
can brighten an entire table.
Worry about the food. Take time on the house.
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Visit Carol's Thanksgiving Corner

with Carol Allen in Beltsville — 10:00 to 2:00
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Neighbors in the News

Government Toastmasters Club to hold Spook-a-thon

The building was closed and the gates were locked. Thus the Federal government shutdown claimed another victim.

The Agricultural Research Center Toastmasters Club could not hold two of its regularly scheduled club meetings because the club meets in a government building in Beltsville, Maryland. The members could not give prepared speeches, nor learn from evaluators, grammarians, and ah counters. The club also was deprived of the camaraderie among the members. Their goals to improve communication and leadership skills had to be put on hold.

The government has re-opened

and this Toastmasters club is going to make up for lost time! The club will conduct a special meeting devoted solely to manual speeches. Usually this type of meeting is called a speak-a-thon. Since the date of the meeting will be October 30, 2013, the club is calling it a "spook-a-thon". All are welcome to attend to see how a spook-a-thon is organized and to hear some great speeches. More details are posted at http://arc.toastmastersclubs.org/2013_Spook-a-thon.html

Toastmasters International is a nonprofit educational organization that teaches public speaking and leadership skills through a worldwide network of meet-

ing locations. Headquartered in Rancho Santa Margarita, California, the organization's membership exceeds 292,000 in more than 14,350 clubs in 122 countries. Since 1924, Toastmasters International has helped people of all backgrounds become more confident in front of an audience. For information about local Toastmasters clubs, please visit www.toastmasters.org. Follow @Toastmasters on Twitter.

SOURCE – Agricultural Research Center Toastmasters Club

For further information: Janice Strachan, 202-720-0859, treasurer-3039@toastmastersclubs.org

Field of Firsts Foundation Wine and Cheese Night at the College Park Aviation Museum

Join the Field of Firsts Foundation for Wine and Cheese Night at the College Park Aviation Museum on November 16th, 2013. Enjoy wine provided by Boordy Vineyards, a delightful selection of cheese provided by Cowgirl Creamery, live jazz provided by Black Coffee Jazz Combo, and there will be door prizes.

All proceeds go to the Field of Firsts Foundation and will support College Park Aviation Museum's educational programs and exhibits.

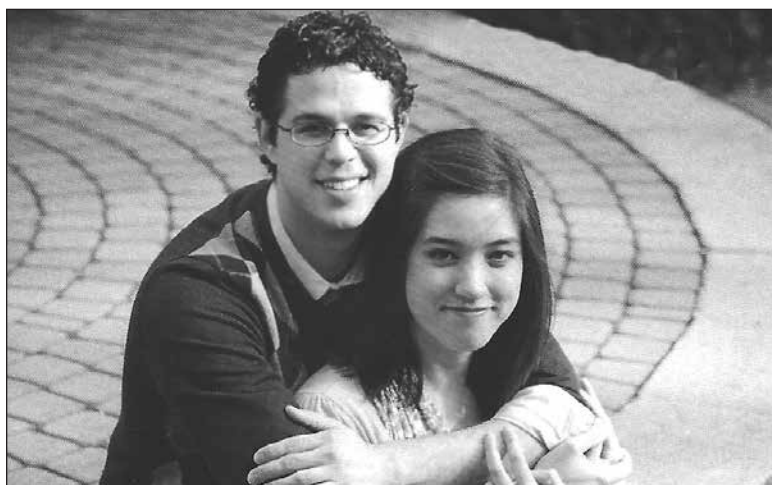
The Field of Firsts Foundation supports exhibits, educational programs, and community outreach at the College Park Aviation Museum, which works to preserve, collect, exhibit, and teach the history of the College Park Airport. The College Park Airport is the oldest continually operating airport in the world and the site of many firsts in aviation including: the location of the first US Army flying school, the first controlled helicopter flight, and the first radio navigational aids developed and tested

by the Bureau of Standards. The proceeds from this year's Field of Firsts Gala and Silent Auction will go to fund programs at the College Park Aviation Museum that will foster the preservation of the history of the College Park Airport and support community outreach through on and off site events. Last year we served nearly 15,000 youths by providing learning experiences at the museum, in schools, and in community centers. These students explored the science and technology of flight as well as learned about aviation in Maryland history.

The College Park Aviation Museum is located at 1985 Corporal Frank Scott Drive, College Park, MD 20740. For more information call 301.864.6029 or visit www.collegeparkaviationmuseum.com. Tickets are available at <http://fieldoffirstswineandcheese.eventbrite.com/>, and are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door.

For more information about the event or to purchase tickets by check or cash contact Sara Deme-

trides at 301.864.6029.



Jeffrey Charles Williams and Hana Julia Cai engaged to marry on November 17th, 2013. Jeffrey born and raised in Beltsville, Maryland. Attended Beltsville's Crescent Nursery and St. Joseph's Catholic School. Also attended DeMatha Catholic High School and recently graduated from Maryland University-College Park. Hana born in Highland Park, Illinois and raised in Bowie, Maryland and also recently graduated from Maryland University-College Park.

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Rosapepe's Report to Beltsville

By Senator Jim Rosapepe (D-21)

Upgrades to Powder Mill Rd

The Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) recently began a \$2.1 million safety and resurfacing project along Powder Mill Road between the Beltway and Pleasant Acres Drive. Weather permitting, the project should be complete late summer 2014. This project was made possible with funding from the state transportation package that was passed by the legislature earlier this year. Delegates Barbara Frush, Joseline Peña-Melnik, Ben Barnes, and I worked hard to make sure it would bring important improvements to our community.

Currently, crews are constructing sidewalk ramps, along with new concrete curbs and gutters. This will continue through late fall. Other work to be completed in 2014 includes:

- Installing a new countdown pedestrian signal and energy efficient lights at High Point High School and at the intersection of Cherry Hill Road

- Installing 1,200 feet of guardrail

- Cleaning drainage inlets and pipes

- Patching, grinding, and resurfacing all lanes



Senator Jim Rosapepe

- Applying new pavement markings

SHA is closing a single lane in both directions on Powder Mill Road, weekdays between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. During the resurfacing phase of the project next year, crews will also close a single lane in both directions of Powder Mill Road, Sunday-Thursday, overnight between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m.

These improvements will enhance safety for both drivers and pedestrians including students, staff, and visitors to High Point High School.

**College and Career Fair —
Nov. 14 in Laurel**

Beltsville's County Council

Member, Mary Lehman, is hosting a College and Career Fair on Thursday, November 14. Students will be able to meet college recruiters from all over the country as well as explore opportunities for apprenticeships. The event will be 6:30-8:30 PM at Laurel High School (8000 Cherry Lane). For more information, contact dmyles@co.pg.md.us.

Do you have ideas for better laws?

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Holiday Home Decorating Contest Entry Form

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Neighbors in the News

Riderwood to Host First Veterans Expo on November 8th

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them." —John Fitzgerald Kennedy

"Our liberties, our values, all for which America stands, is safe today because brave men and women have been ready to face the fire at freedom's front." —Ronald Reagan

SILVER SPRING, MD—Veterans Day provides Americans with the opportunity to say "thank you" to men and women who have served our nation in the armed forces.

At Riderwood, the Erickson Living retirement community, a new event will reach out to the surrounding area to express our mutual and heartfelt appreciation.

On Friday, November 8th, Riderwood will host its first Veteran Day Expo to commemorate the sacrifices of veterans and provide information to

them and their families.

With residents from Riderwood, members of service organizations such as the Greenbelt American Legion and the College Park VFW have been invited, and the event is open to the public.

Additionally, students from John F. Kennedy High School will serve as the Color Guard, and guest speakers will include a Marine from the United States Marine Corps and Riderwood employee Otto Munoz.

Representatives from local government agencies will also be present to provide information on veterans' issues.

Riderwood is located at 3140 Gracefield Road, Silver Spring, MD 20904. The doors of Maryland Hall will open at 10am for breakfast refreshments, and the program will begin at 10:30am.

For more information, please feel free to contact Heather Hicks-Mello at heather.hicks-mello@erickson.com or 301-572-8449.

Thanksgiving

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tions. They will also sell fresh Georgia pecans and Church heritage T-shirts. Proceeds will benefit the church's general fund.

St. Joseph's Annual Parish Bazaar

Save the date for St. Joseph's annual Parish Bazaar on Saturday, November 16 from 10 am to 4 pm. Come and enjoy the many booths including Attic Treasures, Baked Goods, Book Nook, Cake Walk, Dip & Win, Face Painting, Gift Wheel, Handmade Crafts and Collectibles, Holiday and Regifting Items, Jewelry, Kid's Fun & Games, Nevada Cards, Pictures With Santa, Plants, Popcorn, Nachos, Ice Cream & Drinks, Religious Articles, Santa's Secret Shoppe, Silent Auction, Sweepstakes, Tea Room, Teen Arcade Room and Turkey Raffle.

Lunch will be served during the day followed by a spaghetti dinner from 6:30 to 8:00pm sponsored by Sanctuary At Holy Cross. Dinner

will include a salad, spaghetti and meatballs, garlic bread, a non-alcoholic drink and a dessert. The price is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. All tickets must be purchased in advance. Musical entertainment will be provided by Ventura Highway and will continue after dinner. Beer and wine will be available for \$2 per glass. If you wish to only come to listen to the music, the price will be \$5.

Please join the St. Joseph's and Beltsville communities for a day and evening of fun times, shopping, good food and enjoyable music on Saturday, November 16 at St. Joseph's, 11007 Montgomery Road, Beltsville, MD 20705.

Johnny Seaton Performing At The College Park Moose Lodge #453

Saturday, November 23 is the date for the performance by Johnny Seaton and His Band, Bad Behavior, at the College Park Moose Lodge (301.935.5525).

Johnny, originally from the Adelphi-Beltsville area, has traveled the world amazing audiences with his talents for 30 years. He performed at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas, as well as other venues in Las Vegas and Atlantic City. He has wowed his audiences performing music of Elvis Presley, and his singing talents include other great artists as well as his original music.

The show and dance runs 7-11pm. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Dinner will be served from 5-7pm and tickets can be purchased separately at \$10. Get your tickets early for the best table selection for this fantastic rock and roll performance!

This event is OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. The College Park Moose Lodge is located at 3700 Metzerott Road, College Park, Maryland. Tickets can be purchased at the Moose Lodge, 301.935.5525.

Club News

National Active and Retired Federal Employees

Chapter 1122 Northern Prince Georges County

Our monthly meeting will be held at the Greenbriar Community Center, Terrace Room, 7600 Hanover Parkway, Greenbelt on November 13 at 1:30 PM. Speaker will be provided. Refreshments will be available. All retired Federal employees are welcome.

The Beltsville Young At Heart Club

The Young At Heart Club will be electing officers at the first November Meeting. The officers will be sworn in at the December 21st meeting, which is also the Christmas luncheon.

Everyone is having a good time playing bingo at the second meeting of the month. Pat Midkiff paid a visit, she was visiting from Wisconsin. Everyone always enjoys having former members drop in to say hello.

The members of the club are looking forward to the Savage Mill Thanksgiving luncheon. If you look at what you have in life, you will always have more.

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Club News

American Legion Auxiliary College Park Unit #217

By Ivy Christoffers

The leaves on the trees are turning into the beautiful hues of Autumn, the weather is getting cooler and the daylight hours shorter but the business of The American Legion Auxiliary continues to forge ahead. The past few weeks have been especially eventful. Since the October issue was printed, the Legion has experienced the very successful "Patsy's Honkey-Tonk Torch & Twang", "Surf Club Reunion" and the "Ronnie Dove Concert". They would like to thank everyone who came to the Post Home and supported these events. The next event will be the "Designer Bag Bingo" that is scheduled for November 30. The doors will open at 5:00 pm and games start at 6:00 pm. The cost to play is \$20 in advance (until 11/24) and goes up to \$25 after the 24th. The event will be held at the College Park American Legion, 9218 Baltimore Blvd. College Park. Tickets can be purchased at the Post Home which opens at 2:00PM

daily, except Monday when they are closed, or you can call 301.595.5225 or 301.441.2783 to make arrangements to obtain tickets. The Legion thanks you in advance for your support. The profits from the many fundraisers are used to support the multitude of programs designed to benefit the lives of Veterans, the active military, the youth and the community.

From Oct. 11 to 13th, another big event was held at the American Legion Auxiliary Department Fall Conference in Frederick, MD at Francis Scott Key Post #11. It was a very enjoyable weekend in spite of the very wet weather. The special guest was Eastern Division National Vice President, Maggie McMahon, who was accompanied by her mother, Pat. The participants were honored to have a visit by the 2013 Girl's State Governor, and a surprise visit from the 2006 Girl's Nation President. The special guest speaker, Nancy Huggins, had everyone on their feet. The weekend was filled with chair-

men presenting their programs, comedy skits, membership presentations, special award presentations earned during 2012-2013 administrative year and received at the National Convention in Houston in August. A very enjoyable Saturday night banquet and door prizes galore. The Chinese auction, silent auction, 50/50 raffle and Poppy Hat contest all added a spirit of fun to the proceedings.

After a day of business, Halloween was celebrated with everyone dressing in their favorite costumes, holding an impromptu parade followed by a party. It was a fun time for the youngsters and their mentors!!

The Legion is always looking for new members to join them in the spirit of service and fun. They "honor the service of our Veterans" by the service of the American Legion Auxiliary and The American Legion and are honored to do so. May the good Lord continue to keep the troops safe around the world and may God continue to bless America.

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School News

Vansville School News

Red Ribbon Week

By Diane V. Hopkins,
Professional School Counselor

Prince George's County Public Schools will celebrate "Red Ribbon Week" from Oct. 23rd - 31st. Red Ribbon Week is the oldest and largest Drug Prevention Campaign in the Country. Each day we will have a public service announcement about drugs on the morning announcements. The theme this year is "A Healthy Me Drug Free." Wednesday, Oct. 23, 2013 was "WEAR RED DAY". Students and Staff wore red to show our support for Red Ribbon Week, and to demonstrate that we are Drug Free!

"Kids Helping Kids Food Campaign"

By Diane V. Hopkins,
Professional School Counselor

The Vansville Elementary School Jr. National Beta Club is participating in the 2013 "Kids Helping Kids Food Campaign". It is held from Oct. 14, 2013 - Nov. 1, 2013. The donated food will go directly to a Community Food Bank, which will distribute the food to soup kitchens, pantries and shelters in our area.

Vansville's Jr. National Beta Club is asking staff and students to donate items such as: peanut butter, macaroni and cheese, canned vegetables, rice, tuna fish and cereal. Our school wants to help ensure that no child in Maryland goes hungry.

What a wonderful opening we had this year at Vansville Elementary! We welcomed 833 students through our doors for another great year of teaching and learning. I am extremely proud of how our students got back into the swing of things. Returning students remembered our PRIDE motto and eagerly served as role models for our new students. I

am confident that with continued proactive support by our parents and families, Vansville's 2013-2014 school year will be our best year yet!

Parents are our Partners! We are counting on you to actively participate in the many happenings here at Vansville Elementary School. Our wonderful PTA has planned many upcoming events that are great opportunities to get involved and catch the Vansville Spirit! These activities include:

Saturday, Oct. 26th: 10 am - 2 pm: Clean Up Green Up

Friday, Nov. 1st: School Dance

Tuesday, Nov. 12th: PTA Meeting

Date TBD: Muffins for Mom-mies

Monday, Nov. 11th: Parent/Teacher Conferences

Make sure you contact your child's teacher/s to schedule an appointment. Be Heard!

"BE HEARD" - Keep these principles in mind for a great parent/teacher conference:

Best intentions assumed • Emphasis on learning • Home-school collaboration • Examples and evidence • Active listening • Respect for all • Dedication to follow-up.

Prior to your conference, prepare a list of questions you would like to ask the teacher. Be sure to review SchoolMax before your conference to see your child's grades and attendance. Talk with your child about school. Think about ways you would like to be involved in your child's learning. Be prepared to share your concerns with the teacher. During the conference, "Be Heard!"

(see above). After the conference, follow-up with your child and his/her teacher about progress and continue to stay actively involved.

As we change seasons, we want to ensure all children are coming to school healthy and staying germ free. Here at school, we are constantly sanitizing and encourage children to cover their nose and mouth when they cough and sneeze. We are asking for your help, partners! If your child is not feeling well, please keep them home for a day of rest, relaxation, and plenty of TLC. Also, please make sure children are dressing appropriately for the weather. Be sure to label all hats, gloves, coats, and scarfs. Working together will make a difference!!

Donuts for Dads

Our PTA hosted our wonderful Donuts for Dads Program on Tues., Oct. 8th. It was great to see all the fathers, grandfathers, and father figures who attended the event to say they will stand with us to support the work Vansville Elementary school is doing to ensure the children of PGCPs have a bright future filled with endless possibilities. Vansville Mothers graciously gave their time to ensure the program's success. Curtis Valentine, a Prince George's County Board Member, was the Keynote Speaker and gave words of encouragement and inspiration about the importance of parental involvement. It was a morning of family, fun, and fellowship and an opportunity for Dads and Father Figures to "Catch the Vansville Spirit".

—Jaime Coffen, Assistant Principal

Students of the Month: August and September

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School News

Beltsville Academy Celebrates "Men Make A Difference" Day

Eggs, turkey bacon, sausage and French toast were on the menu at Beltsville Academy as over 325 dads, grandfathers, uncles, and students gathered in the school's cafeteria for the first Men of Beltsville breakfast. The event, which was offered at no cost to participants, gave the men of the school family the opportunity to share special time with their children as well as the chance to walk their children to class and visit.

"By being here today, you have shown your child that they are important," Assistant Principal Ronald Creek told the assembled crowd. Many of the men in attendance, some of them former students of the school themselves, remarked about how nice it was to have such an event set aside just for



Participants at the Beltsville Academy "Men Make A Difference" breakfast, from L to R: Libertad Garcia grade 4, their father Isidro Garcia, and Isidro Garcia grade 2

them. Teachers also took note of how wonderful it was to see so many people at the breakfast. One teacher said, "Fathers play such an

important role in their children's lives and Beltsville certainly has some of the best ones around."

High Point High School News

The High Point faculty welcomed the Feasibility Team into our school on October 9 and 10, 2013. The Feasibility Team spent two days interviewing Teacher Coordinators and Department Chairs about the instructional and curriculum needs of our students in order to determine the "Future Educational Purpose" of our school. High Point would like to thank the team for all their hard work.

High Point teachers are working in self-study teams to address the Middle States standards. Each team is analyzing student, staff, parents and community responses to the Middle States Survey. High Point would like to thank all who participated in this very important process. The Middle States process will enable us to provide a mechanism for continuous improvement.

The Credit Recovery Program helps High Point students to make up credits needed for graduation. Approximately 100 students par-

ticipate in this important program. Dr. Rasheedah Sharief leads a team of highly qualified teachers including Mrs. Brown, Ms. Clark, Mr. George, Mrs. Hoffert, Mrs. Jackson, Mr. Koenig, Mr. Jackson and Ms. Reynolds. The current credit recovery session will end in January. A second session will be held in the winter and spring.

Attorney General and candidate for governor, Douglas F. Gansler chose High Point High School to announce his running mate, Delegate Jolene Ivey. Delegate Ivey is an alumni of High Point High School. Attorney General Gansler chose Delegate Ivey because she will partner with him. Delegate Ivey stated that she is proud to run with Attorney General Gansler and to be the first African American woman to run for Lieutenant Governor. Delegate Ivey has deep roots at High Point. Her father, Joseph Stephenson, a decorated World War II veteran and a Buffalo Soldier, was a social studies

teacher at High Point.

The High Point Soccer Team, led by Mr. Michael Holt, is undefeated this year. They played against Wise High School on October 16, Bowie High School on October 17 and Suitland High School on October 18.

St Joseph Regional Catholic School Celebrating 50 Years!

St Joseph Regional Catholic School will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of the school with a pasta dinner on Friday December 6, 2013 from 6:30 - 9:00. The school will be holding a 5k race and 1 mile fun run the following morning December 7, 2103 at 8 a.m. There will be course marshals along Sellman

Road and Montgomery Road for a short time during the race. Roads will not be closed but the marshals may temporarily direct traffic to be sure the runners have a safe path to run. For more details see the 5k race website at <http://stjos5k.org> or call race director Austin Conaty at 240.568.3059.



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3501 New York Ave., N.E., Washington, DC 20002. See www.USNA.USDA.gov or call 202.245.2726 for information regarding special events. Autumn brings cool, crisp air and sparkling sunshine, making it an ideal time to visit the U.S. National Arboretum. The exhibits and grounds are open to the public Fri. through Mon. from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., with the National Bonsai & Penjing Museum opening at 10:00 a.m. We look forward to seeing you at the National Arboretum, where science meets beauty. Admission to the arboretum is free.

BROOKSIDE GARDENS

1800 Glenallan Ave., Wheaton, MD 20902. Phone: 301.962.1400. The grounds of Brookside Gardens are open every day of the year from sunrise to sunset. The Visitor Center is open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Admission to the gardens is free. A fee is charged for certain exhibits and some special programs.

CONSERVATORY CHRYSANTHEMUM DISPLAY: CHRYSANTHEMUM CRAFTSMANSHIP

The display continues through Sun., Nov. 25, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily. Free. Brookside Gardens Conservatory. Note: South House closes Nov. 18.

GARDEN OF LIGHTS

The winter walk-through garden display begins Fri., Nov. 29. Advance ticket sales start Fri., Nov. 1. Cash only at the entrance. Call 301.962.1457 for prices and additional information.

MONTPELIER MANSION & ART CENTER

9650 Muirkirk Rd., Laurel. Phone: 301.377.7817. TTY: 301.699.2544. E-mail: montpeliermansion@pgparks.com. Contact the Art Center at 301.377.7800 for information on art and photography classes. Due to renovation at the mansion, tours are suspended until further notice. Please call the center for information regarding events for November as well as before visiting. Events held at the mansion location will be held outdoors. The mansion grounds are open from dawn until dusk every day of the year.

COLLEGE PARK AVIATION MUSEUM

1985 Cpl. Frank Scott Dr., College Park. Phone: 301.864.6029. TTY: 301.699.2544. Museum admission is \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors, and \$2 for children. Children under 2 admitted free. Open daily from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.,

except for major holidays. Tours for groups of 10 or more are available by appointment.

PODCASTS

The College Park Aviation Museum now offers multi-language audio tours highlighting our history, exhibits, and collections. Podcasts are available in English, Spanish, and French. They are free. Whether you want to know a little more about the museum before you visit, or you want to make a virtual visit to the museum, this audio tour will let you experience the fascinating history of the world's oldest continually operating airport.

AROUND THE WORLD WITH WILBUR WRIGHT

Sat., Nov. 2 from 12 noon to 3:00 p.m. Participate in a fun and educational tour of the museum, where you can make your own passport, visit places around the world and learn about aviation history. Visit the museum's front lobby area to get started on your trip around the world. Free with paid admission to the museum. All ages.

HOME SCHOOL DAY

Mon., Nov. 4 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Home-schooled students of all ages and their parent-educators are invited to the museum for a day of learning and adventure. Aviation-themed activities and crafts will address learning in science, math, language, and art. Cost: \$4 per participant. Ages: 5 to 13 years old.

CAPTURE THE COLORFUL COSMOS EXHIBIT

The exhibit opens Fri., Nov. 8 and features photos that are the culmination of a 6-week long workshop taken by students at Beltsville Community Center. During the course, students learned how to use robotic telescopes made available online by the Harvard-Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory, to take images of a variety of celestial objects. Using the MicroObservatory software, students were able to process their images using many of the same techniques used by professional photographers. Free with paid admission to the museum. All ages.

GREENBELT COMMUNITY CENTER

The center is located at 15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770. The Greenbelt Recreation Activities Guide is online. Stop by the center or see www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation for events and class listings. Phone: 301.397.2208.

ARTFUL AFTERNOON – GREENBELT DANCES! EXPO

Sun., Nov. 3 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 2013

Calendar of Events

Most activities are free! See local dancers of all ages show off their best moves, and then stay to learn some new moves yourself. Performances and demonstrations: 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Movement workshops: 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. People's Dance Party: 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Art workshop and video art screening from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. with artist Bahar Jalehmahmoudi in conjunction with her gallery exhibition. Open house with the Community Center's Artists-in-Residence from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Visit the Greenbelt Museum local history exhibit, and tour the Museum's historic house (\$3 or free with membership) from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information: ndewald@greenbeltmd.gov.

GREENBELT MUSEUM

The museum house is located at 10-B Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770. Docent-led tours are on Sun.s from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., please contact the museum for latest information. No reservations are required, but we do recommend that you arrive no later than 4:30 p.m. Tickets: \$3.00 general admission, \$2.00 adults 55 and older, free for children under age 12. Friends of the Greenbelt Museum are admitted free. See www.GeenbeltMuseum.org or call 301.507.6582 for more information.

LAUREL–BELTSVILLE SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER

7120 Contee Rd., Laurel, MD 20707. Regular hours of operation: Mon. – Thu. from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Fri. from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Sat. from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., closed on Sun.. Contact the center regarding special programs for November. Phone: 301.206.3350. Fax: 301.206.3387. TTY: 301.446.3402.

NATIONAL WILDLIFE VISITOR CENTER

Address: 10901 Scarlet Tanager Loop, Laurel, MD 20708. Phone and registration line: 301.497.5887. See Patuxent.fws.gov. Stop by to attend a program or walk the trails. Space in our public programs is limited. Registration is required unless otherwise specified. Thank you for your continued support. The Visitor Center entrance is accessed from Powder Mill Rd. between the Baltimore–Washington Pkwy. and Rt. 197. The center is part of the Patuxent Wildlife Research Refuge. Hours of operation are daily from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except for major holidays. Free admission to the center and its exhibits, grounds, and trails. Activities and events are free unless otherwise noted. Please advise us of any special needs so that we may accommodate you.

HOLLINGSWORTH ART GALLERY

The Hollingsworth Art Gallery is located inside the Visitor Center. Artists from the VA Medical Center will be featured in November including an opportunity to meet one of the artists on Sat., Nov. 9. Contact the center for more information.

HUNTING SEASON

Remember that hunting may be occurring in areas around the refuge this fall season through Jan. 31, 2014. Make sure to stay on marked trails at all times and find out about closed areas when visiting.

WILD WOLVES

Sat., Nov. 2 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Learn where these powerful predators call home and how wolves survive in a pack. Ages 8 - 10.

BIRD WALKS

There will be three (3) walks: Wed., Nov. 6 and 20 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. for ages 16 and up; and Sat., Nov. 23 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for ages 5 and up. Search for birds in several refuge habitats on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars are recommended.

MARYLAND ANIMALS!

Sun., Nov. 10 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Join Echos Of Nature for a very special program featuring live animal ambassadors that are native to Maryland or the wildlife refuge. All ages.

BEAVERS: MAKERS OF THE MARSH

Tue., Nov. 12 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Come learn about nature's most famous builder and witness firsthand their role in wetland formation. Ages 8 - 10.

NATURE TOTS: GOBBLE GOBBLE

Thu., Nov. 14 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Learn about November's famous bird in this interactive program with stories, songs, and crafts. Ages 3 - 4.

THE THREE BEARS

Sat., Nov. 16 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Learn all about the different kinds of bears that live in North America (where they live, what they eat, etc.) in this fun hands-on program. Ages 5 - 7.

BASED ON BOOKS: MONTHLY NATURE SERIES

Thu., Nov. 21 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Each program in this series begins with a beautifully illustrated children's story about wildlife. The feature for November is Snakes of Patuxent. Discover more about nature with puppets, props, activities, and a live snake. Ages 4 – 5.

TINY TOTS: NATURE AND MUSIC

Tue., Nov. 26 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Participate with your toddler as you learn about the wildlife at the refuge through songs and rhyming. Ages 18 – 42 months.

BELTSVILLE EVENTS

Please contact the individual facilities for any changes in hours of operation due to holidays or inclement weather.

BELTSVILLE CITIZEN'S ASSOCIATION

Wednesday, Nov. 20 at 7 p.m. at Beltsville Academy, 4300 Wicomico Ave., Beltsville

WOMEN'S COMMUNITY CLUB OF BELTSVILLE

Monday, Nov. 11 at 12:30 p.m. at Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane, Beltsville

VANSVILLE CITIZEN'S ASSOCIATION

Monday, Nov. 11 at 7 p.m. at Franklin Brown Building, Vansville Recreation Park, 11733 Old Baltimore Pike, Vansville

BELTSVILLE RECREATION COUNCIL

Monday, Nov. 18 at 7 p.m. at the Beltsville Community Center, 3900 Sellman Road, Beltsville

YOUNG AT HEART CLUB

1st & 3rd Thursdays at 11 a.m. at the Beltsville Community Center

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIBRARY (NAL)

10301 Baltimore Ave. The library is free and open to the public. Parking is free. Hours of operation: Mon. – Fri. from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except for federal holidays. NAL is one of four national libraries of the United States. Call 301.504.5876 for information on basic services, resources, and special events. See NAL at www.nal.usda.gov or on Twitter at http://twitter.com/#!/National_Ag_Lib.

BEHNKE NURSERIES GARDEN CENTER

11300 Baltimore Ave. Please call 301.937.1100, ext. 0. or see www.Behnkes.com for more information.

6TH ANNUAL CRAFT SHOW AND SALE

Sat., Nov. 9 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Free admission. Visit with crafters and artisans while discovering new and unique treasures. Plus, look for Toys for Tots and a big charity raffle.

BELTSVILLE LIBRARY

Special Notice: The Beltsville Library renovation closing date is set. The last day open for the Beltsville Library will be Sat., Nov. 9, 2013. The Beltsville branch will be closed for approximately six (6) months for renovation. The Greenbelt Library branch will be available during this time: it is located at 11 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770. Phone: 301-345-5800.

The new and improved Beltsville branch will include: 43 public computers; 6 study rooms; An enhanced children's area with a story book theme and a castle; Wireless laptop areas; A quiet study room and conference room; A new customer service desk; A bookstore café with vending machines; A public fax; A new meeting room kitchenette; New windows and lighting; New carpeting and paint. Hours of operation for the Beltsville branch, until closing for renovation, are Mon. – Tue. from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Wed. – Fri. from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Sat. from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., closed on Sun.. Contact the Beltsville Library by phone at 301.937.0294. Visit us at 4319 Sellman Rd., Beltsville, next door to the police station. Visit our library system website at www.pgcmis.info. FOLLOWING ARE PROGRAMS FOR THE BELTSVILLE LIBRARY DURING THE WEEK OF NOV. 4:

PROGRAM FOR ADULTS

Beltsville Friends of the Library will meet on Tue., Nov. 5 at 6:30 p.m.

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

STORYTIME

Wed., Nov. 6 at 10:30 a.m. For children 3 - 5 years old.

TODDLER TIME

Wed., Nov. 6 at 11:30 a.m. For children 18 - 36 months with a caregiver.

BELTSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

Address: 3900 Sellman Rd., Beltsville. Phone: 301.937.6613. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512. The Program Specialist is Michael Hansborough. He can be contacted by phone or at Michael.Hansborough@pgparks.com. Regular hours of operation are: Mon. – Thu. from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Fri. from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Sat. from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., closed on Sun.. Hours of operation for Xtreme Teens and Pre-teens: Fri.s and Sat.s from 7:00 p.m. to 10 p.m.

HAT, MITTEN, AND CANNED GOOD DRIVE

The Holidays are a time for happiness and giving. Help give a smile by making a donation of lightly used hats, mittens or a canned good donation here at the community center. All of the donations will go to a local homeless shelter to help those less fortunate have a better holiday season.

COLLEGE SAVINGS PLAN SEMINAR

Wed., Nov. 6 at 7:00 p.m. The cost of a higher education is rising faster than the inflation rate. The goal of this seminar is to show parents the value of utilizing tax-advantaged products for their children's college savings and why they should act now rather than later. All ages welcome. Free.

CARD MAKING TRY ME SESSION

Thu., Nov. 7 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Ready to create your own personalized greeting cards? Working with various media, you will learn the basics as well as tricks of the trade of how to construct beautiful cards in this seminar. Ages: 16 and up. Free.

COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR

Sat., Nov. 23 from 10:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Come visit us as we host our Annual Health Fair in collaboration with the Beltsville Recreation Center.

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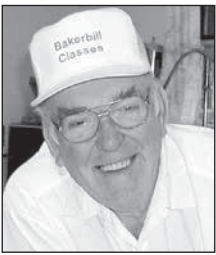
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Baker Bill

STUFF 'N THINGS

I want to start off this month with a big thank you for driving with your lights on. Now, the new shows I call soaps, they can't tell a whole story in time allotted because all have added a new 5 minute commercial, every 10 minutes. My favorite show was NCIS but it is so complicated this year and the story is so cut up it's hard to keep up with. In one shot Gibbs is talking at the Navy yard the next he's in Iran being shot at with no foundation in the story. I guess I'll need to find a new show to like.

Here's a thought. Have you noticed whenever there is a commercial or show and someone is barbecuing, the cook has 5 half smokes and 4 or 5 hamburgers on the grill but only 1 or 2 persons to eat them. I notice stuff like that! I also notice that many movies do not make sense, for example, in chase scenes they have tires squealing on dirt roads.

As you know I was a Bakery owner for 40 years, a bakery master and an instructor. I also took 2 years to learn how to be

a TV producer and I was certified! Now I'm just certifiable. I did the TV thing to learn how to produce my own Baker Bill tapes for resale. But you can not make a tape alone; I learned that the hard way. I also went to a company that makes tapes and found out the first prototype would cost over \$5,000 dollars.

When I started this monthly blog it was called Baker Bill's baking tips. I got to thinking about that and maybe I should do that again. If you are baking a cake and you put nuts in it many times they wind up all on the bottom. Here's a tip, coat the nuts with flour first and they will stay in place. This is because cake becomes liquid when baking. I have a great recipe for fruit cake. It's so good you won't give it away like the ones they sell in the barber shop. First purchase the pound tub of candied fruit from the supermarket. They will carry it soon if not today. Then drop me a line and I will send the recipe to you with all the side notes. Yea, it's that

good. It's so good you'll rename it because the name fruit cake has a bad rap. Call it Holiday Cake? Here's another kitchen tip, wash all non-stick pans by hand. The dish washer will remove the non stick coating in two washings.

This is the time or the year to make bread. Just go to my website, www.bakerbill.net, click on recipes scroll down to bread you'll find a few hundred there. Now when you purchase the yeast, do not keep in the fridge or freezer. If you do the moisture it will pick up will kill it so you will need to buy more. Costco sells a pound of yeast for just a couple of bucks. I know a pound will last you the rest of your life. Keep it in sealed mason jars; it will keep dry for 2 years or more. I have used yeast 5 years old. In the bakery we use mostly wet yeast but keep the dry as backup. As always if you have questions about baking or need help with a recipe call me any afternoon at 301.572.4180 or drop a line to bill@bakerbill.net.

Baker Bill aka William Raulin

School News

Eleanor Roosevelt High School News

The Fall Concert at Eleanor Roosevelt High School is scheduled for Friday November 8th at 7:30pm. The Concert will feature: the Concert Orchestra and the Chamber Orchestra both directed by Dr. David Yarbrough, the Wind Ensemble and the Concert Band directed by Ms. Sally Wagner, and the Men's Ensemble and the Gospel Choir directed by Ms. Michele Fowlin. The ERHS music pro-

gram draws students from all over northern Prince George's County.

The annual ERHS Music Program Florida Citrus Fruit Sale is in full swing. Freshly picked oranges and grapefruit are for sale each month October through March. The proceeds of the fruit sale are used to provide quality instruments and music for the band and orchestra program. To order fruit call, please call the ERHS Fruit

Line at 301-345-5393.

HIGH ROAD

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allows "Comfort Liaisons" to create beautiful hand-crocheted pink and white blankets for our partner hospitals' newly diagnosed breast cancer patients. These blankets are provided free of charge to the patient as a symbol of strength and encouragement and reminder that they are not in this fight alone.

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

HRUS Director Michelle Anderson's mother was the recipi-

ent of one of those special blankets in February 2010. "This is a cause that is very dear to my heart. My mother, god-mother and a family friend of over 30 years are breast cancer survivors. It starts off as just 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 who 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!"

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Youth Fellowship	6:00pm
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Tuesdays & Thursdays:
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Wednesdays:

*Adult Bible Study & Prayer	7:00pm
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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



Special Events In November
Nov. 3: All Saints Sunday
Nov. 10: International Services followed by Potluck
Nov. 26 at 7:30: Community Thanksgiving Service
Nov. 28 at 3:00: Community Thanksgiving Meal





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ation Council and the University of Maryland College Park. There will be tips, information, and screenings promoting good health and wellness. Minimal fees will be charged for vaccinations and/or specific types of screenings. All ages welcome. Free admission.

STRATEGY GAME CLUB

Mon's from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Enjoy board games and 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. Games include: Small World, Steel Driver, and Age of Industry. Free. All ages.

XTREME TEEN REGULAR EVENTS

Fri.s and Sat.s from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Free with valid Center ID card. Ages 13 – 17.

VANSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

6813 Ammendale Rd., Vansville. Phone: 301.937.6621. Fax: 301.937.6623. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512. The Director is Jeremy Weiss. He can be contacted by phone or at Jeremy.Weiss@pgparks.com. Regular hours of operation as well as weight room hours for September through June: Mon. – Thu. from 2:00 p.m. to 9 p.m., Fri. from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Sat. from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., and Sun. from 12 noon to 3:00 p.m. Hours of operation for Xtreme Teens: Fri.s and Sat.s from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. GEAR (Girls Excited About Recreation) hours and events are Sat.s from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

XTREME TEENS REGULAR EVENTS

Fri.s and Sat.s from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Ages 13 – 17. Free with valid Center ID card.

GET GEARED UP FOR WINTER

Select Fri.s and Sat.s November – December. Young ladies, are you looking for some fun things to do with your girlfriends ONLY!? Get hip to some awesome programs just for our G.E.A.R. (Girls Excited About Recreation) participants! See our G.E.A.R. program schedule for details. Ages 10 – 12. Free (must have your M-NCPPC ID).

CAFE GROOVE

Fri., Nov. 1 from 7 – 9 p.m. The Vans Coffee House is hosting its 5th Annual Café Groove. We'll participate in live entertainment and if you're gutsy get on stage and you can become part of the show! Ages 10-12. \$3. (Must have your M-NCPPC ID).

NO SCHOOL NOVEMBER

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