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Beltsville Briefs

Superheroes Coming to Movies Under the Stars This Summer

This summer Emmanuel United Methodist Church will hold it's 4th annual Movies Under the Stars on Friday evenings beginning July 8th and running every Friday until August 19th. Movies are shown outdoors on a large inflatable screen; if it rains the movies will be shown on our large screen in our sanctuary. This year will be the Summer of Superheroes, where each week we will highlight a different superhero for you to enjoy! This outdoor movie series is free and open to the public. You may bring blankets, chairs, or anything else to sit on. You can bring food and snacks to share (no alcoholic beverages, please). Free popcorn is available most evenings. Movies begin at approximately 8:15 p.m. We are located at 11416 Cedar Lane in Beltsville. Any questions, please feel free to call us at 301.937.7114 or email us at office@emmanuelumbeltsville. The schedule is as follows:

- July 8 - Batman
- July 15 - The Incredible Hulk
- July 22 - X2: X-Men United
- July 29 - Iron Man
- Aug. 5 - Superman II
- Aug. 12 - Spiderman
- Aug. 19 - The Fantastic Four

The last three weeks will also be a part of our Sunday Morning sermon series: "Movie Mash-Ups." This is a great family event for everyone! We hope to see you there!

Basket Bingo

St. Joseph's Parish will conduct a Basket Bingo on Friday evening, July 15th, in the Parish Hall at 11011 Montgomery Road from 7:00 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. (non-smoking). Come join us for this fun-filled event. Bingo winners will receive speciality baskets, pottery and home accessories. There will be door prizes and raffles, too! Tickets are available for \$10.00 (in advance) daily at the school and parish offices or at the door. Refreshments are available.

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Boy Scouts Visit U.S. District Court in Greenbelt

As part of the requirements for earning the Boy Scout Law Merit Badge, scouts in Beltsville Troop 1033 recently attended a sentencing hearing and visited the chambers of Judge Alexander Williams, Jr., a Federal Judge on the United States District Court for the District of Maryland. Scouts were able to personally speak with Judge Williams and to tour parts of the courthouse. The sentencing hearing was exciting, and the scouts learned quite a bit from witnessing the hearing and from asking Judge Williams plenty of questions!

This trip was organized by Mr. Kevin d'Eustachio, a parent volunteer who has children in both cub scouts and girl scouts. The courthouse visit was attended by Assistant Scout Master,



Scouts and Judge Alexander Williams, Jr.

Rick Deery, and the following boy scouts: Lucas Yarmas, Justin Nowlin, Eric Matthews, Adrienne Villarroel, Al Diagne, Charleston Laymon, and Curtis Gill. Girl

Scouts in attendance were Charlotte Gill and Grace d'Eustachio. A fun and very educational time was had by all!



The newly opened WaWa store.



The property before it was developed for the WaWa store.

Development in Beltsville

The property where this new Wawa store is located was previously owned by the Salute family, who operated a package store and Phillips 66 service station until their retirement. The Salute family solicited the services of long time commercial real estate broker, Brian Hobbs of Hobbs Associates, Inc.

to market the property. Ultimately, Beltsville developer Philip Gottfried acquired the property and with the services of Hobbs, worked with local county officials to obtain approvals for a Wawa store. Thank you, Beltsville Community, for your support.

St. Joseph's Regional Catholic School's 6th Grade Bakes with Solar Ovens



St. Joseph's Regional Catholic School's 6th Grade science class finished out the school year studying energy and made solar ovens. Students constructed their own ovens with pizza boxes, plastic wrap, black construction paper, and also had the food ingredients available to be baked. They baked chocolate chip cookies, and s'mores. The students attempted to bake eggs (unsuccessfully). Unfortunately, the solar ovens did not get hot enough that day to bake the eggs. We had great fun baking our food with no electricity or gas! Students learned about alternative energy sources and about the power of solar energy under the direction

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On the Agenda

BY PRESIDENT KAREN M. COAKLEY

Our District 21 representatives, Senator Rosapepe, and Delegates Frush, Barnes and Pena-Melnyk will be our guests at the July meeting. They will give an update on the 2011 legislative session in Annapolis. The update will be followed by a question and answer session. Bring a friend ...bring a neighbor. If you have a concern that you would like District 21 to address please let me know by July 15th.



Karen Coakley

HIGH POINT NEWS: I would like to Thank Rebecca Garcia, High Point's Acting Principal, for stepping up to the plate and restoring order at High Point. I was hoping that an announcement for the new principal would have been made by the time we went to print for the July issue, but unfortunately no news. The PTSA is planning a community welcome for the new principal this summer. If you would like to receive an email please let me know.

SUMMER SAFETY TIPS: Slow down when the children in your community are out of school; please watch out for them! Vacation tips: Make sure while you are away to have your grass cut, newspapers and mail picked up. DO NOT post your travel plans on Internet media sites like facebook and make sure that your children are not doing this either.

Police National Night Out is

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25 Years Ago in the Beltsville News

By Phil Whitman

*Extracted from the
July 1986 issue*

Academy Appointment

John T. Radko of Beltsville was appointed to the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy.

County Council Honors W. H. Hunt

W. Howard Hunt, 75, of Beltsville, was named a grand prize winner for his volunteer work.

Beltsville News Award

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sadler,

editors of the Beltsville News, were awarded the Toastmasters International Communications Achievement Award on June 24, 1986. The Sadlers moved to Beltsville in 1946 and began editing the paper in 1963.

Service News

Sgt. James O. Dunlap III was awarded the Army Achievement Medal in West Germany.

Navy Ensign John E. Weires was designated a Naval Aviator after 18 months of training.

Nave Elected Fellow

W. Ralph Nave of the U.S.D.A.

in Beltsville was selected as a Fellow of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers.

Obituaries

Richard D. Romanello died suddenly while visiting his brother, Victor, in Beltsville.

Catherine Hankshaw Jamison, 87, retired accountant, died in her home in McLean.

John Cameron Manley, 67, of Beltsville, passed away at the Greater Laurel-Beltsville Hospital after a long illness.

BAPS Charities 10th Annual Health Fair Promotes Wellness



Health Fair inauguration ceremony

Beltsville, Maryland – The thought of periodic health check-ups is daunting for many; however, early detection and prevention is the key to a healthier life. Preventable ailments such as cardiovascular diseases and diabetes are largely prevalent across the United States. Recognizing early detection and prevention as vital for the well-being of communities, BAPS Charities dedicated May 2011 as Health Fair Month and organized a community health fair on Sunday, May 15, 2011 in Beltsville, MD. This year's Health Fair was organized with the volunteer help from 47 physicians, 102 paramedical and 125 non-paramedical and served over 860 patients attending the events.

During the health fair inauguration, guests received a traditional garland welcome and were presented with a gift of appreciation. The event was attended by special guests Dr. Joshua M. Sharfstein, Secretary of Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; Dr. Donald Shell, Prince Georges County Health Officer; Ms. Bonnie Phillips, President and CEO of St. Agnes Healthcare; and Dr. Rob-

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Beltsville Business Headliner Speakers

By Paul G. Zurkowski, GBBA President

Strategic Planning

The June 15 Greater Beltsville Business Association breakfast reached a new level of involvement with corporate and community activities. Reflecting the board's interest in strategic planning, Angie Segal, owner of ACTIONCoach, with many years of experience coaching businesses, addressed what happens to a small business without a strategic plan.

"Running a business without a strategic plan, is like trying to find a store without knowing the city or location. A lot of time and energy is spent without getting there," Ms. Segal said.

She said it was vital to define your company's goals, to establish quarterly steps toward those goals, and to have sales, training, and profit measurements in place enabling the owner every week to know what progress is being made that quarter. With about two hours a week, plans for the subsequent quarter can be adjusted to take into account each quarter's experience. After a few months of planning the work and working the plan, the owner will enjoy the luxury of taking a vacation knowing a strategy is in place and it works without constant detailed supervision.

Ms. Segal said the same process can be created for a volunteer board of a non-profit organization but it requires a strategic planning process of at least half a day to align the personal and business interests of the board members. Only then will goals and objectives for the organization emerge with detailed ways to achieve success. Progress toward the goals also can be measured in quarterly increments.

Talk with Ms. Segal about how these ideas apply to your company. Call her at Action COACH (301.252.5232).



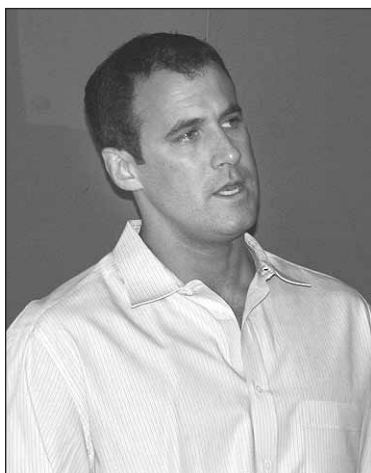
Angie Segal, owner Action Coach, targeted small businesses and non-profit associations with strategic planning suggestions.

Increased Safety for Businesses

Officer Kenneth Hibbert, District 6, Prince George's County Police, said the police will make a free safety check of your home and/or business to identify ways to increase your safety. He highlighted the need to write down the serial numbers of all the equipment you own. With so much electronic gear now in use, the police can't be sure the equipment they find at a used equipment store is yours without your serial number.

Officer Hibbert also warned that if your GPS unit is stolen from your car while you are at a sports event, the thief will know you won't be home for the next 3 to 4 hours. By clicking on your GPS directions to your "home" the thief will have an invitation and directions to come "shopping" at your place. In case his GPS gets swiped Hibbert said he set up GPS directions to "home" to guide the thief to the nearest Walmart instead.

Hibbert is the Chair of the District 6 Police Night Out to be held August 2 at the 6th District. He was joined by Karen Coakley, President, Beltsville Citizens Association in urging GBBA members to volunteer in making the event a success. District 6 served 2800



New Beltsville Recycling business! Andrew Springer, of Sun Services, a Beltsville demolition and salvage company, spoke at a recent breakfast meeting of the Greater Beltsville Business Association.

people dinner last year and that requires a lot of volunteers. It's a great opportunity for you and your business to meet all these Beltsville folks and to support the police in this annual community celebration of their service. All



Officer Kenneth Hibbert, District 6, Prince George's County Police, offered Beltsville businesses practical advice on safeguarding their homes and businesses and invited business participation in National Night Out on August 2, 2011 at District 6 headquarters.

volunteers will be asked to help for just one hour, leaving time to eat and be merry with everyone else. Please call 301.931.8222 if you can pitch in for the Police, the community and your business.

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PGCFCU teams up with PGPD and SHA to conduct Buckle Up for a Buck for the 4th year in a row

Prince George's County, Maryland...Prince George's Community Federal Credit Union (PGCFCU), State Highway Administration (SHA) and the Prince George's County Police Department, teamed up to host this year's Buckle Up for a Buck for Safety Awareness month in May.

The novel program, funded by Prince George's Community Federal Credit Union, is intended

to draw attention to the value of seatbelt use in the county with the state's highest highway fatality rate. There were 567 fatalities who were reportedly unbelted drivers or occupants in Maryland between 2007 and 2009. (National Study Center) Aided by the national "Click It or Ticket" program, seatbelt use in the county has increased from 80 percent in 2008 to 93 percent, the SHA said.

Sleepless in Beltsville

The strong summer rays feel great this time of year, except of course, when they are streaking into your bedroom underneath your blinds and shades, waking you up earlier than what you want, leaving you tired with red, rimmed eyes. That exhausted feeling is definitely a drag on the rest of the day. The design pros at Will's Home Decorating, Valerie Kabelac and Michael Richards, are frequently asked, particularly this time of year, what can be done to keep the sun out. They have heard from many in the Beltsville community that the sun is not only waking them up in the morning, but also is damaging their furniture, artwork and flooring, leaving it faded, dry and lifeless.



Valerie and Michael invite you to drop in to discuss draperies, shades and blinds.

Valerie and Michael have a several suggestions to keep the sun out in the mornings. First, add an additional layer to the windows, such as draperies, lined with a thermal suede lining. According to Valerie, to achieve complete room darkening, "place a block out lining on a separate rod behind the drapery. This will allow you to operate it separately so that during the day, you can open up the block out layer so the room will not be completely dark all of the time." Second, consider blinds such as the Hunter Douglas honeycomb duette shades or vignettes. These blinds are made with a solid piece of fabric, instead of blinds that contain individual slats. Even if the slats of an aluminum or wood blind are pulled tightly, the sun still manages to creep in between the slats. Third, if you prefer blinds, Michael recommends that you mount them on the outside of the frame instead of the inside of the frame, covering the entire frame. When mounted on the inside, there is a light gap that comes in on the sides, especially with roller shades, where the fabric is never as wide as the roller of the shade. Michael and Valerie would be delighted to assist you in creating the perfect room to suit your needs. Stop by Will's Home Decorating today and get started on your home design project.

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Neighbors in the News

Christian Zurkowski, a Thinking Designer, Graduates from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago

(Havre de Grace, MD June 7, 2011) Christian Zurkowski received his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago on May 21, 2011. He is the recipient of the 2011 Betsy Karp Award given by the Designed Objects Department of the Department of Architecture, Interior Architecture and Designed Objects to the graduating senior who has attained the highest achievement in his senior year. Christian earned a perfect score on his Advanced Design senior project. The Betsy Karp award reflects the School of the Art Institute of Chicago's goals: "Future designers will need to be thinking designers – willing to explore unknown territory and engage problems not yet defined, taking risks while confident enough to find opportunity in failure."

Christian grew up on a small horse farm near Havre de Grace, MD and is a graduate of John Carroll High School, Bel Air, MD where he excelled academically especially in a variety of art forms.



Christian Zurkowski (right, front), Designed Objects graduate of the School of the Art Institute of Chicago is accompanied by his Mom and Dad, Grandmother, and brother and sister: (l.-r.) Christine Zurkowski, Margaret B. Zurkowski, of Beltsville, MD, Coleman A. Zurkowski, Claire Zurkowski, and Lt. Col. Paul C. Zurkowski, to the Art Institute of Chicago for his graduation.

He earned three scholarships upon graduating from John Carroll.

Christian plans to reside in Chicago and pursue a career in Designed Objects/Industrial Design. See www.coroflot.com/pzurko for his design portfolio.

Christian is the oldest grandchild of Peg and Paul G. Zurkowski of Beltsville, MD.

His maternal grandparents, Wayne and Evelyn Siegel, originally from Pennsylvania, now live in a wing added to the 1840's stone house listed as a Maryland Historical Site, the family residence of the Paul and Christine Zurkowski family, Havre de Grace, MD.

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Pharmacist Rakhi De

fills compounding prescriptions, and upon request does unit dose packing for convenience. The pharmacy has free prescription delivery service and will price-match any pharmacy. There will be practically no waiting time to fill prescriptions. Pharmacist and owner Rakhi De takes personal care of every patient, providing counseling on prescriptions and over the counter medicines. Beltsville Pharmacy will be providing immunizations soon.

Money One Federal Credit Union Now Offers MoneyIsland™ An Online World That Teaches Kids Invaluable Financial Life Lessons

Largo, MD (June 2011) – Money One announces the availability of MoneyIsland, an educational and entertaining online world that helps tweens ages 8 to 14 in three key financial areas: Saving & Spending, Earning & Investing and Using Credit Wisely. Kids go on adventurous quests to exotic destinations, while becoming financial gurus along the way. Meanwhile, parents and teachers have access to an administrator tool where they can track progress and assist in the learning experience.

Financial literacy is at an all-time low in the United States, which means many children are not receiving the knowledge and skills needed for a successful future. Fortunately, the general

public is becoming more aware of the problem. In fact, research shows that 91 percent of parents are interested in providing a better financial education for their kids' but they need a solution that imparts the right lessons in a way they are not always able to provide. That's where Money One Federal Credit Union helps with MoneyIsland.

"As an active member of our community, a big part of our responsibility is helping at the local level and educating kids about money-management is a great way to make an impact," says Cheryl Pyle, Membership Development Officer of Money One. "Offering MoneyIsland helps parents and teachers address an important challenge for the

children of our community and instill lifelong financial literacy lessons."

MoneyIsland is a virtual world for kids that not only makes learning fun but also tracks and encourages the development of their financial literacy. As they journey to fantastic destinations like the Eiffel Tower and Atlantis, they learn real-life principles of monetary responsibility. For added encouragement, rewards are built into the game and include a choice of a \$10 Money One gift card, a Cool MoneyIsland™ T-Shirt or \$10 iTunes® gift card. Plus, coverage in our member newsletter and a personal note from our very own president to help youngsters stay

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Neighbors in the News

Kathryn L. Kotula, Ph.D. Elected IFT Fellow

Kathryn L. Kotula, Ph.D. was elected to the 2011 Fellows of Institute of Food Technologists. She was awarded a plaque commemorating this honor during the annual IFT meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana on 11 June 2011. Dr. Kotula, Senior Investigative Food Scientist, at *Investigative Food Sciences*, was honored for her ability to explain complex scientific concepts in a manner easily understood by non-scientists, as a way to assist the food industry with lawsuits, processing issues, and consumer education outreach.

The IFT Fellow designation is an honor bestowed upon an IFT member by previously elected Fellows, recognizing exemplary professionalism, and outstanding and extraordinary contributions in the field of food science and technology. In a given year, no more than 0.3 percent of the professional membership of IFT is eligible, and even fewer actually earn this honor.

Founded in 1939, the Institute of Food Technologists is a nonprofit scientific society with more than 18,000 national and international members working in food science, food technology, and related professions in industry, academia, and government. IFT serves as a conduit for multidisciplinary science through leadership, championing the use of sound science through knowledge sharing, education, and advocacy. Dr. Kotula has been an active member of IFT since 1982, when she joined as a student member.

Kathy was raised in Beltsville, and attended Crescent Kindergarten, St. Joseph's Elementary School, Beltsville Junior High School, and High Point High School. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Animal Science and Master of Science in Food Science from the University of Maryland. She earned her Doctorate in Food Science and Technology from Cornell University, with minors in Human Nutrition and Microbiology. Dr. Kotula then became a professor at the University of Delaware.

In 1996, Dr. Kotula moved to Storrs, Connecticut to be near family and to create her own consultancy, *Investigative Food*



Kathryn L. Kotula, Ph.D.

Sciences. Kathy is a recognized authority on the safety and quality of poultry, red meat, dairy, eggs, and seafood, as well as production, processing, regulatory compliance, distribution, warehousing, and consumption issues. She advises companies involved in litigation and arbitration cases centered on food-borne illness outbreaks and product spoilage.

Kathy's science-based investigations and advice have provided an extremely valuable service to food producers and processors, and have allowed them to successfully defend lawsuits against them, and protect their reputations. She has saved food producers and processors funds (more than \$79 million), and, more importantly, their reputations. Kathy also serves as a processing authority in matters of regulatory compliance and processing innovations.

Dr. Kotula has also presented science-based food safety and handling concepts to consumers nationwide, and in Canada, through numerous TV and radio appearances, and in popular print. Elementary and middle school students, adults and senior citizens have benefited from Kathy's knowledge through her community outreach program, in which she gives presentations on basic food safety, microbiology, and food science.

Kathy is the daughter of Dr. Anthony and Mrs. Joan Kotula, long time residents of Beltsville.

town Prep. Our 8th grade students earned over \$75,000 in academic and performing arts scholarships. We are very proud of the great heights that this 8th grade class attained and wish them all the best as they continue their academic and spiritual growth in high school.

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of science teacher Mrs. Pappas.

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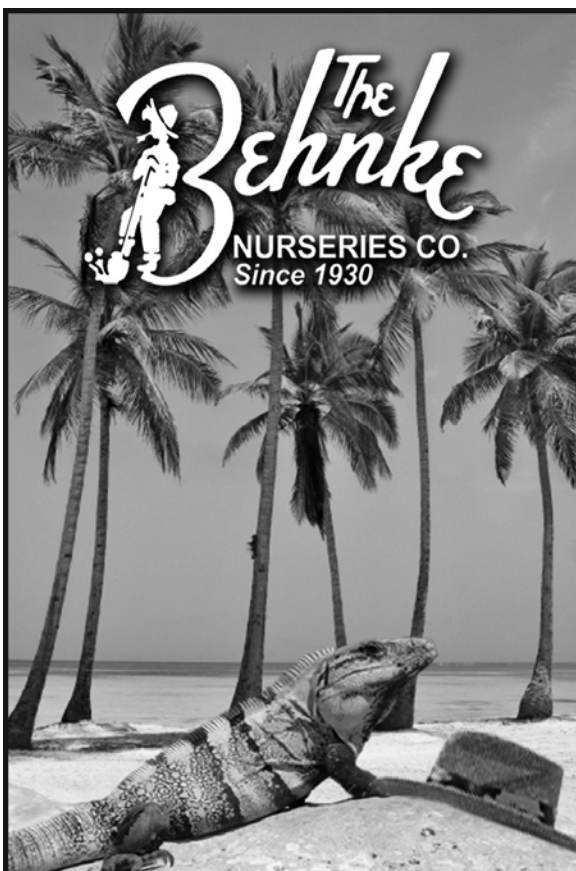
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RESCHEDULED Chicken Barbecue and Community Yard Sale at Emmanuel United Methodist Church

Emmanuel United Methodist Church will be holding a community yard sale and chicken barbecue on Saturday July 16th from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. and anyone and everyone is invited. So if you have some items in your home that you would like to find a new home for, rent a table and join us for this fun event. You can rent tables for \$10 each. If you would like to reserve a table e-mail Rick Bergmann at rick.bergmann@emmanuelumcbeltsville.net or call at 301.937.7114 no later than July 10. All proceeds from the sale of food and rental of tables will go to help Emmanuel update and renovate its kitchen facilities. Emmanuel is located at 11416 Cedar Lane in Beltsville.

Vansville's 10th Annual Community Day Celebration Scheduled for July 17th

The Vansville Heights Civic Association will be hosting the 10th Annual Community Day celebration co-sponsored by Queen's Chapel United Methodist Church. This FREE event will take place on Sunday, July 17, 2011 from 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. at Vansville Park located at 11733 Old Baltimore Pike, Beltsville, MD 20705. Come out and enjoy fellowship with your fellow members of the community. There will be demonstrations, vendors, entertainment, food, showcases and MUCH MORE. For more information, please contact the Vansville Heights Civic Association at

301.937.4177 or the Queen's Chapel UMC office at 301.937.7122. Hope to see you there.

Crab Feast at the William F. Smith Ameri- can Legion Post #235

The William F. Smith American Legion Post #235 and Ladies Auxiliary will host a Crab Feast on Saturday, July 23, 2011 from 2:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. CRABS WILL BE SERVED FROM 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. ONLY. The cost is \$40 per person. Adults only - you must be 21 years old to attend. American Legion Post #235 is located at 7813 Muirkirk Road, Beltsville, MD. For tickets, contact Theda Young (301.210.6225), Danzell Lomax (240.305.6125), or William Lomax (301.937.4110).

Beltsville Lions Blood Drive

The Beltsville Lions cordially invite your participation in their quarterly blood drive on Tuesday, July 26, from 3:00 to 6:45 p.m. at the Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane. Professional staff of the Washington Hospital Center, MedStar will conduct the blood donations.

The donations are done in a very efficient manner, and waiting time is kept at a minimum. Please consider donating if you are able to do so. You could give no better gift to someone in dire need of a transfusion.

If you can do it and are interested in helping with a blood donation, please call Lion Ted Ladd at 301.937.6796 or e-mail tedladd02@aol.com to schedule a time, or you may just walk in. Appointments are at 15-minute intervals starting at 3:00 p.m.

Annual National Night Out

The 28th annual National Night Out will be held on Tuesday, August 2nd between the hours of 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. at Prince George's County Police Department District VI located at 4321 Sellman Road in Beltsville (next to the Library).

There will be crime preventive tactics and many other displays to include a K-9 demonstration, police motorcycles, new police cruisers, police mountain bikes, horse mounted unit, police explorers, jr. investigators, drug display, bomb robot, military hum-v, radar and laser station, fire trucks and tankers, property i.d. stations, preventive auto theft station, and many others.

There are many free activities including a moon bounce, baseball fast pitch station, football throwing competition, basketball shoot out, child i.d. kits, arts and crafts station, and much more.

There will be plenty of free food and drinks. Just to name a few items on the menu: hotdogs, hamburgers, cheeseburgers, veggie burgers, fried rice, pizza, barbecue beans, many cold salads, cakes, cookies, pies, and much more.

ALL ACTIVITIES, FOOD, DRINKS AND FUN ARE FREE.

To volunteer for National Night Out, please call the COPS unit at 301.937.0910.

Tackle Football Offered at Beltsville-Adelphi Boys & Girls Club

The Beltsville Adelphi Boys and Girls Club is bringing Tackle Football back to the community. All Kids, Ages 5-16!!! Registration for the Tackle Season is now available!!!

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Prince George's Herb Society

The Prince George's Herb Society would like to extend an invitation to join us. Meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Montpelier Mansion in Laurel.

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Neighbors in the News

Orndorff & Spaid, Inc. Receives Recognition From Carlisle Syntec

Orndorff & Spaid, Inc. recently received a letter from Carlisle Syntec congratulating them for receiving the Carlisle 2011 Excellence in Single Ply (ESP) Award. The award is described in the letter as one of the most prestigious in the commercial roofing industry. ESP was created 14 years ago to identify and reward Carlisle's most successful contractors. The letter states that ESP status is given out annually to a small percentage of Carlisle's

most dedicated and professionally minded applicators, and selection into this elite group is based on a company's volume and quality of Carlisle single-ply roofing systems.

Carlisle credits Orndorff & Spaid, Inc. with installing and warranting 33,384,768 square feet of Carlisle's single-ply roofing system over the years and completing 1,084 Perfect 10 installations, as judged by Carlisle's final inspection process.

Carlisle's letter states that Orndorff & Spaid, Inc. is a company that gives unyielding dedication to quality, and this factor coupled with their sheer volume of installations allowed them to receive the ESP distinction. The letter cites the company as one of a select group of authorized applicators to receive this honor, solidifying their elite status with Carlisle's contractor recognition program.

BAPS

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ert Gold, Dean, School of Public Health at University of Maryland. A brief update of BAPS health fair efforts along with statistics obtained from blood work (i.e. lipids, glucose level) were presented to participating doctors.

In addressing the audience, Dr. Sharfstein commended the tremendous efforts of all the volunteers and noted the importance of follow-up activities to address patient health care needs. Dr. Shell noted the commitment of BAPS Charities in improving the lives of local residents in Prince George's County as well as people around the world through its service to mankind. He emphasized the need for a Comparative Effectiveness Study to be conducted for BAPS Charities Health Fairs in order to determine healthcare cost savings through avoidance of major health issues. Ms. Phillips was impressed with the level of organization following her tour of the medical facilities provided at BAPS Charities Health Fair in Beltsville.

This health fair offered a range of services and information for children and adults. A number of volunteer healthcare specialists were involved including physicians, pharmacists, dentists and nurses. Specialists in the fields of cardiology, pediatrics, gynecology, orthopedics, geriatrics, dental, ENT, vision, endocrinology, and pain management were on hand to provide personal consultations to over 860 visitors. Dr. Nilay Thaker emphasized the need for educating individuals to empower them in taking charge of their and their family's health.

All participants received preliminary physical examinations and had their blood pressure, blood sugar level and body mass index measured. Dr. Natan Shah, pediatrician, who has been participating for the past ten years, spoke about encountering many patients with poor nutrition, specifically lack of protein in Indian children, a specific case finding of sickle cell anemia in one child, and being able to assist in improving individual lives through the most minor of adjustments (eye glass positioning).

Participating dentists Dr. Paulomi Desai and Dr. Lisa Patel emphasized the impact of poor dental health on other health issues. They both stressed the importance of routine checkups to detect and prevent dental issues that have greater consequences if not detected early. In speaking about her four-year involvement with the BAPS Charities Health Fair, Dr. Desai stated, "I am glad I can make a difference by educating patients and stressing the value of prevention."

"I learned that I need to eat low fat food and exercise regularly to help my cholesterol," said nine-year-old Anand. Dad Sharad mentioned that he and his family have benefited from the services provided at the health fair for the past five years, and specifically cited the "family type attention and extended time" received from doctors during consultations.

"In the spirit of the saying, 'an ounce of prevention is worth more than a pound of cure', BAPS Charities Health Fair is educating individuals about potential risk factors and prevention methods to improve their quality of life." Many people in the United States do not seek healthcare due to lack of affordability. BAPS Charities aims to create a new culture of preventative health care through interactive health fairs and educational seminars.

"Dedicated volunteers, local physicians, and community organizations from the greater Washington D.C. all contributed to the success of this event," said Dr. Nayan Shah, chairperson of local BAPS Charities Health Fair committee. "With their support, BAPS Charities provided this service to members of the community."

This BAPS Charities Health

Fair in Washington D.C. is one of over 40 such fairs which BAPS Charities organizes annually throughout North America. In total, over 2,500 health care professionals from local communities treated nearly 12,500 participants across the nation.

In India, BAPS Charities regularly provides treatment to villagers in remote areas and manages nine charitable hospitals and 11 mobile medical vans, which have treated over two million patients to date. Throughout the year, BAPS Charities hosts Health Fairs, Blood Donation Drives, Flu Vaccination Drives, Health Awareness Lectures, Walkathons, education and career development seminars, disaster relief operations, blood drives and much more. BAPS Charities sincerely serves the community, by improving the quality of life of individuals and families.

About BAPS Charities

BAPS Charities is a 501(c)(3) registered nonprofit international charity organization committed to sincerely serving the world by caring for individuals, families, and communities. It is affiliated with BAPS as an independent charity and social services arm. The 55,000 BAPS volunteers networked in over 3,300 centers around the world provide over 12 million volunteer-hours of service annually.

Among social service charities, BAPS Charities is a well-respected and trusted name. It has amassed over 50 years of firsthand experience in initiating, managing, and sustaining 160 humanitarian operations throughout the world in such diverse fields as: medical services, environmental services, community services, tribal services, and disaster relief services. For additional information on BAPS Charities and its international and local philanthropic activities, please visit www.bapscharities.org

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Neighbors in the News

Entertainment at the College Park Arts Exchange

There are many events occurring in July at the Old Parish House thanks to the College Park Arts Exchange. The Old Parish House is located at 4711 Knox Road, College Park, MD. The first event being held there is on July 8th at 7:30

p.m. and it will be a Middle Eastern Dance Concert. If you like international entertainment, this is the place to be. Come out and let local dancers Raq Sharki, Tribal Bellydance, and Tribal Fusion Dance treat you to a night of fun; you'll

be swept away by the energy they possess.

CPAE BOOK CLUB is hosting an event to discuss literary non-fiction by women. The book being discussed is *Defying Dixie*; by Glenda Elizabeth Gilmore how the struggle for freedom changed the South, the nation and the world. This event will take place on July 15th from 7:30 until 9:00 p.m.

New Old Theatre presents *Express*, an authentic nineteenth-century comedy in which four chairs represent a railroad compartment. A woman leaves the security of the ladies car for a less crowded accommodation. Is the curious gentleman sharing the compartment a dangerous escapee? These strangers strive to endure the journey in harmony. Come out on July 17th to be entertained. Fun for all ages! Two show times at 3:00 and 7:00 p.m.

If you would like to attend or would like more information about any of these events please contact the College Park Arts Exchange at info@cpae.org or 301.927.3013.

ON THE AGENDA

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just around the corner. The men and women at District 6 would like to invite the community to join them. There will be games for children and various displays from law enforcement, the Beltsville Volunteer Fire Department, Army, Navy, and Marines. Several community youth groups will also have displays. Last but not least the annual picnic. Mark your calendar for Tuesday, August 2nd, 6:00-8:00 p.m. If you can help for an hour or two please let me know. I will need volunteers to help from 5:00 -8:00 p.m. Thanks

Let me know if you have a question or concern about our community. I can be reached at 301.937.0157 or karenmcoakley@verizon.net



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Rosapepe's Report to Beltsville

By Senator Jim Rosapepe (D-21)

Join Us at July 20 Beltsville Citizens' Association Meeting

Delegates Barbara Frush, Ben Barnes, Joseline Peña-Melnik and I will be meeting with Beltsville residents to report on 2011 Maryland legislative session on Wednesday, July 20th, at the Beltsville Citizens' Association meeting. The event starts at 7:00 p.m. and will be located at Beltsville Academy. We'll discuss local issues such as:

- the proposed CSX truck stop in Beltsville, which we oppose; and,
- the new leadership at High Point High School and what we can do to help the school.

We'll also report and answer your questions on new state laws such as:

- new tough standards to crack down on PEPCO and BGE power failures;
- authority for Prince George's County workers to remove illegal signs from Route 1 and other state roads;
- new ethics laws to help County Executive Rushern Baker and Councilwoman Mary Lehman protect the county from the corruption of recent years;
- extended aid for the unemployed; and,
- restoring state funds for our local schools.

We invite you to share your views on important state and community issues.



Senator Jim Rosapepe

Save The Date – New Senior Citizen Center

The dedication ceremony for the new Laurel-Beltsville Senior Activity Center will be Tuesday, August 30 at 10:00 a.m. More information will be included in next month's Beltsville News. We worked closely with former County Councilman Tom Dernoga to get state and county funds to help build this new center. Come and see all it has to offer.

Join us at Vansville Day – Sunday, July 17

The Delegates and I are always there to chat with local residents — and celebrate the Vansville community in Beltsville. The event will be held Sunday afternoon at Vansville Park, located at the corner of Old Baltimore Pike and Ammendale Road. There are games for kids, music, food, great fellowship, and much more. Stop

by the 21st District Delegation's table where we'll have free maps — road, bicycle, and greenways — guides to festivals and other fun events around Maryland, and info on how to solve problems like high property assessments and unemployment. We look forward to seeing you and hearing your concerns.

Be in Touch

Please let us know if there are other issues you have questions or thoughts about. And, of course, feel free to be in touch if we can be of help to you. Just email 21stDistrictDelegation@gmail.com or call 301.858.3141.

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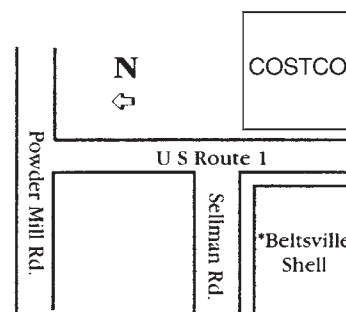


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Joshua Loyal Stewart Graduates from Gettysburg College

On May 22 Joshua Loyal Stewart graduated from Gettysburg College. Josh received his Bachelor of Arts with a major in Anthropology with honors and a minor in History. In the fall, he will be attending University of Massachusetts- Boston for his masters in Historical Archeology. Josh is a 2007 graduate of High Point High School. Josh is the son of Amy and Loyal Stewart of Beltsville, MD.

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Club News

College Park Post and Unit #217 Activities

By Ivy Christoffers

June was a month chock full of activities that included the Special Olympics Torch Run. America's First Defenders, our gallant policemen and women, braved the heat and started out from the court house in Hyattsville around 11:00 a.m., accompanied by some of our Special Olympics Athletes, and ran into our lot around noon. Prior to their arrival, several volunteers lovingly prepared hotdogs, hamburgers, chips, cookies, water and sodas for their lunch. Approximately 250 came by to refuel and rest up for their next leg of the trip that ended at Laurel Post #60. This is an annual event that we are pleased and honored to be involved in. The next special event was another annual affair. Our picnic held at Malone House at Walter Reed Medical Center for our "Wounded Warriors" and their families. This was attended by

around 300 guests along with the Department Commander of the American Legion, Mike Mooney and his wife, Cathy. Our chief cook, who manned the grill most of the day, was Gayle "Moose" Murdock, a past Department Commander.

Several volunteers from Post & Unit #217 were on hand as well as Miss College Park, Jordyn Goddard, and her father, Bill, whose camera was in constant use. We had three other pageant winners assisting with serving the soldiers and their families. A bus, sent by the City of College Park, provided transportation for some of us, which was greatly appreciated.

Another thing that occurred in June was the election and installation of the Post, SAL and Unit Officers to lead our programs and activities during the year 2011-2012. Installed for the Post are Elando Lindsey - Commander, Bill Knupp - 1st Vice Commander. Michael Hall - 2nd Vice Commander, Historian - Larry Schaffer, Chaplain - James Hunter and Sergeant-At-Arms - Mark Beard. This is a great improvement over last year when so many offices remained unfilled.

Elected and installed to lead the work of the Unit are Mary Keller - President, (her eighth term) Joan

Stewart - 1st Vice President, Ivy Christoffers - Historian, Pat Ferguson, - Chaplain, Angie Rodriguez - Treasurer, Elizabeth Rice - Secretary, and Sharon Lewis - Sergeant - At -Arms. Rounding out our officers is the Executive Committee - Eleanor Peacock, Judy Beard and June Stewart. Also elected were our delegates to the Department Convention that runs July 12 - 15, 2011 in Ocean City.

The Special Olympic Summer Games were held this month, regrettably, at press time, we had no report to include. Also, American Legion Baseball began in June with an exciting game held between the Greenbelt/College Park and Calvert Co. teams at Laurel High School. They looked spiffy in their bright clean uniforms for only a brief time. Soon the players were all wearing the field dirt in abundance. As I stated, it was an exciting game that was unfortunately won by the Calvert Team. Their players are about twice the size of ours, but you couldn't tell by the effort and the heart with which our guys played. A great effort that made us all proud.

Keep our Troops in your prayers. May God continue to bless America's Defenders.

Beltsville Young at Heart

By Barbara Schofield

Our first meeting of the month was all business; Blanch Howell gave the chair people gift cards for their work on Beltsville Day. The entertainment meeting on June 16 was a lot of fun. Carol and Jackie had the Sage Dancers of Prince George's County come in to dance for us. They did a number of dances ending with a military salute and a salute to the flag. Francis Pat had member Elmo Web give a brief talk about his family military history. She then enticed a few more members to dance a closing song. The Sage dancers were Catherine, Margaret, Gloria, Helen and the lead lady was Francis Pat. Happiness always looks small while you hold it in your hand, but let it go, and you learn how big and precious it is.

The Fabulous Bel Airs at College Park Moose Lodge #453

Please mark your calendar for Saturday, August 27, as the date for the the fabulous BEL AIRS in an outdoor concert from 5:00-9:00 p.m. at the College Park Moose Lodge #453. Relive the memories of the 50's & 60's and "MOTOWN" music with your neighbors, family, and friends.

This is a FAMILY EVENT and is OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. Food and refreshments will be available on the grounds at the Barbeque

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Club News

Beltsville Lions Club

New club officers will be installed on the evening of June 29 at The Villa in Calverton. New president is Mike Musachio, secretary Cynthia Glover, and treasurer Andy Rolle. On that evening, the club will celebrate 53 years of community service.

On Tuesday, August 2, the Lions will participate in National Night Out on the grounds of District VI headquarters and the

Beltsville Library. Some Lions will prepare hot food for attendees, while others will provide free vision screening in the Lions Mobile Health Unit.

In a repeat of last year's function, the Beltsville Lions are looking forward to their participation in the community yard sale at Behnke's Nursery on Saturday, August 6. Behnke's is generously donating all funds from table

space rentals to the Beltsville Lions Foundation, which will then apply these funds to helping people in Beltsville. The club will serve refreshments that day. Detailed information about the community yard sale and a vendor application may be found at the following Web address: http://behnkes.com/website/files/vendor_application_2011.pdf



Some of the Lions attending last year's community yard sale at Behnke's Nursery



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Beltsville Rotary Club's Finest Shares Some Personal History

By Ivy Christoffers

Karl Norris, our oldest member (90 and still active) and the only surviving Charter Member of our club, recently shared some interesting facts regarding his early years at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC). Karl reported on how a simple development in a project at BARC became a multi-million dollar a year industry. His presentation included some science, but his main emphasis was on stories about events that had a profound effect on their research. Karl was hired as a research engineer to develop machines for automatic grading of eggs, and spent four years of research developing the instruments to measure egg quality without breaking the eggs. They made good progress in their research, but had not attempted to build a machine to sort eggs, and the external review committee was critical of a lack of a machine, and it appeared the project would lose funding. The Chief of the Poultry Research Branch asked Karl if he could build any sort of machine that would make an optical measurement on the eggs and sort them so that the viewer could see that such sorting could be done. Karl knew that the Poultry Branch had a machine to sort eggs by weight, and he suggested he could modify the machine to sort eggs for shell color instead of by weight. This was approved and in a short time,



(From left) Beltsville Rotary Treasurer and Host, David Fitzgerald, guest speaker and Charter member, Karl Norris and acting President, Ivy Christoffers.

Karl demonstrated his shell color-sorting machine, which was very impressive.

In 1957 National Geographic Magazine began to use color photos and sent a photographer to Beltsville. He was so impressed with the color-sorting machine that several photos were taken and included in the magazine. That same year, the U.S. President made a visit to BARC, and Karl demonstrated his Shell Color Machine to President Eisenhower. Between these two events, much favorable publicity was generated and the concern about the funding vanished. The research effort was closed after they built machines to sort the eggs to remove those containing blood spots, and another machine to sort out the eggs containing what was called green rot.

Karl then shared how he developed an instrument to measure near infrared light, NIR, to measure the moisture content in wheat flour. This was the first use of NIR spectroscopy to measure the composition of agricultural products, and as a result, Karl became known as The Father of NIR Technology. Karl used this same technology to measure the moisture, protein, starch, and oil content of grains and oil seeds. Two firms were granted contracts to manufacture these functioning instruments — Dickey-John in Illinois and Neotec in Maryland. Both companies began to build and market instruments in the US and Canada. This launched NIR Technology and soon other

companies were developing instruments to measure the composition of food products as well as grains. The NIR Technology spread around the world and is now used in measurements of products in the chemical and pharmaceutical industries. With more than 100 companies from across the globe marketing NIR instruments, the technology is now generating several hundred million dollars a year in business. Is there any wonder we stand in awe of this man we are honored to call Friend? Karl is still active today, lecturing and presenting papers throughout the civilized world.

On Flag Day, June 14th, our members met at Glen Dale Golf Course and enjoyed a day of fun in the sun with many friends and supporters at our annual Golf Tournament. The weather was perfect and the course was in great shape. We thank everyone who joined us in this fund raising effort. The only addition we could have used was more golfers. Perhaps that will happen next year. Last year's winner, John M. who is looking forward to getting it back next year, placed the coveted Winner's Hat on Rick's head.

Our members come together every Tuesday at noon at The Holiday Inn in College Park to enjoy fun, fellowship and to address the needs of our community and the issues facing us on a national and global scope. Come join us and see why we are so passionate about Rotary life.



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The Amazing Blues Strike Again

Another year has led to another winning championship season for the Under 10 Boys team from the local Beltsville Boys and Girls Club. Keeping the form that they did last year,



the team had another very successful season. Under the watchful eye and guidance of Coach Bill Alfaro, the team scored 35 goals during the season while only allowing 11 against them. Patience and practice paid off as the season progressed and the team came together to achieve a common goal. Coach Alfaro is very proud of his team and looks forward to another successful season.

A Year of Lego Fun!

By Coach Davis

This was the first year that Martin L. King Jr. Middle School had an after school Lego Club. Each Wednesday we had anywhere from 25 – 30 incredibly creative students designing a multitude of structures. Most of the time they just had fun creating and learning about complicated designs from each other. However, we did have two Lego competitions this year. One focused on the students building a design that captured the theme: "Invent the Future," and the other was "Creating My Life." They did a wonderful job working collaboratively with their group members. What a successful year for the Lego team!



LEAPing into the Future

The Transition Program at the High Road Upper School (Baltimore Avenue in Beltsville) has long been committed to providing career and growth opportunities to our high school students. Under the direction of our Transition Coordinator, Kevin Mattison, the students have been presented with an array of direct and indirect experiences to further prepare them for life upon graduation. In addition to our many business partnerships with local businesses and organizations (including Behnke Nursery, DW Communications and PG Federal Credit Union) students are also directed to scholarship opportunities.

Earlier this year Mr. Mattison learned about the Life Enrichment Awards Program (LEAP) from TransCen Inc. (<http://www.transcen.org/about.html>). TransCen's mission is to provide and

develop projects and employment opportunities for people with disabilities. TransCen is based in nearby Rockville, MD. The LEAP Program is designed to provide assistance to students by funding services that are directly related to his/her career and future.

The High Road Upper School of Prince George's County is pleased to announce that three of our students applied and received a 2011 LEAP Program Award. Cathiel Jackson, Antonio Dean and Antonio Snyder received awards to assist them in pursuing their career goals. Ms. Jackson will be attending the Childcare Certificate Course at Prince George's Community College. Mr. Dean and Mr. Snyder will be attending Nu Way Driving School to pursue their Commercial License.

All three students have demonstrated commitment and dedi-

cation, not only to identify their future aspirations, but also to seek additional means to help them reach their ambitions. Determination is key in establishing a vocational path. Each of these young adults has proven that hard work and persistence can make any dream come true.

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School News

From the Principal's Pen

**By Rebecca Garcia,
Acting Principal**

On Wednesday, April 27th, Mr. Daniel Peabody, Ms. Barbara Hughes, Mr. John Lloyd and I attended the Riderwood Scholarship Awards Ceremony held on the Riderwood campus in Performance Hall at Montgomery Station. Fifteen High Point students were among the 39 honored as "Riderwood Scholars." Each student received \$6,000 to use toward college tuition and/or books and other fees. The following students were recipients of Riderwood's gracious gift: Madeleine Bangweni, Jeremy Butler, Ashlynn Dallas, Felicia Elliot, Illiana Garcia, Sandra Karangwa, Samuel Louis-saint, Francis Mazzi, Maria Mazzi, Melisa Salgado, Samuel Schlossen-berg, Koutime Soumah, Demetria Taylor, Hilina Tefera, and Queen Walker. Many of the students who were honored have worked in the village's numerous restaurants as servers and in other food service positions since they were in 9th or 10th grade. On behalf of the students, their parents, and the High Point staff, I want to thank Mr. Chip Warner, Executive Director; Mr. Bo Lundh, Director of Operations; Mr. Magdi Mishraky, Director of Dining Services; and the members of the Riderwood Scholarship Committee for making this wonderful occasion and most generous monetary gift possible.

Discus Awards is a national high school awards and scholarship program. It aims to recognize well-rounded students who demonstrate significant achievements representing various areas of interest and importance in a high school student's life. A volunteer panel of judges comprised of guidance counselors, teachers, and other education professionals reviews each application and determines "Discus Awards winners" based on a rigorous standard of excellence. Once each month during the school year, a second scholarship judging panel reviews Discus Award winners to date and selects one \$2,000 Discus Scholarship winner. The program annually awards \$20,000 in scholarships to all-around high school students. It is an honor to announce that senior student Ashlynn Dallas has been named a 2010-2011 Discus Award winner for her efforts in sharing the many good things that happen at High Point High School. Thanks, Ashlynn, for your support and congratulations on your award.

On May 12, Col Donald E. Belche, retired, from the Headquarters of the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps at Maxwell AFB in Alabama, visited to evaluate how effectively and efficiently the Junior ROTC unit at High Point is meeting its mission and to check on the school's compliance with Public Law, Department of

Defense and Air Force Instructions and the contract between Prince George's County Schools and the Air Force. High Point's AFJROTC, Unit MD-091, earned an overall unit assessment score of "Exceeds Standards"... the highest rating attainable! The evaluation and the ensuing report revealed that the "instructors are extremely talented and dedicated." It went on to say that they created a dynamic and supportive learning environment within and outside the classroom. Col. Belche stated that the cadets display exemplary pride, and their extensive participation in numerous community service projects is most impressive. He concluded that Unit MD-091 is making a positive impact on the school environment and the surrounding community. My sincere gratitude goes out to Lt Col Felicia Tavares, CMSgt William Harris, and MSgt Berdie Kindrick for their leadership qualities and for their dedication to the AFJROTC program. Finally, I want to commend the corps of cadets for representing themselves, their families and the school in a manner that exudes excellence. The instructors and the cadets of Unit MD-091 exemplify in the truest sense of the phrase, "the best of the best."

High Point's seniors graduated June 6th at the Comcast Center on the campus of the University of Maryland. As always, the ceremony was well planned and student-centered. The graduates, their parents, relatives, and friends, and the special guests on the dais were welcomed by Jackie Junio, President of the Class of 2011. The special guests included the following: Member, Board of Education, District 1, Ms. Rosalind Johnson; Superintendent of Prince George's County Schools, Dr. William Hite Jr.; Assistant Superintendent, High School Consortium, Ms. Monica Goldson; Director, High School Consortium, Mr. William Barnes; Aide to the County Executive, Mr. Scott Peterson; Delegate, House of Delegates, District 21, Ms. Barbara Frush; and Prince George's County Council, District 1, Ms. Mary Lehman. Also on the dais were the Class of 2011 Valedictorian, Janae Nelson; Salutatorian, Linda Herrarte; Vice President, Denise Osei; Secretary, Josephine Adutwum; Treasurer, Kevin Fernandes; and Student Government Association President, Sheena Patel. Eight teachers were recognized for retiring at the end of the school year. They were Ms. Rachel Clark, science; Mr. James Fitzpatrick, social studies; Ms. Beverly Harrison, English; Mr. Abbey Sondak, math; Mr. David Stewart, English; Ms. Dorethea Whitlow, business; and Mr. Raymond Young, math.

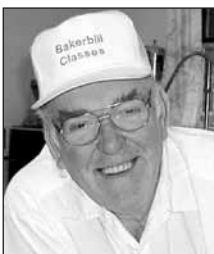
As has been the tradition at High

Point for at least 30 years, selected students were the keynote speakers. Class of 2011 Salutatorian Linda Herrarte chose to briefly share her thoughts and words of encouragement with her fellow graduates. Nevaughn Prince delivered a Moment of Reflection. The theme of the speeches was "The Dreams of Yesterday are the Promises of Tomorrow." The Class Speakers were Sheena Patel, Danielle Shafer, Gabrielle Shafer and Aaron Spratt-Waller. The graduates also were addressed by this year's Distinguished Faculty Representative, Mr. John Lloyd. Once again, High Point's graduation ceremony set the standard by which the other Prince George's County High School graduations are rated.

My sincere appreciation goes out to Ms. Barbara Hughes, the Senior Class Advisor; Ms. Reeda Butler, the Senior Assistant Principal; and numerous other teachers and staff members for the time and effort they put forth in planning and assisting with the Senior Prom at the Marriott Inner Harbor in Baltimore, the Senior Night Cruise on board the Spirit of Baltimore, and graduation. I would be remiss if I did not mention the outstanding performances by the High Point Orchestra & Concert Band and the Concert Choir. Kudos to Directors Mr. Stephen Cherry and Ms. Priscilla Coleman for preparing their students to perform beautifully at graduation.

The Class of 2011 received \$900,162.00 in scholarship money. In the fall, some of our graduates will be attending the University of Maryland, Towson University, Bowie State University, Morgan State University, Coppin State University, Frostburg State University, Loyola University Maryland, Stevenson University (MD), Washington Adventist University (MD), Howard University, The Catholic University of America (DC), Penn State University, Robert Morris University (PA), Elizabethtown College (PA), Virginia State University, George Mason University (VA), James Madison University (VA), Columbia University (NY), Barry University (FL), Loyola Marymount University (CA), Montgomery College-Takoma Park, Prince George's Community College, and other noteworthy institutions of higher learning.

It has been a pleasure to serve as the principal of High Point High School. The experience has been rewarding and uplifting. As we come to the end of this school year, I would like to thank the staff, students, parents, and community for their support and help. May our focus as a school continue to be on academic success and preparing our students for a glorious future.



Baker Bill

STUFF 'N THINGS

I have received questions about a Website my daughter started for those with eating problems caused by seafood, glucose, nuts, and gluten products. She charges nothing and will not ask for credit card information. The site address is eatingfreedom.org. Check it out. Bookmark it.

July is a great month, "HOT" and dry; I love it.

A weatherman recently corrected me. The air in the upper hemisphere swirls counterclockwise, as do tornadoes. As I wrote in an earlier column, I experienced one in Texas many years ago that tore up parts of the city of Waco. It bounced here and there taking out every other house and leaving the others fine. When it got downtown it took out an intersection, two tall buildings, and killed 100 people who went there for shelter. My base was James Connelly AFB and Fort Hood. We worked around the clock doing cleanup. I recall another storm in that area that took out the only bridge over the Brazos River that is a mile wide and a foot deep. While in that area I met Hank Williams in a honky-tonk just south of Waco. This was a tough town. The sheriff wore a six-gun on his hip and every Sunday morning the lead headline was who was shot the night before. Twice it was the sheriff.

Back to old Hank. The cover charge was \$5.00 and that was a lot in 1952. The bar was full but not overly crowded. I walked right up to him standing at the bar, shook his hand and told him I was a fan. He went to the small stage and sang every song he ever wrote. I believe it was a Friday night so no one got shot. The cowboys came to town on Saturday night and I stayed on base. I was only

20 years old and the law was very strict if you were caught drinking a beer under age. It was a \$100.00 fine and the sheriff came by often to check. The bar we drank in was owned by the Mess sergeant on base and he signaled when the law showed up. You would slide your drink to someone who was over 21 and slide a coke in front of you. Those were fun times many years ago. These stories were in a book I was writing called Burtonwood, after an air base in England. I recorded the stories on tape, but the case I had them in was stolen from my car parked in front of my house. I never got around to doing it again. I was going to use a ghostwriter.

Well enough of that. I promised you Candy. Most of you do not know what Fondant is. Fondant is the base of most candies. Some call it nugget. It is the white candy the coconut is wrapped around in a Mounds bar, for example. Fondant is good and fun to make. Once made, it will keep forever in a tightly closed container. It can be used a number of ways. All you need is your talent for creation. You may need to get gelatin at the store. The funny thing is that many bakers think it only comes in a 50-pound tub from the suppliers. Here is the formula; write it down.

Fondant. Put 1 tbsp gelatin in 1/4 cup cold water and let it gel. Now add to it 2 tablespoons butter and microwave it until the butter melts, only a few seconds, add vanilla to taste.

Stir in 1 & 1/2 boxes of powdered sugar in three stages and mix very well. Use kitchen aid if you have one. it will be stiff. Mix it until it turns dull from shiny.

Special note: It may look too stiff, but after a few seconds in

the microwave it will be pliable enough to add chocolate chips, coconut, or anything else. Roll in spoon size ball and let it harden in the air. The candy you have made is great just like that, or you can robe in chocolate like carob chips called apells. The last time I made Fondant I rolled out some flat and thin and placed a cherry from a jar, juice and all, closed them up and enrobed them making chocolate covered cherries just like you buy in the store. Write me if you want to find the carob/apells at bakerbill.net or bakerbill2010@hotmail.com

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Friday, July 1, 7:30-10:30 p.m. at the Grand Ballroom, Phelps Center, 701 Montgomery Street (corner of 8th Street) in Laurel featuring legendary DJ Professor Jay and his award-winning dance music. Donation \$2.99. Free snacks & setups, sodas 50 cents. Sponsored by The Friendship Club of Maryland, a non-profit all volunteer community service organization.

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9650 Muirkirk Rd., Laurel. Call 301.377.7817 for information on events and classes, including

those at the Art Center; TTY: 301.454.1472; e-mail: montpeliermansion@pgparks.com. The grounds are open from dawn until dusk every day of the year, **including Mon., July 4** and other holidays. Except for major holidays, tours of the mansion are available on the following schedule: A) Self-guided tours Mon. – Thur. from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., and B) Guided tours Sunday at 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. Fees for all tours: \$3.00 for adults, \$2.00 for seniors, \$1.00 for children 5 – 18. Children under 5 are admitted FREE.

SCULPTURE EXHIBITION

The 30th Annual Montpelier Invitational Sculpture Exhibition is on display in the Art Center and continues until Aug. 14. The exhibition is called **Inside/Out** and features the silk sculptures of Elsabe Dixon and installation and drawings by Leah Frankel. FREE.

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1040 West Street, 95 Business Office Center, Laurel, MD 20707. Call 301.498.2899 ext 105 for information and to register for special events. EduSerc is a non-profit in Laurel. This program provides students in the 1st – 8th grades with hands-on learning experiences in a number of career industries, field trips, and academic reinforcement.

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WEEKEND WINGS

Sat., July 9 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Stop by the museum and join us for fun, hands-on activities. Bring friends and enjoy the activity of the day! Weekend Wings are also scheduled for: Aug. 6 and Sept. 10. FREE with museum admission.

GREENBELT COMMUNITY CENTER

15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770. Call 301.397.2208 for information on Fourth of July celebrations and to register for classes. Also see www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation.

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Tuesday, July 26 from 3:00-6:45 p.m. at Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane. Just drop in or call Ted Ladd 301.937.6796 to schedule a time.

BELTSVILLE CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION

Wednesday, July 20 at 7:00 p.m. at the Beltsville Academy, 4300 Wicomico Road.

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PROGRAMS FOR EVERYONE

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PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

FAMILY GAMING DAZE

Tue., July 19 at 6:00 p.m. Families are invited to join the library for a night of video games and board games.

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Weds., July 6, 13, 20 and 27 at 10:30 a.m. Songs, stories and fingerplays. Ages 3 – 5.

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Wed., July 13 at 2:00 p.m. Come out to see—and meet up close—some of the nature center's live animals. You may have a chance to touch a snake, turtle, toad, or other live animal.

PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

GAME ON!

Thurs., July 7 and 21 at 2:00 p.m. Join us at the library for an afternoon of gaming featuring Mario Kart, Super Smash Bros. Brawl, and other video games (games may change at the discretion of the library staff). Ages 11 – 18.

YOU ARE HERE CRAFTS

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Adult Choir Practice	7:00pm

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Thurs., July 28 at 2:00 p.m. Get inspired, grab a cupcake, and make your very own masterpiece. Ages 11 – 18.

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION

Mon., July 11 at 7:00 p.m. Anne Lamott's *Grace (Eventually): Thoughts on Faith*.

COMPUTERS FOR EVERYONE

Thur., July 28 at 9:10 a.m. Join us to learn basic computer skills, terminology, or how to use the library's computers. Leave the library feeling more confident using a computer. Limit 16 per class. **Registration required.**

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3900 Sellman Rd., Beltsville. **Closed Mon., July 4.** Regular hours of operation are: Mon. – Thur. from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Fri. from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (except for Xtreme Teen events), and Sat. from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (except for Xtreme Teen events). Closed on Sunday. The Program Specialist is Michael Hansborough. Contact him at 301.937.6613 or Michael.Hansborough@pgparks.com for information regarding events and classes scheduled for July. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512.

SCRAPBOOKING FOR KIDS

Tue., July 12 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Be creative by building priceless memories for you and your family. Bring in your favorite pictures, decorations, stickers, and a scrapbook page (12" x 12" sheet) to generate a personalized piece. Ages 6 – 12. Fee: \$3 for Residents, and \$5 for Non-residents.

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Thur., July 21 and Sat., July 30 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Join us as we travel to one of three nearby locations to learn to fish! This *two-day event* is taught by our M-NCPPC Park Rangers. All of the equipment will be provided, so all you need to do is show up for afternoons of fun on the water. Space is limited and participants must participate in both days of the class. Ages 6 – 12. Fee: \$8 for Residents, and \$10 for Non-residents.

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6813 Ammendale Rd., Vansville. The Director is Christy Irving. Contact her at 301.937.6621 or Christy.Irving@pgparks.com for information regarding events and classes scheduled for July. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512. **Closed Mon., July 4.** Regular hours of operation are: Mon. – Thur. from 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Fri. and Sat. from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (except for Xtreme Teen events), and Sun. from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

OLD GLORY WITH A TWIST

Sat., July 2 at 10:00 a.m. Come in for an arts and crafts project. Show off your patriotic spirit by making your worn wind sock with “stars and stripes” forever. Ages 5 – 12. FREE.

VANSVILLE COMMUNITY DAY

Sun., July 17 from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Join your neighbors from Vansville, Muirkirk, Rossville, Longwood, Indian Creek, Northern Creek, Ellington Drive, Odell Farms, and Snowden Pond. If you're just in the area come on by for a fun-filled afternoon of entertainment, food, games, and laughter. All ages welcome. FREE.

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The AVID Program is Alive and Well at MLK Jr. Middle School

By Coach Debbie Davis

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class material, and the after-school Academic Connection Club, 90% of the AVID students were able to raise their FAST scores from the first benchmark they took to the last one. They also entered many contests this year and won! They worked very diligently this year and we are very proud of them.

This program would not have been as strong without the support of our principal, Robin Wiltson, our assistant principals, Aaron

Galie and Marvin Gilliard, and our wonderfully supportive parents. They all have supported our AVID Back to School Night, the AVID Showcase, and the AVID Student Appreciation Ceremony. Our parents have graciously come into AVID classes to be guest speakers, check up on their children, and chaperone field trips to UMBC, Howard University, the Walters Art Museum, the Baltimore and Koshland Science Centers and the White House. They really are the BEST!

We are looking forward to a wonderful 2011-2012 academic program. There are already some wonderful surprises in store for our upcoming new AVID 6th graders and our AVID 2 7th and 8th graders. We hope they have a great summer and return in August ready to learn.

Patuxent Research Refuge Public Programs for July

Tram tours at the National Wildlife Visitor Center will begin daily operation (as opposed to weekends only) the week of June 20 and continuing at least through mid-August. Weekday tours are scheduled at 11:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m. & 2:30 p.m. Weekend Tram tours will continue at the normal times of 11:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. & 3:00 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the Wildlife Images Bookstore in the Visitor Center lobby. For more information please visit <http://www.fws.gov/northeast/patuxent/tram.html>

REGISTRATION

All programs are **FREE**. However, donations to The Friends of Patuxent are greatly appreciated! Programs DO require advance reservations. Reservations are taken by calling **301.497.5887**. Please provide information as to any special needs so that you may be accommodated. For more information, visit <http://patuxent.fws.gov>

Programs Held at North Tract

The North Tract is located on

Rt. 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 32.

Herp Search

Saturday, July 16th, 1:00-2:30 p.m. All Ages

Join a refuge naturalist on this guided search for reptiles and amphibians. Bring walking shoes and water and remember to dress for the weather.

Night Hike

Saturday, July 16th, 7:30-9:00 p.m. Ages 5+

Discover the nighttime world of the refuge as you look and listen for nocturnal animals on this guided walk.

Bird Walk

Sunday, July 17th, 8:15-10:15 a.m. All Ages

Search for birds in several refuge habitats on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars recommended.

What's Buggin Bats!

Saturday, July 23rd, 7:30-8:30 p.m. All Ages

Discover Maryland's bats and the dangers they face. Learn the vital role they play in the environment and why they are so helpful.

Weed Warriors

Wednesday, July 20th, 9:00 a.m.- noon Ages 13+

Saturday, July 30th, 9:00 a.m.- noon Ages 13+

Non-native invasive plants are threatening wildlife habitat. The Refuge needs YOU to help stop them! Bring gloves and water (and hand tools if available) and help fight these alien invaders!

For more listings please visit <http://www.fws.gov/northeast/patuxent/tram.html>.

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