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Beltsville Briefs

St. Joseph’s School Flea Market

St. Joseph’s School in Beltsville will hold a flea market on Saturday, May 15, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Table space is available for $15. Table and space is available for $20. We are accepting donations for the St. Joseph’s table. Please call Melissa Gott at 301.937.2223 for more information. The flea market will take place rain or shine. Please come and join us for food and fun.

Concert at Eleanor Roosevelt High School

The All Orchestras Concert at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (EHRS) is scheduled for Wednesday, May 12th at 7:30 p.m. at the Eleanor Roosevelt High School auditorium, 7601 Hanover Parkway, Greenbelt, MD. The Concert will feature the Concert, Symphonic and Chamber Orchestras and the Roosevelt Strings directed by Dr. David Yarbrough. In addition, there will be a massed orchestra performance. EHRS and its music programs draw students from all over northern Prince George’s County. The concert is open to the public, and admission is free.

Basket Bingo

St. Joseph’s Parish will conduct a Basket Bingo on Friday evening, May 21, in the Parish Hall at 11011 Montgomery Road, Beltsville from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Table space is available for $20. We are accepting donations for the St. Joseph’s table. Please call Melissa Gott at 301.937.2223 for more information. Table space is available for $20. Please come and join us for food and fun.

Beltsville Library Marks 35th Anniversary

The Beltsville Branch Library celebrated its 35th anniversary the week of April 12, 2010. A week-long series of events was timed to coincide with National Library Week.

On Tuesday, April 13, at 7:00 p.m., elected officials, library administrators, special guests, and members of the public marked the occasion with remarks and a cake-cutting ceremony.

Representing the Prince George’s County Memorial Library System were Kathleen Teaze, Director and Irene Briggs, Associate Director for Public Library.

Beltsville Thanks Our Military With Girl Scout Cookies

Cadette Girl Scout Troop 4129 sends special thanks to the Beltsville Community for supporting the Gift of Caring program. Together we were able to send 70 boxes of Girl Scout cookies to our military men in Iraq. (Back row (L-r): Sara Mast, Joanne Murray, Christina O’Brien, Corinne Paul and Layo Olajo. Front (L-r): Rebecca Gurwah, Gallina Brindamour and Alexus Ford. (Missing from photo, Rachael Sowers and Kendya Reyes).
Neighbors in the News

Boy Scouts Take a Hike

By Gary Bauchan, Scoutmaster Troop 1033

The Boy Scouts in Troop 1033 went camping at the Mani- dokan Methodist Retreat Center near Harpers Ferry in March. The Troop hiked a total of 10 miles in beautiful springtime weather from the campground along the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal to historic Harpers Ferry. The Scouts were able to complete their hike, cooked venison chili in a Dutch oven, and enjoyed roasted marshmallows around a campfire. The scouts enjoyed their visit to the historic sites at Harpers Ferry but especially enjoyed visiting the candy store and eating ice cream. Three brave scouts, Chaim Johnson, Edwardo Orellana, and Chris Walker, completed their Wilderness Survival Merit Badge by sleeping overnight out in the woods by themselves in a shelter they themselves had built. Boy Scouts on the trip included Curtis Gill, Patrick Deery, David Timus, Adrian Villarreal, Tyis Robinson, Chaim Johnson, Edwardo Orel- lana, Steven Hall, Al Diagne and Chris Walker. Even Webelos Cub Scout Nicholas Walker hiked the entire 10-mile trip. The scouts and their adult leaders including Scoutmaster Gary Bauchan, parents Ken Gill and Bob Walker enjoyed the beautiful springtime weather and vigorous hike. Spring has sprung, get outside and go hiking.

Central Maryland Chorale presents Spring Concert

This May, the Central Maryland Chorale, directed by Monica Otal, explores the beauty of music from the Old World to the New World. Singing in Latin, German, French, Spanish, and English, the Chorale presents such works as Haydn’s Little Organ Mass, featuring Associate Music Director Ted Guerrant and Pauline Edmonds-Baldridge as soprano soloist; songs of Robert Schumann in celebration of the 200th anniversary of his birth; and music of North and South America. The concert is on Saturday, May 15, at 8:00 p.m. at The Lutheran Church of Saint Andrew, 15300 New Hampshire Avenue, in Silver Spring, Maryland. Tickets are $15 general admission, $10 for students/seniors. For tickets and information, call 301.317.9646 or see www.centralmarylandchorale.com.

Pauline Edmonds-Baldridge

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Columns

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tall grass. I am not sure if they are vacant rentals, or foreclosures. Some of the homes also have old cars and furniture (indoor furniture) sitting in the yards. I have submitted a list of homes to the county Department of Public Works. Please let me know if you have a home in your neighborhood that looks like no one is taking care cutting the grass etc.

SPECIAL THANKS to all who participated in Earth Day and Christmas in April.

I can be reached at 301.937.0157 or karenmcoakley@verizon.net

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Pastor Manuel Gregory

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Pleasant Touch
PG Community Federal Credit Union CEO Cindy Prestandrea had just run through a list of her Credit Union’s offerings from free checking to home equity rates as low as 4% on up to 90% of property value and car loans below market by 1% when Beltsville Business Breakfast host, Senator Jim Rosapepe (21st District) asked a question.

“Your services sound similar to Jimmy Stewart’s as the depression era bank executive in "It’s a Wonderful Life." Can you tell us how you are dealing with today’s mortgage issues — foreclosures and short sales?”

“Our policies are to help the mortgagees. As long as they are sincere in trying to keep up their payments we work with them by extending the term of the mortgage giving them some breathing room and yet assuring repayment of the mortgage. We offer individual counseling and try not to damage their credit status.”

She went on to explain the many services of her Credit Union such as innovative savings accounts: “Looney Tunes for kids 12 and under, Teen Time (13-17), Flying Solo (18-25) and Prime Time (60 and Up) all of which come with counseling and newsletters educating customers on the financial matters as well as the value of saving. As a non-profit member-ship organization, she explained, the Credit Union has more latitude than for-profit banks on rates and services.

The point of the presentation was to introduce Beltsville business people to the fact that a Branch office of the Upper Marlboro-based Credit Union (with over 17,000 members) is coming to Beltsville this summer. The new branch will be located at Konterra Business Campus, 6985 Muirkirk Meadows Drive, Beltsville, MD 20705. 301.627.2666 or 301.627.3861. Or go to www祈祷georgefcu.org.

The Beltsville Business Breakfast networking group met at the Cross Creek Golf Club House off Old Gunpowder Road at Bay Drive just north of Briggs Chaney. Attendance topped 50 for the second time in the Networking Group’s first four months.

Plan to attend the May 19th Beltsville Business Breakfast that meets on the third Wednesday of each month at Cross Creek. The speaker will be Procurement Expert, Patrick A. Reilly of the National Library of Agriculture, Beltsville. He will address how federal procurement practices work for small businesses and what kinds of goods and services for which the Library contracts will be of interest to Beltsville businesses. The Breakfast will be held at the Cross Creek Golf Club House.

The Beltsville Business Breakfast hosted by the 21st District Delegation, including Senator Rosapepe, and State Delegates Barbara Frush, Joseline Péña-Melnyk and Ben Barnes Maryland State Legislature.

The Prince George’s Community Federal Credit Union was present in force to announce the upcoming opening of a Branch Office in Beltsville this summer to a Beltsville Business Breakfast held April 21st at Cross Creek Golf Clubhouse in Beltsville. From left: Debbie Herbert, Exec. VP; Diane Brown, VP Business Operations; Kimberly Williams, Marketing/Business Development; Cindy Prestandrea, CEO; Charles Curtis, Treasurer; Brenda Sigaran, Business Student, UMGC; Polly Quinn, VP Marketing & Business Development; Mike Dougherty, Board Member; Charles Deegan, Board President and Senator Jim Rosapepe, 21st District, (College Park, Beltsville, Laurel and a portion of Ann Arundel County). The 21st District Delegation hosts the Beltsville Business Breakfast each month and includes Senator Rosapepe and State Delegates Barbara Frush, Joseline A. Péña-Melnyk and Ben Barnes Maryland State Legislature.

The Beltsville Branch is known as The Little Library That Grew (March 2000 edition of The Beltsville News). After many years of concerted effort by community leaders, the current library building opened in 1984. The library began in a room in the old Beltsville Elementary School in the 1940s, when the late Dr. Mary Shorb and the Women’s Community Club pushed for a library in Beltsville. Books came from the Enoch Pratt Free Library in Baltimore. When the Beltsville Elementary space was lost, a Prince George’s County Memorial Library System Bookmobile served the area for some years.

However, residents and officials continued to search for a permanent space for a library. In 1975, the Prince George’s County Memorial Library System placed three trailers on library property at Old Gunpowder Road to serve the Beltsville community, but that space was outgrown. Community leaders suggested the Chestnut Hills Elementary School, which had closed. The school was renovated by the Prince George’s County Memorial Library System.

The Beltsville Branch continues to provide a valuable source when it comes to both exterior and interior painting.

Any peeling paint requires scraping down to the original wood surface and then sealing it with the alkyd penetrating Primer 100. Allow at least 24 hours of dry time before top coating with a high quality Benjamin Moore latex paint. Al\u201d painting should be done when the surface temperature is between 50 to 90 degrees and never in direct sunlight.

Email your painting questions to willsdec@msn.com or call them at 301-937-6100. For more information about Will’s Home Decorating, visit their web site at www.decoratemaryland.com. Start your spring makeover today and let the color consultants at Will’s Home Decorating show you how you can use color in unique and inventive ways.
Neighbors in the News

Laura Espinal Wins Beltsville Library Poetry Contest

By Katie Swanson

Laura Espinal, a 3rd grader at Calverton Elementary School, is the First Prize winner in her age group in the Beltsville Library Poetry Contest. More than ninety people entered the contest; and, although Laura is only eight, she came in first, competing against children as old as twelve! Laura presented her poem at an evening of poetry at the Beltsville Library on April 20. 3rd graders Jose Santos, Rheana Patney, and Ashley Lopez-Castro were also invited to share their poems with the audience.

Laura was also one of four poets in Ms. Swanson’s third grade class at Calverton who were selected as winners in the Young Writers of America Contest. The other winning poets were Sophia Duda (“Ocean City”), Ashley Lopez-Castro (“My Country, El Salvador”), and Pamela Udeh (“Beautiful, Beautiful Baltimore”). We’re very proud of our young poets! Laura’s double award-winning poem is below:

Santo Domingo
By the Poet Laura Espinal

I Hear Parrots repeating me
WHOOSH!!!!!!!
Tides are splashing onto shore
The wind whispering endeavors into my ears
Ice cream sellers ringing their bells and shouting “Mama-mia elado elado”
I Taste
The sweet milk of Coconuts as they dance on my taste buds
The tart flavor of Mangos and Pineapples as my tummy gets a party
I Feel
The newborn fresh Latin breeze running through my hair
Coconuts Falling on my head and calling me to start to drink their milk

Foamy waves splashing on my feet and tickling my toes
Hermit crabs crawling on my legs as I feel their legs prickling on me
Piney thorns pinning me and my legs down
The passion fruit vibrating in excitement in my hands
Tingling with JOY to be turned into juice
The fur of delicate creatures
I See
Cruise boats going back and forth over the Caribbean Sea carrying passengers
Clouds forming shapes in the sky – creatures big and small going up and down

Joseph W. McCartin Insurance, Inc. sponsors essay scholarship

On Tuesday, March 9 The Catholic Business Network of Montgomery County (CBN-MC) held its annual Scholarship Luncheon at the Pooks Hill Marriott. Each year CBN-MC encourages students at county schools to enter our essay contest. There are twelve scholarship awards totaling $32,000. Two hundred and fifty entrants this year.

The essays are judged blindly by a panel of eight independent judges from area Catholic High Schools with the CBN Board making the final decisions. Joseph W. McCartin Insurance, Inc. is proud to sponsor one of the $1500 scholarship awards. This year’s winner was a young lady from St. Bartholomew’s. In addition to the twelve essay winners CBN-MC also awarded thirteen needs-based scholarships totaling $32,000. Joseph W. McCartin Insurance, Inc. also made a generous contribution to the needs-based scholarships at the CBN-MC Annual Gala Dinner.

Ojewumi will learn of her destination in May when the 2009 International Award winners are announced. Joseph W. McCartin Insurance, Inc. is proud to have had the opportunity to help these young people. We would not be able to support this program without the continued support of our long time, loyal customers.

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Adria Whitaker wins Beltway News Choice Award

The annual Beltway News Choice Awards luncheon was held on May 16th at the Center Club in Landover. The award is given to the student who has contributed most to the school community. Ms. Whitaker was chosen from a field of eighty nominees.

We would like to congratulate, Adria Whitaker for being our Choice Award winner.

Beltsville Student Ojewumi wins United Nations Prize

Odanuza Ojewumi of Beltsville is the winner of the fourth-annual Americans for UNFPA Student Award for the Health and Dignity of Women. Ms. Ojewumi is a sophomore at University of Maryland College Park. Americans for UNFPA is the official U.S. support organization for UNFPA, the United Nations Population Fund. UNFPA provides women’s health care and promotes the rights of women in 150 countries.

In the summer of 2010, Ms. Ojewumi will travel to a UNFPA field program totaling Americans for UNFPA staff to meet one of the 2010 International Honorees for the Health and Dignity of Women. She will learn of her destination in May when the 2009 International Award winners are announced. She will also receive a $1000 scholarship.

As student award winner, Ms. Ojewumi will learn about the global health and rights of women by visiting women’s health programs on the ground. She will guest-blog about her experience on MarieClaire.com and will represent Americans for UNFPA as a student ambassador at campus, political and advocacy events.
p.m. (non-smoking). Come join us for this fun-filled event. Bingo winners will receive specialty baskets, pottery and home accessories. There will be door prizes and raffles too! Tickets are $10.00 (in advance) daily at the school and parish offices, or $12.00 at the door. Refreshments are available.

Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre at College Park Moose Lodge #453

The College Park Moose Lodge #453 will host a Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre on Saturday, May 22, at 6 p.m. to high noon. June 21st-June 25th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. daily. Children with birthdays September 2, 2005 thru September 1, 2006 are able to register. Registrations will be accepted between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. daily. Children need to be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian and a child cannot register a child. They need to bring an official birth certificate, immunization record, proof of residence (deed, lease, settlement papers) and current birth certificate, 2009 tax completed forms and two current pay stubs for each working household member. All documents need to be brought to the school at time of registration.

Vacation Bible School (VBS) at First Baptist Church

Saddle up your horses & giddy-up to VBS @ First Baptist Church Beltsville, 4700 Odell Road, Beltsville. We’re round up answers to life’s big questions. Saturdays, June 19th Kick-Off from 6:00-7:30 p.m. and each evening will begin with dinner. Registration information is available on the church website at www.emmanuelumcbeltsville.net. Whether you speak English or another language in the class you need to make an appointment and then register at their neighborhood school. Beltsville Academy will be accepting registrations between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. daily.

Pre-Kindergarten Registration

Pre-K registration will be held at Beltsville Academy May 3-7 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. daily. Children with birthdays September 2, 2005 thru September 1, 2006 are able to register. Registrations will be accepted between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. daily. Only parents or legal guardians can register a child. They need to bring an official birth certificate, immunization record, proof of residence (deed, lease, settlement papers or a current tax bill), three current birth certificate, 2009 tax completed forms and two current pay stubs for each working household member. All documents need to be brought to the school at time of registration.

Registration Para Kindergarten

Las inscripciones para el Kindergarten se llevarán a cabo en las escuelas primarias del condado. Mayo 10-14. Los niños que nacieron en Septiembre 2, 2004 hasta Septiembre 1 del 2005, son elegibles para la inscripción. Solamente padres de familia O tutores podrán registrar a un niño. Necesitarán traer un certificado oficial de nacimiento, registro de inmunización de las vacunas y prueba de residencia/vivienda (escritura de la casa, contrato de arrendamiento O papeles del convenio de cierre/banco O factura actual de los impuestos/ tax bill) 3 facturas actuales, formas completas de tax impuestos del 2009 y 2 coillas del cheque de pagos actuales por cada miembro trabajando responsable por el niño. Todos estos documentos necesitan trae rse a la escuela en el momento de la registracion.

Cropp Metcalfe Softball Team Wins First Tournament of the Year

The Beltsville based Cropp Metcalfe coed softball team won the ISA tournament in Westmin ster recently. The Cropp squad capped off their 2009 season by winning the ISA Northern Worlds. Cropp Metcalfe Heating and Air Conditioning has been sponsoring softball teams for the past 20 years. Congratulations Team!!!

Volleyball Tournament

Sat., Aug. 22 thru Sun., Aug. 23. The Beltsville Moose Lodge #453 will host a Murder Mystery Dinner @ First Baptist Church. Doors will open to VBS @ First Baptist Church

Vacation Bible School (VBS) at Emmanuel United Methodist Church

Emmanuel United Methodist Church will offer its 2010 Vacation Bible School the week of July 19-23 in the evenings. It will include classes and activities for children, teenagers, and adults, and each evening will begin with dinner. Registration information is available on the church website at www.emmanuelumcbeltsville.net. Persons of all ages are welcome to attend.

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration will be held in county elementary schools May 10-14. Children with birthdays September 2, 2004 thru September 1, 2005 are eligible to register. Only parents or legal guardians can register a child. They need to bring an official birth certificate, immunization record and proof of residence (deed, lease or settlement papers) and three current bills. Families that have a second language spoken in the household need to first call the International Student Guidance Office at 301.445.8460 to make an appointment and then register at their neighborhood school. Beltsville Academy will be accepting registrations between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. daily.

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Alexander, Michael Lee

Michael Lee Alexander, 40, a resident of Greenville, Tenn., formerly of Edgewater, died Thursday, April 8, at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville, Tenn. A long-time employee of Walmart, Mr. Alexander was a 1987 graduate of South River High School and earned a bachelor’s degree from the University of Phoenix. He was working on a master’s degree in business administration with an emphasis in marketing. Survivors include his mother and stepfather, Ann and Jim Ziepolt of Edgewater, his father and stepmother, Mike and Carolyn Alexander of Greenville, Tenn.; a half-brother, Dale Alexander, of Dallas, Texas; two step-brothers, Andy Bowd- ers of Murfreesboro, Tenn., and Chris Bible of Knoxville, Tenn.; his grandmother, Norma Cureton of Greenville, Tenn.; his step-grandfather, Robert C. Ziepolt, of Beltsville; his aunt, Darla Pax- ton of Greenville, Tenn. and his step aunt, Elsie Ziepolt of Berwyn Heights. A memorial service was held on April 30 at 4:30 p.m. at Asbury United Methodist Church in Greenville, Tenn. The Rev. David Woody officiated. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabe- tes Association, 6408 Papermill Road, Suite 212, Knoxville, Tenn. 37919.

Houlihan, Charles W.

Charles W. Houlihan passed away after a long illness. His wife, Elizabeth Lambert, son Wayne & wife Mary Houlihan and grand-children Heather and Sean survive him. Interment will be on June 2, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in Arlington Cemetery.

Hurt, Jesse McKinley

Jesse McKinley Hurt of Gettys- burg, PA, formerly of Beltsville, MD, went to be with the Lord and his wife of 60 years, Flor- ence Lois Hurt, on April 13, 2010. He was survived by his children, Lois Ann (John) Crider, Patricia Jean (Michael) Frye and Jesse Wayne (Gina). He was the father of Betty (Grant) Middik and Mary Nicholson. He was the grandfather of David (Becki) Crider, Michael (Tracy) Crider, Yvette (Scott) Wil- son, Steven (Marion) Frye, Craig (Yvette) Frye, Jeffrey (Marie) Hurt and Tracey (Dan) Fox, and great-grandfather of Cassy Crider, Michael Wilson, Brennan Wil- son, Mitchell Frye, Kim Mundy, Nicki (Jesse) DeWaan and Simon Hurt. He was a veteran of the D-Day invasion of Normandy, the Battle of the Bulge and the occu- pation of Germany. He served in both the 82nd and 101st Airborne Divisions. His decorations include the Bronze Star Medal and the Purple Heart. The funeral was held at Borgwardt Funeral Home, 4400 Powder Mill Road in Beltsville on April 16 at 1:00 p.m., Pastor Daniel Mejia officiating. Burial at Arlington National Cemetery on Tuesday, May 4 at 11:00 a.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Gettysburg Lutheran Nursing & Rehab Center, 1075 Old Harrisburg Rd., Gettysburg, PA 17325.

Jones, Richard L.

Richard L. Jones of Beltsville died on Friday, April 16, 2010. Beloved father of Mark W. and Paul B. Jones; brother of Mary Lee Erdman, Robert William Jones and Marilyn Marie Arwood; grandfather of Jaxon Jones and Josephine Jones. Funeral service was held at Borgwardt Funeral Home, 4400 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville, Charles, on Saturday, April 17 at 11:00 a.m. burial at George Washington Cemetery. Arrangements made by Borgwardt Funeral Home.

McFadden, Nellie C.

Nellie C. “Nanny” McFadden passed away at Holy Cross Hos- pital on Monday, March 22, 2010. She was the beloved wife of the late Dr. Merrill R. “Mac” McFadden, loving mother of David H. (Melody) McFadden, and grand-mother of David, Shelley, and Christopher. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Mass of Christian Burial was cele- brated at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church, 11007 Montgomery Rd., Beltsville, MD on Wednesday, April 21 at 11:00 a.m. with Father Joseph Wimmer officiating. Interm- tant Gate of Heaven Cemetery. Arrangements made by Borgwardt Funeral Home.

Napolitano, Anthony J.

Anthony J. Napolitano died on Tuesday, April 13, 2010. Beloved husband of Marie F. Napolitano, lov- ing father of Janet Daves (Fred), Sarah Bowers, Anthony Napolitano, Jr. (Tonya), Rosemary Schulte (Scott), Theresa Puher (Paul), Gina Skinner (Gerard), Carolyn Bailey (George), Catherine Slep- itza (Mark), and the late Robbie Stewart; brother of Sarah Chaplin (Alan) and Joan Colavechi. Also survived by 20 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He was pre- deceased by a son-in-law, Scott P. Bowers, and a brother-in-law, Joseph McColloch. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, 4902 Bervyn Road, College Park, MD on Monday, April 19 at 11:00 a.m. interment Maryland Veter- ans Cemetery, Crownsville, MD. Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of one’s choice. Arrangements were made by Borgwardt Funeral Home.

Osbourn, Nelson George

Former long time Greenbelt resident George Burdette Nelson, (Joanne, George “Sonny”) peacefully at his home in Beltsville on Mon- day, April 5, 2010. He was born in Trenton, NJ to Nellie and Bur- dette Nelson, February 9, 1917. He was raised in Washington, D.C. At age 18 he married Naomi Crawford and had three children, Joanne, George “Sonny,” and William. He lost William at age 9 months to sudden infant death syndrome. This loss devastated both his wife and him and they eventually divorced. He later mar- ried Helen Richardson in 1946. They moved to Greenbelt, MD in 1952, where they raised their two daughters, Carolyn “Cindy” and Liz. He loved Greenbelt and could be seen walking the pathways with his cigar in hand when he retired. During his professional life he was employed by C & P Telephone Company from which he retired in 1976 after 40 years of service. He and Helen relocated to Leesburg, Florida in 1992. He lost his wife to cancer in January 1994. He loved the Florida weather and remained there until he could no longer live independently. His daughters brought him back to Maryland in July 2009, where they shared in his care. He died in his home, where he wanted to be, George had been very healthy with the loss of his three sons and his wife of 45 years. He also had great strength and looked at life posi- tively and felt he had lived a very good life. His daughter Joanne and husband Bob Prentiss of Sil- ver Spring, MD, daughter, Liz Robinson of Beltsville, MD and daughter-in-law Joyce Nelson of Greenbelt, MD; 7 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and four great, great-grandchildren survive him. Funeral services were held on April 10 at Fort Lincoln Cem- etery.
Neighbors in the News

Consignment Furniture Gallery Marks 12 Years of Operation

A visit to the Consignment Furniture Gallery at 5700-D Sunnyside Avenue in Beltsville is a treat. Owners Joel and Liz Appelbaum will welcome you to an astounding display of great furniture. They opened the store in 1998.

Joel and Liz invite you to visit their newly expanded 10,000 sq. ft. showroom consisting of “antiques to new” furniture, artwork, and collectibles. It is the largest consignment store in the Washington metropolitan area. They recently added a large selection of office furniture when they became the clearance center for Andy Stern’s Office Furniture. The store also has a factory-authorized Therapedic/Eclipse Mattress Gallery.

Liz was proud to say that the Gallery offers excellent values on high quality furniture. She added, “We are the perfect place for people starting a new home.”

Customer Linus Deeny of Annapolis agrees. While perusing the displays he said, “I like all the furniture. If I were a newlywed, or just getting started, I would buy everything here.”

You can check their Web site for updated inventory at www.antiques2new.com and you can call Joel or Liz at 301.220.3210.

By Gary Bauchan, Scoutmaster Troop 1033

Boy Scout Troop 1033 delivered over 20 tons of hardwood and pine mulch in completing another successful Spring Garden and Lawn Fund Raiser. In total, the Scouts delivered over 2400 bags of mulch, fertilizer, manure, and topsoil products all over the Beltsville area, all within 10 hours. The door-to-door transport was made possible not only by 20 scouts but also by the parents and friends of scouts who volunteered their trucks, trailers, and cars for the deliveries. Thanks to the support of the community each scout earned “Scout bucks” which allows them to pay for such activities as summer camp at Camp Rodney, biking and hiking along the C&O Canal, swimming at Assateague Island, tubing in Antietam Creek near Harpers Ferry, Troop 1033 would like to thank Behnke’s Nursery, Inc. for their continued support of our fund raiser and a special thanks to Kalkreuth Roofing and Sheet Metal, Inc. in Frederick, MD for supplying a trailer for delivery of our large orders. We especially want to thank the Beltsville Community for all their support.

From Mother with a Smile

It is not always easy to be a good mother, but a smile - it helps, and always will.

A smile is tender love, is rays of morning sunshine sparkling in the dewdrops of last night.

Mother has it all: many a dream and always useful servitude, every so often a try at ruling, and what forever remains is just a smile.

* Ingeborg Carsten-Miller

Scouts Deliver a Mountain of Mulch

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Preserving and creating jobs

During this year’s Maryland legislative session, Delegates Barbara Frush, Joseline Peña-Melnyk, Ben Barnes and I worked with Governor O’Malley to get the economy moving again. With Marylanders facing difficult economic problems, we:

- Helped make sure that President Obama’s efforts to preserve jobs and put people back to work reached our community through green jobs, transportation improvements, and school construction;
- Used federal stimulus funds to keep teachers in our schools and police in our neighborhoods;
- Invested state funds to create construction jobs building schools, repairing roads, and boosting energy conservation and pollution control; and,
- Created $5,000 tax credit for small businesses which hire unemployed workers.

Helping the unemployed

To help those who’ve lost jobs and income, we supported Governor O’Malley’s policies to:

- Expand unemployment compensation for Marylanders, including those seeking job training while unemployed, with funds from President Obama’s economic stimulus plan;
- Cap college tuition hikes for local students at the University of Maryland and the other state colleges;
- Expand medical insurance to those without it;
- Reregulate electric rates; and,
- Help homeowners threatened with foreclosure get a chance to refinance their homes, including mandatory mediation sessions with mortgage lenders.

President Obama’s stimulus package and the tough choices Governor O’Malley made before the Great Recession to cut the budget, close tax loopholes for big business, and to make the state income tax more progressive has allowed Maryland to avoid draconian cuts in education or tax increases on middle income families. Instead, with our support, Maryland has expanded help to those in need while balancing the state budget and preserving the states AAA bond rating.

Other important new legislation:

- Sex offenders, cell phones, solar energy, protecting workers

- Cracking down on sex offenders by increasing the penalties and giving the police and courts more tools to keep them away from children; and,
- Improving highway safety by making solar hot water use available through Governor O’Malley’s clean energy incentives to put together the government’s clean energy incentives to make solar hot water use available throughout Prince George’s.
- Delegate Barnes had a law passed allowing judges to order domestic abusers who violate restraining orders to wear GPS units that will alert the victim and police if the abuser comes around the victim. He also successfully legislated strict standards that will ensure removal of lead content in faucets and fixtures intended for human drinking water.

As Chair of the Environment Subcommittee, Delegate Barbara Frush was instrumental in getting $22.5 million in funding for the Chesapeake Bay Trust Fund. She was also responsible for protecting the critical areas, as well as the rivers and tributaries that flow into the Bay.

For employees who work over-time, Delegate Joseline Peña-Melnyk amended a law that now allows them to collect triple damages from employers who refuse to pay. In recent years, federal courts had ruled that Maryland law was vague and at risk of being declared unconstitutional. The adjustment will provide a strong incentive for employers to pay workers the wages they are owed for work beyond 40 hours.

Do you have questions?

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.
Prince George's Summer Teen Theatre
Holding Auditions for Footloose The Musical

By Rick Bergmann

Prince George's Summer Teen Theatre is happy to be bringing the joy of live theatre back to the Beltsville area for its 43rd consecutive year. This summer they will present Footloose The Musical based on the 1984 film that introduced us to Kevin Bacon. The movie was based on an article about Elmore City, Oklahoma. In The Prince George’s Summer Teen Theatre will be holding auditions for Footloose on May 17 and 18 at 7:00 p.m. at Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane, Beltsville, Md. Call backs May 19 at 7:00 p.m. Rehearsals will be Monday–Thursday nights at Emmanuel UMC and they begin May 24. Performances are July 17, 18, 21, 24, 25, 31 and August 1 at High Point High School, 3601 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville, MD. We would like to thank Emmanual for partnering with us this summer and allowing us space for rehearsals.

Auditioners need to be between the ages of 13 and 20 years old. Please prepare 16-32 bars of two contrasting Contemporary Musical Theatre pieces (i.e. up tempo piece and a ballad, please no Stephen Sondheim). You may not be asked to sing both pieces. Bring legible sheet music clearly marked and in the appropriate key. An accompanist will be provided. No taped music or a capella singing. Come prepared to dance, sneaker or jazz sneakers please. More information about our program please visit our website, www.pgstt.org.

Truck Touch will Raise Funds for Girl Scouts

Boys and girls of all ages are welcome to join the fun at the Truck Touch hosted by the Girl Scouts on Saturday, May 22, 2010 from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at High Point High School (in rear of building) located at 3601 Powder Mill Road Beltsville, MD. The Truck Touch will give children the opportunity to see, touch and learn about different types of vehicles and how they are used. See and touch a steel tank truck, SWAT Team’s Bearcat armored truck, police helicopter, military Humvee, Brinks armored truck and much more. There will be games to play and light snacks for purchase. All proceeds from this event will benefit the Girl Scouts Share Program. Share provides financial assistance for girls to join the Girl Scouts and participate in summer camp programs. It also supports training for Troop Leaders. Admission is $3. For more information contact Jessica Thompson at 301-906-3020.

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Neighbors in the News

Meet Tricia Fancovic on Beltsville Day

Come and meet Patricia “Tricia” Fancovic on Beltsville Day, Sunday, June 6 at the Beltsville Community Center from noon to 5:00 p.m. Tricia is the Facility Director of the Beltsville Community Center and has served in that position since May of last year. Her career with the National Capital Area Park & Planning Commission began in 1990 when she started at the Deerfield Community Center as the Pre-School Director and assistant Director for Kids Care. In 2006, she came to Beltsville as Assistant Facility Director, and subsequently served as Assistant Facility Director at Langley Park and then Assistant Facility Director at Prince George's Plaza. Now she is back in Beltsville as Facility Director and says that she “loves the community, the members, and the staff.” She added that she likes dealing with the public. She has fond memories of attending Beltsville Day when her children were growing up, noting that they always climbed the Boy Scout monkey bridge and enjoyed the other attractions. She says, “Beltsville Day is a community event and it has a nice at home feeling.”

Tricia is from Laurel and was raised in this area. She attended Laurel High School, Prince George’s Community College, and earned a BA in business at the University of Maryland. She has been married 31 years and has two sons. She is looking forward to the birth of her first grandchild. She will be there all day on Beltsville Day and looks forward to meeting you.

The newly formed Beltsville Academy Leo Club held their first community service function on 7, 8, and 9 April when they sponsored vision screening at the school. At their invitation, members of the Beltsville Lions Club screened 232 students over the three days, of whom 70 were referred for further testing by a vision professional. In other activities, some 14 members of the Leo Club planned to attend the Leo Leadership weekend at Camp Merrick over the weekend of April 16-18. Also, the Leo Club’s charter was recently received from Lions Clubs International, and a Charter presentation will be held at the school very soon.

This photo shows some of the Leo Club’s 30 members on April 8, when the weather was good enough to do the vision screening outside the school. The school liaison to the Leo Club, art teacher Ingrid McCoy, is at the far right. Ms McCoy previously served as the school liaison to the Dr. Henry A. Wise High School Leo Club.
By Ivy Christoffers

April is Children & Youth month in the American Legion Auxiliary and we have focused all month on our youth along with a few other things. We began the month with submitting the names and credentials of eight very qualified candidates for our 2010 Girl’s State session which is being held at Salisbury University June 20 to 25, 2010. Any one of whom could become state governor or senator, they are that qualified. Four of these students come from High Point and four are from Northwestern High Schools.

Since I will be an instructor and counselor at this session, I have an opportunity to keep my eyes on them and believe me, I will.

The Girl’s State Orientation course was given on April 18th and there were fourteen young ladies, along with their parents, in attendance. This course was conducted by Lois Highsmith, Vice Director of Girls State, and is mandatory for all prospective Girl State Citizens.

Another youth program we focused on was the annual Miss College Park Scholarship Pageant that was also held on April 18th. There were 17 young ladies in competition and the ultimate winner was a 17-year-old student from Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Devin Fendley. This Scholarship Pageant is always a popular one and affords many thousands of dollars in education scholarships for these young ladies. Our retiring Miss College Park, Elise Pittman, was a very active ambassador as she made many appearances and represented College Park Post and Unit # 217 very well indeed. Thank You, Elise, for a great year.

Since our last article, we have been privileged to present a program on Americanism and the care of and how to show proper respect for our Flag to the eighth grade students at Beltsville Seventh Day Adventist Academy on Ammendale Road. The program was well received and the principal, Wendy Pega, said she learned something new as well. It warms our hearts to see how much the young students get out of this presentation. With the scheduled presentation on April 21st to the students at Holy Redeemer School in Berwyn, we will have reached 377 young students with this patriotic program. We have already received requests to present this program in the fall, just before the Americanism Essays are due to be distributed to the schools. It appears this is a subject that is lacking in the schools and they are very pleased to have us come in to educate the students on these matters, and the American Legion Auxiliary is very happy to comply.

Another event that has been held since the last article was the Community Easter Egg Hunt and Party where we entertained 40 children and just as many parents. They played games, made crafts, hunted for hidden eggs and generally had a ball. Eating all the goodies and candies they could handle and leaving with prizes galore, this is one of the highlights of their year. It was good to see Joan Beam back with us for this party; She and her daughter Shannon have chaired this event for a few years now. Out thanks to all the Miss Greenbelts, Miss Prince George’s Co. and Miss College Parks for their assistance.

This is also the month when all of our year end reports come due so the auxiliary members are very busy with filling out these very large and complex reports on all the work they have accomplished since May 1, 2009. A compilation of all records is sent to the National Organization from where they find their way to Congress. There is so very much done on the local levels for our Veterans, our youth and our communities, but without competent record keeping, no one would ever know about it.

Now let us focus on our Active Military and Veterans. We were pleased to attend a “Welcome Home, Troops” at BWI during which two planes landed with a total of over 600 soldiers and their families. What a glorious sight to see these young men and women coming home. There was in excess of 200 on hand to greet them, including 64 young students from one school who helped with the luggage. We distributed pack-ets with water, fruit and snacks and many hugs were shared. This always warms my heart.

Our Veterans at Washington VAMC have had our attention as well. We have made trips to the Community Living Center to entertain these great folk with bingo and goodies. This we do on a monthly basis and look forward to our visits. There is a picnic planned for the wounded soldiers at Malone House in the near future. Doesn’t it sound like we have a great time at Post and Unit # 217? You could be a part of all this if you qualify for membership. Why not check it out? Until next month, may God Bless our Troops and may God continue to bless America.

Young at Heart Club

By Barbara Schofield

We had a wonderful 44th anniversary celebration on April 15th. Carmen Keister was a committee of one and did a fabulous job. She had Behnke’s men Keister was a committee of one and did a fabulous job. She had

The Women’s Community Club of Beltsville

By Mae Whitehead, President

The Women’s Community Club of Beltsville (WCCB) wishes all Mothers a very Happy Mothers Day. We extend a Warm Welcome to all new Beltsville residents. We thank our speaker Barbara Spears, Librarian at the Beltsville Library, for her presentation on the history of the Women’s Club, which is included in the documented History of Beltsville. Ms. Spears also invited the Club to participate in the 35th Anniversary of the Library on April 13th. We were pleased to reciprocate and attend this milestone occasion in our community.

WCCB activities in May

On Monday, May 12 at 12:30 p.m. please join us. Our District 21 Representatives have been invited to bring us the latest, “What’s going on News.” And we will also have the results of our annual student essay competition and scholarship awards.

On Saturday, May 15 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. our Membership Committee will host an event. All Beltsville area ladies stay-at-home and working mothers, singles and married we invite you to come out to our “Meet and Greet.” Learn about Club involvement and projects; enjoy great refreshments, door prizes, photo ops, and more.

The activities above will be held at 11416 Coblentz Road in the Church Lounge of Emmanuel United Methodist Church. We are a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization, and our annual membership fee is minimal. Visit us on the Internet: www.beltsvillerec.org or contact Mae Whitehead presidentwccb@yahoo.com 301.572.7464.

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Beltville Rotary News

By Ivy Christoffers

The past few weeks have been very interesting. We have had an early summer pass us by, and then we went into spring. Can anyone tell me what’s wrong with this picture? Of course, Rotarians do not care what season we are currently enjoying, our work goes on just as though we are forever in sunshine.

A guest speaker we were privileged to have join us recently, compliments of Rotarian Desta Gezahay, was Heath Campbell, of Branch Banking & Trust (BB&T). whose career includes over ten years of financial analysis, commercial underwriting, portfolio management and sales management. Heath has an outstanding record of achievements throughout his tenure in the financial services industry, but is most proud to work for an organization like BB&T that embodies its entire corporate culture around an underlying set of values. Heath began his career with BB&T in Chicago in 2002 where he achieved early success and recognition. In September of 2009, the Campbells joined BB&T’s Washington D.C. Metro Region where Heath now proudly serves as Area Executive, Senior Vice President in Suburban Maryland. Heath spoke of the need for the “right regulation and not more regulation” to serve the public. He spoke of the Trouble Asset Relief Program (TARP) and the state of the banking industry today. Needless to say, the club members found him very enlightening.

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The Beltsville Garden Club will meet on Wednesday, May 26th, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of the James E. Duckworth School, 11201 Evans Trail, Beltsville. The guest speaker for this month will be Joshua Nadler and his topic will be, “MITIGATING TREE HAZARDS FROM SNOWMAGEDDON.”

During the winter of 2010 the DC Metro area had the snowiest year on record. The unusual amount of snow caused unforeseen tree care complications that are not usually experienced on an annual basis. He will discuss the strategies regarding tree “clean up” that were used by the University of Maryland at College Park. He will also discuss arboricultural topics of which homeowners should be aware; including how to prepare for record snow accumulations and tree species that are particularly acceptable to heavy snow loads.

Mr. Nadler enjoys promoting and discussing trees and shrubs for the ornamental landscape with emphasis on the newer selections. He became a certified arborist in 2004.

The Kindred Spirit Hybrid Oak is a tree on which he holds a patent and registered trademark. Please join us for this informative speaker. We will have plants for the door prize table and refreshments after the meeting. The public is welcomed and admission is free.

For more information, contact Louise DeJames at 301.890.4733 or visit our website at www.beltsvillelegardenclub.org

School News
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Beltsville-Adelphi Boys & Girls Club News

Registration has been great throughout the boys & girls club for all spring sports. We have a very active athletic community in Beltsville. Go Bulls! Come out and support your home teams. Baseball, Softball, T-Ball, Coaches’ Pitch and Flag Football have started their practices. Sign up as soon as possible as rosters close for these sports on May 1, 2010. You may sign up/register on line at www.beltsvilleadelphi.com any- time or at the Club every Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. You may also register with the Beltsville-Adelphi Cheerleaders in the fall. The Elite Cheerleading squad has been busy in competitions this spring! Way to go Girls!

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Calverton Writers Win Awards

Thirty-six Calverton Elementary School writers in third, fourth and fifth grades have won recognition in the Award-Winning Young Writers of America 2010 contest. Their original poems will be published in the prestigious annual Writers of America student anthology 2010. This publication is completely free of charge to the winning students. The winning writers are Kamila Gomez, Saloni Talati and Angela Sierra in Mr. Cohen’s class; Anaiyah Lynch in Ms. Baun’s class; Nana Agyemang in Mr. Reif’s class; Godsee Joy in Mrs. Allen’s class; Irlanda Luz in Mrs. Wright’s class; Caroline Dabre and Shesupra Page in Ms. Levin’s class; Tamia Hall and Kathryn John in Mrs. Bravo’s class; Amaka Emerson in Mrs. Fulcher’s class; and Violeta Brito in Mr. Hartman’s class.

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As Calverton celebrates National Poetry month, we would like to share two poetic snippets written by two of Calverton’s students:

A Spring Simile by the poet Samuel Ngum in Ms. Joyner’s Class: Spring is like a bottle of happiness.

A Spring Metaphor by the poet Rachel Kollie in Mrs. Bravo’s Class: Spring’s a colorful rainbow.

We would also like to share a poem written by a fourth grader: My Wishes for the World by the poet Shesupra Page in Ms. Levin’s Class:

My wishes for the world I wish...

The world would spin slower People would have time to think things over Homeless people would be healed World disasters would stop Violence and wars would end These are my wishes for the world.

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largest, most diversified agricultural research complex. It became the nation’s flagship agricultural research center, an internationally acclaimed gold standard of agricultural research excellence.” The April Agricultural Research Magazine commemorates milestone BARC accomplishments of the past, salutes the present, and looks ahead to that which is to come. (The magazine is on-line at http://ars.usda.gov/is/AR/). And this special note: This column draws heavily on Dr. Spence’s forum remarks and the work of USDA-ARS writer Stephanie Yao. That said, the writer assumes responsibility for contents and accuracy.)

No discussion of BARC history would be complete without crediting the 1930s work of the Civilian Conservation Corp. That is when BARC expansion took off for real. By the time the hardworking young CCC men had finished, they had constructed 21 buildings, erected 142 miles of fencing, and built 79 miles of roads, bridges, and tunnels. They landscaped 500 acres, moved 78,000 trees and shrubs, and installed 126 miles of water, sewer, and drainage pipes. They took blueprints drawn up for the great lodges of Yellowstone National Park, adjusted them to scale, and built BARC’s landmark Log Lodge from logs harvested from BARC property. Today, the Log Lodge houses the agency National Visitors Center.

“Reading through today’s B A R C projects is like reading through the course list at a university for overachievers,” writes Joseph Spence. Here are a few examples of on-going BARC work:

In environmental management, researchers study air quality in the Chesapeake Bay Region and how changing agricultural land-use may affect air quality. In sustainable agriculture, scientists apply molecular approaches to increase plant nutrient content, lengthen shelf life, and boost plant stress tolerance. On the animal side, scientists are tackling how changing agricultural practices affect the dynamics of global climate change. He wants to concentrate on finding ways to improve detection of pathogens that cause foodborne illness and ways to keep those pathogens from contaminating our food supplies. Scientific studies on enhancing health and nutrition through-out childhood is another mandate, as is research on creating food security, both in the United States and across the globe. Finally, Secretary Vilsack firmly believes that USDA scientists can significantly contribute to the development of environmentally sustainable systems for bioenergy production that will help secure abundant—and homegrown—supplies of “green” energy. These are research areas for BARC to pursue, writes BARC director Spence.

As a courtesy, Mr. Hoyer’s office was invited to comment for this article. The response: “You can just assure the readers of Mr. Hoyer’s continued support for BARC.”

This brings us to that BARC Field Day—Saturday, June 5, 10:00 to 4:00. Here’s your chance to help celebrate 100 years of history. Visit BARC and enjoy a fun-filled day for the whole family. There will be hayrides, animal exhibits, farm machinery to check out, research exhibits to impress the eye, and hands-on demonstrations. Light refreshments will be available for purchase. Don’t miss it!
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Calverton Elementary’s Save the World! Wins National Environmental Award

By Katie Swanson, Save the World! Environmental Club Sponsor

The United States Environmental Protection Agency has chosen Save the World! Environmental Club from Calverton Elementary as its Elementary School Categorical Winner for the Mid-Atlantic Region of the 2009 President’s Environmental Youth Awards (PEYA). Save the World! is a four-year-old club founded by dedicated third graders at Calverton (it currently has third through sixth grade members).

In contention for the PEYA, we submitted a comprehensive application complete with a table of exhibits of all of our many environmental activities over the past year (over 40 pages total). Among other things, we were recognized and cited as an example to the world’s leaders by the United Nations at the climate change conference in Copenhagen last December. According to the EPA, the most competitive year in our PEYA history. We are very proud of being recognized among such stiff competition!

Mindcore Day at Beltsville Academy A Big Success

Beltsville Academy held their 10th annual Mindcore Day on February 24th because of our blizzard delays. Mindcore is the school’s academic fundraiser in which the students try to learn the answers to 100 basic knowledge questions and get pledges based on how many questions they think they can answer correctly on Mindcore. We have raised almost $5,000 that will be spent directly on upgrading our technology right here in our school, benefiting every student. So far, we have raised almost $5,000 that will be spent directly on upgrading our technology right here in our school, benefiting every student. 87% of our students scored 75% or higher on Test Day and earned free homework passes. Great job students! Many local businesses donated to Mindcore, allowing us to hold this event with very little out-of-pocket costs. These businesses include: TJ’s Restaurant of Laurel, Shared Technologies in Beltsville, The ARC of PG County, Agricultural Research Service in Beltsville, National Agricultural Library in Beltsville, New Leaders for New Schools, Israel Baptist Church in DC, and Isagenix Distributor Church in DC, and Isagenix.

Calverton Teachers to Retire

Three beloved Calverton teachers are retiring this June—Mrs. Doris Foggie (first grade), Mrs. Elizabeth Werner (fifth grade) and Mrs. Linda Jackson (Special Education). We are collecting letters and remembrances to make scrapbooks for each teacher. If any students, former students or parents of teachers would like to write something to include in the memory books, please send them to Calverton Elementary, Retirement Committee, 3400 Beltsville Rd., Beltsville, MD 20705. We need the letters and memories by May 14 so they can be presented to the teachers by May 21.

Calverton’s Science Fair Winners

Calverton is proud to announce the following Science Fair (STEM) Winners. Grand Champions Pedro Aguilar, Nana Agyemang and Shepura Page. These three Grand Champions will be entering their projects in the County Fair in May.

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IN FLIGHT VIEW: ABSTRACTIONS OF FLIGHT PHOTOGRAPHY

The exhibition continues through June 11. It features large-format photographs by Carolin Ruso showcasing the aesthetic quality of some of the National Air and Space Museum’s iconic aircraft. With close-up facets, sculptural forms, and like elements, this View directs the viewer’s attention to the often-overlooked simple elegance of aircraft design. This exhibition has been organized by the Smithsonian’s National Air and Space Museum. FREE with museum admission.

BELTSVILLE EVENTS

BELTSVILLE BUSINESS BREAKFAST

Wednesday, May 19, 2010, The Beltsville Business Breakfast, hosted by the 21st District Delegation (Senator Rosapepe and Delegates, Frzech, Peta-Melnyk and Barnes) will meet 7:30-9:30 a.m. at the Cross Creek Golf Clubhouse, Bay Hill Drive, just off Old Gunpowder Road near Irvington Chelsey in Beltsville. The Speaker will be Patrick A. Reilly, Lead Contract Specialist, at the National Library of Agriculture in Beltsville who will address “Real Small Business Opportunities in Government Procurement at the Library and Across Government.” Call 301.858.3142 to register (all includes a Continental Breakfast).

BARC’s 100th Anniversary is Coming Soon!

Plan ahead for Saturday, June 5 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. rain or shine. Mark your calendar for BARC’s Field Day in celebration of its 100th Anniversary! Visit BARC at 10300 Baltimore Ave., Beltsville, MD 20705 for a fun-filled day for all ages.

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301.864.4765. Museum admission is $4.00 for adults, $3.00 for seniors, $1.00 for children 6-18. Children under 2 admitted free.

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3930 Selman Rd., Beltsville. The Program Specialist is Tarra Brown. Call 301.837.6603 for information on these and other activities. TTY: 301.445.4512. FAX: 301.937.8815. Hours of operation are: Monday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Closed on Sunday.

BELTSVILLE LIBRARY

Regular hours of operation are Monday and Tuesday from 1:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., closed on Sunday. Contact the Beltsville Library by phone at 301-479-0294. Visit us at 4719 Selman Road, Beltsville, next door to the police station. Visit our library system web site at www.pgpms.info.

FRIENDS OF THE BELTSVILLE LIBRARY MEETING

Tuesday, May 4 at 6:30 p.m.

EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION

Monday, May 10 at 7:00 p.m. Isabel Allende’s Sum of Our Lives. Pick up a copy at the library. All are welcome.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON BOOK DISCUSSION

Tuesday, May 18 at 2:00 p.m. James Lee Burke’s Black Book. BLOWOUT! Drop by the library to pick up a copy.

COMPUTERS FOR EVERYONE!

Tuesday, May 11 at 10:00 a.m. Don’t be intimidated by computers. Join us to learn basic computer skills, terminology and how to use the library’s computers. Leave the library feeling confident using a computer. Limit 24 per class. Registration required. Please contact the Beltsville library for more information. Adults only.

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ALL DAY SCRAP

Saturday, May 1 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Celebrate National Scrap Book Day with us at Beltsville CC. Bring your supplies, we will have yours!

XTREME TEEN TRIP

Friday, May 7. A trip to the Atlas Theater (DC) to see the play “Right to Remain.” $12 for ticket. Free transportation. Depart 6:00 p.m. return 10:00 p.m.

TENNIS PLAYOFF DAY

Friday, May 14 from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. For 2’s, May is National Tennis Month. Join us for a fun and exciting tournament. Sign up by May 7. Ages 10 to 12. FREE.

XTREME TEEN PACIFIC BEACH PARTY

Saturday, May 29. Have great fun with friends with food, music and games. Ages 10 to 17. Free with center ID.

XTREME TEENS REGULAR EVENTS

Fridays and Saturdays from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Ages 13-17. FREE with Xtreme Teens ID card.

VANSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

6813 Ammendale Rd., Vansville. The program specialist is Kathleen Reardon. Contact her at 301.937.6601 or kathleen.reardon@pgparks.com for more information. FAX: 301.937.6623. TTY: 301.445.4512. Regular hours of operation are Monday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. When the fitness area closes to make room for the Xtreme Teens events, and Sunday from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

MOTHER’S DAY BRUNCH AND CRAFT

Saturday, May 8 at 11:00 a.m. It’s mom’s or your mom’s special weekend! Enjoy the morning mall shopping followed by an arts & crafts project. All ages welcome. Reservation required by May 7 – let us know how many to expect. FREE.

SPRING INDOOR FLEA MARKET

Saturday, May 15 at 8:00 a.m. Hey, it’s time to either pack it or sell it. Get a jump on your spring cleaning or look for bargains! Tables are available (limited number) for the first FAD registrants. Drop by center for more information. All ages welcome. Vendors Fee: $10 Resident, per space; $12 Non-Resident, per space; Shoppers: No admittance fee. Call the center regarding vendor reservations.

NEW LISTING!

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In summer it's another story. I do not put on much mileage in my car. Not always 93 octane but 89 or 91. I do better on higher quality fuel. A tank of premium gas I get 360 miles and reading the computer with 87-octane gas. So I filled up with 87-octane gas just to see. Hey, it ran just the same, BUT the computer MPG went from 17.9 to 12 in two weeks. I wrote a few months ago that I purchased a used low mileage Lincoln Town Car. The computer reads This 300 horse motor will run just fine on regular 87-octane gas. So I filled it up with 87-octane gas just to see. I do not let the rest of the paper. I do not let it go to my head but it is good to hear from time to time. I haven’t had a request or concern on line in a while. Come on, if you have a question or need an answer on any type of food product drop me a line at bakerbill1@verizon.net or go to bakerbill.net click to contact me.

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BELTSVILLE “WestView” $375,000
NEW LISTING! Gorgeous and spacious colonial on lovely landscaped corner lot has 4 BR, 2 ½ baths, updated kitchen, baths, fresh paint, blonde laminate flooring main level, level W/O lower level with space to create, double-level deck, new windows, ML family room, too much more to mention. A must see!

BELTSVILLE: “White Oak Manor” • $359,999
GREAT NEW low price for one of the best close-in addresses! 4 BR, 2 ½ baths, updated kitchen, baths, fresh paint, hardwood flooring main level, spacious rooms, level W/O lower level, closes to ML family room w/FP. Huge rec room in LL plus semi finished area that’s waiting for your finishing touches. This is “lots of house” for you to enjoy!

BELTSVILLE “Calverton” $295,000
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