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## Cub Pack 1031 Racing towards Summer

By Regina Halper

On Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, Pack 1031 held their Pinewood Derby. We had an exciting time with fantastic cars! The winners of the Annual Pinewood Derby were First Place Tiger, Rowan M. The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place win were remarkably close with 9 heats that finally ended with Bear Scout Anya P. in 2nd Place and Webelos Ian K in 3rd Place! Excellent job scouts!! Many thanks to adults, Sean H and Christian S who ran our race and Jennifer K and Derek P who called the race results!

Interested in discovering the fun of Cub Scouts for your child? Beginning in the end of June we begin our summer program, where we plan to do outdoor, STEM, and nature activities. Please contact



Pack 1031 2022 Pinewood Derby winners: 1<sup>st</sup> Rowan M, 2<sup>nd</sup> Anya P, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ian K!

Regina Halper at Pack1031cubscouting@gmail.com for information.

We are a family scouting unit. We learn outdoor skills, citizenship, STEM, nature and do service. 100% of our active scouts earned their rank this year! We always strive for over 85% to earn their rank but this year they did fantastic!!

We are still being cautious, we meet weekly (either virtually or in person in the outdoors), stay arm's length apart and we keep it fun! This fall we hope to be able to meet in the Beltsville Academy. If the numbers are up, we do wear masks unless we are biking or hiking in family groups. Our den leaders are 100% vaccinated and our scouts too!

### NEXT ISSUE:

Submissions Due

No Later Than:

July 20

Paper Out:

July 30

### On the Agenda



Lee Havis is running for the state senate.

## Lee Havis Announces Campaign For State Senate

On June 1, 2022, I was pleased to meet with members of the Beltsville Lions Club to introduce my campaign for State Senate in Legislative District 21. After dinner, I spoke briefly about my message to voters for a change of direction in the Maryland General Assembly. As a life-long innovator in the field of scientific education, and Maryland citizen, I have been especially appalled by the destructive, political nature of public education in our state. In my after-

**HAVIS**  
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## UpStage Artists Presents *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*

UpStage Artists is excited to present it's first children's production, *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* this July. This play is an adaptation of L. Frank Baum's classic children's story by UpStage Artists board member John Cusumano. The cast is made of 16 children and 1 adult. All the children come from Beltsville and its surrounding areas.

Dorothy thinks she's lost forever when a tornado whirls her and her dog, Toto, into a magical world. To get home, she must find the wonderful wizard in the Emerald City of Oz. On the way she meets the Scarecrow, the Tin Woodman and the Cowardly Lion. This is a fantastic show to bring the family to!

Show dates are July 22, 23, 29 and 30 at 7pm and July 24 and 31 at 2pm. Tickets are only \$10. Purchase tickets online at [www.upstageartists.com/tickets](http://www.upstageartists.com/tickets). All performances take place at Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane, Beltsville, MD 20705.



Howie W. of Beltsville is the Scarecrow in UpStage Artists *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* running July 22-31.



Karen Coakley

By President Karen M. Coakley

The Beltsville Citizens Association will not have a meeting in July or August unless something pressing comes up.

**Summer safety tip:** Please make arrangements for your mail, newspapers and lawn when you go away. Tall grass and newspapers piled up are a Neon Sign that no one is home.

**Carjacking:** Please lock your car when you are filling up your gas tank. Be aware of your surroundings.

**News Flash:** our neighborhood streets are not the Indy 500. Children and adults are out walking, riding bikes, some dart out between parked cars without checking for cars. We all need to stop at the Stop Signs and slow down.

If you have a topic that you would like to discuss at a future meeting I can be reached at 301-741-7672 or [karenmcoakley@gmail.com](mailto:karenmcoakley@gmail.com)

## Beltsville Briefs

### Vacation Bible School at the First Baptist Church of Beltsville

The First Baptist Church of Beltsville will be hosting vacation bible school again this year. It will take place August 1-4 from 9:00 am to noon. This year's theme is Joy to the World and will feature Operation Christmas Child: The Samaritan's Purse. There will be Bible Study, Shoe Box Building, Music, Skits, Games, Snacks, and

more. If you have any questions you can call 301-937-7771. Register online at <https://www.fbcbeltsville.org/vbs.cfm>.

### Beltsville Seventh Day Adventists Feeds Local Residents

On Friday May 27th, the Beltsville Seventh-day Adventist church had one more food distribution event. Done by the Beltsville Adventist Community Center

(BACC) in coordination with the PG county food bank, they gave out approximately 500 county food boxes at a drive through at church parking lot. This is approximately the 30th event held by BACC. due to the impending storm the event started at 10:30 AM, a bit early, and finished about 1:30 just before the storm hit. there is always food available at the Beltsville Adven-

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## Neighbors in the News

### Residents for a Better Beltsville (RBB) working to restore historic Methodist Slave Cemetery

Residents for a Better Beltsville (RBB) is working to restore the historic Methodist Slave Cemetery located in Beltsville.

Please note the historic overview and current photos taken of the location on May 21, 2022. Connect with RBB on our Social Media: Twitter: @BetterBville; Facebook: /BetterBeltsville; and Instagram: /BetterBeltsville

#### From History of the Methodist Church in Beltsville

In June 1836, Evan and Ver-linda Beall Shaw sold one acre of land to five Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church (\$5 a person) for the purpose of building a structure for worship. This land was part of the Shaw plantation, located in Beltsville. The church was named Ebenezer Meeting House and stood at the northeast corner of the intersection of what is now Gunpowder Road and Powder Mill Road. The late Miss Susie Beall recorded in her writings the following: "The church building was a small log structure with a gallery across the rear of the church. The plantation slaves sat in the gallery which was



The Ebenezer Meeting House Marker near the Methodist Slave Cemetery in Beltsville.

reached by an outside ladder. A small graveyard surrounded the church. Some stones were still standing after 1900. The cemetery contained whites of the community and slaves. The congregation was led by Circuit Riders and later by the father of Marcellus Roby." Today this land belongs to the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission, and about a dozen graves are marked only by field stones. From 1842 to 1848, Ebenezer was part of the Bladensburg Circuit. Ebenezer and more than a dozen other

churches were probably part of the Bladensburg Circuit before 1842. Evan Shaw's will, dated January 1857, stated that his slaves were to be freed and were to inherit his plantation at his and his wife's death. Mr. Shaw died in 1858 and his wife, Ver-linda, died a few years later. Land records from 1866 show that the former slaves sold 100 acres of the plantation, and in 1877 they sold the remaining acres. This included the one acre of land where Ebenezer Meeting House stood and the surrounding cemetery. No record has been found showing that the Baltimore Conference has ever claimed the one-acre purchased by the trustees in 1836. Apr 14, 2007 · Ebenezer Meeting House was built on this location and was in use until about 1861. A cemetery was located near the log meeting house. Several gravesites still remain. Erected 1986 by the Prince George's County Historical Society. Topics. This historical marker is listed in this topic list: Churches & Religion. Location.

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## It's Raining Kittens!

We keep thinking the calls about kittens will slow down, but they don't. Beltsville Community Cats (BCC) volunteers were extremely busy in May and June, rescuing kittens born outdoors. And, the kittens just keep coming.

Research indicates that over half of unattended kittens born outside don't live to be one year old. That is a high rate of mortality and a sad statistic. Animal rescue groups like BCC enlist volunteers to trap and rescue kittens born outside. These kittens are placed in foster homes where they learn to be house pets. The kittens are sterilized, vaccinated, combo tested and microchipped before they are adopted into forever homes.

In May and June of 2022, BCC took in over 30 kittens. Many of these kittens came from a single industrial site in Beltsville. Most were suffering from severe eye infections and upper respiratory infections. One was born with no back feet. Finding foster homes and covering the medical bills for these kittens has placed a financial burden on BCC.

You may be wondering how you can help. There are several ways. First, you can provide a small donation towards the medical bills for these furbabies.

Second, BCC is in desperate need of foster homes for both short- and long-term placements for these kittens. If you've thought about fostering, but are concerned about making a long-term commitment, consider signing up to foster kittens short-term while



their regular foster parents are vacationing this summer. We need temporary foster homes for 2 to 5 weeks at a time, as well as for permanent foster homes for longer-term placements. And lastly, we are looking for adoptive homes for our kittens.

Interested in donating to BCC? Visit our website at <https://www.beltsvillecats.net/donate> to donate through PayPal or Venmo, or mail a check to BBC, PO Box 942, Beltsville, MD 20704. Please specify if you want your donation to go toward medical expenses for kittens.

If you are interested in fostering for BCC, complete our application to foster at: <http://www.shelterluv.com/matchme/foster/BCC/Cat>.

If you are interested in adopting from BCC, check out the cats and kittens we have available for adoption on our Petfinder page at: <https://www.petfinder.com/member/us/md/beltsville/beltsville-community-cats-md506/>, and apply to adopt at: <https://www.shelterluv.com/matchme/adopt/BCC/Cat>.



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## Obituaries

### Cherone, Michael Joseph (Pickle)

Michael Joseph Cherone (known as Pickle) died June 18, 2022 after his eight-year fight with cancer. Born January 19, 1960 he lived most of his life in Beltsville, Maryland. He is survived by Nancy Anderson. Beloved son to Louis and Eleanor (Jordan) Cherone. Brother to Mary and Thomas Robb, Louis

Jr and Ann Cherone and Anna Reising Foley. He is the proud father of two girls, Monica and son in law Josh Denison and Gloria Cherone and her fiancé Chris Maldeon. Grandfather to Abby, Amelia, Josh, Michaela, Anna and Bianca as well as Uncle of 11 nieces and nephews and 15 great nieces and nephews. He is greatly loved by family and friends. He will be missed forever.

## Erickson Senior Living Promotes Dee Dee Gray-Weaver to Executive Director of Riderwood

### Executive team member takes on new leadership role

Silver Spring, Md.-Erickson Senior Living, a national leader in developing and managing continuing care retirement communities, has named Dee Dee Gray-Weaver as executive director of Riderwood in Silver Spring, Md. Gray Weaver brings 20 years of managerial experience to this leadership position.

"Dee Dee has been a valued and respected member of the Riderwood family since joining us as associate executive director in 2017," says Kerry Jones, Erickson Senior Living's vice president of corporate operations. "Her passion for providing strong leadership and exceptional service have been instrumental in helping our community achieve impressive resident and employee satisfaction."

Before becoming part of the



Dee Dee Gray-Weaver, New Executive Director of Riderwood

Riderwood leadership team, Gray-Weaver spent nearly 15 years at Choice Hotels, where she honed her exceptional hospitality and managerial skills.

"I am honored to continue to work with the experienced and dedicated team of professionals who are committed to exceeding residents' expectations each and every day here at Riderwood," says Gray-Weaver. "Together, we will continue to help those who live and work on the campus receive a truly remarkable experience."

Gray-Weaver holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Maryland, College Park and a master of business degree from American University's Kogod School of Business.

## This is in memory of my dear friend Carolyn Scarcia (6/25/32 – 5/29/22)

By Karen Bowen Shaw

Carolyn recently passed away at her Beltsville, MD home after a lengthy illness. She was very close to my mother Bytha Bowen who passed away in April 2002. After my mom passed away, Carolyn took it upon herself to send me a birthday card every year that was signed by her and my mom. When I would go down to my dad's house, I would try to make a point of going to see her. I would call her just to see how she was doing

or feeling as she was legally blind. I considered her my other mother as I didn't have one, but I always said "I love you" after my calls. The last time I visited her was on May 19<sup>th</sup>. I stopped by there after boxing up stuff at Dad's house. I stayed for about a half hour and when I left, I gave her a kiss on her forehead, and told her I loved her. She asked me before I left, once dad's house was sold, would I still come to visit her. I said of course. So, 10 days later, I got a call and

was told she passed away a little after midnight. I will miss her a lot. Her and mom were considered the Beltsville Streetwalkers, as they walk together all the time. In 1976, I went with her and mom on a bus trip to New York City (my first and only trip there). We went on a carriage rides together through Central Park. So now they are both in Heaven together and can walk wherever their hearts desire.

May you rest in peace Carolyn.

## News from St. Joseph's Catholic Church

St. Joseph Catholic Parish Religious Education Program 2022-2023 registration for students in kindergarten through 8th grade is available on the parish website, [www.stjosephbeltsville.org](http://www.stjosephbeltsville.org), online. Deadline is September 1. Classes are for students who are in public school or home school and are held weekly on Sunday, 9:30am-10:45am in classrooms in the school multi-purpose room. For more



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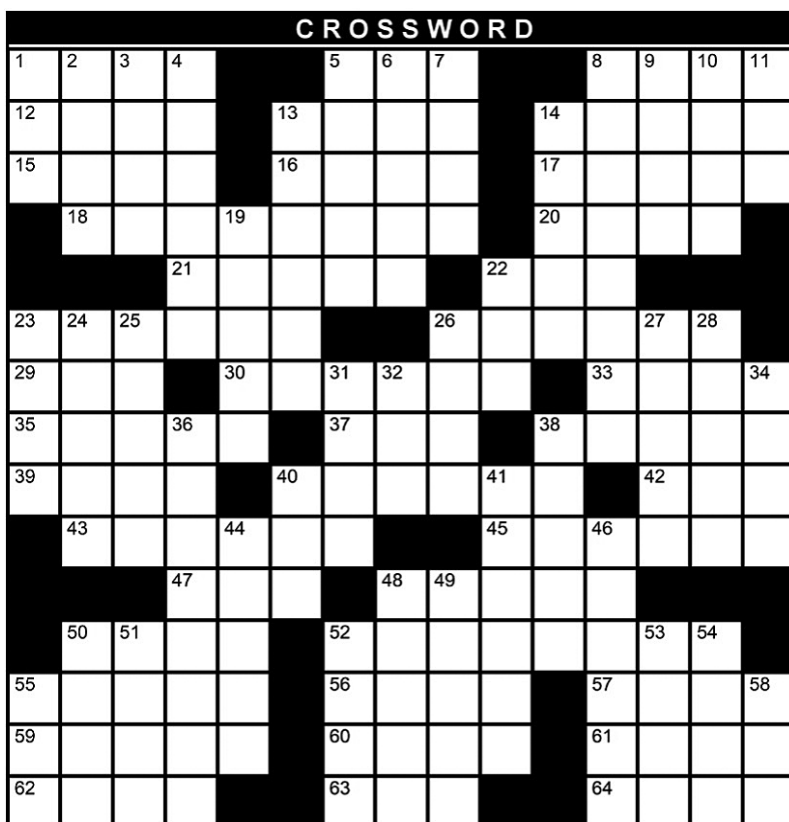
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### ACROSS

- Kitchen boss
- Churchill's "so few"
- Epochs
- "Watch out!" on a golf course
- East of Java
- \*Pinocchio's state of being
- Hard currency
- Emanation
- TV and radio
- \*Mr. Popper's birds
- Newspaper piece
- \*Like "Goosebumps Classic"
- "What?"
- \*Richard Scarry's Things That Go
- Oxygenate, as in lawn
- Skin cyst
- Middle Eastern meat dish, pl.
- Antonym of "yup"
- Dispatch boat
- Female sheep
- Throat infection
- Searching for E.T. org.
- \*"I think I can, I think I can..." e.g.
- \*"\_\_\_\_ Spot run!"
- Accounting journal
- \*The Plaza Hotel resident of kids' book fame
- Long, long time

- Caffeine-containing nut trees
- Off-color
- \*Ludwig Bemelmans' Parisian boarding school resident
- Middle Eastern porter
- Movie "\_\_\_\_ Brockovich"
- Karl of politics
- In a cold manner
- Obscenity
- Middle of March
- Fringe benefit
- \*Side for Green Eggs
- Put in the outbox

### DOWN

- Chlorofluorocarbon, abbr.
- Obstacle to jump through
- Great Lake
- Tiny fox with large ears
- Two halves of a diameter
- Like one in isolation cell
- Evergreen trees
- \*Babar, e.g.
- Thumb-up catch
- Full of enthusiasm
- \*"The Little Mermaid" domain
- Stock exchange, in Paris
- Affair, to Emmanuel Macron
- Michael Douglas' 1987 greedy role

- "For \_\_\_\_ a jolly ..."
- \*Clement Clark Moore's famous beginning
- Live it up
- Join forces
- Aid in crime
- Bodies
- \*Athos', Porthos' and Aramis' swords
- \*Corduroy or Paddington
- Stiff grass bristle
- \*D'Artagnan's sword
- \*It ends, according to Shel Silverstein
- North American purple berry
- \_\_\_\_ at Work, band
- Give in
- Worshipful
- Isis' brother and husband
- Cause and effect cycle?
- Abhorrence
- RBG's collar, e.g.
- Arabic for commander
- Screen
- Lymphatic swelling
- Like certain Steven
- Senior's fragile body part
- New York time



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# From the Office of Councilmember Tom Dernoga

## Budget Highlights

The County Council adopted the FY 23 Operating and Capital Budgets. The total Operating Budget adopted equals \$5.08 billion. The General Fund portion of the budget of \$4.226 billion is \$432 million over the approved FY 2022 budget of \$3.795 billion for an increase of 11.4%. The County Council approved the Board of Education Operating Budget in the amount of \$2.63 billion. In addition, we approved the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (MNCPPC) Operating Budget at \$549.4 million and its Capital Budget for \$153.5 million. There are no increases in tax rates. The WSSC FY 23 Operating Budget is \$864.6 million, and the Capital Budget totals \$606.2 million. There will be a WSSC Rate Increase of 6.5%. Additional budgets that the Council is responsible for approving include the Revenue Authority budget of \$41,393,800 and the Redevelopment Authority budget of \$661,300.

During the COVID-19 financial response and current economy recovery, Prince George's County still maintains the AAA Bond rating, and has maintained this rating from all three major bond rating agencies since FY 2012.

The Department of Family Services will have a total budget of \$7,068,100 that will include \$200,000 additional funding to the Youth Services Bureaus and \$75,000 for senior support services. The Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department



will receive \$2 million for this year and \$6.9 million for next year to build a new Rescue Squad Station for the Laurel Fire/EMS #849 (Laurel Volunteer Rescue Squad) after more than 20 years bouncing around the budget. The Department of Public Works and Transportation will receive an additional \$3.5 million for road repairs, totaling \$33 million and translating to \$3.68 million per Council District.

## Electric Vehicles Infrastructure

I am proud to report back that our legislation requiring electric vehicle infrastructure in all future residential buildings was enacted by the Prince George's County Council on Tuesday, June 7th. As gas prices are climbing, the demand for electric and hybrid vehicles is increasing. I presented

County Bill-15-2022 in March of this year to accelerate the transition to green technology. Following Federal and State commitments to electric vehicle (EV) charging ports, CB-15-2022 will ensure all single-family residential homes approved after 2022 will have level 2 charging ports built into the property for future use. As the number of electric vehicles in Maryland has increased from roughly 18,000 in December of 2020 to nearly 50,000 as of November of 2021, with a projection of 790,000 electric vehicles by 2030, the time to act is now. The cost for charging stations ranges from below \$1,000, up to \$4,000 per port. Thus, CB-15-2022 ensures that the cost of retrofitting properties for the charging ports will not be borne by the homeowners and will codify one of the recommendations from the

county's Climate Action Plan.

I would like to thank all my colleagues and stakeholders such as County residents, PEPCO and the Maryland Builders Association for their great work to ensure our County continues to move in the right direction.

## Keep in touch

Email us at [councildistrict1@co.pg.md.us](mailto:councildistrict1@co.pg.md.us) or call 301-952-3887. Se habla Español. For invitations and community events you would like to share with us, please email [district1scheduling@co.pg.md.us](mailto:district1scheduling@co.pg.md.us) with details. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram: @TomDernogaD1

**Caption:** A successful Council District 1 Team meeting. Checking in with everyone on the team, discussing upcoming events in District 1, and how we can better serve you.

## HAVIS

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dinner comments, I pointed out the need to correct this situation by providing greater parent choice in education. In this way, quality and value would naturally emerge in public education through the normal function of competition and choice in the free market, non-government economy. By contrast, the current centralized system, built on coercion, censorship, and monopoly, only breeds corruption and lack of accountability, such as recently reported in the review of grade-fixing in the Baltimore City school system.

According to a recent ABC news article, the Maryland Inspector General in its review of the Baltimore City Schools "found 12,542 examples where high school grades were changed from failing to passing between 2016 and the end of the 2019-2020 school year." Sadly, this is only the latest evidence in a long history of failure and mismanagement in the governance of education in Maryland. Without a fundamental change of direction, this deplorable situation in public education will only get worse by the reckless, irresponsible funding increases and policy mandates set in motion by the current General Assembly.

In my campaign, I hope to raise this and other issues with many such community groups as the Beltsville Lions Club, to better understand and represent the needs and interests of average citizens in our district. Happily, my prior 2018 campaign has already allowed me to meet many voters here who have come to know my background and civic involvement over the years. In addition, growing up in College Park, I also have a long-standing personal knowledge of the local communities, such as nearby Beltsville, since my father was employed as a horticulturist at the Beltsville Plant Industry Station.

While I realize that voting for change from the incumbent slate candidates will be difficult for some, I believe that, after the recent two-year ordeal with the Covid pandemic and economic lock-down, many voters are now more receptive to my message of greater individual choice and economic freedom for the citizens, for a change.

Since there is no contest in the primary elections for state senate in legislative district 21, the race will be decided at the General Election in November, 2022. So, from now until then, I will be offering my message of freedom to voters as widely as possible. For more information, and to follow up, visit my website, [www.havisforsenate.com](http://www.havisforsenate.com) or contact me directly at [lee@havisforsenate.com](mailto:lee@havisforsenate.com)

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## Rosapepe's Report to Beltsville

### July 19th Maryland Primary

Maryland's 2022 Primary Election is on Tuesday, July 19th. We want to be sure you have the information you need.

### What races are on the ballot?

- US Senate and House
- Governor, Attorney General, and Comptroller
- State Senator and Delegates
- County offices, including County Council, County Executive, and State's Attorney.
- Other important races, such as Circuit Court Judge and Democratic and Republican central committees.

### Can I still register to vote?

Visit the Maryland State Board of Elections to register or check your registration status. The deadline to register to vote online has passed for the Primary election – but you can still register to vote during early voting or on election day by bringing proof of residence to your nearest polling place.

### How do I vote by mail?

If you choose to vote by mail, you must request your ballot



Senator Jim Rosapepe

through the state Board of Elections website by July 12th. You can drop your ballot off at a drop box or put it in the mail anytime up through July 19th.

### How do I vote in person?

You can also vote in person at the Laurel-Beltsville Senior Center or the College Park Community Center (check your voter registration to know which is your polling place). Early voting begins July 7th and runs through July 14th, open 7am to 8pm. Election day is Tuesday, July 19th, and will last from 7am to 8pm.

### Senate College Scholarship Application Deadline – Friday, July 8

Each Senator and Delegate is allocated funds for scholarships to students in our district who attend Maryland colleges. There are so many deserving students in Beltsville. With college tuition a struggle for many families, we need to do everything we can to help hardworking students get a good education. We can't help everyone with Senatorial Scholarships, but we can certainly help some.

To apply online for a 2022 - 2023 Senate scholarship, students should visit [www.21stdistrictdelegation.com/college-scholarships](http://www.21stdistrictdelegation.com/college-scholarships), and the deadline to apply is Friday, July 8. The application period has ended for a separate Delegate scholarship from Delegates Joseline Peña-Melnyk, Ben Barnes, and Mary Lehman, but look to apply early next year.

### Contact us

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](mailto:21stDistrictDelegation@gmail.com) or call 301-858-3141.

## Neighbors in the News



### UpStage Artists Announces Auditions for Agatha Christie's *And Then There Were None*

UpStage Artists announces auditions for its final show of the 2022 season, Agatha Christie's incredible mystery *And Then There Were None!* The show will be directed by Megan and Michael Safko. It's a wonderful thriller and mystery, one of Christie's best.

The story involves ten strangers who are summoned to a remote island. All that the guests have in common is a wicked past they're unwilling to reveal and a secret that will seal their fate. For each has been marked for murder. As the weather turns and the group is cut off from the mainland, the

bloodbath begins and one by one they are brutally murdered in accordance with the lines of a sinister nursery rhyme.

Auditions are Friday August 19 from 7-9 pm and Saturday August 20 from 3-5 pm at Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane Beltsville, MD 20705. You can register online or just walk in. If you are walking in and have a resume and headshot, please bring it with you. If not, that is ok too. Questions, contact UpStage Artists at [info@upstageartists.com](mailto:info@upstageartists.com). You can get all the information at [www.upstageartists.com](http://www.upstageartists.com).

### 21st District Democratic Team

## Beltsville Voter Guide

Dear Beltsville neighbors,

For the past four years, Delegates Joseline Peña-Melnyk, Ben Barnes, Mary Lehman and I have represented you in the Maryland legislature. We've done our best to help working and retired families — and keep Beltsville a good place to live.



Our recommendations for other offices are below. Our party is blessed with several great candidates for Governor, Attorney General, and US House. While we don't have specific recommendations for those races, we know them and look forward to working hard for whichever wins the Democratic Primary.

If you have questions or would like to discuss any of the candidates, email [21stDistrictDelegation@gmail.com](mailto:21stDistrictDelegation@gmail.com) or call us at 240-712-4646.

Many thanks!

**Ben, Jim, Mary, Joseline**

### Vote Early July 7-14

7am–8pm

Vote early July 7-14 at the Laurel Beltsville Senior Center or the College Park Community Center.

### Vote By Mail Now!

Your request for a mail ballot application must be received (not just mailed) by Tues July 12.

## Democratic Sample Ballot

<b>Comptroller</b>	<b>Register of Wills</b>
Brooke Lierman	Cereta A. Lee
<b>US Senator</b>	<b>Judge of the Orphans' Court</b>
Chris Van Hollen	Wendy Alise Cartwright
<b>State Senator</b>	Jason A. DeLoach
Jim Rosapepe	Athena Malloy Groves
<b>House of Delegates</b>	<b>Sheriff</b>
Ben Barnes	John D.B. Carr
Mary A. Lehman	<b>Central Committee At Large – vote for all 8</b>
Joseline Peña-Melnyk	Keith R. Sydnor
<b>County Executive</b>	Emmett V. Jordan
Angela Alsobrooks	Keenon James
<b>County Council</b>	Derrick L. Coley
Tom Dernoga	Kent Roberson
<b>Judge of the Circuit Court</b>	Clate D. Jackson
Carol Ann Coderre	Darrell C. Odom, Sr.
<b>State's Attorney</b>	Sarahita Wyatt-Paige
Aisha Braveboy	<b>Central Committee</b>
<b>Clerk of the Circuit Court</b>	Andrew Fellows
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## Upgrade

This month I thought I would briefly cover a variety of topics, starting with updates you may want to consider for your home and personal equipment.

## Internet Modem Upgrades

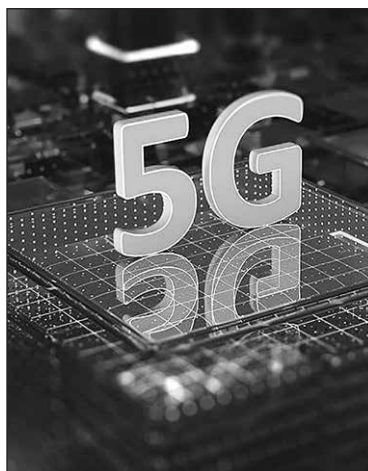
This past May I replaced the cable modem I use for Comcast/Xfinity Internet. Many years ago, I determined that I was better off purchasing my own network gear instead of paying \$14 per month to rent inferior equipment from Comcast. This year Comcast increased my Internet service bandwidth at no extra cost to me, but I needed to replace my DOCCIS 3.0 cable mode to a newer DOCCIS 3.1 modem to take advantage of this. I am supposed to get 300 megabits per second but I am currently getting a consistent 250-260 mbps. Still better than the 200 mbps before the upgrade.

## Wireless Upgrades

Last summer I updated an old wireless router from WIFI 4 (b, g, and n) to a WIFI 5 (ac) modem in a house with 150 mbps Internet. The old WIFI 4 router could handle WIFI speeds from 11 through 54, and 300 Mbps. This new router handles 450 Mbps over the 2.4 GHz channels and 1300 Mbps over 5 GHz. This makes new devices that can use the newer WIFI standards perform better. While the device I purchased could handle a combined data rate of 1750 Mbps in general WIFI 5 (ac) devices can handle raw data rates up to 3.5 Gbps. The newer WIFI 6 (ax) wireless routers are even faster with a maximum data rate of 9.6 Gbps. WIFI 7 will probably be released until next year, but there is no need for a rush since it will be a couple of years more unless devices that benefit will be common.

## Wire Upgrades

I did this many years ago, but I see that many people are still running 100-megabit CAT5 cable in



their houses. Most modern routers support a gigabit signal but will automatically drop down to 100 Megabit when it is detected. It is a good idea to run new CAT6 cable that can handle signals up to 10 Gbps. The faster speeds will support faster data transfer throughout the local area network (LAN) in the house even if your Internet is slower. My other Internet Service Provider (ISP) offers what they call Gigabit service both up and down. The reality is that it is closer to 800 Mbps down and about 900 up. You will need CAT6 cable to support those speeds on your LAN. You may wonder why I haven't mentioned CAT5e. The reality is that CAT5e is already obsolete. CAT6 has been out for years and the 10 Gigabit devices are starting to

appear now and have been in data centers for a long time.

## Wireless Phone Upgrades

Ok, there are many things that may drive you to upgrading your mobile phone, but I am not going to talk about better cameras, newer operating systems, water-proofing, foldability, or other features that don't really make a phone a communications tool. I am talking about 5G a new technology for wireless communications. The phone companies have been telling us for 10 years that 5G was going to change the world and make it a better place and making all sorts of outlandish promises for the technology. Well 5G is finally here now and while it is impossible for it to live up to all of the hype, it does the one thing we all really wanted, it speeds up Internet access for the devices we hold in our hands.

The 5G technology hasn't changed anything about how I used my phone except, I wait less when downloading a map, I have a better signal when I talk to someone, I can listen to music and watch video without waiting for the signal pause to catch up. In other words, it makes my mobile phone work the way I expected it to work all along (unless I am out of coverage). The 5G technol-

ogy is to the point that if you are upgrading your phone you should upgrade to a 5G phone.

## Connecting the Upgrades

Remember that when you upgrade the modems, routers, and wires, some of the benefit will not be realized until you also upgrade the devices that connect. For example, an upgraded modem should be connected to a router using a cat6 cable and should be upgrade to a router that can handle at least a gigabit connection. Your network switches should be able to support at least a gigabit connection. Your wireless devices should be able to handle the faster speeds offered by the WIFI 5 and 6 standards to get the most benefit and a 5G phone will need to connect to a 5G phone network. Be aware that some of the MVNO phone companies do not currently have 5G support. Computers with older network cards and components may also need to be replaced or have the network card updated to benefit from faster WIFI or cabling.

## Until Next Month

I hope this was an entertaining way to introduce some of those things that have changed over the past few years.

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## 5 Ways to Be More Sustainable This Summer

(StatePoint) You don't have to be a sustainability expert to incorporate elements of eco-friendly living into your everyday routine. This summer, think about the small changes you can make that can add up to make a bigger difference.

- Store Sustainably: Single-use plastics are difficult to avoid when protecting fragile household items or delicate holiday

décor. Cut down on plastic cushioning and packing foam usage by incorporating Flourish Brand Honeycomb Cushion Wrap to cover and safely store your breakable and fragile items. The interlocking structure is easy to stretch and secures to itself without any tape needed.

- Give Green: It's often difficult to find the perfect presents for housewarming gatherings, family holidays and hostess gifts. Spread some sustainable love by gifting a plant to that hard-to-buy-for friend or neighbor, or even give something green as a surprise for someone special.
- Environmentally Friendly Connection: Sending a package to a distant loved one is a delightful way to brighten someone's day, but unfortunately many mailers feature excess plastic wrapping or aren't made of earth-friendly materials. Ship sustainably by choosing an eco-friendly option like Flourish Honeycomb Recyclable Mailers. These mailers feature 100% recyclable material packaging and include a die-cut honey-

comb layer to create space and cushioning that helps protect items during shipment, without using unnecessary plastic. Additionally, they can easily be tossed into the recycling bin after use.

- Make Small Changes: Living sustainably can sound intimidating at first. Like any shift in habit though, changing behavior may take a while to stick, but small, consistent adjustments will mean the most over time, especially when it comes to everyday things like reducing your use of single-use plastics, and switching to reusable shopping bags and food containers. Take things one small step at a time. For example, commit to recycling one additional item each day.
- Enjoy the Outside: Being active is always easier on warm, sunny days. Take advantage of summer weather to reduce your personal carbon footprint and get some healthy exercise! Find ways to do this by walking or biking instead of taking a car to the store. If you need to travel a longer distance, opt for public transport or carpool instead.

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tist Community Center for those in need. All thanks go to Pastor Sifa Potouaine for his dedication to the needy.

**The Beltsville Women's Club**

The Beltsville Women's Club has been busy. This year the Club contributed tools and labor to Frances Fuchs Earth Day celebration. We helped paint raised containers and weeded a garden. And as usual, we cleaned trash from Montgomery Road in our Adopt A Road project. We are planning our 100th Anniversary celebration for October 9, 2022. Any women interested in participating can contact us at WomensclubBeltsville@gmail.com.



Far left: Members of the Women's Club of Beltsville helping with Frances Fuchs Earth Day celebration.

Left: The Women's Club of Beltsville helped clean Montgomery Road.

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perspective can rob  
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Has blinded our labors  
which make us fall  
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breaths to aspire to gain  
What no one has ever  
achieved. Can you  
Amass wealth and  
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What are we to do?

However, there's  
treasure of greater joy;  
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Awaiting the servant  
in God's employ  
Who holds Him in awe  
with humility.

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for a heav'nly place,  
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## Calendar of Events

Remember that all venues may change or cancel events based on the current health situation in Maryland. It's always a good idea to call ahead before going to an event.

### AREA EVENTS

#### COLLEGE PARK AVIATION MUSEUM

Address: 1985 Corporal Frank Scott Dr., College Park, MD 20740. Phone: 301.864.6029. Fax: 301.927.6472. Regular hours of operation: Open Tuesday – Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Closed Mondays and major holidays. Cost: Adults/\$5; Seniors/\$4; Children/\$2 (1-year-old and under, free). The museum has an open 1½ story exhibit area which highlights 10 unique aircraft and objects relating the history of early aviation at the College Park Airport. The museum also features traveling exhibits and displays throughout the year. Please contact the museum regarding additional activities and updates to COVID-19 protocols.

#### HOME-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

The museum offers at least one Home-School Day during each school year. Activities are provided for all

ages to explore various aspects of flight. Home-School Day activities typically include:

- Art and writing activities
- Demonstrations on the science of flight
- Presentation on the Forces of Flight
- Scavenger Hunts
- An activity book for every participant with additional activities and worksheets!

#### LAUREL-BELTSVILLE SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER

Masks are optional. Contact the center for updates. Membership is free for Beltsville residents who are 60 years old or older. Closed on Sundays. Contact the center for updates to hours of operation and current COVID-19 protocols. Address: 7120 Contee Rd., Laurel, MD 20707, around the corner from the University of Maryland Medical Center. Phone: 301.206.3350. Fax: 301.206.3387. TTY: 301.446.3402.

#### LAUREL SENIOR FRIENDSHIP CLUB (LSFC)

The LSFC **will not have a meeting in July** because of early primary voting at the Laurel-Beltsville Senior Activity Center. PLEASE GO OUT & VOTE! NO VOTE, NO COMPLAINTS!

- **Save the date:** We will have our next meeting on Wed., Aug. 10 at 10:30 a.m. The meeting room doors open at 9:30 a.m. We will have a business meeting, a special presentation on aging by an AARP speaker, and a catered lunch. Reservation and payment required by July 27.
- Our first one-day trip in July has sold out; call if you'd like to be on the waiting list.
- We have three more one-day trips scheduled this year. Call the office for more info.
- **Every Tuesday Bingo:** 12 noon each Tuesday (doors open at 11 a.m.); no admission fee.
- Contact the LSFC office for more

### CALENDAR

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Greetings from Dallas! We are virtually at the halfway mark of the year! Let us be thankful for small mercies and appreciate that we have made it thus far. Gas prices have made a lot of us adjust some of our behaviors – I won't bore you with tips on these adjustments. I will just admonish you to plan your movement, so you reduce going up and down. Buy groceries and cook more at home – healthier and less expensive than eating out.

I finally summed up the courage to attend a live soccer match, in person, for the first time since 1986. It was FC Dallas playing at home to Vancouver City. We lost by two goals. I don't know why Dallas waited till late in the second half to play like they were on a mission to try and win. They could easily have won the game, but they were trying to be fancy in how they scored, or they got to the 18-yard line of the other team and started passing the ball around and nobody wanted to take responsibility to take a shot at goal.

Yes 1986, a soccer match between my college in Nigeria (University of Ibadan) and our rivals (University of Ife, as it was then named) ended in a fight with bottles and other projectiles being freely thrown. The State Governor, at the time, had to take cover under his seat. What triggered the fight was the allegation that the Ife Goalkeeper had put a charm inside

his post, that prevented goals from being scored against him. The charm was discovered, and a fight broke out on the field, eventually spreading to the stands. I could not afford tickets as a poor student, so I had climbed on top a building with others to watch for free. After that mayhem I vowed never to go watch a soccer game again, so going to the FC Dallas game, was me overcoming a major fear. The other fear I have is of roller coasters, but that one I am not going to attempt to overcome. No Way!

I have not been to Beltsville since August 2020 and I am hoping I can drive up from Dallas (just 1334 miles) for a few days, but I have not made up my mind yet. Would be nice to come and see how the place has changed in the last few years. See my old neighborhood in Beltsville, drive by my workplace in Linthicum and go to my old delivery route in West Baltimore. I may have to wait till later in the year before winter, as using the current Texas gas prices of about \$4.70 a gallon, I would have to spend nearly \$260 on gas one way, filling up thrice and taking a 45-minute nap to complete the drive in 18 or so hours.

I am glad it is summer again. I bought an ice cream machine at Walmart last year and will be making my own ice cream again, this year. My neighbors are in for a treat. We just moved into our own newly built home here in Dallas,

and it has been fun getting to know my neighbors. There is Queen B who works from home, and when solicitors ignore her 'no soliciting signs' she goes to her door strapped and armed, and they don't come back to her door. My next-door neighbors just had their first child, a girl. Happy for them and glad for them. The Hoopers opposite me have a basketball hoop up front, so a few of the young ones in the area, play a little basketball in front there, in 90-degree weather. Then two doors up from me is a Denton County Sheriff...he parks his work SUV outside, so that is a deterrent to would-be troublemakers. Has been fun to see a neighborhood get built from the ground up. We have fun in the development. There is the pool, neighbors have activities together. We just make it fun. People actually look out for each other, and it makes a difference. Only problem are the snakes. We see a lot of them and the other day, a lady, thankfully not on my street, discovered snakes (small ones) in her house. Her young son had been going in the woods to look for them and bring them home. She had no idea how many were in the house, so the house had to be fumigated. So happy my teenagers are scared of bugs, so I will never have to worry about that. Well, have a nice rest of the month.

## Kid-Friendly Tech Gear For a Season of Outdoor Fun

(StatePoint) Warm weather has arrived and if you're seeking ways to promote family fun and activity, check out this round-up of kid-friendly tech gear, all of which can inspire creativity during outdoor adventures:

### Smartwatches

Featuring dual cameras for pictures, selfies and videos so kids can capture bike rides, playground visits and more on-the-go, the KidiZoom Smartwatch DX3 from VTech is a great outdoor companion for those ages 4 and older. Use the built-in LED light and flash to brighten up dimly lit scenes or use as a flashlight. The watch also features energetic movement games, giving kids an opportunity to challenge themselves and stay active while having fun. There is a social component too -- children can pair with friends who also have a DX3 to securely share preset messages or play games together. Plus, it's a great tool for everyday time-telling -- choose from more than 50 digital and analog animated

clockfaces or create custom faces from users' own photos. When it's time to focus, switch to "School" mode to limit the DX3 to a watch only.

### Monoculars

Whether spectating at a baseball game or bird watching, the Pankoo 16x52 Monocular Telescope is versatile and easy to use. And because it's compact, it's also ideal for small hands. Waterproof and fog-proof, this sturdy instrument can offer young explorers, naturalists and STEM enthusiasts a clearer and closer look at plants, animals and more in all kinds of weather.

### Cameras

Budding photographers ages 4 and up will enjoy using the KidiZoom PrintCam to explore and document the world around them. After snapping images, kids can preview them on the color screen before instantly printing regular or panoramic photos in black and white. With adult supervision,

full-color photos and videos can be backed up by transferring them to a computer using the included USB cable. From selfies to sunsets, children can let their creativity shine by adding stickers, filters and borders to any image or video, turning photos into drawings they can color, and by tapping into more than 110 templates and activities, including small greeting cards, printable games and more.

For kid creators who are a bit older (ages 5-10) and ready to hone their technical skills, a good choice is the KidiZoom Creator Cam, a high-definition video camera kit with an included green screen. Set up a shot with the tabletop tripod or selfie stick and built-in microphone, add animated backgrounds, then use the easy on-screen editing and creativity tools to create trick shots and time-lapse videos.

With the coolest tech handy, outdoor fun and adventure awaits children of all ages.



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Matthew 25

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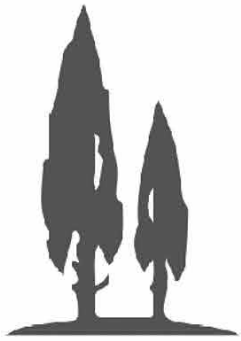
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