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Beltsville Community Makes a Child's Birthday Extra Special

By Rick Bergmann

May 30, 2020, will be a day that I will never forget. It was a day that reminded me that in times of crisis that the support of community is one of the most important things in this world. What was so special about this day? It was the day that members of the Beltsville community came together to make a 10-year-old boy's birthday extra special.

On May 20, a parent posted to *The Beltsville News* Facebook page "My Son is turning 10 on May 30, 2020. Every other year we've thrown him a birthday party and rent a moon bounce but usually no one attends. My son is Autistic & it's heart breaking when he's so excited and only 5 people (family) attend." She was asking for people to drive by on his birthday just to wave and say happy birthday.

This post broke my heart, and I decided that we could make it extra special for him. I began by setting up an event and inviting the community to meet at Beltsville Academy on May 30 at 3 pm so that we could form a parade of cars for this young man, Vladimir. The response was almost immediate. I contacted the Belts-



Vladimir (in the hat) with his family and neighbors watching the birthday parade. Photo by Ann Ladd. You can see more photos of the event on our Facebook page.

ville Volunteer Fire Department's Deputy Fire Chief, Mike Monteith, to see if they would be willing to bring a fire truck to participate in the parade. There didn't seem to be a moment's hesitation; he agreed right away.

On the day of the parade, I arrived at Beltsville Academy early to greet people. By 3 there were about 40 cars full of people and families with signs wishing Vladimir a happy birthday as well as three fire trucks and a special guest, Spider-Man, Vladimir's favorite superhero. Many people, including the fire department and *The Beltsville News*, also brought gifts for young Vladimir. A little after 3, we all left and headed to our destination, Vladimir's home. It was an amazing thing to see so much community support for a child. When we arrived, there were several members of Vladimir's family as well as a few neighbors standing in the driveway watching as the parade went by. The parade stopped several times as people quickly ran out (wearing masks of course) to give Vladimir birthday gifts, cards, and well wishes.

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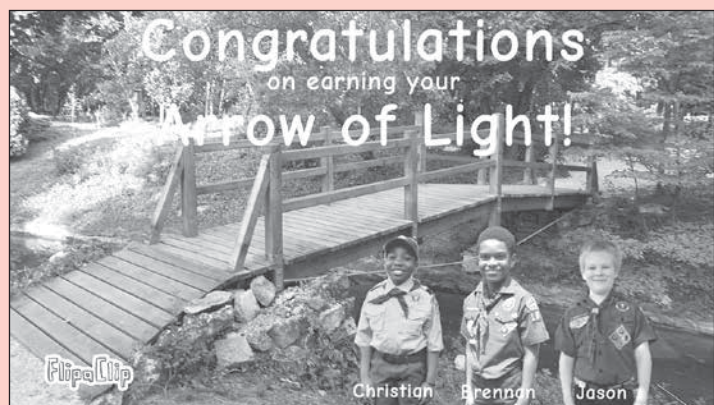
Karen Coakley

By Karen Coakley

New Covid-19 Testing Site Opens in Laurel

Mayor Craig A. Moe, Laurel Health Officer Dr. Uzo Unegbu, and City Council President Keith Sydnor are among the first to be tested at the Laurel site during a soft opening mid-June. The new site is located at the Laurel Beltsville Senior Activity Center at 7120 Contee Road in Laurel. The Prince George's County Health Department operates the site, which offers free Covid-19 tests by appointment only for individuals with or without symptoms. The City of Laurel is providing volunteers and support. To schedule an appointment, please call 301.883.6627. The county's site can accommodate those in vehicles or on foot, and you do not need health insurance to get tested. For more information about Covid-19 testing in Prince George's County, visit their website www.health.mypgc.us/COVIDtesting.

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Arrow of Light Scouts virtual crossover. Pictured above, left to right, Christian, Brennan and Jason.

Cub Pack 1031: Arrow Scouts Bridge over on the Web

Cub Pack 1031's Arrow of Light Scouts had their bridging ceremony on Monday, June 8, over the web. Jason's mom created a wonderful virtual MP4 video of their images coming over a bridge. The parents loved it! Christian N. led the opening from his house, Jason K. lit the Webelo's fire at his house with his mom as a leader and his brothers as fellow scouts. Bren-

nan M helped with the meaning of the Arrow of Light from his home. Congratulations to them all on completing their Arrow of Light Rank!

We are planning when we can begin to resume small group meetings with social distancing and masks—hopefully at the end of June. Our cur-

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The First Methodist Episcopal Church in Beltsville*

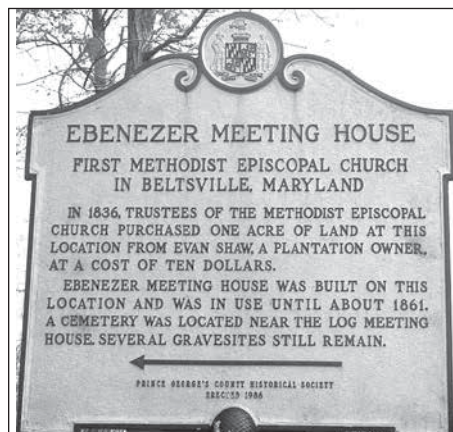
By Ted Ladd

You may have noticed an historic marker in Beltsville commemorating Ebenezer Meeting House, the first Methodist Episcopal church in Beltsville. The marker is located near the intersection of Powder Mill and Gunpowder Roads.

In June 1836, Evan and Verlinda Beall Shaw sold one acre of land to five trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the purpose of building a structure for worship. This land was part of the Shaw plantation, located in Beltsville. Most of the former Shaw plantation is now occupied by Spicknall's Farm.

The late Miss Susie Beal, a former member of Emmanuel United Methodist Church and an historian, described Ebenezer Meeting House as follows. "The church building was a small log

structure with a gallery across the rear of the church. Plantation slaves sat in the gallery which was reached by an outside ladder.



Historic Marker for the Ebenezer Meeting House

A small graveyard surrounded the church. Some stones were still standing after 1900. The cemetery contained whites of the community and slaves. The congregation

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Kitty Post

In this article, Beltsville Community Cats (BCC) is going to suggest some easy, safe, and relatively inexpensive ways to keep unwanted animals out of your gardens and flowerbeds and off your porches.

1. Use plants that cats/foxes don't like (lavender, penny royal, lemongrass, and marigolds). Whether in the ground or in pots, these plants dissuade cats from using the areas.
2. Cats, foxes and raccoons have seriously sensitive feet! Mulch and pinecones are natural items that bother testy toes. You can also lay chicken wire flat down before adding mulch/pinecones. This overloads their senses and keeps the animals

away from the area.

3. Cat Scat Repellent Spray: Use with caution as this is pretty powerful. Mix 1 tsp. each of cinnamon, cayenne, and dried mustard. Add 1 clove crushed fresh garlic and 3 drops of lemon oil. Pour mixture into a 2-ounce spray bottle and fill with water. Shake well and spray the area you wish to protect. Reapply every couple of weeks and after it rains.
4. Cats DESPISE the smell of coffee! Place used coffee grounds in areas you want critter free.
5. The Yard Enforcer is a motion-activated cat control sprinkler. Position the sprinkler in the direction where cats enter your yard. It includes both day and

night detection options. Protects up to 1,600 square feet. Both the duration of the spray and the sensitivity of the sensor are adjustable.

6. The Ultrasonic Cat Repellent emits a powerful burst of ultrasonic sound that startles cats, causing them to avoid the area in the future.

BCC's goal is to reduce the feral cat population in Beltsville while ensuring their health and safety. For those who don't care for feral cats, please be reminded that cruelty to animals is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine or imprisonment in Prince George's County.

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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 died in 1862.

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 occupied by Ebenezer Meeting House 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.

** Most of this article was extracted from the History of Emmanuel United Methodist Church.*

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Behnkes Property Update

Plans have been submitted to Maryland National Capital Parks and Planning and will be presented at a future meeting. They are proposing to build a 7-11 with a gas station on one of the parcels. Currently the 7-11 is located in the Garrett Cove Center. This is a permitted use in the CM zone. If you would like a copy of the application for the Behnke Property 7-11 DSP 20029, let me know. The group that submitted the plans expect to be at the MNCPPC Planning board in September.

Other News

Let's have a parade to celebrate our 2020 high school and college graduates. The Beltsville, Calverton, and Vansville Heights citizens associations along with North Creek Homeowners Association are planning a parade. Please have Beltsville student residents who are graduating this spring email me their contact information. Details will be sent out once the Prince George's County "stay at home" order has been lifted. We are still planning our parade. I can be reached at karenmcoakley@msn.com.

I will share community updates on *The Beltsville News* website and Facebook page plus *nextdoor.com*. Don't forget to support our local restaurants and businesses.

If you have a community concern, I can be reached at 301.937.3490 or karenmcoakley@msn.com if you would like to be added to the Beltsville Citizen's Association email list

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Neighbors in the News



Community members at the food distributions from JSMW

JSMW Covid-19 Food Drive: Neighbor Helping Neighbors

The coronavirus pandemic has caused devastating impact in the world, including our neighborhoods and communities. It has disrupted the daily lives of several families in the neighborhoods surrounding the new Jain Society of Metropolitan Washington (JSMW) temple site in Beltsville, MD. In these trying times, JSMW has stepped up to help struggling families in a small but meaningful way. As responsible neighbors, JSMW organized and executed food donation drives for the needy families.

Under the leadership of President Sharad Doshi, the JSMW team ran three food drives in Beltsville—the first in April and the second in May. The community members donated funds to support this noble cause with open hearts and collected the targeted amount in a matter of days. Sev-

eral members volunteered to pack roughly 2400 Jain meals (vegetarian) and 1,000 face-masks for 250 families. Each meal consisted of non-perishable food items (5lb rice, pasta, beans, peanut butter, vegan sauce, and pretzels). About 25 members volunteered to distribute the packages to drive-by vehicles. JSMW members who are doctors or financial experts were available to offer medical or financial advice to the visiting families.

Police officers from Prince George's County Police Department and county officials dropped by to thank JSMW for generous donations and to show support for the local community. The visiting families were grateful for these contributions and felt that somebody in their neighborhood looked out for them. JSMW will continue to serve the local community in the spirit of brotherhood.

What's Going On

By Rev. Dr. Jalene Chase

I remember hearing "What's Going On" almost everywhere I went in my community. It was a popular greeting, which made it a catchy song title. The song, sung by Marvin Gaye, was released in 1971 and continues to speak to the concern we are seeing on the news today. The lyrics were reportedly written by Renaldo Benson after witnessing an incident of police brutality. The words say what so many are feeling as people of diverse ages, cultures, and political and religious beliefs come together:

Mother, mother. There's too many of you crying. Brother, brother, brother. There's far too many of you dying. You know we've got to find a way; To bring some lovin' here today, eh

Father, father. We don't need to escalate. You see, war is not the

answer; For only love can conquer hate; You know we've got to find a way; To bring some lovin' here today, oh oh oh

Picket lines and picket signs; Don't punish me with brutality; Talk to me, so you can see; Oh, what's going on; What's going on; Yeah, what's going on; Ah, what's going on

The lyrics also say, "you know we have to find a way to bring some understanding here today." Yes, we do need understanding and compassion to see positive change. I joined one of the protests in Washington, DC, with my four teen girls. Two of them presented a convincing argument about getting involved. What impressed me the most was them stating that "we don't want to go just to take pictures; we want to do something." They suggested passing out water

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Obituaries

Alderman, Jerry R. (81)

On Thursday, June 4, 2020, Jerry Alderman, husband of Barbara Alderman for 59 years; father of Reginald Alderman; son of Reginald Haines Alderman and Madge Virginia Alderman passed away. Jerry attended Montgomery Blair High School, and he was just shy of graduating when he went into the U.S. Marine Corps. When he came back, he effortlessly attained his GED. Jerry received a Medal of Honor for good conduct in the Marine Corps. Jerry was a resident of Beltsville, MD. Services were private.



Karl James "KC" Christoffers

Christoffers, Karl James "K.C." March 17, 1939–April 29, 2020

Karl was the third son born to John Christoffers and Kate Lachenmayer Christoffers of Middlesex, NJ, arriving on his mother's birthday. He was predeceased by his brother John Carl Christoffers. His brother Paul Daniel Christoffers lives in Lexington Park, MD. Karl has three nieces living in the tristate area: Diane Zarkin of Burke, VA, Marilyn Scott of Bunker Hill, WV, and Laura Quinn of Columbia, MD. Karl is also survived by his stepsons, Franklin R. Morales of San Francisco, CA, and Richard D. Morales of Potomac, MD., his ex-wife Iverna Christoffers of Beltsville, his granddaughter, Kimberly Morales of Silver Spring, and several grandnieces and --grandnephews.

Karl was a veteran of the armed forces, serving in the Army during the Vietnam conflict, although his service as a medic was predominately spent in Korea. After his discharge from the Army, Karl found employment with the Greyhound bus company in Washington, DC, where he served in many capacities, ending up as a long distance bus operator. Karl was a member of The American Legion

College Park Post #217 and The Veterans of Foreign Wars.

After retiring from Greyhound in 1992, Karl became very involved with the Special Olympics of Maryland serving in many capacities and earning several awards and plaques for his efforts. These awards cover a wall in the post home in College Park. Karl was named Legionnaire of the Year for Prince George's County in 2007–2008. Karl was also a big supporter of Legion baseball, at times supplying baseball equipment for the players who could not afford to purchase their own. Karl was a big Redskins fan and enjoyed playing fantasy football. One of his many hobbies was making airplanes out of soda cans and beer cans, many made to order. Some of these planes were used to raise funds for charities he supported. Karl enjoyed music, playing piano and organ, and his extensive collection of record albums provided him much pleasure. Karl was a friend to many and will be missed. A memorial service of life will be held later in the year when it is deemed safe to gather with interment to be in Cheltenham Veteran's Cemetery.

Daramy, Nancy

Mrs. Nancy Kanu Daramy was born on June 28, 1928, in Rogbin, Sierra Leone, to Mr. and Mrs. Bockarie Manor Kanu. She is survived by two brothers: Malki Kanu and Basie Kanu. She was preceded in death by her husband, Mr. Alpha Alhaji Daramy; brothers, Morris L. Kargbo, Sorie Mantho Kanu, and James Kanu; her sister, Kaday Kanu; and her children, Haja Fatmata Daramy (daughter), Hajah Daramy (daughter), Ahmed T. Daramy (son), Bai Daramy (son), and Momoh Daramy (son).

Mrs. Daramy leaves to rejoice in her memory her children: Haja Isatu Kabia (daughter in U.K.), Marie Daramy (daughter in U.S.A.), Isatu Daramy (daughter in Belgium), Keturah I. Thomas (daughter in U.S.A.), Darlinda F. Turay (daughter in Sierra Leone), Fatmata Daramy (daughter in U.K.), Hannah B. Daramy (daughter in U.K.), Dodor Daramy (daughter in Sierra Leone), David Wanka David Kamara (son in Sierra Leone), Alhaji O. Daramy (son in Sierra Leone), Arbab Daramy (son in U.S.A.), Bushru Daramy (son in Sierra Leone), Abdul Kamara Daramy (son in Switzerland), Cabral Daramy (son in Sierra Leone), Hassan Daramy (son in U.S.A.), Bobson Daramy (son in Sierra Leone), Momodu

Daramy (son in Sierra Leone), Alhaji Gbos Gbos Daramy (son in Sierra Leone), and Mohamed Daramy (son in U.S.A.): her family from Sierra Leone, West Africa: Thomas Family, Taylor Family, Mans Family, Halfner Family, Kamara Family, Bangura Family, Kabia Family, Kanu Family, Koroma Family, Turay Family, Sesay Family, Jango Family, Kargbo Family, Fofanah Family; her church family at the Bridge to Life Ministry; and 30 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Daramy attended Shegema Nursing School in 1940 and completed the program in 1943. She was employed at the Delco Hospital from 1946 to 1956 in Lunsar (Sierra Leone, West Africa) as a nurse. After leaving Delco Hospital, she worked as a matron in the Primary and Secondary School from 1957 to 1974. She also worked as a matron at the Women Teacher's College in Port Loko, Sierra Leone, West Africa from 1974-1983. She traveled to the United States in 1983 and worked as a child caretaker from 1986 to 1999. She retired from working in the early 2000's when her health issues arose.

After multiple hospitalizations and surgeries, Mrs. Daramy did not deviate from her trust in God. Her motto was Hold on to the Rock. Her favorite hymns were "Love of God" and "His Eye is on the Sparrow." By God's grace, Mrs. Daramy was able to travel back to Sierra Leone in 2011 where she reunited with friends and family members. In 2013, she returned to the United States and became a U.S. citizen in 2019.

She enjoyed life, family members, and many friends. She was always there to brighten the lives of others with scripture and song. She was a woman of faith and wisdom. Her walk with God was evident in every interaction as she was a witness to many. Family and friends are comforted today knowing that she is at peace and present with the Lord.

Mrs. Daramy's was last admitted to the hospital on April 29, 2020. Plans for discharge home to family with rehabilitation were made; however, her health prognosis changed rapidly and unexpectedly. Mrs. Daramy was called home by the Lord on May 28, 2020.

Mrs. Daramy left a legacy of serving others, unity, peace, and love. She will be missed and never forgotten.

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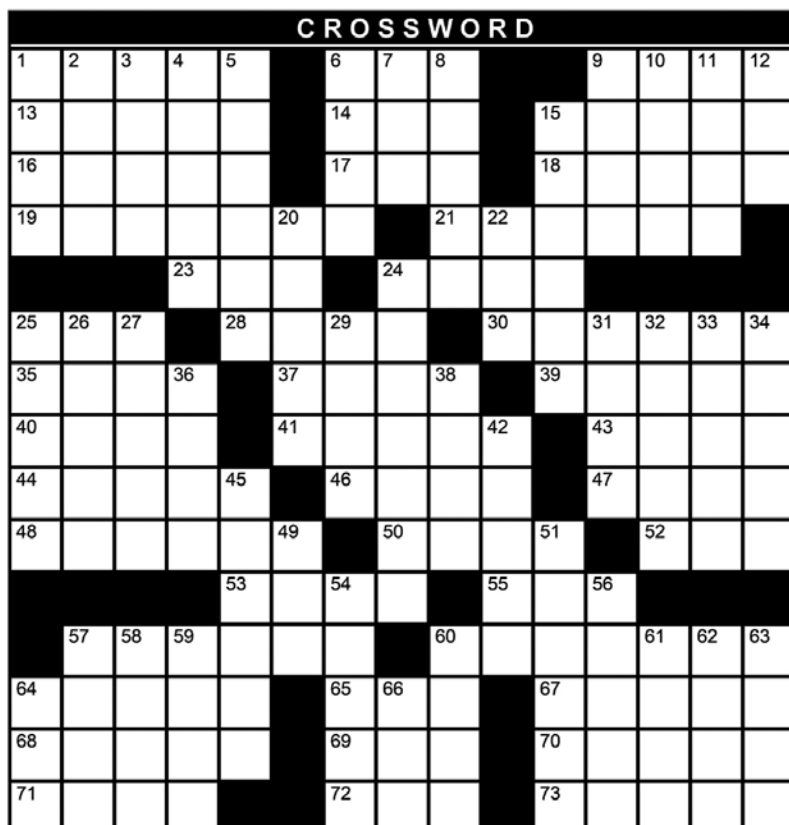
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ACROSS

1. Sacred song
6. Chowd down
9. Acoustic repetition
13. Capital of Vietnam
14. 4 qts.
15. Teamsters' group
16. Affair, in Paris
17. Bit of binary code
18. Part of TNT
19. *Sleeping under the stars
21. *Horticulturist's hangout
23. Articulate
24. Combustible pile
25. Joe Louis move
28. Epiphany guests
30. Forgo
35. WWII side
37. *Bonfire fodder
39. Royal topper
40. Tiny river
41. Pond buildup
43. Miners' passage
44. Best not mentioned
46. *What seekers do
47. Fairytale beginning
48. Same as "slow down"
50. Upper hand
52. Toni Morrison's "___ Baby"
53. Threads

55. Pie ___ mode
57. *a.k.a. shuttlecock
60. *Flying saucer
64. 2 halves of a diameter
65. Pilot's deadline
67. *Fire starter
68. Triangular road sign
69. ___ Luis Obispo
70. "Die Lorelei" poet
71. Other than what is
72. One laid
73. Poker stakes

DOWN

1. First-rate, slangily
2. Ditto
3. Soon, to a bard
4. They are usually drunken
5. Biblical prophetess
6. Full of excitement
7. *Sun kiss
8. Funereal lament
9. "National Velvet" author ___ Bagnold
10. Give a ticket
11. Sound warning
12. Lennon's wife
15. State of agitation
20. African antelope
22. "Who ___ we kidding?"

24. a.k.a toes
25. *Banned lawn darts
26. Type of rotation
27. "The Hobbit" hobbit
29. *Played with a driver
31. Bye in Palermo
32. Lacked, for short
33. The oldest Goldberg sibling
34. *Skier's turf
36. Snail-like
38. *Volleyball turf
42. Painter Degas
45. Beat the Joneses
49. Interesting person, acronym
51. Eli Manning's first name
54. Ganders' companions
56. *Famous ski town
57. Get-out-of-jail money
58. ___ of March
59. Make someone angry
60. Jack London's "White ___"
61. *Fisherman's supply
62. Marine eagle
63. Augments
64. Pastrami partner
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Tech Sense By John Bell

Encryption

One way of protecting your
data involves a technology known
as encryption. When you were a
child, you may have owned a toy
known as a "secret encoder ring"
sometimes found in cereal boxes.
These rings provide a very simple
form of encryption by scrambling
the alphabet substituting each let-
ter for another. A message written
using the code would appear as a
jumbled mess. To read the mes-
sage, decrypt it by using the ring
in reverse to restore the original
text.

Today's encryption technolo-
gies are more sophisticated. The
current standard is the Advances
Encryption Standard, better known
as AES. Today, there is no known
way of decrypting a message that
has been properly encrypted with
AES without knowledge of the
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Most current encryption algo-



rithms use keys as the material
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gest form of AES uses a 256 bit
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same key is used to encrypt and
to decrypt the data. An asym-

metric encryption algorithm has
two keys, one for encryption and
another for decryption. Often one
key is designated as the public
key, which can be shared with
anyone, and the other is the pri-
vate key, which must be protected

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4th Coronavirus Edition

District 1 Office Update

Feeding families and individuals challenged with food insecurities related to COVID-19 is a priority for my office. To date, the District 1 Team as distributed around 50,000 hot meals, over the past 9 weeks to residents in need. Currently we have a partnership with Kingdom Fellowship AME to provide produce on specific weekends, with the hope to take this effort through July. Email CouncilDistrict1@co.pg.md.us for more information about other additional and ongoing meal and food opportunities.

We also are still in need of face masks. We will continue collecting at our three drop off locations and deliver them directly to the UM Laurel hospital in bulk. To help, simply send an email to councildistrict1@co.pg.md.us. We ask you package the materials in a resalable plastic bag and drop off at one of our three districtwide locations, or place the bag outside your door, for a prearranged pick up.

Teatime with Tom

Join me bi-weekly for a late afternoon virtual conversation from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. via Zoom. We discuss a wide range of topics and answer questions you

submit. You must RSVP to join. You can RSVP and submit questions at bit.ly/Tea-Time-With-Dernoga. The July dates will be Friday, July 3rd, July 17th, and July 31st.

Coronavirus Update

As your Council Member, my number one priority is keeping you informed, especially now, during the current public health emergency involving the coronavirus outbreak. Prince George's County opened a new COVID-19 testing site located at the Laurel Beltsville Senior Activity Center at 7120 Contee Road in Laurel. The site will be open Monday - Friday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Prince George's County Health Department operates the site which offers free Covid-19 tests by appointment only for individuals with or without symptoms.

To schedule an appointment, please call 301.883.6627

The County's site can accommodate those in vehicles or on foot, and you do not need health insurance to get tested. For more information about Covid-19 testing in Prince George's County, visit their website www.health.mypgc.us/COVIDtesting.



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For the latest updates, County residents can visit the County Health Department's dedicated coronavirus web page: <https://tinyurl.com/PGCcoronavirus>. If you have any questions or concerns, you may also call the Prince George's County Health Department coronavirus hotline at (301) 883-6627 to receive updated information about the coronavirus disease. Information will be updated as it becomes available.

Food Assistance Program

The Prince George's County Food

Equity Council is maintaining a list of food assistance resources available across the County, updated regularly. To view this list, please visit: <http://pgcfec.org/resources/covid-19-resources.html>

Parks and Rec Update: Summer

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William E. Knupp

Knupp, William E.

American Legion John B. Latimer Post 217 College Park Commander, William E.

Knupp, "Bill," age 72, passed away May 25 in the comfort of his home in Glenn Dale, MD.

He is survived by his companion of 20 years, Joan M. Stewart, son of Betty (deceased) Knupp and brothers Donald (deceased) wife Mary, Richard (deceased) wife Sandy (deceased) and sisters Shirley (Earl) Sipe, Linda (deceased), (John) Berkey, Carol (Jim-deceased) Miller, Beverly Buckham, Cheryl Knupp, Mary Knupp, and Rose (Ron) Holt. He was raised in Somerset County, PA. He was a well-accomplished, 30-year retiree from the IUPAT Painters Union. Bill was a kind, wonderful man. Funeral services are private, but a Celebration of Life will be held at a future date.

Seibel, Ronald John

Dr. Ronald John Seibel, of Adelphi, MD, passed away suddenly on Monday, March 16, 2020, two months' shy of his 85th birthday. He passed at home with his beloved wife of 60 years, Rosann June (Peters), by his side.

Ron was born on May 18, 1935, in Streator, IL, to Katherine Winifred Taylor and Edward Leo Seibel. Ron lost his father at age 4, and at age 6, he was blessed with a loving stepfather when his mother



Dr. Ronald John Seibel

married Henry Arvid Gustafson, who raised Ron and his baby sister as his own.

Ron was a beloved father, grandfather, and great-grandfather who dedicated his life to helping others and in service to the ideals of agricultural education. He loved hunting, fishing, tending his garden, and traveling with Rosann.

Ron is survived by his two children: Gary Edward Seibel and his spouse Dr. Sherry, DVM, Laura Jean (Seibel) Salers and her spouse Greg; four grandchildren: Julie Anne (Salers) Witzgall and her spouse Michael, Emily Rose Salers, Mary Beth Salers and her fiancé Jeremiah, and Matthew Edward Seibel; great-grandchild Logan Wyatt Witzgall; and his brother Dale F. Gustafson. He was preceded in death by his mother, father, stepfather, and sisters, Carol (Seibel) Stenzel and Jane (Gustafson) Peverly.

Ron began his lifelong commitment to agricultural education in 1958 at Crescent Iroquois Community High School after receiving his B.S. in Agriculture Education and an Advanced Certificate in Education from the University of Illinois. He then moved on to Dwight Township High School and Joliet Junior College before leaving for the University of Maryland in 1967 with his bride to conduct graduate work leading

to a Ph.D. in Agricultural Education. Upon graduation, he assumed leadership of the University of Maryland's Institute of Applied Agriculture, a position he held until his retirement in December of 1998. Ron also served for 10 years as the acting assistant dean for the UMD College of Agriculture. During his 31 years at the University of Maryland, he served on the advisory committees of 75 graduate students, served on the Governor's Commission on Education in Agriculture, and developed the Scholar's Day Program, the Student Ambassador Program, and the Alumni Ambassador Program. He was a lifelong member of the Maryland Vocational Association, the American Association of Teacher Educators in Agriculture, the National Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association, the National Education Association, the Maryland Agriculture Teachers Association, the Maryland Farm Bureau, the National FFA Alumni Association, the National Association of Colleges and Teachers in Agriculture, Phi Kappa Phi, and Alpha Gamma Rho. Ron served on several boards including the Maryland Agriculture Education Foundation, of which he was a founding member, bringing the state its beautiful AG tags. He was instrumental in the formation of the Maryland FFA Foundation and a board member of the National Alpha Zeta Foundation. He was the recipient of the Honorary American Farmer Degree, the Blue and Gold Award, the Vocational Educator of the Year Award, and just recently the Maryland Agriculture Teachers Association Lifetime Achievement Award.

Ron was a dedicated, active member of the College Park Lions Club for 47 years. During this time, he selflessly served in numerous leadership roles at the club, district, and international levels. He led as club president, vice president, director, membership chair, and secretary for several terms and had been the club

treasurer for the past 6 years. Ronald chaired a long list of community service projects including the scholarship program, blood drives, eyeglass and hearing aid program and community vision/hearing screenings. He served the Lions of District 22-C as the assistant cabinet secretary/treasurer, zone chairman, webmaster, and LCOF board member. Ronald attended international Lions' conventions all over the world, representing his club as a delegate. Over the years, he was recognized for his commitment to his community, earning numerous awards and recognitions. Ronald was selected as the College Park Lion of the Year several times, he was a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, a Roaring Lion, was honored with the highest district award, The Distinguished Service Award, and was selected for the District Honor Roll. Ronald had been a Maryland Rotarian for 7 years, a member of the Fraternal Order of the Moose and was a 61-year member of the Knights of Columbus. He lived by the Lions' motto, "We Serve."

All those who had the pleasure of meeting, knowing, and loving Ron will miss his kindness, generosity of spirit, quiet leadership, sense of humor, brilliant intellect, and selflessness.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date when friends and family are able to gather. Memorial contributions may be made to the Dr. Ronald J. Seibel Scholarship Fund, which supports students attending the Institute of Applied Agriculture at the University of Maryland or to the Lions Community Outreach Foundation.

Dr. Ronald J. Seibel Scholarship memorial contributions should be made payable to Maryland Agricultural Education Foundation (MAEF) and mailed to P.O. Box 536, 403 Oakington Road, Havre de Grace, MD 21078. Please note "Seibel Scholarship" in memo.

Lions Community Outreach Foundation memorial contributions should be made to "LCOF" and mailed to LCOF of District 22-C, Inc., 5606 Dower House

Road, Room #L-1, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772. Please reference "Lion Ron Seibel" on the memo line.

Shirey, Doris (Dot)

Doris (Dot) Miller Shirey, a Beltsville resident since 1946, passed away on May 30 at the age of 98. Doris was born in Mt. Laffee, PA, grew up in Port Carbon, and moved to Beltsville in 1946 after marrying Clayton (Bud) Shirey, also from Port Carbon. Doris graduated high school early and took training in bookkeeping, initially working as a bookkeeper with Sears. She and Clayton lived for periods of time in Massachusetts, England, Panama, Greece, and Germany while Clayton worked for the CIA and took up permanent residence in Beltsville in 1967.

Once they were finally situated in Beltsville, Doris began working with ARB (American Research Bureau) and went on to work at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center. She also spent many years volunteering as a proofreader for *The Beltsville News*. She left *The Beltsville News* when she was 93 but continued to be a stickler for grammar and spelling. She was an expert quilter and seamstress, enjoyed playing bridge and bingo, and was always up for a trip to the casino (any casino). She and Clayton enjoyed traveling and spending time with family. They were members of Emmanuel United Methodist Church in Beltsville.

Doris' husband predeceased her in 1980. She is survived by a daughter, Gail of Dunkirk, MD; and three sons, Robert of Conway, SC; Kenneth of Schnecksville, PA; and William of Lewes, DE; her grandchildren, Kirstyn, Brian, Bethany, and Rachel; and great-grandchildren, Aubrey, Darcey, Tobin, and Bennett. She is also survived by a sister, Mary Lou Goodrich of Raleigh, NC.

In 2015, Doris moved to assisted living in Adelphi. In 2018 she was diagnosed with dementia which eventually took her life. A private internment will take place in Schuylkill Haven, PA.



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My first tornado experience in October 2019 in Dallas was scary. I had just left the vicinity of the Dallas Love Field Airport, headed home. The time was after 8 pm on a Saturday. It took an hour to get home, and apparently not too long after I departed the area, a tornado touched down and hit that area really bad. I was blessed to have escaped narrowly. Seeing the destruction the next day made me realize that life can change in a matter of seconds. Some buildings are still boarded up many months after.

Now the sad news, very sad. A friend whom I met in Beltsville

when I used to play volleyball is missing her two Akita dogs, nine-month-old sisters. The dogs ran out from their property in the Crownsville area (near Annapolis) and have been missing since June 4. The family is heartbroken over the missing dogs and have even put up a reward of \$1,000 for information leading to their safe return. If you happen to see the dogs, kindly call 240.338.8684. Thanks a lot.

Some good news. In May, a childhood friend of mine (also my medical doctor when I lived in Beltsville) hosted a little graduation token for her daughter, Dami.

They live in Mitchellville. Due to COVID-19, all the activities planned for the graduating class got cancelled. Her mother, Doctor Yemisi, decided to do something special. The family contacted a saxophonist (<https://bodegaworld-music.com/connell-thompson>) to serenade her. Video clips were posted online to share with family and friends, and the whole thing went viral in days, making it as far as The Shade Room, a popular social media outlet. Look him up and you will see clips of Connell, whom I was able to interview on the story. He is now in demand, so if you see him playing at an event in the DMV, you can tell him you

read about him in *The Beltsville News*.

I am looking forward to this weekend. The daughter of another childhood friend, who lives not too far from me in Dallas, turns 10 years old this weekend. Apart from baking and making fresh lemonade (20 limes for \$1 at the International Store), I will be on the grill. This is exciting! I get first takes on the barbeque. I will try to leave some food for the others. It is a small gathering, so social distancing will be in effect.

I am hoping I can visit Beltsville before the end of the year. Still trying to decide if I want to drive 1,330 miles in 20 hours one

way or fly. I cannot wait to see familiar faces at church and work, but also, I will get to eat at Sardis and Chicken Camponero (located near the new Washington Adventist Hospital) and of course Wawa. Will also do The Jerk Pit on Route 1 for Caribbean food. Beltsville has some great eating places.

Time to wrap up. I must remind you to stay safe, stay healthy, and be nice to someone today. By the way, my garden is great. Been harvesting my tomatoes, got a pepper to pick, and hopefully my neighbor can get control of their cat that has been digging and destroying my plants.

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Proposed Development for the Behnke Property

By Linda Diasgranados

Dear Residents, you should be aware that a Detailed Site Plan has been submitted to the Development Review Division of the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission, M-NCPPC. It is described as Prince George's County Project DSP# 20029. The address of the subject property is 11300 Baltimore Avenue, Belts-

ville, MD 20705. The site plan review is for the development of a convenience store and gas station. Do we need another gas station and a 7-11 convenience store?

If you wish to become a Person of Record to this application, you may submit your request online at <http://www.pgplanning.org/1586/Become-a-Person-of-Record> or by written request to the Development Review Division of

the M-NCPPC: 14741 Governor Oden Bowie Drive, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772. Please reference the Pre-Application Number and the name of the project in your written request.

Residents for a Better Beltsville will be meeting on July 8, at 7pm, via Zoom to get more information. You can also contact ATCS, PLC at 571.329.3587 for more information.

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by the owner.

Cryptography examples often

use Alice and Bob as two typical users that want to securely exchange a message protecting the message from a third party know as Eve. To show the value

of asymmetric encryption, let's assume that Alice and Bob have no secure means of exchanging a symmetric key but both have their own public key and matching private key. Bob and Alice share the public keys with each other and everyone else including Eve. Bob then encrypts a message using his private key to send to Alice. He then encrypts the encrypted message again but this time using Alice's public key. He now sends the twice encrypted message, and it is received by both Alice and Eve. Alice uses her private key to decrypt the message Bob encrypted with her public key. This gives her the message Bob encrypted with his private key. Alice then uses Bob's public key to decrypt the message giving her the original message Bob sent (also called the plain text message). Eve is not able to access any information because she does not have Alice's private key.

Frequently, the first message sent between Bob and Alice is a shared key that can be used for symmetric encryption using a shared secret (key) between the two of them. This is important because symmetric encryption is faster the asymmetric encryption. The infrastructure that supports this for the web is called Public Key Infrastructure or PKI. The HTTPS protocol uses encryption

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Club News

Thank You, American Legion Family

By Ivy Christoffers

American Legion Auxiliary National President Nicole Clapp and American Legion National Commander James W. "Bill" Oxford express their gratitude to American Legion family members who have stepped up to help communities during the coronavirus pandemic and encourage them to be a beacon of hope as they continue to serve.

Our Mission Statement: In the interest of service not self, the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and country,

we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor our youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace, and security.

Our Vision Statement: The vision of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion while becoming the premier service organization and foundation of every community providing support for our veterans, our military, and their families by shaping a positive future in an atmosphere of fellowship, patriotism, peace, and security.

What a great organization! Who would not aspire to belong to such an awesome group of citizens? If you are qualified for membership, why not seek out your nearest American Legion post home and let them know you

would be honored to help them serve those who have stepped up and served this great country? An honorable discharge from the Armed Forces for you or your immediate family member or a DD214 or death certificate for an immediate family member who served is all that is required.

College Park Post # 217 has been closed for three months complying with the governor's orders; however, we hope to open our doors just as soon as it is safe to do so. In the meantime, pray for our troops, keep safe, and remember to check up on your elderly neighbors and the lonely. A human voice is sometimes welcome and necessary for good health. May God continue to bless you and yours.

Kids are Online More These Days, Here is How to Keep Them Safe

(StatePoint) Children are spending more time online due to social distancing measures caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. And while the internet can be an amazing gateway to knowledge and a tool to connect with family and friends, if parents and caregivers don't follow certain precautions, it can also pose safety hazards.

Indeed, the United Nations has warned that the increased unstructured time online has put millions of children at greater risk of both cyberbullying and of being exposed to harmful content. Experts note that in the same way financial scammers have been working in overdrive to exploit the current crisis, the internet has also seen a surge of online predators targeting children.

Fortunately, there are effective actions parents can take to help keep kids safe online so that they can continue to reap the educational and social benefits of online use.

- **Have a Dialogue:** While you may be working remotely or otherwise occupied, if possible, try to spend time in the same room as your kids during the day so you can keep tabs on

them. An open dialogue can go a long way toward establishing mutual trust between generations. Parents should have a respectful discussion with children about what kinds of activities they are engaging in online and who they are communicating with. This discussion should include what constitutes inappropriate content. Let kids know they can come to you if they are being sent images or messages that fall into this category.

- **Steer Children to Quality Content:** From free educational gaming apps to the online educational resources offered by museums and your local library, actively encourage your kids to explore the wealth of positive content designed for students and young people.
- **Update Devices:** Be sure to keep your family's devices safeguarded from hackers and malware by installing the latest updates.
- **Use New Tools:** New tools can help parents effectively keep screen time in check. For example, by using OurPact,

a screen time management solution, parents can limit app access automatically for recurring activities like school or bedtime, and can block or grant internet access on a child's device any time. With the app, parents can even view screenshots of kids' digital activity on Apple devices (this feature will be available on Android soon.)

"These abilities allow families to create and maintain a well-balanced schedule, while also offering parents a valuable tool for protecting their kids from unsafe content and people," says Michele Havner, director of marketing for Eturi Corp., makers of OurPact. To learn more or download, visit OurPact.com. While the current crisis has created new online hazards that families should be aware of, parents can be proactive about keeping kids safe.

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to securely connect a browser to a website works in the same fashion.

In response to the revelation that numerous governments are monitoring web traffic globally, the web has created the HTTPS Everywhere initiative encourag-

ing every website to support the secure HTTPS protocols. Use HTTPS to connect to websites to protect yourself from whoever may be listening.

That's it for this month. Next month, I will share some tools that can be used to encrypt and protect your documents and communications.



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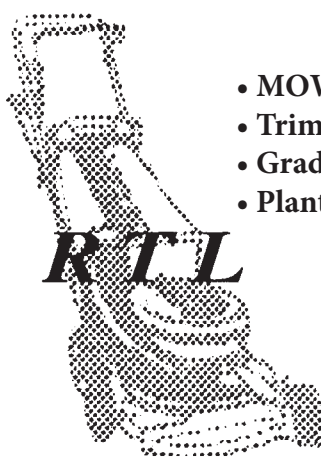
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JULY 2020

Calendar of Events

At press time, there was optimism that some sites that have been closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic might be able to open during the month of July. Please check with individual facilities for current updates. **Admission requirements may be instituted, and regular hours of operation are subject to change.**

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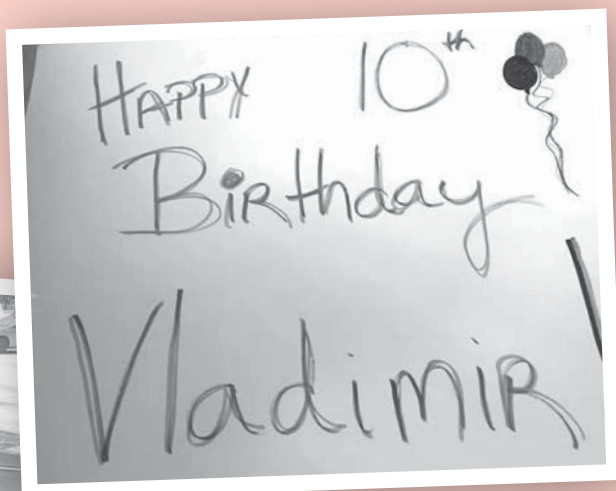
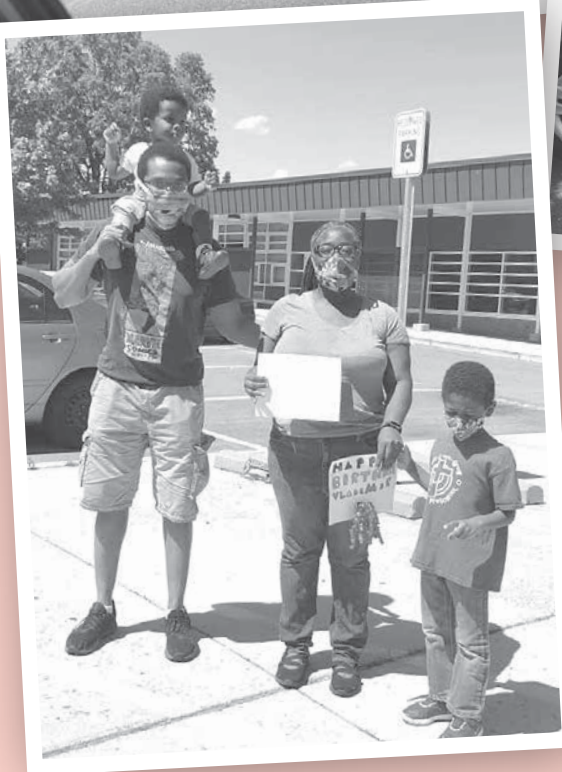
Publications on different types of small gardens—such as victory gardens, school gardens, and the historical Subsistence Homestead program—are featured in the National Agricultural Library's digital exhibit, *Small Agriculture*. See www.NAL.USDA.gov/exhibits/ipd/small/about.

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The Nationals baseball team and PGC-MLS are partnering to present *Imagine Your Story*, a virtual Summer @ Your Library program for all ages that will run through Aug. 21. *Imagine Your Story* is the first online-only summer reading and engagement program in the history of the Prince George's County Memorial Library System, ensuring that all Prince Georgians can safely engage with the Library and our beloved hometown baseball team as the community recovers from the public health emergency. More than a traditional summer reading program, Summer @ Your Library encourages children, teens, and adults to read 30 minutes each day, attend virtual programs (from yoga and puppet shows to musical performances and read-alouds), explore the wide range of streaming movies and music in the 85+ online library resources, and participate in interactive social media challenges.



BIRTHDAY

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I have never been prouder of the Beltsville community then I was that day. Vladimir's mom wrote: "Thank you everyone. Vladimir loved his birthday celebration. This was definitely the best birthday EVER! I'm forever

thankful. I can't even begin to explain what it meant to Vladimir, to his little sister & to his dad who was in tears. The presents, the signs, just showing up and screaming his name meant the world to Vladimir." For those of us who participated, it was an awesome and heartwarming day.

Dunamis Worship Chapel

In life, some of us get to a place where we lack the motivation to do basic chores or engage in our favorite hobbies. All of a sudden, we find ourselves getting depressed because nothing seems to give us a sense of fulfillment.

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Join us at Dunamis Worship Chapel in our month of Fresh Fire, where we learn the key steps to

increase the fresh fire in our lives. Our *YouTube* channel is Dunamis Chapel, and our website is www.dunamischapel.com. Feel free to join us for any of our virtual services!

Sundays at 9 am–10 am, 10 am–11 am, 11 am–12 pm, and 12 pm–1 pm

Tuesdays Word Encounter and Communion Service at 7 pm

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Last Fridays of Every Month “Night of Dunamis” at 9 pm

Students Emerge as Leaders During COVID-19 Through Service Learning

(StatePoint) As learning has gone virtual to curb the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, educators and parents have been left with a pressing concern: how will this experience impact social and emotional development?

“The pandemic is having profound effects on children’s mental well-being, their social development, their safety, their privacy, their economic security and beyond,” a policy brief by the United Nations stated. “While children are not the face of this pandemic, its broader impacts on children risk being catastrophic and amongst the most lasting consequences for societies as a whole.”

While maintaining progress in core subject areas is imperative, a curriculum that develops leadership skills is equally essential to ensure that emotional development continues virtually.

An independent research study commissioned by Lead4Change found that students who completed the Lead4Change Student Leadership Program experienced tangible emotional growth. The program involves lessons in leadership, as well as creating and implementing team projects to meet a need in the community. Those that completed the program experienced significant changes in leadership skills (60 percent of students improved), respect for others (54 percent) and ambition and innovation (53 percent). Programs of this nature can be completed virtually by adapting projects to address current concerns, and they can not only succeed without physical contact, but offer unique challenges that help students to grow as leaders.

Students at Mohave High School in Bullhead City, Ariz. reconsidered their project when quarantine began, creating a read-aloud library of developmentally appropriate books for preschool-



ers. With high schoolers reading preschoolers books and teaching them literacy and social development skills, this resource allowed an early childhood program to continue virtually.

“The students developed a ‘can do attitude’ while working collaboratively to adapt to their new normal,” said teacher, Michele Leyendecker. “With so much uncertainty, this project truly gave them purpose.” The “T-Bird Readers” team was awarded Lead4Change’s grand prize, a \$10,000 grant for a nonprofit of their choice.

In Garner, N.C., students participated in service learning and emerged as community leaders by directly addressing the local impact of the pandemic. The “Corona Relief Crew” collaborated with volunteers and vendors to create and distribute kits with essential food and supplies for the homeless and those in nursing homes who have been severely impacted by the pandemic.

“Being an adult leader for the Corona Relief Crew has caused a paradigm shift in how I view youth strength and their ability to lead,” educator Dr. Cleopatra Lacewell shared. “This experience has taught me when students have well-organized plans, identified goals and established team structures, they can then perform as stellar leaders with minimum support.”

The Corona Relief Crew was also honored with Lead4Change’s \$10,000 grand prize for their ini-

tiative. For more information about the Lead4Change Student Leadership Program, visit lead4change.org.

While distance learning’s impact on students’ education has been unprecedented, this disruption also has presented a unique opportunity for students to overcome obstacles and grow as leaders. With a service-learning project, students can

gain a sense of purpose, lead real change in their local community and maintain a sense of unity that is integral during challenging times.

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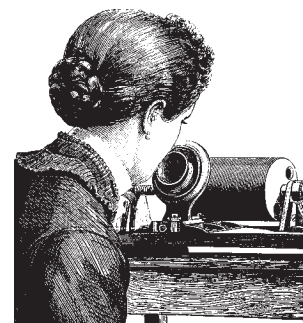
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ARROW SCOUTS

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A reminder: if you have Cub Scout uniforms that you do not need, please contact Regina Halper at the email above. The cost of Cub Scouting is going up, and sharing your uniforms will help cover the cost of participating for our families.

WHAT'S GOING ON

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and snacks. But I didn't want them to create a reason for people to get too close—we still have a pandemic. They settled for being a part of a march. As I walked behind them watching one holding a sign she made and all of them joining the chants, I felt hope for our future, for their future.

Being encouraged to stay home presented an opportunity to reflect on many things: family, race relations, cultural bias, religion, education, the economy, politics, government, healthcare, food scarcity, and housing, to name a few. As part of the community, our church members wrestle with those subjects too. We are planning a safe "re-entry" into our building knowing that as a society, we will not be the same. We must address "What's Going On" around us so that we can build a strong foundation from what we have learned. If you are looking for a place to join in this dialogue, join us. Currently, we meet virtually. The information can be found on our webpage www.eumcbeltsville.com or our Facebook page www.facebook.com/groups/EUMCBeltsville/. Until next time:

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