Two Beltsville Academy Teachers Achieve National Board Certification

Teacher effectiveness has become one of the most critical issues facing America’s schools today. Teaching excellence in Prince George’s County has taken a step forward following the announcement by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) that Mr. Greg Guiswite, a Physical Education teacher and Ms. Lilian Winters, an ESOL teacher at Beltsville Academy have achieved National Board Certification in 2010.

A voluntary assessment program designed to develop, recognize and retain accomplished teachers, National Board Certification is achieved through a performance-based assessment that typically takes one to three years to complete. While state licensing systems set basic requirements to teach in each state, National Board Certified Teachers (NBCTs) have successfully demonstrated advanced teaching knowledge, skills, and practices.

“For more than a decade, National Board Certified Teachers have been transforming our nation’s schools by demonstrating effective teaching practice,” said Joseph A. Aguerrebere, NBPTS president and chief executive officer. “I am proud that [Mr. Guiswite and Ms. Winters] are among a select group of excellent teachers nationwide who have achieved National Board Certification. These outstanding educators are making a positive difference in the lives of students.”

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Thanks so much to Phi Kappa Sigma, a social/service fraternity at the University of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC), for the wonderful job they did at Martin L. King Jr. Middle School. This fraternity heard about the need for our school’s courtyard to be “winterized” and mulched and didn’t hesitate to come to our aid. Within three days of hearing about our very weathered courtyard, the members of this fraternity came over on a Saturday morning and completed the work. They weeded, trimmed bushes, edged around all of the plants, and mulched the entire area. Not only did they do all of the work, but they also hauled away all of the excess so that our custodians didn’t have to clean up during the week.

Thanks Phi Kappa Sigma!

A Very Huge Thank You To Our Community

By Elaine Chabot

The Women’s Community Club of Beltsville would like to thank everyone for helping us serve the community. Our Food For Beltsville program provided Thanksgiving turkeys, potatoes, other fresh items, and lots of non-perishable food for fifty-one persons on November 20th. The Boy Scouts also baked many pumpkins pies to round out a Thanksgiving meal for those in need. Our Holiday Gift Giving and our Food For Beltsville program continues on page 13.

This wonderful group from Beltsville Adventist School sorted and boxed all our food: Wendy Pega, Robbie Petersen, John Peter, Dylan Arnone, Kristen Varghese, Dominique DeAbru, Jared Canubas, Jezenia Sierra, Erica Stevens, Karina Ruiz, and Lauryn Daniels.

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25 Years Ago in the Beltsville News
By Phil Whitman
Excerpted from the January 1986 issue

Celebrates 25th Anniversary
On January 26, Emmanuel United Methodist Church celebrated the 25th anniversary of worshipping at the Cedar Lane site.

New Arrival
Chris and Bernie Milbourne of Beltsville announced the arrival of their second daughter, Ruth Nicole.

Tracy Got Rave Reviews
Frank Tracy, principal of High Point High School, received rave reviews for his role of FDR in “Annie.”

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expert evaluation, self-assessment, and peer review,” added Aguerrevere.

NBCTs consistently receive top teaching honors while representing about two percent of the nation’s teaching population. For example:

Three of the past five National Teachers of the Year are National Board certified

One-third of the recipients of the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching are National Board certified.

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In the most rigorous and comprehensive study to date about National Board Certification, the non-partisan National Research Council found that students taught by NBCTs make higher gains on achievement tests than students taught by other teachers.

National Board Certification is recognized as a model for identifying accomplished teaching practice and is supported by teachers and administrators nationwide. All 50 states, the District of Columbia, and hundreds of local school districts recognize National Board Certification as a mark of distinction. Many states and local school districts provide salary incentives and cover the cost for teachers who pursue and achieve this advanced teaching credential.

For more information about NBPTS, visit the NBPTS Web site at www.nbpts.org.

Beltsville News
Published by the Beltsville-Vansville District Citizens Association Inc.

Holiday Baskets for Needy Families
The Women’s Community Club of Beltsville distributed 36 holiday baskets to needy families in Beltsville.

Obituaries
Wilbur T. Pentzer of Beltsville died on December 9, 1985. He was an active member of the Beltsville Rotary Club.


Joseph Yaklich, Jr. died on December 22, 1985, at his son’s home in Beltsville.

National Active & Retired Employees Chapter 1122 Northern Prince Georges County
Our monthly meeting will be at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 12, at the Greenbrier Community Building Terrace Room, 7600 Hanover Parkway, Greenbelt, MD. Call the office for directions at 301.441.1096 and Dial 0. You do not need to be a member to attend. Our speaker will be Chef Monica Thomas speaking on “Healthy Eating for Seniors.” We usually serve refreshments - healthy? Beltsville residents needing a ride, call Bob Haas at 301.937.7987.

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next school day. It is very refreshing to know that there are college students in these kinds of service organizations who hear about the needs of others and are so willing to help their community fulfill these needs. Congratulations to UMBC for encouraging these organizations on campus to help the community and for inspiring those at the college level to offer their services.
Neighbors in the News

Cabin Camping at Hard Bargain Farm

By Gary Bauchan, Scoutmaster

At the end of each year Troop 1033 has gone cabin camping to celebrate the activities of the year. This was a bittersweet camping trip for me as I have decided to retire as Scoutmaster at the end of the year. I have enjoyed all 10 years of scouting, the last 7 as Scoutmaster, but it’s time to move on and let younger adult leaders lead the troop. The scouts who attended the cabin camping trip were Adrian Villarreal, Alex Orellana, Al Diagne, Wil Miller, Patrick Miller, David Timus II, Patrick Deery, Chris Walker, Tyis Robinson, Jason Newlin, David Booth, Danny Moreno, Eric Matthews, and Chaim Johnson. Adult leaders who attended were Scoutmaster, Gary Bauchan, Assistant Scoutmasters, Rick Deery and Robbie Stewart, Troop Committee Chair, David Timus I, and scout parent Andre Johnson. All went to the Hard Bargain Farm in Accokeek, MD.

The troop stayed in Wareham Lodge, which has a great facility for scouting activities. The lodge has a large central area for indoor activities and eating, a large fully equipped kitchen, and sleeping facilities. Everyone had a good time touring the farm despite the bitter cold weather. We enjoyed petting the farm animals such as goats, sheep, donkeys, cows, chickens, turkeys, and rabbits. The scouts reveled in playing touch football, gleefully participated in a game of manhunt (tag) in the dark, stayed warm watching movies and ate their fill of a Thanksgiving feast of turkey, stuffing, green bean salad, cranberries, garden salad, soda and brownies with peppermint ice cream. Everyone really enjoyed the opportunity to go camping indoors in the cold weather after surviving tent camping in both hot and cold temperatures all year long.

Ned Lewis, High Point Music Teacher, Matriculates in Howard University

Mr. Ned Lewis, former music teacher and choir director at High Point High School for 14 years, has moved to Howard University in Washington, D.C. to take over as the fulltime director of the Rankin Memorial Chapel Chorus. Additionally, Mr. Lewis will begin teaching classes at Howard U. during the Spring 2011 semester. Mr. Lewis will be greatly missed by his high school students. He was more than merely a teacher. He was a mentor, a spiritual leader, a father figure and a friend to all of his students. As a special tribute to say goodbye, the alumni of the High Point choir are presenting a musical program, “The Grand Finale…the end of the Ned Lewis Era” on Saturday, January 8, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at High Point’s Chotiner Auditorium located at 3601 Powder Mill Rd in Beltsville. The alumni will be performing many of the songs they have come to be known for, which will include many genres of music and choreography. Tickets are available for $15.00 for the concert only, or $25.00 for the concert and post-concert reception.

Emmanuel United Methodist Church Marks 50th Anniversary on Cedar Lane

Twenty-five years ago, on January 26, 1986, Emmanuel United Methodist Church celebrated the 25th anniversary of the dedication of the church’s location on Cedar Lane. Prior to the church moving to Cedar Lane, the congregation met at its site on Prince George’s Avenue, where services were conducted from 1893 through 1960. Emmanuel will note its 50th anniversary on Cedar Lane in January. The first Methodist congregation formed in Beltsville in June 1836, so Emmanuel United Methodist Church is planning a celebration of 175 years of Methodism in Beltsville in June 2011. Pastor Daniel Mejia and the congregation of Emmanuel United Methodist Church wish everyone a blessed and prosperous New Year!!

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Michael & Valerie wish the Beltsville community a Healthy & Prosperous New Year!!

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Victoria Leatherwood, heads the University of Maryland College Park’s program to provide opportunities for small, minority, women and veteran-owned businesses which achieved record highs this year with $86 million (20%) of contract dollars to minority and women-owned businesses and $21 million (6%) expenditures with Maryland Small Business Reserve firms.

Ms. Leatherwood led a spirited discussion with the Beltsville Business Breakfast group recently on how to do business selling to the University and its 300 departments.

The University participates in the Maryland Small Business Reserve program, with vendors showing up in real time on www.smallbusinessreserve.maryland.gov (currently 7,000 registered small businesses). Companies wishing to do business with the University should also register at www.emarylandmarketplace.com, the State portal for bid solicitations, some reserved for Maryland Small Businesses and some having subcontracting opportunities for MDOT-certified minority and women-owned businesses.

The majority of procurement dollars are for Capital Construction Projects, with subcontracting opportunities for MDOT-certified minority and women-owned firms. Little opportunity for small businesses exists for computers under educational agreements with the manufacturers and technology needed for performing research. There are small business opportunities for small construction projects and on going commodity and services. Campus departments also are given the flexibility to use University VISA purchasing cards for up to $5,000.

Case examples of business opportunities for small business illustrate the peculiarities involved:

• Most furniture is purchased from the Prison Industries. There may be opportunities for enterprising small businesses to become providers of supplies needed by the Prison Department to produce the products sold to the University.
• Printing and catering opportunities exist even though the University has its own printing operation and some buildings only allow the Campus Dining Services to cater their events. Small business opportunities exist even though the University has its own printing operation and some buildings only allow the Campus Dining Services to cater their events. Small business opportunities exist even though the University has its own printing operation and some buildings only allow the Campus Dining Services to cater their events. Small business opportunities exist even though the University has its own printing operation and some buildings only allow the Campus Dining Services to cater their events.

The Maryland University Market for Small Businesses continues on page 5
Beltsville Garden Club

Ring in another year of informative gardening topics by attending the Beltsville Garden Club meeting on, Wednesday, January 26th 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria of the James E. Duckworth School, 11201 Evan Trail, Beltsville.

Our speaker for this month will be Kimberley M. Knox, Community Outreach Manager for the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) and a member of the Beltsville Garden Club. Her topic will be “Water Conservation and Gardens.” Kim is the editor of “Landscaping for Water Conservation: Xeriscape!” She is responsible for coordinating WSSC’s demonstration garden, which highlights native plants for birds and butterflies. She will also speak about the seven basic principles to incorporate into your landscape and to ensure that you save water, money and time.

Please join us for this informative speaker. Refreshments will be served after the meeting. Bring a plant or plant related material for the club’s door prize table. The public is welcomed and admission is free.

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

Pete Spaulding
25 Years Later

Peter “Pete” Spaulding was mentioned in last month’s issue in the 25 Years Ago column regarding his success playing baseball at High Point High School and making the team at the University of Maryland.

Mr. Spaulding currently serves as the Assistant Commander of the Maryland State Police barracks in La Plata, MD. Following his graduation from the University, he joined the Maryland State Police and has served with them for 17 years. He married Janeen Frankel of Crofton, Maryland in 1997 and together they have two beautiful daughters, Madison and Morgan.

Pete sends his best wishes for a Happy New Year to his friends in and around Beltsville.

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nesses may be able to handle the overflow for University services, sometimes at a lower cost.

• Finding business with depart-
ments can’t be done with mass
mailings. Small businesses need
to know what University of Mary-
land Departments do and when
that involves needs that can be sat-
isfied by small businesses. Person-
al contact most often is required.

Ms. Leatherwood offered to
held one-on-one meetings with
small businesses to help them
sharpen their focus on specific
needs of Departments and to iden-
tify specific Departments where
prospecting calls have a higher
chance of success. Her phone
number is 301.405.5850.

The Beltsville Business Break-
fast is hosted by the 21st District
Delegation. Senator Jim Rosa-
pepe illustrated the direct value
of his presence by exploring the
basis for the recurrent need to
re-register for the Small Business
Reserve program. He serves on
the oversight committee and was
able to explore the justification for
frequent re-registration require-
ments. The House of Delegates
members of the delegation include
Ben Barnes, Barbara Frush and
Joseline A. Peña-Melnyk.
Engagements

Faulconer/Pollock Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. James Faulconer and Mr. and Mrs. Philip Pollack are happy to announce the engagement of their children, Kristen L. Faulconer and Nathaniel I. Pollack. Both families are long-time residents of Beltsville.

Kristen graduated from High Point School in 2005, attended Howard Community College, and is currently enrolled in a 2-year Dental Hygienist Program at Fortis College. Nathaniel graduated from Pallotti High School in 2002. He is a licensed tree expert with Beltsville's Adirondack Tree Experts, Inc.

Kristen and Nathaniel are planning a May 27, 2011 wedding at Morningside Inn in Frederick, Maryland. Family and friends wish them a lifetime of happiness!

Obituaries

Green Reio, Vivian R.
Vivian R. Green Reio passed away on November 22, at age 77. The Morningstar Park Senior Living Community in Jessup was her home for the past 13 years. Vivian was born and raised in Beltsville, with her mother and father, Edna and Guy Roby, and her seven siblings. Four sisters survive her: Peggy, Evelyn, Janet, and Anita. The street on which the family grew up was given the Roby name. Vivian’s husband of 35 years, John Green, died in 1984 from lung cancer. Together, they had four children: Gail, John Jr., Cherie, and Melody. She remarried in 1989, to Ernest Reio and was widowed again in 1993. A large family that loved her dearly survives Vivian, including nine grandchildren, Mitchell, Tina, Bradley, Daniel, Rachel, Jackie, Brian, Cristina, and Victoria; and three great-grandchildren, Layla, John III, and Ava. Her family and friends could always count on her to be there in times of need, celebration, and everything in between. Relatives and friends called at Donaldson Funeral Home, P.A., 313 Talbott Ave., Laurel, MD 20707 on Sunday, November 28, where funeral service was held on Monday, November 29 at 11:00 a.m. Internment St. John’s Episcopal Cemetery, Beltsville, MD.

Klim, John Richard
John Richard Klim II, of Beltsville passed away at 11:30 a.m. on November 10, 2010 at the Washington Adventist Hospital. John was a World War II and Korean War Veteran and a retired Washington, D.C. Police Officer. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Irene (Nareski) Klim, in 1958. His son, John Richard Klim III, of Beltsville MD and his brother, Leonard Batik, of Tonawanda, New York survive him. Maryland visitation was held on Monday and Tuesday, November 15 and 16, in the chapel of Donald V Borganwardt Funeral Home P.A., 4400 Powder Mill Rd, Beltsville, Pennsylvania. The funeral was on Saturday November 20 at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel. Internment followed in St. Casimir’s Cemetery.

Koenig, Joseph A.
Joseph A. Koenig of Beltsville died on Thursday November 11, 2010 at age 90. He was the beloved husband of the late Deborah L. Koenig, Lillian E. Koenig and Mary Nordan-Koenig; devoted father of Martha Orletsky (Glen); grandfather of Heather Milke (Chris) and Holly Erdely (Mike); great grandfather of Cj, Mike and Megan Milke; stepfather of James Robert Nordan (Alice) and family. Funeral service was held at Borgwardt Funeral Home 4400 Powder Mill Road Beltsville, Maryland on Monday, November 15, at 10:00 a.m. with the Reverend Keiffer Bent officiating. Internment Fort Lincoln Cemetery; Memorial contributions may be made to Holy Cross Home Care and Hospice, 11800 Tech Road, Silver Spring, Maryland 20904.

Clubs

Women’s Community Club of Beltsville

By Elaine Chabot, President

This year’s regular daytime meetings will be held, as usual, on the second Monday of most months: February 14th, March 14th, April 11th, May 9th, and June 13th at 12:30 p.m. at Emmanuel United Methodist Church (EUMC) on Cedar Lane. We will not be meeting in January.

The Angel Tree program, partnering with EMUC, provides Christmas gifts and clothing to children of prisoners. This year our club provided gifts and clothing for two of these children.

Our Thanksgiving and Christmas Programs, providing food and gifts for families in need, was successful due to many generous community citizens! Remember to join us at the Beltsville Citizens Association meeting on January 19, 2011 at the Beltsville Academy at 7:00 p.m. to learn more about our property assessments. Our mission is to serve the Beltsville community. Please remember we are a 501(c) 3 organization and all donations are tax deductible!

If you would like more information about our club, please contact Elaine Chabot, President, at ecchabot@aol.com
Rosapepe’s Report to Beltsville

By Senator Jim Rosapepe (D-21)

Join us — and US Senator Ben Cardin — Sunday, January 9, to welcome 2011!

I hope you can join my wife Sheilah and me for our Welcome 2011 Celebration on Sunday, January 9 from 12:00 to 2:30 p.m., at Cherry Hill Park (9800 Cherry Hill Rd) in College Park. U.S. Senator Ben Cardin will be our special guest. Families are welcome. Please RSVP soon to Jim Rosapepe's office at 301.481.8690. Directions: From 495, exit 25 — College Park (US Route One). Make an immediate right onto Cherry Hill Rd. Go one mile to park entrance on left, 9800 Cherry Hill Rd. Drive straight past the office at the entrance and then turn right onto Yosemitie Lane. The Conference Center is a short drive. We look forward to seeing you!

A new way to protect your home from foreclosure

This year, Delegates Barbara Frush, Ben Barnes, Joseline Peña-Melnyk and I joined our colleagues to pass Maryland’s new Foreclosure Mediation Law. It requires banks to be much more responsive to homeowners facing foreclosure. The law gives homeowners a new opportunity to meet with the lender and an independent party to ensure that alternatives to foreclosure have been considered and evaluated.

If the home facing foreclosure is your principal residence, you now have the right to request mediation once your bank starts foreclosure proceedings with the court system. At that time, the lender must send a "Request for Foreclosure Mediation" form. You then have 15 days to complete the form and file it with the Circuit Court. You must pay a non-refundable $50 fee when you formally file this request for mediation.

This law is a major new protection — forcing banks to return your call and to try to work out a plan to keep you in your home. But don’t wait until you can request mediation before starting efforts to save your home. The opportunity to participate in mediation occurs at a late stage in the foreclosure process and does not guarantee you may avoid foreclosure. Contact your lender and a housing counselor at the earliest sign of financial difficulty.

A list of housing counseling agencies near you can be obtained by calling the MDHOPE hotline at 877.462.7555 or by visiting www.mdhope.org and clicking on the Counseling tab. Or if you still are not getting the help you need, call my office at 301.858.3141.

Beltsville Businesses — Join us Wednesday morning, January 19

One year ago, at the suggestion of several local business leaders, Delegates Frush, Barnes, Peña-Melnyk and I launched the first of the monthly Beltsville Business Breakfasts to bring local businesses together to help themselves and the whole community. Our community has a wealth of entrepreneurs and community-oriented businesses — high firms, retailers, health care providers, construction companies, auto service firms, restaurants, consulting firms, banks, and many others. What Beltsville hadn’t had was a regular forum for local businesses to network, cooperate on common problems and opportunities, and learn from each other, experts, and business and government decision-makers.

In the past year, more than 100 local business people have participated. A number have found new customers already at one of the breakfasts. Speakers have included Will’s Home Decorating, Prince George’s Community Federal Credit Union, the USDA on the topic of federal procurement, and newly elected County Executive Rushern Baker. Join us this month to meet fellow business owners on January 19, 7:30-9:00 a.m. at Cross Creek Golf Club in Beltsville. Please RSVP to 21stdistrictdelegation@gmail.com or call 301.858.3141. Our speakers will be from Joseph W. McCartin Insurance and the US Small Business Administration on the topic of changes in ownership. A continental breakfast will be provided at a cost of $8 at the door. Also, go to www.beltsvillebusiness.com for regular updates on the Business Breakfasts.

Contact Us

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

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robbing your neighbor. Some suspects in Beltsville robberies and break-ins are repeat suspects who keep getting a free pass because the victims do not show up to testify against them, so the cycle continues.

The Beltsville Citizen’s Association’s next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 19th at 7:00 p.m. at Beltsville Academy on Wicomico Avenue. If you have a question or concern I can be reached at 301.937.0157 or karen-mccoolley@verizon.net. HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!
Beltsville Rotary Strolls Down Memory Lane

By Ivy Christoffers

The past few weeks have seen the Beltsville Rotary members revisiting some very memorable times in our lives. Rotarian Sonja Festerling hosted an especially poignant meeting on December 7, 2010, which she called (tongue in cheek) “current events.” Sonja invited each person in attendance to recall just what they were doing when they and/or their families first heard the news of the attack on Pearl Harbor. There were quite a few who were too young to have first hand knowledge of that infamous day, however; many did recount their memo-
ries of that particu-
lar December 7 so many years ago. This columnist spoke of the unusual silence and hushed tones that abounded in her usu-
ally boisterous home. The very atmosphere in our farmhouse was one of apprehen-
sion and uncertainty as it was in many homes at the time. Our entire family huddled around the radio as our presi-
dent addressed the nation. Other members recalled they were at ball games, in school, and otherwise occupied in every-
day activities, which will always be ingrained in their memories because of the impact of that one event.

Another visitor this past month was Jane Meyers who brought us an update in the Lubuto Library project, which Beltsville Rotary has supported since the project first came to our attention. We were introduced to many of the fea-
ture players and teachers by video and saw the newest school build-

ings and libraries that have since been constructed. It is very heart-

warming to see how our support has changed the lives of these children who now enjoy books,

computers and an education that was not possible before this proj-
ect began. Many thousands of children have availed themselves of this great opportunity. Thank you, Jane, for your dedication and perseverance.

On the first weekend in December our members were at the Calverton Giant and Behnke’s Nursery “ringing the bells” for the Salvation Army. Rotarian Elea-

nor Frierson chaired this commit-
tee, and did a great job. The last of the dictionaries were distributed to third grade students this month

and December 20th saw some members assisting with the gift distribution at the Salvation Army on Edmondson Road. December 21st we held our annual Christmas party complete with Mrs. Santa Claus who brought goodies for all and led the sing-a-long while President Howard distributed gifts and cookies.

As you can see by the above report, we do have a great time as we work and play together. We find the Rotary way of life so satisfying as we strive to better the lives of the less fortunate. We offer an invitation to you to join us in the New Year. Check us out on Tuesdays at noon at The Holiday Inn.

Jane Meyers, founder of Lubuto Libraries, and Beltsville Rotary President, Howard Phoebus, on the occasion of her most recent visit in Decem-
ber 2010

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Beltsville Lions

By President Ted Ladd

The Beltsville Lions will spon-
sor its quarterly blood drive at the Beltsville Community Center, 3900 Sellman Road, on Tuesday, January 18 from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Please call 301.937.6796 for an appointment. The Washington Hospital Center will conduct the blood donations, and has limited the drive to just 24 donors. So please call to make an appoint-
ment and be one of the select 24.

We warmly welcome Cynthia

Glover as a new member of the Beltsville Lions Club.

In last month’s article, one of the generous donors to our annual silent auction was inadvertently omitted, and that is the Prince George’s Community Federal Credit Union, to whom we send belated thanks.

All 41 members of the Beltsville Lions Club wish readers a very Merry Christmas, a happy holiday season, and a wonderful New Year of 2011.
Club News

Beltsville Young at Heart

By Barbara Shofield

We wound up 2010 with a trip on November 30 to Sight and Sound, and on December 15 we went to Ford Theater to see holiday shows. Both show trips were delightful. December 16 was our last meeting of the year and we had our Christmas Party. The installation of new officers took place first. Jeanette Vannoy conducted the swearing in ceremony. Blanche crowned Jeanette Vannoy “Queen for a Day.” The party committee made beautiful baskets to be raffled off, plus door prizes and a 50/50 raffle. Fern Edwards made the table centerpieces, which were lovely. Thanks to all the people who helped Dottie in the kitchen. Dottie does a wonderful job running our kitchen at all times. There was a lot of food, including pastas, salads, meat and cheese platters, etc. The dessert table was amazing. Even with bad weather I think everyone enjoyed the party.

Come join the club and make new friends and have some fun. I hope everyone had a great holiday. Let’s all make a new friend in 2011.
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Students in the Young Authors Program explore, develop and share their writers' voice during after-school club meetings. Background classical music soothes the atmosphere as students enjoy a light snack and write in their personal journals. The strategies of Write Traits, Fundamentals of Writing and Toolkit are incorporated into mini lessons. Students may select a topic from an ongoing list of their personal ideas or model their writing after an author's craft from various literature. Students turn their ideas into expressions of poetry, picture stories, illustrated fiction or any form of writing that inspires them. They have opportunities to work together to create a group book, work with partners, write independently, illustrate their writing or elect to read literature for further ideas. 

During the holiday season, some students wrote about intangible gifts such as forgiveness, patience, respect, understanding, love, hope and others to give to loved ones throughout the year. The only time there are moans from the young writers is when they are warned that it is almost time to stop writing and prepare to go home. Young Authors are never ready to stop writing! There is a waiting list for students to join the Young Authors club, which indicates that if given the opportunity, students will both appreciate and enjoy the art of written expression.

St. Joe’s Christmas Pageant – “3 Wise Men & a Baby”

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THE ADMINISTRATION, TEACHERS AND STAFF OF BELTSVILLE ACADEMY PROUDLY ANNOUNCE THAT 489 OUT OF 1021 STUDENTS ACHIEVED HONOR ROLL STATUS THIS QUARTER. THIS IS AN IMPRESSIVE ACHIEVEMENT, AND WE ARE PROUD TO SEE OUR STUDENTS STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE IN THEIR LEARNING.

THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WERE HONORED FOR THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS:

**Pre-K to Grade 1**:
- First Name
- Last Name

**Grades 2 to 8**:
- First Name
- Last Name

THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES AND GROUPS PROVIDED THE NEEDED FUNDS, ADDITIONAL FOOD, AND GIFTS TO ROUND OUT OUR PROGRAMS WITH FRESH FOODS AND GIFTS:
- Prince George’s County Council, Safeway, Costco, Boy Scout Troop 1033
- Borgwardt Funeral Home, Rotary Club of Beltsville, Medwell Beltsville Health Clinic

The following individuals were instrumental in donations and/or help with our holiday programs:
- Mary Kirk, Jeffrey and Nathan Chabot, Valerie Chabot, Vicki Murphy-Wauchek, Beth and Joe Adle, Stacy Riley, Evelyn Adkins, Ann Anderson, the Mertons/Hopper Family, Mrs. Bobby Benefield, and many other members of our club.

And a final, huge, thank you to the Emmanuel United Methodist Church for providing the space and location that allows us to offer this service to the community.

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grams provided Christmas gifts, Poinsettias, and food for over 70 persons on December 18th. We want to thank the many, many individuals, groups, churches, and businesses that help us provide this service to the community.

These wonderful places provided most of our non-perishable food: Martin Luther King Middle School SGA, Beltsville Academy SGA, First Baptist Church of Beltsville, Emmanuel United Methodist Church, and St. Gregory Byzantine Church.

The following businesses and groups provided the needed funds, additional food, and gifts to round out our programs with fresh foods and gifts: Prince George’s County Council, Safeway, Costco, Boy Scout Troop 1033, Borgwardt Funeral Home, Rotary Club of Beltsville, Medwell Beltsville Health Clinic, J.W. McCartin Insurance Co., Satellite Electric Company, Koll Distributors, Inc., University Park Lions Club, Cherry Hill Park Employees, and the United Methodist Women of Emmanuel.

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**Beltsville Academy** an Honor Roll School

The administration, teachers and staff of Beltsville Academy proudly announce that 489 out of 1021 students achieved honor roll status this quarter. This is significant as Beltsville Academy continues to endure constant media coverage, scrutiny of the new principal, and adjustments among staff, students and parents in becoming a combination school with over 1000 students in grades pre-kindergarten through eighth grade. So we happily proclaim the following: Beltsville Academy continues its legacy of excellence and will continue to be a school where children really do come first.

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- January 15: What does Adventist mean?
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Quiet service: 8:00 a.m.
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Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
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Sundays:
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*Morning Worship 11:00am
*Evening Worship 6:00pm
Kidz Choir & Mission Kidz 6:00pm
Youth Fellowship 6:00pm
Adult Choir Practice 7:00pm

Wednesdays:
*Adult Bible Study & Prayer 11:00am
Team Kids (4 yr. old - 6th grade) 7:00pm
Youth Fellowship (7th - 12th grade) 7:00pm

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3900 Selman Rd., Beltsville. The Program Specialist is Lourdes Sulc. Contact her at 301.937.6613 or Lourdes.Sulc@pgparks.com for information on special events and classes scheduled for January. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.937.8815. Hours of operation are: Monday – Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (except for Xtreme Teen events), and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (except for Xtreme Teen events). Closed on Sunday.

DROP-IN SCRAPBOOKING
The program continues on Tuesdays through June 2011, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Bring your scrapbook supplied to work on your project. Gather and share ideas with others. Ages: adults; call the center for exceptions. Fee: $5.00 per person.

XTREME TEENS REGULAR EVENTS
Fridays and Saturdays from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Ages 13 – 17. FREE with valid Center ID card.

VANSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER
6813 Ammendale Rd., Vansville. NEW Spanish line: 301.445.4509. The program specialist is Kathleen Reardon. Contact her at 301.937.6621 or Kathleen.Reardon@pgparks.com for information regarding special events and classes scheduled for January. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.937.6623. TTY: 301.445.4510. Regular hours of operation are: Monday – Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., and Sunday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
3- Year Old Storytime
Wednesdays, January 5, 12, and 26 at 10:30 a.m. Stories, songs and fingerplays.

Toddler Time
Wednesdays, January 5, 12, and 19 at 11:30 a.m. Songs, stories and fingerplays. For children 18 – 36 months with caregiver.

Tail Waggin’ Tutors
Saturday, January 22 at 10:30 a.m. Build your child’s confidence in reading. Bring a favorite book or choose one from the library and read to Bos. A specially trained therapy dog will be glad to listen. Each child will read for 15 minutes. Registration required. Please contact the Beltsville library for more information. Ages 6 – 12.

PROGRAMS FOR TEENS
Teen Advisory Board
Saturday, January 8 at 2:00 p.m. Bring your ideas and make a difference @ your library. Ages 13 – 18.

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS
Afternoon Book Discussion
Tuesday, January 18 at 2:00 p.m. The group will be discussing “The Shack” by William Young. Drop by the library to pick up a copy.

Evening Book Discussion
Monday, January 10 at 7:00 p.m. The group will be discussing “The Bridge of San Luis Rey.” Drop by the library to pick up a copy.

Computers for Everyone
Thursday, January 27 at 9:10 a.m. Don’t be intimidated by computers! Join us to learn basic computer skills, terminology and how to use the library’s computers. Leave the library feeling more confident about using a computer. Limit 16 per class. Registration required.

Friends of the Beltsville Library Meeting
Tuesday, January 4 at 6:30 p.m.

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On Friday, November 19, the students in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades participated in the fourth annual Turkey Trot during their P.E. class time. This event was held to promote physical education. Students could run, trot, and/or walk one mile. The course was measured as four times around the upper athletic field, with orange cones and teachers strategically placed to mark the way.

The students who completed the Turkey Trot first were awarded orange Turkey Trot shirts. Kindergarten classes came out to cheer the fourth grade students, many chanting, “Go Turkey, Go!” The fastest fourth grade girl was Vera Akum. There was a tie for fastest fourth grade boy, Jose Santos and Henry Saathoff. The fastest third grade girl was Talisha Hamilton and the fastest third grade boy was Christopher Reese. The fourth grade teachers showed their school spirit by coming out and getting into the action. Three of the teachers, Mrs. Fulcher, Mrs. Gibson, and Ms. Levin trotted while the fourth, Mrs. Upchurch, snapped pictures.

Henry Saathoff and Jose Santos tied for fastest fourth grade boy in Calverton’s fourth annual Turkey Trot.