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Beltsville Briefs

Bethlehem Idol returns to Emmanuel this December

Get ready to fall out of your seat laughing as Bethlehem Idol returns to Emmanuel UMC (11416 Cedar Lane) on December 15! Everyone is back, Suave but strange host Bryant Seacrest, the never happy with anything judge, Simon Peter, even tempered Alex the Great, Princess Paula the judge who loves everyone and Blinged out Judge Bo Rock Ceeplus. They are there to judge all new acts while still searching for the best talent in all of Bethlehem! The evening will start off with a chicken dinner hosted by the youth of Emmanuel at 6pm. Dinner will include baked chicken breast, roasted potatoes, green beans and desert. The show will follow dinner. Tickets are just \$10.00 and can be bought in the hallway on Sunday morning or you can also register online at <http://eumcbeltsville.com/BIIdol>. This is a great inexpensive evening for the entire family!

Breakfast with Santa

The United Methodist Men of Emmanuel United Methodist Church (11416 Cedar Lane) will be hosting Breakfast with Santa on Dec. 7 at 9:00 am! Tickets are just \$7.00 each, children under 3 are free. You can have your picture taken with Santa for just \$5.00. Breakfast will include sausage and pancakes, juice, milk and coffee. You can buy tickets in the church hallway on Sunday mornings or register online at <http://eumcbeltsville.com/SantaBfast>. If you have any questions contact the church office (301.937.7114) or email Rick Bergmann (rick.bergmann@emmanuelumcbeltsville.net).

Live Nativity and Open House

The First Baptist Church of Beltsville invites you to come visit our Live Nativity and Open House on December 7 and 8 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm each evening. Come see the Christmas Story come to life as you visit each of the outdoor scenes. Then come inside and enjoy refreshments & crafts for the children. We are

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Scouts Compete in Orienteering Saturday Nov. 2

The 37th annual Maryland Scout Orienteering Competition took place on Saturday, Nov. 2nd at Broadcreek Boy Scout Reservation, north of Baltimore. A total of 69 units and 600 scouts took part in the competition. Troop 1033 came in at 22nd place. Scouts Al, Abel, Brandon, Darren, Daniel, Henry, Kyle, Trevor, Vlad, and Yutian were accompanied by Scoutmaster Rick Deery and scout parents Scott Finke and Ronnie Nunez.

Orienteering consists of being able to read contour maps and



Scouts prepared to compete in orienteering

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Calverton Elementary News

By Judith L. Pollock,
Professional School Counselor



Calverton students walking to help the homeless.

Calverton Elementary Students Gear Up for Service

On Wednesday, November 20, Calverton Elementary students participated in a Homeless Mini-walk to show their support to those in need during the *National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week*, an event that is held annually, just prior to the Thanksgiving Season. This is the time of year when many people begin to look at how they have prospered, and start thinking of ways they may assist others. The theme for this year is

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Cub Scout Pack 1031's Busy Month

Cub Pack 1031 has been busy this month; they helped the Beautification Committee at Beltsville Academy plant trees on Oct. 26th, some of the scouts went camping the same weekend and they helped with the Scouting for Food drive the first two weekends of November.

On Oct. 26, four adults and three scouts learned how to properly plant a tree and helped dig the holes and water the trees which were planted along the side of the playground and around the



Bear Scout Ben C. and his dad plant a maple tree at Beltsville Academy. Inset: Webelos Scouts help sort cans from Scouting for Food drive.

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Submissions Due

No Later

Than:

December 18

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December 28

On the Agenda

By Citizens' Association
President Karen M. Coakley

Update on the traffic light at Sellman and Cherryhill Road:

As you are aware this signal was involved in a total loss due to an accident and the entire signal including the cabinet was reconstruct-



Karen Coakley

ed. Due to delays in delivery of the custom made parts we were delayed in completing this signal. However, we anticipate that the poles and the cabinet will be installed next week and contractors will work on energizing this signal within the next 45 days, if not sooner. We will be in better position to provide you more accurate dates once we receive the contractor's schedule. They have been informed regarding the high priority in completing this project.

Police Safety/Security Tip

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25 Years Ago in the Beltsville News

By Phil Whitman

Extracted from the December 1988 issue

November Wedding

Barbara Kirchenbaum and Mark Rew were married on November 5, 1988 at the Greenbelt Marriott.

Engagements Announced

Megan Danielle Ensor is engaged to Mr. Curtis Clay Bowrutt.

Debra Janet Katz is engaged to Russell Scholl. A wedding is planned for September 23, 1989.

Service News

Army Spec. Kirk Iseli, Jr. has graduated from the U.S. Air Force School of training in telephone equipment installation at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas.

Army Private Steven Carter has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C.

New Arrivals

Kyle William Albrecht, son of Laura Jean and Paul Frederick Albrecht was born November 11, 1988.

Kristen Nicole Frizzel, a daughter, was born to Donna Groves and Donald Frizzel on November 2, 1988.

Patrick Reardon Rheault, a son, was born to Laura Vecchiarelli and William John Rheault on November 14, 1988.

Alicia Kaye Bramhall, a daughter, was born to Linda Marie Linkins and Michael James Bramhall on November 20, 1988.

Brian Gavrielle Koonce and Samantha Beth Koonce (twins)! Were born to Sheila Marie and Kenneth Ray Koonce on November 21, 1988.

DeAlongo Jerome Jackson, son of Michell A Leech Ford and Fergus Jerome Jackson was born October 31, 1988.

Wed 50 Years

Stanley and Lucille Rollin celebrated 50 years of marriage at the Fort Meade Officers' Club on November 29th.

Obituaries

Brian Brewer, 66, passed away November 12, 1988. He was an optician since the 1940s in Beltsville.

John C. Bradley, 83, of Beltsville passed away November 13, 1988.

Dr. Merrill R. McFadden (Mac) of Beltsville passed away November 24, 1988.

George P. George, 70, of Beltsville passed away November 9, 1988.

Maryland Clay Products Celebrates

Maryland Clay Products Co. celebrated 50 years of business in our community this month and announced a merger that will bring the plant under new management at a breakfast attended by about 100 business colleagues and government officials.

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use a compass to find their way around hill and forest, swamp and field, and river and valleys

to locate orienteering markers. In the morning, individual pairs competition, the scouts are guided along a blazed path and along the path they have to locate 6 orienteering markers and place a dot on

their maps as to the exact location of the marker. Points are awarded based upon how close they are to the correct location of each marker. In the afternoon troop competition, all of the troops are given the same topographical map with 50 locations marked on the map.

The senior patrol leader (Al) divided up the troop into pairs to devise a plan to locate as many of the 50 orienteering markers as they could in 90 minutes. Each marker has a unique paper punch which must be punched onto the corresponding box number and returned to the starting point within 90 minutes. The fall weather was cool and crisp and the scouts had a great time running around in the outdoors. They can't wait to compete again next year.

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Letter from the News Director

Hello Everyone,

I hope you had a wonderful and restful Thanksgiving and were able to spend it with family and friends. As we begin to wrap up 2013 I hope you are able to look back and say it was a great year. First, I would like to remind everyone that we now have a photographer working with us and she is available to come out and take pictures of your activities so we

may include them in a future issue. Just shoot me an email with at least a week's notice and we will see if we can work something out. Secondly, I am excited to announce that we have a new monthly columnist joining us, Cole Whaley, the owner of Café Rue, a local restaurant located where Hogs on the Hill used to be. He is a self-confessed "foodie" who will be writing a new column for us, "For The Love of

Food!" I am very excited to have him join our staff of writers and columnists. You can check out his restaurant, The Café Rue at 11120 Baltimore Ave, Beltsville MD, 20705. It is on the web at <http://thecaferue.com>.

Have a safe, happy and restful holiday season,
Rick

Neighbors in the News

Scouting for Food Collection a Success!

The Boy Scouts from Troop 1033 and Cub Scouts from Pack 1031 of the Beltsville area collected 1222 cans and non-perishable food items totaling 1268 pounds. That's over a half of ton of food. The scouts distributed 4000 bags to the Beltsville residents on Sunday November 3rd the day after they competed in orienteering and picked up the food on Saturday, November 9th. All of the food was donated to the food pantries at St. Joseph's Catholic Church and Emmanuel United Methodist Church, the sponsoring organization of Boy Scout Troop 1033. The scouts and parents contributed over 200 volunteer hours to distribute the bags and pick up the food. Great job Scouts! *The Scouts especially thank the people of Beltsville for contributing the food.* The needy in the area will enjoy the fruits of their labor during the upcoming holiday season.



Scouts sort the canned and dry goods.

The Meaning of Christmas Carols

By Natasha Okpala

December is not only known for winter and snow, but also for a very special holiday, Christmas. As everyone knows, Christmas is December 25th every year and it's the time of year for joy, happiness, and being together with your close ones. Everyone, especially the children, think of the presents, snow, and, of course, seeing Santa Claus. But one thing that a lot of people look forward to is listening to the beautiful Christmas carols.

Christmas carols are lyrics or songs that relate to the holiday. We hear Christmas carols every year, but have you ever stopped to think "What does this Christmas carol mean?" Every Christmas carol has a different meaning but they all relate right back to this special holiday.

For example, *Hark, the Herald*

Angels Sing, was never supposed to sound the way that it sounds today. Two men, Felix Mendelssohn and Charles Wesley actually wrote that song, plus Felix was Jewish. Felix wanted the song to be used for secular purposes, while Wesley wanted the song to be slow and solemn. When they both died, Dr. William Cummings got the song and turned it into the joyous hymn it is today.

Another carol that everyone loves to sing during Christmas time is *The Twelve Days of Christmas*. This song has always been a favorite carol to sing, but do we really understand what it means. Well, here's the real scoop. The twelve days of Christmas was actually written to teach young children during catechism. If you listen carefully to the song, you can actually understand what each

one of the days of Christmas represents.

Jesus represents the partridge in the pear tree. The two turtle-doves represent the Old and New Testament. The three French hens represent virtues, faith, hope and love. The four calling birds are the four Gospels. Finally, the five gold rings are the first five books from the Old Testament, from when God made Adam and Eve to man's fall into sin. Since you know what the first five mean, the song may now sound different.

Silent Night is the most played, recorded, and performed carol in history. It is over two hundred years old and was composed in the early 1800s. The story behind this song is that Joseph Mohr was the person who wrote silent night and it was to be performed at his church, but the organ at his church

was actually broken and they had to perform the song with vocals and a guitar.

There is actually another wonderful story behind this that goes all the way back to World War I. A mother, Ernestine Schumann Heink, sang *Stille Nacht* (Silent Night) on the radio. She was an international celebrity, but also had both of her sons battling in the war, both on opposite sides. Her singing the song brought peace for a few moments in the middle of the war. That's how powerful and beautiful the song really is.

Every carol that you sung in your lives has a special meaning to it. All you have to do is look into them and find the history behind them. You never know what you secrets you might uncover.

Merry Christmas Everyone and Have a Happy New Year!!!!

Holiday Jazz Concert and Home Decorating Contest

On Monday, December 16th at 7pm, the Beltsville Recreation Council will present the Annual Holiday Concert at the Beltsville Community Center, 6900 Sellman Rd. This year there will be something different though. There will still be wonderful holiday music, refreshments, and door prizes, but the music will be provided by Project Natale, an acclaimed jazz band. Project Natale performed at our Jazz Under the Stars concert and was well received. So we

invited them back. Join us for this festive holiday event. Free tickets are available at the Community Center as reminders of the date and time. But, the ticket is also your entry into the door prize drawing. Tickets will be available at the door on the December 16th. The concert, as with all Beltsville Recreation Council events, is free and open to the public.

The Beltsville Holiday Decorating Contest has added cash prizes this year. A \$100 winner

will be awarded in each of the three categories at the Holiday Concert on December 16th. The categories are Best Holiday Spirit, Best Lawn Display and Best Use of Animation. The contest is open to all residences in the 20705 zip code. Entry forms are due on December 7th and judging is the night of December 11th. Registration forms are available in this issue of the Beltsville News, at the Beltsville Community Center and online at www.beltsvillerecoun-

cil.homestead.com. You must be present to win.

I Love Beltsville t-shirts are available again this year and make great Holiday gifts. Visit Old Line Fine Wine, Spirits and Bistro at 11011 Baltimore Ave, Beltsville to get yours today. The t-shirts list 10 reasons "You know you're from Beltsville when..." They come in three colors: white, black and gray, and sizes from small to 2X. All proceeds go to the Beltsville Recreation Council.

Let Me Entertain You

It is the height of the holiday entertaining season. That means that it is time to have fun. You may be wondering how anyone can have fun when there is so much cooking and cleaning to do before family and friends arrive. If you prepare ahead of time though you can alleviate the stress that often comes with holiday entertaining. The brother-sister design pros, Valerie Kabelac and Michael Richards of Will's Home Decorating (www.decoratmaryland.com) not only have tips that will help your holiday party go smoothly, but they also can advise you how to quickly and inexpensively spruce up your home.



Michael Richards and Valerie Kabelac

Valerie suggests doing as much as you can ahead of time. Select the menu now, freezing as much as possible. Next, set the table complete with wine glasses, serving pieces and platters. Use cloth napkins instead of paper. Add color to the table with a festive holiday themed tablecloth or with red, gold or silver plate chargers. Clementines in a glass bowl or cut flowers make lovely centerpieces. Be sure to keep them low enough so your guests can see across the table. For longer tables consider three centerpieces. Odd numbered groupings always look better. Lighting is very important. To create ambiance, complement dimmed lights with tapers, pillars or votives. Michael adds, "a few easy updates, such as repainting the dining room, wallpapering the powder room and reupholstering the dining room seats will create a warm, inviting room." You can find in-stock wallpaper, Benjamin Moore Paint, reupholstery fabrics and even Hunter Douglas blinds, draperies, flooring, and art work right at Will's Home Decorating. Valerie and Michael wish you "Happy Holidays and if there is anything we can do to help you this holiday season, please don't hesitate to call or stop by."

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Santa Tour 2013

Santa Claus has confirmed his route with the Beltsville Volunteer Fire Department! Santa will begin his routes around 6:30 to 7:00 pm. Santa wanted to pass on a few tips so his trip to Beltsville can be enjoyable for everyone involved.

■ If you meet Santa at the intersections listed below on the schedule, he will be able to meet more children and see more of Beltsville.

■ Always use caution when visiting Santa. Please pay attention to the fire apparatus and stay out of the street.

■ Sometimes Santa runs behind schedule by a couple of minutes, so be patient. He will follow the schedule as close as possible.

■ Have Fun and make sure you know what you want for Christmas!

Thursday December 5, 2013

- James Duckworth Special Center (11201 Evans Trail)
- Blueridge @ Pocono Place
- Shenandoah @ Blueridge
- Cherry Hill Rd. (in front)
- Major Denton @ Cherry Hill Court
- Townley Apartments
- Cherry Mill Drive @ Cherry Tree Ct.
- Collier @ Powder Mill Rd.
- Cherryvale @ Weeping Willow
- Cherryvale @ Cherryvake Terr.

Saturday December 7, 2013

- Calverton Elementary (3400 Beltsville Rd)
- Fullerton St. @ Blairmore Street
- Fullerton St. @ Ivy Ln.
- Chase Terr. @ Dunnington Rd.
- Stone Hall @ Castleleigh Rd.
- Ingleside Dr. @ Dunnington Rd.
- Greenmont @ Elkridge St.
- Chapel View Dr. @ Craiglawn Rd.
- Chapel View Dr. @ Ellicott Rd.

- Craiglawn Rd. @ Lemar St.
- Galway Dr. @ Cardoba St.
- Galway Elementary @ Galway Dr.
- Kilkenny St. @ Somerwood Dr.
- Harbour Town Dr. @ Shoal Creek Terr.
- Briggs Chaney Rd. @ Greenmount
- Briggs Chaney Rd. @ Dunnington Rd.
- Briggs Chaney Rd. @ Castle Pines Dr.
- Old Gunpowder Rd. Spur
- Bayhill Drive and River Creek Area

Monday December 9, 2013

- Indian Creek St. @ Lime Tree Way
- Hockberry Way @ Hammett St.
- Old Baltimore Pike @ Brewer Rd.
- Brewer Rd. @ Cordwall Dr.
- Odell Rd. @ Old Baltimore Pike
- Odell Farms Ct. @ Barkwood Ct.
- Odell Rd. @ Ellington Dr.
- Lighthouse Dr. @ Ashcroft Dr.
- Clocktower Ln. @ Admiral Dr.
- Boulder Dr. @ Cap Ct.
- Boulder Dr. @ Trade Wind Terr.
- Summer Grove Dr. @ Hickory Grove Ct.
- Summer Grove Dr. @ Poplar Grove Ct.

Wednesday December 11, 2013

- Snowden Wood Dr. @ Loch Lynn Ct.
- Snowden Wood Dr. @ Meadow Fields Way
- Snowden Wood Dr. @ Summerville Ct.
- Old Muirkirk @ Muirkirk Rd.
- Old Muirkirk @ Longwood Dr.
- Longwood Dr. @ Cailen Ct.
- Longwood Dr. @ Belmar Ct.
- Stanmore Dr. @ Breyers Pl.
- Stanmore Dr. @ Blue Pond Terr.
- Sullivan Ct. @ Burdette Way
- Longwood Dr. @ Pawling Way
- Longwood Dr. @ Loughborough Pl.
- Longwood Dr. @ Blue Pointe Ave.
- Alloway Ln. @ Northhampton Dr.
- Northhampton Dr. @ Crossfield Dr.
- Gordon Ave @ Blackpool Dr.
- Gordon Ave @ Flash St.
- Franklin St. @ Flash St.
- Franklin St. @ Franklin Terr.
- Franklin St. @ Ammendale Rd.
- Ammendale Rd. @ Holly Tree
- North Lincoln @ Vergie St.

Friday December 13, 2013

- Garove @ Hennessey Dr.
- Indigo @ Barbara Dr.
- Longhorn @ West View Ct.

- Montgomery Place @ Montgomery Ct.
- Montgomery Rd. @ Kenny St.
- Kenny St. @ 34th Place
- 35th Pl. @ Yates Rd.
- 35th Pl. @ Sarasota Pl.
- Montgomery Rd. @ Forreton Rd.
- Forreton Rd. @ Stephen Ln.
- Cedar Ln. @ Cedar Ct.
- Howard Rd. @ Home Acres Terr.
- Stoconga Dr. @ Dresden Dr.
- Sellman Rd. @ Weymouth Ave.
- Ulster Rd. @ Woodbine Rd.

Sunday December 15, 2013

- Prince George's Ave. @ Wicomico Ave.
- Howard Rd. @ Queen Anne Ave.
- Rhode Island Ave. @ Garrett Rd.
- Odell Rd. @ Lexington Ave.
- Manheim Ave. @ Caroline Ave.
- Queen Anne Ave. @ Naples Ave.
- Olympia Ave. @ Carroll Ave.
- Lincoln Ave. @ Theresa St.
- Quimby Ave. @ Carroll St.
- Amelia St. @ Apex Ln.
- Chesnut Grove @ Heartwood Rd.
- Knott St. @ Wandering Oak Way
- Roby Ave @ Macon Ave
- Caverly Ave @ Caverly Pl.
- Pines St. @ Maple Pl.
- Caverly @ Greenwood Rd.
- Greenwood Rd. @ Emack Rd.

Tuesday December 17, 2013

- Ammendale Way @ Long Feather Ct.
- Ammendale Way @ Clear Brooke Ct.
- Ammendale Way @ Narrow Trail Terr.
- Ammendale Way @ Horse Soldier Pl.
- Ammendale Way @ Ammendale Rd.
- Ammendale Rd. @ Hawk Ridge Ct.
- Saquoia Ln. @ Saquoia Terr.
- Saquoia Ln. @ Saquoia Pl.
- Ammendale Rd. @ Hidden Brooke Ct.

Friday December 20, 2013

- Cedar Ln. @ Yates Rd.
- Brandon Ln. @ Francis Dr.
- Emack Rd. @ Dorset Ln.
- Montgomery Rd. @ Cedar Ln.
- Yates Rd. @ Garrett Ave.
- Howard Rd. @ Cardinal Ave.
- Brandon Rd. @ West Caroline
- Worcester Ave. @ Yucca St.
- Yucca St. @ Josephine Ave.
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- Montgomery Rd. @ 43rd Ave.
- Usange St. @ 45th Ave.
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Neighbors in the News

Riderwood Resident Goes Beyond *Panda Cam* at National Zoo

Marilyn Doherty, 84, has volunteered at Reptile Discovery Center for 18 years

SILVER SPRING, MD—When she was a young girl visiting her grandparents' house in the Catskill Mountains of New York, Marilyn Doherty was warned about rattlesnakes.

Decades later, she would help to hold a 19-foot, 20-year old anaconda as part of her duties at the National Zoo.

Ms. Doherty, 84, is a resident of Riderwood, the Erickson Living retirement community in Silver Spring. Her days are filled with volunteer activities, but her bi-weekly visits to the Reptile Discovery Center expose her sense of adventure.

She made a career as a middle school teacher in Long Island, New York, and raised a family with her beloved husband, John.

To be closer to their children later in life, the couple moved to northern Virginia in 1995. "I was a total stranger," described Ms. Doherty. "I was relatively unfamiliar with the area and had no acquaintances outside of my

family."

Yearning to be involved in the community, she scrolled through a newspaper and discovered a "volunteers wanted" ad for the National Zoo. After responding, she was accepted, and then received a surprising assignment: the Reptile Discovery Center.

"I was definitely shocked, but intrigued at the same time," stated Ms. Doherty. "I had no idea about turtles and snakes. After a crash course, and through experience and a sharp memory, I have learned a great deal."

For eighteen years, Ms. Doherty has held those snakes, turtles and lizards while providing an overview of the Reptile Discovery Center to field trip groups and tourists.

"The response is terrific. Many of the children who take the tour can't believe it," laughed Ms. Doherty. "But I really enjoy teaching, and volunteering at the National Zoo has added so much

to my life."

And it's not the only place where she shares her time and talents. She volunteers in Montgomery County with students at both Fairland Elementary School and Westover Elementary School and serves as a Eucharistic Minister at Resurrection Church in Burtonsville.

But it's her adventures at the National Zoo that earned Ms. Doherty the nickname "Snake Lady" by her friends at Riderwood retirement community. "It makes me laugh when I hear someone call me the 'Snake Lady' so I fondly answer to it," she said.

"I watched the movie 'Snakes on a Plane' and enjoyed it," noted Ms. Doherty. "The public has a true fascination with reptiles and that makes my role at the National Zoo interesting. I hope I can keep doing it for a long time."

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back of school. These hardwood trees will provide shade for the school and the playground.

The numbers of volunteers were small at the service project because the same weekend another group of Cub Scouts went to Manidokin in Northern Maryland and had a great time camping in the outdoors. According to the parents the weather was great and they all had a great time.

In Nov., the scouts were only able to put out a small number

of bags, but many showed up to help sort the donations from the community on November 9th at St Joseph's pantry. They still had over 200 lbs of food donated along with a much larger amount from Troop 1033 and Pack/Troop 298. This food will go to help the needy in our area from the St. Joseph's pantry and the pantry at Emmanuel United Methodist Church.

Do you have "experienced" Cub Scout shirts? The cub scouts will always accept donations of both the blue Cub Scout shirts and the smaller khaki Boy Scout shirts which are worn by the Webe-

los Scouts. Please contact Regina Halper or drop by one of their meetings.

Cub Scouts is a program for boys from 1st Grade to 5th Grade. Meetings are held at Beltsville Academy on Monday nights during the school year. They welcome any boy interested in joining them to have "Fun with a Purpose." If you are interested, please contact the Cubmaster Kevin D'Eustachio, their Committee Chair Eric Saathoff or Regina Halper, the Charter Organization Rep. You can reach Regina Halper at 301.937.9136 or through BeAScout.org.



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Neighbors in the News

National Call for Nominations Seeking 10 U.S. Teen Leaders to Receive \$36,000 Each for Volunteer Service Projects That Better The World

San Francisco, Oct. 2, 2013— The Helen Diller Family Foundation is now accepting nominations for the 2014 Diller Teen *Tikkun Olam* Awards, an awards program that recognizes up to 10 Jewish teens with \$36,000 each for exceptional leadership and visionary actions that are helping to repair the world. Up to five teens from California and five from other communities across the country will be acknowledged for their socially-minded volunteer service. Visit www.dillerteenawards.org to begin the nomination process. Deadline for nominations is January 5, 2014.

Bay Area Philanthropist Helen Diller began a major commitment in 2007 to support California Jewish teens who exemplify the spirit of *tikkun olam*—a central Jewish precept meaning *to repair the world*. The prestigious awards program has since expanded nationally, recognizing 40 Jewish teens across the country with nearly \$1.5 million dollars to support and further their volunteer service projects and education. Last year's recipients came from California, Iowa, New York, Rhode Island, Missouri and Massachusetts.

Past recipients of the Diller Teen *Tikkun Olam* Awards have created a wide range of projects supporting various causes, including providing clean drinking water to people living in third world countries, teen-based websites that provide tools and resources for youth to pursue their own commu-

nity service projects, educational nonprofits that help those living with Autism and Alzheimer's and many more. Video of the 2013 recipients and their projects is available at <http://www.dillerteenawards.org/media/videos>.

Beyond bolstering national recognition of the teens and their social action projects, the Diller Teen *Tikkun Olam* Awards have nurtured a growing network of young leaders. Awards alumni, who are already driven to make a difference, have inspired and mobilized a "civic generation" committed to volunteerism. Past recipients have been recognized by some of the world's foremost institutions and leaders, including the United Nations Foundation, The White House and former president Bill Clinton.

"Today's teens are tomorrow's leaders. It is our hope that this award will recognize some outstanding young people who are already helping to repair the world," said Helen Diller, president of the sponsoring foundation. "By celebrating Jewish teens committed to social action in innovative ways, we hope to inspire many more young people to follow their example."

The Jewish Federations of North America (JFNA) and their network of 155 Jewish Federations throughout the country continues to collaborate with the Helen Diller Family Foundation, a supporting foundation of the Jewish Community Federation of San Francisco, the Peninsula, Marin

and Sonoma Counties, to inspire and encourage Jewish teen volunteer service nationwide.

"We are thrilled to once more collaborate with and support the Helen Diller Family Foundation as they so generously empower young Jewish philanthropists across the nation seeking to make a real difference in the world," said Jerry Silverman, president and CEO of JFNA.

Now in its 14th year of giving, the Helen Diller Family Foundation has granted more than \$200 million to support education, the arts, medical research and development, leadership training programs for teens, and many other charitable endeavors.

Qualifications For Nomination:

Teens may be nominated by any community member who knows the value of their project — except a family member — or may self-nominate.

Each candidate must be a U.S. resident aged 13-19 years old at the time of nomination, and must self-identify as Jewish.

Community service projects may benefit the general or Jewish community, locally, nationally or world-wide.

Teens compensated for their services are not eligible.

TO NOMINATE: Complete the simple online form at www.dillerteenawards.org

For more information email dillerteenawards@sfjcf.org or call 415.512.6432.

Obituaries



James K. Lynch

James K. Lynch

On Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2013. Devoted husband of Dolores C. Lynch; beloved father of James E. (Laura), Patrick M., Marie D. (Mark) Russo, Joseph T. (Lisa), Sean P. (Stephanie), and Katie M. (Greg) Rizzo; brother of Monsi-

gnor Edward Lynch; brother-in-law of Helen Lynch-Kelly. Also survived by 18 grandchildren, many loving nieces and nephews. Predeceased by a brother and two sisters. Visitation was held at Borgwardt Funeral Home, 4400 Powder Mill Rd., Beltsville, Md. on Sunday, Nov. 10. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 11007 Montgomery Rd., Beltsville, Md. on Monday, Nov. 11 at 10 a.m. Interment Brightview Cemetery, Warrenton, Va. Contributions to above-named church or the Catholic League.

Roland Vincent Forbes

Roland Vincent Forbes, a resident of Calverton since 1963, died on September 13, 2013. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Theresa. He is survived by his six children, Monica McAbee, Kenneth Forbes, Cynthia Forbes Cameron, Timothy Forbes,

Christopher Forbes, and Gregory Forbes, as well as five grandchildren. Mr. Forbes had a career as an analyst with the National Security Agency, was a lector at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Beltsville, and taught international folk dancing with his wife, first in Beltsville and later in Greenbelt. He composed over a dozen dances, which his friends continue to teach. He was an effective fundraiser for the Howard County "Walk to End Alzheimer's," and asked that donations in his memory be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

[personal note from daughter Monica] Dad left to us children an appreciation for dry wit, a strong dedication to family, and a silly streak that keeps us from despairing in the face of life's less charming aspects. Above all, he personified the motto of Clan Forbes, "Grace me guide" (let grace be my guide). He was truly a man of grace.

Holiday Food Drive

Abiding Presence Lutheran Church of Beltsville invites you to help feed the hungry in Maryland during this holiday season by using their virtual food drive web site with the Maryland Food Bank.

It's so easy to participate. Just go

to www.mdfoodbank.org/abiding-presence and follow the directions. The site will ask you to choose a food category and then pay for your selection by credit card online. You can choose vegetables, fruit, breakfast items, protein, dinners, a

bag of groceries to feed a family for one week, or a holiday box of side dishes. The Maryland Food Bank can stretch your dollars by buying in bulk and can get much more for the money than you can by buying from a grocery store.

Please join us at Abiding Presence Lutheran Church in this worthwhile project to help a lot of hungry Marylanders during the upcoming holiday season...and if you are looking for a friendly Christian place of worship, see our

ad elsewhere in this newspaper and come join us some Sunday morning at 9:30 am followed by a coffee hour at 10:30. Abiding Presence Lutheran Church is located at 10774 Rhode Island Avenue in Beltsville, MD.

Women Veterans Share Their Stories at TESST College Military Tribute

By Deborah D. Howard, Legal Studies Department Chair

On Monday, Nov. 11, 2013, TESST College of Technology held its annual Veterans Day celebration at 4600 Powder Mill Road, on the grounds of the Beltsville campus. Approximately 40 day and evening students, staff and faculty were recognized at a formal ceremony and reception. For the first time, a measurable number of women veterans comprise the student body at TESST. Many were in attendance at this year's celebration.

During his opening remarks, Topher Goodman, Director of Education, thanked those assembled for their service. "We appreciate the sacrifices you have made for us; not only today, but every day", Goodman said. As part of the program, the 2013 Presidential proclamation and the history of Veterans Day were read into the record. Additionally, a moment of silence was observed in recog-



Elaine Fleming (top) posing with a fellow veteran and Marisol Gonzales (above)

nition of the fallen heroes, the prisoners of war (POW's) and the missing in action (MIA's).

Following the ceremony, the honorees were treated to a light banquet; a portion of which was donated by Subway of Beltsville. During the reception, each guest was asked to identify himself or herself by name, branch, duty station and Military Occupational Specialty (MOS), Air Force Specialty Code (AFSC) or Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC). The honorees were asked to share their most interesting military stories, the one place/duty station they will always remember and the most important thing gleaned from their military service.

Two veterans provided the group with an interesting perspective of the female military experience. Elaine Fleming, (Lt. Colonel, US Army, Ret.), is a Medical Billing and Coding student at TESST. Still active with the military, Fleming

currently serves as the Director of Quality Management for the Northern Regional Medical Command. During the reception, Fleming shared her experiences as part of a medical team in Saudi Arabia and Iraq. "I very quickly came to realize that women were considered less than second class citizens", Fleming said. "I found they were treated as if they were almost invisible". Conversely, Fleming, a nurse by trade, spoke about her time treating the wounded. "Beginning in 1992, and for most of the nine months I was deployed to Iraq and Saudi Arabia, I gained significant battlefield experience treating wounded American, Iraqi and Iranian soldiers". Fleming related several incidents where the medical team, working without interpreters, managed to devise a "language" or system which allowed the Iraqi/Iranian soldiers to communicate with the practitioners and receive the appropriate treatment. "It was very frustrating for a while, because we weren't able to understand one another at all" Fleming said. It was even more difficult, because most of the soldiers had traumatic injuries and were experiencing a great deal of pain". "Yet, regardless of our

gender", she continued, "the soldiers were openly grateful for the treatment they received from us". "If I had it [military service] to do over again", Fleming concluded, "I would do it without a moment's hesitation. Those were some of the best years of my life".

Marisol Gonzales, a Medical Assistant student (former Special-

ist, US Army), echoed Fleming's sentiments. Gonzales spoke about her experiences in Afghanistan. "For a while, it was very difficult for me as some of the locals looked past the fact I was a US Soldier in uniform and only viewed [and treated] me as woman", Gonza-

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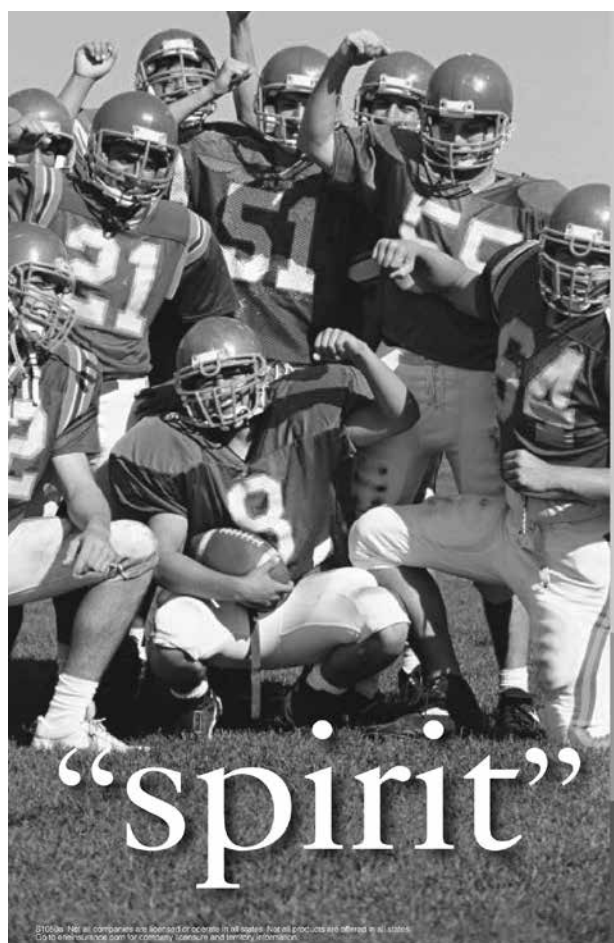


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Rosapepe's Report to Beltsville

By Senator Jim Rosapepe (D-21)

Big win for our community — and our environment

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The good news is the whole community -- residents, businesses, UM alums and students -- came together to convince the developer to drop his plan to destroy the golf course and build a bypass road.

All our elected officials representing this area -- from the College Park City Council to Governor O'Malley, Lt. Governor Brown, Attorney General Gansler, and US Representatives Steny Hoyer and Donna Edwards -- and all our local senators, delegates, and county council members -- worked with the 21st District Delegation and played important roles in convincing the developer to drop the misconceived plan. We



Senator Jim Rosapepe

are proceeding aggressively with improvements to Route One and neighboring areas. And we need to remain vigilant about harebrained schemes to destroy open space and increase traffic.

Trucks on Powder Mill Road

In recent years, Councilwoman Mary Lehman, Delegates Barbara Frush, Joseline Peña-Melnyk, Ben Barnes, and I worked with the community and the State Highway Administration (SHA) to stop the out-of-control 18-wheel trucks which cut through Beltsville neighborhoods to avoid the weigh stations along I-95. They had created significant noise, vibration, and safety problems.

A solution was proposed to ban all trucks weighing more than 5 tons from using Rt. 212. However, one of the unintended consequences was that it created a problem for Beltsville-based businesses that then couldn't use the road exiting Beltsville.

Last month, SHA met with citizens, representatives from the Beltsville Civic Association, business leaders, and elected officials to discuss the issue. After exploring several options, SHA proposed helping local businesses while protecting residents by changing the truck weight restriction to 13

tons. This change allows trucks that are smaller in size and have significantly less noise or vibration impacts. The new restriction will continue to ban the large, problematic trucks. Thanks to the community and business leaders who worked together to craft a solution to protect Beltsville.

New signs are being installed, and we hope this solution will work for everyone. If it doesn't, please let us know and we'll work with the community for an alternative.

Join Us!

I hope you can join my wife Sheilah and me for our Welcome 2014 Celebration on Sunday, Jan. 12, from 11:30 to 2:00 pm, at Cherry Hill Park (9800 Cherry Hill Rd) in College Park. US Secretary of Labor Tom Perez will be our special guest. Families are welcome. Please RSVP soon to Jim.Rosapepe@gmail.com or 301.441.8690. 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, then follow the signs for the Conference Center.

We look forward to seeing you!

Merry Christmas!

My wife Sheilah joins me in wishing you and your family a Merry Christmas and great New Year!

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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For the Love of Food!

By Chef Cole, Café Rue

Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of happiness or in my case good food. The pursuit of the American dream consumes most young people in my generation. You go to college, graduate, intern somewhere, and start working toward obtaining pieces of the American dream - a home with the white picket fence, the perfect spouse, and 2.5 children. I wish someone would explain how one gives birth to .5 of a child. I was in full pursuit of my happiness with a successful career as a sales account manager for a Fortune 500 IT Company. My seven year career took me to three states and was the catalyst to me fulfilling the second part of my dream; meeting my beautiful wife.

Rewind to February (2012), and the economic downturn quickly turned my dream upside down. Life has a funny way of changing your trajectory and priorities. When my career ended I quickly found myself faced with the choice of looking for another sales job or embarking into the unknown and follow my wife's advice to pursue my love of food.

Where do I begin with explaining my fascination with food and all things epicurean? My earliest childhood memories revolve around the sweet aroma of my mom baking. Many of my friends consider me the classic foodie, the go to guy for preparing meals for friends, standing in long lines for the newest food craze, and studying multiple food blogs and recipe books until I am able to recreate dishes from my favorite restaurants. My career taught me that I was excellent at sales but the question remained - could I turn my hobby into a profitable business? Little did I know that my endeavor to be a food entrepreneur would test my faith, my commitment to hard work, and my resiliency.

This two year journey into food has taught me that life is very similar to cooking. Cooking is an "Art" partly standard technique and a pinch of inspiration or dash of innovation. When grandma would make pancakes from scratch, crispy fried chicken, or better yet, hot water cornbread there were no measuring spoons for the main ingredients. It is true that sticking to a regimented recipe will mostly produce consistent results. However, similar to scat or improvisational jazz it's the remix of musical elements that creates masterpieces.

The same principles apply to cooking. Loosening the chains and substituting coconut oil in a recipe that calls for butter, or using buttermilk in place if heavy cream can create a new level of complexity to Alfredo sauce. What I have learned is that my life and my passion for food are all about self-directed learning and exploration. The best laid plans and recipes often require tweaking. The next time you use a recipe, simply see the recipe as a map to your ideal destination but remember there are multiple routes to the same location.

For my first column I am sharing with you the first recipe that I learned as a young child. Years later this recipe continues to be a holiday favorite.

Praline Yummies

Ingredients:

- 1 box Cinnamon Sugar Graham Crackers
- 2 sticks Unsalted Butter
- 1 pound of Pecan Pieces
- 2 cups Brown Sugar

Steps:

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees
2. Line baking sheet with parchment paper

ment paper

3. Place graham crackers cinnamon side down on baking sheet
4. Melt butter in medium sized saucepan (Do not boil)
5. Stir in brown sugar until fully dissolved
6. Add pecans to mixture, making sure all are fully coated
7. Pour mixture over graham crackers making sure it is fully covered
8. Place in oven for 7-10 min, or until brown sugar begins to boil
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Cheer Fierce

The Beltsville-Adelphi All-star

Cheer-Fierce 13 needs your help. They are a cheer squad that consists of 13 local area girls that range in age between 7 and 17. Fierce 13 needs to raise \$15,000 by January 1, 2014. The cheer squad is a program of the Beltsville-Adelphi Boys and Girls Club, a 501 C (3) non-profit organization serving the community for more than 50 years. The squad provides young girls an opportunity to work together across racial lines, build confidence, get additional exercise and experience new challenges and successes. These funds would help meet the costs of competitions, purchase uniforms and enable the squad to reach more girls in the community. The funds raised supplement the fees the girls and their families contribute.

Walking is Good - Come Join Us!

Finish 2013 at the Freestate Happy Wanderers walk event on New Year's Eve and begin 2014 at our New Year's Day walk celebration at the Owen Brown Commu-

nity Center, 6800 Cradlerock Way, Columbia, Maryland. Walk events feature two 5-km trails loops and one 10-km trail for walkers to enjoy each day. Start between 9 am and 12 noon finish by 4 pm. Enjoy the friendly walking atmosphere of fun, food and fellowship. We will have prizes for the children. Bring a can of non-perishable food for the local food pantry. For brochure and information call 410.437.2164 or email wahasse1798@verizon.net. Small fee but kids walk for free.

NARFE Chapter 1122 Northern Prince Georges County

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by light
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glorious words
Following them to the bed
Which cradled our Messiah, Lord.

Rebecca Hutchings
11/7/2013

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les said. "As time went on, however," she continued, "we began to establish relationships with the locals. Then, we were better able to provide necessary supplies and services to several villages and in particular to many, many children. I am very proud to have been a part of that effort".

Toward the end of the reception, individual and group photographs were taken. The attendees posed in front of replicated seals for their respective branches of service. As a parting gift, each attendee was given a commemorative placard bearing the seal of his or her branch and inscribed on the reverse side with a poem entitled "Veterans Day", by Cheryl Dyson.

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Club News

College Park Unit #217 Prepares For The Holidays

By Ivy Christoffers

The past few weeks have been very busy for the Post and Unit located at 9218 Baltimore Blvd in College Park. The Big Bingo games held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each week continue to bring in the bingo players in the community while the Friday night dances bring friends together for lively fellowship and fun. With the advent of football, the lounge gets rowdy at times, cheering on our favorite teams. Too bad the Redskins are not doing too well this year. The tasty and inexpensive dinners served on Friday nights before the dances and during the football games add a touch of home cooked food. There are quite a few good cooks amongst the members.

Now the unit is gearing up for the holiday season. The American Legion Auxiliary holds Christmas Gift Shops at all 5 VA Medical Centers for hospitalized Veterans, and at Charlotte Hall Veteran's Home, where they can choose gifts for their loved ones at no cost to the Veterans. The legion invests much time shopping for these items, setting up the gift shops and assisting the Veterans to choose appropriate gifts. They also wrap and tag the gifts, and at one of the hospitals, Perry Point, ship the gifts to their homes. At the other 4 hospitals

members of the legion give the gifts to the patient to present to their family members. In addition, they contribute to a personal gift for the Veteran. They also hold special holiday parties at the VA hospitals and Charlotte Hall Veterans Home. The American Legion is a Veterans organization and makes sure they know their service to our country is appreciated. Many thousands of dollars are spent on these programs each year. In addition to our Veterans, they also provide holiday cheer for the communities less fortunate families, through adopting families and fulfilling their holiday wish lists as well as their special holiday party where each child under 12 attending receives a gift from Santa. I think the members enjoy these activities as much as the children do. The Community Christmas Party this year is on Dec. 8 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm.

Unit #217 is hosting its annual Celebrity Bag Bingo on Nov. 30. Doors open at 5:00 pm and play begins at 6:00. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. This is always a sold out affair so get your tickets early by calling the Post after 2:00 pm at 301.441.2783.

Although we are busy gearing up for the holidays, we must all take time to remember Pearl Harbor Day. That day in infamy, Dec. 7, 1941, when we were so brutally

attacked and lost so many brave men. There are few surviving who endured the horrors of that day, but history reminds us of their harrowing experiences. This would be an appropriate time to pause in your day to reflect on their trials and offer up a small prayer to thank God for our great country and the brave men and women who defended us then and continue to do so today.

If you are eligible and wish to join the largest women's patriotic organization in the world, The American Legion Auxiliary, who honor our Veterans and active military every day, a call to 301.595.5225 will get you started on this fabulous journey. Remember those who are not as fortunate as ourselves and reach out to them. It will make the reason for the season even more meaningful. May you all have a blessed holiday and a prosperous new year and may our Troops be home soon, safe and sound.

New Year's Eve Celebration at the College Park Moose Lodge #453

Bring in 2014 with a BIG BANG and party at the local Moose Lodge! The New Year's Eve party begins with a steak dinner served from 6-8pm. Dance to the music of the Dixie Wind Band from 9 to 1 am. This popular band plays a variety of music for your listening and dancing pleasure. In addition, noisemakers will be provided and a Happy New Year toast will be held at midnight! Tickets can be purchased at the Lodge at a cost of \$35 per person until December 15, after that date, cost will be \$45 per person. This event is open to the public. Bring your family, friends, and neighbors and celebrate close to home.

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Club News

Women's Community Club of Beltsville Planting for a Prettier Spring

For over twenty years, members of the Women's Community Club of Beltsville have selected spring bulb planting as their beautification project for the Make a Difference Day. At first, the service project was coordinated by Doris Wray and Connie Romanello. In recent years, the leadership has been passed to Carolyn Scarcia who states "I just couldn't let this project die". So, as chair she writes letters to other organizations in town for donations, purchases bulbs and bone meal, and recruits volunteers to join in the planting.

This year eight volunteers gathered on the last Saturday morning in October at the community park sign on Montgomery Road to dig holes, loosen soil, work in the bone meal and finally plant the 200 daffodil bulbs. The Club appreciates the donation from the

Beltsville Lions Club that helped in the purchase of the daffodil bulbs. The work team included Carolyn Scarcia, Nancy Thrush, Maren and Bill Mayhew, Grace d'Eustachio, Lynn Bladen Garland, Karen Coakley and Barbara Shearin. For Garland, it was a way to give back to the town where she grew up. Eighth grader Grace d'Eustachio got involved because she "enjoys planting stuff, watching it grow and being with my neighbor, Mrs. Mayhew. It also feels nice to help people." Other volunteer roles for this active teen have been helping Scouting for Food, a Girls Scout pet show and assisting at pet shelters.

The Women's Community Club meets monthly with meetings publicized in the Beltsville News. Women interested in the betterment of Beltsville are invited to attend, get involved with your

community, make friends with others, and work on projects that make Beltsville a better community. For both Thanksgiving and Christmas, the club coordinates the collection and distribution of food baskets that help families have a special holiday meal.

Evelyn Adkins, who serves as president of the club this year states, "this is just one of many projects the Women's Club have undertaken and it was a wonderful job, well done." The WCCB has just launched a new email address for any correspondence for the group. It is WCCBeltsville@gmail.com.

We all hope the daffodils survive the Montgomery Road improvements and the winter weather so that they will sprout and bloom next spring. Please keep a watchful eye out for them and may everyone enjoy them.

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Resolve to Fight Poverty.

Prior to the walk, the students listened as they learned about the plight of homelessness in the community and in the nation. They were reminded of how they had already assisted others in need when they donated to the *Kids Helping Kids Food Drive* held in October this year that collected over 10 boxes of food for the Capital Area Food Bank.

The temperature that day was chilly, but the sun shone brightly, just enough to make for an enjoyable walk. During the day many of the students carried signs and chanted slogans to show their support. The signs and posters were prepared by past and present Student Government Association members. Parents were invited to join the students as we walked

Calverton Elementary School will know the meaning of service when they leave because it is a focus for our students, especially those who chose to serve in the Student Government Association.

The walk was a huge success thanks to the willingness of the Specialists (Physical Education, Music, Art, Media, and Guidance) to give up their specials block so students could walk during that time.

Student Government Association (SGA) Elections

November 15, 2013, fifteen Calverton Elementary School fifth grade students waited on edge to learn the results of the SGA elections. They were students running for President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Historian. Prior to the elections, all the candidates were busy making posters, talking to their classmates about why they would make a good SGA officer, and writing campaign speeches. Each candidate was also given the opportunity to give their speech during the morning announcements to the school body. After all the votes were counted, the moment arrived to announce the winners. The results of the election are listed below.

Kayla Willis, President
Noah Gomes, Vice President
Zara Koroma, Secretary
Marlitz Francisque, Treasurer



Calverton Elementary students collect food to help others.

and many of them took the time to attend. The children, along with their signs attracted the attention of passing motorists who looked on and honked their horns to show their support.

All students who graduate from a public school in Maryland are required to complete community service hours in Middle and High school. Students who attend Cal-



Members of Calverton Elementary's SGA.

Andre Kilpatrick, Historian

These students will serve in this capacity for the 2013 – 2014 school year. Other SGA members include Anani Cabreara Espinal, Jennifer Ortega, Akeem Porter, Kiera Richardson, and Esther Sonubi.

Kids Helping Kids Food Drive

October 14 – November 1, 2013, Calverton Elementary School students participated in the *Kids Helping Kids Food Drive*. The food drive was a huge success thanks to the Calverton Elementary School Community and their generous donations. As a result to the campaign, we collected over 10 boxes of food for the Capital Area Food Bank. The fifth grade team took the lead on this project under the direction and leadership of Mrs. Pollock, the Professional School Counselor. The fifth grade teachers were asked to select 16 students to act as ambassadors for the project. Serving as an ambassador involved going into each classroom to share information about the campaign, returning to collect the donated items, and providing help with organizing and packing of boxes. As a result of this campaign, many families in our community will have an enjoyable Thanksgiving Holiday.

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School News

High Point High School News

The High Point High School Boosters would like to recognize our Fall and Winter sports teams and their coaches.

Fall Coaches

George Hughes - Golf
 Omar Sharief - Cross Country
 Jenna Essenmacher - Girls Soccer
 Michael Holt - Boys Soccer
 Andre Brown - Football
 Shirley Diggs - Volleyball

Winter Coaches

Lynette O'Reggio - Girls Basketball
 Rodney Lewis - Boys Basketball
 Omar Sharief - Indoor Track
 Carlee Moir - Swimming
 Beverly Botchway - Bocce
 Michael Lewis - Wrestling



High Point High School's volleyball team.

Soccer:

The boys soccer team under Coach Michael Holt finished the season with an impressive record and winning the County Championship against Crossland. Unfortunately the team was not able to pull away from Parkdale during the State Regional Tournament as their season came to a close. Congratulations to Coach Holt and the team for a great season.

Volleyball:

The volleyball team was soar-

ing this year with an ending record of 14-3. The team lost to Bowie - County Champions during the last season match in 3 games. After being upset from that loss, High Point did not walk away defeated. After winning two matches in the State Regional Playoffs, they now had to face the County Champions again and win if they wanted to go to State. The Eagles did just that, beating Bowie in 3 straight games. Next stop - Final Four!

The lady eagles played Dulaney High School and lost

but only after they fought hard! Every year, the State Committee presents a sportsmanship award to one of the 16 finalists at the State Tournament. High Point was victorious again, winning the Lesley A. Cooke Sportsmanship Award. Way to go Eagles and congratulations for a great season to Coach Diggs, Assistant coaches: Thomas, Dildy, Brown, Charles and Welch, and the Lady Eagles.

St Joseph Regional Catholic School Celebrating 50 Years!

St Joseph Regional Catholic School will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of the school with a pasta dinner on Friday December 6, 2013 from 6:30 - 9:00. The school will be holding a 5k race and 1 mile fun run the following morning December 7, 2103 at 8 a.m. There will be course marshals along

Sellman Road and Montgomery Road for a short time during the race. Roads will not be closed but the marshals may temporarily direct traffic to be sure the runners have a safe path to run. For more details see the 5k race website at <http://stjos5k.org> or call race director Austin Conaty at 240.568.3059.

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School News

Vansville Elementary School News

By Pamela Curtis

Kids Helping Kids Food Drive

Vansville Elementary Schools Jr. National BETA Club sponsored the "Kids Helping Kids Food Drive". Staff and students donated can food items to feed those fighting hunger in our area. Students in Tracy Geitner's first grade class supported this worthy cause by donating 135 can food items. With the support of Special Education Instructional Specialist Michelle Mangino, the students counted the donated food items, stacked them neatly and kept a record of how many cans were donated daily for the three week period. Vansville Elementary staff and students donated over 1275 can food items to support "Kids Helping Kids Food Drive 2013".



Vansville Elementary School First grade Teacher Ms. Tracy Geitner, her students and Special Education Instructional Specialist, Mrs. Michelle Mangino, showcase the 135 can food items they collected for "Kids Helping Kids Food Drive 2013."

October 2013 Students of the Month

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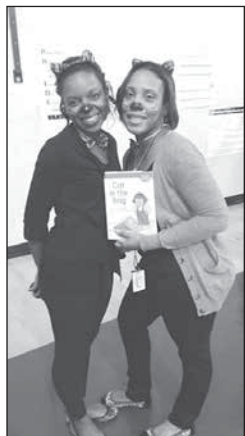
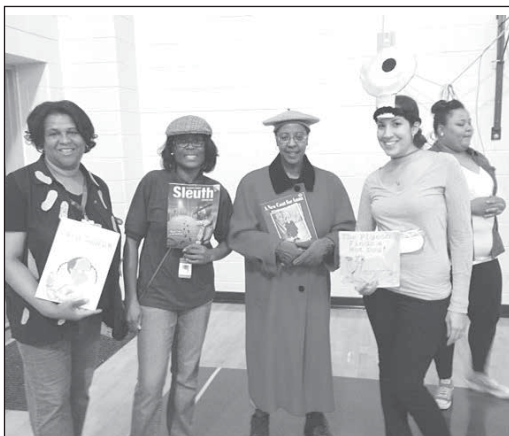
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Vansville Elementary School's Winter Bazaar

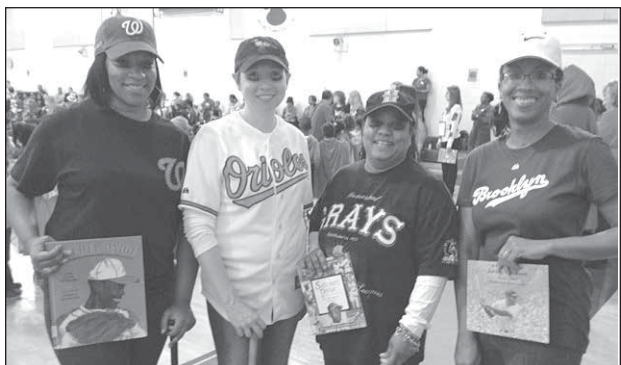
Vansville Elementary School PTA is pleased to announce its 4th Annual Winter Bazaar on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. Get all your holiday shopping done by visiting the 50+ vendors. We will also have a gift basket raffle, book fair and concessions. The Winter Bazaar is an annual fundraising event with proceeds going towards having a safe and durable surface installed on our kindergarten playground. Vendor tables are still available for \$40. Additional table are \$15. We are accepting gift basket donations for our raffles from business or individuals, or you can contact us if you are able to help sponsor our playground resurfacing. Vansville Elementary School is located at: 6813 Ammendale Road, Beltsville, MD 20705. For more information, contact PTA President, Kim Lockett at vespta08@gmail.com or call Kim at 240.391.8711.

Vansville Storybook Parade

Vansville held their 6th Annual Storybook Parade on Friday, Nov. 1st, 2013. Students and teachers who were dressed up as a character with their favorite book in hand, paraded around the gym to show off their love for literacy.



Vansville Elementary teachers dressed as their favorite characters during the 6th Annual storybook parade.



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Saturday, Dec. 7 from 12 noon to 4 p.m. Watch Santa fly into historic College Park Airport and then have your picture taken with him. Holiday arts and crafts will be offered throughout the museum. Santa will arrive at

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Saturday, Dec. 14 through Saturday, Dec. 21. Daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. During the holiday season College Park Aviation Museum gets ready for the festivities as miniature trains, villages, tunnels and depots spark the imagination and bring history to life. The National Capital Trackers bring a fascinating and constantly moving display of model railroads to the museum. Free with museum admission. All ages.

THE SNOW SHOW

"The Snow Show" by the Bob Brown Puppets will be followed with a visit by Santa and his friends. Sunday Dec. 15 from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Deerfield Run Community Center, 13000 Laurel-Bowie Road Route 197 South Laurel. For more information call 301.776.2805 or 301.953.7882; for Spanish 301.445.4509; TTY 301.445.4512.

GREENBELT COMMUNITY CENTER

The center is located at 15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770. The winter edition of the *Greenbelt Recreation Activities Guide* is online. Stop by the center or see www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation for events and class listings. Phone: 301.397.2208.

GREENBELT MUSEUM

The museum house is located at 10-B Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770. Docent-led tours are on Sundays from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., please contact the museum for latest information. No reservations are required, but we do recommend that you arrive no later than 4:30 p.m. Tickets: \$3.00 general admission, \$2.00 adults 55 and older, free for children under age 12. Friends of the Greenbelt Museum are admitted free. See www.GeenbeltMuseum.org or call 301.507.6582 for more information.

LAUREL-BELTSVILLE SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER

7120 Contee Rd., Laurel, MD 20707. Regular hours of operation: Monday – Thursday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., closed on Sunday. Phone: 301.206.3350. Fax: 301.206.3387. TTY: 301.446.3402. Contact the center for additional activities for December.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

Tue., Dec. 31, 2013 from 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. on Jan. 1, 2014. Refreshments, snacks, hats, blowers, and a toast at midnight. Cost: \$20 per person/resident. \$25 per person/non-resident. Pre-registration is required by Dec. 20. No walk-ins. The DJ will be 'Disc Man' Rich Lichty.

NATIONAL WILDLIFE VISITOR CENTER

DECEMBER 2013 Calendar of Events



Nessie is featured at the 17th annual Garden of Lights at Brookside Gardens in Wheaton, Maryland.

During this busy season, remember to take time to slow down and re-connect with nature — the refuge is a wonderful place during the chilly fall days to enjoy the peacefulness of nature. We look forward to seeing you out at the refuge! Address: 10901 Scarlet Tanager Loop, Laurel, MD 20708. Phone and registration line: 301.497.5887. See Patuxent.fws.gov. Stop by to attend a program or walk the trails. Space in our public programs is limited. *Registration is required unless otherwise specified.* Thank you for your continued support. The Visitor Center entrance is accessed from Powder Mill Rd. between the Baltimore–Washington Pkwy. and Rt. 197. The center is part of the Patuxent Wildlife Research Refuge. Hours of operation are daily from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except for major holidays. Free admission to the center and its exhibits, grounds, and trails. Activities and events are free unless otherwise noted. Please advise us of any special needs so that we may accommodate you.

HUNTING SEASON

Remember that hunting may be occurring in areas around the refuge this fall season through Jan. 31, 2014. Make sure to stay on marked trails at all times and find out about closed areas when visiting.

HOLLINGSWORTH ART GALLERY

The featured artist is Mary Lou Troutman. Several of her works do feature baskets full of her favorite crustaceans, but her lovely paintings also include the creeks, marshes, rivers, and wildlife of the Chesapeake Bay region. No registration required.

BIRD WALKS

Wednesday, Dec. 4 from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. for ages 16 and up. Search for birds in several refuge habitats on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars are recommended.

HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Saturday, Dec. 7 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Shop for wild and not-so-wild new and gently used treasures. The Bazaar will feature unique gifts from local crafters including our very own 'crafty' Friends! A treat from the bake sale, a stroll through the kid-friendly shop, or a game of wildlife bingo will help round out your visit. You may also enjoy seeing live animals and visiting the Crane Café for lunch.

NATURE TOTS: WINTER BIRD BUDDIES

Thursday, Dec. 12 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Introduce your preschooler to the wonderful world of birds through stories, crafts, and outdoor exploration in this fun-filled program. Ages 3 – 4.

BASED ON BOOKS: MONTHLY NATURE SERIES

Tuesday, Dec. 17 from 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Each program in this series begins with a beautifully illustrated children's story about wildlife. The feature for December is *Raccoons*. Discover more about nature with puppets, props, activities, and a live snake. Ages 4 – 5.

OYSTERS IN THE BAY

Monday, Dec. 23 from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Take a break from the holiday rush to join Masonville Cove Environmental Education Campus (MCEEC) staff as they share information about the Chesapeake Bay Watershed. The program will highlight one creature that is cleaning the Bay just by living in it, the oyster. Activities will include an oyster dissection and take home craft. MCEEC was recently designated as one of eight Urban Wildlife Refuges nation-wide under the Urban Wildlife Refuge Initiative. Ages 8 – 10.

BELTSVILLE EVENTS

Please contact the individual facilities for updates to hours of operation that may be affected by inclement weather, holidays, or changes in government funding.

WOMEN'S COMMUNITY CLUB OF BELTSVILLE

Monday, Dec. 9 at 12:30 p.m. at Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane, Beltsville

YOUNG AT HEART CLUB

1st & 3rd Thursdays at 11 a.m. at the Beltsville Community Center

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIBRARY (NAL)

10301 Baltimore Ave. The library is free and open to the public. Parking is free. Hours of operation: Monday – Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except for federal holidays. NAL is one of four national libraries of the United States. Call 301.504.5876 for information on basic services, resources, and special events. See NAL at www.nal.usda.gov or on Twitter at http://twitter.com/#!/National_Ag_Lib.

BEHNKE NURSERIES GARDEN CENTER

11300 Baltimore Ave. Please call 301.937.1100, ext. 0. or see www.Behnkes.com for more information.

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, Dec. 7 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sample light refreshments. Stop by Carol's Corner and learn how to decorate with fresh greens. Visit our Christmas Shop and enjoy a photo-op with Santa Claus from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Music by Fugitive Brass Quintet from 12 noon to 2 p.m. **Special activity:** Paint a Poinsettia from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost to paint a poinsettia: \$5 plus cost of plant. Note: We will have plastic gloves and goggles available. The paint will stain clothes or shoes so come dressed to mess.

CHRISTMAS CORNER

Saturday, Dec. 21 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Carol Allen will be working with holiday greens and plants, demonstrating different decorating techniques. Learn how to make a hand-bundled wreath from scratch or embellish a pre-made wreath, construct a mini-boxwood tree, make a pinecone chandelier, assemble a simple porch pot to decorate your entranceway, group a bouquet of greens for your table, and create special holiday dish gardens. The demonstration is free.

BELTSVILLE 7th DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

All events are held at The Beltsville Seventh-day Adventist Church, 4200 Ammendale Road, Beltsville.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR

More than 200 voices will perform Christmas songs from around the world, portraying the diverse ways different cultures celebrate Christmas. December 14 at 12:00 noon.

CHURCH CHRISTMAS CANTATA

The church choir and orchestra, with more than 50 voices and instruments, will present "One King," this year's church Christmas program for community families. December 21 at 9:30 and again at 12:00 noon.

CHRISTMAS COMMUNION

The Beltsville Seventh-day Adventist Church practices an open communion. Anyone believe in Jesus is welcome to participate. The church will hold two communion services, at 9:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon on December 28. If you've missed communion, for a few months or a few years, join the church to celebrate this hallmark event of the Christian Church.

BELTSVILLE LIBRARY

The Beltsville Library is closed for renovation and is expected to reopen in late spring or early summer 2014. *The Greenbelt Library branch will be available during this time: it is located at 11 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770. Phone: 301-345-5800.*

BELTSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

Address: 3900 Sellman Rd., Beltsville. Phone: 301.937.6613. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512. The Program Specialist is Michael Hansborough. He can be contacted by phone or at Michael.Hansborough@pgparks.com. Regular hours of operation are: Monday – Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., closed on Sunday. Hours of operation for Xtreme Teens and Pre-teens: Fridays and Saturdays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

ABC'S OF LIFE INSURANCE SEMINAR

Thursday, Dec. 5 at 7 p.m. A financial services professional will address the basics of life insurance. Free. Reservation required by Nov. 28; call the center regarding late registration. All ages.

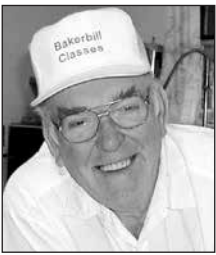
HOLIDAY CONCERT

Monday, Dec. 16 at 7:30 p.m. Enjoy light refreshments as we start off the holiday season with music provided by the Greenbelt Concert Band. Free. All ages.

TRIP TO FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Tuesday, Dec. 19 from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Join us as we travel to Watkins Regional Park to see the annual Festival of Lights. We will be departing from the center at 7 p.m. and

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Baker Bill

STUFF 'N THINGS

To start with I want to wish all a Merry Christmas and happy holiday season. Now, how about a great recipe: it's very easy to do with ingredients you have in your home now.

Scones

1 stick of butter at room temperature, 1 ½ cups of flour and 1/4 cup sugar mixed together. Then add 1 tablespoon sour cream (if you have any), 1 tablespoon baking powder, 1 teaspoon soda, a pinch of salt (optional) and 4 oz. milk. Mix well evenly turn out and knead by hand. The dough should be firm but not stiff. SPECIAL NOTE: you cannot over mix. It will not make it tough. Cut with a cutter about 3/4 inch thick, save scraps and pat down with your hand. Whip up an egg and paint the top. Sprinkle a little sugar on top and bake at 400 degrees for approximately 15-18 minutes until golden brown. NOTE: you can add almost anything to it, such as pecans or raisins. Along with my corn muffin this is my most requested recipe.



I have a couple of requests this month, it is good to hear from you about anything so if you have a question about a recipe or just want to say hello please do so. Always remember you can go on bakerbill.net and click on recipes where you will find 50 of my

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Plain View are TEMPTING: GPS, Radar detector, briefcases, laptop, computer, jewelry, shopping bags, purse, money....REMOVE IT OR LOSE IT!

Leaves are supposed to be bagged in paper bags, trash cans or containers. Do not rake them to curb. Beginning in 2014 you must use paper bags.

The Citizens Association will not meet in December. If you would like to receive email notices of community issues please send me your email address. I can be reached at 301.937.3490 or karenmcoakley@msn.com if you have a community concern.

recipes. My daughter designed my web site and did a great job.

Here are 2 baking tips. (1) If you purchase ready made pie shells from your supermarket. Set them aside until they come to room temperature if cracked just press the dough back together. (2) When baking your pie set the oven to 410 degrees for 15 minutes then the turn temperature back to 390 degrees. DO NOT open the door. Why? The bottom of the pie bakes better on the down heat. When you buy the pie shell, buy a small can of pumpkin and go to the spice aisle and get a small pumpkin pie spice. You will like it for a lot of other stuff. It is a combination of cinnamon, nutmeg, and ginger. It tastes great on buttered toast. Now in a medium size bowl mix the can of pumpkin, 1/3 cup of sugar,

2 beaten eggs and 1 tablespoon of the spice. Mix well then add 1 cup of milk. Note canned milk is good or any you have will work too. Stir until smooth. Carefully fill your pie shell to the top. You may have some left over, bake it in small custard dishes. It will bake at 400 degrees an hour. Let it cool, do not cut it while it is hot because it needs to settle. SPECIAL NOTE: Make this in advance, do not wait till that day to try it. Also write down the recipe by hand do not try to do it from the paper.

If the above recipes are hard to understand drop me a line and I'll send you a properly listed recipe. And sending from a phone? I can't E mail you a long recipe to a phone.

Thanks

Baker Bill aka Bill Raulin

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Church School for all ages 9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Class 9:00 a.m.

Weekly Prayer Service Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.

Bible Study Wednesdays 10:30 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.

"Off the Hook" Young Adult Bible Study

Tuesdays 7:30 - 9:00p.m.

Line Dancing for Seniors 2nd & 4th Thursdays 1:00 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS DECEMBER

Sunday, December 1 10:30 a.m.	145th Church Anniversary Worship Service
Sunday, December 8 10:30 a.m.	Capital Campaign 4th Anniversary
Sunday, December 15 5:00 p.m.	Annual Christmas Cantata
Saturday, December 21 5:00 p.m.	Church School Christmas Play
Tuesday, December 24 7:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Worship Service
Sunday, December 29 1:00 p.m.	Radical Sunday Contemporary Worship Service Jazz in the Cafe
Tuesday, December 31 9:00 p.m.	Watch Night Worship Service

Church Administrative Office - (301) 210-9038 Fax - (301) 210-9039
Web Site: www.queenschapelumc.org E-mail: secretary@queenschapelumc.com
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Sunday Services:

9:00 am Contemporary Service

11:15 Traditional Service

10:15 am Bible Study & Sunday School for adults & children

Nursery Care is available for both services

Sign Language Interpretation at 11:15 service

SPECIAL EVENTS AND SERVICES THIS DECEMBER

DECEMBER 7, 9:00 AM BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

DECEMBER 14, 6:00 PM CHICKEN DINNER AND

SHOW "BETHLEHEM IDOL 2013!"

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

6:00 PM FAMILY SERVICE

11:00 PM CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE 10:00 AM

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Praise & Worship 10 am
Children's Ministry 10 am

Thursday Service

Adult Bible Study 7 pm
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Kids' Power Hour 7 pm
Discipleship Class 7 pm
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Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
December 24 at 6:00 p.m.

Sundays:

Sunday School for all ages	9:45am
*Morning Worship	11:00am
*Evening Worship	6:00pm
Kidz Choir & Mission Kidz	6:00pm
Youth Fellowship	6:00pm
Adult Choir Practice	7:00pm

Tuesdays & Thursdays:
Mother’s Morning Out Program
8:30 – 11:30 a.m. For more information call 301-908-9960

Wednesdays:

*Adult Bible Study & Prayer	7:00pm
RA’s, GA’s, Mission Friends	7:00pm
Youth Fellowship	7:00pm

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Children’s Bible Classes	10:45am
Worship Service	12:00pm

Join Us to Celebrate Jesus Birth!

December 14 at 12:00pm
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December 21 at 9:30am and 12:00pm
Christmas Cantata: *Joy! Joy!*

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returning by 9 p.m. Bring a friend and enjoy this wonderful holiday tradition. Reservation required by Dec. 12. Free. Ages 60 and over.

STRATEGY GAME CLUB

Mondays from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Enjoy board games and strategy games and tons of fun. All skill levels welcome. Any game can be played as well as brought to the club to be played. Games include: *Small World*, *Steel Driver*, and *Age of Industry*. Free. All ages.

XTREME TEEN REGULAR EVENTS

Fridays and Saturdays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Free with valid Center ID card. Ages 13 – 17.

VANSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

Address: 6813 Ammendale Rd., Vansville.
Phone: 301.937.6621. Fax: 301.937.6623.
Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512. The Director is Jeremy Weiss. He can be contacted by phone or at Jeremy. Weiss@pgparks.com. Regular hours of operation as well as weight room hours for September through June: Monday – Thursday from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m., Friday from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Sunday from 12 noon to 3 p.m. Hours of operation for Xtreme Teens: Fridays and Saturdays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. GEAR (Girls Excited About Recreation) hours and events are Saturdays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

XTREME TEENS REGULAR EVENTS

Fridays and Saturdays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Ages 13 – 17. Free with valid Center ID card.

GET GEARED UP FOR WINTER

Select Fridays and Saturdays in December. Young ladies, are you looking for some fun things to do with your girlfriends ONLY!? Get hip to some awesome programs just for our G.E.A.R. (Girls Excited About Recreation) participants. See our G.E.A.R. program schedule for details. Ages 10 – 12. Free (must have your M-NCPPC ID).

VANSVILLE YOUTH PHILHARMONIC

Wednesday, Dec. 11 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Are you ready for a night of winter holiday music? Our talented young singers and musicians will get us all in the holiday spirit! Come and sing along to fun holiday songs and enjoy the good times. Featured artist will be the 4th and 5th grade chorus, beginning and advanced orchestra, and band students. Students led by Ms. Busch, Mr. Dorsey, and Mr. Wehinger. All ages. Free.

HAPPY BIRTH DAY TO...US!

Saturday, Dec. 7 from 7 p.m. to 12 midnight. Vansville Community Center is turning the ripe old age of five. We are celebrating the milestone in style with non-stop fun, fun, fun! We’re playing games, multiple tournaments, arts and crafts, food, and DJ. Don’t miss the party. Ages 8 – 17. Free.

KID’S DAY IN

Monday, Dec. 23, Thursday Dec. 26, and Friday, Dec. 27 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Not sure where to go during the holidays? When school is closed we are open. Come play all day, create holiday arts & crafts, make new friends, and have a great time! Ages: 5 – 12. Cost: \$35 (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.); \$2.50 (7 a.m. to 9 a.m.); \$2.50 (4 p.m. to 6 p.m.).

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LEAVES, LEAVES, LEAVES - Beltsville Lawns is preparing our big leaf vacuum machine for the leaf season. As you know, the counties stopped vacuuming leaves

that you rake to the curb - now you have to *rake and bag* your leaves before they haul them away. **Beltsville Lawns** collects all leaves from your roof, gutters, lawn & flower beds - rake them into tarps and haul them to the curb where we vacuum them into our big trucks and haul them to the recycling center. Call Bill @ 301-455-4491 for a free, no obligation estimate and yard consultation. 12/13

HELP WANTED

MEALS ON WHEELS OF COLLEGE PARK - serving Beltsville, Adelphi, Berwyn Heights, Greenbelt and College Park - needs volunteers to help pack daily meals for seniors and those who cannot cook for themselves. We also need drivers Monday thru Friday. Packers work from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Drivers and runners work from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please, we need help. Won't you volunteer to work one day a week, once or twice a month or whenever you can? Please call Monday thru Friday, 301-474-1002 to help and for more information. 12/13

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