Celebrating Cub Scouts at Pack 1031!

Cub Pack 1031 is celebrating the founding of Boy Scouts and Cub Scouting in February. Some of our scouts earned a Scout Sunday patch by attending religious services in uniform. So far twelve scouts have earned their Scout Sunday patch.

The Webelos and some other families went to Mount Vernon to see the historical mansion during their Scouting Days. We toured the mansion and the outbuilding and learned about plantation life and the life of our 1st President, George Washington.

On January 28th we held our Pinewood Derby at the derby at the Beltsville Community Center. The Pack winners were First Place Jason K., 2nd Place Luke F., and 3rd Place Kevin K. There were also winners at each level: Tiger winners were: 1st Luke F., 2nd Cristian C., 3rd Edward S. Wolf winners were: 1st Jason K., 2nd Place Luke F., and 3rd Place Kevin K.

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Scout Sunday patch.

Jason K., 2nd Place Luke F., and 3rd Place Kevin K.

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Juliet Dillon: Beltsville’s Homegrown, Born-and-Raised Science Fiction Author

By Jim Butcher

If you live in Beltsville, chances are you are a neighbor to Juliet Dillon—fast-rising, highly successful Beltsville science fiction author. To check out her books, search Google for Amazon.com Juliet Dillon. The behemoth Internet marketer will promptly return a webpage advising that the book A Sky with No Stars: Saving the Future: Part One: paperback—June 22, 2016, by Juliet Dillon is available for purchase. Amazon further informs that 17 customer reviewers have given the book 4.9 stars on a 5.0 star rating scale.

In a teaser, Amazon reminds readers that A Sky with No Stars is part one of a three-part series that Dillon calls her Saving the Future series. Part Two, A Cage with No Bars, is scheduled for release later this year or early 2018. In her own words, “Part One of the Saving the Future [series] is the story of a girl who is accidentally pulled into the future of the Galactic Starveyors adventure VBS. Who made all that we see? Can we know the One Who did? Does He love you and me? Come and find out the answers to these things that week. For ages 4 years to 6th grade. It’s free! It’s fun! It’s full of music, crafts, snacks, Bible study, and surprises!”

All activities will be held at the First Baptist Church of Beltsville, 4700 Odell Road Beltsville, MD 20705. For more information, call 301.937.7771 or email churchoffice@fcbeltsville.org.

Emmanuel United Methodist Church to Hold Community Easter Egg Hunt

Emmanuel United Methodist Church (11416 Cedar Lane) will be via two secured gates. There by a 6-foot fence, and access will be no direct access to the Senior Center at 1 pm. Speakers will remain. This will be a secure facility that will be surrounded by a 6-foot fence, and access will be via two secured gates. There will be no direct access to the facility via Cook Road. Archland

SADD Teens Take Part in National Drug & Alcohol Facts Week by Performing an Informative Skit

Group Joins Teens across the US in Week-long Effort to Shatter Myths about Drugs and Alcohol

Teenagers from Eleanor Roosevelt’s SADD chapter have joined forces with other teens and scientists across the United States as part of National Drug & Alcohol Facts Week. SADD Security Officer Tim Cragg conducts the mock sobriety test.

Roosevelt Student and AFROTC Member, Louis Sandoval, tries on glasses that simulate drunkenness during the SADD Event. Roosevelt Student and AFROTC Member, Louis Sandoval, tries on glasses that simulate drunkenness during the SADD Event.

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Local Author Juliet Dillon

Juliet Dillon: Beltsville’s Homegrown, Born-and-Raised Science Fiction Author

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Karen Coakley

By President Karen M. Coakley

The District 6 COPS unit will host Tea Time with COPS at Riderwood in the Celebration room March 14 at 1 pm, 3140 Gracefield Road, Riderwood Town Center. The entire community is invited. Pfc. Castro will be having public safety communications for his tea.

Cpl. Hibbert will have Mr. Carroll from the United States Federal Reserve at the March 2 Coffee with Cops at the Laurel Senior Center at 1 pm. Speakers are subject to change.

Archland, the guest speaker at the March 15 meeting, is proposing to redevelop a portion of the property located at 5050 Powder Mill Road. Archland is proposing to raze the office building that is located closest to Powder Mill Road. Archland is proposing to raze the office building that is located closest to Powder Mill Road and construct a 3-story, 136,000-square foot storage building. The two other office buildings located on the property will remain. This will be a secure facility that will be surrounded by a 6-foot fence, and access will be via two secured gates. There will be no direct access to the facility via Cook Road. Archland

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our world. Everything as we know it is gone, replaced by a totalitarian regime and colossal destruction. On her mission to find a way back to her time, Kiri is sucked into an adventure with ramifications far greater than she could ever have imagined. I put a lot of effort into keeping the reader turning the pages. It is fast paced and unpredictable, with a few twists sure to shock."

Dillon’s next big book project is a stand-alone fantasy novel. While the idea for her Saving the Future series has been with her for most of her life, the idea for her new book,King of the Horseless, is just a year old. Like the Saving the Future series, it is another young adult book but is set in a medieval world many years after the kingdom fell. The main character is a tenacious young woman trying to carve out her place in a world run by men and tradition. It is a humorous and light read with a good message for girls of all ages.

Thanks to marketing opportunities through Amazon, Dillon is as adept with the business end of self-publishing and promoting her books as she is creative with the writing process. There are many positives to publishing your own books, she says. For one, the author maintains complete creative control and never has to sell the rights to her story or characters. On the other side, self-publishing is a ton of work. Dillon had to teach herself jobs that publishing companies have multiple departments for. She became her own reviser and learned to rely on friends and family to help edit.

Dillon acknowledges she has been incredibly fortunate in her beltsville friends and associates. Her best friend since the fifth grade, Leslie Orellana (formerly Leslie Bristow), has a Masters of Arts in Animation and she has created book covers and graphics for Dillon’s book promotions. Another class of 2005 graduate, Scott Yarmosky, tapped into his incredible artistic skills and drew the map for King of the Horseless.

We are all lucky to have grown up here in Beltsville, to know each other, and to be able to support other artists as we chase our dreams, Dillon says.

PACK 1031

2nd AJ S., 3rd Cale F.
Bear winners were: 1st Matthew F., 2nd Jake T., 3rd Bernard P. Webelos winners were: 1st Kevin K. and 2nd Justin G. There were also winners for most patriotic car, Best Truck, Fastest looking car and many other categories. Many thanks to our Cubmaster Bernard P., Den Chief Kyle T., Scout parent Flavio C. and Bear Den Leader Chris B.

Each year the pack has activities such as camping, hiking, our annual Pinewood Derby and campfires. We also do participatory citizenship along Little Paint Branch Trail, our toy drive and Scouting for Food. Along the way we learn responsibility, play games, and have a ton of fun.

If you interested in discovering the fun of Cub Scouts with your son please contact Regina Halper through www.BeAScout.org — just use the search engine and look for Cub Pack 1031.

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will reconfigure the parking area and bring the site into conformance with the landscape manual of Prince George’s County, the tree canopy coverage regulations, and the stormwater management regulations. Archland is filing the application for detailed site plan within the next 30 days and expects a planning board hearing on the application before the end of May 2017. If we maintain this timeline, the new facility should be under construction by this time next year. Please sign up at www.nextdoor.com to receive information about the community. The police department is using this social media site to keep the community informed.

The Citizen’s Association meets at Beltsville Academy on March 15 at 7 pm. Bring a friend…bring a neighbor. If you have a community concern, I can be reached at karenmcoakley@msn.com or 301.937.3490.
Neighbours in the News

Prince George’s Community Federal Credit Union Calls for 2017 Stallings & Prestandrea Scholarship Entries

Prince George’s Community Federal Credit Union is currently accepting entries for its 2017 Stallings and Prestandrea Scholarship with two $1,000 prizes. Graduating high school members or members currently enrolled in an accredited college or university are encouraged to apply.

As we celebrate our 50th year of providing financial services, we would like to give back to the next generation of community leaders by encouraging their educational journey. This year’s essay question asks applicants to explain what community service activities have they participated in that best represent the fundamental credit union’s philosophy of “people helping people.”

The scholarship deadline is March 31, 2017, and winners will be announced in May. Interested persons can email their application to Scholarship@PrinceGeorgesCFCU.org or mail the address below. To learn more about membership or the scholarship program, please visit www.PrinceGeorgesCFCU.org/Scholarship.

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will hold its Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday April 8 from 10 am to noon. The egg hunt will take place on the front lawn of Emmanuel and there will be crafts, games, light refreshments as well as a visit from the Easter Bunny. The hunt is open to children 2-12 years old. For more info go to www.eumcbeltsville.com or call 301.937.7114. You may also email them at office@eumcbeltsville.com

Tell Me, Spring!

Tell me of the sunny miniature daffodils, whose trumpet blossoms are kissing each other in the happiness of Spring!

Tell me of the tall tulips in glorious red shooting out of their green leaf coat up into the fresh air!

Tell me of the hyacinths in pink, white, blue, hesitating to leave their thick bulb to finally come up to open their dozens of fragrant blossoms on one stem!

Tell me of the shy little winter bird who now is flying high up onto the top of the maple tree to sing his love to the world!

“Spring has arrived! The yellow crocus is blooming in the dry winter grass!”

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High Shine

If you find yourself shuttering instinctively at the thought of high gloss walls take a gamble on gloss anyway. You will be pleasantly surprised by the versatility that comes from high shine. The sheen will reflect light as it bounces off of the walls, giving a traditional four feet wide entry hallway a more spacious feel. A great color for the hallway is Benjamin Moorre’s Rich Cream. When mixed in a high gloss finish it will look invitingly creamy and blend easily with other hues in adjacent rooms. Another area that always looks amazing in a high sheen is the dining room ceiling. Typically deeper shades, such as Reverie Pewter and Tyler Beige create more atmosphere than lighter colors. When it comes to gloss, though, light colors are just as warm, especially when applied to a ceiling. Try experimenting with a dining room ceiling. A pale blue-green like Ocean Air will create an illusion of a sky overhead. Ocean Air is a safe color that can be paired with almost every other color from mocha to creamy white.

For expert advice on selecting paint colors and the appropriate finish see the paint pros, Michael Richards and Valerie Kabelac at Will’s Home Decorating (www.decoratemaryland.com). According to Michael, “there is a surge in requests for high gloss finishes not just for paint, but also for wall coverings and ceramic tile.” Gloss brings a flat looking room to life. The only negative is that is often accentuates surface imperfections. However, Valerie points out that “Once you are inside the room you usually do not notice the flaws because the reflective nature of gloss often disguises trouble areas.” For more advice on painting with gloss finishes stop by Will’s Home Decorating for your FREE personalized decorating consultation.

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Mr. Lester Elwyn Gross, Jr.

On Friday, January 13, Lester Elwyn Gross, Jr., of Beltsville, MD, passed away; beloved father of Leslie T. Moore, Lester E. Gross, III, Lisa M. (Frank) Malone, and Lionel E. (Ayisha) Gross; also survived by 11 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, three sisters, and one brother. Mr. Gross was preceded in death by a brother. Funeral service was held at Queen’s Chapel United Methodist Church, 7410 Old Muirkirk Road, Beltsville, MD, on Saturday, January 28, at 10 am; interment was at Maryland National Memorial Park. www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com

Illar, Steve

On January 21, Steve Illar, a retired electrical engineer from Beltsville, MD, died after a short illness. Steve was born in Daisytown, PA, on October 25, 1925, to Hungarian immigrant parents Louis, Sr., and Mary Illar. He was the youngest of four children: Louis Jr., Helen, and Mary. His family later moved to Richeyville, PA. He served in the US Army Air Corps 445th bomb group and flew 19 missions over continental Europe as a B-24 ball turret gunner. After serving in World War II, he worked at the Corning glass factory, was a locomotive mechanic for the Pennsylvania Railroad, and was a projectionist at the family-owned movie theatre. He entered Penn State University under the GI Bill and graduated Eta Kappa Nu with a degree in electrical engineering in 1958. He started his career with the National Security Agency immediately after graduation. He completed his master’s degree coursework at the Catholic University of America in Washington, DC. He retired in 1988 after 30 years of government service.

He was a choir member and treasurer of the Beltsville Presbyterian Church and was at the time of his death a member of the Laurel Presbyterian Church. Before his death, he was a member of the Maryland Terrapin Club and held Maryland football season tickets since 1962, rarely missing a home game. But his Pitt Panther heart held true as over the years he and his wife traveled to watch Penn State play in the Fiesta, Sugar, Outback, Alamo, Citrus and Rose bowls.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 69 years, Yvonne Illar. He is also survived by his children and their spouses: Stephanie and Gary Vessel of Nicholasville, KY, and David and Maureen Illar of Ellicott City, MD. His loving grandchildren include Kevin Vessel and his wife (Katie), Michele Illar, and Colin Illar. Survivors also include four nieces and three nephews and their extended families. Funeral service was held at Laurel Presbyterian Church, 7610 Sandy Spring Road, Laurel, MD 20707, at 12:30 pm. Interment was at Maryland Veterans Cemetery in Crownsville, MD.

Valerie R. Hall

Valerie R. Hall, 74, of Holliston, passed away February 7, 2017. Raised in Beltsville, MD, she was the daughter of the late Lucille (Granger) and Stanley Rollin. She was the well-loved wife of Michael L. Hall of Holliston. Valerie began her career as an elementary and preschool teacher. Later, she spent decades in Maryland owning/managing an active real estate practice and raising her family. At the time of her passing, she was a retired real estate broker and an active member of the First Baptist Church of Holliston, where she served as a Stephen Ministry Leader and Deaconess

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Tech Sense  By John Bell

Bad Cortana

This month we continue our discussion of Windows 10 frustrations. Cortana the Spy

Cortana is an intelligent digital assistant built into Windows 10. If your computer has a microphone as most laptops do, Cortana listens to you and allows you to speak questions and commands. Cortana will then pose the question to Bing and return an answer. This is very similar to Apple’s Siri, Amazon’s Alexa, and Google’s “Ok, Google.” Even if you do not have a microphone, questions can be entered in via the keyboard, and Cortana will search Bing and your local computer for the answer.

This almost seems like magic: Cortana understands what you are asking and returns an appropriate answer or search response. Cortana can also remind you about appointments and meetings if they are stored in one of the Microsoft calendar products and can use Bing Maps to provide driving directions for where you need to go.

But Cortana listens to everything you say after addressing her and turning her on. She remembers what you have searched for in the past, and she reads your calendar, email, and other files to get a better understanding of what you may need. This sounds innocent enough except it is not easy to tell her not to track what you are doing and she is sharing this information with others, mainly advertisers that want to target ads to people that will be more likely to respond to them.

You may be saying to yourself that you don’t care about these privacy issues, but let’s look at an all-too-common scenario. Let’s say “Cortana, tell me about diabetes treatment.” Cortana will return a web-based, drive-by attack on your computer. There is a way to avoid this, but Microsoft doesn’t always make it easy to find. If you are installing Windows and you come to the screen that prompts you for your email and password, look near the bottom of the Panel for “Skip this step.” The Windows installer will then prompt you to create a local account for that computer. This account is local for the machine and does not talk to Microsoft to login when you start the computer. If you have already setup a Microsoft account and you want to change to a local account, use the settings gear on the Start menu and select Accounts. Near the bottom of that panel, there is a link that reads “Sign in with a local account instead.” Clicking this link will allow you to set up a local account.

Create a Separate Admin Account

While we are discussing account creation, it is best not to have your primary account set up as an administrator account. Not using the administrator account role for your primary account can reduce the chance of being infected with malware. The best option is to create a different account, call it “Boss,” and give it the admin role. When you install software, for example, you will be prompted for the Boss password. This simple change makes it harder for web-based, drive-by attacks.

If you decide to make this change create the new account and give it administrator rights first, then go to your primary account and remove the administrator from it.

That’s all for this month. In the meantime, practice safe computing.
We Want to Hear Your Views

The 2017 Maryland legislative session continues through March and ends on April 10. Delegates Barbara Frush, Joseline Peña-Melnyk, Ben Barnes, and I are working to pass a balanced budget while protecting education, public safety, and help for seniors and the unemployed. If you have concerns about these or any other issues before this year’s legislature, please contact us at the email address or phone number below.

After April 10, we’d be pleased to attend one of your organization’s (homeowner or tenant association or business, church, or other group) upcoming meetings to report to your members on the legislature’s actions, discuss local issues of concern, and answer questions. Please let us know if you would like to schedule a mutually convenient date. If so, we request that you provide a few dates and times that would work out by contacting rosapepe.liaison@gmail.com or 301.858.3141.

Free Tax Return Preparation for Seniors and Low-Income Residents

If you need help preparing your tax return, learn about the IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) programs:

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There are thousands of locations across the United States where you can get free tax help through the VITA and TCE programs. For assistance, call 800.906.9887.

Contact Us

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

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Beltsville Volunteer Fire Department

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Beltsville Volunteer Fire Department would like to announce the installation of their officers for 2017. Congratulations to President Peggy Zembower, Vice President Pam Casagranda, Recording Secretary Diana Conley, Treasurer Angela Whitman, Corresponding Secretary Cathy Alexander, Chaplain Lois Hetz, and Historian Nancy Moore. A celebration dinner was held at the Ledo Pizza in College Park on December 8, 2016, with the members, their families, and their friends in attendance. Many thanks to Ledo Pizza and their staff for having us—everyone had a great time. We look forward to another wonderful year.

Women’s Community Club of Beltsville Accepting Applications for Scholarship

Now is the time to apply for the Women’s Community Club of Beltsville college scholarship. Applicants must be residents of Beltsville and be a high school senior who has been accepted into a college, technical, or vocational school or a college freshman. Applications can be obtained by emailing WCCBeltsville@gmail.com or going to the High Point guidance counselor office. Deadline to mail applications is May 1st. Mail competed application to WCCB 2017 Scholarship c/o Emmanuel Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane, Beltsville, MD 20705.
Doing beautiful, and functional. The talk will be illustrated with slides from Carolyn’s visits to English gardens. Carolyn Mullet is the owner of Carex: Garden Design by Carolyn Mullet, a design studio based in Takoma Park, MD, specializing in residential garden design. She received her formal training in landscape design from George Washington University and has practiced in the Washington, DC, metro area for the last 30 years. She also produces the popular Facebook page Garden Design by Carolyn Mullet for an international community of over 1.4 million followers where she daily showcases gardens from around the world. In addition, Carolyn leads garden tours to Europe each spring and summer through her company, CarexTours.

The public is welcome, and admission is free. You are encouraged to bring something to exchange: a plant, cutting, or garden tool or magazine; bring something, take something! Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

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Awesomely Talented Disabled Veterans Perform Locally

By Ivy Christoffers

How fortunate we are to be living in the Beltsville area of Prince George’s County where so much is available to its resi- dents. Diversions for families are found in many different ways. One of the most impres- sive is the Patuxent Research and Wildlife Center located on Powder Mill Road in the middle of the “farm”, open every day. It is very educational, also, admiss- ion is free. Why I write about this great establishment will become clear after you read the following message.

The Department of Maryland American Legion Auxiliary is completing plans for their sev- enth annual Maryland Veterans Creative Arts Festival being held at Bowie Center for Per- forming Arts in Bowie, MD on April 1, 2017. For those who are not familiar with Veterans Cre- ative Arts it is a program that began in 1981 at a VA Medical Center in Texas. It was found that art therapy was beneficial in helping heal our wounded war- riors. There are 53 categories of visual arts and 5 of performing arts. Over 50 veterans and VA Medical Center workers saw the value of art therapy and now 140 are involved, holding local competitions and submit- ting gold medal winners to the national competition each year. There are approximately 4,500 in the national competition from which gold, silver and bronze medals are awarded. Each Octo- ber a week long national Cre- ative Arts Festival is held in a different city. In 2016 the fes- tival was held in Jackson, MS and this year it will be in Buf- falo, NY. A total of 130 veteran artists are invited to participate which means many others are never going to have that awe- some experience. Therefore it was decided by the Maryland American Legion Auxiliary Department Executive Commit- tee to hold a state sponsored festival to showcase the medal winners from the 5 VA Medi- cal Centers supported by the Maryland American Legion Family. This now includes Charlotte Hall Veterans Home and MCVET, Maryland Cen- ter for Veterans Education and Training. Since the inception of the Festival in MD, several of our Disabled Veterans have had yearly gallery exhibits of their work. The Maryland Veterans Creative Arts Festival will open at 1:00PM with the art exhibit (which will remain on view for a week, beginning on March 29) with the live performance beginning at 2:00PM. A dona- tion of $10.00 per person will allow you to experience a great afternoon of showcasing love and support for these heroes who gave so much for our freedoms. What better way to show our gratitude than applauding their accomplishments. Veteran wild- life artists are featured yearly at Patuxent Wildlife Center. Now for the upcoming events at College Park Post #217: March 4th Nashville recording artist, Chad Reinert will be mak- ing a return engagement. Doors open at 6:30PM. Tickets are $25.00, which includes a delici- ous dinner cooked by Tina. The show begins at 8:00PM. Reinert has proven to be very popular and is an excellent enter- tainer. April I will bring Big Money Dance Band featuring Blues, Rock & Roll, Motown etc. Something for everyone. Doors open at 7:00PM, show begins at 8:00PM. Tickets are $20.00 and food will be avail- able for purchase.

On May 6 Johnny Seaton and the Bad Behavior Band will be appearing in the lounge for a great evening of fellowship, song and dance. Doors open at 6:00PM. Tickets are available for $20. Food will be avail- able for purchase. There will be a silent auction before and during the show. All proceeds from the silent auction will go to benefit Veterans and Wound- ed Warriors. Cash and checks only can be accepted. There is an ATM on premises. So mark your calendars for fun, enter- tainment and supporting our Veterans. Call Tina for tickets- 301.933.5308.

I hope to see many of you at the Maryland Veterans Creative Arts Festival on April 1st to support our awesomely talented Veterans. God bless our troops, past, present and future. May God continue to bless this great land of ours.

The Beltsville Young at Heart Club

By Barbara Schofield

The meeting this month was all about the committee for Beltsville Day getting together to decide on what food to sell. The committee, headed by Maria Hille, includes Gladys Brown, Rosa Stig- gers, Richard Moore, Barbara Víc- tor, Neva Swaby, Jim Pope, Shirley Denell, and Lois Hamilton.

A great trip is planned for April 3: an Odyssey Cruise and a drive around the Tidal Basin to see the cherry blossoms in Washington, DC. Enjoy a delicious lunch aboard ship. Contact Shirley Denell at 301.933.542 to register: seats are filling fast. The cost is $95 per person.

I end with this thought: love only grows by sharing. You can only have more for yourself by giv- ing it away to others (Brian Tracy).
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Week™ (NDAFW). The week-long health observance, organized by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) and the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA), both part of the National Institutes of Health, takes place Monday, January 23, through Sunday, January 29. NDAFW celebrates the inquisitive minds of teens by giving them a space (virtual or physical) to ask questions about drugs and alcohol and to get scientific answers from experts. As part of the NDAFW celebration, Eleanor Roosevelt SADD students are performing a skit to depict the dangers of teen drug use. They will also be allowing students to test out “fatal vision” goggles as well as conducting a sobriety test to experience the dangers of drunk driving firsthand.

About a third of high school seniors across the country report using an illicit drug sometime in the past year, and more than ten percent report non-medical use of a narcotic painkiller. While drugs and alcohol cluttering our popular culture. National Drug & Alcohol Facts Week™ is for teens to get honest answers about drugs so they can make good, informed decisions for themselves and share accurate information with friends. Our chapter is focusing on informing their peers about the dangers of alcohol and marijuana abuse as well as prescription drug and heroin abuse, which are most prevalent in the DMV.

NDAFW will be supported by 10 different organizations in Maryland. They will be hosting events and discussions on teen substance abuse and how to address it. Students Against Destructive Decisions is a nationwide organization dedicated to raising awareness on the dangers associated with drug and alcohol use in teens. SADD conducts an array of events, like our upcoming skit on January 26, to help keep citizens aware of the risks. Even for those teens who do not abuse drugs, many have friends or family who do, and they are often looking for ways to help them.

A 2015 study on teen drug use revealed that 52.3% of Maryland high school students have drunk alcohol before, and about half of these students had consumed alcohol within 30 days of being surveyed. A study in the same year showed that over 30% of Maryland high schoolers had taken marijuana before, and well over half of them had taken marijuana recently.

“We want teens to have the opportunity to learn what science has taught us about drug abuse, alcohol, and addiction,” said Mrs. Joanne Read, Eleanor Roosevelt High School’s SADD Advisor. “There are so many myths about drugs and alcohol cluttering our popular culture. National Drug & Alcohol Facts Week™ is for teens to get honest answers about drugs.

**Beltville Lions Club**

White Cane Day

Beltville Lions Club members Diane Musachio and Ann Ladd prepare miniature white canes for the Lions “White Cane Day” to be held in March. The Lions will ask the community to “Help the Lions help the blind” as they accept donations to help people in Beltville and distribute these miniature canes to donors.

**Club News**

**THE GADARENE**

Following my own desires
I fell into their trap;
Worry formed a heavy chain
And soon I was enwrapped.

Sleeplessness and tension
Held my mind until it snapped;
Others tried to take control,
But failed, their efforts tapped.

All alone I roamed the tombs
Of broken hopes and dreams,
Beating up myself I heard
My thoughts become loud screams.

Then one day the Son of God
Came to my barren shores;
Something deep drew me to
Seek His presence to know more.

Demons shouted in my soul,
They shook my troubled frame;
Calling them to let me loose.
He sent them on their way.

Buried underneath the sea
Along with fear of death;
Sin lost power over me
And I received fresh breath.

Now, I have a message for
My neighbors and my friends;
Jesus’ love still brought to bring
Me peace to live again.

(Luke 8: 22-39)

Beckie Hutchings
2/13/2017
Church News

Lenten and Easter Activities at Emmanuel UMC

The most important season in the life of the church is Lent. This is the season that allows us to reflect on the final days of Jesus Christ and what they mean. Emmanuel UMC is holding many activities and special events for everyone in the Beltsville community. The first day of Lent is March 1, Ash Wednesday. Emmanuel will celebrate with a special Wednesday service beginning at 7 pm. Participants will meet at Panera Bread, 10914 Baltimore Ave, Beltsville, MD 20705. This is a 6-week study, and everyone is welcome.

On Thursday, March 2, the church’s Lenten Bible study, Near the Cross, begins at 7 pm. Participants will meet at Queen’s Chapel on the site of Metzerott Rd. and University Blvd. (at the intersection of Metzerott Rd. and University Blvd.).

GriefShare is a network of 12,000 churches worldwide equipped to offer grief support groups. The program is non-denominational and features biblical concepts for healing from grief. The program includes a video seminar, group discussion, and a personal workbook. There is a $15 fee for the workbook. GriefShare leaders have experienced grief and have successfully rebuilt their lives. They understand the healing power of God and what it means. Emmanuel UMC is hosting a GriefShare group. The program includes a video study, and everyone is welcome.

On Saturday, March 4, there will be a pancake supper from 6–8 pm with activities for the whole family. Tickets are $10 for adults, $5 for children 3 years to 10 years old, and free for children 2 and under. This will be a great family event. On Saturday, April 8, there will be a community Easter egg hunt on the lawn with games, crafts, refreshments, and a visit from the Easter Bunny. The hunt is for children 2–12 years of age.

April 9 is Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week. Emmanuel will be celebrating with its annual Easter Cantata, a celebration of the Lenten season through a musical program performed by the choir and praise band ministries. This is an awesome worship experience that begins at 10 am and will be followed by a small reception and meet-and-greet. The entire community is invited to attend.

Thursday, April 13, is Maundy Thursday or Holy Thursday. Emmanuel will hold its traditional Holy Thursday service to remember the Last Supper. This is a very moving and informative service. It will be followed by the annual Seder meal tasting, a chance to experience the foods of the traditional Jewish Seder meal as well as a time to meet the members and attendees of Emmanuel.

Good Friday is the day in which the church remembers the death of Jesus. Join Emmanuel at 7 pm for the Tenebrae or dark service. This service brings to life the final hours of Jesus’s time here on earth. It is a soul-stirring service that you don’t want to miss.

Finally, on Sunday April 15, join Emmanuel as it celebrates the joy of the resurrection! There will be 2 services, the 9 am contemporary and 11:15 traditional. Sunday school for the young ones and Bible study for the adults will take place from 10:15–11am! Emmanuel hopes your family can join this joyous occasion.

Unless otherwise noted, all events will take place at Emmanuel UMC, 11416 Cedar Lane, Beltsville, MD 20705. You can find out more information by visiting the church website, www.eumcbeltsville.com, or calling the church office 301.937.7114.

Wallace Presbyterian Church in College Park to Hold Grief Counseling Sessions

Wallace Presbyterian Church in College Park, MD, is beginning a 13-week grief support group on Tuesday, March 7 at 7 pm. The group is open to all, and the church is located at 3725 Metzerott Rd., College Park (at the intersection of Metzerott Rd. and University Blvd.).

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MARCH 2017

Calendar of Events

TUESDAY MOVIE MATINEE
See the featured movie for Thur., Mar. 9 is Sully. The featured movie for Thur., Mar. 23 is Mary Poppins Returns. Start time is 10 a.m. and the end time is about 12 noon. Popcorn will be provided. Cost: Free.

WINTER WALK
Tues., Mar. 14 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Ages 3 – 4. It may be a gusty, blustery morning. Suitable for Mons. to Thurs., 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Ages 14 and up. How do you approach animals without spooking them? What equipment do you really need to create publishable pictures? Discover how to take your camera work one step closer to your ideal wildlife image. The class is designed for beginner and intermediate photographers.

BELTSVILLE EVENTS

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIBRARY (NAL)
Free and open to the public. Regular hours of operation are Mon. – Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except for Federal holidays. The library is located at 10301 Baltimore Ave., near Sunnyside Ave. Parking is free. Main phone number: 301.504.5755. NAL is on the Internet at library.maryland.gov/ National_Ag_Lib. See NAL.USDA.gov for more information.

BELTSVILLE CITIZENS ASSOC. MEETING
March 15 at 7 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Beltsville Academy, 4300 Wichomo Ave. Please plan to attend.

BEHNEKE NURSERIES GARDEN CENTER
11300 Baltimore Ave. Please call 301.937.1100, ext. 0 or see Behnke.com for more information and events. PLANTING A POLLINATOR GARDEN
Sat., Mar. 4 at 11 a.m. Do you want to attract native bees and butterflies to your yard? There’s more to it than just summer bloomers! Discover the best plants to use in our area and how to plant a pollinator garden. Cost: Free.

THE LOW DOWN ON LAWNS
Sun., Mar. 12 at 2 p.m. Learn about different kinds of lawn grass, how to prepare for the new lawn, Overseeding an existing lawn, correct watering tech- niques, etc. Cost: Free.

BONSAI AUCTION
Sat., Mar. 25. Pick up your bidding number from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. The auction starts at 10 a.m. and ends at 12 noon. Sponsored by the Baltimore Bonsai Club. Bid on all kinds of bonsai plants and materials. This event will be full of bonsai enthusiasts from begin- ners to experts, so stop by, have fun, and bring your questions. Open to the public. Free admission. More info at www.baltimorebonsaiclub.com.

AMARYLLIDS: THE GARDENER’S FRIEND
Sat., Apr. 1 at 11 a.m. Mark the date! Pestered with rabbits, groundhogs, voles, deer? Do tulips and hycanthus droop and disappear for you, even without the varmints? Bulbs in the amaryllis family are your friends. You can find something blooming for every season—and most are hardy and will thrive for you. Presented by Jim Dron- enburg, ex-longtime Behnke perennial employee. Cost: Free.

BELTSVILLE LIBRARY
The library is located at 4319 Sell- man Rd., Beltsville, next to the police station. Main phone number: 301.937.0294. Regular hours of operation are Mon. – Thur. from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fri. from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sat. from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., closed on Sunday. Visit our library system website at www.pgcmls.info to check for weather-related closings and to use our online library services.

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
KIDS ACHIEVE CLUB
Mondays in March from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Homework help and reading practice for students K through 6th. Call the branch for more information.

CHESS CLUB
Tuesdays, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Drop in to learn to play or improve your game. All ages welcome.

READY TO READ PRESCHOOL STORYTIMES
Tuesdays at 7 p.m., repeated on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Ages 3 – 5.

READY TO READ TODDLER STORYTIME
Wednesday mornings at 11:30 a.m. for ages 2 – 3 years old.

READY TO READ BABY STORYTIME
Thursday mornings at 11:15 a.m. Ages birth – 2 years old.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, DR. SEUSS!
Wed., Mar. 1 from 10 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Celebrate Dr. Seuss’s birthday with stories, fun, and games!

STEM FOR FAMILIES
Wed. from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sally Ride: Who Wants To Be an Astronaut? Mary Ann Jung will portray Sally Ride. Ages 5 to 12 years.

IEAD TUTORING AND MENTORING
Two Saturdays: Mar. 4 and 18 from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Homework help for students in grades 6 through 8.

TAIL WAGGIN’ TUTOR
Two sessions: Sat., Mar. 18 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. and Tue., Mar. 21 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Children read to dogs. Age 5 to 12. For information, call or visit the branch.

BELTSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER
3900 Sellman Rd., Beltsville, Phone: 301.937.6613. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512. Regular hours of operation are Mon. – Thur. from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fri. from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sat. from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., closed on Sunday. Hours of operation for Xtreme Teens and Pre-teens: Fri. – Sat. from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Contact the center regarding events for March.

YOUNG AT HEART CLUB
The Beltsville Young at Heart meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 12 noon. Members must be at least 55 years old. If you visit us three times you can become a member. We have speakers, entertainment, trips, 50/50, bingo, plus light refreshments. Call Jean at 301.870.4304 with any questions.

STRATEGY GAME CLUB
Mondays from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Enjoy board games, strategy games, and fun of all skill levels. Any game can be played as well as brought to the club to be played. Cost: Free. All ages.

XTREME TEENS AND PRE-TEENS REGULAR EVENTS
Fridays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Free with valid Center ID card. Ages 10 – 17.

VANSWICK COMMUNITY CENTER
6813 Ammendale Rd., Vans- ville, Phone: 301.937.6621. Fax: 301.937.6623. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512. Regular hours of operation are Mon. – Thur. from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fri. from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sat. from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sun. from 12 noon to 4 p.m. Hours of operation for Xtreme Teens: Fri. – Sat. from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Contact the center regarding events for March.

XTREME TEENS AND PRE-TEENS REGULAR EVENTS
Fridays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Ages 10 – 17. Free with valid Center ID card.
The other day I had a special lunch. In the store here at Ridderwood they sell convenience items like milk, bread, snacks, etc. I picked up two items, a small can of Armour Potted Meat and V8 juice, and made lunch out of them. It struck me well that both products are exactly the same as they were 70 years ago; they look the same and taste the same as I remember. There are a couple of others just off the top of my head: Campbell’s Tomato Soup and canned chili. You may think of some, too, I call the potted meat and Vienna sausages, sardines hobo food.

Last month’s cookie recipe as printed included a mistake. It reads 1 1/2 tsp soda; it should be 1/2 tsp soda. Make the change, please.

The medicine labels are getting confusing, I almost took a sip of one used only for cleaning my leg. For the past few months I have been fighting a bout of cellulites. (I know it is spelled wrong but I’m a baker!) So last week I took all my partly used tubes and dumped them on my doctors’ desk, and we played medicine roulette. He tossed out 3 and added 2. I need to take care of the only leg I have left.

This month’s recipe is for butter cookies. Be sure to mix all ingredients together. This is a tasty butter cookie, the backbone of cookies in the bakery; we called them tea cookies. Here is how to make them. Begin with 2 3/4 cups sugar 

1/2 stick butter

shot of vanilla Stir or cream together well. Add 1 egg Stir in 1 cup all-purpose flour and 1 1/2 tsp. soda! The dough should be firm but not sticky. Spoon out and roll into balls. Then, press down in center with your thumb and bake light brown in an oven heated to 400 degrees for 8 minutes or so.

Bill Raulin aka bill@bakerbill.net @Riderwood
Beltsville News

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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Mr. Zachary Hooker
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www.griefshare.org.
People who wish to attend
GriefShare at Wallace Presbyte-
rian can come on March 7 or
can begin attending at any point
during the 13 weeks. Each meet-
ing is self-contained and does not
need to be attended in sequence. If
someone misses the earlier meet-
ings, they can pick them up at
Wallace’s next 13-week cycle.
This cycle of GriefShare will con-
clude on May 30.

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felt, Quantz, and William Grant
Still to contemporary wind band
pieces by Arnold, Grainger,
Hearshen, Markowski, and Peter
Graham. The concert is free with
a freewill offering received to help
defray tour expenses.
Wallace Presbyterian is located
at 3725 Metzerott Road at the
intersection with University Bou-
levard.
Dordt College has approxi-
mately 300 US and international
students who participate in the
music program with opportunities
to perform in four choral groups,
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ington Monthly, and The Princ-
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