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Beltsville Briefs

Halloween Party at Emmanuel UMC

On Sunday, Oct. 30, 2011, Emmanuel United Methodist Church will host a Halloween party for kids ages 4 to 18. Parents are also welcome. There will be pumpkin painting, costume contests, and games for children and teenagers. Admission is free and young people and their families from the entire community are invited to dress up and come join the fun. The party will be from 4 to 6 p.m. Emmanuel UMC is located at 11416 Cedar Lane. Visit www.emmanuelumc-beltsville.net or call 301.937.7114 for more information.

Eleanor Roosevelt High School Fall Concert

The Fall Concert at Eleanor Roosevelt High School is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 3, 2011, at 7:30 p.m. in the Eleanor Roosevelt High School auditorium at 7601 Hanover Parkway, Greenbelt, Md. The concert will feature the concert orchestra and the chamber orchestra directed by Dr. David Yarbrough, the wind ensemble and the concert band directed by Sally Wagner, and the concert choir and men's ensemble directed by Michele Fowlin. The ERHS band, orchestra and choir programs draw students from all over northern Prince George's County. The concert is open to the public and admission is free.

Beltsville Lions Blood Drive

The Beltsville Lions cordially invite your participation in their quarterly blood drive on Tuesday, Nov. 10, from 3 to 6:45 p.m. at Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane, Beltsville. Professional staff of MedStar will conduct the blood donations.

The donations are done in a very efficient manner, and waiting time is kept at a minimum. Please consider donating if you are able to do so. You could give no better gift to someone in dire need of a transfusion.

If you can do it and are interested in helping with a blood donation, please call Lion Ted Ladd at 301.937.6796 or e-mail

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Hoyer Participates in Ribbon Cutting Ceremony & Tour of ATK's Spacecraft Systems and Services Facility in Beltsville

On October 7, 2011, Congressman Steny H. Hoyer (MD-5) attended the grand opening of two new facilities at ATK's Spacecraft Systems and Services facility in Beltsville, Md. This expansion will allow ATK to meet increased demand for its premier aerospace products and technologies from government, commercial and international customers. It will also result in the addition of up to 50 new manufacturing positions and could yield an additional 150 jobs in the next 12 to 18 months.

"I am pleased to join the men and women of ATK today to help officially open their new facilities," stated Congressman Hoyer.



"Both our short-term jobs recovery and long-term economic competitiveness depend on sustaining and expanding our advanced

manufacturing sector, which is exactly what is happening here

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Save the World Saves the Bay



Front (from left): Cindy Villacorta, Shiana Spencer, Raynice Caudle, Vivian Nyiam-Asare, Yaire Romero (all 4th grade), Laura Espinal (5th grade); Middle (from left): Samaa Zaman, Stephanie Arevalo, Johana Rodas (all 4th grade); Back (from left): Nathan Nana and Jhoan Romero (both 5th grade).

By Samaa Zaman, Shiana Spencer, Cindy Villacorta, and Vivian Nyim-Asare (Save the World Student Members)

Save the World is a group of kids who stay after school every Thursday. We made Calverton Elementary a green school. We all do projects, and they all help save the world, like going to Jane Goodall's speech and stenciling storm drains. Save the World exists because we saw horrible things happening to the Earth and we wanted to change it, so we created Save the World.

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Students at High Road Upper School in Beltsville, Md., are excited about their new checking accounts.



The High Road to Banking

The High Road Upper School of Prince George's County (12050 Baltimore Avenue, Beltsville, Md.) is committed to providing students

with the experiences and skills needed to live independently. Inherent to the High Road Upper School program are the educational supports in place to

assist students.

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On the Agenda



Karen Coakley

BY PRESIDENT KAREN M. COAKLEY

Larry Pendleton will give an update on the proposed restaurant for the old Circuit City store. Please join us on Wednesday, Nov. 16. The meeting begins at 7 p.m.

High School Marching Band competition will be held at High Point High School on Wednesday, Nov. 2. Stop by to listen to some great music and show our community support for High Point High School.

The Train Transfer Facility has not been eliminated. They will have another open house on Monday, Nov. 21 at Beltsville Academy to discuss the Beltsville location for the proposed Intermodal Train Transfer Facility.

The Prince George's County Police have a new website for crime information at www.crimereports.com. If interested, sign up to receive information for the Beltsville area.

FIRE SAFETY TIPS: Homeowners and property managers need to take action now, during mild weather conditions, to schedule heating equipment cleaning

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25 Years Ago in the Beltsville News

By Phil Whitman

*Extracted from the
November 1986 issue*

Engagement Announced

Patricia Marie McCarthy became engaged to Scott Keith Marple.

Norris Receives Award

Karl N. Norris, research leader at Agriculture Research Center in Beltsville, received the Thomas Burr Osborne Medal Award and AACC Honorary Membership.

New Arrivals

Kelly and Mike Ewell announced the birth of their son, Kyle Leslie, born on Oct. 2, 1986.

Lori Schroeder Allen and Benjamin L. Allen announced the birth of their son, Benjamin James Allen, on Sept. 28, 1986.

Service News

Marine Lance Cpl. Luis A. Martinez was stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

Army Pvt. Michael R. Jackson was on duty at Fort Drum, New York.

Wedding Vows Exchanged

On Oct. 4, 1986 Nancy Brotemarkle became the bride of William Shirey, son of Mrs. Doris Shirey and the late Clayton Shirey of Beltsville.

Michele Marie Merryman became the bride of Gilbert Lockwood McClurg, Jr., on Sept. 20, 1986.

Obituaries

Richard I-Cheng Liang passed away on Oct. 14, 1986.

Annie V. Greney of Greenbelt passed away on Nov. 4, 1986.

William F. Freeman of Beltsville passed away on Nov. 4, 1986.

William E. Rogers of Beltsville passed away on Nov. 4, 1986.

Jeff W. Irons of Beltsville passed away on Oct. 28, 1986.

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Neighbors in the News

National Active and Retired Federal Employees Chapter 1122 Northern Prince Georges County

The monthly meeting will be on Nov. 9, 1:30 p.m., in the Terrace Room, Greenbriar Community Building, 7600 Hanover Parkway, Greenbelt, Md. Please call the office for directions, 301.441.1096 and dial "0." We are still seeking a speaker.

Riderwood Resident Lou Cross Makes Holes-in-One

Riderwood retirement community resident Lou Cross – incredibly – has made 13 holes-in-one since he became a member of Heritage Harbour Golf Club in Annapolis, Md., 12 years ago. He made three holes-in-one during an eight-week period this past summer, concluding with an ace on the 87-yard No. 5 hole.

Cross, 87, is a retired nationally

acclaimed pediatrician from the Mayo Clinic. He won the Heritage Harbour Golf Club's championship in 1998. He does not believe in the tradition of buying drinks after making a hole-in-one, nor will he accept a drink from anyone else.

"It's exciting to see the ball go into the cup," said Cross, whose preferred greeting is a fist bump, not a handshake. "The hole is not big. Sometimes I feel like I can stand over it all afternoon and not be able to drop the ball in it."

Cross once carried a 3-handicap. He is now a 7-handicap. He plays golf as much as he likes, crediting Alice, his wife of nearly 65 years, for allowing him to do so.

"I love the game," Cross said. "I enjoy life; I feel blessed."

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GBBA's "Beltsville First" Program

A business-building campaign supporting greater Beltsville businesses

By Paul G. Zurkowski,
GBBA President

The Greater Beltsville Business Association Board of Directors has given preliminary approval to a campaign, Beltsville First, to encourage Beltsville consumers and businesses to shop in Beltsville. Shopping first in Beltsville will give Beltsville businesses first shot at meeting their needs, which can only add to the consumer's diversity of choice here in Beltsville, Md. The campaign will

map out the locations of Beltsville businesses throughout the large Beltsville 20705 community.

Beltsville First is a boot strap or self-help campaign since each Beltsville business participating in the program will be asked to give a discount or a reward to encourage shopping in Beltsville. As time goes on, Beltsville First will become a self-fulfilling prophecy making a greater variety of goods and services available to shoppers in Beltsville, Md.

As Beltsville businesses attract

shoppers to Beltsville they will operate on a par with and complementary to businesses expected to populate Konterra within the next five years. The Beltsville community will benefit as a close neighbor of this major Atlantic Coast shopping, living and business development in Prince George's County. Beltsville will offer local business, industrial and bedroom district support as Konterra emerges and grows.

Beltsville First customers will be recognized as working with the

business community to enliven the Beltsville shopping experience and will enjoy a Beltsville brand of customer service to their liking. A key advantage to shopping Beltsville First is that customers have on-site access to most Beltsville business owners, a real asset to shoppers.

The Beltsville First program is scheduled to launch in January 2012 just as GBBA starts its second year of serving the Beltsville community and its businesses.

Scouting For Food

November is Scouting for Food month in our area. Each year the Boy Scouts of America team up with Safeway and WUSA-TV to collect food for the hungry. Look for plastic grocery bags marked "Scouting for Food" on your doors on the weekend of Nov. 5th and 6th. Please fill these bags with canned goods or non-perishable food and place them near your front door on the morning of Saturday, Nov. 12. It's best to place them outside your door on Friday evening so you don't forget. The scouts will come by between 9 a.m. and 12 noon and will pick up the bags of canned goods. Please,

no glass containers! The food collected will be given to St. Joseph's Catholic Church and to Emmanuel United Methodist Church, both of which have food pantries for distribution to those in need in the Beltsville area. Please be as generous as you can. Last year's collection of food was distributed on the very same day it was collected! There is a strong need in our community for your contributions. If you are in need of food or know of someone who is, please contact St. Joseph Catholic Church rectory at 301.937.7183 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.



Scouts are collecting food for the needy on Saturday, Nov. 12th.



Prince George's County Executive Rushern L. Baker, III congratulates President/CEO of Prince George's Community Federal Credit Union, Cindy Prestan-drea on the opening of the Bowie Branch.

Prince George's Community FCU Opens a New Branch and Headquarters in Bowie

Prince George's Community Federal Credit Union (PGFCFU) had a wonderful ribbon-cutting event at their new Bowie, Md., branch on Sept. 28, 2011. The PGFCFU ribbon-cutting had extensive members of the community attending their event including County Executive Rushern L. Baker, III; County Council Chairwoman, Ingrid M. Turner; the Greater Bowie Chamber of Commerce and many more.

The PGFCFU Bowie branch offers a full service drive-through

with drive-up ATMs, remote teller access, coin machine, and more! Offering a branch to our membership within Bowie was the best thing to service the community. Since 1967, PGFCFU has been serving the Prince George's County government employees with exceptional and personable service, and, since 2006, the community of Prince George's County: those who live, work, worship, or volunteer within the county have the ability to take advantage of credit union membership.

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Design Tricks

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Michael and Valerie will help you.

Here are some room-by-room tips from Michael and Valerie. Freshen up your entry hall area with one of Benjamin Moore's velvety colors such as Monroe Bisque, Weston Flax or Bleecker Beige. Add pizzazz to your powder room with one of Will's in-stock funky wallpapers. In the kitchen, install reflective glass tile on your backsplash for color and interest. Consider running it to the ceiling to elongate a smaller kitchen. Remember to declutter the countertops, storing away appliances and papers in cabinets or in the basement. Reupholstering a chair, new pillows on the sofa, and soft dupioni silk panels gently gracing the windows will have your guests marveling at your newly updated living room. Continue the flow of colors into your dining room by reupholstering your dining chairs with a coordinating fabric and selecting a fabulous Masland area rug to go under the dining room table. You can find all of these wonderful design products at Will's Home Decorating. There is still time left to update your home before your guests arrive if you call Michael and Valerie (301.937.6100) today.

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Rosapepe's Report to Beltsville

By Senator Jim Rosapepe (D-21)

Congressional Redistricting Moves Three Precincts to District 4

Because the U.S. Constitution requires that a census be taken every 10 years to ensure an equal representation on the basis of population, the boundaries of elective districts often need to be redrawn. Delegates Barbara Frush, Joseline Peña-Melnyk, Ben Barnes and I joined a special session of the legislature last month to vote on the new congressional and school board districts.

The school board boundaries will remain the same for Beltsville, and most of the community will remain in Congressional District 5 with Congressman Hoyer. However, because the population of the fifth district grew the most, certain areas had to be re-assigned to Congressional District 4. Three precincts will now be represented by Congresswoman Donna Edwards. Voters whose polling locations are Calverton Elementary, High Point High School, or Riderwood Retirement Community will have the new representation. Also, those who live in Adelphi and vote at Hillandale Baptist Church will move to District 4.

The result of this is that we now



Senator Jim Rosapepe

have two outstanding members of Congress, Rep. Hoyer and Rep. Edwards, who will be voices for Beltsville's needs. To learn more about Rep. Edwards, we encourage you to visit her website at www.donnaedwards.house.gov, and we all greatly look forward to working with her in our area.

Second Round of Public Workshops on Proposed CSX Train/Truck Station

As many residents are very aware, Beltsville is one of the proposed locations for a new facil-

ity that will allow the transfer of freight trailers and containers between trains and trucks. The suggested location is on Beltsville Agricultural Research Center property north of Sunnyside Ave. Their plan could have a significant impact on traffic and the environment in Beltsville.

The Delegates and I maintain our strong opposition to the Beltsville location for the new facility, but it's still being considered by MD Department of Transportation. A second public workshop will be held on Monday, Nov. 21 at 7 p.m. at Beltsville Academy. An update on the project will be given, and the public will have the opportunity to ask questions and make comments. If you haven't yet signed the petition in opposition to the Beltsville location, please visit www.21stdistrictdelegation.com.

Contact Us

As always, please let Delegates Barbara Frush, Joseline Peña-Melnyk or Ben Barnes 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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Cub Scout Pack 1031 is off to a fantastic year. We worked very hard this year recruiting and have 12 new scouts. The Cubs and Webelos will be having fun with a purpose all year long on Monday evenings at the Beltsville Academy. If you want to join Cub Scouts, come by and see us.

We will be led this year by our new Cubmaster Kevin D'Eustachio with the able help of our Committee Chair, Eric Saathoff. We have lots of great plans including camping, popcorn sales, the annual Pinewood Derby and Blue and Gold dinner. We will also learn about citizenship, responsibility, games, and have tons of fun.

Cub Pack 1031 has been chartered to Beltsville Elementary since 1966.

On Oct. 14, 2011, leaders and scouts from Pack 1031, Pack 298 and Troop 746 supported the Prince George's District recruiting effort by handing out information



Henry and Daniel S. help promote scouting at the Greenbelt Metro Stop

flyers at the Greenbelt Metro. This is part of an effort to improve the visibility of scouting here, in the county. We know scouting is here

but many parents and youth in the county have no idea that scouting is alive and well here in Prince George's County.

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and inspections. There are some basic maintenance matters that homeowners can take care of now.

- Clean clutter from around your furnace and water heaters.

- Visually inspect your furnace, ventilation pipes and chimneys for obvious signs of damage.

- Install and maintain smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors in your home and place of work. Test alarms monthly, and replace batteries at least once a

year.

Any questions or concerns or our community I can be reached at 301.937.3490 or karenmcoakley@verizon.net. Bring a Friend Bring a Neighbor to our November 16th meeting.

Neighbors in the News

Save the World! Shares Projects with Dr. Jane Goodall

By Katie Swanson,
Save the World!
Environmental Club
Sponsor

On Sunday, Sept. 18, Save the World! Environmental Club had the amazing opportunity to spend the day with world-renowned conservationist, Dr. Jane Goodall. Club members set up a display table at American University and shared projects with other student and adult environmental organizations. Members then presented a showcase of recent projects in a short speech to Goodall. She said she was proud of all that Save the World! has accomplished so far to help the planet and was impressed by our dedication.

Save the World! then flew the 10-foot giant peace dove puppet



(From left): Stephanie Arevalo, Jhoan Romero, Katie Swanson, Shiana Spencer, Dr. Jane Goodall, Cindy Villacorta, Rheana Putney, Samaa Zaman, Laura Espinal, and Nunyat Tefera.

that we constructed as part of a peace parade escorting Goodall to an interview in honor of the United Nations International Day of Peace. Goodall spoke about the importance of young people working together to help people, animals, and the environment

and to promote peace. Save the World! has been a proud member of Goodall's international network of Roots and Shoots environmental organizations for five years and we were honored to have this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to share our work with her.

Neighbors in the News

Beltsville Community Health Fair Builds a Bridge to a Healthy Future

By Sabina Akhter and
Maureen Apugo

It's that time of year again, folks; the University of Maryland's School of Public Health and the Beltsville Community Center will be hosting its annual Community Health Fair on Saturday, Nov. 19, 2011, at the Beltsville Community Center at 3900 Sellman Road from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This Bridge to a Healthy Future themed event will have free screenings available for blood pressure, body fat, hearing, oral cancer and vision, just to mention a few. There will also be a fun germ glow table for the kids so they are not left out of the excite-

ment. In addition, University of Maryland students, as well as area health organizations and hospitals, will provide health information and activities on a variety of topics, including diabetes, obesity, blood pressure, prenatal care, breast cancer and shingles, among many others. Flu shots will also be available at a small fee just in time for the winter season ahead. The health fair is free and open to the public; all are welcome to attend. There will also be free raffles and door prizes; the grand prize is an Ipod nano.

This Bridge to a Healthy Future fair promises to be an informative, fun-filled event for you, your

family and friends. In addition to the many health-related activities, you will walk away with great information you can use in the future. We hope to see you Saturday, Nov. 19, 2011, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Beltsville Community Center. Come cross the bridge with us to a healthier, happier future.



New Director

Jeremy Weiss is the new Director of the Vansville Community Center. Mr. Weiss is a native Prince George's County resident. He attended Prince George's County Public Schools and then received his B.S. degree in anthropology from the University of Maryland, College Park. He previously served at the Beltsville, Good Luck, and Bladensburg Community Centers. "Please feel free to come in, check out what we have to offer, or even just stop by and say Hi," says Weiss.

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Neighbors in the News

Emmanuel United Methodist Church Presents "The Year Without A Santa Claus"

By Rick Bergmann

Emmanuel UMC in Beltsville is producing "The Year Without a Santa Claus," a musical for the entire family. The show is based on the book by Phyllis McGinley and is a wonderful show for everyone and features songs such as Snow Miser, Heat Miser, Blue Christmas and many more.

The story is fun and interesting with a few twists and turns along the way. When Santa (John Stewart) decides that no one cares about him and he is too sick to deliver toys this year, he cancels Christmas and decides to take a vacation. Mrs. Claus (Bobbie Deegan)

decides to take matters into her own hands and sends Jingle Bells (DeeDee Musachio), Jangle Bells (Patrick McGroarty) and Dancer the reindeer (Merton Baird) down to South Town, Florida to find some Christmas spirit so that Santa will know that people still care about him. Along the way, they meet a lot of different characters including Iggy Thistlewhite (Marcus Baird) and his mother (Alice White) and a few more interesting characters. They also run into trouble when they come across Heat Miser (Hannah Butcher) and Snow Miser (Alex Butcher), the two beings who control the weather for the north and

south. Charlie Deegan also pops up as the mayor of Southtown. This is a great story with a wonderful Christmas message for children and adults of all ages. Rick Bergmann is returning as director of the show.

There will be three chances to see the show, Dec. 9 and 10 at 7 p.m. and Dec. 11 at 2 p.m. Tickets will be \$5 and children 3 and under are free. You can reserve tickets online by emailing us at tickets@emmanuelumcbeltsville.net or calling the church office at 301.937.7114. They will go on sale about the middle of November. So bring the whole family and get some Christmas spirit this December.

Club News

Beltsville Young at Heart

By Barbara Schofield

We had our trip to Suicide Bridge to eat crabs on the riverboat. It was a glorious weather day. The food included crab soup, chicken, corn on the cob, cole slaw and loads of crabs. Everything was delicious. A one-man band played for us as we sailed along the river. A quick stop was made on the way home at a farm-

er's market. At the Oct. 6, 2011, meeting, Blanch set up a committee to get a ballot ready to elect new officers for next year. If you are interested in running for an office, please let Blanch know; we need new people. The second November meeting will be our Thanksgiving dinner at Savage Mill in the Great Room. There will be raffles, door prizes and 50/50 drawings. Be sure to sign up; don't

get left out. Bob is getting the list of new trips ready to be available the first of next month.

Life is like riding a bicycle; to keep your balance, you must keep moving. Worry often gives a small thing a big shadow. We meet at the Beltsville Community Center on first and third Thursdays of the month. Come visit; you might like us.

Country-Western Night at College Park Moose Lodge #453

Back by popular demand, Saturday, Nov. 19, 2011, is the date for another country-western night featuring the great Dixie Wind Band. Put on that cowboy hat and boots, or come as you are, and listen and dance to this wonderful music. Dinner is included in the ticket price. Dinner is at 6 to 7:30

p.m., music begins at 7:30 p.m. Get your tickets early for best table seating; this is a popular event. Open to the public.

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Beltsville Rotary Happenings of Note



Sonja Festerling, Beltsville Rotarian and daughter of the founder of Behnke's Nursery, checking out the Chinese Raffle prize table at the 4th annual Chili Cook-Off held on October 8. Many Rotarians were on hand to work this event.

By Ivy Christoffers

Life has been interesting and very eventful lately for our Beltsville Rotarians. President Eleanor F. has been on travel as well as joining her husband on weekend road rallies when at home. She is a busy lady. Secretary Joyce M. is busy setting up the dictionary distribution at the area schools. We have participated in this program for several years where every third grade student in the county receives his/her very own dictionary. Approximately 65,000 dictionaries are personally placed into the hands of these young students who are delighted to have this very important educational tool.

A very interesting speaker we had the pleasure to meet and greet this last month was Dierdre R. Gardner, Director of Victim Services of Maryland Crime Victim's Resource Center (MCVRC) Inc. Until 2002, this organization was known as The Stephanie Roper Commission and Foundation. "Dee" gave an excellent presentation. Although she has worked for MCVCR for only the past three years, she has excellent credentials. Holding a Master's Degree in Social Studies from the University of Maryland, Dee worked in the Baltimore City State's Attorney Office for sixteen years prior to moving on to her current position. MCVCR provides crime victims and their families with a number of free benefits including, victim's services, counseling services and legal services. Her talk made it a

very interesting and informative afternoon.

Now I must report on the fourth amazing Chili Cook-Off held on Oct. 8th at Behnke's. It was a phenomenal day. Mother Nature cooperated by sending us absolutely beautiful weather. Stephanie Fleming and her committee went above and beyond in bringing together the community. Youth With a Future from High Point High School assisted by selling the chili sampling kits, the Boy Scouts of Troop 1033 were in charge of the water station, and Rusty Lunchbox, a four-piece Rock & Roll Band, played to everyone's delight. Other attractions included a cupcake stand with delicious cupcakes that were works of art, Service Dogs with trainers, and the great Chili cooks, professional and beginners, all came together to provide a great day for attendees. The community was very generous in providing forty prizes for the Chinese Raffle table with everything from gift cards, autographed books, numbered prints, sports equipment and jerseys, a lovely doll, wine and caddy, electronic equipment, hot pepper chili ware, a Bavarian Nutcracker, a tour of The National Zoo for 10, a three in one breakfast maker, even a large pumpkin and a great many more items. There were too many prizes to mention. Just know that the Beltsville Rotary Club is extremely grateful for the generosity of our many friends who knew that all the proceeds realized were being pumped back into the com-

munity through the many charities we support and the educational scholarships we award to deserving students. This has become one of our favorite annual events chaired by past president, John Moynihan, who did a great job.

Our next event will be the Ringing of the Bells for The Salvation Army while collecting donations in their famous red kettles to help with their holiday spending for less fortunate families. This is another event that depends on generous giving to be successful. Our club still meets at noon on Tuesdays at The Holiday Inn in College Park. Why not come by and check us out?

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Club News



College Park Unit #217 Celebrates Our Youth

By Ivy Christoffers

The youth of our community continue to amaze us with their positive accomplishments and we are honored to recognize them for their achievements. Each year, we support our youngest citizens who participate in various programs, including our annual Americanism Essay contest, Girl and Boy State citizens, high scholastic achievers, JROTC boys and girls, and the Eagle Scouts and Gold Girl Scout honorees.

On Oct. 15, 2011, Post and Unit #217 held their 26th annual Youth Appreciation Day. The NJROTC from Northwestern High School advanced the colors; Americanism essay winners read their essays; and the Governor of Girl's State, Briana Hall, delivered a moving

speech of her activities and her week at Girl's State. Greetings were brought from the American Legion Auxiliary, Dept. of Maryland, by 1st Vice President, Ivy Christoffers, who congratulated the students on their accomplishments and praised the parents and teachers for their guidance of our youth. College Park Mayor, Andrew Fellows, brought greetings and congratulated the students, saying he was assured our country's future was in great hands. Past Unit President, Angela Rodriguez, and her committee orchestrated this event, which was very nicely done.

Additionally newsworthy is the Monday night Shotgun Bingo, held in the lounge, that is coming along by leaps and bounds under the leadership of June Stewart, and the upcoming indoor yard sale scheduled for Nov. 5, 2011, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Eight-foot tables are available for a rental fee of

\$10. Call the Post at 301.441.2783 to reserve your table. Rain or shine, this is being held inside the Post. This is a great opportunity to clean out your home in time for the holidays and to shop for the gifts you will be looking to present to your loved ones at Christmas. Our Thursday, Friday and Sunday dinners are still ongoing. We do have some remarkable cooks in Unit and Post #217. KC has been cooking up some bodacious pork barbecue for Saturday afternoons. Come out and try to tempt your taste buds.

This is a reminder to honor our Veterans, at least on the 11th day of the 11th month of the 11th year. Attend a Veteran's Day ceremony in your area or the very well-done ceremony held at the College Park Veteran's Memorial at the corner of Route 1 and Greenbelt Road. Say a prayer for our Troops who remain in harm's way. God Bless America.

Beltsville Briefs

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tedladd02@aol.com to schedule a time, or you may just walk in. Appointments are at 15-minute intervals starting at 3 p.m.

Sunday Nov. 13 is Friend Day at Cross Creek Apostolic Church

Cross Creek Apostolic Church, located at 12511 Old Gunpowder Road, Beltsville, Md., will celebrate Friend Day beginning at 10 a.m. on Nov. 13, 2011.

This special day is set aside for the church to recognize its members' many friends. The public is cordially invited to celebrate this event culminating a month of studies on friendship. The event begins at 10 a.m. with special music, praise and worship, and will conclude with guest speaker Rev. Bill Hobson from Longwood, Fla. The children's ministry will provide special classes for ages 2 to 13. Refreshments will be provided immediately after the service. Please plan to attend this

special event.

For more information, contact Cross Creek Apostolic Church at 301.498.6006 or Pastor Overton at 301.498.1764.

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Obituaries

Altobelli, Anna L. (age 84)

On Saturday, Oct. 8, 2011, of Beltsville, Md.; beloved wife of the late Alfred Altobelli, mother of Mark J., Gregory L. Altobelli and Anne Marie (Daniel Rieck); grandmother of Michael Altobelli, Daniel Rieck, Jr., Alison Rieck and the late Matthew Altobelli; Mass of Christian burial was celebrated at St. Joseph Catholic Church at 11007 Montgomery Road, Beltsville, Md., on Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2011, at 10 a.m. Monsignor Mariano Balbago officiated the ceremony with the interment at Gate of Heaven Cemetery; Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church building fund; www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com

Beyer, George L. Jr. (age 92)

George L. Beyer, Jr., of Beltsville, Md.; husband of the late Mary Ellen Beyer; father of Kathryn (George) Yoder and Jean (Dave) Rogers; grandfather of Stephen, Anne, Katie and Becky; brother-in-law of Nancy Sandoz; also survived by several nieces and nephews; Borgwardt Funeral Home held the funeral service at 4400 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville, Md., on Friday, Oct. 14, 2011, at 10 a.m.; Interment at George Washington Cemetery Adelphi, Maryland; Memorial contributions may be made to Potomac River Power Squadron, Berwyn Baptist Church or Young at Heart Club of Beltsville; www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com



Charlotte Eccard

Eccard, Charlotte Clopper

Charlotte Catherine Clopper Eccard, 91, died on Thursday, Sept. 1, 2011, at Renaissance Gardens at Riderwood, Silver Spring, Md. The cause of death was complications from a femur fracture. Eccard was born and raised in Clear Spring, Md. She was the daughter of Charles Finley and Lydia Virginia Clopper, and sister of J. Allen Clopper, C. Richard Clopper, Dorothy Beall and Jeanne Shupp, all of whom pre-deceased her. She moved to Baltimore in 1939 and was the first student to graduate from the University of Maryland School of X-Ray. She worked as an X-ray technician in the Baltimore-Washington metropolitan area for approximately 30 years. She and her husband, Edward S. Eccard, married in 1946, moved to Lewisdale in Hyattsville, Md., in 1947, where they were both employed as X-ray technicians. They moved from Lewisdale to Buck Lodge in

Adelphi, Md., in 1956 and back to Lewisdale in 1962. In 1993, Eccard, a widow since 1990, moved to Charlestown Retirement Community in Catonsville, Md., where she lived until her move to Riderwood in 2005. She was a long-time member of University United Methodist Church in College Park, Md.; Emory Grove Association of Baltimore; and, most recently, Emmanuel United Methodist Church in Beltsville, Md. She is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Kathy and Pat Mellott of Beltsville, a son and daughter-in-law, Mike and Cheryl Eccard of Edgewater, two grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. Memorial contributions may be made to the Emory Grove Association of Baltimore, P.O. Box 3656, Glyndon, Md., 21071.

Hammond, Margaret C. (age 87)

On Sunday, Sept. 25, 2011; loving wife to William E. Hammond for 70 years; mother of William Hammond, Jr. (Kathleen), Joseph M. Hammond (Virginia), Steven B. Hammond, Frances E. Simpson (Randy) and Lou E. Taylor (Jeffrey); also survived by 12 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren; Borgwardt Funeral Home in Beltsville, Md., held the funeral service on Friday, Sept. 30, 2011, at 11 a.m. Rev. Warren Litchfield officiated the ceremony with the interment at George Washington Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Arthritis Foundation at P.O. Box 96280, Washington, D.C., 20077. www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com

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Club News

Women's Community Club of Beltsville

Please join us Saturday morning, Nov. 12, 2011, at 9 a.m. on Montgomery Road at the shopping center near Route 1 to participate in our Adopt-A-Road clean-up day. We will be cleaning up Montgomery Road between the shopping center and Sellman Road. Bring gloves.

In a continued effort to reach out to more Beltsville women wanting to serve our community, our next evening meeting will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2011, 7 p.m. at the Three Brothers Res-

taurant in Beltsville, Md. Please join us. Our membership dues are only \$15 per year.

Upcoming regular daytime meetings will be held, as usual, on the second Monday of most months, Nov. 14 and Dec. 12 in 2011; and Feb. 13, March 12, April 9, May 14, and June 11 in 2012 at 12:30 p.m. at Emmanuel United Methodist Church on Cedar Lane.

Our November meeting will be a working meeting for all committees. Planning activities for the

year ahead and identifying more ways to serve the community is our priority. We are also gearing up for our Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday food and gifts giving program for those Beltsville families in need.

Our mission is to serve the Beltsville community. Please remember we are a 501(c) 3 organization and all donations are tax-deductible! If you would like more information about our club, please contact Elaine Chabot, President at ecchabot@aol.com.

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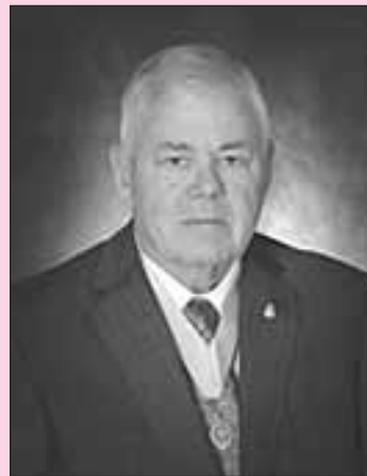
Wesley L Crowder Visits College Park Moose Lodge #253

Contact **Jimmie Cornell,**
Administrator

Wesley L. Crowder, Supreme Governor of the Loyal Order of Moose, will speak at the College Park Moose Lodge #453 at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 6, 2011, as part of his travels across Maryland. The Lodge is located at 3700 Metzert Road, College Park, Md., 20740. For more information about the event, contact the Moose Lodge office at 301.935.5525.

Crowder rose from the post of Supreme Jr. Governor to become the Moose fraternity's Chief Presiding Officer on July 6, 2011, elected by vote of Supreme Lodge Delegates to one term as Supreme Governor, at the organization's 123rd International Convention in Anaheim, Calif.

The Moose organization, headquartered at Mooseheart, Ill., consists of some 1 million men and women in approximately 1,800 Lodges and 1,650 Chapters throughout the United



Wesley L. Crowder

States, Canada, Great Britain, and Bermuda.

The organization owns and operates Mooseheart, a 1,000-acre community and school for youngsters in need, located 40 miles west of Chicago, and Moosehaven, a 70-acre retirement community near Jacksonville, Fla. Additionally, Moose Lodges and Chapters conduct more than \$90 million worth

of community service annually (counting monetary donations, miles driven, and volunteer hours worked). Such community service can be tailored to local needs, but also takes the form of organization-wide programs—such as Tommy Moose, in which Lodges and Chapters provide plush Moose figures free of charge to emergency workers and hospitals to give to children in stressful situations. The Moose Youth Awareness Program is another program where the Moose annually bring together hundreds of bright teenagers for Youth Congresses in which they discuss the most effective ways to conduct "Kids Talks," communicating positive life-choice messages to very young children, ages 4 to 9, in settings such as elementary and pre-schools, day-care centers, Sunday schools, and the like. Moose-trained teens have given "Kids Talks" to nearly 500,000 youngsters across North America since 1990.



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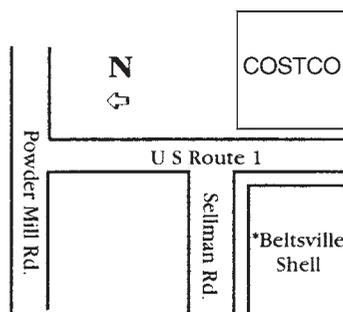


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School News

Vansville Elementary School's 2nd Annual Winter Bazaar

Vansville Elementary School PTA is hosting its 2nd Annual Winter Bazaar Fundraiser on Dec. 10, 2011, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to raise funds for supplies needed for classrooms.

The School is located at 6813 Ammendale Road, Beltsville, Md. The PTA is looking for vendors to

rent tables to sell their arts, crafts, jewelry, accessories, etc. They also are seeking donations, from individuals or businesses, of items they can sell at the PTA table or have in their raffle, as well as baked goods and other snack and beverage items. All proceeds will go back to the school and the

children.

To rent a table, please visit the website at <http://vansvillepta.org/See-Us-in-Action.html/#winterbazaar>. Register before Nov. 25 to get a free additional advertisement.

Vansville Elementary School to Host 2nd Annual Walk for Health

Vansville Elementary School will host our 2nd Annual Walk for Health at Greenbelt Park on Nov. 5 from 9 to 11 a.m. We are encouraging families to come out and walk together for health. This year

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Calverton Elementary Celebrates National Hispanic Heritage Month

By Becky Cavallo

Calverton Elementary held its annual celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month at two special assemblies on Oct. 13 and 14. The shows were coordinated and choreographed by ESOL teacher, Mrs. Sharon Donnella. Students in pre-K through second grade attended the assembly on the 13th and the third, fourth and fifth graders attended on the 14th. Both days the celebration began with a festive parade. Students in colorful native costumes carried the flags from Latin countries, which included Colombia, Guatemala, Mexico, Bolivia, Nicaragua, Peru, Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic, and El Salvador.

Foods that are important to the cultures of these countries were extolled by students who held up samples and gave some facts about the items. These foods—black, red and white beans, tortillas and

rice—are now part of the culture of the United States as well. Rice, which was first introduced to the “New World” in the 16th century, is an important part of the Hispanic diet with rice and bean dishes. Students also gave accolades to some famous Hispanic Americans. Oscar de la Renta, Catherine Ortega (U.S. treasurer), Roberto Clemente (baseball player) and Rita Moreno were among those mentioned.

The rest of the program involved music and dancing. At the performance for the younger grades, music teacher Mrs. Alikei Arbach directed the kindergartners from Mrs. Freeman’s, Ms. Baxley’s and Ms. Hart’s classes in the song, “Mi Cuerpo” (“My Body”). This was followed by second graders from Mrs. Prelovsky’s and Ms. Bellows’ classes

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Glenn Dale United Methodist Church Holds Annual Smorgasbord

By **Sonia Seaton Metelsky, Publicity**

The brisk fall air reminds us of falling leaves, Thanksgiving, and Glenn Dale United Methodist Church's Annual Smorgasbord. All are invited to Glenn Dale UMC on Saturday, Nov. 12, from 4 to 6:30 p.m. to enjoy a delicious home-cooked meal. The low all-you-can-eat prices are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 6 to 12, and free for children younger than 6.

Located near Goddard Space Flight Center, the church is at the intersection of Good Luck and Springfield Roads in Glenn Dale, Md.

Diners will savor traditional turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, baked ham, fried chicken, macaroni and cheese,

greens, sweet potatoes, corn, sauerkraut and kielbasa, green beans, creative casseroles, assorted vegetable, fruit and Jello salads, candied pecans, rolls, beverages, homemade desserts and much more.

During the Smorgasbord, the church will hold a White Elephant Sale with old and new treasures and lots of handmade Christmas decorations. They also will sell fresh Georgia pecans and Heritage t-shirts. The church is collecting non-perishable food for Thanksgiving baskets for needy families. If you wish to contribute, there will be a collection box at the church entrance. Proceeds will benefit the church's general fund.

For information, contact Pat Hughes at 301.262.4457 or 301.262.2299.

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Edwin Martinez and Angie Gonzalez participate in the parade of Hispanic Heritage at Calverton

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singing a song from Puerto Rico entitled "Que Bonita Bandera" ("What a Pretty Flag"). The latter group was accompanied by a percussionist ensemble composed of students from Mr. Hartman's fourth grade class. They were directed by music teacher Mrs. Gabrielle Reed. The percussion instruments were African, Native American, and from the Western Hemisphere.

At the performance for the older grades, Mrs. Arbach directed third grade students from

Ms. Stamps' and Mrs. Joyner's classes in singing the Mexican song, "Las Chiapanecas." Mrs. Reed led the other third graders, those from Mrs. Fulcher's and Ms. Swanson's classes, in the Panamanian song, "Las Polleras," with the fourth grade percussion ensemble accompanying them as well.

The performances ended with students from various grades dancing the bachata and the meringue. The celebration continued in the classrooms with the sharing of delicious food from the children's native cultures.



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I'm Just Wild About Harry

The Riderwood retirement community, in partnership with the Beltsville Library, will offer an I'm Just Wild about Harry! event on Thursday, Nov. 10, from 10 a.m. to noon in the Montgomery Station Classroom.

A discussion of David McCullough's Pulitzer Prize-winning book *Truman* will be held and the public is invited to discuss this book, along with Riderwood residents, and/or share their stories

about having lived during the Truman years, or about having served in the military during Truman's presidency.

The public is also invited to bring memorabilia, letters and artifacts from this important era in American history for display. Riderwood is located at 3140 Gracefield Road in Silver Spring, Md.

"We hope this event brings back memories for everyone," said Barbara Spears, the Branch Man-

ager of Beltsville Library. "The Truman years are as important today as they were 65 years ago."

The event will also have some humorous moments. There will be Harry Truman Look-Alike and Trivia Contests with winners receiving gift certificates to a local restaurant. Refreshments will be served throughout.

To be a part of the I'm Just Wild About Harry! event, please email Mel.Tansill@Erickson.com.

Dr. Tiffany Chan Discusses Low Vision

By Tiffany Chan, OD

What is Low Vision?

Low vision refers to vision impairment that cannot be corrected with conventional eyeglasses, contact lenses, medication or surgery. In the United States, this loss of vision is most often caused by age-related eye conditions such as macular degeneration, glaucoma and diabetic eye disease. These conditions may lead to a reduction in visual acuity (or sharpness), a loss of central or side vision and/or reduction in contrast sensitivity. As a result, reduced vision can negatively affect a person's ability to perform their everyday activities, such as reading, watching television and driving.

What is Low Vision Rehabilitation?

Vision rehabilitation services aim to optimize the patients' remaining sight. Low Vision specialists are not able to cure the causes of the vision loss, but instead, they help the patient use his or her remaining vision to its fullest potential. After careful and thorough examination, the physician, therapist and patient work together to identify daily living concerns and develop an individual rehabilitation plan to improve the patient's ability to function and perform the activities their reduced vision has made difficult.

Who can benefit from Low Vision services?

Anyone, from children to seniors, who feels their level of vision has made a negative impact on their daily functioning can benefit from low vision services. Depending on the level of vision loss and the goals identified by the patient and rehabilitation team, services can range from the prescribing of spectacles or magnifiers to reading machines. Much of the success of rehabilitation depends on the patient and their openness to change, as rehabilitation often requires altering habits. Vision rehabilitation requires a team approach, and the patient is considered the star player.

About the author

On July 1, 2011, the Lions Vision Rehabilitation Center welcomed Dr. Tiffany Chan as the 2011-2012 Clinical Vision Rehabilitation Fellow. Dr. Chan was chosen after a very competitive selection process and begins her year at The Wilmer Eye Institute serving individuals with vision impairment at the east Baltimore campus of Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Dr. Chan was born and raised in Grass Valley, Calif. She received a B.S. in psychology with an emphasis in biology at the University of California, Davis. She followed in her parents' footsteps and received her Doctor of Optometry degree from the University of California,

Berkeley School of Optometry, where she excelled academically and clinically with honors. After her optometric schooling, she was accepted to the residency training program at Northport Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Northport, N.Y., which specialized in primary care, low vision, and vision therapy and rehabilitation. Due to her strong interest in geriatric medicine, Dr. Chan elected to continue her training by applying for the Lions Vision Rehabilitation Fellowship at Johns Hopkins.

In addition to her impressive academic career, Dr. Chan was a competitive gymnast. She was honored as an Academic and Athletic All-American at the University of California, Davis. She completed her 19-year gymnastic career by performing as a "background elite gymnast" in the 2005 Disney movie *Stick It*.

Dr. Chan is thrilled to be chosen for the Lions Low Vision Fellowship at the Wilmer Eye Institute and is grateful to the Lions for their funding of the position. She feels extremely fortunate to work with such a knowledgeable and dedicated team of doctors and therapists and is already enjoying the intensive training program at Hopkins. For more information about the Lions Low Vision Center at the Wilmer Eye Clinic, see the Lions Vision Research Foundation Web site at www.lionsvision.org.

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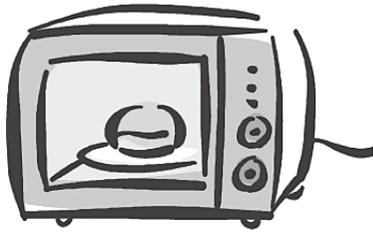


Baker Bill

STUFF 'N THINGS

The summer is over and my fall baking class is going well. I had to turn a few people away this fall but I am planning a winter class starting in January, so, if you were left out this fall, sign up now for January. So while I am writing about the class, I want to tell you about a special person. Her name is Carolyn Lanks. I always called her Carololine. Anyhow, she was by my side for more than 15 years, would never take pay or gifts, and I miss her so this year. But, I understand after all the years, I am sick of me. I started the class more than 15 years ago just for the love of it, even when I was still working as a baker for Safeway, showing people the basics of baking in the home, using systems I used in the bakery.

I had an email from someone wanting me to explain further about microwave dishes. Non-microwavable dishes are those made by hand ceramics. They have air bubbles in the plate that expand in the microwave and pop, causing breakage. To repeat, place a dry plate in the microwave and turn it on for two minutes. It should not get hot at all. Yes, I know a cup of coffee being warmed will get hot because the liquid, not the microwave, heats the cup. Here's a simple test. Place a dry towel in the microwave and no matter how long you bake it, it will stay the same temperature. Put a wet one in, and wow, it's hot in a hurry. The first microwaves were called radar ranges, because the beams



we cook with are radar waves concentrated. After Pearl Harbor, when radar was first used, they found dead birds on the ground after being hit with the beams. I think the first company was Amana.

In Consumer's Corner: As you may have guessed, I watch too much TV. I also read a book a month, mostly in the winter. It seems to me the advertisement companies are producing the most stupid commercials ever. It's like they are having a competition on who can do the dumbest ones. I keep a timer by my table knowing it's going to be five minutes at least this year, maybe more. I take out the trash or go make a cup of tea, etc. There is one for an insurance company that used to be cute, but they ran out of cute and now use dumb. These are my opinions only. Any comments? bakerbill2010@hotmail.com

I heard some disturbing news this morning. Andy Rooney is retiring. I watched him for the last time on "60 Minutes." I do not like the "60 Minutes" show as a rule; I just tune in for Rooney. No, I won't go into the other. I have always felt like my writings are

like Rooney's—sometimes funny, sometimes strange, always my opinions only, but in print. What do you think?

Has anyone noticed except me that all sausages taste the same no matter what the package calls them? Brocks? Smoked? Etc.

I see by the old clock on the wall it's time to go. I can be reached about your opinions at bakerbill2010@hotmail.com



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ANNUAL NEEDLEART SHOW

Saturday, Nov. 5 to Sunday, Nov. 27 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., *except for Thursday, Nov. 24, Thanksgiving Day*. See the rooms of Montpelier filled with a dazzling array of stitched art, from needlepoint to ribbon work. Judges choose winners in several categories; you are invited to vote for the People's Choice Award. Demonstrations of various needleart techniques are given daily. Fee: \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors, and \$3 for children 5 to 18. Children younger than 5 are admitted for free.

FALL HISTORY LECTURE

Wednesday, Nov. 16 at 7:30 p.m. Michael Bosworth will present his research on the early history of the Snowden family in Maryland. He will focus on the seafaring aspects, John Contee as a Marine, the early U.S. Navy, and the War of 1812. Bosworth is a naval architect and historian specializing in the War of 1812 and Federal Period. Free admission. Refreshments served. *This lecture will take place at the Montpelier Art Center located on the Montpelier grounds.*

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HOME-SCHOOL DAY AT THE AVIATION MUSEUM

Monday, Nov. 7 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Home-schooled students of all ages and their parent-educators are invited to the museum for a day of learning and adventure. Aviation-themed activities and crafts will address learning in science, math, language and art. Pre-registration is required. Fee: \$4 per participant.

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ARTFUL AFTERNOON

Sunday, Nov. 6 from 1 to 4 p.m. Nine dynamic artists currently hold studios at the Greenbelt Community Center. They contribute inspiration to the community and each other, lead hands-on workshops and participate in monthly studio open houses. Meet the artists at an Artful Afternoon the first Sunday of every month from 1 to 4 p.m.

NATIONAL WILDLIFE VISITOR CENTER

10901 Scarlet Tanager Loop, Laurel, Md., 20708. The visitor center entrance is accessed from Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Route 197. The center is part of the Patuxent Wildlife Research Refuge. It will be closed Friday, Nov. 11 for Veterans' Day and Thursday, Nov. 24 for Thanksgiving Day. Regular hours of operation are daily from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Free admission to the center and its exhibits, the grounds, and the trails. For more information regarding the following and other activities, call 301.497.5887 or see Patuxent.fws.gov.

SEASONAL TRAM TOURS

Tours take place weather-permitting. Weekend schedule through Sunday, Nov. 13: 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., and 3 p.m. Enjoy a 30-minute guided tour through the Patuxent Wildlife Research Refuge on an all-electric, open-air tram. View wildlife and their managed habitats while discovering the story of how the land has changed over time. Tickets are \$3 for adults, \$2 for seniors older than 55, and \$1 for children younger than 12. *Please bring exact change.* Registration is not required; seating is first come, first served.

BIRD WALKS

Wednesday, Nov. 9 and 23 from 8 to 10:30 a.m. Join us for a naturalist-guided search for fall birds on the refuge. Field guides and binoculars are recommended. Ages 16 and older. Free admission.

AUTUMN HIKE

Sunday, Nov. 27 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Explore the forests in this fall-themed nature hike for the whole family. Discover the changes taking place in the leaves, fall wildflowers, and the animals. All Ages. Free admission.

BELTSVILLE EVENTS

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FAMILY GAME ON!

Tuesday, Nov. 1 at 6 p.m. Families are invited to join the library for a night of video games and board games.

TAIL WAGGIN' TUTORS

Saturday, Nov. 12 at 10:15 a.m. Build your child's confidence in reading. Bring a favorite book or choose one from the library. Read to Bou or Oscar, specially trained therapy dogs who will be glad to listen. Each child will read for 15 minutes. Registration is required. Please contact

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Tuesday, Nov. 15 at 2 p.m. Isabel Wilkinson's *The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration*. All are welcome.

COMPUTERS FOR EVERYONE: INTERNET BASICS

Thursday, Nov. 17 at 9:10 a.m. Don't be intimidated by computers. Be able to identify basic terminology, search the Internet and learn how to create an email address. Leave the library feeling more confident using the Internet. Limit 16 per class. Registration required.

PROGRAMS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

JOINT BOOK DISCUSSION

Thursday, Nov. 10 at 10 a.m. Joint book discussion to be held at Riderwood. *I'm Just Wild About Harry* and David McCullough's *Truman*. All are welcome!

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FASFA WORKSHOP

Friday, Nov. 4 at 6 p.m. Do you have a teen who is preparing to go to college? Join us as we have a financial expert from the Foundation for Financial Education come in and discuss how to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). You will also receive tips and information on how to get the optimum amount of aid for higher education. All ages welcome. Admission is free.

ANNUAL HEALTH FAIR

Saturday, Nov. 19 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come visit us as we host our Annual Health Fair in collaboration with the Beltsville Recreation Council and the University of Maryland, College Park. There will be tips, information and screening promoting good health and wellness. Minimal fees will be charged for vaccinations and/or specific types of screenings. All ages welcome. Admission is free.

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HOYER

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in Beltsville. I have been leading that effort in Congress by pushing the Make It In America plan to create jobs and grow the economy by investing in education, innovation, and creating the conditions for businesses to launch and expand. With today's announcement comes the promise of up to 150 new jobs right here in Maryland. That promise is how we'll recover our economy, put more of our people back to work, and enable more Americans to make it in this country."

By strengthening American manufacturing, this plan will create jobs and help companies, like ATK, grow in sectors across our economy.

Spacecraft Systems and Services, a division of ATK Aerospace Systems Group, provides a broad portfolio of products and services in Beltsville, Md., that include integrated satellite bus

SAVE

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We stenciled storm drains to help keep the animals in the Chesapeake Bay safe because, if they die, everything will die because we're all connected in the food chain. Plants need the animals after they decompose as nutrients, and we need plants to live. We've been doing stenciling projects for about three years now and we have been very successful, and we hope to keep it up. We would do anything to keep the Earth alive.

Last week, we stenciled the drains near the temps to the left of the school. We stenciled two drains. One was small, so we stenciled two on it. The other was big, so we stenciled four on it (two on each side for the big one). To stencil a storm drain, we first brush the drain so it is clean. Next, we clean off the rest. Then, we get the cloth so the paint doesn't mess anything. Then we get the stencil and spray paint the words, "CHESAPEAKE BAY DRAINAGE" on the front. Then we paint a white box on top, and, in there, we spray paint the words: "DON'T DUMP." Then we're done, so we clean up.

The neighbors can help us by telling others not to dump, too. They can pass the word out. Lots of people will start to know. Nobody will know if the word does not get out. We all would like to add that we would like people to save the world even if they are not in Save the World. We would like others to help us, and the world would be peaceful again. We would also like people to try their best to help us. People could write letters and send them to people who need to know about the world. We hope it will make a big difference.

systems, world-class multidisciplinary engineering services and market leading integrated thermal control systems. ATK's integrated thermal control systems are used by almost all U.S. government and commercial satellites.

"This expansion clearly expresses our commitment to grow good, high paying manufacturing and technical jobs even in a challenging economy," said Tom Wilson, Vice President and General Manager of ATK Spacecraft Systems and Services. "Our strategic plan for growth in the aerospace market is generating a strong return on investment—right here in Maryland. The increased demand for our world class space thermal systems and potential for new business from our Robotic RPO Lab demonstrate our reputation for execution excellence and the ability to compete for business in emerging markets. We are creating the future for our operation in two high growth markets with the intent to generate additional business and strengthen our presence in Maryland."

The two new facilities include an expanded manufacturing center at the company's integrated thermal system plant and a new robotic laboratory for potential

customers in both the military and civil space communities. The enlarged manufacturing facility will improve production capacity by approximately 20 percent, add more space for work on existing contracts totaling \$35 million and create up to 50 new jobs.

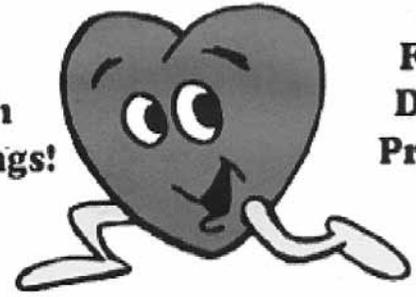
The other newly-opened facility, the Robotic Rendezvous and Proximity Operations Lab, allows ATK to demonstrate and verify critical enabling technologies for today's more complicated space missions. The development of technology for controlled approach and docking between multiple spacecraft supports growing customer demand for International Space Station resupply, orbital debris removal, satellite servicing, and more. The lab uses state-of-the-art robotic and air-bearing testbeds to simulate satellite motion and facilitate hardware and software development. The facility also supports ATK's recently-introduced satellite life extension service, ViviSat.

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Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

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XTREME TEENS REGULAR EVENTS

Every Friday and Saturday from 7 to 10 p.m.
Ages 13 to 17. Free with valid center ID card.

VANSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

6813 Ammendale Road, Vansville, Md. The new Director is Jeremy Weiss. Contact him at 301.937.6621 or Jeremy.Weiss@pgparks.com for information regarding events and classes scheduled for November. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512. Hours of operation are: Monday to Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. (except for Xtreme Teen events); and Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. **Note:** The center will be open Friday, Nov. 11, Veterans' Day, but will be closed Thursday, Nov. 24 for Thanksgiving Day. Please contact the center for any last-minute updates to the schedule.

INTER-CENTER BASKETBALL LEAGUE REGISTRATION

Tuesday, Nov. 1 at 9 a.m. Spaces will fill fast so hurry and sign up now. Age groups: 5 and 6, 7 and 8, 9 and 10, 11 and 12, and 13 to 17. Coaches and practice times/days TBD. Practices will begin in December. Games will begin in January 2012. A copy of the child's birth certificate is required at time of registration. Fee: \$50; Prince George's County residents only.

FAMILY CAMP FIRE

Tuesday, Nov. 8 at 7:30 p.m. There's a chill in the air, which makes now a perfect time of the year for a crackling fire, stories, and roasting marshmallows. Come join our Park Rangers for this fun family event. Young children must be accompanied by an adult. All ages welcome. Free admission.

SENIORS ON THE MOVE

Saturday, Nov. 19 at 11 a.m. Annual Pottery Show and Sale at Langley Park Senior Center. See unique functional pieces of stoneware and shop for that one-of-a-kind ceramic item for the holidays. Please call to reserve a seat. Ages 60 and older. Reservation required by Nov. 18. Free admission.

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Wednesdays:

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