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Reaching out to New Scouts at Cub Pack 1031

By Regina Halper

Cub Pack 1031 held their Join Scouting Event on September 18th and hope to be welcoming five new scouts to our Pack!

On October 2nd we held our Little Paint Branch Trail Community Cleanup and removed eight bags of trash and two bags of invasive species from the park. Many thanks to the community who keep our park clean.

Our scouts are working to earn their nature and outdoor requirements during the nice fall weather! Wolves are working on Wolf Howling at the Moon and Tigers are learning to work together to play games. Bears are learning about cooking and setting up tents and Webelos hiked three miles this past weekend. Our Arrow Den did a cleanup in a park and helped prep for our pack meeting.

If you are interested in discovering the fun of Cub Scouts, our cost this year will be \$130 per scout. We are a family scouting unit. We hike, bike, go interesting places and learn about nature and do service. 95% of our scouts



 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Join}}$ Scouting: Working together to move a can of water without touching it

earned their rank this year! We are still being cautious with our scouts, we meet weekly (either virtually or in person based on

the COVID numbers), stay arm's length apart and wear our masks and we keep it fun! Our active den leaders are 100% vaccinated.

Please contact Regina Halper at Pack1031cubscouting@gmail. com for more information.

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On the Agenda



Karen Coakley

By President Karen M. Coakley

Racing Cars with illegal mufflers; drivers closing roads to do stunt driving tricks... did I mention racing! Groups of ten or more drivers racing up and down highways and local roads. Drivers who pass in the emergency pull-out lanes on the side of highway then zigzag from left to right cutting off everyone and anyone in their path. This is not just a Beltsville problem...this is a regional problem and the fines and penalties currently on the books are a slap on the wrist. Twice in the past 7 months roads in the Beltsville area have been closed down for the stunt drivers to do their tricks. My concerns are what happens to the Fire Department and the Police who are trying to respond to a situation that could be life threatening. Like the rest of us they are stuck in traffic until the stunt drivers decide to depart. Delegate Mary Lehman is working on legislation to add stiffer penalties and fines. Please join our virtual meeting on Wednesday, November 17th at 7:00 p.m. The Zoom Meeting information will be posted on Nextdoor.com

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Beltsville Briefs

The Beltsville Young at Heart Club

The Beltsville Young at Heart senior group will meet on November 18 and December 16 at the Beltsville Community Center, 3900 Sellman Road. We meet from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm. Masks are required. You may bring your own drink and snacks. You must be 55 years old and can join after 3 meetings. You do not have to live in Beltsville to "check us out."

We'll have entertainment, a 50/50 raffle, and items in Clyde's Closet to buy. We'll also take suggestions for trips to take in 2022. Come and meet our new officers. We look forward to seeing our elder members and anyone new who would like to join us. If you have questions, call 301-498-9736.

The Women's Club of Beltsville

The Women's Community Club



The ladies of the Women's Club of Beltsville planted daffodil bulbs in the Beltsville West Park in October.

of Beltsville did double duty in October. We did our usual cleanup of Montgomery road as a part of the Adopt-A-Road program and we planted daffodil bulbs in the Beltsville West Park. We are now

getting ready for our annual Holiday Program. Women who are interested in participating should contact WCCB at womensclubbeltsville@gmail.com.

Kolachi Carry-Out Event at St. Gregory Byzantine Catholic Church

On Nov 6. from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm St. Gregory Byzantine Catholic Church will be holding

a bake sale.



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Holiday Food & Gift Program 2021

By Karen Coakley, WCCB Fundraising Chairperson

The Women's Community Club of Beltsville is again coordinating our holiday food and gift programs as well as fundraising for our other important projects such as a College Scholarship, the Adopt-A-Road Program, the Beltsville Beautification Project, and the Teachers' Appreciation Events. There are times during the year when a family has reached out to us in a crisis situation. We would like to be in a position to help them as well. We hope you can assist us in these worthwhile endeavors.

We purchase gift cards from Aldi's at Thanksgiving. At Christmas, we provide presents for children. We accept new toys and new clothes for children as well as monetary contributions and store gift cards. If buying a gift card, we suggest one of the following: Target, TJ Maxx, Marshalls, Ross, Kohls, Aldi's, Shopper's, Walmart, Visa, or Mastercard. You or your organizations are welcome to sponsor a family. As a certified 501© 3 organization, all contributions are tax deductible. A list of donors will be publicized in the January Beltsville News unless you prefer to remain anonymous. Donations can be made thru Pay-Pal by using our email address: WomensClubbeltsville@gmail. com. Monetary contributions and gift cards can be mailed to:

Women's Community Club of Beltsville

P.O.Box 1607 Beltsville, MD, 20704-1607

The deadline for receiving your Thanksgiving donations is Thursday, November 18th and the Christmas deadline is Friday, December 10th. Contact Karen Coakley at 301-741-7672 or Karenmcoakley@gmail.com with questions and/or to schedule a pick up or delivery time of your donation. We all know there are Beltsville families who are less fortunate. Thank you for helping us "spread a little sunshine" during the holidays and throughout the year.

If you would like become a WCCB member, please email us at womenscommunityclubofbeltsvill@gmail.com. To see a list of activities visit our Facebook page

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Energy Awareness Month

By Dr. Kandis Boyd

October is Energy Awareness Month. Energy Awareness Month, first implemented by President Bush in 1991, encourages citizens, companies, and government entities to raise awareness of the importance of sustainability and managing the nation's

energy resources. Energy Awareness Month is a time for citizens, companies, and the government to put energy efficient habits to practice. Energy awareness_means developing ideas on how to save energy and water through energy management, building optimization, energy resilience and the use of advanced

and distributed energy technologies. Energy awareness includes developing innovative ideas, products and programs to optimize energy resilience.

Clean energy, green energy, and renewable energy are often used interchangeably. These terms all have the same goal - to develop a greener future by using less energy now. These energy initiatives include developing legislation, regulatory proceedings, and implementing programs and projects to encourage both companies and residents to become more energy efficient. For example, encouraging businesses and residents to use solar power is an initiative designed to use less electricity. The highest levels of energy usage typically occur in summer and winter, related to cooling and heating, so it's important to investigate energy use behaviors, while also taking steps to prepare to become more energy-efficient.

Here are some tips to transform the way you use energy:

- Install automatic light sensors, LED lighting, or a different type of lighting system to reduce waste. Use natural daylight and reduce or eliminate artificial lighting when possible.
- Take showers instead of baths to reduce the amount of hot water used. In addition, run the dishwasher only when you have a full load. In addition, program the dishwasher to use less water and to air dry dishes.
- Close your blinds and drapes at night in the winter to keep the cold air out. Likewise keep blinds and drapes drawn during the day to prevent sun rays from entering the home.
- In the summer, avoid setting your

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Kittens in Your Yard. What to Do and WHEN?

By Kathy Rodeffer

Beltsville Community Cats (BCC) has been serving our community for over 2 years by performing trap, neuter, vaccinate, and return (TNVR) activities to reduce the number of free-roaming cats in Beltsville and picking up young kittens to be socialized by foster families before being adopted into forever homes. Socializing and adopting out kittens born to feral mothers not only reduces the population of community cats, but it also gives these kittens a chance to live long, healthy, indoor lives as part of a loving family.

While socialization may occur at any age, the younger kittens are when they are rescued, the quicker they change from being terrified to being purring lap cats. Optimally, kittens should stay with their mothers until they are 4 weeks old. However, mother cats sometimes abandon their kittens earlier than that. These babies must be bottle fed by a trained foster. Many mother cats start the weaning process when their kittens are around 5 weeks old; however, four-week old kittens should be able to eat solid food on their own. Waiting until kittens are older than 2 months slows the socialization process down significantly. At 3 to 4 months old, a kitten that has been outside without being handled is usually too old to learn to trust people.

As a BCC foster, I have seen the difference between the young and older kittens. Older kittens that don't adapt to human contact often have to be neutered and

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returned to live with their community cat colony instead of being adopted into a forever home.

The best advice if you see kittens in your yard is to contact Beltsville Community Cats immediately so they can be monitored and caught as soon as they are old enough.

BCC is committed to controlling the community cat population in Beltsville while being kind and compassionate to these free-roaming cats.

Looking for a furry family member, please consider adopting one of our beautiful kittens found on Petfinder at: https:// www.petfinder.com/member/us/ md/beltsville/beltsville-community-cats-md506/. Apply to adopt from BCC at: https://www.shelterluv.com/matchme/adopt/BCC/ Cat. Apply to foster BCC kittens http://www.shelterluv.com/ matchme/foster/BCC/Cat.

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Potpourri 2021

This month I thought I might touch on several short topics before we go into the holiday season.

Windows 11

Windows 11 was released earlier this October. Unlike Windows 10 which was designed to work on most computers, Windows 11 has some very specific hardware requirements. If you have a computer that was built in the last 4 years, chances are you will be able to do the free upgrade to Windows 11. Otherwise, don't worry about it as Windows 10 will be supported for the next 4 years and by that time you will probably want to upgrade to new hardware. You can also choose replace Windows 10 with Linux instead.

Protecting Yourself from Ransomware

Next let's revisit a column I wrote about ransomware this past May. In that column I covered what ransomware was but did not cover how to protect yourself. Ransomware protection is essentially the same as disaster recovery for any other computer disaster. First make certain you can recover the operating system, for most that means Windows 10. The best way to do this is to make a bootable USB thumb-drive with a Windows image. A search on Google for "create windows recovery drive" should find the correct page from Microsoft for the instructions to create a recovery drive for Windows 10 or 11. You will need a 16 Gigabyte or larger thumb drive that will only be used for this purpose. You should also make certain that you either have installation media for the applications you need to re-install or that the install is available on the web. The next step involves an external disk or a different thumb drive. The size of this depends on how much data you need to store. In general, most people want to back up their documents, photos, and music folders. For me this is about 128 Gigabytes of data. A backup can be as simple as copying the folders into the external drive periodically. I try to do mine weekly and I use Sync Toy which is free software that can be downloaded

from Microsoft. You can use any backup software but a key point is that the media should be removed between each backup. This prevents the media from being damaged by any malware that infects the system.

A best practice is to back up to two or more different devices in case one fails. Another popular alternative is to backup to cloud storage. Be aware that if continuous synchronization is enabled the backup will be destroyed along with the data as the ransomware encrypts the data. Microsoft's One Drive is supposed to protect against this concern. Windows also supports a feature called "Controlled folder access" which allows you to limit the programs that can access specific folders. This is not easy to setup correctly but does provide another means to protect your data from ransomware.

Phone Scams

The most common phone scams I am seeing are auto-warranty, 0% credit card update, and various forms of Medicare/Medicaid fraud. Recently I have been getting calls from cable-company and Amazon scammers.

The cable or satellite company scammer tells you that they need to upgrade the firmware on your set top box. They offer to do this while you are on the phone with them. Then they offer, for a fee

of \$50 paid now, to lower your cable bill by 50% for the next 12 to 24 months. These scammers are after two things, the \$50 and your personal information. Be careful, apparently there have been breaches at several cable companies and the person on the phone may already have your account number, or street address. I have found however that they normally are incapable of answering questions that Comcast and Verizon service representatives should be able to answer. If you get a call like this hang up. If you want to confirm it is fake, call your cable provider directly and ask about the offer.

Amazon scammers normally start with a recording or automated voice stating that an apparently fraudulent order for some amount of money has been placed on your Amazon account. You can and should hang-up right here. This is not Amazon (they never call). If you follow through the operator will want to access your computer to cancel the order. Amazon doesn't need to access your computer to cancel an order. In reality the scammer wants to control your computer remotely allowing them to add malware to your computer and to order items from Amazon for themselves. Never allow this! They will compromise your Amazon account and with the installed malware may also compromise your banking and other financial

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I periodically write about phone scammers and other scams. I have a specialized environment allowing me to interact with these scammers without risking my network or computers. I do this to learn about the scammers so I can tell others how to protect themselves. Please do not try this yourself as the risk is very high. The best option for most people is to simply hang up. If you think the call may be legitimate, hang up and call the number of the organization the caller claims to be from and verify. In general, all incoming calls about reduction of interest, car warranties, medical devices, duct cleaning, Amazon orders, or from the cable company are scams. Unless you previously initiated a call to the company just

If you think the call may be legitimate, hang up anyway and then call the company back. Do not use a number given to you by the caller, use one that is listed for that company and can be confirmed. If it is a company you have never done business with remember that it is easy to create a fake company on the web. Be



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16. Tangerine/grapefruit hybrid

13. One in squirrel's stash

18. *Popular messenger

20. Mosque prayer leader

21. Down Under marsupial

26. Military's inactive force

34. Late December season

godfather of Britpop

35. Rough, as in voice

23. *100 days of snapping, e.g.

30. Repeated Cuban dance step

31. The Kinks' lead singer, a.k.a.

22. Thanksgiving serving

15. Dissenting clique

17. Type of lemur

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37. Chop off

45. One with authority

47. Army bed

- 48. Space path
- 50. Law school test acronym
- 52. *Unique social media identi-
- 55. Latin dance
- 56. "Place" in French
- 57. Sacred Hindu writings
- 59. Post-mortem bios
- 60. Actress Campbell
- 61. African chieftain
- 62. Recipe amt.
- 63. Nirvana's "Come as You
- 64. Badger's den

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- 1. Current tense of "had"
- 2. All over again
- 3. Eczema symptom
- 4. Second shot
- 5. Corporate department
- 6. Salpae, sing.
- 7. Type of coffee maker
- Elizabeth McGovern's "Downton Abbey" role
- 9. Inspiring horror
- 10. As opposed to outs
- 12. Capital of Zambia
- 13. Bruce Wayne's ____ was Bat-
- 14. *Message under a post
- 19. Bootlicker

- 22. Da, to a Russian
- 23. *Done to social media past before applying for job?
- 24. Feudal lord
- 25. Haile Selassie's disciple
- 26. Gym exercises
- 27. Comedy Central's "critique"
- 28. Dolby Theatre to Oscars
- 29. Often considered wise
- 32. *Video blog
- 33. Charge carrier
- 36. *Audio series
- 38. Killed, like dragon
- 40. Big bang maker
- 41. Permeate
- 44. I to Greeks, pl.
- 46. Sheet music line, pl.
- 48. Basketry stick
- 49. Clark Kent actor Christopher
- 50. Black, yellow and chocolate dogs
- 51. Parking spot for a boat
- 52. Bone in human forearm
- 53. *Bernie wearing mittens, e.g.
- 54. *Do this before posting?
- 55. Chronic drinker
- 58. It's open to interpretation

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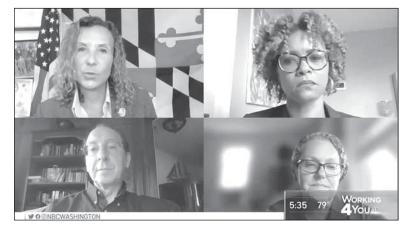
Tuesday, October 19, 2021, the County Council introduced Resolution CR-123-2021 to enact a plan of County Council district boundaries, available at this link: https://bit.ly/30MGm3F. CR-123-2021 initially presented the "Davis Map," seen here https://bit.ly/DavisMap, approved by the County Council "Committee of the Whole" on Thursday, October 14, 2021. The Resolution was quickly amended by the sponsors to present a different map, particularly regarding the District 1 boundaries.

Council Members Davis, Franklin, Hawkins, Taveras, Turner, and Harrison introduced CR-123-2021, and amended it with a new map again with virtually no consultation with the other four council members. Thanks to the hundreds of residents who have written objecting to the map, along with objections by the University of Maryland and other stakeholders, the Resolution sponsors made some map revisions that will still affect parts of District 1. The bad news is the following:

- Vansville Heights, North Creek Farms, and the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center will still be moved to District 4.
- The **Buck Lodge** area will all be moved to District 2.
- The **Autoville Drive** area (i.e., west of Route 1) will be moved to District 3.

In addition, a portion of College Park between Route 1 and the eastern municipal boundary will be moved from District 3 to District 1. Council Member Turner explained why this move made sense. Many affected residents consider this bad news for a number of legitimate reasons. This odd-shaped extension has the effect of relocating former District 3 council member Eric Olson into District 1. He is currently a candidate for District 3, and this action could prevent him from running for Council.

All requests by the four opposing members for minor revisions



Councilmembers Ivey (D5), Dernoga (D1), Anderson-Walker (D8), and Glaros (D3) who voted against the "Davis Map," being interviewed by Tracee Wilkins, NBC4.

were rejected. The video of the entire Council session is available by clicking the first link in this article. Council Member Turner reminded everyone that Redistricting is inherently a political process. "Maryland Matters" identified three potential Council candidates that were redistricted in a manner to preclude their candidacies; the article is here: https://bit.ly/3lWTRWG. Nonetheless, Council Members Franklin and Davis have stated that the impact on candidates was not a consideration.

Council Member Franklin defended the process (https://bit. ly/30Muyyo) and the result, stating that many people simply did not understand the process, that the Council has followed the Charter to the letter, that the process has been far more transparent than in the past, and that the public will be heard on November 16th. Council Member Davis (https://bit.ly/3aYbP4B) encouraged people that did not understand the process to read the County Charter (https://bit.ly/RedistrictingCode).

Concerned constituents will have the opportunity to participate in the public hearing, which is scheduled to be November 16th. Visit https://bit.ly/3vupjyB for guidelines regarding testimony. There will be two options:

- The Council could approve the new proposed Councilmanic District Map, also known as the "Davis Map"
- The Council could take no action, in which case, the Redistricting Commission's (https://bit.ly/RedistrictingCommissionMap) will become law by default.

I remain unconvinced that the boundary changes selected were based on solid policy grounds instead of bluntly advancing personal political interests. Such conclusions are up to each individual to make based on their own observations and interpretations of the facts in front of them. I will continue to oppose this new map, and I urge you to contact all of the members of the County Council, including the At-Large Council Members, since they also represent you, by going here https:// bit.ly/3pnlhqA.

My staff and I will continue to update you as we receive additional information. Please keep in touch. Email us at councildistrict1@ co.pg.md.us or call 301.952.3887. Se habla Español. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram: @TomDernogaD1



Beltsville Lions Foundation Raffle

The Beltsville Lions Foundation, a 501c3 Corporation, is sponsoring a holiday fund raising raffle, proceeds of which will be used to help the needy. Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. Please mail your check plus name & contact information to Beltsville Lions Foundation, PO Box 252, Beltsville, MD 20704. Lions will fill out the stubs and mail you the tickets. Drawing will be on 1 December.

Winners will be called that evening.



Obituaries

Bowman, Roma

On Tuesday, September 14, 2021, Roma S. Bowman, born October 4, 1925 passed peacefully into Eternal Rest. She was the beloved wife of the late Clinton E. Bowman and is survived by her daughter Marsha Cooksey, grandson Dustin (Mindy) Cooksey, and great-grandchildren Colton and Landon Cooksey.

She was also predeceased by her sons Walter and Clyde "Bub" Bowman, son-in-law Thomas Cooksey, parents Pearlie and Jessie Sawyer, and brother Gifford Sawyer.

Roma and Clinton married on November 1, 1946 and moved to Beltsville, where they raised their family. They owned and operated Beltsville Sport Center for 69 years. Roma continued to reside in Beltsville until her death.

At the request of her family, viewing, service and interment at Fort Lincoln Cemetery were held privately. www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com/

Karpal, Richard "Dick"

Reverend Dick Karpal was born on February 20, 1929 and passed away on September 18, 2021 with his family at his side. He is joining his wife Martha of more than 50 years of marriage.

He was Pastor of Emmanuel Methodist Church in Beltsville for almost 20 years before he retired.

He is survived by his son Ray and his wife Cindy, his two grandchildren Jon and Heather and her husband Tommy, and his three great grandchildren, Haden, Maddie, and Lauren, and his favorite personal care companion, Janet. He is also survived by his brother David the last of ten brothers and sisters and several nieces and nephews.

He touched thousands of lives of people over the years doing God's work. Reverend Karpal will be missed at Emmanuel. Even after his retirement, he returned often, even bring the message multiple times during his last few years. Those of us who were members during his time at Emmanuel will never forget his warmth and friendship. www.borgwardtfuneralhome. com/

Beasley Gibala, Joan Bernadine

Joan Bernardine Beasley Gibala, a longtime Beltsville resident, passed away peacefully at her home on August 1, 2021, after a cancer diagnosis.

Born in 1943, Joan was raised in Washington, D.C. She graduated from Anacostia High School and completed higher education at Keene State College in Keene, NH, where she spent summers with her beloved grandparents. In winter months, automobile ice racing was a favorite pastime. She earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education.

Joan met her future husband at Bolling Air Force Base where he



Joan Bernardine Beasley Gibala

was stationed. After he was transferred to Okinawa, Japan, just a couple months after marrying, Joan joined him, pregnant with their daughter, Susan. Upon returning to the United States, they established residence in Beltsville, where she remained in her forever home, fondly referring to her community as "Old Beltsville."

Joan was extremely active in and committed to the Parent Teacher Organization of Chestnut Hills Elementary School earning Volunteer of the Year in 1973. She fully supported her daughter's interests with the Beltsville majorettes, Brownies and Girl Scouts and High Point High School Band.

After years as a devoted mother and homemaker, Joan accepted a position with Prince George's Family Service, assisting citizens of the county in receiving adequate care, services, and access to resources. It was very important to her to be of service to people.

Subsequently, she shifted her career to the American Association of Retired Persons (A.A.R.P.) focused on Widowed Persons Services as well as input into company's web design. Because of her knowledge, she was able to guide and assist many people who were facing difficult times. Here she was a respected and integral part of the team and received awards for her

Joan's hobbies included gardening, evident in her beautifully landscaped yard; she loved her pets, raising her affectionate dogs Frisky, Casey and Lucy and cat, Callie. As a Friend of the National Zoo, she thoroughly enjoyed all the animals with a special fondness for tigers. She was able to hold baby tigers and had a wonderful private tour with the tigers of the zoo. Joan was a world traveler, traveling to all continents and her home was decorated in photographs of her amazing experiences. She was a voracious reader, reading almost a book a day in her retirement. She also was an avid genealogy researcher, tracing her family roots back to the Mayflower. Ultimately, however, being with her family was her favorite way to spend her time. Joan was a wonderful mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and cousin and she especially adored her

grandson, Evan, teaching him to fish at an early age during annual summer vacations at Lake Anna.

Joan's Catholic faith was extremely important to her attending St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church. She has served in their food pantry and assisted at the Christmas Bazaar.

Joan Gibala is predeceased by her parents, Agnes and Francis Beasley, as well as her sister, Linda Zervas. She leaves behind her loving daughter, Susan D. Gibala of Haymarket, VA and her beloved grandson, Evan C. Gibala of Lexington, KY.

A memorial service was held on August 5, 2021 at Borgwardt's Funeral Home in Beltsville, MD.

Donald Edward Roberts, March 30, 1937 -**September 17, 2021**



Don Roberts

Don Roberts, 84, of Woodbine, MD (previously of Beltsville), went home to the Lord on Friday, September 17, 2021, surrounded by his family. He was a loving husband to

Mary Ann Roberts for 60 years, a proud father to Kathy (Glenn) Saffran and John Roberts (who passed away from cystic fibrosis in 1977), and a beloved "Poppy" to his grandchildren—John, Andrew (Amanda), and Karen Saffranand great- grandchildren-Coleman and Raelynn Saffran.

Born on March 30, 1937, Don was son of the late William and Gladys (Schroeder) Roberts of Cheverly, MD. He was preceded in death by his brother, David Roberts, and sister, Gale Love. Don loved the Lord and his deep faith produced a joy and peace that followed him wherever he went. He overcame many challenges and was always quick to give God the

Don also loved hunting and the spiritual solitude of "watching the forest wake up." While hunting in 1988, a fall left him paralyzed but not defeated. Despite the limitations of his body, he returned to work full-time as a construction manager at the International Monetary Fund in Washington, DC, where he retired in 2002. Prior to the IMF, he was a superintendent

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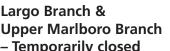
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Back to normal!

I wish I could share pictures of my garden with you. I am doing just flowers this year and for the first time in my life, I have had a battle growing my zinnias and marigolds. Beyond that, the rest of the garden looks great. My water bill will not be great as there was a day this month I left my sprinkler on and fell asleep, and four hours later, I woke up and realized what I had done. Please do not tell my wife. I am quietly going to pay the utility bill ahead of the billing cycle, so that the bill looks normal when it comes in...lol. The things we do, out of love. It is better than a time I had to cook over a pot of rice, and hide the damaged rice... (yes I did say damaged rice, lol). The spout of the salt container gave way and a lot of salt got into the pot of rice. I quickly drained the pot and threw the rice grains into the garbage, and took the bag out into the large garage garbage container -- that was well over 10 years ago, so she won't remember

So how have you my dear reader been? How is Beltsville? I was hoping to visit this month, but had to make last minute changes to my schedule as I was unable to get my

car road worthy for the 1330-mile drive. It normally would take me 18 hours, and that is with making three stops to refuel and take a forty-five-minute nap. Also, I eat some organic sea moss, about three or four tablespoons and that helps to keep me alert. I love to drive as there is so much to see and appreciate driving through different states. The people you meet along the way are fun and the stories you hear can be hilarious. Back to Beltsville. I really miss the town and I am anxious to see all the changes that have taken place.

My work in Dallas is going well. I recently was moved from my route again. I initially started downtown Dallas in 2019 when I transferred and after a few weeks, I was moved to Irving/Fortworth, near the massive American Airlines Corporate Campus. After almost two years of that, I was moved to Irving (by the Toyota Music Factory) and then Southlake (a real wealthy part of Dallas) and now it appears my new 'home' is around Dallas Lovefield Airport. I love the new route. It gets busy and the child in me pops out when I see the airplanes landing and taking off. My childhood dream was

to be a pilot, but after falling out with my Physics Teacher, things changed. (He tried to punish me for talking in class and I refused to do the punishment. Even when the culprit owned up, he insisted he heard my voice. I was a rebellious 13-year-old. The African culture is different. Let me leave it at that.). I see all sorts of private jets and sometimes I am in awe. You see the high net worth individuals drive up to their private jets, board and fly out. If you are ever in the Southwest Airlines baggage claim are around 8 p.m. and you see a tall dark man in a FedEx Express uniform pulling a dolly to go grab bags from the Southwest baggage room, please feel free to wave and say hello. The DCA and BWI flights are usually on the ground around that time. And on a final note, if you are ever in Dallas try a meal at Whataburger or In N Out (get the animal fries...they are great).

That's the Jive!

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thermostat to a colder setting than normal to cool faster. It will not cool faster and will just use more energy. Likewise, in the winter, lowering the temperature 2-3 degrees can save money as well as save 10% on energy usage.

- When you leave the room, turn off appliances, lighting, and electrical devices. Install timers to limit energy usage. In addition, paint walls a pale color to increase light reflection in a room.
- Address heating and ventilation leaks. In the summer, opt to use fans in addition to or in lieu of a central air conditioner. Fix drafty windows and doors to reduce waste. Install dual or double pane windows which keeps heat in during the winter and keeps heat out during the summer.
- Don't speed. For every mile-perhour over 55 mph, the average vehicle loses almost two percent in gas mileage. Also consider switching to electric or hybrid vehicles for personal and professional use.
- Conduct a simple do-it-yourself energy audit of your home or office to pinpoint where energy is being lost.
- · Reduce waste and install energy

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Elevate Holiday Cooking with Quick and Easy Tweaks

(StatePoint) Holiday cooking and entertaining don't have to be overly complex to impress. Here are quick, simple ways to elevate your meals for memorable experiences your friends and family will love:

Balanced Seasoning

Are your go-to family recipes in need of an update? Enhance the flavor profile of savory holiday dishes by swapping out salt and pepper and instead, reaching for Livia's Seasoning Salt, an all-natural, pre-blended seasoning of kosher salt, coarseground black pepper and garlic.

"Livia's is good on just about everything, which is why it's the not-so-secret ingredient in a lot my creations," says Peter Hoff, executive chef and partner, NOLO's Kitchen & Bar.

You can use Livia's in a number of ways during meal preparation and table-side to give holiday dishes something extra:

- Add flair to appetizers by shaking it into the yolk mixture of deviled eggs or using it to season baked brie.
- Season the outside of your turkey with olive oil and a few liberal shakes of Livia's, or even create your own brine that will become a trea-



sured recipe of its own.

- Season hams and roasts with
- Add it to stuffing and mashed potatoes.
- Update morning egg bake recipes to wow overnight guests.
- Include it on your holiday table so that guests can season their food to taste.

For more information, visit liviasseasoningsalt.com.

Add Pizzazz to Desserts

With a few updates, you can give your standard dessert lineup a touch of elegance. Use fresh ginger in your gingerbread cookies. Create your own crumbs for sprinkling on top of cakes. Garnish slices of pie with a mint or basil sprig or a cinnamon stick. Melt your favorite chocolate and drizzle it on anything.

Up Your Tablescape Game

A holiday feast is the perfect time to create a special atmosphere. And you can do so easily by breaking out your best dishes and utensils, as well as by adding a few natural elements to the tablescape, such as poinsettias, holly, evergreens and pinecones. Ditch the overhead lights and use candles or other warm lighting to create a soft, convivial glow.

You don't need to overhaul your entire menu to make your holiday feast special. Make quick, simple tweaks and additions to your existing recipes and entertaining traditions to elevate the occasion.

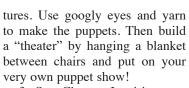
Role-Play Toys and Game Ideas to Boost Kids' Creativity

(StatePoint) Role-playing has the power to boost young children's creativity, allowing imaginations to run free, while honing social and cognitive skills. Here are a few fun ideas for harnessing these playtime benefits:



Fun: Whether playing "restaurant" or just pretending to cook a meal at home, kids can imagine they are the chef with the Choppin' Fun Learning Pot from LeapFrog. Featuring snap-apart veggies, a play knife and cutting board, kids can chop the food, set the temperature dial, add veggies to the pot and watch the pot "boil." Have kids take your order, follow five stepby-step recipes to make spaghetti sauce, rainbow soup, corn on the cob, carrot soup and broccoli with cheese, then serve up their creations in the bowl.

2. Sock Puppets: Crafting sock puppets or paper bag puppets and playing with them is a great way to give kids the opportunity to showcase their artistic side, as well as act out stories and adven-



3. Say Cheese: Inspiring creativity and learning, the Fun-2-3 Instant Camera is a pretend camera featuring picture-taking activities and pop-up animal pictures. Kids can strengthen motor skills and imagine they are a professional photographer by turning the zoom lens and clicking the shutter button, as well as by pushing down the photo cards, which feature animals, shapes, colors, fun facts and numbers. A view-finder color wheel lets kids see

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Rosapepe's Report to Beltsville

Are you behind on rent? Are you at risk for eviction? Apply for County rent assistance

Emergency rent assistance is available to renters and landlords in Prince George's County. Please apply today. The County is working closely with nonprofit organizations to provide help with the applications and legal assistance.

To learn more, apply, watch a video for how to apply and find nonprofit organizations who can help you apply, visit: www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/3703/Emergency-Rental-Assistance-Program or call (301) 883-6504.

Health insurance deadline: December 15

Delegates Joseline Peña-Melnyk, Ben Barnes, Mary Lehman and I want to be sure all working families are able to sign up for affordable health insurance. Now -- through December 15 -- is the time to learn about coverage -- and other ways to save money on health insurance.

Open enrollment runs from November 1 to December 15. Be sure to enroll or change plans by visiting www.marylandhealthconnection.gov or call toll-free 1-855-



Ben, Joseline, owner Ali Thakkar, me, and Mary at the Laurel Main Street Pharmacy, a local drug store providing COVID 19 vaccinations.

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Energy assistance

The Maryland Office of People's Counsel has created an energy assistance toolkit to help Maryland households facing utility turn-off notices keep their power on. This toolkit includes videos, application forms, resource guides and more. Visit opc.maryland.gov and click on "Energy Assistance Tool Kit"

Happy Thanksgiving!

My wife Sheilah joins me in wishing you and your family a very happy Thanksgiving.

Contact us

Please let me know if there are other issues you have questions or thoughts about. And, of course, feel free to be in touch if I can be of help to you. Just email 21stDistrictDelegation@gmail.com.

Tech to the Rescue: Options to Save Consumers Time This Holiday Season

(StatePoint) Despite increased digital options, the typical consumer still spends 13 hours on hold each year! And of course, there are plenty of things that most people would rather be doing with that time, particularly during the busy holiday season.

According to a new survey conducted by Clickatell, a mobile communications and chat commerce company, all of those 13 hours are hours people would rather be spending with family (36%), relaxing (58%) or even doing chores (46%).

The same survey also revealed that waiting on hold isn't just annoying for consumers, it can have a negative effect on brands too. Of those surveyed, 31% said even spending 5-9 minutes on hold can lead to negative feelings toward a brand, and 23% said they are completely likely to give up on a purchase or brand if they fail to meet them on their preferred communication channel.

"Retailers and businesses need to more broadly ensure that they're providing an adequate experience for all customers," says Jennifer Shambroom, chief marketing officer at Clickatell. According to Clickatell experts, here are some of the strategies that companies can adopt to create better experiences for their customers this holiday season and beyond:

- Turn consumers' irritable hold times into helpful conversations with an end-to-end chat solution that enables live agents to communicate with customers over popular chat apps.
- Fifty percent of millennials have already communicated with a business via chat apps in the past and 71% use chat apps at least daily. Incorporate a payment link in chat apps, such as WhatsApp and Facebook Messenger to enable customers to pay for a purchase where they are already spending their time. For example, Clickatell's new Chat 2 Pay solution allows businesses to send consumers a chat message containing a web link that easily takes them through the checkout process. They don't have to disclose credit card details over the phone or use a pointof-sale device.
- Respond to customers 24/7

- with chat communication in a contact center that uses a combination of both AI and human respondents.
- Use ongoing and cumulative data resources to understand how and when customers prefer to be communicated with, via email, SMS, phone, etc.
- Employ marketing strategies that provide customers with personalized product recommendations that fit their wants and needs. This will require analyzing customers' behaviors and promoting products based on assumptions and their past purchase histories.

To learn more about the solutions businesses are using to provide better customer service, visit clickatell.com.

"During the hectic holiday season, customers don't want to spend their time on hold – they want to spend it enjoying their personal time off with their families. Thanks to new tech solutions, businesses have the ability to deliver that for customers, while simultaneously helping build brand loyalty in the process. It's a win-win for all," says Shambroom.

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the world in yellow, blue or green, and a lens features day and night modes, making visual imaginative play a snap.

- 4. Backyard Adventure: With a little imagination, a nearby park or even your own backyard can be the perfect setting to play "explorers." Count all the types of plants, bugs and animals you spy on your adventure. Collect interesting leaves and rocks. Then, talk about what you observe and discover.
- 5. Go Shopping: Kids can play "store" and take turns pretending to be the customer and clerk with the Count-Along Basket & Scanner Featuring play food, shopping lists and an interactive scanner

that recognizes each food piece, kids can carry the shopping basket or expand it into a rolling shopping cart. There are eight play foods in a variety of food groups, colors, shapes and numbers. The fish, carrots, strawberries, cake, bread, broccoli and grapes show off their silly personalities with music and unique phrases when scanned. Three interactive play modes reinforce learning, as kids can scan a food to find out its name, color and the number printed on it, as well as the foods' shapes.

With fun learning toys and a bit of ingenuity, role-playing games can help expand your child's world





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LAUREL SENIOR FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The Laurel Senior Friendship Club (LSFC) will meet on Wed., Nov. 10 at 10:30 a.m. The meeting room doors open at **9:30 a.m.** We will have a business meeting and a presentation by a Civil War historian. No food will be provided or allowed in the meeting room. Interested people can contact the LSFC office for more details on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at 301.206.3380.

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Address: 1985 Cpl. Frank Scott Dr., College Park, MD 20740. Phone: 301.864.6029. TTY: 301.699.2544. *Masks are required indoors.* See CollegeParkAviationMuseum.com for more information. Regular hours of operation are Tuesday – Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Closed Mondays, most major holidays, and some special events. Cost: \$5/adults, \$4/seniors, \$2/children, free/age 1 and under.

NATIONAL WILDLIFE VISITOR CENTER

Address: 10901 Scarlet Tanager Loop, Laurel, MD 20708. The entrance is accessed from Powder Mill Rd. between the Baltimore—Washington Pkwy. and Rt. 197. Free admission and free parking. Current social distancing and face covering requirements match those of Prince George's County. All dogs must be kept on a leash (no longer than 6 feet) for their own safety as well as that of other visitors and wildlife. Regular hours of operation for the trails and grounds are: Open daily from sunrise to sunset, except for federal holidays.

THE BUILDING AND BOOKSTORE

The Visitor Center building is open Tuesday — Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; closed on Sunday, Monday, and federal holidays. The bookstore is located inside; it is open Wednesday — Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. when the building is open. Main phone: 301.497.5772. Join our e-mail list by contacting timothy_parker@fws. gov. For future volunteer training (ages 18 and up), contact Diana Ogilvie at 301.497.5565 or Diana_Ogilvie@fws. gov. The registration phone number is 301.497.5887.

PREPARING FOR WINTER ACTIVITIES EXHIBIT

Tues. – Sat., from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., for all of the month of November. Ages 3+, no registration required. Winter is coming! What do animals do to get ready? Learn the answer while enjoying self-guided hands-on activities, games, and crafts in the Visitor Center lobby.

STORYTIME: NATURE TALES

Saturdays, Nov. 6 and 20 from 11 a.m. to 12 noon. Ages 1-10, **registration required**. Join us for an old-fashioned outdoor story time and discover nature tales about the wildlife all around us.

BECOME A JUNIOR WILDLIFE RANGER!

Sat., Nov. 13 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Ages 6 – 10, **registration required**. Join a Refuge Ranger to explore five nature-related activities. Complete your Junior Wildlife Ranger activity booklet and earn a JWR badge!

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Address: 10301 Baltimore Ave. in Beltsville. Main phone number: 301.504.5755. **NAL is on Twitter** at http://twitter.com/#!/National_Ag_Lib. Due to COVID-19, the NAL building remains closed to the public. We continue to serve our customers remotely during regular business hours. Online information products are always available at NAL.usda.gov. Food and Nutrition updates can be accessed at Nutrition.gov. Get MyPlate nutrition information for babies and toddlers via the free Amazon Alexa app. To learn more, visit www.myplate.gov/myplateassistant.

BELTSVILLE LIBRARY OPEN ON SUNDAYS!

Address: 4319 Sellman Rd., Beltsville, next to the police station. For more information or updated COVID-19 protocols, call the main phone number 301.937.0294 or see www.pgcmls. info/location/Beltsville. With *limited* capacity, the Beltsville Library is now open to the public for full browsing, with computer use and curbside service by appointment. Current hours of operation are Mon., Tue., Thur., and Fri. from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Wed. from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Sat. from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; **Sun. 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.** Closed most major holidays. Study rooms are open, but meeting rooms remain closed. The library is not able to accommodate group visits from child or adult care services at this time, including but not limited to pre-schools, daycare, or camps. We ask for your continued support as we strive to keep everyone safe while welcoming you back to the branch.

Entertain for Less This Holiday Season

(StatePoint) The holiday season brings an abundance of feelings that may include joy, comfort, gratitude, and unfortunately, stress. Don't let the task of entertaining friends and family break the bank or your back.

Instead, create memorable gatherings with loved ones while saving time and money in the process using these hosting tips from the experts at Dollar General:

Delicate Décor

Creating the right ambiance in your space is key to holiday decorating success. Begin by decluttering the areas of your home where you plan to entertain. Fill the extra spaces with seasonal decorations. Remember, elaborate, expensive items aren't always needed to make a home look amazing. Decorations like small figurines, bowls filled with holiday candy or simple wreaths and garlands can

do the trick of transforming your home into a winter wonderland!

Fruitful Food

With more guests comes more food, but it doesn't have to mean spending more money. Shopping at discount retailers for essentials such as milk, eggs, bread and cheese can help stretch your budget. You can also make the switch

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Club News

First Ever Christmas Bazaar Being Held at The American Legion Post in College Park

By Ivy Christoffers

On November 13, beginning at 9:00 am, the College Park Christmas Bazaar will open for business. If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity to do your Christmas shopping early, you will have plenty to choose from. The bazaar will run until 3:00pm and there will be food for sale, as well as games, door prizes, and all kinds of fun to be had. This will all take place at the American Legion located at 9218 Baltimore Ave. Come one come all and see what treasures await you. This is an opportunity to support local business as well as to select special gifts for your loved ones while having a grand time

Another first for College Park American Legion is taking place on November 14 from 4:00 pm until 9:00 pm. FIDOS for FREEDOM, an annual doggone good show with The Nighthawks with special guest star, Daryl Davis. The cost is only \$20. Doors open at 4:00 pm and live music starts at 5:00 pm. Food will be available for purchase in addition to a cash bar, door prizes, and a 50/50 raffle. Come and join us in supporting Fidos for Freedom, a most worthwhile organization that benefits so many wounded soldiers.

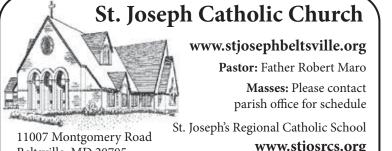
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in our school supplies drive for Hollywood Elementary School. We delivered two car loads of supplies, including face masks, hand sanitizers, Lysol wipes, tissues, and a case of copy paper as well as the usual school suppls. The school greatly appreciates our yearly support of their students.

Remember we are open for bingo on Tuesdays at noon, dinner dances twice a month, delicious lunches nearly every day, and for your special events, give Gary Kingery a call at 301-441-2783.

Keep our troops in your prayers, and may God continue to bless America, land of the free, because of the brave.

Beltsville News CHURCH DIRECTORY



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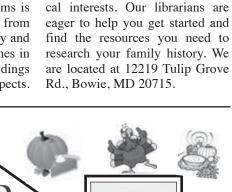
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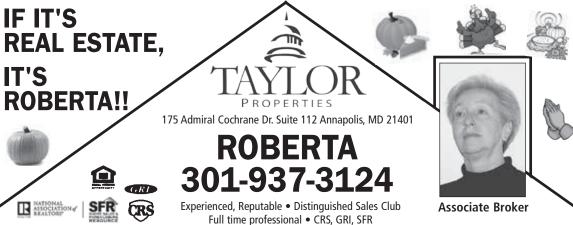
The Prince George's County Genealogical Society

The Prince George's County Genealogical Society will hold a virtual monthly meeting on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 7 pm. Mary Mannix of the Maryland Room at Frederick County Library in Frederick, MD, will talk to us about Finding Those Western Maryland Ancestors. Members will receive an invitation the week before the meet-

ing, non-members may request an invitation by emailing president@ pgcgs.org. Join us for this exploration about researching in another part of our state.

Our library of 6,500+ items is now open on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with county and City of Bowie mask guidelines in place. The scope of our holdings is nationwide in many respects. While Maryland and Prince George's County are the primary concentrations, there is also heavy emphasis on other Eastern states, migration routes and specific topi-





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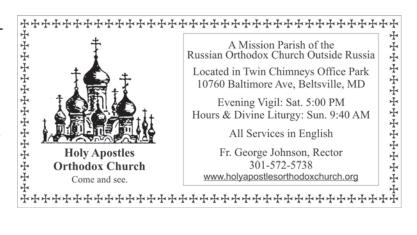
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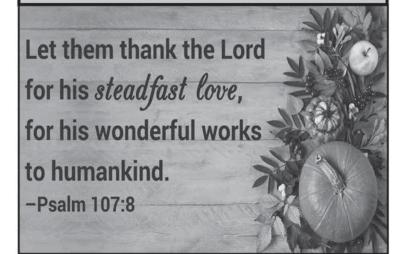
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Due to COVID-19 we are not meeting in person. You can join us for virtual worship by clicking on the link on our home page.



OBITUARIES

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for Corning Construction Co, in Beltsville, MD. He was a member of the Washington, DC Carpenter's Union and proudly served our country in the U.S. Navy.

A farmer at heart, Don loved being surrounded by the rolling farmlands of Carroll County. In his electric wheelchair, he could do most anything he put his mind to: With tools attached to broomsticks, you would find him outdoors planting, weeding, digging, composting, and host of other "farm" chores.

More famously, Don was fond of John Deere tractors and owned several restored antique models, as well as an extensive collection of toy tractors. He was a member of the MD 2 Cylinder Club and loved working on his computer, connecting with fellow John Deere enthusiasts and scouring eBay for toy tractors to add to his collection. Many nieces, nephews, friends, and neighbors lovingly called him "Tractor Don," a title he wore with pride. Despite his many hobbies, what he enjoyed the most was spending time with the love of his life, Mary Ann.

Don was an inspiration to everyone - to know him was to love him. He lived well and fought the good fight and is now in the arms of Jesus hearing, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

A Celebration of Life will be held on November 6, 2021, at 1:00 pm at Life Point Church in Reisterstown, MD—masks required. For those wishing to donate, the family requests they be made in Don's memory to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation online at www.CFF. org or mailed to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, 4550 Montgomery Ave., Suite 1100, N Bethesda, MD 20814.

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efficient electrical devices, such as appliances. Keep roofs a light color so they will absorb less heat.

 Research alternative energy options, such as solar energy or wind energy for your company or residence.

There are also local, state, and federal programs geared toward increasing energy awareness, so stay connected and stay informed. The State of Maryland has a website to inform the public about Energy Awareness: https://news.maryland. gov/dhcd/2021/10/13/weatherization-month/. Energy awareness improvement plans help current and future generations benefit from a smarter, stronger, cleaner and mor resilient energy infrastructure and a healthier environment, equitably and inclusively. The goal of energy awareness is to develop sustainable, clean, safe and reliable energy for both companies and citizens. Every contribution to saving energy, no matter how small, will have a meaningful impact, so do your part to increase energy awareness.

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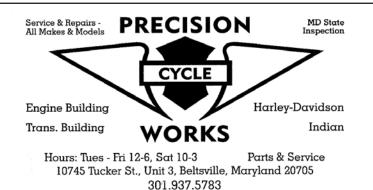
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to private brand items and save even more when buying foods for overnight guests, such as granola bars, cereal and snacks. Consider purchasing these household basics from a local Dollar General store, which also provides digital coupons to help you save even more.

Supplies Stock-Up

Of course, to entertain, you will need supplies. Stocking up on cleaning essentials, everyday cooking ingredients and entertaining basics early in the season is a great way to have everything needed before the party begins. Consider adding items such as trash bags, cutlery, paper products, other decorations and even small gifts.

By using smart shopping strategies, you can entertain during the holidays with ease instead of

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