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Congressman Steny Hoyer Meets the Maryland Press for Lunch

By Jim Butcher

Every year, Congressman Steny Hoyer invites members of the Maryland media to meet with him over lunch to discuss local, state, and national issues. The meeting site always is a conveniently situated eatery within Mr. Hoyer's Maryland 5th District. One year, the selected eatery may be the Sir Walter Raleigh in Greenbelt. The next year another of the Congressman's favorites may host the media lunch. The lucky host for this year's February 1 event was Rip's County Inn

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Q&A with Theater Project Beltsville Director

Here are some questions for director Franklin Akers about the purpose, scope, and future of the project:

Q: Who is creating this project and why? How did it come about?

A: Theater Project Beltsville or TPB is an outreach program of the Abiding Presence Lutheran Church. In a nutshell, the church has gone through some changes, mostly due to demographic issues, which have caused it to become quite small. We felt we needed to reach out into the community.



Q&A

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Pastor John Na and director Franklin Akers discuss their upcoming production.

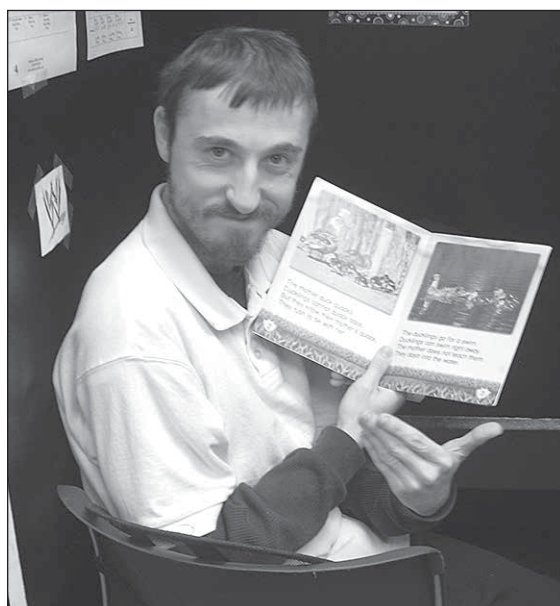
High Road Reads Returns

The High Road Upper School of Prince George's County, located at 12050 Baltimore Avenue, recently re-launched 2nd Annual High Road Reads Program. High Road Reads is a part of the Reading Incentive Program at the school and will continue through March during National Reading Month.

High Road Reads was created to in order to spark student interest in books and literature. During the program the students will compete with one another and participate in class competitions as a means to encourage students to see their success as linked with their classmates by rewarding classes for com-

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Basket Bingo

St. Joseph's Parish will conduct a Basket Bingo on Friday evening, April 12, in the Parish Hall at 11011 Montgomery Road from 7 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. (non-smoking). Come join us for this fun-filled event. Bingo winners will receive speciality baskets, pottery and home accessories. There will be door prizes and raffles too! Tickets are available for \$12.00 (in advance) daily at the school and parish offices, or at the door. Refreshments are available.

Another basket bingo is scheduled for Friday, 10 May, at the same location, same times, and with the same outstanding attractions.

Art Show at St. Joseph's Catholic Church

St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Beltsville, Maryland will host an art show on May 18 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the parish hall

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Scout Sunday

Members of the local Scout units celebrated Scout Sunday on Feb. 10, 2013, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. The Mass was celebrated by Fr. Wimmer, Troop 440 Boy Scout Joseph M. served, and Girl Scouts from Troop 4129, Teresa J. did the responsorial and Rebecca G. served as Lector. Grace F, of Brownie troop 6379, Christopher K, and Daniel F, of Pack 1031, brought up the gifts. Adult leaders Jeff Kaelin, Gary Bauman, Regina Halper and Gloria O'Brien also attended.



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No Later
Than:
March 20
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March 30

On the Agenda



Karen Coakley

By President Karen M. Coakley

Please join us for our next meeting on Wednesday, March 20th, 2013. The meeting starts at 7 p.m. at Beltsville Academy. We will have several presentations.

Jerry Pasternak, VP for Pepco Maryland Region, will discuss the required vegetation management work planned for the Beltsville area.

Subud, which is located on Howard Road across from Beltsville Academy, will give an update on their revised design plans.

High Point PTSA will give a presentation on the future of High Point High School. The school is over 50 years old and in desperate need of a total renovation, or being rebuilt. The school needs support from everyone in the community.

Mail Safety Alert! Mail left out for pickup by several homeowners in the Beltsville area has been tampered with. If you are mailing payments with checks or credit card information, play it safe and take it to the Post Office or drop it in a U.S. Post Office Box.

If you have questions that you would like our guests to answer please email or call me in advance. I can be reached at 301.937.3490 or karenmcoakley@msn.com

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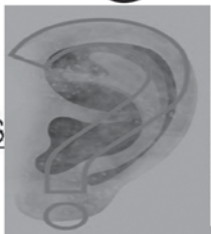
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25 Years Ago in the Beltsville News

By Phil Whitman

*Extracted from the
March 1988 issue*

Doctor Honored

Dr. Theodor O. Diener, a plant pathologist honored by State of Maryland Senate.

New Arrivals

Krystal Ann Cernobyl, a daughter, was born to Debra Louise and George Joseph Cernobyl on Feb. 9, 1988.

Tesfai Petras Giorgis, son of Mary Catherine and Mulugeta Giorgis was born Feb. 18, 1988.

Ian James Pugsley, son of Janey Margery and Donald Edward Pugsley was born Feb. 18, 1988.

Weddings

Alan Eugene Borgwardt and Elizabeth Michelle Mills became husband and wife on Feb. 20, 1988.

Sheila Joy announced her marriage to Walter Kayson, which occurred Feb. 6, 1988.

Obituaries

Chlorus L. Ambler passed away Feb 9, 1988.

Allen N. Clements passed

away Feb. 4, 1988.

Edwin T. Williams passed away March 3, 1988.

Marianne Radko passed away Feb. 16, 1988.

Dr. Robert S. McCeney, 82, after 57 years of practice at Main Street in Laurel, passed away Feb. 20, 1988.

Mary Ella Wallich, 86, passed away Feb. 26, 1988.

Louis Rivers Burnes, 41, passed away Feb. 14, 1988.

Floyd W. Tester, passed away Feb. 8, 1988.

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bined achievements. Individual students will be rewarded for each book they read.

According to the programs coordinator, Ivan Johnson, "Students this year will be required to keep track of the books they have read through use of a journal. For each book read the student will have to write a brief summary of

each chapter, highlighting certain parts of each chapter in order to fully participate in the competition. The goal for this year is for each student to read twenty books by the end of the program.

High Road Read activities also include, Stop Drop and Read, Battle of the Book as well as the 3rd annual book fair and region wide spelling bee. For more information concerning the Reading Incentive Program please call 301.210.4860.

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Neighbors in the News

Thomas Steeley Talks Taxes at the Greater Beltsville Business Association

By Leda Rose

Washington gridlock, the looming sequester, federal budget deficits, changes in Social Security taxes, ObamaCare's impact on taxpayers, all of these issues are the backdrop in any discussion on taxes for businesses large and small. It is no wonder businesses must carefully and strategically plan each financial decision in this shifting landscape.

That was the opening message by the GBBA's Feb. 20 Speaker, Thomas Steeley, managing director of Steeley & Associates, tax experts and financial advisors with an office in Laurel.

Mr. Steeley went into some detail on new tax rates and laws that business owners need to keep in mind as they plan and structure their finances. He offered specific and concrete examples to make his points and schooled GBBA members on strategies to lower their tax liability.

He concluded his presentation with a rundown of these, "Top 6 Tax Mistakes for Business Owners," and possible alternative steps



Thomas Steeley Jr. talks taxes to a full capacity GBBA meeting.

to avert those mistakes.

1. Poor record keeping and bookkeeping, which includes maintaining bank accounts/credit cards used exclusively for the business. He recommends do it right, or hire a professional.

2. Too conservative on taking legal, legitimate and well-documented deductions. Don't rule out

a deduction just because there are preconceived notions that it is a "red flag" and you will be audited. Too often businesses get bad advice, are overly concerned, and rule out legitimate deductions.

3. Wrong form of business organization in light of changes in current laws. Restructuring as an S Corporation might be a better option under current law.

4. Poor retirement planning; no retirement planning. Be sure to have a plan and carefully consider

staffing alternatives. Re-frame compensation in light of recent changes.

5. Poor planning. Time major moves, sale of property or business with capital gains, revenues and expenses in mind.

6. Improper investment allocation or tax diversification; Make decisions based on current trends in the markets, the economic environment, to minimize risks.

Daniel Diasgranados Participating in Urban Journalism Workshop at NPR

Congratulations to Daniel Diasgranados, a High Point High School junior selected to participate in a journalism workshop sponsored by the Washington Association of Black Journalists (WABJ). This multicultural journalism workshop trains students in the basics of newspaper, broadcast and multimedia journalism and offers an inside look at journalism as seen by some of the industry's leading minority journalists. Journalists from the Washing-

ton Post, the Associated Press, National Public Radio and other media companies facilitate the workshops, which are conducted on eight consecutive Saturdays at various locations throughout the Washington area. Daniel's older brother Juan Diasgranados participated in this program; Juan is currently an NBC reporter in West Palm Beach Fl. Daniel hopes his photography, which he loves, will help him get into the journalism field after college.

Local Boy Scout Leader Earns Scouting's Highest Honor

Kevin Shinichi Tamai has been honored by the Scouting community from the regional area. He is a 2013 Award Recipient of the Silver Beaver. It is the highest honor an adult Scout leader can receive. It is awarded by the National Boy Scout Council upon recommendation by our local Scouting council, The National Capital Area Council (NCAC). The award is given in recognition of service in three equal categories: service to the community; service to youth involved in Scouting; and service to youth outside of Scouting. Approximately only one in every 1000 Scout leaders will receive

this award. Only one person for every 60 units may be nominated.

Kevin will always be a great example of what Scouting can produce. He is very giving of his time and energy to anyone and everyone. He is a role model for many of the younger, up and coming Scouts. He is very proud to be a Scout, especially to be an Eagle. He continually soars to new heights. He exhibits the qualities and attributes of what the Scouting character is all about. Our community is happy to have a 2013 National Capital Area Council Silver Beaver Award honoree.



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Design experts, Valerie Kabelac and Michael Richards at Will's Home Decorating (www.decoratmaryland.com), are confident that pink is a great way to lighten and brighten your home this spring. According to Valerie, pink is the perfect color to create a relaxing spa like atmosphere and goes great as an accent wall when matched with darker shades. Michael adds that the 2013 spring wallpapers, drapery fabrics and reupholstery fabrics offer the widest variety of pinks in years. Benjamin Moore paints also offer an infinite number of pink hues that will go perfectly in your home. Stop by Will's Home Decorating today for your free design consultation!

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Pack 1031 Celebrates Martin Luther King's Legacy with Service

On Monday, Jan. 21, 2013 Cub Scouts from Cub Scout Pack 1031 gathered to do service by clearing downed limbs, cleaning up trash and leaves around the parking lots at Beltsville Academy. They fanned out around Beltsville Academy and Saint Joseph's Regional School to clean up the

trash and tree debris while another crew repaired a fence which housed the trash dumpster which had been damaged at St. Joseph Regional Catholic School.

After the work was done, the scouts retired to the Cubmaster's house for hot dogs and S'mores.

Eleven adults and youth

worked from 2 to 4 p.m. giving back to their community.

If you are interested in Cub Scouting in Beltsville please contact Kevin D'Eustachio, kdeustachio@gmail.com or Regina Halper, r.halper2@verizon.net for more information.

Department of Social Services Extension Office Now Open in Beltsville

In Sept., Prince George's County opened an extension office of the Department of Social Services in Beltsville with shorter lines and more personalized service. This branch office is located at the Beltsville Seventh-day Adventist Church at 4200 Ammendale Road, Beltsville, Md. and is in the Beltsville Adventist Community Center (BACC) in the building directly behind the church. The office is open on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. At this branch office, a limited range of services is available. These services include emergency cash assistance, temporary cash

assistance for adults without children, food stamps, and medical assistance.

BACC itself offers additional services to the Beltsville community, which include: volunteer financial crisis counselors who assist with job searches, résumé development, budgeting, and sorting of financial priorities; free computer usage for applying for jobs, applying for DSS services through SAIL, checking email, and computer education. A food pantry for qualifying Beltsville residents who are in crisis; and the Financial Peace University seminar.

"The Center has now been open since Sept. and many people have improved their résumés, found better-paying jobs, and found help with financial priorities and budgeting," said Pastor Glenn Holland, Director of BACC. "Sometimes our Center provides financial assistance for people who may not qualify for some reason for state or county assistance. Our goal at BACC is to help people for the long term so they are not dependent on external assistance."

Questions may be directed to the church office at 301.937.8118.

Simon Doong Named to Fall Semester Dean's List at College of Wooster

WOOSTER, Ohio — Simon Doong, a graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School, has been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at The College of Wooster. Doong, a sophomore from Beltsville, achieved a grade point average of 3.65 or above.

The College of Wooster is America's premier college for mentored undergraduate research. Every Wooster senior works one-on-one with a faculty

adviser to create an original research project, written work, performance, or art exhibit. In the process, each develops independent judgment, analytical ability, creativity, project-management and time-management skills, and strong written- and oral-communication skills. Founded in 1866, the college enrolls approximately 2,000 students.

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Riderwood Ham Radio Operators

Ham radio has a cult following at Riderwood retirement community in Silver Spring, Md. where a small group of residents led by Gene and Judy Hoenig "ragchews" (the ham jargon for conversing) all hours of day and night with fellow

course; the number of hams has since doubled.

The Riderwood hams' transmitting locale is an efficiency apartment on campus in which they have radios and Morse code devices that are more powerful

throughout the ham radio system.

"I enjoy the ability to talk with people in foreign countries," said Gene. "There is also a public service aspect of ham radio that is appealing."

Gene met a man by ham radio living 100 miles north of Stockholm, Sweden, who asked Gene for information about a grapevine expert in Geneva, New York. Gene got the information. Contacts were made and, as a reward, the Swedish man sent wine to Gene months later.

In another case of ham contact, Gene's communication with a woman in Jacksonville, Fl., led to Gene and his wife Judy being invited to a vacation cruise on her family ketch boat in the Bahamas.

Ragchewing is generally what the Riderwood hams and their international counterparts do while on the radio when they're not contesting, testing equipment, bouncing signals off the moon or meteor showers, providing communications in national emergencies, sending still or moving pictures or text back and forth, or connecting to packet radio networks.

Hams historically have helped with communications during such events as the United States invasion of Granada, the September 11 terrorist attacks on New York's World Trade Center towers, and the Johnstown flood in 1936.

There is the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, with local emergency coordinators and members who have registered "for communications duty in the public service when disaster strikes."



Riderwood ham Gene Hoenig ragchews (photo by Arnie Adams).

hams worldwide.

Gene first became a ham in 1951. After he came to Riderwood he met other people interested in ham radio and soon created a one-year course to prepare them for the exam needed to pass to get a license. Three people took the

than their hand-held radios. This apartment has wires connecting it to antennas in the attic.

What do the Riderwood hams do with their radios? Mostly, they ragchew in words, or in Morse code, with strangers across the globe whom they encounter

Beltsville Briefs

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on Montgomery Road. This non-juried show is accepting entries from those 18 years of age and older through April 26th. All interested in providing artwork for the show should contact the church office at stjoesartshow@gmail.com or www.stjos.org/parish/artshow to receive an entry form.

This show is for artists of all skill level, and we invite all members of the community to show their work

Coast Guard Auxiliary Offers Boating Safety Class

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 24-3 will teach the two-day Maryland Boating Safety course for future boaters, new boaters and experienced boaters interested in refreshing their skills.

This class meets Maryland State requirements for anyone born after July 1, 1972 who wants to operate a powered vessel, including Personal Water Craft, on Maryland waters. This course is also recognized by many other States as meeting their Boating Safety Education requirements. It will be taught at the Bladensburg Waterfront Park, 4601 Annapolis Road, Bladensburg, MD 20710.

Important Details

Date of Event: March 9 and 10, 2013 (Saturday and Sunday)

When: 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Where: Bladensburg Waterfront, 301.779.0371

Note: Pre-Registration is required

Cost: \$25.00

Contact: Steve Klein, 410.531.3313, tsksk10@hotmail.com

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Subjects Covered

Among the many subjects covered are boat construction and terminology, boating laws, safety equipment, boat handling, basic knot skills, navigation, and trailering. The instructors are all qualified and well trained volunteer members of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, who are devoted to promoting recreational boating safety. Pre-registration is required.

High Point High School Class of 1963 Reunion

The High Point High School class of 1963 will celebrate their 50th reunion on Sept. 7, 2013 at the Sheraton North, Beltsville, Md. For details send e-mail to HP63reunion@verizon.net or call 410.461.2367.

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and JoAnne Blakley, sister of Len
(Fai) Blakley and Scott Blakley,
aunt of Elizabeth, Victoria, Erin,
Stephanie and Collin, niece of
Don, Peggy, Bill and Phyllis Con-
rad. Relatives and friends called
at the Borgwardt Funeral Home
4400 Powder Mill Road Belts-
ville, Md. on Tuesday, Feb. 5,
from 3 to 6 p.m.

Memorial service was held
at Emmanuel United Methodist
Church 11416 Cedar Lane Belts-
ville, Md. on Wednesday, Febru-
ary 6, at 11 a.m. Memorial con-
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Zone Avenue Upper Marlboro,
MD 20772. (www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com)

Cochran, Roy I., Sr. (age 80)

Roy I. Cochran, Sr. of Belts-
ville, Md. died on Thursday, Jan.
17, 2013. Beloved husband of
Edna M. Cochran, father of Roy
I. Cochran, Jr. and Joy (John)
Hotovchin, grandfather of Laura
(Benjamin) Robinson and Melissa
(David) Brundage, son-in-law of
Robert Daniel, III. Funeral service
was held at Borgwardt Funeral
Home, 4400 Powder Mill Road,
Beltsville, Md. on Tuesday, Jan.
22, at 11 a.m. with The Reverend
Danny Slye officiating. Interment
Md. National Memorial Park,
Memorial contributions may be
made to the National Parkinson's
Foundation.

Lohr, Alice Dean Lytle

Alice Lohr, wife of Paul "Rog-
er" Lohr, formerly of Beltsville,
completed her journey here on
earth on Wednesday, Jan. 30th,
2013. Alice was born on Jan.

20, 1941 in Selbysport, Md., the
daughter of the late Alvin and Lela
(Fike) Lytle. She was preceded
in death by son, Philip Lohr, and
sister, Sarah "Leone" Schroyer.

Alice was an office manager,
retiring from Orion Enterprises,
Washington, D.C. She was a
member of the Selbysport Unit-
ed Methodist Church and was an
active member of the Goddard
Art Club since 1975, located at
NASA Space Center in Greenbelt,
Md. While living in Beltsville,
Alice and Roger were members
of Emmanuel United Methodist
Church.

Alice studied commercial and
fine arts at the Corcoran School
of Art and Sculpture at American
University. Her interests included
poetry, gardening, square dancing,
tropical fish, houseplants, can-
ning, sports and travel. Her artistic
abilities were painting with oils
and acrylics, sculpture, woodblock
printing, pen and ink rendering,
charcoal drawing, and watercolor
painting. But her greatest ability
was the love she shared in life
with everyone she encountered.

Alice is survived by beloved
husband and father Paul "Rog-
er" Lohr; two sons, Jeffrey Paul
Lohr and wife Melissa, of Tib-
betts, Mo.; Kevin Roger Lohr and
wife Tracie, of Lusby, Md.; three
brothers Elmer and David Lytle
of Pottstown, Pa.; Burton "Burt"
Lytle, of Friendsville, Md.; two
sisters; Ellen "Sis" Dennis and
Betty Lou Lytle of Pottstown, Pa.
and five grandchildren Kristen, PJ,
Miranda, Hunter Nash, and Ethan
Patrick Lohr.

Friends were received at New-
man Funeral Home, 943 Second,
Ave, Friendsville, Md. on Feb.
1 from 6-8 p.m. Services were
conducted at the funeral home on
Saturday, Feb. 2, 2013 at 1 p.m.
with Rev. Tim Bittinger offici-
ating. Interment in the Blooming
Rose cemetery.

Please direct expressions of
sympathy to the Selbysport United
Methodist Church.

Condolences may be sent to
the family at www.newmanfuneralhomes.com

Maschauer, Luciel Mary (age 90)

Luciel Mary Maschauer of
Beltsville, Md. died on Monday,
Jan. 28, 2013 at Severna Park
Genesis Center, Severna Park,
Md. Beloved wife of the late
Richard Lee Maschauer, loving
mother of Chris Maschauer and
Carolyn (Gary) Slaughter, grand-
mother of Chris Maschauer Jr.,
Dawn Maschauer, Neil (Cathy)
Maschauer, Connie Bingaman
and Michael (Tiffany) Binga-
man, great grandmother of Parker
Maschauer, Kaitlin Maschauer
and Shri Whalen. Funeral service
was held at Borgwardt Funeral
Home, 4400 Powder Mill Road
Beltsville, Md. on Saturday, Feb.
2, at 2 p.m. Interment Maryland
Veterans Cemetery Cheltenham,
Md. on Wednesday, Feb. 13, at
1 p.m.; Memorial contributions
may be made to Trinity Evangelist
Lutheran Church 4000 30th Street,
Mt. Rainier, MD 20712. www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com

Peirce, James Walter (age 79)

James Walter Peirce of Clarks-
ville, Md. and formerly of Belts-
ville, Md. died on Wednesday,
Feb. 6, 2013. Beloved husband of
the late Nancy Peirce (nee Krato-
vil), loving father of Mark (Donna)
Peirce, grandfather of Sydney and
Michael, Interment will be held at
Arlington National Cemetery at a
later date, Memorial contributions
may be made to Gilchrist Hospice
Care, 555 Townsonhown Blvd.,
W. Towson, Md. 21204. Arrange-
ments made by Borgwardt Funeral
Home.

Happy Birthday Greetings

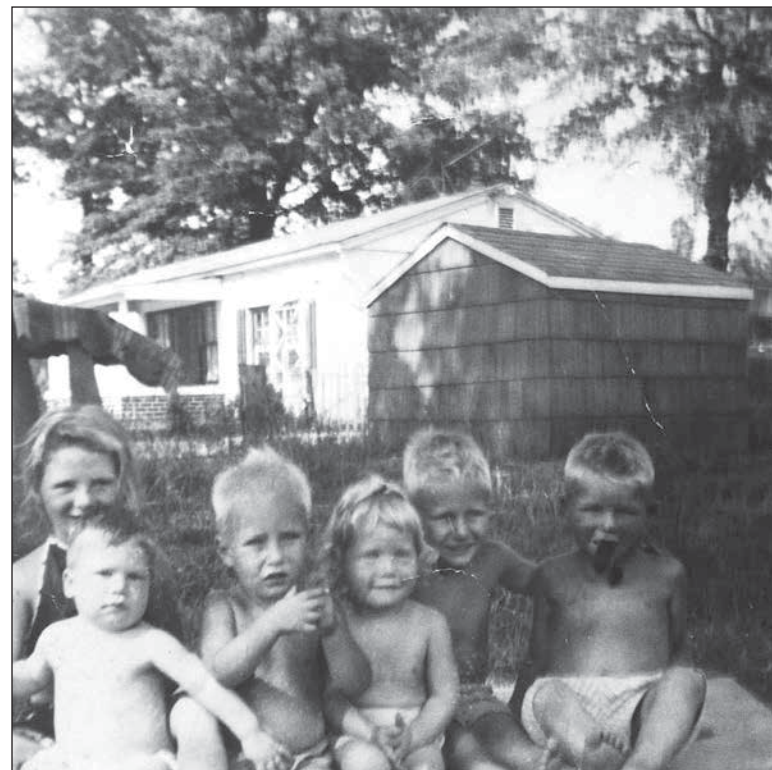
*"More than anything else, a
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thoughts and your own making; it
is whatever you want it to be and
you are what you want to be."*

— William Longwood

Happy 60th Birthday to Elva
(Midkiff) Brocht.

Happy Birthday to Doug Mid-
kiff, Lisa Midkiff and Ray Mid-
kiff.

Happy Birthday in memory of
Cecil & Georgia Midkiff and Jane
Curatolo.



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in Bowie.

Perhaps the record should show that Mr. Hoyer invites local, state, and national media to these events. That statement goes a long way toward explaining how a recent Friday lunchtime found an alleged reporter from the Beltsville News breaking luncheon bread not only with the distinguished Congressman and staff, but also with reporters from such notable news organizations as the Washington Post, the Baltimore Sun, the Federal Times, and more.

Mr. Hoyer kicked off this year's press luncheon with brief comments on prominent issues of the day and then opened the meeting for questions and answers. Topics ranged from national to local and then back again. The next paragraphs offer takings from comments and expressed views as captured in a reporter's notebook.

On sequestration and the budget:

Mr. Hoyer believes sequestration may happen this year. What is sequestration, by the way? One simplified characterization puts sequestration as triggering automatic, across-the-board federal spending cuts in the face of federal budget deficits. One big hurdle standing in the way of budget passage, says Hoyer, is the two major parties' inability to agree on deals that will hold. Maryland stands to lose a whopping \$1 billion dollars of federal funding if sequestration happens this year.

The President's budget for fiscal year 2014 would normally arrive on Capitol Hill about mid-February. This year will be a little more complicated, though, because Congressman Paul Ryan plans to submit a budget, too. The Ryan budget would come out in March and would contain a plan to close the budget deficit in 10 years. Hoyer is not convinced that 10-year goal is doable.

On the economy:

Federal spending is running at 23 percent of Gross Domestic Product, but revenue income is only 15 percent of GDP. Some agreement is necessary to improve on the revenue side of the equation, Mr. Hoyer maintains.

Mr. Hoyer spearheads the Democrats' initiative on "Make It In America," which focuses on rebuilding American manufacturing and bringing more well paying jobs to the American homeland. Much more on the initiative and many other issues can be found on Mr. Hoyer's web page, <http://www.democraticwhip.gov/>. For that inner policy junkie that may lurk within you, yearning to breathe free, you can even sign up on-the-spot for daily or weekly email updates and RSS feeds brought directly to your computer.

The words "Democratic Whip" display in the web page address and on Mr. Hoyer's business card.

Those words signal that our congressman is among the most powerful political figures in Washington. The House whip is the second highest-ranking individual in his party, outranked only by the minority leader. That's a big deal. Dictionary.com describes the functions of a political whip this way: a party manager in a legislative body who secures attendance for voting and directs other members.

On the Chuck Hagel nomination for Defense Secretary:

Senator Hagel would make a fine Secretary of Defense. He is well equipped to manage the Pentagon in the current economic climate.

On House Speaker John Boehner:

The speaker wants the country to work. But he is finding it hard to keep fellow Republicans on-board once cross-party deals have been made.

On the proposed FBI headquarters move

Prince George's County is a strong competitor for this federal plum. Some Virginia jurisdictions are in the running, too, as is Montgomery County, Maryland. One strong point that Prince George's has going for it is available open land. The FBI wants its headquarters surrounded by a measure of open space separating the headquarters from nearby traffic. Perhaps more than any other proposed location, Prince George's County can supply the open land.

On federal employees:

Mr. Hoyer has long championed the federal workforce. He regrets that only federal employees — other than folks making over \$400,000 annually — have been asked to contribute to deficit reduction. He says 40 percent of current federal employees will be eligible to retire within the next 5 years. He supports retaining retiree job vacancies as they happen and filling vacancies with the best available replacements.

On Immigration Reform:

Though no one put the issue quite into these words, a reporter might infer from Mr. Hoyer's remarks and discussion that these themes are central to the immigration debate: a. residents who have entered the country without legal documents or who have overstayed expired visas, b. seasonal agricultural workers for California and other major food producing states, and c. provisions for highly skilled scientists and engineers to enter the country legally or remain here after completing studies at America's fine universities. All of these pieces and more are under study. Sen. Barbara Mikulski is taking a good look at what to do about agricultural workers, for instance.

On gun control:

The issue needs attention from the Congress. We need to reduce high-capacity ammo clips. Whatever is done must honor the Second Amendment. Mental health is a critical concern in the gun control debate. Look at it, deal with it, says Hoyer.

On Steny Hoyer:

"God has been good to me!" Mr. Hoyer plans to remain in the Congress as long as he can vigorously and effectively represent the District. And about those unfounded rumors floating around about a future Hoyer-Van Hollen ticket for public office, we can pretty much dismiss those out of hand. To that idea, Mr. Hoyer responds, Chis Van Hollen (Maryland's adjoining 8th District) is 20 years my junior and he will make it just fine on his own.



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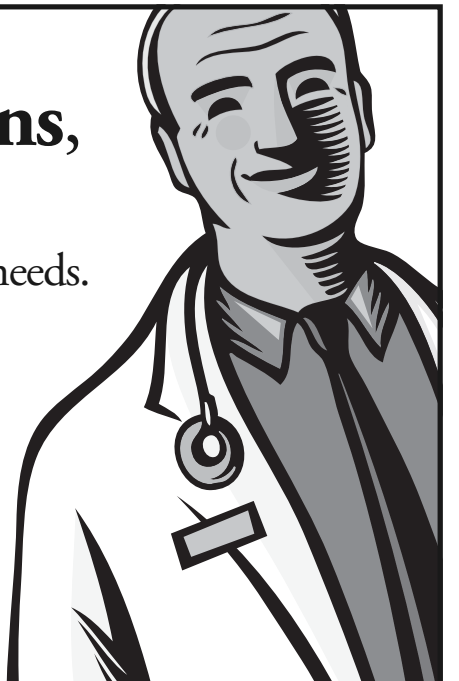
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Rosapepe's Report to Beltsville

By Senator Jim Rosapepe (D-21)

Repairing High Point High School

Delegates Barbara Frush, Ben Barnes, Joseline Peña-Melnik and I, along with Councilwoman Mary Lehman, are aware of the structural problems at High Point, including the recent electrical fire from a sparking power outlet. We need your help to advocate for \$100,000 in the school board budget for a feasibility study to figure out whether High Point should be renovated or replaced. This was the recommendation we received at a recent meeting with the state Board of Public Works/IAC. The school board is considering its budget now. Your comments can be emailed to superintendent@pgcps.org and countyexecutive@co.pg.md.us.

Vansville Heights Citizens Association

The next Vansville Heights



Senator Jim Rosapepe

Citizens Association meeting will be Monday, March 11 at 7 p.m. If you live in the Vansville neighborhood of Beltsville, we urge you to attend. The meeting will be held at Vansville Recreation Center,

Franklin Brown Building, 11733 Old Baltimore Pike, Beltsville.

Free tax help for people making less than \$51,000

Tax season is here, and AARP Foundation Tax-Aide offers free, individualized tax preparation for low-to moderate-income taxpayers — especially those 60 and older. The closest location to Beltsville is the North Laurel Community Center, 9411 Whiskey Bottom Road, Laurel. Hours are 2-6 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays. Call 410.313.0380 for an appointment.

Contact us

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

Q&A

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As it happens, our cantor is dual gifted and dual educated, holding advanced degrees in both music and theater. So, we thought this would be a good way to reach out into the community in order to grow while providing a service to the community. We want people to know where we are and for them to use our space.

Q. Where did the idea for a community theater come from?

A. Actually, it came from our cantor, Franklin Akers, who is deeply committed to this church, and wants to see it grow in vitality and usefulness to Beltsville. He obtained permission from church

council to mount one production as a trial, and this is it. If successful, we are hoping council will want to make it permanent.

Q. Do you think there is any real need for a community theater group in Beltsville? There are so many of them around the Beltway.

A. That is exactly what we want to find out! We have two hurdles to leap: we have to get a cast, which will tell us whether actors want another outlet. Community theater actors are quite addicted to acting! Then, we must attract and build an audience. That will tell us if there is sufficient interest in Beltsville for such a project. We hope there is!

Q. What is to be your first production?

A. Three one act comedies by the 19th century Russian playwright, Anton Chekhov.

Q. Comedies? Really? We thought Chekhov wrote dreary, pessimistic plays.

A. That would seem so, but they are not really dreary and pessimistic if done properly. But these three plays are outright farces; they come close to slapstick ... pie throwing.... but not QUITE.

Q. Why were these plays chosen?

A. Actually, it was a partly practical. We have a budget of virtually zero and these plays are in public domain. Also, they can be done in modern dress with a minimum of set pieces. Our space is small, and not equipped for theatrical productions. So they can be done quite simply. AND they

are wonderful plays. They are what one might call "actor's plays." The telling of these three stories and the light they shed on human nature is the most important thing about them.

Q. It certainly sounds like fun! What is the time frame?

A. Auditions are on Thursday, March 7 (7-9 p.m.), Saturday, March 9 (1-5 p.m.), and Sunday, March 10 (3-6 p.m.). Rehearsals begin in mid to late March, and there are to be five performances only on Friday and Saturday, May 3rd and 4th at 8 p.m., Sunday, May 5th at 3 p.m., and the following Friday and Saturday, May 10th and 11th, also at 8 p.m.

Q. And the cost of tickets?

A. We want to be extremely affordable, so we are charging \$15, and \$10 for seniors, students, military, and children under twelve.

Q. Is this production just for Beltsville people to participate in?

A. Oh, no, Not at all - it's open to all who are interested. Actors and crew people travel long distances for the opportunity to be involved in something like this.

Q. Where is Abiding Presence church located?

A. The address is 10774 Rhode Island Avenue in the Beltsville Professional Center across from the Post Office.

Additional information can be found on the church's website, aplchurch.org or by emailing director frank.akers@comcast.net.

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Neighbors in the News

Riderwood Residents and Staff Pitch in to Help

Riderwood retirement community residents and staff volunteers, in partnership with Cypress Construction, Business Flooring, Glenmar Draperies, ClothWorks, and R.P. Hacker Painting, are now renovating the living room and lobby areas at Arcola Towers, a high-rise apartment building for senior citizens located on University Boulevard between Arcola Avenue and Sligo Creek Parkway in Silver Spring, Md. The lobby at Arcola Towers has not seen a renovation in many years. The furniture and set-up of the living rooms are not conducive to meetings and activities.

The areas are badly in need of modernization and the furniture is in need of repair or replacement. Riderwood and its partner companies are donating their services

to fix and paint the walls, add all new lighting fixtures, change the flooring, and provide furniture. A flat screen television, new window treatments, and custom woodwork are also being done.

Riderwood residents and staff were at Arcola Towers all-day on Tuesday, February 12, to finish the renovation and to celebrate an early Valentine's Day with Arcola Towers residents. Their work complemented that being done by the Montgomery County Housing Opportunities Commission.

"We will use some of our unused furniture to create several activity and sitting areas in the lobby," said Eddie Bharucha, Communications and Customer Service Manager for Riderwood. "We feel that we have some great expertise and best practices from having

done our own life cycle improvements and can put them (and some of our resources) to good use by helping those in need."

"Our mission is to create a community that celebrates life," added Jean Landreville, Associate Executive Director for Riderwood. "One of the best ways we can do this is by helping others whenever and wherever we can."

Arcola Towers, which has 141 efficiency and one-bedroom apartments, is a public housing community run by the Montgomery County Housing Opportunities Commission and offers rents on a scale-based on income. There are gardens and community rooms in a peaceful setting for all residents to enjoy.

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The Easter Holiday

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than choc'late bunny treats?

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has sought to remove
sincere consideration of
a most important truth?

It's not about a pretty egg,
instead, a bloody cross;
where Jesus Christ, God's Perfect Son,
was put to death for us.

"Why should He die for one like me,"
we ask self righteously?
Because, we don't possess pure hearts
that are completely clean.

There's nothing we can do to right
the things that we've done wrong.
Our resolutions to do better
do not last for long;

But, when Christ rose up from the grave
He gave the power to
become His own to ev'ryone
who trusts Him. How 'bout you?

New life, a future, and a hope
that cannot be deferred,
and conscience cleansed for those who seek
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Arts workshop

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CPAE Book Club

Friday evenings, Old Parish House at 7:30 p.m. Discuss Literary Non-fiction by Women at the CPAE Book Club.

March 15, *George, Nicholas and Wilhelm: Three Royal Cousins and the Road to World War I*, by Miranda Carter
 April 19, *Why Be Happy When you Could be Normal*, by Jeanette Winterson

May 17, *Prague Winter: A Personal Story of Remembrance and War*, by Madeleine Albright

June 14, *Swimming Up the*

Sun: A Memoir of Adoption, by Nicole Burton

July 19, *The Red Leather Diary*, by Lily Koppel

The Photography Club also meets at the same time as Book Club. Contact College Park Arts Exchange at info@cpae.org or 301.927.3013 for more information.

Celebrate Dr Seuss's Birthday at College Park Community Library

Saturday, March 2, noon to 2 p.m. at the Church of the Nazarene, 9704 Rhode Island Avenue. Hear Dr. Seuss's great classics read aloud and enjoy Seussical arts activities with CPAE. Contact the Community Library at colparklib@gmail.com.

Children's Arts Drop-in Programs

Arts Specialist Aaron Springer leads FREE fun arts workshops for children ages 3-8 on Saturdays

10 a.m. to noon at the College Park Community Center, 5051 Pierce Ave, and on Sundays, 2 to 4 pm at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road

March 30 Egg Hunt, 10 a.m. to noon, Youth and Family Services, 4912 Nantucket Ave, and Brunch with the Bunny, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the College Park Community Center.

April 20-21: Magic Wands and Funny Hats

May 18-19: Crazy Kites
 June 15-16: Mobiles

To learn more about after-school Arts Drop-in programs near Hollywood Elementary at Youth and Family Services, call 301.474.1210.

Baby Arts Group offers a rotation of teachers for the littlest ones, Fridays, noon to 1 p.m. at Old Parish House; donation encouraged. The College Park Arts Exchange is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, funded in part by the City of College Park, and we appreciate your donations in support of our arts programming.

Protect your information during the tax-season identity theft boom

(BPT) - Tax season can be stressful, and each year people scramble to send in their tax returns, right down to the deadline. But for those who do a little preparation and avoid procrastinating, it can be significantly less tense. However, whether you're a last-minute rusher or an ahead-of-the-game planner, you need to

take steps to protect your identity during tax time, or you could be facing the greatest stress of all.

With so much financial information crossing the wires and the mail routes, tax season is ripe for exploitation by identity thieves. Unfortunately for many, the thieves haven't hesitated to take advantage. According to a

U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) report (November 2012), the Internal Revenue Service identified more than 640,000 incidents of identity theft that impacted tax administration in the first nine months of 2012 alone, a large increase over prior years.

Those numbers make it clear that tax-time identity theft is a risk that everyone should take seriously. You should take steps to protect your information - this year and every year around tax time.

■ Be cautious with your paperwork. Don't leave mail with sensitive information sitting in your mailbox, where it's vulnerable to theft. And whether you're sending or receiving, avoid leaving items sitting in your car or in your home where they are in plain sight for someone looking in the windows.

■ Check your credit report. One of the best ways to stay informed about the state of your identity is by monitoring your credit. Everyone is entitled to a free yearly credit report, but if identity theft happens after you view that report, it could be months before you notice an instance of fraud - and a lot can happen during that time. Using a credit monitoring program gives you better protection, thanks to unlimited access to your credit


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Caregiver 101: Creating a safe and happy environment for your loved ones

(BPT) - Nearly 66 million people, or 29 percent of the U.S. adult population, are providing care to someone who is ill, disabled or aged, according to the National Center for Caregiving. And, according to AARP, 61 percent of family caregivers who are 50-plus also work either full-time or part-time. How can busy caregivers gain peace of mind that their family member is happy and safe while they're working? There are easy home updates to help improve the safety and security of their living space.



Preparing a safe and happy home environment

Once you have determined the best place for your loved one to reside — whether they live independently, in an assisted living facility or in your home — you'll need to create a safe environment. You may enlist the assistance of a Certified Aging-In-Place Specialist (CAPS) to make residential updates or follow these simple tips to help make your family member's home a safe place for a lifetime.

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AARP suggests adding grab bars, using non-skid mats on the tub or shower floors and installing a handheld showerhead for easier bathing.

in the bathroom - often while getting in and out of the tub or shower — AARP suggests adding grab bars, using non-skid mats on the tub or shower floors and installing a handheld showerhead for easier bathing. These simple adjustments can help avoid injury.

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Check Your Vision: See clearly in 2013

(BPT) - The beginning of the year is the most popular time for eye exams and a great time to assess if your corrective lenses are the best fit for you. See 2013 clearly with healthy eyes by following these five simple tips from optometrist, Dr. Tamara Dunn.



with you eye care professional to decide which type of corrective lens - glasses or contact lenses - is best for you. According to the Contact Lens Council, 34 million Americans opt for contact lenses as they offer a convenient alternative to glasses or corrective surgery. Contact lenses also offer personally tailored options for design, regimens and materials to meet your needs.

1. Start with an eye exam

Our eyes age and change just like the rest of our bodies, so it is important to get them checked annually. Even if you already have corrective lenses, ensure you are caring for your eyes properly with an eye exam. Beyond a simple vision screening, the American Optometric Association also recommends that everyone receive a regular comprehensive eye exam to detect potentially serious eye issues to support overall eye health.

2. Good health supports good vision

As you kick off resolutions to "get healthy," did you know that you are also supporting your eye health? The healthier you are the better chance you have to avoid complications with your eyes. For example, eating a balanced diet that includes dark green vegetables with lutein like spinach and kale can help to reduce your risk of age related vision loss.

3. Protect your eyes in the sun

Sunglasses are a fun way to accessorize while also protecting your eyes. Studies show that spending long periods of time in the sun without eye protection can damage your eyes. Eye care professionals recommend that you wear full spectrum UV-absorbent sunglasses whenever you are in the sun for hours at a time. If you wear contact lenses, remember that contact lenses by themselves may not protect your eyes from UV light so you may still need to supplement by wearing sunglasses.

4. Eye glasses or contact lenses?

Vision is as unique as the color and shape of your eyes, so work

5. Keep eye health simple

The beginning of a new year is a busy time for doctor appointments. Ease eye-appointment stress by finding a one-stop solution for all your eye care needs. Independent Optometrists operate private offices located adjacent to nearly 3,000 Walmart Vision Centers and Sam's Club Optical Centers and provide comprehensive eye exams, lens fittings and prescriptions by appointment and on a walk-in basis. The recent launch of a new online and phone contact lens program by Walmart and Sam's Club also reduces prices on contact lenses from many top brands and delivers lenses directly to your home. For additional information on the new contact lens program or to place an order, visit WalmartContacts.com or call 800-741-LENS(5367), SamsClub.com/contacts or call 800-749-LENS(5367), or walk into any location with vision services.

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compliant seating options that provide an extra level of safety and comfort. Or, for a more stylish upgrade to the traditional, neutral white finish, you may consider a Fold-Down Shower Seat. This design from Moen Home Care installs directly into the wall studs and folds down for a comfortable and secure shower seat - yet folds up for a thin, compact profile when not in use. Plus, the teak wood and stylish metal trim will accentuate the look of even the most upscale shower.

"We know caregivers have enough to worry about," says Laurie Birko, brand manager for Moen Home Care. "Our products help make every bath a safe bath for their loved ones - while still maintaining a stylish look."

For the final steps of the shower makeover, swap the fixed showerhead with a handheld version to allow for bathing in a seated position, and add suction accessories to hold the showerhead and other necessities at a lower spot for easy access.

Hallways and stairs

Researchers have found that by the time a person is 60 years old, he or she needs up to 15 times



Moen Home Care products, such as the Designer Grab Bars with Accessories, combine the safety benefits of a grab bar with common bath essentials, including a towel bar, paper holder, straight shelf and a corner shelf, making each item functional and fashionable.

more light than they did at the age of 10 - and that is especially true in darker areas, such as hallways and stairs. Replace all hallway fixtures with higher wattage bulbs or brighter LED lights for added illumination. Also, add nightlights for any middle-of-the-night trips to the bathroom.

Do you have hand rails at all stairs to help avoid falls? For shorter staircases, such as the garage entry, nine-inch hand grips are an ideal solution, as they're easy to install and are available in a variety of finishes to complement any room.

Floors and furniture

To avoid tripping or bumping hazards - and to provide adequate room for walkers, canes or wheelchairs - move larger furniture against the wall to create more open walkways throughout the home. Remove loose rugs, or use double-sided tape to ensure they are securely anchored. Finally, be sure that any wires and cords are out of the way to prevent tripping and falls.

Bedrooms

Like other rooms in the home, ensure there is adequate lighting, no loose rugs or tripping hazards in the bedroom. Other helpful additions include adding rails to the bed are helpful for getting in and out. Also, to help keep everything within arms' reach, create a bedside "command center" equipped with a telephone, clock, lamp and other necessities. Finally, place a commode near the bed if a bathroom is not nearby.

With a few simple updates you can create a home that is safe for your elder family members - giving you one less thing to worry about in your caregiver role.

For more information about bath safety products, visit www.moen.com/homecare or www.lowes.com. For a variety of caregiver resources, visit the Caregiving Resource Center at www.aarp.org.

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Saturday, March 16 - BLAST FROM THE PAST will feature the popular, well known, **Rick K and the All Nighters**. Billed as *America's Most Exciting Show Band*, they will take you on a rock and roll trip through the **Fabulous 50's**, get groovy with the **60's Explosion**, then hustle

into the **Disco Nights of the 70's** with the **Top Forty of the 80's and 90's**, and then head home with **High Octane Hits of the new millennium**. Attest to their popularity—this band already has 89 nights booked for 2013!

Dinner including dessert is 6-7:30 p.m., dancing and show from 8-midnight and tickets are only \$20 per person or \$35 per couple. This event is **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC** so bring your family and friends. **THIS IS A REAL SHOW THAT YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS**. It will be the talk of the town. **PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE MD/DC/DE HOUSE AT MOOSEHEART'S HOME FOR CHILDREN**.

The College Park Moose Lodge is located at 3700 Metzert Road, College Park, Maryland. Call early for best table selection, as this will be a popular event. 301.935.5525.

Masonic Lodge to Hold Open House

Birmingham Lodge #188, A.F.&A.M. will sponsor an all day event open to anyone interested in the fraternal organization. The Open House will take place on Saturday, April 6th from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Food, beverages and entertainment will be provided for all visitors. Men and their families (children welcome) are encouraged to attend, with no obligation, to learn about the ageless fraternity and what community efforts are supported. Children's activities will be available.

The history and traditions of Freemasonry date back to antiquity, with the singular purpose of making good men better. The

tenets of our fraternity - Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth - have stood the test of time. This Masonic heritage has been passed down through the ages with centuries of traditions, promoting community involvement and the building of friendships that last a lifetime.

Birmingham Lodge #188, A.F.&A.M. has maintained its presence in Beltsville, MD since Nov. 1891 and has a rich history of community support and service. During the Open House several programs will be explained, along with information about the CHIP program (Child Identification Program), and other community service programs.

Through fellowship, charity, education and leadership, Freemasons are making their lives and their communities stronger by the day. We invite you to learn more about us and ask your questions. Please visit us during our Open House.

The Beltsville Masonic lodge (Birmingham Lodge #188) is located near the intersection of Powder Mill and Edmonston Roads. More information about Masonry may be obtained at the following websites: www.AskAMarylandMason.org or www.birmingham188.org.

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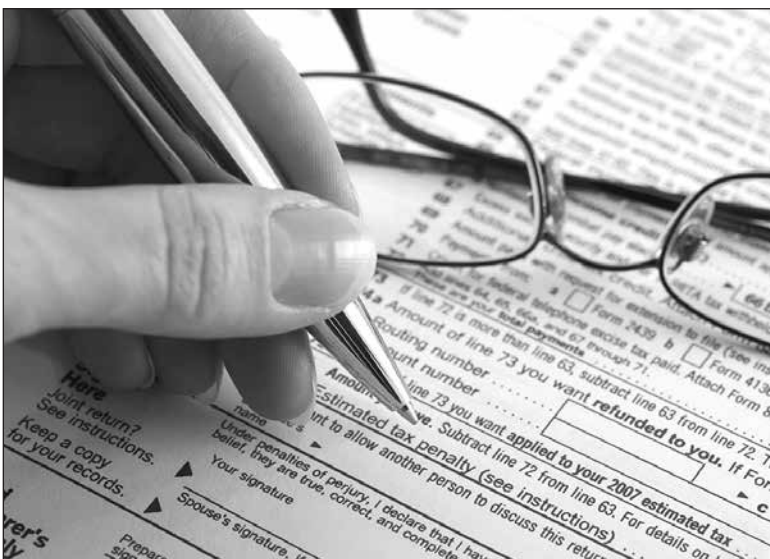
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report from companies like Equifax and automated alerts when key changes appear on your accounts. In the event that the worst happens, some programs offer help through 24/7 access to identity theft resolution specialists.

■ Learn to be scam-savvy. Identity thieves are no fools - but they will try to fool you. Stay informed about scams and never give out personal information over the phone or on the Internet unless you initiated the contact and you're absolutely certain about whom you're dealing with. Keep in mind that the IRS does not ever request sensitive information via email - almost all official IRS communication is carried out

by regular mail.

■ Make sure you're using safe technology. Update your computer's anti-virus software and security patches and check to ensure that any site you're using is fire-wall-protected. Also, be aware that some photocopy machines have hard drives that store digital versions of anything they are used to copy.

Don't let tax time become more nerve-racking than it needs to be. Prepare your return in time, and prepare yourself to fight identity theft, in order to ensure that you'll be on time, secure and hassle-free. More information about credit and identity theft issues is available at the Equifax Finance Blog (www.blog.equifax.com).



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Club News

College Park Unit and Post #217 Welcome Spring

By Ivy Christoffers

Now that March is here, can spring be far behind? With the advent of warmer weather, our outdoor bar-b-que will be fired up and the aromas of good food will permeate the surrounding area, whetting appetites. Our cooks will then begin their annual contest of, "Who is king of the bar-b-que?" We will all enjoy the benefits of becoming non-partisan judges.

Our Friday night dances, with great local bands, continue to bring our friends together for a very good time. Why not drop in and check them out? We can promise you will really enjoy the experience and meet some great folks.

Bingo continues to bring in good crowds on Tuesday, Wednes-

day and Thursday. Doors open by 10:30 a.m. and play begins at 12:30 p.m. Payouts are BIG and food is available for a small additional fee. The public is encouraged to come join in the fun and frolic.

Now for some upcoming events...The Miss College Park Scholarship Pageant is quickly approaching. This is the 22nd year of this program with Miss Angela Rodriguez serving as Executive Director, and we have been instrumental in approximately \$200,000.00 in scholarship monies for the education of young ladies who have participated.

Our Americanism Essay Contest, which is an annual program, hit a snag this year as another group picked up our essays from one of our schools. They have been alerted of their mistake and we are assured it won't happen again. We still did receive approximately 130 essays from two other schools and they are in the hands of the judges. We have very bright students in the Beltsville area and expect to have several winners to recognize. We enjoy attending the award assemblies and presenting the winning student's their awards. Each year it gets harder and harder to choose between them. I don't envy the judges.

Girl's State is also fast approaching. We are looking for eligible students to attend this Leadership program that is open to Junior High School girls from our area. Usually we have applicants from High Point and Northwestern High Schools. We hope to con-

tinue this tradition but time is of the essence in making application for this great program.

Another event of note is the third annual Veterans Creative Arts Festival that is scheduled for March 16. This year it will be held at Millford Mills Academy in Baltimore. We are honored to spotlight the accomplishments of our disabled veterans who have found a new lease on life through Art Therapy. There will be an art exhibit followed by a live performance featuring music, song and dance. The first Festival was held at High Point High School and was extremely successful. The public is invited to attend.

Two days after the Creative Arts Festival will see our National President of the American Legion Auxiliary, Peggy Thomas, visit Maryland. We have quite an ambitious schedule for her visit. We will be touring MCVETS, Charlotte Hall Veterans Home, Loch Raven VAMC, hold a naturalization service at the War Memorial Bldg. in Baltimore, have dinner at Moose Creek and at the Kent Island Post and a banquet at Greenbelt #136. We are honored to have Peggy spend some of her valuable time with us. We invite our Auxiliary and Post members to attend any or all of our scheduled events but you must register through our department office.

Until next month, I remain yours in Service, not self. May God bless our troops wherever they are throughout the world and may God continue to bless America.


Beltsville Young at Heart

By Barbara Schofield

Our members who went on the cruise to Bermuda had a wonderful time. It was good weather, delicious food and most of all friendly people that made it a delightful trip. We have two day trips coming up but they have filled up. The Allenberry trip to see a Patsy Cline show still has seating available. If you are interested in any of our trips you can call the center and leave a message for our trip committee. A new beginning, let go of regret and replace it with hope,

National Active and Retired Federal Employees Chapter 1122 Northern Prince George's County

The monthly meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. on March 13 at the Greenbriar Community Building, Terrace Room, 7600 Hanover Parkway, Greenbelt, Md. Call office for directions: 301.441.1096, Dial 0. Speaker will be Dr. Mark Feldlaufer, Research Entomologist, who will tell us about, "Bed Bug Biology and Control." Refreshments will be available.



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School News

Eleanor Roosevelt High School Orchestra Festival Concert and Band Festival Concert

The Orchestra Festival Concert at Eleanor Roosevelt High School is scheduled for Wednesday March 6, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the school's auditorium at 7601 Hanover Parkway, Greenbelt, Md. The concert will feature all of the Roosevelt Orchestras directed by Dr. David Yarbrough. The orchestras will be performing pieces for adjudication that takes place the following weekend.

The Band Festival Concert at Eleanor Roosevelt High School is scheduled for Friday, March 8th at 7:30 p.m. The Concert will feature all Roosevelt High School Bands directed by Ms. Sally Wagner. The bands will perform pieces for adjudication that takes place the



following weekend.

The Prince George's County Orchestra Assessment Festival is March 14 at Northwestern High School and features performances by orchestras from many Prince George's County high schools. Performance times will

be announced at the Roosevelt Orchestra Festival Concert on March 6th.

The Prince George's County Band Assessment Festival is March 15 and 16 at Northwestern High School and features performances by bands from many Prince George's County high schools. The Roosevelt Band will perform Friday, March 15th in the evening and the Concert Band, Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble will perform on Saturday, March 16th. Performance times will be announced at the Roosevelt Band Festival Concert on March 8th.

The concerts are open to the public and admission is free.

High Point High School News

On Wednesday, Feb. 13, motivational speaker Dr. Lonise Bias, mother of Len Bias, visited High Point High School to speak to our students. She spoke about the importance of making positive life choices and avoiding the dangers of drug abuse. Students felt that her speech was both touching and inspirational. On Wednesday, Feb. 20, students from Youth with Purpose, the dance team, and the music and ROTC program visited Martin Luther King Middle School to present a program for African American History Month. The

program highlighted the talents of High Point High School, as well as commemorated this important historical celebration.

High Point rolled out a Credit Recovery program during the month of Feb. Credit Recovery provides an opportunity for students to make-up credits. Orientation was held on Feb. 12 at High Point. Eighty-one students are now currently enrolled and on their way to success.

How many books do High Point students check out over the course of their high school career? Over 25 students checked out more than

145 books. The top reader read 305 books and the top ten readers read an average of 261 books. Let our students know that High Point is committed to provide books that are enjoyable and interesting.

Vansville Elementary School Family Basket Bingo Night

Vansville Elementary School will host their first annual Family Basket Bingo Night on Friday, March 15, 2013 at 7:30 p.m., doors open at 7 p.m. in the school's multipurpose room at 6813 Ammendale Road, Beltsville, Md. 20705 (non-smoking). Come join us for this fun-filled event. Bingo winners will receive prizes to include baskets and gift cards to local venues such as Cold Stone Ice Cream, Best Buy and Giant. There

will be SEVERAL door prizes and raffles, too! Each game will have an adult winner and child winner so we would like to see the entire family come out to join us! Tickets will be sold the night of the event. Bingo packets (10 games) will be available from \$3 to \$5. Concessions will be available. For additional information, email the Bingo Committee chair Lori Masenburgh at tweetymas@msn.com.

Class of 2013: The future careers of this year's high school graduates

(BPT) - High school seniors nationwide are preparing to graduate, receiving college acceptance letters and possibly enrolling in a college or university. The challenging economy has made many of these young adults acutely

aware of the important role their degree can play when they face commencement once again, this time entering the job market.

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COLLEGE PARK AVIATION MUSEUM

1985 Cpl. Frank Scott Dr., College Park. Call 301.864.6029 for information on events for March. TTY: 301.699.2544. Museum admission is \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors, and \$2 for children. Children under 2 admitted free. Open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., except for major holidays. Tours for groups of 10 or more are available by appointment.

GREENBELT COMMUNITY CENTER AND MUSEUM

The center is located at 15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770. The *Greenbelt Recreation Activities Guide* is online. Stop by the center or see www.greenbeltdmd.gov/recreation for events and class listings. Call 301.397.2208 for general information. The museum house is located at 10-B Crescent Rd. Regular hours are on Sundays. See [www. GeenbeltMuseum.org](http://www.GeenbeltMuseum.org) or call 301.507.6582 for more information.

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NATIONAL WILDLIFE VISITOR CENTER

10901 Scarlet Tanager Loop, Laurel, MD 20708. The Visitor Center entrance is accessed from Powder Mill Rd. between the Baltimore–Washington Pkwy. and Rt. 197. Phone: 301.497.5887. See Patuxent.fws.gov. The center is part of the Patuxent Wildlife Research Refuge. Hours of operation are daily from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except for major holidays. Free admission to the center and its exhibits, grounds, and trails. **Advance registration is required and costs are free, unless otherwise noted. Events fill up quickly and early registration is strongly recommended.** Please advise us of any special needs so that we may accommodate you.

REFUGE SYSTEM BIRTHDAY BASH

Saturday, March 9 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Celebrate the birthday of the National Wildlife Refuge System. See live animals, crafts, hikes, live music, wildlife habitat tram tours (\$), and much more. Free admission. No Registration Required.

WHOOPIING CRANE TOUR

Sunday, March 10 from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Take a behind-the-scenes tour of the Patuxent Wildlife Research Center to observe the graceful endangered whooping cranes. Arrive early, as tour will leave on time. Space is very limited, Ages 14+.

AMAZING ADAPTATIONS

Wednesday, March 13 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Reptiles, amphibians, birds, fish, insects, and mammals, oh my! Learn what makes these animals different and how adaptations help them survive in this fun hands-on interpretive program. Ages 8 – 10.

BIRD WALK

Wednesdays, March 13 and 27 from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Search for birds in several refuge habitats on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars are recommended. Ages 16+.

NATURE TOTS: WHIMSICAL WIND

Thursday, March 14 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Whoosh! Discover how the wind works and how it affects people and wildlife in this hands-on, interactive program with songs and crafts. Ages 3 – 4.

PUPPET SHOW: A FOX'S TALE

Saturday, March 16 from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. No registration necessary. Discover the nighttime world of critters found at Patuxent Research Refuge. Length of introduction and puppet show runs approximately 20 minutes. All ages welcome.

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Saturday, March 23 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday, March 24 from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Featuring films from the Environmental Film Festival in the Nation's Capital. View and purchase works of art from nationally recognized wildlife artists. Free admission and no registration required. Please note that there will be an Artists' Reception (\$) on Friday, March 22 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. For more information or to order reception tickets, call 301.497.5789 or visit www.friends-of-patuxent.org.

TINY TOTS: NATURE AND MUSIC

Wednesday, March 27 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Come learn about the wildlife at the refuge through songs and rhyming. Ages 18 – 42 mos.

LEAVE IT TO BEAVERS

Friday, March 29 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Discover the clever techniques these cool and resourceful animals use to live in the wild in this hands-on program. Ages 5 – 7.

BELTSVILLE EVENTS

Please contact the individual facilities for any changes in hours of operation due to holidays or inclement weather.

WOMEN'S COMMUNITY CLUB OF BELTSVILLE

Monday, March 11 at 12:30 p.m. at Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane, Beltsville

VANSVILLE CITIZEN'S ASSOCIATION

Monday, March 11 at 7 p.m. at Franklin Brown Building, Vansville Recreation Park, 11733 Old Baltimore Pike, Vansville

BELTSVILLE RECREATION COUNCIL

Monday, March 18 at 7 p.m. at the Beltsville Community Center, 3900 Sellman Road, Beltsville

BELTSVILLE CITIZEN'S ASSOCIATION

Wednesday, March 20 at Beltsville Academy, 4300 Wicomico Ave., Beltsville

YOUNG AT HEART CLUB

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

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIBRARY (NAL)

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

BEHNKE NURSERIES GARDEN CENTER

11300 Baltimore Ave. Please call 301.937.1100, ext. 0. or see www.Behnkes.com for information regarding these and other events in March.

NATIONAL CAPITAL ORCHID SOCIETY 35TH ANNUAL ORCHID AUCTION

Saturday, March 2 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Free admission. Open to the public, so grab a friend and join us in the fun. This live auction with offer over 300 blooming or near-blooming-size orchids, from well-known growers coast to coast, Hawaii, and private collections. Lots of very rare and unusual orchids. This is one of the largest orchid auctions in the country. Bidders preview auction beauties at 10 a.m. Exciting auction commences at 11 a.m. For more information visit the NCOS website www.ncos.us.

BONSAI DEMONSTRATIONS

All Saturdays in March, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Watch bonsai master Ducky Hong sculpt everyday plants into works of art. Questions? Mr. Hong loves to talk about his work and the classes he will be teaching.

BELTSVILLE LIBRARY

The Beltsville Library will be **closed Thursday, March 7 for Staff Development Day**. Regular operating hours are: Monday – Tuesday from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m., Wednesday – Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed on Sunday. Contact the Beltsville Library by phone at 301.937.0294. Visit us at 4319 Sellman Rd., Beltsville, next door to the police station. Visit our library system website at www.pgcmils.info.

PROGRAMS FOR EVERYONE

CHESS CLUB

Tuesday, March 12 at 6 p.m. Chess for all ages and levels. Everyone welcome. Come to learn or just to play with others and have fun.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Tuesday, March 5 at 6 p.m. All ages welcome. Families are invited to join the library for a night of video games and board games. Bring your own or play one of ours.

ANNUAL POETRY CONTEST

Start writing your poems. Pick up your applications at the Beltsville Library Information Desk. Submit your original poetry for a chance to win. The contest ends Monday, March 4 at 5 p.m. The Annual Poetry Reading will take place on Monday, April 8 at 7 p.m. Winners will be announced at the poetry reading and will be asked to read their poems. Contact the Beltsville Library for more information. Sponsored by the Friends of the Beltsville Library. Ages 6 and over.

BOOKMARK DESIGN CONTEST

Calling artists of all ages! The deadline is March 30. Design a bookmark for the Summer Reading Program based on this year's themes: *Dig Into Reading* for preschool through 5th grade, *Beneath the Surface* for grades 6 – 12, and *Ground Breaking Reads* for adults 18 and up. Contact the Beltsville Library for more details.

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

STORYTIME

Wednesdays, March 6, 13, 20, and 27 at 10:30 a.m. Songs, stories and finger plays for children ages 3 – 5.

GOOSEY LOOSEY

Wednesdays, March 6, 13, 20, and 27 at 11:30 a.m. Stories, songs, finger plays, and Mother Goose Rhymes. For newborns to 18 months with caregiver.

TAIL WAGGIN' TUTORS

Saturday, March 2 at 2 p.m. Build your child's confidence in reading. Bring a favorite book or choose one from the library. Read to a specially trained therapy dog that will be glad to listen. Each child will read for 15 minutes. Registration required. Please contact the Beltsville Library for more information. Ages 6 – 12.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, DR. SEUSS!

Monday, March 4 at 7 p.m. Join the Cat in the Hat to hear stories about Thing 1, Thing 2, and Horton, too.

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

EREADER TRAINING

Do you have an eReader? Want to learn how to download free eBooks from your library? Call to schedule your individualized appointment.

FRIENDS OF THE BELTSVILLE LIBRARY

Meeting Tuesday, March 5 at 6:30 p.m.

EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION

Monday, March 11 at 7 p.m. Rhoda Janzen's *Mennonite in a Little Black Dress: A Memoir of Going Home*. All are welcome!

AFTERNOON BOOK DISCUSSION

Tuesday, March 19 at 2 p.m. Candice Millard's *Destiny of the Republic: A Tale of Madness, Medicine and the Murder of a President*. All are welcome!

BELTSVILLE LIBRARY WRITERS' GROUP

Tuesday, March 19 at 7 p.m. Authors of all genres are invited to join our writer's group to learn, critique, and share information about writing.

COMPUTERS FOR EVERYONE: INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT WORD

Thursday, March 21 at 9 a.m. Don't be intimidated by computers. Be able to identify basic terminology and learn how to create and format a document. Leave the library feeling confident using a computer. Limit 8 per class. Registration required.

BELTSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

3900 Sellman Rd., Beltsville. The Program Specialist is Michael Hansborough. Contact him at 301.937.6613 or Michael.Hansborough@pgparks.com for information on classes and events. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512. Regular hours of operation are: Monday – Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. (except for Xtreme Teen events), Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (except for Xtreme Teen events), closed on Sunday.

STRATEGY GAME CLUB

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

XTREME TEEN REGULAR EVENTS

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

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March 1 through 31, during operating hours. Stop by the center and donate non-perishable canned goods to help provide food to families in need in Prince George's communities. All ages welcome.

G.E.A.R. ARTISTIC FUSE ART NIGHT

Friday, March 15 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Bring your imagination and artistic talent to the center as we make beautiful creations with fuse art. If you have never done it before, it is a lot of fun. Ages 10 – 17. Free.

BELTSVILLE GAMES DAY 2013

Saturday, March 16 from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Come on in and get your game on, as the Beltsville Strategy Game Club hosts Beltsville

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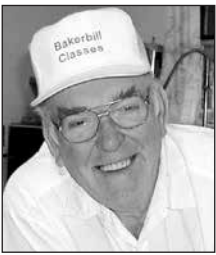
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Baker Bill

STUFF 'N THINGS

I can't believe I am writing for March. Anyhow, this time of year I recycle all papers with my information on them and clean out my desk drawers. In doing so I came across something that may be useful to some of you. It's a list of what you can substitute for something else. If you find this of interest write it down or e-mail me @ bill@bakerbill.net for the complete list.

1. To make buttermilk for a recipe, stir in 1 teaspoon lemon juice to a cup of milk and let it sit a bit. Vinegar also works

2. To make brown sugar, stir into a cup of sugar 1/4 cup molasses, more if you want to make it dark.

3. As a thickener 1 tablespoon corn starch = 2 tbsp flour

4. 2 tbsp butter = 1 oz, 1 stick = 1/2 cup or 4 oz

5. Sugar 7 oz = 1 cup

6. A cup of flour weighs 4 & 1/2 oz.

7. 20 saltines crushed = 1 cup, 22 vanilla wafers = 1 cup, 1 med apple chopped = 1 cup, 1 med onion chopped = 1/2 cup, and 7-8 medium eggs = 1 cup or 8 oz.

Candy: Bring to boil 1/2 cup

Karo and 1 cup granulated sugar. To make caramel or hard candy here are the temps. Syrup thin thread 218-220, large thread 228-230, soft ball 242-240, hard ball 250-255, hard crack-285-315. Do not walk away because temperatures will rise fast, so keep stirring. Here's a neat tip: to test the ball, use cold water and only once.

If anyone remembers, 20 years

ago I called this article Bakerbill's baking tips. Then I ran out of tips and changed the heading to STUFF 'N THINGS. I still try to stick to baking and some cooking and now and then slip in personal thoughts. Even though I am a so-so writer, I am no wordsmith, but I was a bakerysmith. Thank heaven for spellcheck.

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Sunday, March 24: Palm Sunday Services at 9 & 11:15
Thursday, March 28: Maundy Thursday 7pm Service followed by our traditional Seder Tasting
Friday, March 29: Good Friday 7pm Service
Sunday, March 31: EASTER SUNDAY
Services at 9 & 11:15
Easter Egg Hunt for children between services



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Game Day 2013. This will most definitely be a fun event with a special emphasis on *Gateway Games*, designed games that have a broad appeal because of their simple mechanics and deep strategies. There will be prizes awarded and lots of fun. All ages welcome. Free.

THE MAGIC EGG HUNT

Saturday, March 16 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. This year Mr. Bunny hops up from a magic hat. Come and enjoy an exciting magic show and a fun-filled egg hunt. Be sure to bring a basket. Ages 1 – 10. Free.

JUST THE FELLAS OVERNIGHT ADVENTURE

Friday, March 29 from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. Participate in a variety of team building activities, sports of sorts, educational workshops, and a night of exciting and creative programming. Be prepared for a night of fun. Fee: \$5. Boys only.

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6813 Ammendale Rd., Vansville. The Director is Jeremy Weiss. Contact him at 301.937.6621 or Jeremy.Weiss@gpgparks.com to get information regarding classes or events. Regular hours of operation: Monday – Thursday from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m., Friday from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. (except for Xtreme Teen events and First Ladies of V-Ville), Saturday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. (except for Xtreme Teen events and First Ladies of V-Ville), and Sunday from 12 noon to 3 p.m. Fax: 301.937.6623. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512.

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XTREME TEENS REGULAR EVENTS

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

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try growth is extremely helpful as students choose their major or area of study,” says Dr. Chad Kennedy, chair and professor of biomedical engineering technology in the College of Engineering and Information Sciences at DeVry University. “Unlike some career fields where opportunities are shrinking, many technology and engineering fields are expanding at double-digit rates. In fact, many employers can’t find enough qualified applicants to meet their needs.”

The workforce is rapidly evolving; some of the most desired professional roles of yesterday are shrinking today and will become obsolete tomorrow. The class of 2013 will enter emerging career fields, managing the technologies that drive advanced hospital settings, leading development of the next cloud-based application and protecting companies and consumers from cyber and financial fraud alike.


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Maundy Thursday, March 28th
Passover Seder 6:30 p.m.
Light supper &
Stripping of the altar.

Good Friday, March 29th
Stations of the Cross at Noon
Traditional Service at 7:30 p.m.

Easter Day March 31st
Sunrise Service at 6:30 a.m.
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Easter Eucharist
8:00 a.m. Traditional Service
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March 29, 2013 Good Friday Service "The Seven Last Words" from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m.
March 31, 2013 Easter Sunday Sunrise Worship at 6:54 a.m.
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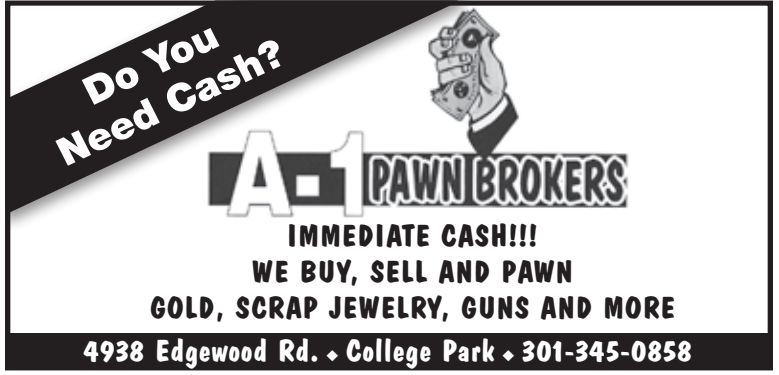
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