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Santa Tour 2018

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

- If you meet Santa at the intersections listed below on the schedule, he will be able to meet more children and see more of Beltsville.
- Always use caution when visiting Santa. Please pay attention to the fire apparatus and stay out of the street.
- Sometimes Santa runs behind schedule by a couple of minutes, so be patient. He will follow the schedule as close as possible.
- Have fun and make sure you know what you want for Christmas!

Thursday, December 6, 2018

Evans Trail
Blueridge @ Pocono Place
Shenandoah @ Blueridge
Cherry Hill Rd. (in front)
Major Denton @ Cherry Hill Ct.
Townley Apartments
Cherry Mill Drive @ Cherry Tree

Collier @ Powder Mill Rd.
Cherryvale @ Weeping Willow
Cherryvale @ Cherryvale Terr.
Sellman @ Weymouth
Ulster @ Woodbine
Sellman @ Dresden
Sellman @ Hillwood Ct

Saturday, December 8, 2018

Lighthouse @ Beltsville Drive Beltsville Drive @ Beltsville Rd Forestview @ Christine Chapel View @ Craiglawn Craiglawn @ Paca Calverton @ Greenmount Beltsville Rd @ Bellvue St Greenmount @ Dunnington Ronehill @ Castleleigh Ingleside @ Blairmore Dunnington @ Oriole Stonehall @ Taney Dunnington @ Key Ivy @ Susquehanna Wellford @ Dunnington Harbour Town Dr Briggs Chaney @ Myrtle Ave Castle Pines Old Gunpowder Spur

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Scouts and friends who helped sort the Scouting for Food donations

Cub Pack 1031: A Scout is Helpful

Cub Pack 1031 scouts, along with their families and scouts from Troop 1033, helped collect and sort the donations at the St. Joseph's Catholic Church on Saturday, November 10th. The pack collected 545 lbs. of donations

from the neighborhood around Beltsville Academy. Many thanks to the people of Beltsville who helped us provide food for the pantries at St. Joseph's and Emmanuel United Methodist church from throughout Beltsville. Also, this month we had our first pack meeting where we made neckerchief slides and the new scouts earned their Bobcat rank.

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 $\label{lem:lembers} \mbox{Members of the Beltsville Broncos Pathfinder collected canned food for those in need.}$

Beltsville Broncos Pathfinders Club

By James Gladstone

Fall is a time of family and giving thanks for most of the people in Beltsville, but there are also many who are less

fortunate. They do not have family nearby for support, they may have recently lost a job, or had other life circumstances that have caused them to need help from the community. Our Beltsville Broncos Pathfinders Club orchestrates an annual can and non-perishable food collection drive to help

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Beltsville Briefs

Eliot Society Christmas Concert

Come out and celebrate the advent season with musical trio Tre Terra, featuring music by composers from South, Central, and North America. Tre Terra: Across the America's will take place on Saturday December 1 at 7:00 pm at the Wallace Presbyterian Church, 3725 Metzerott Rd., College Park. Tickets are \$10 for members and students and \$15 for all others. Children 12 and under are free.

The members of Tre Terra are local musicians who come from three different lands, backgrounds and experiences. Theresa Sweet (United States), Irma Field-Cripe (Costa Rica), and Adriana Schueckler (Brazil) found a common bond in their love of music and their passion for education, and they formed a trio embracing their international backgrounds. Active solo performers and educators in their own fields, they have collaborated together in the Washington, D.C., area for several years. The public is invited to attend this concert. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit eliotsociety.org.

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- Little Beacons of Light Christmas Service 12/23, 10am
- Christmas Day Service 12/25, 9am 10am
- Youth & Young Adults Encounter Rally 12/28, 7pm. Featuring Min. Juanita Cameron, Eddie Neblett, LSOP. FREE ADMISSION - let's have a fun close out for the year.
- New Year's Eve Cross Over Service 12/31, 9:30pm

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor of the Beltsville News,

I have been a resident of Beltsville for more than forty years and have been a faithful reader of "Tech Sense" by John Bell.

In his most recent article "Famous People in Computer Technology, " Mr. Bell missed a rather important person with a deep Beltsville root ---- one of the two founders of "Google", Mr. Sergy Brin, with its most popularly used browser "chrome".

Mr. Sergey Brin attended Paint Branch Montessori School which was then located inside Paint Branch Unitarian Church on Powder Mill Road, under Mrs. Patty Barshay, the Principal. Later on he attended and graduated from Eleanor Roosevelt High School in nearby Greenbelt,

He was my daughter's classmate, I remember him to be a sweet and thoughtful boy. His parents were both professors at University of Maryland in College Park. He later pursued his studies at Stanford University and began the next chapters of his life.

> Sincerely, Lucy Lin



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those in our Beltsville community who could use a little assistance. The cans and dry goods are donated to the Beltsville Adventist Community Center, located at 4220 Ammendale Road in Beltsville.

The Beltsville Broncos Pathfinder Club is a co-ed Christian scout program, which is part of Beltsville Seventh-Day Adventist Church. The Broncos have over 90 active members from grades 5 through 12 and another 30 volunteer staff members. Roger Prates, the Director of the Beltsville Broncos, says that one of the biggest blessings is to teach the young kids to give back and be a blessing to the local community. One of the primary objectives for the club is to train young, energetic children to build a better world by helping those less fortunate.

On Saturday, November 10th a cold, windy afternoon, over 85 of the 94 Broncos distributed over 800 brown bags throughout the Beltsville community. They were asking for the generosity of neighbors to fill the bags with canned and dry goods for the Beltsville Adventist Community Center. The Broncos as they went door to door talking with neighbors about the effort. Most neighbors are familiar with the program as the Broncos have been doing this for many years.

If neighbors are not home, the bags are left on the doorstep with a request to fill them up for pickup the following morning. The Broncos met again on the morning of Sunday, November 10th to retrieve the filled bags. It is truly amazing to witness the generosity of the community. Hot chocolate and snacks were awaiting the Broncos on their return, and a nice way to connect and share stories about the adventure.

Many neighbors had questions about the Beltsville Adventist Community Center, where all of the collections are given. The Director is Pastor Sifa who stated that he really appreciates this partnership over the years between the people who live in the Beltsville community, the Beltsville Broncos Pathfinder Club, and the Beltsville Adventist Community Center to help those in the Beltsville community and beyond with food, but even more so to take the next step towards financial independence and a better life."

I would like to end with a great big THANK YOU to all the generosity of the neighbors who were showed their generosity and hearted by donating filled up brown bags so that the Beltsville Adventist Community Center will have enough canned and dry goods for those that need the help. A great society is known by how it takes care of its young, aging and needy.

Neighbors in the News

What's Your Reason for the Season?

By Rev. Dr. Jalene Chase

What's your reason for the season? As the pastor of Emmanuel UMC in Beltsville, my reason for the season is Jesus. It's the time when we remember, reenact, and recognize that Christ is the foundation of our belief. We celebrate. But I realize the season also embraces the beliefs of people of different faiths... and no faith. For most, it's a season of lights, music, gifts, food, and fellowship with or without a religious component. We hear slogans like "Put Christ back in Christmas," and that's cool. I would like to challenge us to take it to a unifying level. Can we also put fellow back in fellowship and look out for our fellowman or woman? How about friend back in friendship and reach out to people we have neglected in our busyness. Consider common in community, okay that's a stretch, but we can still look for the things we have in common with the people in our community. I was going to say nice in neighbors, but that is really pushing it, but you get my point. The news would lead us to believe that pointing out our differences is the American way – It's not. The United States that I pray for recognizes the beauty in different faiths, genders, ethnicity, languages, culture, sexuality, political affiliations, economics, and geography. The beauty of

Unfortunately, it is also a time of grief, aloneness, loneliness, and being overwhelmed with celebrations when some don't feel like celebrating. If you are reading this, and holidays make you feel that way, join us. We are not perfect, but we are making a great effort toward it with God's help. There are numerous opportunities to join ministries and mission



Rev. Dr. Jalene Chase

work that connects people in and outside of the church. Visit us on Sunday at church 9am or 11:15, and/or Facebook and webpage.

Let's pray to God to bring the gift of UNITY this season. If Santa is your go-to person, ask for the same too, please. I leave you with this prayer:

- U Unifying God, your unlimited grace and mercy covers all of
- **N** Narrow the divide that causes people to target others; being different isn't a negative thing
- **I** Ignite the love that will bring us together and defeats that negative spirit
- T Take us to another level of fellowship, friendship, and faith
- Y Your power gives us a reason for the season that embraces Hope, Joy, Peace, and Love for a better, stronger nation. AMEN

Blessings, Rev. Dr. Jalene Chase

CUB PACK 1031

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The Webelos den went on a hike at Lake Artemisia on Veteran's Day and saw a bird we have never seen before – an American Coot! They don't have webbed feet, so they bob up and down as they move across the water. We also saw a herd of deer who must have thought we were following them because we saw them over and over. The den then went to their leader's house and made tinfoil meals and learned how to

build a fire.

The pack has activities including camping, hiking, our annual Pinewood Derby and campfires. We also do participatory citizenship along Little Paint Branch Trail, our toy drive and Scouting for Food. Along the way we learn responsibility, citizenship, play games, and have tons of fun. If you are interested in discovering the fun of Cub Scouts with your child, please contact Regina Halper at Pack1031CubScouting@gmail.com for more information.



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Michael Richards and Valerie Kabelac

Richards, owner of Will's Decorating, recommends taking a good look at your dining room, kitchen and family room chairs. You don't want your guests taking notice of stained or tattered chairs. Freshen it up with a new fabric. Six dining room chair seats only takes three to four yards of fabric. If the seat is caving in you probably just need new padding. Your chairs can look like new in no time. Will's does expert upholstery work and can do the makeover quickly. For more expert advice on what you can do to spruce up your home this holiday season call for your FREE design consultation at Will's Home Decorating with Michael.

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Beltsville VFD Holds Fire F.E.S.T. Open House

By Todd Reitzel

The Beltsville Volunteer Fire Department hosted its annual Fire F.E.S.T. open house on October 21. The event included equipment displays, food vendors, emergency medical demos, a moon bounce, and face painting.

The Hands Only CPR demo provided the information and skills needed to begin and continue lifesaving efforts on a cardiac arrest victim until emergency medical service personnel arrive. More information is at http://www.heart.org/handsonly-cpr. The Stop the Bleed demo instructed attendees on how to identify and control massive bleeding that could cause death if left untreated. More information is at www.bleedingcontrol.org.

The department also displayed its equipment, including its new ambulance, the first one owned by this department since the 1970s. Purchase of the ambulance was made possible by donations by Beltsville citizens. The department now has 3 fire engines, 1 ladder truck, 1 ambulance, and 3 other vehicles. The department runs operations using citizen donations and purchases fire trucks using a combination of State of Maryland grants and citizen donations.

"Fire F.E.S.T. allows citizens to come in and see what our volunteers do," said Margie Dickey,



president of the Beltsville VFD. Fire F.E.S.T. was held at the department's Station 31 location on Prince George's Avenue. The department also runs Station 41, on Powder Mill Road in Calverton. The event was held in conjunction with Fire Prevention Month.

The department also sponsored a poster contest, Participants included students at 5 area elementary schools, including Beltsville Academy, Beltsville Adventist School, Calverton Elementary School, St. Joseph's Regional Catholic School, and Vansville Elementary School. Three winners from each grade of each school were selected and awarded trophies during the October 21 event.

"The most important thing Beltsville residents can do to support fire safety is ensure you have a fire escape plan and ensure your children know that plan," said Dickey. "We also recommend you give your children the opportunity to see fire-fighters in their bulky gear at events like this one. Often, small children are scared of firefighters responding to emergencies because of their bulky gear."

Hickey also recommends residents ensure they have working smoke detectors and, in case of fire, evacuate first and then call 911. More information about the department is at beltsvillevfd. com.



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Saturday December 10, 2018

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

Wednesday, December 12,

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

Friday December 14, 2018 Garove @ Hennessey Dr.

Indigo @ Barbara Dr.
Longhorn @ West View Ct.
Montgomery Place @
Montgomery Ct.
Montgomery Rd. @ Kenny St.
Kenny St. @ 34th Place
35th Pl. @ Yates Rd.
35th Pl. @ Sarasota Pl.
Montgomery Rd. @
Forreston Rd.
Forreston Rd. @ Stephen Ln.
Cedar Ln. @ Cedar Ct.
Howard Rd. @ Home Acres Terr.

Sunday, December 16, 2018

Prince George's Ave. @
Wicomico Ave.
Howard Rd. @ Queen Anne Ave.
Rhode Island Ave. @ Garrett Rd.
Odell Rd. @ Lexington Ave.
Manheim Ave. @ Caroline Ave.
Queen Anne Ave. @ Naples Ave.
Olympia Ave. @ Carroll Ave.
Lincoln Ave. @ Theresa St.
Quimby Ave. @ Carroll St.
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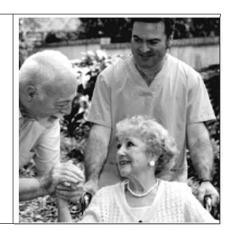
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5. Clairvoyant's gift 8. Snoopy 12. Time distortion 13. Show worry

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1. Rare bills

14. Wyoming's official sport

15. *John Lennon's "Happy

Xmas (War is _

16. And elsewhere

17. Opposite of bonjour

18. *"Have ____ a Merry Little Christmas"

20. MTV's "____'d"

21. Incessantly

22. A cool _____, as in money

23. *"Should auld acquaintance

26. *"Run _

___ Run" sung by Chuck Berry

30. *Co-writer of #15 Across

31. Used tabulator key

34. Your majesty

35, 1965 Watts events

37. *"Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree," sung by Brenda _____

38. Mozart and Einstein, e.g.

39. Golly!

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Annual Election Period

October 15 to

December 7

40. Dry ravine, in Asia

42. Not don'ts

43. Diplomatic alliance

45. Like empty hotel room

47. "Fat chance!"

48. Shenzi of "The Lion King"

50. Eastern European

52. *Vince ____ Trio of "Linus and Lucy" fame

55. Between violin and cello

56. Rainbows and such

57. Rumpelstiltskin's weaver

59. Coral reef island

60. Facebook's "psst"

61. ____ Mann of "The Simpsons"

62. Decades

DOWN

1. *____ Turtle Doves

2. Not straight

3. Post-meal sandwich

4. Spring action, past tense

5. Like yesterday's meal

6. Coffee burn, e.g.

7. Bread or cabbage

8. Having small nodules

9. Scandinavian war god

10. Radio button

11. *"All I want for Christmas is

13. Bygone Spanish money

14. R in R.E.M.

19. Alex Haley saga

22. ____ pie in a sand box

23. Blacksmith's hearth

24. Gibson garnish

25. Fowl perch

26. Film roll

27. Ronstadt, e.g.

28. Infectious protein particle

29. Bank job

32. *Like Elvis' Christmas?

33. 10 decibels

36. *Deck'em

38. Ivory Coast neighbor

40. Utmost degree

41. Not sympathetic

44. Maryland Academy

46. Young and inexperienced

48. Second-largest Great Lake

49. Talks and talks and talks

50. It houses web content

51. "On Golden Pond" bird

52. Open-mouthed astonishment

Shakespearean "does

54. Tiny bit

55. Port vessel

58. Mrs. Goldberg, e.g.

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Rosapepe's Report to Beltsville

Thank you!

Delegate Joseline Peña-Melnyk, Delegate Ben Barnes, Delegate-elect Mary Lehman, and I appreciate the confidence the people of Beltsville have placed in us by electing us to the Maryland General Assembly. We look forward to representing you over the next four years.

Thank you, Delegate Barbara Frush!

After 24 years of representing our district, Delegate Barbara Frush is retiring when her term ends in December. But she still plans to remain active in helping shape the future of Maryland for her grandchildren. Barbara has been my mentor and close ally in fighting for our constituents for more than 30 years. She is the epitome of the citizen legislator who organized her neighbors to protect their community and was elected by them to help lead our state. I have no doubt that she will continue her courageous and effective leadership long past her service in the House. Joseline, Ben, Mary, and I are grateful for her friendship, and we offer our best wishes for a wonderful retire-



Senator Jim Rosapepe

ment.

Reminder: Health insurance deadline: December 15

Delegates Frush, Peña-Melnyk, Barnes, and I want to be sure all working families are able to sign up for affordable health insurance. Despite all the proposals in Congress to repeal the Affordable Care Act (ACA), it's still in effect. 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 1-855-642-8572.

2019 Winter Brunch

I hope you can join my wife Sheilah and me for our Welcome 2019 Celebration. To get the details (which were not finalized at press time) and RSVP, please visit www.SenatorJimRosapepe. com. Families are welcome. We look forward to seeing you!

Merry Christmas!

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

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Sin separates forever, Mankind from Heaven kind; Unless we trust this Jesus To cleanse us we are blind. Instead of celebrations
Of Christmas without Christ,
Receive God's loving Present
And know eternal life.

Beckie Hutchings 9/17/2018

Give Kids A Snuggle Stuffed Animal and Blanket Drive



In memory of Bryanna Kitchen who lost her battle to Early T-cell Precursor Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ETP-ALL) on October 24, 2016, Bryanna's Love would like to invite you to help give back to the children and their families battling cancer at local Children's Hospitals through our Give Kids A Snuggle Campaign.

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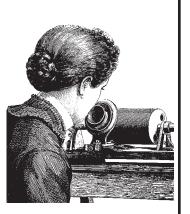
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Obituaries

Chialastri, Ronald Edward (Ronnie)

Born December 4, 1955 in Washington, DC. He lived in Beltsville, MD since 1978, and worked as a glazier. Loving and devoted husband, father, and grandfather. Married for 45 years to Mary M. Chialastri; father of Ronald (Tanika) Chialastri, Jr., Brian Chialastri, Timothy (Kendra) Chialastri, and Valerie (Joey) Chialastri-Raley; grandfather of Mason, Tyler, Timothy, Jr. (T.J.), Cherish, Selah, and Daniel Chialastri; son of the late Paul Chialastri and Betty Kline; brother of Joyce Chialastri, George Chialastri, and the late Billy Chialastri, Bobby Chialastri, and Ricky Chialastri; son-in-law of Gordon Becraft. He is also survived by many brothers and sisters in-laws, nieces, nephews, cousins, and other family members and friends. Funeral service was held at Borgwardt Funeral Home on Friday, October 26 at 12:00 noon; Interment Columbia Memorial Park, Clarksville, MD. He will be missed by all, but we know where he is- with our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Lanham, Doris M.

Doris was the beloved wife of the late Harry Flora and Paul T. Lanham; mother of Harry Stephen, Phillip Dennis, Lyndon Daniel, the late James Ronald Flora and Janice Marie Musgrove; mother in law of Cecelia "BB", Mary and the late Jimmy; grandmother of 13, great-grandmother of 17 and great-great grandmother of 7; sister of David, Aubrey, the late William, Mary, Helen, Harry, Alice, Herman, Carrie, Lillian and Franklin; Funeral service was held at the Borgwardt Funeral Home 4400 Powder Mill Road Beltsville, Maryland on Monday, October 29, at 10:00 a.m. with Chaplain Harry Hetz officiating; Interment Fort Lincoln Cemetery.

Grubb, Margaret "Fave"

Margaret "Faye" Grubb passed away on November 1, 2018 from complications of Alzheimer's disease. She is survived by her husband of 60 years, Paul; her children Annette (Joseph) and Sandra; grandchildren Michael (Tracie) and Nicholas; and great grandchildren Scarlett, Roman, Evelyn and Holdyn. She is also survived by two brothers Leon and Melvin, and a host of other family members.

Born and raised in Coeburn, Virginia, Faye was the youngest of 12 children born to Melvin and Nola Odle. As a young adult she moved to Maryland where she lived the remainder of her life.

Faye worked for Arbitron

until her retirement. She was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Beltsville, teaching Sunday School and Vacation Bible School for many years. She enjoyed volunteering in the nursery where she cared for infants and toddlers while their parents attended church services.

The greatest pleasure of Faye's life was her family. She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother, always on the sidelines cheering for her grandsons at their sporting events as they grew up. A cross-country trip with her husband, Paul, was among her favorite memories. A wonderful cook, some of Faye's happiest times were those spent sharing fun and food with her family. She was a kind and generous person, funny and hardworking, and completely devoted to those she loved.

We have so many special memories of our lives with her. Our hearts are broken and we will miss her tremendously. We love you and miss you. Until we meet again.

Memorial service was held at Borgwardt Funeral Home on Thursday, November 8, at 12:30 p.m. with The Reverend Keith Holland officiating.

Wills, George Michael

George Michael Wills, known affectionately as "Baby Bear", was the former proprietor of Wills Trucking and Excavation Company, quietly succumbed to his illness on Wednesday, October 24, 2018.

George was born to the late Edwin Montague "Dick' and Daisy Margaret on March 2, 1947. The youngest of his siblings.

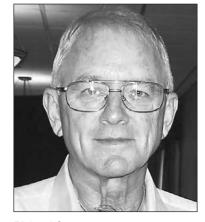
He is preceded in death by his sons Montague, Travis, and Michael Darnell, and his sister, Dorothy Elizabeth.

He leaves behind to mourn his passing, his wife of 47 years, Jennatte. His sisters, Rose and Gloria. His brothers, James (Maxine) and Richard (Carolyn). His aunts, Ernestine and Laura, his sister inlaws, nieces, nephews, and a host of other family and friends.

Funeral service was held at the Borgwardt Funeral Home on Tuesday, October 30, at 11:00 a.m. Interment Maryland National Memorial Park.

Scaggs, Richard C.

Richard C. Scaggs, 74, died at his home on Monday, July 16th, 2018. Richard was a life-long resident of Beltsville, graduating from High Point High in 1962. He was a proud veteran, serving as an Army Spec V in the Viet Nam War and volunteered many years with the Beltsville Volunteer Fire Department. A life-long employee, he retired from C & P



Richard Scaggs

Telephone Company in 1995. He was an avid hunter.

He is predeceased by his cherished wife and best friend, Janet Lee Scaggs, son Phillip and parents Joseph and Julia Scaggs of Beltsville. He is survived by his brother Gary Wayne Scaggs, wife Nancy, and sisters Nancy Scaggs, husband Dennis Clark, and Chris Byers. He also leaves behind many relatives and friends, including his pals at McDonald's in Burtonsville and hunting buddies.

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Tech Sense By John Bell

Holiday Tech Toys

It's that time of year again where we help the non-technical spouse, sibling, or friend identify gifts for the techno-geeks in their lives. Let's peek inside Santa's bag to see what might be in there.

Last Year's Toys

Last year we talked about televisions, Raspberry Pi computers, 3D printers, and cell phones. These are all good gifts again this year but with updates.

3D Printer Update

It is now possible to find 3D printers for under \$100. Kossel Style 3D printers made by LESHP can be found on NewEgg.com for \$99. Kossel style printers use a delta configuration instead of the traditional XYZ axis making the printers less expensive to build. Last year's highly regarded Monoprice Mini is now selling for \$120, a hundred dollars less than



Kossel XL 3D printer

last year. Many printers can be found in the \$150 to \$190 range. Many Prusa style printers can be found as kits or pre-assembled. These printers often allow larger prints and support multiple filament materials. When you purchase the printer don't forget to buy filament, most printers no longer include filament with the printer.

Raspberry Pi Update

Last year the Raspberry Pi Foundation added the \$10 Pi Zero W to its lineup, but they were hard to find during the holiday season. Now they can be purchased from Microcenter for \$5 and are generally in stock. Earlier this year the foundation added the Raspberry Pi 3B+ to this collection, selling for \$35. The new computer has a faster processor, networking, and Wifi but is form compatible with the earlier Pi 3B. Microcenter has this computer now for \$30.

Television and Video

The big deal with televisions this year is that HD televisions are getting hard to find. Mostly

these have been replaced with 4K UHD TV's. Some 55 inch 4K UHD TV's are selling on Black Friday for under \$300. Again this year you should skip considering the ordinary HD TV and go straight to the Ultra High Definition (UHD) High Dynamic Range (HDR) TV's. Remember an HD TV offers a screen resolution of 1920 by 1080 pixels, the new 4K UHD/HDR TV's offer four times the number of pixels (3840 by 2160 pixels). HDR expands the number of colors the TV can show and improves the contrast between light and dark giving the TV a better image.

These TV's will upscale the traditional TV sources but to get the best picture you will need UHD/HDR content. Comcast has added UHD support with the Xfinity1 system. UHD Blu-Ray disks and players are also becoming more affordable and readily available. Many of these devices will also upscale your old DVD content to play well on the new TV's. This season may also be a good time to update your media streaming

devices as well. The latest devices from Roku, Google, Amazon, and Apple all have 4K UHD streaming capabilities. Streaming UHD content is available from many streaming content providers including Netflix, Amazon Prime, and Hulu.

New Toys

Wow, I've spent more than half the column updating gift ideas from last year, and I skipped phones and voice assistants. Let's look at some new ideas for this year.

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Meet Janae

Good day my dear reader. How has your month been? Also, how was your Thanksgiving Holiday? There is nothing like being able to relax with family, eat a good meal, have a drink or two (water is my new friend) and enjoy good conversation. The government should make the day after Thanksgiving a partial holiday, so that folks like me who eat a lot of food, can recover, instead of having to go to work. (I am slim but can eat a good plate of food plus more. My metabolism rate is very high, and I am thankful,

This issue I was trying to narrow down a few things to talk about and a random social media greeting between a good female friend and I created the opportunity for me to look at her story. What would make a young lady decide to leave the city (Baltimore) where she grew up, and relocate to Atlanta, or even relocate at all?

Please meet my friend, Janae. Wow, I don't know how long ago we met, but it has been ages. We met in Baltimore where I work. Janae worked in customer service and is a natural. Most times I went into her place of business, I would make sure she was the one to attend to me. Her colleagues were nice to me, but I was always intrigued by her courage to wear her hair differently. She used to have some very interesting hairdos and would also have some interesting colors in her hair. We got talking and have remained friends ever since.

So when Janae indicated to out of Baltimore to Atlanta, I was surprised. I wished her well but respected her courage to get

up and leave. It brought back memories of when I left my country of birth, in 1994, Nigeria, and relocated to the Caribbean island of St. Kitts. (My father is Nigerian, and my mother is from St. Kitts — you probably never heard of it: the population is 40, 000, we just got traffic lights a year ago — and we do not have McDonald's.) So I can relate to Janae's action. She left a nice job with a telecommunication company here, in addition to a weekly radio show, and relocated to Atlanta.

I just want to share her experience, so I asked her a few questions, to understand more. In my case, my decision to leave Nigeria was based on the politics of the country. The summer of 1994, the country shut down for almost three months, as a decision was made to frustrate the military rulers out of power. There was a general strike in the country - no electricity, banks closed, markets shut, no water - you had to walk to and from places. Survival took another turn. I probably will share that experience with you in a future Jive. Let me get back into Janae's story.

Janae, what would make a young lady decide to relocate? Is it love? A job? Adventure or a desire for independence? (Her response is in italics). The desire for adventure and independence. I always wanted to travel the world and live in many places, so I left Baltimore for Atlanta.

What factors influenced me that she would be moving your decision-making in terms of zooming in on a specific city? I chose my location based on the recommendation of people in my circle (of friends).

How has it been, adjusting to a totally new environment, new food, new friends, learning to drive like they do in **Atlanta?** Adjusting was easy for me. I'm very social. Meeting new people allowed me to find great food spots. I am not a fan of the crab cakes; they're Louisiana style. The traffic has been the hardest to adjust to, because of the amount of people who live in Atlanta. Rush hour lasts about 3 hours here.

What differences between Atlanta and Baltimore were very noticeable to you? The major difference has been the size. It affects public transportation, which isn't as good as Baltimore. Georgia is a Conservative State, but Atlanta is a democratic city...politics is very weird here.

Would you encourage other young people to relocate as you have done? Your comments?

I would definitely encourage other young adults to relocate, see the world, don't be afraid. I would definitely emphasize though that one must prepare prior. Do not jump out there blindly. Plan, Save, Execute.

Janae, thank you very much for sharing. Like Janae, when I moved from Nigeria to a small island, I had to deal with the culture shock, difference in food, different music, make new friends as most of the cousins I knew who were my age had left the island and lived either in the USA, Canada or England. I was an English Teacher at the Basse-

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Neighbors in the News

Drury Mansion and the Origins of St. Joseph's School

By Robert D. Miller, Beltsville

On November 30, 1863, William and Sarah Linthicum, Luther and Ellen Jones, and Emma Jones. and Jonathan and Theresa Waters sold 138 acres of what was called Spraddock's Forest to Mr. William P. Drury of Washington, DC. If you've never heard of Spraddock's Forest, don't be surprised. Not even a woods remains; it is today the DMV and FedEx warehouses on the west side of Route 1 in northern Beltsville. U.S. Route 1 follows the original path of the Washington and Baltimore Turnpike, established in 1812 to connect the commercial center of Baltimore with the new federal city of Washington. Shortly after the development of the turnpike, the railroad arrived in Prince George's County. By 1835, the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad established a station and freight depot on land purchased from Trueman Belt, and a small community developed around the rail stop, which was named after the former owner.

William Drury was a 41-year old farmer from the District of Columbia, and on his new land in remote, rural Beltsville, he built Drury Mansion, also known as "The Villa." Although Italianate and Late Victorian houses were all the rage, Drury built a vintage looking Greek Revival style dwelling, unusual in Prince George's County. The front of the house was five bays, with the grand entry in the center bay on the east side of the house. You entered through a double door, each leaf of which had two deeply molded panels, six-pane transom, and four-pane sidelights, into a central all flanked on both sides by parlors. Above the magnificent doorway was a central window on the second story, embellished by flanking double-hung sash side-



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Drury Mansion past its glory, ca. 1980

lights. Once inside the main hall, a central staircase—heavy Greek Revival with turned newel and turned balusters-rose along the south wall, turned at a small rear landing, and turned again to the second story. Drury named his new home "Fairview" and lived there with his large family: his wife, Mary Elizabeth (Lenman), and children William L., George, Samuel, and Thomas.

The Drury's happiness in Beltsville was short-lived. Throughout the late 1860s and early 1870s, Baltimore and Washington witnessed an extended smallpox epidemic, along with a series of recurring epidemics of cholera, typhus, typhoid, scarlet fever, and yellow fever. We don't know which it was for the Drurys, but on July 7, 1870, their infant son Thomas died. Mrs. Drury died on September 12, and her husband thirteen days later.

We don't know the ages of the surviving children, but a Court of Equity was petitioned to dispose of the property, and in 1874 the oldest son, William L., sold the

house and land to Admiral Daniel Ammen, immortalized today in Ammendale Road, but longtime Beltsville residents will remember Ammendale Normal Institute, which when built was the largest building in the county.

Admiral Ammen had already purchased the nearby farm known as Happy Home, where he lived until his own death in 1898. What was he to do with Drury Mansion? His mother-in-law, Madame Atocha, decided to open a neighborhood school in the house. That school, as we shall see, was the direct ancestor of St. Joseph's Regional Catholic School.

Admiral Ammen was a convert to Catholicism and a childhood friend of President Grant, whose life he had saved from drowning when they were boys. In 1889, he sold eleven acres of the old Drury farmland to the Brothers of Christian Schools to set up a Catholic school and novitiate for their own member, too. This was the beginning of Ammendale Normal Institute. The Christian Brothers took over the operation of the children's school, first moving it to another farmhouse on the land but in 1903, under Brother Tobias, moving it back into Drury Mansion. The school continued to operate in Drury Mansion until the 1920s.

Before his death, Ammen sold all of his land to the Christian Brothers. On some of it, they build the small St. Joseph's Chapel, front-gabled brick with ornate Queen Anne detail that still stands in the old St. Joseph's Cemetery. St. Joseph's served the local Catholic community of Beltsville.

In 1968, the last class of seminarians graduated from the Normal Institute. In 1986, the Broth-



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Drury Mansion side view, ca. 1980

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The Payday

By Ted Ladd

I hadn't been Scoutmaster of Troop 1033 very long when two Scouts, Marvin Heinze and Steve Poole, met the stringent requirements for advancement to Eagle Scout. Most of their work toward advancement was completed before I became Scoutmaster.

Planning for the Eagle Court of Honor involved inviting a senior Scouter from Patuxent District to award the Eagle Badges, and that person happened to be "Tiny Whitlow." Mr. Whitlow was nicknamed "Tiny," which belied his enormous stature.

The Court of Honor was convened at Emmanuel United Methodist Church on Cedar Lane in

Beltsville. Troop 1033 Scouts received awards and advancements until it came time for Marvin and Steve to accept their Eagle Charge, delivered by Whitlow. It was very moving.

Whitlow approached me afterwards while we enjoyed refreshments and said, "Well, this is your payday."

I thought of that recently when I received an e-mail from the daughter of someone the Beltsville Lions helped. The Lions provided vision screening at a local church on a Sunday in early November. One of the persons screened was found to be in need of a professional eye exam and glasses. The Lions arranged for the eye exam and glasses. When that was

done, and the family informed, I received an e-mail from the client's daughter, which said in part, "I don't know how to express my appreciation. Thank you very much for this. God bless you and your team."

It was payday.

If you would like to receive a few paydays like this every once in a while, you might consider joining this team. It's the Beltsville Lions, doing good work in the larger Beltsville area for 60 years, founded in April, 1958.

You may contact our membership chairperson, Lion Mae Whitehead, at maemediates2@ gmail.com. Tell her Ted sent you.





TECH SENSE

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Tablets and Readers

Tablets seem to be the forgotten technology. Many of us have one, but we don't use them anymore, yet these are still great devices. There are three major brands; Amazon, Apple, and Samsung and one or two smaller but

quality offerings like Asus. Amazon with its Fire Tablets Kindle and readers seems to be the best and also least expensive devic-What Amazon really does well is providing content, books to read, music to hear, games to play, and movies to watch. Google and Apple do this too, just not as well. Readers are primarily for books, but the batteries on a reader will typically last for weeks instead of hours. This leads us into the next gifting topic.

Streaming Services

So they already have a phone, a Roku, maybe a tablet or reader, a 55 inch TV and they don't want anything else to clutter the house. These devices all need content, and content providers sell gift cards. Music cards can be purchased for iTunes, Spotify, Pandora, Amazon Music, the Google Play music,

and SiriusXM. Streaming video

cards can be purchased for Netflix and Hulu. Both music and video streaming are available with an Amazon Prime gift and with a Google Play card. Amazon also has a gift of Kindle books allowing unlimited reading.



Gaming

There are now four major gaming platforms, the PlayStation 4, the XBox One, the Nintendo switch, and of course the per-

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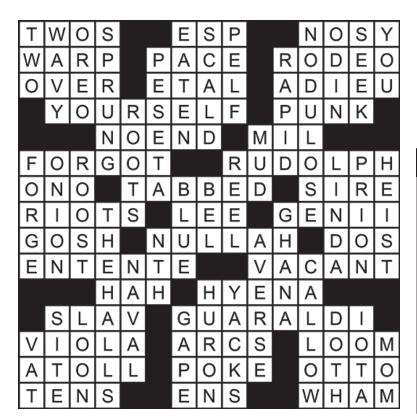
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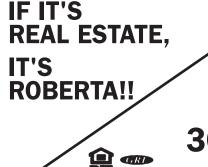
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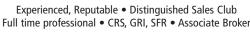
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ers sold off most of their land. Retired brothers would continue to live at nearby La Salle Hall, the former seminary's high school, the massive old Normal Institute would become a conference center, and St. Joseph's Parish Church would be reconstituted as a nondenominational chapel for use by conference-center guests and the adjacent business community. Those development schemes never saw fruition, and the Normal Institute burned to the ground in April 1998. In 2009, the Christian Brothers donated the church and land to Holy Apostles Orthodox Church in return for a promise to restore the chapel, which had fallen into disrepair, having been boarded up for about thirty years.

After the 1920s, Drury Mansion served first as chaplain's residence and then was rented to tenants who worked at the Normal Institute. When the property was surveyed in 1985, the dwelling was in deteriorating condition, a mere dilapidated house. It was demolished around 1990.

Even before the demise of the Christian Brothers' establishment, the Archdiocese of Washington



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Drury Mansion front porch, ca. 1980

wanted to set up separate parish for Beltsville along with a school. The school, continuing the name of St. Joseph's, opened on Montgomery Road in 1963, with the congregation's Masses held in the multi-purpose room. It wasn't until fall of 2000 that a new church building was opened for St. Joseph's. In 2011, St. Joseph's School was made St. Joseph's Regional Catholic School, serving also St. Nicholas' Laurel and St. Hugh of Grenoble, Greenbelt. The

school celebrated its fiftieth anniversary in 2013-14. But perhaps 1874 should be remembered as its real birthday!

There is an amazing twist to this story. William P. Drury, the builder of Drury Mansion which became the original elementary school, had a brother, Charles Walter Drury. Charles Drury's great-great-great-granddaughter is the current Assistant Principal of St. Joseph's Regional Catholic School, Mrs. Anne-Marie Miller.

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terre High School. I also taught Literature, was responsible for a Home Room and also had Sports House duties. (We operated under the British system, so the school went from 3rd Form to 6th Form --- similar to a US High School, Grades 9 to 12.)

Teaching was fun. I miss those days. I made it my duty to ensure the children in my classroom had a fun learning experience. Bonds of friendship have been formed for life — with their parents, their relatives. Three of my former 9th Grade students became pilots for the regional Caribbean airline, LIAT. Shout out to Joshua Crooke, Nigel Lewis, and Desroy. I actually had the honor of flying from Trinidad to St. Kitts with Joshua.

Time to fast forward... In October 2018, I had a chance meeting with a quiet-looking young man. We got talking and then got to realize that I was on to some-

thing. Meet Brendan, a young man involved in a very interesting industry. I am excited about what he does, and I hope to be able to help him tap into my network. Brendan Hall is a documentary filmmaker who tells stories rooted in travel, culture, and adventure. He's a director, cinematographer, editor, and time lapser; He is an FAA-certified drone junkie and avid nature enthusiast. After graduating from NYU's Tisch School of the Arts, Brendan went on to work at the National Geographic Channel, assisting with the development of new programming. He has since created content for brands including GE, Adobe, National Geographic, Bloomberg Philanthropies, Volkswagen and The Atlantic. His cinematography credits include traveling to Greenland with science communicator Bill Nye to shoot for the documentary "Bill Nye: Science Guy," which is being released on PBS this year. His first feature documentary, "Westward," follows a journey through 22 national parks

to meet the incredible people within them, and is set to release this fall.

To date, Brendan has been to 35 countries and 36 U.S. national parks but feels like there's so much more of the world to see.

Please visit Brendan's website www.brendanhall.com and let him know you learned about him and his work, from The Beltsville News. I will do an interview with him in 2019 on upcoming projects he is focused on.

Let me wrap up the Jive for now. I wish you a very merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year in advance. And please, if you can, pop over to Laurel to watch Oliver. It should be a nice play. Details on this theatrical performance appear in other pages of this publication.

Thanks for reading and I appreciate the kind words I have received from some of you readers. Bye.

Club News

The Beltsville Young at Heart

The Beltsville Young at Heart Club held their business meeting on November 1st at the Beltsville Rec. Center. The thanksgiving luncheon had its final discussion. Will let you know next Month how it was. There is only one more meeting to sign up for the pot luck Christmas party which will be at the club. Belts-

ville Young at Club wishes everyone a healthy and happy Christmas and New Year. The best friendships are those where people expect a great deal of each other, but never ask it.

College Park Post and Unit #217 Honor First Responders

By Ivy Christoffers

On Veteran's Day, The John B. Latimer College Park Post and Unit # 217 were once again invited to be a part of the Veteran's Day observances at Veteran's Memorial Park located at Rte. 1 and Greenbelt Rd. The weather was perfect, the music lively and reminiscent of bygone eras, the messages very inspiring, and the" Bells of Peace," commemorating the 100th the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice, were a welcome addition. Throughout the United States the "Bells of Peace" were rung 21 times at 11:00 am on the 11th of "November. The Boy Scout Troop 740 from College Park was very helpful, as always, setting up chairs, passing out poppies, advancing wreathes and ringing bells. Many of the College Park officials and Senator Jim Rosapepe joined in the fellowship. Thanks to Julie and Tom O'Connor for bringing the unit wreathes and to Julie for advancing our unit's lovely wreath. The College Park American Legion Post Color Guard was impressive, as always, and M. C. Tom Davis, who is looking forward to hip surgery, extended his usual warm greetings. There were a few additions to this ceremony, such as excerpts from a soldier's letter from WWI and honoring four soldiers from College Park who perished in WWI. After the ceremony, everyone was invited to the post home for lunch.

On the first Saturday in November we traveled to Reisterstown for a Department Executive Committee meeting that proved to be



A boy scout from the College Park Troop who annually assist College Park Post #217 and the city of College Park at their observances on Memorial Day and Veteran's Day, stands at attention observing two veterans as they honor the flag. Photo by Bernand A. Bernache

very lively and informative. The lunch was not bad either, a great cream of crab soup. I want that recipe. Some left early to fly to Des Moines to attend the National Veterans Creative Arts Festival. Our Maryland Veterans Creative Arts Festival will be held March 24 in Bowie.

December will see Post and Unit #217 honoring our First Responders. This year Police Officer Carlos Marrufo, Jr. is being recognized for his dedication to duty. Officer Marrufo is a member of Prince George's County Police

Department stationed in Beltsville, District VI. Officer Marrufo has been successful in apprehending several drug dealers and making our streets safer for our citizens. Officer Marrufo nearly lost his life while responding to a robbery in progress and spent several weeks recuperating and in September was instrumental in saving a woman's life. For these reasons and many others, Officer Marrufo has been nominated for National Law Enforcement Officer of the Year. We are fortunate to have police officers of this caliber in District VI. It is our honor and privilege to recognize them.

We will soon begin our Veteran's Gift Shops where we serve all hospitalized veterans by setting up gift shops in the four V.A. Hospitals and Charlotte Hall Veteran's Home where they can shop, at no cost, for their loved ones. This way they can still provide a little holiday cheer for their families. We will also hold holiday parties at Perry Point V.A. and Washington V.A.

Remember that we have bingo every Tuesday and Wednesday at noon and Friday night dinner dances for your entertainment. Also, our lounge is the place to hold your next function. Call Gary Kingery to set it up. On November 30 we will be having one of our delicious spaghetti fundraisers from 5:00 pm until 7:30 pm.

We wish for you and your loved ones a very happy holiday season. Remember the homeless and shutins and lend a hand, if possible, to help brighten their day.

May God continue to bless you and yours and keep our troops safe in their quest for peace throughout the world, while keeping our great America free from aggression and tyranny.

The Prince George's County Genealogical Society

The Prince George's County Genealogical Society (PGCGS) will meet on Wednesday, December 5th at the New Carrollton Municipal Center, at 6016 Princess Garden Parkway, New Carrolton, MD 20784 at 7:00 pm. For details please visit our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/pgcgenealogy/



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9650 Muirkirk Rd., Laurel, MD 20708. Phone: 301.377.7817. TTY: 301.699.2544. E-mail: montpeliermansion@pgparks.com. Self-guided tours of the mansion: Thur. – Tue. from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost: \$5/adults, \$4/ seniors, \$2/children ages 5 – 18, free/ ages 4 and under. **The mansion is closed on Wednesdays and some holidays.** The grounds are open from dawn until dusk every day of the year and access is free of charge. Contact the Mansion for more information as well as events for December.

COLLEGE PARK AVIATION MUSEUM

Address: 1985 Cpl. Frank Scott Dr., College Park, MD 20740. Phone: 301.864.6029. TTY: 301.699.2544. Regular hours of operation are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, except for most major holidays and some special events. Cost: \$5/adults, \$4/seniors, \$2/children, free/age 1 and under. See CollegeParkAviationMuseum.com for more information as well as events for December.

FAIRLAND SPORTS AND AQUATICS COMPLEX

13820 and 13850 Old Gunpowder Rd. (between Powder Mill Rd. and Route 198), Laurel, MD 20707. Phone: 301.362.6060. TTY: 301.699.2544. The Sports Center is a multi-sport center. Indoor amenities include tennis courts, racquetball court, dance studio, gymnastics facility, and trampoline training room. There are outdoor tennis courts also. Please ask the front desk for a current schedule.

2018 WINTER WONDERLAND

Come enjoy an afternoon of holiday music and treats, make DIY gifts, and get a winter themed portrait and go swimming. Register before December 8th to get a free goody bag! Don't forget your swim suit & towel! Cost: Children \$10R/ \$13NR Children's fee includes admission for 1 adult, Additional Adult \$6R/ \$8NR and can be paid the day of the event at Fairland. #15609-123AA Ages 2-6 Gift Making Session 12:00-1:00 p.m. #15609-123BB Ages 2-6 Gift Making Session 1:00-2:00 p.m. #15609-123CC Ages 7-12 Gift Making Session 12:00-1:00 p.m. #15609-123DD Ages 7-12 Gift Making Session 1:00-2:00 p.m. #15609-123EE Additional Adult 12:00-2:00 p.m.

LAUREL-BELTSVILLE SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER

Regular hours of operation: Mon. -

DECEMBER 2018

Calendar of Events

Thur. from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fri. from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sat. from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., closed Sunday and most major holidays. Address: 7120 Contee Rd., Laurel, MD 20707, around the corner from the Laurel Regional Hospital. Phone: 301.206.3350. Fax: 301.206.3387. TTY: 301.446.3402. Contact the center regarding updates, classes, and events for December. Membership is free for Beltsville residents who are age 60 or older.

SENIOR FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Friendship Club regular office hours are Mon. — Fri. from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Phone: 301.206.3380. The monthly meetings and luncheons take place on the second Wednesday of each month. The meeting for December is scheduled for Wednesday, December 12 at 10:30 a.m. There will a special Happy Holidays musical program. Sign-up & pay for our Holiday luncheon by Wed., Dec. 5. The 2019 travel schedule is now available — there are lots of interesting trips planned. Interested people can contact our office for more details.

THURSDAY MOVIE MATINEE

The featured movie for Thursday, December 13 is *The Holiday* and for Thursday December 27 is *A Wrinkle in Time*. Start time is 10 a.m. and the end time is about 12 noon. Popcorn will be provided. Cost: free.

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. Main phone: 301.497.5772. Contact the Visitor Center for updates and information about additional programs and events for December

Regular hours of operation for the Visitor Center are: Fri. – Wed. from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., closed Thursdays and federal holidays. Regular hours of operation for the trails and grounds are: Open daily from sunrise to sunset, except for federal holidays. Patuxent Research Refuge grounds and buildings will be closed in December on Monday, December 12th and Thursday, December 22nd for the Federal holidays. Cost: Free admission to the Visitor Center and its exhibits, grounds, and trails; other activities and events are free of charge if not noted. Space in public programs is limited. Registration is by phone only and is required unless otherwise specified; call 301.497.5887. Note: These public programs are designed for individuals/families. Programs are subject to changes or cancellation due

to changes or cancellation due to weather or low participation.

Please advise us of any special needs so that we may accommodate you.

NATURE TOTS: SNOW BIRDS

Tuesday, Dec. 4, 10:30 - 11:30 am. Ages 3-4, registration required. With winter temperatures in Maryland, birds are starting to migrate south. Come learn more about the season of winter and how we can help those traveling birds.

SCREECH & KESTREL

Saturday, Dec. 1, 8, 15, and 22 12:15 – 12:45 pm

All ages, no registration. Meet two of North America's smallest birds of prey: the American kestrel and eastern screech owl. Both expert hunters, the American kestrel uses its acrobatic prowess, while the eastern screech owl is a stealthy silent hunter.

INTRO TO WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHY

Saturday, Dec. 8, 10:00 – 11:30 am Ages 16+, registration required. The auto function on cameras is often helpful, but usually another setting will get you the image you really want. This is a beginner workshop for those using DSLR cameras. This class is limited to just five people.

TINY TOTS

Sunday, Dec. 9 and Monday, Dec. 10 10:30 – 11:15 am

16-48 mo., parent participation & registration required. Learn about wildlife at the refuge through fun and interactive songs, stories and activities.

HOLLINGSWORTH GALLERY

December- Photography of Steve and Angie McDaniel

BELTSVILLE EVENTS

Please contact the individual facilities regarding late changes or updates to hours of operations, especially during holidays or inclement weather.

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIBRARY (NAL)

Free and open to the public. Regular hours of operation are Mon. – Fri. from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except for federal holidays. The library is located at 10301 Baltimore Ave., near Sunnyside Ave. Parking is free. Main phone number: 301.504.5755. NAL is on Twitter at http://twitter.com/#!/National_Ag_Lib. See NAL.USDA.gov/visit-library for more information.

BEHNKE NURSERIES GARDEN CENTER

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

BELTSVILLE LIBRARY

Please note: The library will be closed on Sunday and Monday, December 23 and 24 for the Christmas Eve holiday. All branches will be closed on December 25 for Christmas Day. All branches will be closed Sunday and Monday, December 30 and 31 for the New Year's Eve holiday, and January 1, 2019 for New Year's Day. Visit our library system website at www.pgc-mls.info to check for weather-related closings and to use our online library services.

PROGRAM FOR ALL AGES

CHESS CLUB

Tuesdays from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Drop in to learn to play or improve your game. All ages welcome: children, teens, and adults.

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

READY 2 READ STORY TIME

Ages 0-2 – Thursdays at 10:30 am and at 11:15 am

Ages 2-3 – Wednesdays at 11:30 am Ages 3-5 – Wednesdays at 10:30 am

CRAFT-ERNOON: HANDMADE GIFTS

Tuesday, December 4 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Kids will make handmade crafts that will double as gifts for the holiday season! Ages 5 to 12.

STEM FOR FAMILIES: SQUISHY CIRCUITS!

Wednesday, December 5 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Children will make models which demonstrate a circuit of electricity. Ages 5 to 12.

STEM-TASTIC: HOUR OF CODE!

Monday, December 10 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Kids will learn simple coding concepts and then apply those concepts with mini challenges. Limit 12 participants. Please call Beltsville branch to register. Ages 5 to 12 years.

TAIL WAGGIN' TUTORS

Saturday, December 15, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.; Monday, December 17, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.; and Tuesday, December 18, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Children read to a specially-trained therapy dog and gain confidence in reading. Ages 5 to 12.

KIDS ACHIEVE CLUB

No classes in December. Please call Beltsville branch for the January 2019 schedule. Classes are held on Tuesdays from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. for children in grades 1 to 6. Mentoring, reading and homework help.

PROGRAM FOR ADULTS

ENGLISH CONVERSATION CLUB

No meetings in December. Please call the Beltsville branch for the January 2019 schedule. Learning to speak English? Join our club and practice speaking English in a friendly atmosphere with people from diverse backgrounds.

BELTSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

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

BELTSVILLE YOUNG AT HEART CLUB

Join us at the Beltsville Young at Heart Club on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 11:15 a.m. Members must be at least 55 years old. Visit us three times and become a member. We have speakers, entertainment, trips, 50/50, bingo, plus light refreshments. Questions: call Lois at 301.498.9736.

WOMEN'S CLUB

Thur., December 13 at 7 p.m. The club meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month, except for July, August, and February.

STRATEGY GAME CLUB

Mondays from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Enjoy board games, 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. Cost: free. All ages.

XTREME TEENS AND PRE-TEENS REGULAR EVENTS

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

VANSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

Address: 6813 Ammendale Rd., Vansville. Phone: 301.937.6621. Fax: 301.937.6623. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512. Regular hours of operation: Mon. – Thur. from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fri. from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. (except for Xtreme Teens), Sat. from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sun. from 12 noon to 4 p.m. Hours of operation for Xtreme Teens: Fri. – Sat. from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Contact the center regarding events for December.

XTREME TEENS AND PRE-TEENS REGULAR EVENTS

Fridays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Ages 10-17. Free with valid Center ID card.

Share Your News!

Send your article submissions to News Director Rick Bergmann at editorbvnews@gmail.com

Church News

Emmanuel UMC Wants to Invite You to Join the Family This Holiday Season!

Church wants to invite you to join their family as they celebrate advent this December. They will have a family dinner on December 8 at 4 pm with lasagna, salad, deserts, and drinks. There will be some fun and games for the family as well as a Christmas song sing-along and even a special visit by Santa himself. The cost is

Emmanuel United Methodist \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids 10 and under. You can buy tickets in their hallway on Sunday mornings or contact the church office to reserve them at office@eumcbeltsville.com or 301.937.7114.

> The holiday service schedule is a little different this year. On Sunday, December 16 at 10 am the choir will help celebrate the season through music

with their annual Christmas Cantata. On Monday, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve, service will be at 6:30 pm. Emmanuel looks forward to meeting your family this holiday season! Visit www.eumcbeltsville.com or www.facebook. com /groups/EUMCBeltsville/ for more info. Emmanuel is located at 11416 Cedar Lane in Beltsville!

Beltsville News CHURCH DIRECTORY



Upcoming Events at First Baptist Church of Beltsville

Please join First Baptist Church of Beltsville for see the real meaning of Christmas. It will be as clear their first annual Christmas tree lighting celebration. This will be held on Friday, December 2 at 7:00 PM. There will be fun for the whole family. Cookies and hot cocoa to follow tree lighting.

You are invited to see the Christmas Story come to life! Join the FBC for A Christmas in Black And White: A Christmas Musical performed by the Youth group on Sunday, December 9 at 6:00 pm. Come and

as black and white.

There will also be a Christmas Cantata Music Celebration, A Christmas Medley, on Sunday, December 16, at 6pm. Come worship the coming of the Savior through music. They look forward to having you worship with them! The church is located at 4700 Odell Road.

St. Joseph Catholic Church

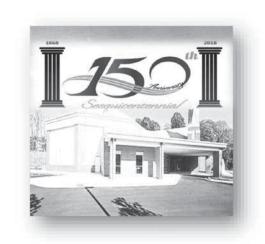
11007 Montgomery Road Beltsville, MD 20705 301-937-7183 www.stjos.org Pastor: Msgr. Karl Chimiak Mass: Sat. 5 pm; Sun. 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon

St. Joseph's Regional Catholic School Principal: Dr. Janine Bertolotti 301-937-7154

Christmas Eve Service at Calverton Baptist Church

invites you to their Christmas Eve Candlelight Service to be held on 24 December at 6:30 pm. The church is located at the corner of Fairland Road and Galway Drive where the Calverton Community's join the group of friendly people

The Calverton Baptist Church during this special time of year as we come together to celebrate the birth of our Savior. Everyone is welcome to come celebrate with us as we worship together, sing praises and hear the meaning of this joyous season. A dessert will



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You're invited to the

150th Anniversary Banquet

to be held at the Marriott Hotel & Conference Center 3501 University Blvd. East, College Park, MD Friday, November 30, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. $Contact\ the\ church\ office\ for\ ticket\ information\ or\ qccchurch council @gmail.com$

Worship with us on Anniversary Sunday, December 2, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. Home for the Holidays Christmas Musical Celebration Sunday, December 16, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

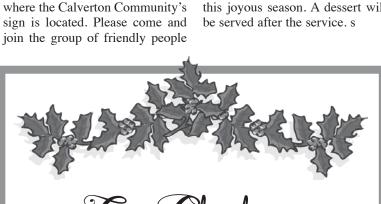
Sunday Worship Celebration begins at 10:00 a.m. Communion Service every first Sunday 10:00 a.m. Worship Church School for all ages 8:45 a.m.; Men's Bible Class 8:45 a.m.

Weekly Prayer Service Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.

Bible Study Wednesdays 10:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. "Off the Hook" Young Adult Bible Study, Tuesdays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. $\label{eq:New Teen Study} \textbf{(Ages 12-18) Open Bible Discussion (OBD) Wednesdays 7:00-9:00 p.m.}$

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Christmas is in our heart and mind not on the budget trip to the store!

> Christmas is love, sincerity, faith in the miracle to appear and last.

We sing and we dance on this occasion of joy.

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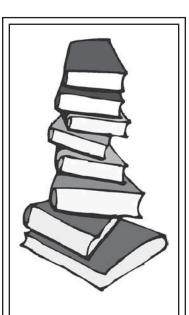
sonal computer. To purchase a game, you need to know what platform the gift receiver owns. Many games are still purchased on media like DVD's, but it is now popular to download the games to the device over the Internet and use a gift card to pay for the purchase and for time spent in multiplayer games.

Computer games are now typically purchased from game distribution services, like Steam. Steam is the most popular of these services, but GOG and EA/Origin are other alternatives. These services let you buy gift cards and the person receiving the card can select their own games.

Humble Bundle is an interesting alternative for this time of year. Humble Bundle allows you to choose your price for a bundled collection of games (or eBooks) and a portion of the money goes to a charity. You can even choose to decide how much of the price goes to the charity. Most of the games are activated on Steam. Go to the HumbleBundle.org website and your gift purchase can be sent via email.

Best Wishes

As usual, I have more to say than fits in the column. I wish a joyous holiday season to everyone and may this be a blessed time for you and your families.



Beltsville Library Hours

Mon.-Tues.: 1 p.m.-9 p.m.

Wed.-Fri.:

10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday: Closed

Beltsville News Church Directory

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Sunday Services:

9:00 am Contemporary Service 11:15 Traditional Service

10:15 am Bible Study & Sunday School for adults & children
Nursery Care is available for both services
Sign Language Interpretation at 11:15 service

Upcoming Events in December

- Dec 8 at 4 pm Family Dinner and visit from Santa Claus!
- Dec. 16 10 am Christmas Cantata
 Performed by the choir
 - Dec. 24th Christmas Eve!6:30 Christmas Eve Service



First Baptist Church of Beltsville (SBC)

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Christmas in Black & White

December 9 at 6 p.m.

A Christmas Musical performed by our Youth group

Christmas Cantata

December 16 at 6:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

December 24 at 6:00 p.m.

Join us in the New Year:

Sundays:

*Sunday School for all ages	9:45 a.m.
*Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
Adult Choir Practice	7:00 p.m.

Wednesdays:

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My name is Lena Pizarro. I live in the Chestnut Hills subdivision of Beltsville and I speak English. Aside from cleaning your home, I do laundry and other personal things that the "cleaning companies" do not. I'm a seamstress (repairing dresses, skirts, pants, etc.) I can also make throw pillows and repair kitchen chairs. Call or text me and we can discuss your needs. Lena -240-705-6140 12/18

HOUSE PAINTING

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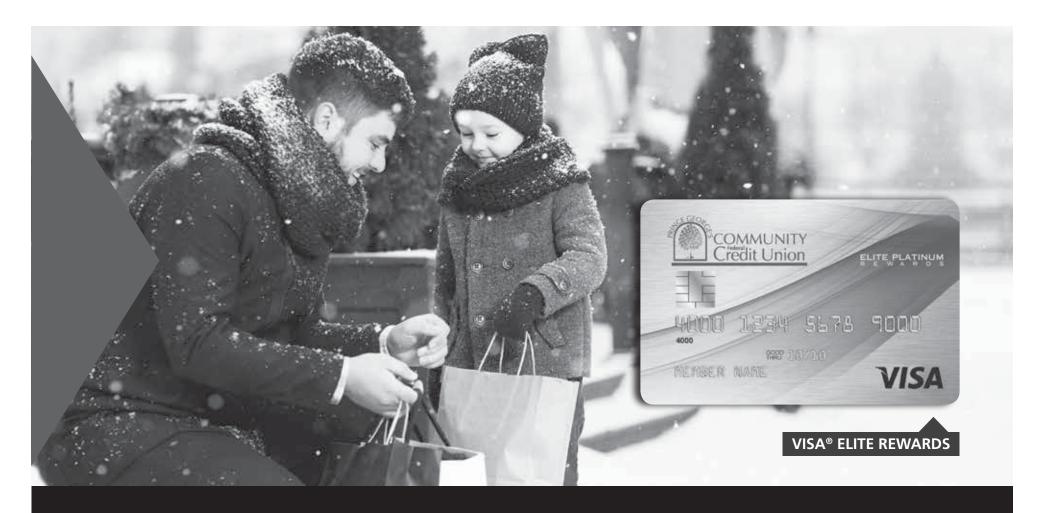
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