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## Local Group Receives Award from the Baltimore Ravens

The Bundles of Love Club (BOLC) (of which 27 members are Beltsville's St. Joseph's Regional Catholic School students), a program of the Good Knight Child Empowerment Network, received the Baltimore Raven's Honor Rows award for outstanding community service in Maryland. The club's founder, Michaela West, received the award from Corae Young, commissioner of the Governor's Commission on Service and Volunteerism. Fifty members of West's club from 4 different chapters attended the November 25 Ravens' NFL game and had the

**AWARD** 



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## Maryland Coach Named US Youth Soccer Boys Recreation Coach of the Year

soccer coach Maryland Mohamed Ouchikh has been named the 2018 US Youth Soccer Boys Recreation Coach of the

The Laurel native is a head coach for recreational and recreational-select teams with the Soccer Association of Columbia (SAC). He has his US Soccer "C" license, has a goalkeeping level-1 diploma, and is a member of the United Soccer Coaches. He is also the soccer commissioner for the Laurel Boys and Girls Club and a USSF-licensed soccer referee, and he has been a member of the Capital Area Soccer Referees Association (CASRA) since 2015.

"The Soccer Association of Columbia is very proud of Mo's achievements in our recreation program," SAC Executive Director Craig Blackburn said. "Mo is a coach that truly cares about the development of the recreational

Ouchikh is praised for his avid promotion of sportsmanship, teamwork, and positive parent involvement. He embraces and promotes diversity on and off the field. His coaching philosophy is "to develop young players to become athletes and, most importantly, good people."

He also won the 2018 East Region Boys Recreation Coach of the Year and 2018 MSYSA Male Recreation Coach of the Year awards.

"We are so proud of Mohamed for his work with the recreation



Coach Mohamed Ouchikh

program at the Soccer Association of Columbia," MSYSA Director of Operations Nathean Meadows said. "Many of us refer to soccer as 'the beautiful game' and not just because of what happens out on the pitch but equally because of coaches like Mohamed who dedicate countless hours to training and mentoring youth. They do it for the love of the game and for the opportunity to make an impact in the lives of young people. Mohamed is a shining example of a grassroots coach!"

He will be recognized at the 2019 US Youth Soccer Awards Gala on January 12, 2019, in Chi-

"I feel honored to win this award," Ouchikh said. "Winning this award means a lot to me, and it puts pressure on me to keep improving to be a better coach."

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On the Agenda



Karen Coakley

#### By President Karen M. Coakley

The association will not meet in February.

Winter is here. If the weather is calling for snow, please park on one side of the street to get as many cars off your street so the snowplows can clear it. This is especially important on some of the narrow streets in Beltsville. A special notice to neighbors on Wicomico off Montgomery leading to Beltsville Academy: the snowplows need to clear your street so the school buses can get to the school. Neighbors in Beltsville Heights (Quimby, Lincoln, Naples, Olympia, etc.) plus 34th, 35th, and Kenny should park on the even side of the street so the snowplows, fire trucks, and ambulances can drive down your streets during a snowstorm. I hate to say this, but park on your front yards if that is what it takes to clear the streets of cars and trucks so the snowplows can plow your streets. If the streets cannot be plowed, the fire trucks and ambulances cannot get to your home. Clearing streets and fire hydrants during a snow or ice storm can save someone's life-minutes matter for fire trucks, ambulances, and police to respond.

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Students from Beltsville Academy attend the annual Fire Prevention Poster Contest and Awards Program. (You can see pictures of students from other schools at www.beltsvillenewstoday.com.)

## **Annual Fire Prevention Poster Contest**

The Ladies Auxiliary of School. the Beltsville Volunteer Fire Department celebrated its annual Fire Prevention Poster Contest and Awards Program for elementary schools.

Six hundred eighty-five posters were received from the participating schools: Beltsville Academy, Beltsville Seventhday Adventist School, Vansville Elementary School, Calverton Elementary School, and St. Joseph's Regional Catholic

The contest was open to students in kindergarten through grade 6. Posters best communicating the fire prevention message were selected to receive awards. Sixty-one winners were chosen by a three-judge panel on October 10. The students were honored at an award ceremony held on October 21 at the Beltsville Volunteer Fire Department.

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## **Neighbors in the News**

## Washington Adventist Hospital...Work Progressing

By Jason Inanga

Work is progressing steadily on the Washington Adventist Hospital complex that is being built just outside of Beltsville behind the shopping center where Target is located on Plum Orchard Drive, very near to the US Food and Drug Administration headquarters.

According to information from the website of Turner Construction, "The 427,600 square foot replacement hospital for Adventist Healthcare Group will expand access to patient care in the region.

"Washington Adventist Hospital will move its acute-care operations to the new facility, which offers 170 additional patient beds, including 28 intensive care beds, 16 intermediate care negative



Washington Adventist Hospital is still under construction.

pressure beds, and 22 maternity beds, operating rooms, and angiography labs for cardiology.

"The facility will also feature eight observation beds within the medical-surgical units as well as an emergency department with 34

treatment bays and 12 observation beds."

It will replace the current facility at Takoma Park. Approval for the project was obtained in 2015, and construction started in 2018.

## What's Love Got to Do with It?

By Rev. Dr. Jalene Chase

I admit, if you are familiar with the song and the movie, you might be surprised that I used this title. Although it won't be sung at any worship service at my church, it doesn't mean that the lyrics aren't

being lived out in someone's life every day. The song sung by Tina Turner brought to light the reality that love isn't always lovely.

February 14 is commonly set aside as the day we do special things for that special person. Spouses, significant others, friends, and elementary school classmates look forward to this day of acknowledgment. They know that they are seen and cared about. But there are countless other people who dread this day. Grief, loss, betraval, and loneliness overshadow that positive feeling that commercials try to generate. Life is a delicate balance. The things that brings one person joy bring another disappointment. The lyrics say, "Who needs a heart when a heart can be broken?" Love shouldn't break us, but sometimes it feels like it does.

**LOVE** 

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## **Neighbors in the News**

## Cub Pack 1031: A Scout Is Kind

1031 scouts are working hard on their pinewood derby cars in preparation for their January 26 Pack 1031 Annual Pinewood Derby race at the Beltsville Community Center. Scouts met the first and second Saturday of the month at the firehouse shed to get their cars cut by Bear leader John Foley.

We had a pack-wide safety night planned for January 14, but snow canceled the meeting. But a Scout does a good turn daily, so here are two pictures of scouts helping to shovel snow. They also have been tasked

to clear the fire hydrant in their neighborhood.

This month, Tigers did Tiger Tales (telling tall tales), and some of the Bears and Arrow dens joined the Webelos in planning home fire escape plans and safety. Al Schwartz spoke to the pack parents about the importance of having smoke detectors in their house. Our big, pack-wide safety night is moved to February. On MLK day, we plan to do a cleanup at Beltsville Academy.



Bear Scout Aiden P. and Webelos Scout Brennan M. (and his brother) shoveling snow

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, learn 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.

#### LOVE

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Love can also heal a broken heart if we let it. What's Love Got to Do with It? *Everything*.

Let's use 2019 as the year to elevate LOVE to the Agape level: pure, selfless, unconditional. I acknowledge that there are different faith traditions and that some people don't believe at all. But I need to offer something from my faith tradition to explain my request. Taken from 1 Corinthians 13:4-8, "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy; it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others; it is not selfseeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails."

These verses aren't just for

weddings. They remind us that we are capable and deserving of love every day. Are you looking for love that doesn't depend on earthly emotions? Come join us in worship at Emmanuel UMC, 9 am or 11:15 am. Check us out on our webpage www.eumcbeltsville. com or Facebook www.facebook. com/groups/EUMCBeltsville/. Until next time, I leave you with this:

- L Let the light of Agape love shine on our relationships
- O Only when you know unconditional love, will you heal
- V Venture out, try new things, give yourself the love that you seek from others
- E Everyone deserves to be loved for who they are, not for who others want them to be.

**AMEN** 



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#### **Obituaries**

#### Ashlin, Jr., Roy Alton

Roy Alton Ashlin, Jr., of Beltsville, MD, passed away on Monday, December 31, 2018, at the age of 63. He was the son of the late Roy Alton Ashlin, Sr., and Nellie Ann Ashlin; brother of Beatrice "Bea" (Ray) Midkiff; and uncle of Rebecca "Becky" Midkiff. Roy worked for WSSC and was a ham radio operator with Green Mountain Repeater. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Beltsville, MD, on Saturday, January 5, 2019, at 10:30 am. Interment Cedar Hill Cemetery Suitland, MD. www. borgwardtfuneralhome.com

#### Berard, Jr., George **William**

On Wednesday, January 2, George William Berard, Jr., of Beltsville, MD, died from natural causes at the age of 89. George was born on March 26, 1929, in Manchester, NH, the son of George and Ethel Berard. He was a veteran of the US Navy, then worked in the printing trade, ending as a financial entitlements officer with the Government Printing Office retiring in 1993. He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Marie Pettinato Berard; children Dr. Michael J. Berard (Pat), James William Berard, Esq. (Janet), Robert Paul Berard (Patty), and Jean Marie Berard; as well as 15 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

George was a great family man: his life was devoted to God, family, and friends and never to his own personal needs. He was skilled at many things including repairing cars for the entire family, teaching kids how to hit a baseball, building additions to the house, and doing tons more. He loved a good book, was skilled at telling good jokes, and had a very quick wit. His passion late in life was to get together with his crew of Carl, Tom, Joe, and others to play golf or go out to eat.

The wake and funeral were held on January 16 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Beltsville, MD, followed by his burial at Fort Lincoln Cemetery and a reception at the Knights of Columbus Council 2809 in College Park, MD.



Clara (Bacon) White

#### **White, Clara**

Clara (Bacon) White was born in Rockwood, TN, on July 20, 1913. She was the fifth of six daughters born to Gray Haggard Bacon and Catherine (nee Burns). Her father was employed as a railroad agent for the Southern Railway in Rockwood, and her mother had a full-time job of rearing six girls. Like most households in town, they did not have electric power until the 1920s. Rockwood is a town in east TN that had a population of about 5,000 in the early 20th century and is about the same size today.

As remote as Rockwood was in those days, it was not spared the ravages of the Spanish influenza

pandemic of 1918. Everyone in the Bacon household was stricken with the flu except for Clara. At five years of age, Clara knew how to boil an egg. She made regular rounds to visit the family members in their sick beds to deliver water and hard-boiled eggs.

Clara's mother encouraged all of her daughters to leave Rockwood and look for a better life elsewhere. Five of the six did. Lela moved to Murfreesboro, TN; Vea moved to AZ; and the rest, Zella, Beth, and Clara, came to the Washington, DC; area to look for a livelihood in the 1930s. Clara took a job with Agnew Coal Company when she first came to the DC area.

Clara met her future husband, Ira White, at "Young Peoples" church group at Hyattsville Methodist Church, Hyattsville, MD. They were engaged to be married for seven years until they were actually married on September 8, 1945. (World War II happened to occur during their 7 year engagement.) Their marriage lasted 69 years until the death of Ira in 2015. Clara is survived by two sons, Geoffrey and Laird; a granddaughter, Cecilia; and several nieces and nephews.

Clara worked for the Department of State from 1941 until 1953. She processed applications for passports, both military and civilian. She resigned to take time to rear a family, but returned to federal service with the Public Health Service in 1967 in Rockville, MD. In 1984 she retired, only because there was a mandatory retirement age of 70 at that time. After retirement, she volunteered for several years at Leyland Memorial Hospital in the gift shop.

Clara had many interests. The annual family vacation was usually a one- or two-week road trip to places in New England or eastern Canada. She also visited her sister in AZ a few times. For several years she bowled on duckpin leagues. She had always been adept at sewing and made clothing from patterns. After retirement, she avidly pursued needlepoint. Finding pictures of her is hard because she was always the one behind the camera. She put together many scrapbooks and photo albums documenting her life and those close to her.

Her memorial service was held at St. John's Episcopal Church Beltsville, MD, on Saturday, January 12, 2019, at 11 a.m. with the Reverend Joseph Constant officiating. Arrangements by Borgwardt Funeral Home, www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com.

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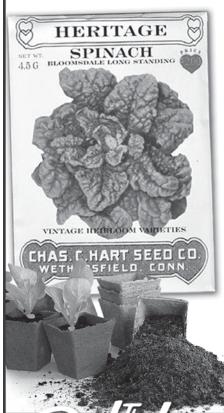
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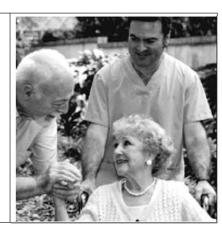
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- 1. Hose hue
- 5. Flower precursor
- 8. Gershwin brother
- 11. Scottish valley
- 12. After hedge or mutual
- 13. Headquartered
- 15. \*Cleats, helmet, pads
- 16. Hip bones
- 17. Road-tripping guide
- 18. \*Hometown of first Super Bowl winner
- 20. Big Bang's original matter
- 21. Be
- 22. Bygone bird
- 23. \*Last year's Super Bowl champions
- 26. Came around the corner
- 30. 100%
- 31. Donate, 2 words
- 34. Salty drop
- 35. #50 Down, pl.
- 37. Mythical giant bird
- 38. Latin dance
- 39. A famous Amos
- 40. Packing a punch
- 42. In the know
- 43. Relating to River Styx
- 45. Sodium , or Nal
- 47. Needlefish

- 48. Beta's follower
- 50. Phishing attack
- 52. \*NFL Trophy name
- 55. Completely or exactly
- 56. Adam and Eve's son
- 57. U, on the road
- 59. Casts a ballot
- 60. Barn top?
- 61. Do like exhaust pipe
- 62. \*2019 Super Bowl broadcasting network
- 63. Tally
- 64. \*Player's 40, e.g.

#### **DOWN**

- 1. Bird-to-be
- 2. Horsefly
- 3. Infantry's last rows
- 4. Unwind
- 5. Precursor to #5 Across, pl.
- 6. Uniate church member
- 7. June 6, 1944
- 8. Small island
- 9. Paper unit
- 10. \*As entertaining as Super Bowl game?
- 12. Last line to cross
- 13. Louisiana swamp
- 14. \*Home of Mercedes-Benz Stadium

- 19. \*Goodell and such
- 22. "My" in French
- 23. Sunrise side, pl.
- 24. Give out
- 25. 1989 Civil War drama
- 26. \*Player with most Super
- Bowl points scored 27. Capital territory of India
- 28. Alleviated
- 29. Window treatment
- 32. \*Grid
- 33. Leprechaun's gold holder
- 36. \*Popular Super Bowl nickname
- 38. Pore in a leaf
- 40. Even \_\_\_\_ in golf
- 41. Jack be that!
- 44. Poetic feet
- 46. Flitted
- 48. Spoil
- 49. Change the Constitution
- 50. No neatnik
- 51. Butcher's piece, pl.
- 52. Mount Veniaminof output
- 53. Russian governmental agency
- 54. Pupil controller
- 55. Pipe material
- 58. Indefinite degree

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### be entirely accurate. The Equifax breach in 2017 almost two years ago saw the loss of important information including Social Security numbers of over 145 million people. This means almost everyone in the US that has ever applied for credit. The Target breach in 2013 compromised 70 million customers and exposed 41 million credit card numbers. In 2015, the Government Office of Personnel Management (OPM) reported a loss of information for 21 million people who worked for the government or had government clearances. My point is that it is almost certain you have been hacked! Now, what do you need to do about it? pharmacies!!! We're YOUR community pharmacy. Come on in and meet Rakhi YOUR neighborhood Pharmacist. Free RX Deliveries Lg. Selection of Quality **Goods & Products**

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#### Tech Sense By John Bell

## You Have Been Hacked!

This month I have decided to present short insights into the loss of personally identifiable data or identity theft. I will start by looking at some recent data hacks.

#### **Data Hacks**

First, let me point out that I worked for Marriott for many years, but the insights I share about the Marriott breach last November are not based on insider information. The numbers when they were first reported said over 500 million people had their identities compromised. That is more than every man, woman, and child living in the United States, a seemingly impossible number even for an international company. The reality is the number was significantly overstated; it was not 500 million people but traveler records (reservations). Because often the same people take multiple trips, the number of people involved is much smaller but still on the order of eight-digit figures (tens of millions). I do not intend to minimize the significance or severity of the breach, but I want to make you aware that frequently what you first hear about a breach may not

#### **I Have Been Hacked! Now What?**

The first thing most of these companies offer is credit-monitoring services through companies like LifeLock. This is NOT the first action you should take! I am not a fan of these services because they require you to provide them with the very information you are trying to protect. LifeLock itself has been shown to not adequately protect customer information. LifeLock has exposed its customer email addresses and has been known to store customer information without encryption. LifeLock even shared customer information with Equifax. LifeLock has been fined \$100 million by the FTC for not protecting customer information. I do not recommend signing up for most of these services unless the service is provided by a company that already has your

What you do instead? Your actions should vary based on what was compromised. If it was email addresses, change the passwords on those accounts and add 2-factor authorization if you don't already use it. Remember that you should use a different password for every system that requires a password. Passwords should be difficult to crack; at least 12 characters long and a mix of upper- and lowercase letters, numbers, and symbols; and not use words that are found in a dictionary. Look into my columns from previous years for detailed instructions for creating secure yet memorable passwords. I am likely to cover this in detail again in a future column because it is so important.

If credit cards have been lost and you know the credit card number, call the card lost or stolen number of the issuing bank and follow its advice. The bank may choose to replace the card with a new number or just enhance monitoring card activity. You should always monitor your card usage to detect fraud. If you are not sure which cards were compromised, call each of the card companies, tell them of the potential loss, and monitor your cards diligently.

#### Alerts, Freezes, and Locks

If it was social security numbers, bank accounts, paystubs, or other financial information, contact the credit agencies. You can choose to ask for a fraud alert, a freeze, or a lock on your account. A fraud alert is free and protects your account from unverified access for one year.

As of this past year, a new law was passed making a credit freeze a free service and protecting the consumer if the data is provided from a frozen account. A freeze restricts access to your credit information and requires the freeze to be temporarily lifted to others to access your credit information. The credit bureau will provide you with a PIN or password to lift the freeze temporarily if needed to allow access to your records for a loan or apartment, for example. Consumer Reports magazine suggests that a freeze is better than a lock because it is backed by federal law.

A credit lock is offered by the credit bureaus to limit access and works in a similar fashion as a freeze. Locks may be free or may have charges associated with them. A lock is an agreement between you and the credit agency asking the agency to limit access to your information. It does not have the weight of federal law behind it.

There are three major credit bureaus: Experian, Equifax, and Transunion. Each is required to give you one free credit report each year. If you request the report from a different one of the three every four months, you can keep pretty close tabs on what is going on with your accounts. Make sure you recognize all account information and remove any you do not recognize.

#### **Additional Steps**

Loss of the information is one thing; chances are the information will never be used. The most common use of the data is for spammers to better target their messages and help with phishing emails to discover more information about you.

The steps discussed previously are designed to reduce the chances the information can be used to cause harm to you or your accounts. If someone seems to be using your accounts, credentials, or cards, then you may want to talk to your financial institutions and change accounts numbers. You may also want to file a report with the FTC.

#### **Things That Don't Seem to Help**

I have been through this before with a credit card number stolen while I was on a short trip. As we have discussed, monitoring services are of little value. It seems police reports of lost credit cards are ignored as well with the logic being that the card company experienced the loss, so it needs to report the crime. Some suggest you file a report anyway; I will leave that up to you.

I hope you find this information interesting and helpful, assume you have been hacked, and even if you haven't, lock everything down: the storm is coming.

## Rosapepe's Report to Beltsville

## Join Us in Annapolis on February 11

Delegates Joseline Peña-Melnyk, Ben Barnes, Mary Lehman, and I work hard to keep in touch with Beltsville residents and help you understand what Maryland's state government is doing and how it can help you and your family. We attend the Beltsville Civic Association and other community meetings, visit local churches and schools, and host "mobile office hours" at local grocery stores. Now, we'd like you to visit us in Annapolis at our annual reception for 21st District residents on February 11 from 6-8 pm in the Miller Senate Building near the State House. We'll have food, fellowship, and information on legislative issues of concern to our communities. RSVP online at www.21stdistrictdelegation. com or call 301.858.3141 for details, questions, and information on parking. We'll also have buses going from College Park and Laurel-contact our office, and we'll give you the information on it, and ride, don't drive! Share this invitation with friends and neighbors. We look forward to seeing you!

#### Is Your Property Tax Assessment Too High? Deadline to Appeal Is February 11

If you got a new assessment notice for 2019, the deadline to appeal is February 11. In Maryland, home values are assessed every three years to set the base for the local property tax. And after these assessments, you can appeal the assessor's valuation on your home if you think it's too high.

It may be worthwhile for you



Senator Jim Rosapepe

to appeal your assessment. To do so, fill out and submit the online form at http://assessmentappeals. dat.maryland.gov/ using the information on your assessment notice. There's no guarantee your tax will go down, but it may be worth the modest effort to make sure the assessment is correct.

#### **Scholarships to College**

Each senator and delegate is allocated funds for scholarships to students in our district who attend Maryland colleges. There are so many deserving students in Beltsville. With college tuition a struggle for many families, we need to do everything we can to help hard-working students get a good education. We can't help everyone with Senatorial scholarships, but we can certainly help some.

To apply online for a 2019-2020 Senate Scholarship, students should visit www.21stdistrictdelegation. com/college-scholarships. The deadline to apply is Friday, July 12. A separate Delegate Scholarship application from Delegates Peña-Melnyk, Barnes, and Lehman is on the same website page

#### with an April 2 due date.

Information on other financial aid for Maryland college students can be found at www.mhec.state. md.us.

#### **Contact Us**

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

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## Happy New Year!

Happy New Year and welcome to another "Jive." Let's get straight into it. Netflix! I don't know how many of you, my dear readers, watch Netflix. I finally signed up the weekend before the big snowstorm to watch one movie, Lionheart. It was worth every minute. Due to the quality of the movie, I ended up watching another one, The Wedding Party, and this was fun unlimited. I understand there is a sequel available—The Wedding Party 2: Destination Dubai. I can't wait for this to become available on Netflix. If you have not done Netflix yet, be very careful. It can be contagious. I ended up spending a whole weekend watching Good Girls...all eight or nine episodes.

Let's move on to something more local. It is no news that we had a series of snowstorms in January. What I do not like to see is, after the snowfall, people drive with blocks of frozen snow on their rooftops with no consideration for other drivers. I have seen many close calls on the roads. I will appeal to you, my dear readers, if you sometimes do not like to brush off snow, kindly remember that the piece of frozen snow that flies off your vehicle can hurt another person. Life is worth far more than being hit by a projectile or swerving to avoid a projectile and getting into a bad accident.

Still on the roads, I am not

familiar with the local laws, but I wish someone with the know-how can start the process for a law to be implemented so that, when roads are dug up by contractors for repair, they resurface the area they dug up so the road surface is as smooth as it was before they began. Many contractors throw tar back on the road, roll over it, and leave it rough, creating an unsmooth road surface, which wears out parts of our vehicles. A good example is the stretch on Powder Mill Road between the Army Laboratory and the intersection of Cherry Hill and Powder

Now let me address a group of us stubborn folk. I used to be Mr. Macho—not wanting to go to the doctor and all that...not entirely my fault. My fear and respect of injections have kept me away many a time. However, as I have grown older, my body is no longer what it used to be when I was in my twenties. So I know it is a new year and many of you may have made resolutions to do this and that in the new year. Men, I am going to implore you to take the time to get your annual physical done early, preferably before the end of February. Take five minutes to get your blood pressure checked and keep a log. If you are diabetic like me, monitor everything a lot more closely. Exercise—walk around Beltsville—eat

right, drink lots more water, and take time to laugh. Laughter cures a lot. If you have internet access, I implore you to go on YouTube and type in, "just for laughs," and you will see a lot of humor to get you going.

As I wrap up this "Jive" (I intend to keep "Jason's Jive" short and sweet), I want to challenge you to do something nice for someone else for the next five days. It could be giving a simple smile, holding a door for someone, waiting your turn at a 4-way stop, or thanking a law enforcement officer or a fire officer or a medical practitioner. It could even be a little thank you card for the bus driver who takes the kids or grandkids to school, the garbage men, or even the person waiting on you when you dine out. I work with FedEx Express full-time. I have been with it a total of eighteen years but the last eight or nine years as a courier in West Baltimore. (West Baltimore is a different country: trust me. Watch The Wire on YouTube to see what I am talking about.) The fulfillment I get from my job is when I make a delivery and the person getting the package takes the time to tell me "thank you." Two words—but they mean a lot. So thank you for reading my column and again, in whatever way you deem fit, share a smile and remember to tell someone "thank you."



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## From the Office of Council Member Tom Dernoga

## A New Year, a New Start

Tuesday, January 15, kicked off the first County Council session for 2019. We are looking forward to seeing what the new year brings. To stay update-to-date on what is coming before the County Council, visit our council calendar here: https://princegeorgescountymd.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx

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#### **Meet the Team**

Over the next few months, we will be scheduling some community sessions. This will provide an opportunity to meet the excellent team made up of Prince George's County residents who will be serving you: Michelle García (Beltsville), chief of staff; Krystal Oriadha, policy director; Ashanti Martinez, constituent services specialist; Lulu Urbina (Laurel), special assistant and Latino and immigrant community liaison; and Carol Jenkins (Laurel) and Denise



Tom Dernoga meets with At-Large Councilmember Melvin Franklin and Chief of Staff to Councilmember Derrick Leon Davis (D6), Nell Johnson at the Prince George's County Council Annual Retreat.

Mitchell (College Park), community liaisons. We will send updates by mail and email and will post signs at local community convening spots.

#### **Keep in Touch**

The District 1 Team looks forward to engaging with residents and fostering ideas that positively impact District 1. Please feel free

to reach out to the committed District 1 Team with your ideas and concerns. We are here to assist and give you our best. Email councildistrict1@co.pg.md.us or call 301.952.3887. For invitations and any community events you would like to share with us, please email district1scheduling@co.pg.md.us with details.

## **Club News**

## Beltsville Garden Club Members Speak

Please join the Beltsville Garden Club for a monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 27, 2019, at 7:30 pm at the James Duckworth School, 11201 Evans Trail, Beltsville, MD. The program is titled Members Speak. We welcome longtime members and talented gardeners Lynn Title and Elizabeth Ogden, who will share some of their gardening journey and knowledge.

Lynn Title will present Garden Vignettes. As an avid plant collector, she designs with many different treasured plants, seldom even five of the same variety. Therefore, she sets up small vignettes of plant groupings that are complementary or contrasting in color and texture. These vignettes are intended to be seen close up when walking past and to repeat as echoes rather than

copies. The groups change with the seasons and often involve foliage more than flowers. Lynn will show some of her favorite combinations in multiple seasons.

Lynn says she gets her green thumb from her father, who grew figs and gesneriads in Rochester, NY, despite the long, hard winters. She is a retired Navy officer who still works for Naval History and Heritage Command as a civilian. She gardens in a densely planted, mostly shady,— of an acre where she built her own dry-stone walls.

Elizabeth Ogden will speak of From Mission to (Market) Madness: her path from volunteering at an Appalachian mission to the inspiration to start a greenhouse/market operation to support that mission project.

Elizabeth has a degree in hor-

ticulture from the University of Maryland and an ongoing career at the USDA Beltsville Agricultural Research Center. She also has a small greenhouse operation, Jack Creek Plants, which supports sales at three local farmers markets.

Lynn and Elizabeth are valued member vendors at the Beltsville Garden Club Spring Plant Sales. Look for them there in April and May!

The public is welcome; admission is free. Contributions of a plant or plant-related item for the door prize table and a refreshment to share are appreciated.

If Prince George's County Public Schools are closed on this date for weather-related conditions, the meeting will be canceled.

## The Beltsville Young at Heart Club

By Barbara Schofield

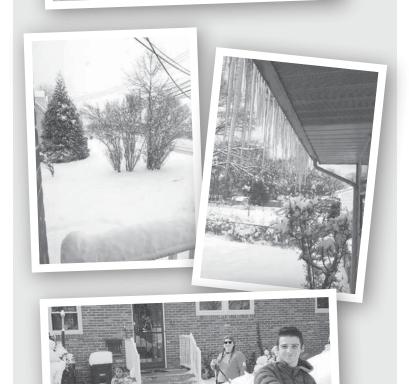
The Young at Heart Christmas potluck luncheon was a delicious success; the members know how to cook wonderful food. There were door prizes for everyone plus fifty/fifty chances.

Trips start on Wednesday, May l, to the Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre. The show is *Joseph and* the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. Before the show, you will enjoy a delicious buffet lunch. This is a musical the whole family can enjoy. The price is \$93.00. Contact Shirley Denell at 301.937.5342 for more information. I will let you know of more trips later.

It isn't what you have in your pocket that makes you thankful, but what you have in your heart.

# First snow of 2019





## **Club News**

## 2019 Officers for the Ladies Auxiliary of the Beltsville Volunteer Fire Department

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Beltsville Volunteer Fire Department would like to announce the installation of its officers for the year 2019. Congratulations to President Peggy Zembower, Vice President Pam Casagranda, Recording Secretary Nancy Moore, Treasurer Angela Whitman, Corresponding Secretary Cathy Alexander, Chaplain Lois Hetz, and Historian Bibi Gurwah. A celebration dinner was held at The Greene Turtle in Burtonsville, on December 13, 2018, with the members, their families, and their friends in attendance. Everyone had a great time. Many thanks to The Greene Turtle and its staff for having us. We look forward to another wonderful year.



2019 officers for the Ladies Auxiliary of the Beltsville Volunteer Fire Dept.: from left to right—Lois Hetz, Bibi Gurwah, Cathy Alexander, Angela Whitman, Nancy Moore, and Peggy Zembower

## Johnny Seaton Coming in March to College Park Post #217

**By Ivy Christoffers** 

A Beltsville artist resident, our own Johnny Seaton, and his Bad Behavior Band (now with Chris Hall on bass) will be appearing at the American Legion Post #217 on March 2, 2019. Johnny's impersonation of Elvis is unbelievably spot-on. Doors open at 5:30 pm for a full spaghetti dinner, cooked by Chefs Johnny Seaton and Tina Zook, for just \$10, including dessert. The show runs from 7 to 10 and will include a basket raffle full of surprises and a 50/50 drawing. The cost of the show is \$22.00. All profits from this show go to support veterans and wounded warriors through the College Park American Legion. Come eat, dance, sing, play, and party and know that you are doing a good deed. Call Tina Zook for tickets at 301.935.5308 or just stop by the post home at 9218 Baltimore Blvd. to reserve your seats.

Our junior group of members, those between infancy and eighteen years of age, have been very busy this year. One of the four projects they have undertaken is to help the homeless men and women of Maryland by filling bags for men and purses for women with many different comfort

items, snacks, and food coupons and distributing them whenever homeless are encountered. Two large cartons of these bags and purses were presented to me for the Beltsville and College Park homeless. Sadly, we do have some unfortunate residents who can benefit from the juniors' project. Our young folks have big hearts.

The American Legion in College Park will be the site of the next Department Executive Committee Meeting on February 9, 2019. There are only five such meetings a year, and it is an honor to be asked to host one. Of course, it will be a very busy time for our members, but the members of Unit #217 are up for the task. We will be serving approximately 75 women with a continental breakfast and a delicious lunch. The meeting runs from 9 am until 4

Our post home is your home away from home. There is much to do here including our weekly bingo on Tuesday and Wednesday, our dinner dances every Friday to live bands, our shotgun bingo on Monday night, our great new menu with food served every day, and our great, welcoming atmosphere. If you have a special function on the horizon, call Gary Kingery, the post manager, and see what we can do for you.

Now that the snow has arrived, (it may be gone soon), please drive carefully. Not everyone living in this area is used to snow and ice; however, if you were raised in a state like Pennsylvania where blizzards were a common occurrence in winter, you learned to respect the weather.

Happy Valentine's Day to our readers. Watch your chocolate consumption. Keep our troops in your thoughts and prayers as they strive for peace throughout the world. May God protect them and continue to bless this great land



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## Women's Community Club of Beltsville Announces Its 2019 Scholarship Program

The Women's Community Club of Beltsville will be awarding a \$1,000 scholarship to a female resident of Beltsville this spring. Applicants must be residents of Beltsville and be a high school senior who has been accepted into a college, technical school, or vocational school or a college freshman. Applications can be obtained by emailing WCCBeltsville@gmail.com or going to the High Point guidance counselor office. To submit the completed application, students can email it to the address above or mail it to WCCB 2019 Scholarship c/o Emmanuel Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane, Beltsville, MD 20705. Applications must be postmarked by April 25.



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#### **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 February.

#### **ENGINEERING 101: BALLOON CARS**

Sat., Feb. 16 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Balloon Cars! We know cars can run on gasoline, electricity, or even hydrogen, but how about a balloon? Try your hand at building a balloon car as we explore the force of thrust. Don't miss out on the fun, and the chance to learn something new and exciting! Ages 9 and up! Cost: \$5, includes museum admission.

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Regular hours of operation: Mon. -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 February. 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 February is scheduled for Wed., Feb. 13 at 10:30 a.m. We will have a special speaker on the Buffalo Soldiers. Sign-up and pay for our catered luncheon by Wed., Feb. 6. Also, our 2019 travel schedule is now available. We have lots of exciting trips planned. Interested people should contact our office for more details.

#### **THURSDAY MOVIE MATINEES**

The featured movie for Thur., Feb. 14 is The Mountain Between Us. The featured movie for Thur., Feb. 28 is Wonder. Start time is 10 a.m. and the end

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#### **NATIONAL WILDLIFE VISITOR** CENTER

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#### **HOLLINGSWORTH ART GALLERY**

The gallery is open when the Visitor Center is open. The featured artists for February are the Ephemera Photographers. All ages are invited; no registration is required.

#### **WILDLIFE IMAGES BOOKSTORE**

The bookstore is open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. when the Visitor Center is open. Free stamps for the Blue Goose Passport for the National Wildlife Refuge System are available. Extra copies of the passports are for sale.I

#### **BELTSVILLE EVENTS**

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## **NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIBRARY**

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at http://twitter.com/#!/National Ag Lib. See NAL.USDA.gov/visit-library for more information.

#### **VANSVILLE HEIGHTS CITIZENS ASSOCIATION**

Mon., Feb. 11 at 7 p.m. Meetings are held at the Franklin Brown Recreation Community Center, 1733 Old Baltimore Pike, Beltsville, MD 20705 (located in the Vansville Park). The association meets on the second Monday of each

#### **BEHNKE NURSERIES GARDEN CENTER**

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

#### **MAKING A PLAN FOR SPRING GARDENING**

Sat., Feb. 2 at 11 a.m. Ever thought about growing vegetables, planting flowers, shrubs, or trees? Join Behnke's horticulturist Christopher Lewis as he offers some suggestions to help you plan and transform your garden into something beautiful and satisfying. Cost: free.

#### **BEGINNER HANDS-ON BONSAI CLASS**

Sat., Feb. 2 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. With a focus on care and maintenance, learn all the basics of bonsai design. You will learn how to transplant and discover what the art of bonsai is all about as you create your very own bonsai to take home. This is a fully inclusive class and it is taught by Jennifer Park. Registration required. Fee: \$65. All materials provided.

#### **GARDEN HAND TOOL SHARPENING**

Two weekends in February: 1) Sat. and Sun., Feb. 2 and 3, and 2) Sat. and Sun., Feb. 9 and 10. The sessions will take place from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. each day and will be conducted by Behnke staff members. Bring in up to two (2) garden hand tools per person. Cost: \$3 each or 2 tools for \$5 . All proceeds will be donated to Emmanuel United Methodist Church Food Bank in Beltsville. Please exercise patience if there is a line. Tool sharpening takes time.

#### **MOSQUITO MADNESS**

Sat., Feb. 16 at 11 a.m. Some evenings in the summer do you feel like wearing a space suit to go work in the garden? With the onslaught of mosquitoes making outdoor life uncomfortable what are gardeners to do? Learn a few tips and tricks that may make life outdoors a little nicer this year. Cost: free.

#### PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW **TOUR IS COMING**

Registration deadline: Fri., Mar. 1. The tour is scheduled for Thur., Mar. 7 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Leaving and return-

ing from Behnke's. The 8th Annual Philadelphia Flower Show Tour is organized by Washington Gardener Magazine. The Philadelphia Flower Show is the oldest and largest indoor flower show in the world. The theme for 2019 is Flower Power, which will pay tribute to the enormous impact of flowers on our lives. America's leading floral and garden designers will create stunning landscapes, imaginative gardens, and breathtaking floral displays. Through imaginative exhibits, guests will see ideas such as community, healing, peace, transformation, and hope brought to life in surprising, vibrant ways. Cost: \$100/per person, or \$95/ per Washington Gardener subscriber. Contact Kathy Jentz at kathyjentz@ gmail.com or see behnkes.com/ files/2019/PhillyFlowerShowWGTour-Behnke2019.pdf.

#### **BELTSVILLE LIBRARY**

The library will be closed from Mon., Feb. 4 through Sat., Feb. 23 to have new shelving installed. The library is scheduled to reopen Mon., Feb. 25 with a bright and modern new look! Address: 4319 Sellman Rd., Beltsville, next to the police station. Main phone number: 301.937.0294. Regular hours of operation are Mon. – Tue. from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m., Wed. - Fri. from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sat. from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed Sundays. Visit our library system website at www.pgcmls.info to use our online library services

#### **PROGRAM FOR ALL AGES**

#### **CHESS CLUB**

Tue., Feb. 26 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**

#### KIDS ACHIEVE CLUB

Tue., Feb. 26 from 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. Mentoring, reading, and homework help for kids in grades 1-6.

#### **READY 2 READ PRESCHOOL STORYTIME**

Wed., Feb. 27 at 10:30 a.m. Ages 3 - 5.

#### **READY 2 READ TODDLER** STORYTIME

Wed., Feb. 27 at 11:30 a.m. for ages 2 - 3 years old.

#### **CRAFTERNOON: THE ART OF ALMA THOMAS**

Wed., Feb. 27 from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Come join us for an hour of afternoon crafting. Make and take home art inspired by Alma Thomas. Parents are welcome to participate.

#### **READY 2 READ BABY STORYTIMES**

Thur., Feb. 28 at 10:30 a.m. and at 11:15 a.m. Ages birth – 2 years old.

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Thur., Feb. 28 from 11 a.m. to 12 noon. Janice the Griot presents: Interactive storytelling with puppets and instruments. Good for families and younger children.

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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 February.

#### **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**

There will not be a meeting this month. The next meeting will take place on Thur., Mar. 14 at 7 p.m. The club meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

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#### **XTREME TEENS AND PRE-TEENS REGULAR EVENTS**

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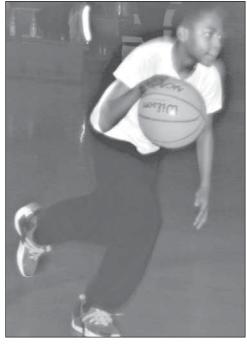
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#### The Bull Pen **By Tracy Fuller**

On a cold Thursday evening in January, I had the pleasure to attend the 11U's basketball practice. I learned quite a bit about the program from talking with parents, players, and coaches. One thing that struck me was how many players and coaches did not live in Beltsville and traveled great distances to play or coach for the Bulls, the name of the Beltsville-Adelphi Boys and Girls Club teams. Some of the parents grew up in Beltsville but have moved away while others had connections to the coaches; they live in cities such as Silver Spring, Landover Hills, Lanham, and even as far as Oxon Hill.

These parents and coaches have many basketball programs closer to them, yet they recognize how special

this club is and make the sacrifice to travel twice a week for practice as well as on the weekend to games. The Oxon Hill parent's reason for traveling so far was solely because of Coach Paris. She mentioned he is who you want to teach your child the fundamentals of the game and that she has seen tremendous growth in her son.



11U player Samuel Bradley

Another parent, Mirsa Morales of Landover Hills, stated her son had

a friend who played on the team, which is why her son is playing for the Bulls. She has been very happy with the overall program and the coaches. Her son, Carlos Dinarte, mentioned he has a lot of fun and he likes his coach's teaching style. A parent from Beltsville stated she liked the attention

Coach Moe and 11U player Carlos Dinarte

and focus the coaches gave the players and the "family"/ team-oriented approach. I also spoke to a parent that was a former Beltsville resident who now lives in Silver Spring. She stated she played for the Bulls and that this was the club with which she was most familiar. She also said her son is playing basketball because he wanted to learn the game but also have a chance to socialize with other kids.

Finally, I had the opportunity to talk to one of the coaches, Coach Moe, who lives in Lanham. He became involved with the club because his godson's father was a coach for the Bulls. He has now coached football for four years and basketball for three years. I specifically asked him why not coach for a club closer to where he lives, and

he said he couldn't go anywhere else. I was unable to interview Coach Paris because I didn't want to interfere with practice, but several of the parents raved about his coaching skills.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention Basketball Commissioner and Coach Demetrius Butler. He has been with the club for the past five years and impressively also coaches AAU nationally ranked basketball teams. Also deserving recognition is the Athletic Director Rian Jackson, Basketball Co-Commissioner Tanya Harris, and the following talented and dedicated basketball coaches: 10U Coach Derrick, 11U Coach Paris/Coach Moe, 13U Coach Kenny/Coach Joe, 14U Coach Demetrius, and 14U Coach Kevin.

Unfortunately, the first game of the season scheduled for January 12 was canceled due to inclement weather. However, be on the lookout for the March Beltsville News where the season will be recapped. The 13U division is looking to defend its 12U 2018 championship title. Information on the game schedules and results can be found on the club's Facebook page, https://www.facebook. com/Beltsvillebulls/.

It is not too soon to start thinking about the spring season, which kicks off in March. The spring sports include t-ball, baseball, flag football, and soccer. You can find registration information on the club's website, http://beltsvilleadelphi.siplay.com/site/.

If you would like to make a monetary donation (no amount is too small), checks can be made out to the Beltsville-Adelphi Boys and

Girls Club and mailed to 11705 Roby Ave, Beltsville, MD 20705. It is a 501(c)3 organization, so donations are tax deductible. We are also looking for coaches, a soccer commissioner, and a baseball commissioner.

If you have questions or suggestions or want to get involved, please contact Club Athletic Director Rian Jackson at jackson\_rian@ hotmail.com or 301.693.6395. Stay tuned for next month to read about the 2019 Bulls basketball and upcoming spring season and much more! Go Bulls! Join the stampede!

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**Sports** 

## Beltsville Native Opens Soccer Academy for Area Students

**By Rick Bergmann** 

Joel Musa, a Beltsville native, grew up in Powder Mill Village right next to High Point High School. He attended Bucklodge Middle School and High Point High. He played soccer for both schools as well as the Beltsville Bulls (The Beltsville-Adelphi Boys and Girls Club). During his high school years, in addition to soccer, he was also on the track team, basketball team, and swimming team. Even though he played multiple sports, his heart always belonged to soccer. During his senior year, he made the D.C. United soccer team which, according to him, was a "huge accomplishment."

After high school, he played for several professional indoor and outdoor clubs such as the Evergreen Diplomats in the American Soccer League and the Harrisburg Heat in the North American Soccer league.

Coach Musa has returned to the Beltsville area and opened the One Nation Soccer Academy. He began the academy so he can "lead other kids in the right direction." According to Musa, "It was hard figuring things out on my own. So I created this program so kids who

share the same passion as me have some guidance."

Musa created the One Nation Soccer Academy in order to help prepare area kids for their future through discipline, perfect their skills in the art of soccer, and keep them off of the streets. You can learn more about Coach Musa by following him on Instagram @onenationsocceracademy. You can get your students involved by contacting Coach Musa at 240.421.9424. The academy is currently looking for sponsors for the program. If you are interested in being a sponsor, contact Coach Musa at the number listed above.

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#### **AWARD**

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opportunity to go on the field and watch the pregame warm up.

The club was honored for its efforts to help the homeless men and women in our community. BOLC was founded in 2015 by Michaela West because "I want the homeless to know that they are not forgotten." West has also received the 2017 Prudential Spirit of Community Award and Carson Scholar Award for her volunteer work.

BOLC consists of survival supplies. To date, the club has delivered 424 bundles and collected 201,050 items. Older students guide the younger ones to foster leadership skills and mentoring. Kids say it "makes their hearts feel good inside."

BOLC members go to encampments to deliver the bundles. This has a profound impact on students and parents who are involved. "Giving love is what we do," says Michaela.

#### ON THE AGENDA

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There will be a fundraiser for the Police Explorers at District 6. Old Line Fine Wine, Sprits & Bistro is hosting a fundraising dinner on February 20, 2019. Let the bistro serve dinner while you help support the Police Explorers. Ten percent of food proceeds between 5–9 pm will be donated to the District 6 Police Explorers. Be sure to tell your waiter you are there to support the Police Explorers.

WSSC is waiving all late fees and is working one-on-one with customers impacted by the ongoing government shutdown to establish convenient payment plans! Give it a call at 301.206.4001 or 1.800.828.6439; they're here to help!

If you have not signed up for *Nextdoor*, now is the time. Several state and county agencies are sharing valuable information. The information from WSSC is just one example.

I can be reached at 301.937.3490 or karenmcoakley@msn.com



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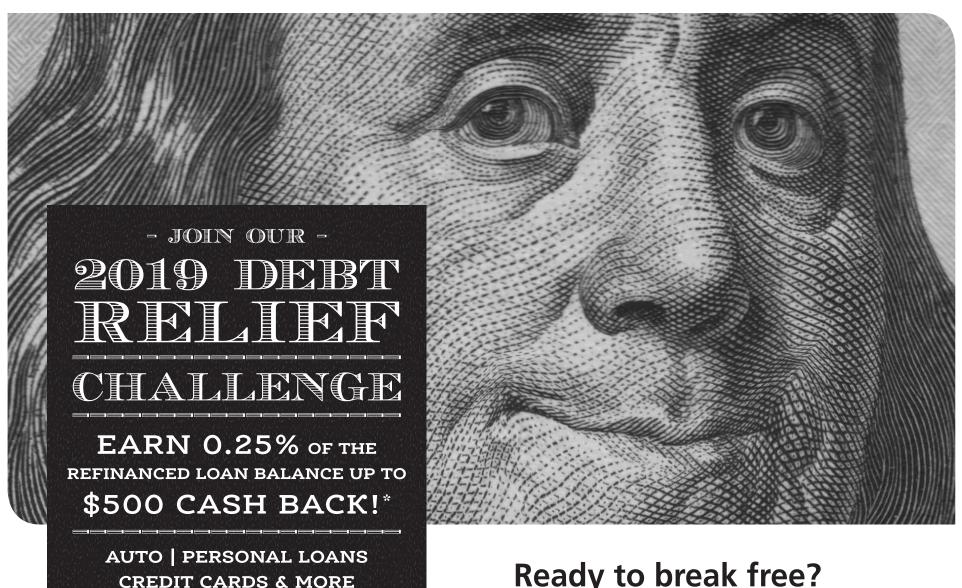


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