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## Dernoga to Run for County Council

By Beltsville Residents Linda Diasgranados, Frank Hodal, Frank Cockrell, Carol Howard, Joshua Howard and Ginger and Chris Butcher

Tom Dernoga has announced that he will be running for his former County Council District 1 seat that represents Beltsville, Calverton, and Vansville. He represented us well from 2002–2010 when the limit of two consecutive terms prevented him from running. We've been fortunate that we have had Mary Lehman since 2010, but term limits will preclude her from running again.



Tom Dernoga

Tom and his staff took really good care of our community for nine years. Judy Thacher and Alex Hirtle were always on top of things and solved our problems, and Tom could be counted on to see that our greatest needs were addressed.

Working with Beltsville Young

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## Pack 1031 Springing into Action!

Cub Pack 1031 scouts are working on completing their adventures in their dens. They are almost done!

The Bear den did parent/son camping at their leader's house to complete their outdoor requirements, and the Tiger den hiked along the Little Paint Branch Trail while the Wolf and Webelos hiked out at Patuxent Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center's trails where they saw ducks, geese, tree swallows, osprey, and turtles. They



Den Leader Jennifer K. helping her scouts fold a flag.

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## Beltsville Day 2017

Beltsville Day is Sunday, May 21, from noon to 5 pm. Located at the Beltsville Community Center, 3900 Sellman

Road, Beltsville, MD, Beltsville Day has activities planned for the whole family. These include games for kids, such as a moon

bounce and slides, but also carnival games with prizes. There will

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## Beltsville Briefs

### Local Student Graduates from Columbia University

Kendall C. Pace of Suitland, MD, will be graduating from Columbia University in New York City on May 17. Kendall's majors are political science and business management. He attended Martin Luther King, Jr., Middle School (in Beltsville) and Bishop McNamara High School in Forestville, MD. Kendall's father, Mr. Charles E. Pace, lives in Beltsville.

### The Performing Arts Repertory Company

The Performing Arts Repertory

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Pictured above is Honorary Junior American Legion Auxiliary President Kaori Forsythe and her officers and members during their conference and leadership forum held at Kent Island. They are holding some of the dozens of pajamas they had collected for Casey Cares.

## College Park Unit #41 Celebrates Our Veterans, Youth, and Community

By Ivy Christoffers

On the last weekend in March, the junior members (infant

through 18) of the Department of MD American Legion Auxiliary met at Kent Island Post #278 in

Stevensville, MD, for their annu-

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### On the Agenda



Karen Coakley

By Karen Coakley

The May Citizens Association meeting will be on Wednesday, May 17, at 7 pm. This will be a planning meeting for future topics.

### Nextdoor

Have you signed up? The Police Department is using Next Door to keep the community informed about crime and crime prevention programs. Go to [www.nextdoor.com](http://www.nextdoor.com) and enter your address to find your "neighborhood."

### Domestic Violence Seminar

The Prince George's County Police Department District VI's Faith Advisory Council presents a domestic violence seminar on May 17 from 8:40 am–noon at the Laurel-Beltsville Senior Activity Center, 7120 Contee Rd, Laurel, MD. There will be opening and closing remarks from police officials, opening remarks from various faith leaders in our communities, survivor stories from domestic violence victims, a domestic violence presentation, and talks on protective and peace orders. There will be free refreshments and plen-

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# Neighbors in the News

## Beware of Virtual Kidnapping Scams

By Rick Bergmann

It seems as if every time we turn on the news there is another scam being reported on. Someone is always out to get money from someone else. This has taken a scary turn for some people in our area.

I am a member of *Nextdoor*, a social media site where you can post different information about items in your neighborhood. Items can include lost pets, something that you are selling or giving away, community events and get-togethers, and many other things. As I was scrolling through one day, I came across a post called phone scam. Pam Lloyd from the South Laurel/Beltsville Region had posted a story about a call her 84-year-old mother received on her cell phone. On the other end, a young girl was “crying and screaming saying she was her granddaughter.” The caller even knew the granddaughter’s first name. She was asking for money before “a belligerent man then took the phone threatening very graphic threats to kill her granddaughter, saying that he had her in his van, and proceeded to berate her trying to get financial information.” This phone call lasted over 30 minutes in which the woman attempted to explain that she didn’t have a driver’s license and

only had about \$500. The caller then demanded a family member’s phone number, and the respondent gave her daughter’s. When the caller phoned the daughter, Pam, they didn’t get an answer. After about 30 minutes, they grew tired and gave up. The caller ID on the phone came across as “private caller.”

After the “kidnappers” hung up the phone, the grandmother immediately called her daughter to check on her granddaughter. Everything turned out to be fine: the granddaughter was home at the time. After a little work with her mom’s cell service, “Great Call,” they were able to pinpoint that the call came from Mexico City. Pam reported the details and information to the local FBI and Federal Trade Commission.

According to many news reports and the FBI, this scam is not uncommon, and these people are using this scam to make thousands of dollars. The likelihood of them being caught is very low because the calls often come from blocked or private numbers. The best way to avoid them is to be alert. If you receive one of these calls, slow down the conversation and ask for more time, call or text the victim, and contact the police. An even better strategy is that if you don’t recognize the number don’t answer the phone.

# BELTSVILLE BRIEFS

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Company (PARC), a nonprofit arts organization in residence in Beltsville, is presenting a dance production at the Publick Playhouse in Cheverly, MD. *A Bedtime Story* is an original story ballet, which will capture the imagination of audience members of all ages while showcasing local talent. The program also includes a variety of repertory and class dances performed by dancers of all levels. PARC will present two performances: Saturday, May 20, at 3 and 7:30 pm and Sunday, May 21, at 3. Adult tickets are \$15; tickets for seniors, students, children, and military are \$6. Tickets can be purchased at 301-277-1710 or www.performingarc.org. Special rates are available for groups. Call 301-908-4079 for additional information or to request group rates.

## Central Maryland Chorale Presents *St. Francis in the Americas: A Caribbean Mass and World Premiere of Canciones del Agua*

The Central Maryland Chorale, directed by Monica Ota and accompanied by Alturas Duo and Charm City Steel, presents *St. Francis in the Americas: A Caribbean Mass*, by Glenn McClure, as well as the world premiere of *Canciones del Agua*, by Ronald Pearl, which was commissioned by the chorale and Alturas Duo. Alturas Duo will accompany the chorale on guitar, viola, and charanga. *St. Francis in the Americas* will feature steel drums. The concert is on Saturday, May 13, at 8 pm, at The Lutheran Church of Saint Andrew, 15300 New Hampshire Avenue, Silver Spring, MD. Tickets are \$20 general admission, \$15 for students/seniors. For tickets and information, call 240.478.7952 or visit www.centralmarylandchorale.com.



## St. John’s Episcopal Church Community Fair and Yard Sale

St. John’s Episcopal Church will be holding a community fair and yard sale on Saturday, May 20, from 8 am–2 pm. Clean out your closets, garages, and sheds. We are looking for donations; we need household items, clothing, books, etc. We are also collecting gently used suits for men and women that can be donated or sold to individuals looking to return to the workforce. St. John’s is located at 11040 Baltimore Avenue, Beltsville, MD, 20705. You can call the church at 301.937.4292.

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## Neighbors in the News

### May Is Audiology Awareness Month



**By Dr. Kathy Mellott, audiologist,  
Audiology Unlimited/  
College Park Hearing Service**

Hearing loss affects almost 50 million Americans today. Although hearing problems are commonly associated with the normal aging process, more than half of all hearing-impaired people are younger than 65. With the increased use of personal music players (MP3s) and earbuds, the number of Americans experiencing hearing loss at a younger age is growing.

On average, most Americans consider hearing loss a condition that is simply associated with aging and don't know how to recognize the condition or who is qualified to diagnose and treat it. In an effort to raise public awareness for the growing number of Americans suffering from hearing loss, the American Academy of Audiology in conjunction with local audiologists is celebrating Audiology Awareness Month this May. As part of Audiology Awareness Month, the American Academy of Audiology is encouraging consumers to be more aware of their hearing health.

Hearing loss can be caused by exposure to loud noises; ear infections, trauma, or ear disease; harm to the inner ear and ear drum; illness or certain medications; and deterioration due to normal aging process.

An audiologist is a highly educated and clinically experienced

healthcare professional who specializes in evaluating, diagnosing, and treating people with hearing loss and balance disorders. Hearing loss can affect patients of all ages—newborns, infants, babies, toddlers, children, teens, adults, and the elderly.

You may have a problem with your hearing and need to see an audiologist if you have trouble hearing a conversation in a noisy environment such as a restaurant, are unable to hear people talk to you without looking at them, or have a constant ringing or pain in your ears.

The first step in treating a hearing problem is a hearing evaluation by an audiologist.

Audiologists have a variety of specialties that include, but are not limited to:

- Performing hearing evaluations for all ages, including newborns and infants
- Prescribing and fitting hearing aids
- Designing and implementing hearing conservation programs
- Providing hearing rehabilitation training

Although most hearing loss is permanent, an audiologist can determine the best treatment, which may include hearing aids, assistive listening devices, and hearing rehabilitation. Hearing testing through an audiologist is covered by most insurances including Medicare with a medical referral. Contact an audiologist to have your hearing tested.

### PACK 1031

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tried the new observation blinds (tents) to see how they could quietly observe wildlife.

The pack will be doing some spring recruiting in May and June so new scouts can earn outdoor requirements as the pack hikes, bikes, and does outdoor activities all summer long. Come by our table at Beltsville Day and learn about Cub Scouts!!

Each year, the pack has activities such as camping, hiking, our annual Pinewood Derby, and campfires. We also do participa-

tory citizenship along Little Paint Branch Trail, our toy drive, and Scouting for Food. Along the way, we learn responsibility, play games, and have tons of fun.

If you interested in discovering the fun of Cub Scouts with your son please, contact Regina Halper through [www.BeAScout.org](http://www.BeAScout.org)—just put in our zip code and look for Cub Pack 1031. You can now register online, but additional dues will be collected for a book, advancements, a neckerchief, and pack fees including space rental and leader training.



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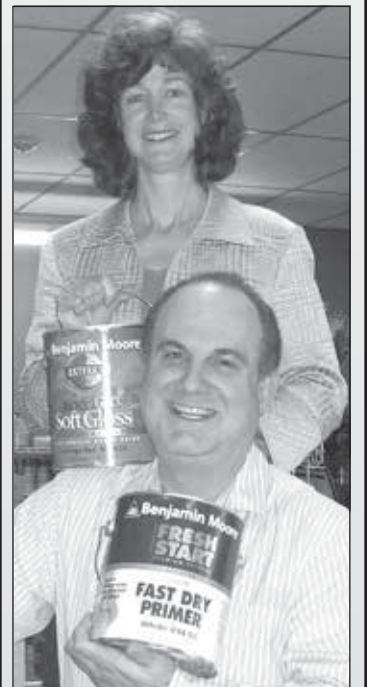
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## Obituaries

### Sines, Dennis E. "Denny"

On Monday, March 20, Dennis E. Sines of Beltsville, MD, passed on. Beloved son of Eleanor M. Sines and the late Stanley L. Sines; loving father of Heather N. Wilhelm, Sarah (Micah) Wiles, and Denise E. Sines; grandfather of Ashley M. and Taylor N. Wilhelm; brother of Stanley A. and Gerald J. Sines; also survived by two nieces and two nephews. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 11007 Montgomery Rd, Beltsville, MD, on Friday, March 24, at 10 am. Interment Fort Lincoln Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Beltsville Volunteer Fire Department. [www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com](http://www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com)

### Miller, Dottie L.

Dottie L. Miller, 75, of Beltsville, MD, and formerly of Franklin, WV, after a lengthy illness passed away on Monday, April 10, 2017, at her home surrounded by her family.

She was born on August 14, 1941, in Franklin, WV, to the late Esta J. and Lola M. (Eye) Lambert.

Dottie was a 1959 graduate of Franklin High School. After graduation, she was employed by the CIA for 15 years. She loved traveling, watching her grandsons



Dottie Miller

play sports, and volunteering for various organizations.

Survived by her husband, Donald L. Miller, of 56 years (September 10, 1960); two sons, Douglas L. and David L. Miller; one daughter, Diane L. Coutino; her husband, Flavio; three grandsons, Flavio Daniel, Cristian Antonio, and Thiago Lucas, all of Beltsville, MD; three brothers; four sisters, one of whom is Katie George of Franklin; and a special niece, Barbara Miller, of Silver Spring, MD.; she is preceded in death by two brothers, George and Clinton Lambert.

Funeral service was held at Borgwardt Funeral Home, Beltsville, MD, on Thursday, April 13, 2017, at 10 am with the Reverend Conrad Smith and Hospice Chap-

lain Salome Smalling. Interment Parklawn Memorial Park, Rockville, MD.

The Miller family is requesting memorial donations please be made in Dottie's honor to Holy Cross Home Care and Hospice, 10720 Columbia Pike, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Silver Spring, MD 20901 Attn: Doddi Morman.

### Farris, Donald Franklin

On Sunday, April 16, 2017. Beloved husband of Bette Farris; brother of Robert Farris, Kenneth Farris, and the late James Farris; uncle of Debbie Richmond, James C. Farris, Scott Farris, Michael Farris, and Kristin Jendrek. Also survived by several great-nieces and -nephews. Relatives and friends may call at Borgwardt Funeral Home, 4400 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville, MD, on Wednesday, April 19, from 6 to 9 pm and Our Savior Lutheran Church, 13611 Laurel Bowie Road, Laurel, MD, on Thursday, April 20, from 10 am until time of funeral service at 11. Interment Maryland Veterans Cemetery Crownsville, MD, on Friday, April 21, at 10 am. Memorial contributions may be made to the Honor Flight Network or Crohn's and Colitis Foundation. [www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com](http://www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com)

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Earlier this month, the legislative branch of our government passed a law repealing FCC Internet privacy rules and allowing Internet service providers (ISPs) to collect and sell information about the Websites each of us visits. The President signed the bill immediately after it passed both houses. It seems that lawmakers figure there is no need to keep our browsing habits private even though we use the Internet to explore things like health issues, finances, and entertainment, all topics that have been deemed to be private matters in other federal laws and court findings:

- [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Video\\_Privacy\\_Protection\\_Act](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Video_Privacy_Protection_Act)
- <https://www.healthit.gov/patients-families/protecting-your-privacy-security>
- <https://www.fdic.gov/consumers/privacy/yourrights/>
- <http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-internet-trump-idUSKBN1752PR>

This month's column is an effort to provide you with some tools to help protect your privacy.

## HTTPS Everywhere

Ever since releases via *WikiLeaks* and from Snowden made it obvious that people are watching our Internet activities, there has been a movement in Web communities to make sure all of our browsing within a site is secure. This movement is known as "HTTPS Everywhere." HTTPS is the secure protocol for browsing the Web (as opposed to HTTP). When you connect to a Website using HTTPS, all of the Web traffic between your browser and the site is encrypted. Your ISP knows what site you are accessing but can't see the individual pages or the content of the pages. So, for example, the ISO would know you went to *WebMD* but does not know you searched about Parkinson's disease. You can easily tell on most current browsers if you have a secure connection because a green lock will appear on the left of the address bar.

The Electronic Freedom Foundation (EFF) has even created a technology to make it easier for Website operators to receive and deploy the certificates required to make these secure connections. Cloudflare also provides a free, secure proxy that can provide some protection for sites that are unable to secure their pages through other means. Most secure sites will force you to a secure connection if you try to connect using HTTP. If they do not do



this, try to use HTTPS in front of the URL to see if you can connect securely.

## Virtual Private Networks

A virtual private network (VPN) sits between your browser and the rest of the Web. The VPN encrypts the connection between your computer and the Web. Your ISP only sees the connection to the VPN and is not able to see any of the sites that are visited or data exchanged. VPN technology is popular with travelers so they can browse safely in hotels and restaurants without anyone nearby being able to monitor what they are doing through the network. VPN services typically cost \$30 to \$60 per year. Not all VPN service providers are secure, so it is a good idea to research VPN providers before choosing one. This may be a topic for a future column.

## Tor

Tor (The Onion Router) is a special service for those that need extreme privacy on the network. It was originally designed and created to provide a means of private communications for freedom fighters in countries where freedoms are limited. Unfortunately, it has also become a favorite choice of criminals. While it does allow private communication, it is probably overkill for basic Web browsing.

## Private Searching

Your ISP sees all of your Internet traffic. Because most people do not have a choice of ISPs (we are a lucky community to have two providers), Internet users have no choice but to be exposed unless they take precautions like the ones we have discussed. However, it is easy to forget that search providers like Google and Bing see not just your searches but also the results that you click on. This is why ads about what you were searching follow you on the Internet. If you have sensitive topics you want to search (like a health issue for example), try using DuckDuckGo (<https://duckduckgo.com>). DuckDuckGo does not track you and ensures privacy in your search.

## Opt-out versus Opt-in

The current law as it is written allows a consumer to opt-out of information sharing instead of the more consumer-friendly practice requiring a customer to opt-in if they want their ISP to share their information with other companies. There are some issues with this. For example, Verizon for many years injected a special Verizon "super-cookie" into each HTTP message allowing customers to be tracked across multiple Websites. Verizon sold access to the customer's identity, but it normally isn't too difficult to uncover the identity without further Verizon help. Verizon did this without informing its customers and only provided an opt-out when the cookie behavior was disclosed through news outlets: <http://www.theverge.com/2016/3/7/11173010/verizon-supercookie-fine-1-3-million-fcc>.



## Verizon

Verizon's privacy policy can be found here: <http://www.veri->

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## Rosapepe's Report to Beltsville

Last month, Delegates Barbara Frush, Joseline Peña-Melnyk, Ben Barnes, and I concluded the 2017 legislative session. As you can imagine, much of our work this year has been focused on protecting Maryland from the dangers coming from the federal government. Among the most important:

- We set up the Maryland Health Insurance Coverage Protection Commission to monitor attacks on Obamacare, Medicare, and Medicaid and prepare state action to protect Maryland families.
  - To help protect Marylanders' jobs, homes, and retirement savings from another economic crisis, we set up a watchdog commission on federal efforts to deregulate Wall Street.
  - The legislature voted to oppose ending the Chesapeake Bay cleanup program and urged the governor to join us.
  - The budget we passed included state funds for Meals on Wheels if federal funds are cut.
  - The budget also included state funds for Maryland Public Television if federal funds are cut.
- All of us have been outraged by corruption at the Prince George's liquor board, revealed in recent indictments. To restore its integrity, we overhauled liquor regulation in Prince George's, tightening ethics rules and professionalizing the agency.

### We worked together on all these initiatives:

- Successfully defending the bill that protects Planned Parenthood's state Medicaid funding to ensure high-quality, affordable healthcare for women, men, and young people, cham-



Senator Jim Rosapepe

- pioned by Delegate Peña-Melnyk, chair of the House Public Health Subcommittee.
- Safeguarding the health of Maryland's waterways by instituting a statewide fracking ban, championed by Delegate Frush, a member of the Chesapeake Bay Commission and a conscientious animal rights advocate.
- Working to secure record school funding for Anne Arundel and Prince George's counties, championed by Delegate Barnes, vice chairman of the Education Sub-committee.
- Cutting college textbook costs by moving more courses to free, online content, championed by Senator Rosapepe.

### Key investments in state budget

- Boosts in state funds for schools in Prince George's and Anne Arundel by \$25.6 million.
- More jobs in Maryland repairing UM buildings and local

schools, increasing investments in roads, bridges, and transit.

- Boosts in investment in the University of Maryland and other public colleges by \$36 million.
- A balanced budget, protecting Maryland's AAA bond rating.
- \$27.4 million to protect open space and \$34 million to improve local parks state-wide.
- \$7.1 million for rebuilding Route One in College Park and modernizing and expanding Route 175 in Odenton.
- \$340 million for construction of the light rail Purple Line, connecting the Metro Green Line and the University of Maryland with Bethesda and New Carrollton.

### Join us at Beltsville Day — Sunday, May 21

The delegates and I are always there to chat with local residents—and celebrate Beltsville. If you've never come, start this year! There are games for kids, music, food, great fellowship, and much more. Stop by the 21<sup>st</sup> District Delegation's table where we'll have free maps, guides to festivals and other fun events around Maryland, and info on how to solve problems. We look forward to seeing you and hearing your concerns Sunday, May 21, noon-5 pm at the Beltsville Community Center.

### 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 [21stDistrictDelegation@gmail.com](mailto:21stDistrictDelegation@gmail.com) or call 301.858.3141.

### BELTSVILLE DAY

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be displays from local businesses, civic groups, and politicians. The Beltsville police and volunteer fire departments will have their equipment on display, including a ladder truck. The Beltsville Boy Scouts will have their monkey bridge set up for people to try their balancing skills. The Beltsville Lions Club will be providing vision screening. Tables will be set up for crafters to display and sell their products. Nonprofit groups, such as churches and schools, will be selling a variety of foods.

Entertainment for the day will be inside and outside of the community center. Inside the center, there will be model trains on display. The stage performances are free of charge, and the outdoor stage will be conveniently located near the food vendors with tables set up so that people can enjoy music while eating.

Parking is not allowed at the community center during Belts-

ville Day. Shuttles will be running all afternoon from the Beltsville Library at the intersection of Sellman and Montgomery Roads and from Beltsville Academy on Wicomico Avenue. All vendors and performers will have a dedicated shuttle from Francis Fuchs School on Cherry Hill Road. A tram will transport people from the community center driveway on Sellman Road to the festival. Tickets for the rides and games are 5 for \$1 and will be available at the entrance along with a schedule of the day's activities. We are hoping to have payment by credit card, but be sure to have cash ready.

The sponsors for Beltsville Day can be identified by special ribbons. Be sure to stop by the sponsors' tables to thank them for making Beltsville Day happen! As of this article, the sponsors include Audiology Unlimited, Prince George's Community Federal Credit Union, Bath Fitter, Hui-O-Judo, Beltsville Veterinarian Hospital, Beltsville Lions Club, Emmanuel United Methodist

Church, Patient First, ShopRite, MD Physicians Care, St. Alban Birmingham Lodge, and Team 21 Slate. Also, be sure to thank the staff of the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission and volunteers for helping with the day.

Much planning has gone into making Beltsville Day 2017 special. The Beltsville Recreation Council is committed to providing quality activities and entertainment throughout the year for the whole Beltsville community. Free concerts are scheduled for this summer:

June 24: Project Natale—smooth jazz

July 15: The New Romanos—music from yesterday and today

Come to Beltsville Day for an afternoon of old-fashioned fun and consider joining the Beltsville Recreation Council to help "make things happen." To join, contact us at [BeltsvilleRecCouncil@gmail.com](mailto:BeltsvilleRecCouncil@gmail.com).

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## Club News

# The Beltsville Young at Heart Club

By Barbara Schofield

The Beltsville Young at Heart Club hopes everyone enjoyed a lovely holiday this month. The nasty weather kept the membership count down at the April 6 meeting. July 13, a Thursday, will feature a trip to Sight and Sound Millennium Theatre to see *JONAH* and have a buffet

lunch at Arthur's Terrace in Strasburg, Pennsylvania. The price is \$110.00 per person. This includes transportation, buffet lunch, and reserved seats for the show. Last year we saw *Samson* here, and it was spectacular. Call Shirley Denell at 301.937.5342 to reserve your seats; this will fill up fast.

May 21 is Beltsville Day. Come to the senior room inside the Belts-

ville Community Center for baked goods, lunch, and drinks. You can also hear live music by the Season Players. This will be lots of fun for the whole family.

One smile can spark a friendship, and one act of kindness can brighten a day. And one hug can heal a hurt.

## The Prince George's County Genealogical Society

The Prince George's County Genealogical Society will meet on Wednesday, May 3, 2017, at the New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway, New Carrollton, MD 20784 at 7 pm.

Please join us as we hear Mr. Omar Price speak about *Chasing the American Dream: The Formation and Legacy of Freedmen Schools in Prince George's County Maryland, 1866-1870*.

Mr. Price is a history doc-

toral candidate at Morgan State University, where he is currently researching freedmen schools in Prince George's County.

The event is free, and refreshments will be served.

For more information, visit us on the web at [www.pgcs.org](http://www.pgcs.org) or call the PGCs library at 301.262.2063.

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# The Greater Laurel Beltsville Democratic Club

Welcome the new board of the Greater Laurel Beltsville Democratic Club (GLBDC): President Linda Diasgranados, Vice President Michelle García, Treasurer Steve Hubbard, and Secretary Carolyn Brosch. With the aid of Senator Jim Rosapepe, Delegate Joseline Peña-Melnik, and former Councilman

Tom Dernoga, the GLBDC was reorganized. Since the 1950's, the GLBDC has been our community's leading Democratic organization. Every year, we work to elect Democrats from the courthouse to the White House. We plan to support the community with town halls, forums, meet-and-greets, and

many more functions. We want the community to come out and discuss what's going on in the political arena. Please follow us on Facebook @GLBDC and sign up on our website to volunteer and to be placed on our mailing list at <http://www.glbdc.org/volunteer>.

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al conference and leadership training. Several young folk attended and had a busy and informative day of training. They had as their guests a representative from Casey Cares and also from the Kinera Foundation.

Each year, the young girls collect pajamas for seriously ill and hospitalized children. This project is called "Tami's Jammies," and the girls have collected over 1,100 pairs of pajamas for Casey Cares over the last few years. These enterprising young ladies hold fundraisers throughout the year to enable them to make a sizable donation to their chosen charity. This year, their funds went to the Kinera Foundation of Kent Island, which supports families of special needs children. This proved to be a great day for the juniors and seniors involved. Their convention will be held in June when new officers will be elected for the coming year. We are very proud of all the accomplishments of our youngest auxiliary members.

The Veterans Creative Arts Festival, held on April 1 at the Bowie Center for the Performing Arts, was simply fabulous. The day started out with wind and rain but cleared up by showtime. The community came together to support our disabled veterans. Raulin's Bakery of Beltsville owner John Kim provided breakfast items for the artists, and Old Line Wine Shop and Bistro Restaurant owners and operators Larry Pendleton and son sent 125 delicious lunches for the artists, performers, and staff. How great is that! We live in such a caring community where folks come together to help where they can. We are also thankful to Moose Creek Steakhouse, Buffalo Wild Wings, Costco, and Behnke Nurseries for contributing door prizes. With the assistance of College Park Post #217, we had a total of 17 gifts including one from unit #26, one from unit #40, and one from Linda Sarkisian. Thank you all for your support.

Our next event at post #217 will take place on May 6: Johnny

Seaton and Ronnie Dove will be entertaining together again. This is a dynamic duo! Doors open at 6 pm, and the show starts at 7. Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door. There will be a silent auction held to support wounded warriors. Cash or checks only can be accepted, but there is an ATM on premises. Should you care to come for dinner, there will be a delicious Italian dinner available for \$8. Why not plan to come enjoy yourself and support a great cause? For more information and tickets, call Tina at 301.935.5308.

That dreaded time of the year has arrived: report time, when we members must fill out lengthy report forms about all their work on behalf of veterans, active military, our youth, and communities. This information eventually makes it to Congress and becomes part of the records of our great organization, the largest women's patriotic organization in the world.

A Girls State orientation course was held at post #217 on Saturday morning, April 8. There were many young ladies present with their parents learning about their upcoming Girls State session

being held at Salisbury University in June. This is a week-long leadership course open to young girls just completing their junior year in high school where they learn the fundamentals of our Democratic government. There are campaigns and elections for every elected office on a city, county, and state level. At the conclusion of the week, two senators and a governor are elected by their peers. The senators attend Girls Nation, and the governor has obligations throughout the state for the next year.

Remember the fun you can have at College Park Post #217 by attending our events, the bingo games on Tuesday and Wednesday at noon and our Friday night dinner dances, or just visiting and maybe joining us if you are eligible.

Until next month, let us keep our troops, wherever they may be, in our thoughts and prayers as they protect the oppressed. May God continue to shower our land with blessings.

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## Club News

### The Beltsville Garden Club

The Beltsville Garden Club will meet on Wednesday, May 24, 2017, at 7:30 pm in the multi-purpose room of the Duckworth School, 11201 Evans Trail, Beltsville, MD.

Please join us for a program titled "An Oasis of Peace: The Franciscan Monastery Gardens in Washington, DC." Patricia Cunniff, Ph.D., from the Franciscan Monastery Garden Guild will share photos from the monastery gardens and describe the activities of the Franciscan Monastery Garden Guild and the beautiful gardens that they work to preserve and promote. The monastery has 11 formal rose beds in the upper gardens, a beautiful azalea display in both the upper and lower gardens, an early spring tulip bloom, and abundant annuals and perennials.

The Franciscan Monastery Garden Guild is a group of

lay volunteers whose goal is to preserve and promote the gardens at the monastery. In addition to their work in sustaining the formal gardens and leading garden tours, guild members also farm Fr. Francis' garden. Last year, they harvested over 5,000 pounds of produce; all was given to such charities as the National Capitol Area Food Bank, Martha's Table, etc. The guild also maintains beehives and extracts honey periodically, which is sold in the Monastery's gift shop.

Patricia A. Cunniff was raised in the shadow of the Franciscan Monastery in the Brookland section of Washington, DC. She serves as the lead for garden tours sponsored by the guild and has just completed a book highlighting the contributions of John J. Earley to the Franciscan Monastery. She holds a Ph.D. in chemistry from

the University of Maryland and has served as an academic dean at Prince George's Community College and adjunct professor at the University of Maryland. She is a docent in the Human Origins exhibit at the Smithsonian Museum of Natural History. Patricia Cunniff and her husband, Patrick, have four adult children and ten grandchildren.

The public is welcome, and admission is free. You are encouraged to bring something to exchange: a plant, cutting, or garden tool or magazine. Bring something, take something! Refreshments will be served after the talk.

To learn more about the Beltsville Garden Club, visit [www.beltsvillegardenclub.org](http://www.beltsvillegardenclub.org) or Like Us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/beltsvillegardenclub](http://www.facebook.com/beltsvillegardenclub).

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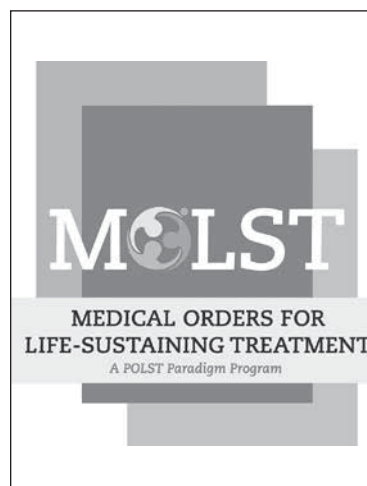
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## Church News

### Advance Directives and MOLST Presentation at Emmanuel United Methodist Church

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Vacation Bible school is also coming up soon. The Galactic Starveyors adventure VBS will be

held on July 17-July 21 from 9 am-noon. Who made all that we see? Can we know the One Who did? Does He love you and me? Come and find out the answers to these things at VBS. VBS is for ages 4 years to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. It's free, fun, and full of music, crafts, snacks, Bible study, and surprises! Call 301.937.7771 for more info or register your child at [churchoffice@fbcbeltsville.org](mailto:churchoffice@fbcbeltsville.org). The First Baptist Church of Beltsville is located at 4700 Odell Road, Beltsville, MD.

## Church News

# Memorial Patio at the Cross Installed at Emmanuel United Methodist Church

By Ted Ladd

Emmanuel United Methodist Church dedicated a newly installed memorial patio and a new cross on Easter Sunday.

The patio consists of 450 bricks that can be engraved with the name of a loved one, an organization, or a family. On Easter Sunday, 60 bricks had been engraved with 390 available for engraving. The dedication was conducted by Pastor Jacob Young. Roy White, lay leader at Emmanuel, recognized those who participated in the planning and construction of the patio. Church Council Chair Ted Ladd read the words engraved on each brick as Music Director Kathryn Griffin rang a bell between each name.

The memorial patio committee consists of Ted Ladd, Ann Rowland, Bobbie Deegan, Mike Hatton, Rick Zerbe, and Cale Fuller.

Those working on the patio construction included Ron Midkiff, John Kaufman and sons Jack and Jeffrey, Abraham Scotland, Abraham Scotland Jr., Rick Zerbe,



Emmanuel UMC's Memorial Patio

Willie Taylor, Cale Fuller, Ted Ladd, and professional advisor Camillo DiCamillo. Groundskeeper Alex Limas and crew were instrumental in excavating the foundation and in tamping down the foundation materials.

Ray Midkiff constructed the new cross that was installed by Ron Midkiff, Greg Zerbe, and

Rick Zerbe.

Community members are invited to consider purchasing a memorial brick in remembrance of a family member or tribute to a community organization or to an entire family. For information, contact the church at 301.937.7114 or e-mail office@eumcbeltsville.com.

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## High Road Hosts Annual Book Fair

High Road Upper School in Beltsville launched its 8<sup>th</sup> annual Scholastic Books book fair on March 13. It lasted until the 21. The event also coincided with the celebration of National Reading Month.

The book fair committee chair, Sean Hicks, said, "Putting together this book fair was a challenge, but all the committee members made it seem like I was reading a good book each day, like a page, just got better and better."

The school was able to raise over \$2,000 for the past two years and hopes to break \$3,000 this year. (Totals were not yet available at the time this article went to print.)

"The students seem really excited and really enjoyed the

opportunity to buy books for themselves and family members," said Ms. Aguião, a committee member and English teacher at the school.

As one student exited the fair area, he turned to school staff, smiled, and said, "Now I am ready for spring break!!" That student, Royce Spencer, purchased books each day of the fair and is a student in Ms. Aguião's classroom. Ms. Aguião's classroom was also won the school wide competition to see which class could raise the most money.

"It has been an awesome week. Seeing the kids take the time to look for their books, to find something that would interest and excite them to read, was just fantastic!"

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## AREA EVENTS

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### MONTPELIER MANSION & ART CENTER

9650 Muirkirk Rd., Laurel, MD 20708. Phone: 301.377.7817. TTY: 301.699.2544. E-mail: montpeliermansion@pgparks.com. Contact the Art Center at 301.377.7800 regarding art and photography classes. 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 selected holidays. The grounds are open from dawn until dusk every day of the year and access is free of charge. Contact the Mansion for information on more events in May.

### EUROPEAN HERBS IN EARLY AMERICAN MEDICINE AND CUISINE

Mon., May 1 is the last day for this exhibit; it will be open from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. See copies of illustrations from 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup> Century herbals, which are instructional books on identifying and using herbs in medicine and cooking. Cost: included with admission to the Mansion.

### COLLEGE PARK AVIATION MUSEUM

1985 Cpl. Frank Scott Dr., College Park, MD 20740. Phone: 301.864.6029. TTY: 301.699.2544. **Note: The museum will close at 3 p.m. on Thur., May 11 for a private special event.** Regular hours of operation are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, except for most major holidays and some special events. Cost: \$4/adults, \$3/seniors, \$2/children, free/age 1 and under. See CollegeParkAviationMuseum.com for more information and events.

### BROWN BAG LUNCH LECTURE

Wed., May 10 at 12 noon. Bring your lunch and join us for a different topic of discussion on the second Wednesday each month. Lecture cost: Free. Ages 18 and up.

### ENGINEERING 101

Sat., May 20 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Ages 11 – 14. What is an engineer? Engineers are people who design and build things to solve specific problems. Learn the basics of engineering through an interactive, hands-on design challenge by creating your own design from drawing to prototype. The project for the month of May is windmills. This is a structured program. Cost: \$5 and includes museum admission and supplies.

### 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 also outdoor tennis courts. Note: the Aquatics Complex will be closed various weekdays and weekends through July for swim meets. Please ask the front desk for a current schedule.

### LAUREL-BELTSVILLE SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER

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. 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 classes and events for May. 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 May will take place on Wed., May 10 at 10:30 a.m. Entertainment will be provided by the Musical Plummer Family. Sign-up and pay for the luncheon by Wed., May 3.

### THURSDAY MOVIE MATINEE

The featured movie for Thur., May 11 is *The Finest Hours*. The featured movie for Thur., May 25 is *Miles Ahead*. Start time is 10 a.m. and the end time is about 12 noon. Popcorn will be provided. Cost: free.

### NATIONAL WILDLIFE VISITOR CENTER

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. 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. See [fws.gov/refuge/Patuxent/visit/NWVC.html](http://fws.gov/refuge/Patuxent/visit/NWVC.html).

Free admission to the Visitor Center and its exhibits, grounds, and trails. 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 weather or low participation. Activities and events are free of charge if not noted, but donations to the Friends of Patuxent are always appreciated. Please advise us of any special needs so that we may accommodate you. Contact the Visitor Center regarding events for May.

### HOLLINGSWORTH ART GALLERY

The featured artist for May is Vernon Sears. The gallery is open when the Visitor Center is open. Registration is not required. All ages.

### WILDLIFE IMAGES BOOKSTORE

The bookstore is operated by the Friends of Patuxent and is open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the days that the Visitor Center is open. Applications to adopt a whooping crane (Adopt A Whooper program) may be left at the bookstore.

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# Calendar of Events

### TINY TOTS NATURE AND MUSIC

Sun., May 7 and Mon., May 8 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. each day. Ages 16 – 42 mos., **Parental participation is required.** Learn about wildlife at the refuge through fun and interactive songs, stories, and activities.

### BIRD WALKS

There will be three walks: 1) Wed., May 10 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. for ages 16+, 2) Sun., May 21 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. for ages 6+, and 3) Wed., May 24 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. for ages 16+. Search for spring migrants in various refuge habitats on this guided hike. *Binoculars are highly recommended.* The walks begin at the Visitor Center.

### KIDS' FISHING DAY REGISTRATION

**Registration is required and begins at 9 a.m. on Wed., May 10.** Space is limited. Please provide your child's name, age, which session you prefer, and your best contact phone number. The event will take place Sat., June 10, with the first session from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. The second session will follow from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Fishing demonstrations and instructions for ages 15 and under. *This event is catch and release fishing only.*

### FAMILY FUN: ENDANGERED SPECIES

Fri., May 12 and Sat., May 13 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day. Ages 3+. Learn what Patuxent and others around the world are doing to save animals from extinction, and things you can do to help. Program includes hands-on activities, games, and crafts for all ages. This is a drop-in program: come when you like and leave when you're ready.

### MIGHTY MOMMY

Sun., May 14 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Ages 5 – 7. Learn about what makes certain animal mothers so marvelous to their young!

### THE POWER OF POLLINATION

Wed., May 24 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Ages 8 – 10. Learn about some of the special creatures that help create the food we love.

### OWL PELLETS

Sat., May 27 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Ages 7 – 15. How can owls find food in total darkness? How can they stand to eat a smelly skunk? Learn about these nocturnal hunters and dissect an owl pellet.

### RAPTORS REIGN

Sat., May 27 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. All ages. Join special guest and licensed falconer Rodney Stotts as he shares the power of nature through discussions and up-close encounters with birds of prey. This is a drop in program. No registration required.

### NATURE TOTS: BEES & BLOOMS

Tue., May 30 and Wed., May 31 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each day. Ages 3 – 4. Learn why bees have an even more important role than just making gardens beautiful.

### BELTSVILLE EVENTS

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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](http://twitter.com/#!/National_Ag_Lib). See [NAL.USDA.gov](http://NAL.USDA.gov) for more information.

### BELTSVILLE CITIZENS ASSOC. MEETING

Wednesday May 17 at 7pm at Beltsville Academy, 4300 Wicomico Ave. Please plan to attend.

### BEHNKE NURSERIES GARDEN CENTER

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

### BEGINNER HANDS-ON BONSAI CLASS

Sat., May 6 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. With a focus on care and maintenance, learn all the basics of bonsai design. Select a tree, 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 is taught by Jennifer Park. Cost: \$65, includes all materials.

### ORCHID DIAGNOSTIC AND REPOTTING CLINICS

Saturdays, May 6 and 20 from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays, May 7 and 21 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Questions about orchids? Visit with the Orchid Lady, Carol Allen. If you have questions about a specific orchid, bring it in and let her take a look. If you need your orchid repotted, for a fee she will take care of that also, and show you how.

### BELTSVILLE LIBRARY

**All branches in the Prince George's System will be closed on Mon., May 29 for Memorial Day.** The library is located at 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.pgcmlls.info](http://www.pgcmlls.info) to check for weather-related closings and to use our online library services.*

### PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

#### KIDS ACHIEVE CLUB

Mondays in May (Except May 29) from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Homework help and reading practice for students K through 6. Call the branch for more information.

#### CHESS CLUB

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

#### READY 2 READ PRESCHOOL STORIES

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Ages 3 – 5.

#### READY 2 READ TODDLER STORYTIME

Wednesday mornings at 11:30 a.m. for ages 2 – 3 years old.

#### READY 2 READ BABY STORYTIME

Thursday mornings at 11:15 a.m. Ages birth – 2 years old.

#### STEM FOR FAMILIES

Wed., May 3 from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Learn how to make stop-motion animation videos!

#### ILEAD TUTORING AND MENTORING

Two Saturdays: May 6 and 20, from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Homework help for students in grades 6 through 8; call the library for details.

#### SUMMER @ YOUR LIBRARY

The summer reading program begins Mon., May 15 and goes through Aug. 19! Join your community in reading great books and participating in fun activities. Registration prizes available until June 12 while supplies last.

#### TAIL WAGGIN' TUTOR

Two sessions: Tue., May 16 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sat., May 20, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Children read to a dog. Ages 5 – 12. For information, call or visit the branch.

#### STEM FOR FAMILIES

Thur., May 25 from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Who lives in a tree? Learn about animals which call a tree home and what the tree provides. Ages 5 – 12 years.

#### BELTSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

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 May.

#### YOUNG AT HEART CLUB

The Beltsville Young at Heart Club meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at 12 noon. Members must be at least 55 years old. If you visit us three times you can become a member. We have speakers, entertainment, trips, 50/50, bingo, plus light refreshments. Call Jean at 301.879.4304 with any questions.

#### 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

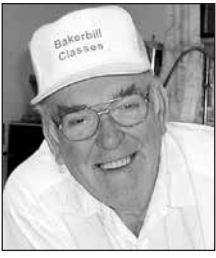
Fridays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Free with valid Center ID card. Ages 10 – 17.

#### VANSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

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 May.

#### 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.



# Baker Bill

Man, it's hard to think I'm writing for May. It seems just yesterday it was February. Oh, well.

I have had good mail in the past weeks about persons trying my recipes. Some good but not all. Fruitcake: two people said it was dry, but they admitted they over-baked it. Most comments were on the chocolate chip cookie. One said theirs rose high. We went over the recipe and found she used baking powder instead of baking soda. It's easy to do. Many people think they are the same, but far from it. Baking powder makes things rise, and baking soda makes them spread. It is good to hear the good and not so good. If you tried a recipe and had good or bad results, tell me about it by writing me at [bill@bakerbill.net](mailto:bill@bakerbill.net). I love mail.

I watch a lot of TV, and the shows I like are all soap operas now, so if I miss a week, I'm lost as to the story.

Man, am I glad baseball has started. In my opinion, there are far too many informational ads on the networks nowadays. There is one being showing about a device that hangs you upside down, and



the man or lady doing it can't weigh over 120 pounds. I would like to see some one at 200 pounds do it. The legs are not far enough apart to handle that.

I have a GREAT recipe for you this month. The recipe is simple, and you have everything you need there in your pantry. Don't you hate recipes that call for a secret ingredient that makes you look all over the supermarket and when you can't find it you just abandon the project? This recipe is three fold, French toast, bread pudding and coconut custard pie.

First, make the egg filling (you

will use this for all 3 recipes) in med size bowl whip up 3 eggs

1 table spoon flour

1/4 cup sugar

pinch of salt

dash pepper

2 teaspoons corn starch

now add 2 1/2 cup cold milk

And now for the first recipe, get a frying pan ready with oil hot, now dip 2 pieces of toast in the egg filling and fry in the pan, while doing this have 2 more slices soaking. When fried, serve with syrup. Man what a breakfast or dinner!

For the second recipe, use the same egg filling mixture. Put chunks of stale bread and raisins to taste, dump in deep pan and bake approximately 25 minutes @ 400 degrees. It will be the best bread pudding ever. Serve hot or cold.

For the 3<sup>rd</sup> recipe put coconut in the egg filling mixture to taste and pour the entire amount into a deep pie pan and bake for approximately 30 minutes. This will make an excellent coconut custard pie, serve cold!

It's now time to close.  
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## School News

# Calverton Elementary School Hosts ESOL Family Night

By Judith Pollock, Professional School Counselor

On Wednesday, February 23, Calverton Elementary School hosted ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) Night, an event designed to provide families with an overview of the ESOL program and the opportunity to learn of available resources in the Beltsville area. Two of the school's community partners were invited to share information about their organizations. The Prince George's Beltsville Branch Library and the Beltsville Adventist Community Center were there to inform families of the assistance and support services they provide.

Upon arrival, guests were offered snacks and beverages. Participants were then warmly welcomed by Principal Monique Sloan. She reminded parents of Calverton's open door policy and encouraged them to visit the school often. She went on to share that the school's mission at Calverton is that every student graduate career and college ready, regardless of individual differ-

ences. Portable listening devices were made available to assist non-English speaking families so that everyone could hear the information.

Next, the ESOL department chair introduced ESOL team members that work with the more than 350 English Language Learners at Calverton. The students are divided amongst seven ESOL teachers based on their grade and proficiency level. As part of the presentation, teachers modeled lessons that emphasize listening, speaking, reading, and writing strategies that students have been working on throughout the school year.

Prizes were raffled off throughout the evening to keep the students engaged. The winners received backpacks, books, school supplies, and t-shirts. Students whose ticket numbers were called were ecstatic!

A representative from the Prince George's County Beltsville Branch Library system spoke to parents about services to students. These services included homework help, which is available both in person and online in English

and several other languages. A language software program is also available for all Prince George's County students. In order to access these and the many other services, students simply need to present a library card. Families were encouraged to stop by the library to sign up for a library card and to learn about the other services it provides.

Speakers from the Beltsville Adventist Community Center also in attended. They discussed their mission to assist families with personal needs. The community center provides job counseling, food resources, and other emergency assistance on a case-by-case basis. After the presentation, guests were invited to pick up brochures and handouts for services that interested them. With more than 100 people in attendance, the night was a huge success!

After all was said and done, the message remained clear: the Calverton Elementary School staff values partnerships with all families and believes that a strong home-school connection is crucial to the success of every child.



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- Light Through The Word (Prayer & Bible Study) - *Wednesday, 7:30pm*
- Little Beacons of Light (Kids Fellowship) - *Friday, 7:30pm*
- Shining Lights Youth Ministry (Youth Fellowship) - *Friday, 7:30pm*
- Virtuous Ladies of Light (Women's Fellowship) - *Friday, 7:30pm*
- Titus Men of Light (Men's Fellowship) - *Friday, 7:30pm*

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at Heart and other senior groups, Tom was the leading force in getting the Laurel-Beltsville Senior Activity Center built next to the hospital. He also shepherded the construction of Vansville Elementary School through the school construction budget process and convinced the Board of Education to build it as an LEED certified "green school." And, when the board declared that the school would not have a gym, he worked with the council to get Vansville to be a "park school" with a MNCPPC gymnasium/community center. He also got funding to benefit Martin Luther King, Jr., Middle School; Beltsville Academy; James E. Duckworth Regional Learning Center; and Frances Fuchs Early Childhood Center.

For years, High Point High School (HPHS) had been neglected with an unusable track and a seriously leaking roof (which damaged many things, especially the auditorium). Tom got the auditorium repaired and renovated and battled Superintendent Andre Hornsby over the roof and track. After a lot of work, Tom got a \$3.5 million new roof and raised hundreds of thousands of dollars from Beltsville residents and county businesses to build a new track. Tom also worked with HPHS students on multiple projects: attending a climate change rally in Annapolis, testifying before the Board of Education for better school media centers, testifying before the County Council for afterschool transportation funding, lobbying state legislators to get an HPHS student appointed to the State Board of Education, and more.

If elected to the council again, Tom has promised to make his top priority be the complete rebuilding of High Point High School. As Beltsville residents that were very involved in our local schools at the time, we worked with him firsthand and found that he was approachable, listened to his constituents, shot straight, and worked hard. Tom was a hands-on leader focused on solving problems. What more can we ask for?

**COAKLEY**

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ty of informative handouts. You must RSVP by May 1 by using this link: <https://goo.gl/8fBHRE>. If you have any questions, contact Cpl. Woody, #2305, at [jmwoody@co.pg.md.us](mailto:jmwoody@co.pg.md.us).

If you have a community concern, I can be reached at 301.937.3490 or [karenmcoakley@msn.com](mailto:karenmcoakley@msn.com).

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