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Pack 1031 Wolf Den doing their banana knock-knock joke skit at the annual blue and gold banquet on February 27.

Scouting News

Blue and Gold at Pack 1031!

Cub Pack 1031 celebrated its annual blue and gold banquet on February 27. The group enjoyed wonderful dishes from across the world! There was an Ethiopian dish with lentil stew, Irish corned beef and cabbage, Italian lasagna, Mexican tamales, Tuscarora blueberry fry bread, Native American corn pudding, bratwurst with red cabbage, Bengali chicken and rice, and good old American pizza and fried chick-

en! Scouts learned about heritages and ended the meal with an anniversary cake.

Also, scouts are working on completing their adventures in their dens. They have finished over 60 percent of their advancements, and 14 scouts took part in Scout Sunday this year. Webelos had a visit from their leader's brother, who talked to them about

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Destination Imagination at Martin Luther King, Jr., Middle School

Martin Luther King, Jr., Middle School (MLK) in Beltsville has two Destination Imagination teams heading to state competition. One of the teams, Diamonds in the Rough, took first place in the technical challenge Show and Tech, and they will be competing at the state DI competition. Their task was to design and build a stage on which the acts will take place and that will move a team member from one location to another. They then had to present a show that included an opening act and a headlining act and incorporate a technical effect associated with each of those acts. The team comprised seventh-grade students. Six of those students attend MLK: Haley Bateman, Kenny Graninger, Evelyn Jah, Rahel Mani, Marcus Jones, and Michael Stroud. The seventh team



MLK Destination Imagination Students

member, Amy Lepore, attends College Park Academy. The team really impressed the judges with the design of their technical

movement and creative use of recyclables in their scenery and costumes.

The other team, Master Minds,

placed second in the engineering challenge In It Together and will also be competing at the state DI competition because the top two teams advanced to the next level. They had to design, build, and test multiple freestanding structures that would work together to support as much weight as possible. They also had to develop and present a collaborative solution to a global issue (either real or imaginary). The judges found their solution to be well thought out. The team comprised five seventh- and eighth-grade students: Leila Anderson, Ahmed Elhag, Victor Linares, Jocelyn Motley, and Ryan Sokoloski. All five students attend MLK.

The state competition will take place April 1, 2017, at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

Beltsville Briefs

Community Block Party at First Baptist Church of Beltsville

Everyone is invited to the First Baptist Church of Beltsville for a Community Block Party on Saturday, June 3 from 11am-4pm. Join them as they host a day of fun including games, moon bounce, children's ID program through PG County Police Department, hot dogs and fellowship. Everyone is welcome. The First Baptist Church is located at 4700 Odell Road, Beltsville, MD 20705.

Beltsville Academy Science Fair Attracts Four Hundred Projects

This year's science fair at Beltsville Academy was a great success. Held in early February, it combined almost four hundred elementary and middle school projects in eleven categories from earth science to chemistry to team projects. Elementary grades 3 through 5 exhibited over 280 projects while middle school grades 6 through 8 presented over 115 exhibits. A total of 25 1st ribbons as well as grand prizes were selected. Four elementary and five middle school projects will compete in the Prince George's County Fair to be held this spring.

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Pictured: Middle School 1st Place Winners: Analise Barton, Anton Doan, Samantha Finazzo, Aditi Gadariya, Kate James, Truc Le, Wilton Mo, Josefina Nunez Aguilar, Japesh Patel, Tyler Pulik, Karen Rivera, Princess Thomas, and Jeileen Villegas
Elementary 1st Place Winners: Kelly Alaniz, Trevor Allahar, Flavio Coutino, Liam Donnelly, Michaela Finazzo, Gavin Franzese, Kevin Gonzalez Gomez, Andrew Hammond, Ryan Miller, Saloni Patel, Gracie Patnode, Alfonso Ramirez Nunez, Subhro Rozario, Axel Ruano, Evan Whitman, and Natasha Zelaya-Carranza

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On the Agenda



Karen Coakley

By President Karen M. Coakley

The April meeting will be on Wednesday, April 26, at 7 pm. The meeting has been moved back one week from our regular 3rd Wednesday because of spring break for the schools. We meet at Beltsville Academy on Wicomico Avenue.

Archland has been rescheduled from our March meeting. Archland is proposing to redevelop a portion of the property located at 5050 Powder Mill Road with a consolidated storage facility. Archland is proposing to raze the office building that is located closest to Powder Mill Road and construct a three-story, 136,000 square foot storage building. The two other office buildings located on the property will remain. This will be a secure facility that will be surrounded by a six-foot fence, and access will be via two secured gates. There will be no direct access to the facility via Cook Road. Archland will reconfigure the parking area and bring the site into conformance with *Prince George's County's Landscape Manual*, the county's tree canopy coverage regulations, and

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Neighbors in the News



Worshippers at Restoration House

Restoration House International Celebrates Eight-Year Anniversary *Special Service April 2, 2017, at 10 am*

Restoration House International, the multicultural contemporary church located in the heart of Beltsville, will celebrate eight

years in ministry on Sunday, April 2. Founded by its senior pastor, Bishop Kenneth W. Chism, Restoration House International first began ministering to Maryland communities on Sunday, April 5, 2009. The community-oriented

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DEL-MAR-VA DEPRESSION GLASS CLUB SHOW AND SALE

LANHAM, MD – The Del-Mar-Va Depression Glass Club's Show and Sale will be held Saturday, April 22nd, 10am-5pm and Sunday, April 23, 10am-3pm at Duval High School, 9880 Good Luck Road, Lanham, MD 20706, near the NASA Visitor Center. Depression glass, elegant glass, art deco, books and linens will be sold. The special exhibit this year is "Reamers-A Juicy Twist," featuring American ceramic reamers. A free glass identification service is also offered. Admission \$4.00. For more information, phone (202) 445-4208, (301) 773-6234 or (410) 263-4192, or email: kay_holloway@hotmail.com

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the county's stormwater management regulations. The company is filing the application for a detailed site plan within the next 30 days and is expecting a planning board hearing on the application before the end of May 2017. If we maintain this timeline, the new facility should be under construction by this time next year.

Representatives for the Tider Wardlaw properties will give an update on their plans. The property is located between Gunpowder Rd. and I-95 north of Powder Mill.

COFFEE WITH COPS: Corporal Hibbert's guest speaker will be PGPD Sgt. Rose Plum with the Psychological Service Division. Coffee with Cops will be held at the Laurel Senior on Contee Rd. Thursday, April 6, at 1 pm

TEA WITH COPS: Officer Castro's guest speaker will be Postal Inspector Michael Belz. Tea with Cops is at Riderwood on Tuesday, April 11. All are welcome to attend the coffees and teas.

THEFT FROM AUTOS!!! Beltsville has seen an increase in theft from automobiles. Do not become the next victim! Please remove all valuables from your car!! Be sure that your cars are locked!!! Park in well-lighted areas! If you see something that looks suspicious in your neighborhood, please call 911!!!

If you have a community concern, I can be reached 301.937.3490 or karenmcoakley@msn.com. Please join us on Wednesday, April 26, at 7 pm. Bring a friend....Bring a neighbor.

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Neighbors in the News

Congratulations to Local Student

Congratulations to Alejandro Diasgranados, a Teach for America 2nd grade teacher in Washington, DC. On February 21st, Alejandro and his students were featured in the video shown during the Leadership Changing Lives Teach for America-DC Region 7th-Annual Gala at the Ritz Carlton Hotel. Alejandro is a High Point Graduate and a 2014 Virginia State Alumni and is currently working on his master's at John Hopkins University. Alejandro enjoys teaching and has shown his commitment to his students by setting up a GoFundMe for iPads for his class and taking students to the White House Easter Egg Roll, the National Museum of African American History and Culture, and many more cultural events.

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church has expanded to include several ministerial services to strengthen families, heal broken lives, and restore the hope of those who are searching for their faith.

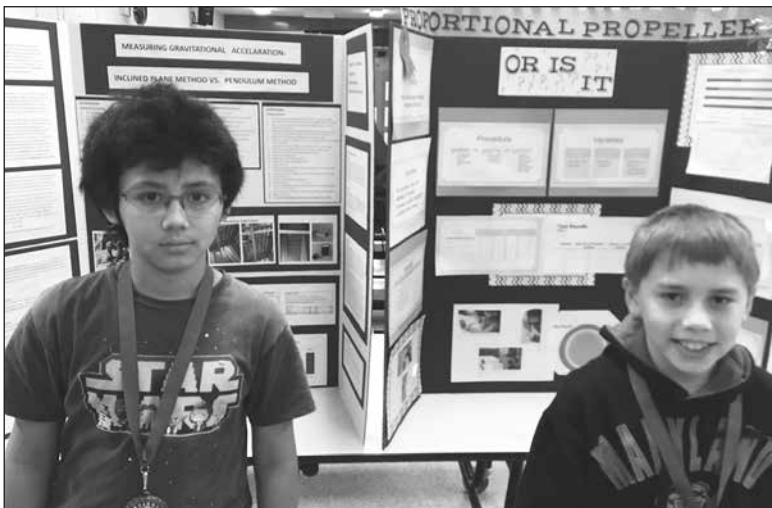
As part of its commitment to serve and empower its neighbors, Restoration House International has offered free HIV-AIDS awareness programs, cancer-awareness initiatives, job- and resume-building workshops, and prison and homeless outreach projects. Most recently, Restoration House International partnered with Martin Luther King, Jr., Middle School to offer free tutoring services to students through its Excel Maryland Program.

The church began serving the Silver Spring and Hyattsville communities in 2009 and officially opened its location in Beltsville in June of 2012 when the ministry acquired and renovated its current facility. As a ministry committed to biblical teaching and spirit-led

prayer, many members of and visitors to Restoration House attest to having experienced modern-day medical miracles of healing from disease and past trauma. With the church's relevant and vibrant youth ministry, the miracles of healing and renewal have transcended the generational gap to reach the young as well as the old.

Restoration House International cordially invites the Beltsville community to attend the anniversary service on April 2 at 10 am to fellowship and learn the many programs the church offers. There will be a reception for all visitors, and light refreshments will be served. This service and all services are free and open to the public. Children are welcome, and there is ample parking. Restoration House International is located at 4600 Powder Mill Road, Suite 300, Beltsville, MD 20705.

For more information, please contact Imhotep Newsome, assistant pastor, at 877.315.4267 or by email: imhotep@restorationhouseintl.org.



Grand Prize Winners: Anton Doan for middle school, Andrew Hammond for elementary

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Over forty judges selected the winning projects. This year's judges included students from High Point High School; interns from the University of Maryland; and judges from WSSC, judges

from the USDA, and volunteers from the Beltsville community.

Beltsville Academy teachers and staff congratulate the students on their outstanding efforts and thank all the judges for contributing their time and talents to this year's fair.



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Leslie M. Salter

Salter, Leslie M., 79

On Friday, February 24, 2016. Beloved husband of Bernadine L. Spaulding for 18 years; loving father of David (Maria) Salter, Doug Salter, Angela Salter, Carol (Tony) Teolis, Eric (Susan) Salter, Kevin (Carol) Spaulding, Barilynn Honick, and Alane (Guy) Robinson; grandfather of Jackie, Amber, Cassie, Aurora, Nick, Spencer, Trevor, Stacy, Gregory, Glenn,

RJ, Michelle, Wendy, Tim, Tessa, and Austin; great-grandfather of Carina, Micah, and Anastasia; brother of Carol (David) Waugh. A memorial service will be held at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, 11795 Scaggsville Rd., Fulton, MD 20759 on Saturday, March 4, 2017, at 11 am. Interment Columbia Memorial Gardens. www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com.



Betty Jean Midkiff

Midkiff, Betty Jean “Bambah” née Hurt, 82

On Sunday, February 26, 2017, of Beltsville, MD. Devoted wife of Grant T. Midkiff for 64 years; cherished mother of Janet M. (Jack) Carter, Kenny (Karen) Midkiff, Sr., Donna (Bobby) Hofstetter, Teresa (Buck) Aplin, and Gloria (Mark) Rayburn-Finneyfrock; beloved grandmother of Steve (Leigh) Hess, Valerie Mid-

kiff, Kenny (Jessyca) Midkiff, Jr., Josh (Stephanie) Hofstetter, Jessi (Chris) Munday, Joe Camfield, Jr., and Jacob and Allie Rayburn; loving great-grandmother of Austin, Mason, Jaxson, Kyrston, Craig, Shawn, Shyann, Savannah, Chris, Jr., Brayden, Vivian, Steven, Eric, and Ryan. Dear sister of Mary Nicholson. Relatives and friends called at Borgwardt Funeral Home, 4400 Powder Mill Rd., Beltsville, MD, on Thursday from 2-4 and 7-9 pm where service was held on Friday, March 3 at 11 am. Interment Fort Lincoln Cemetery. www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com.

Hurst, Lester, 86

Lester Hurst of Beltsville, MD, passed away on Wednesday, March 8, 2017.

Husband of Betty Hurst for 65 years; father of Debra Hurst Cooper and Lester Mark Hurst; grandfather of Dana Cooper Miller, Lester Mark Hurst, Jr., and Elyse Margaret Cooper; son of the late James and Elsie Hurst. Lester was one of 13 children. Prior to his retirement in 1992, Lester worked as an electrical engineer for the federal government. He was a lecturer for many years at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church in Beltsville and volunteered in the computer lab at its school. Lester was a loving, devoted family man. Charitable donations may be made to

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To believe the truth God brings,
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abiding in Heav’ns Paradise.
Celebrate the victory
which Easter witnesses each year,
Then within your heart you’ll see
death as a door you need not fear.

Beckie Hutchings
3/07/2017

Pi Day

This month I am writing my column on "Pi Day." Pi Day is an annual event that celebrates the number Pi, an irrational number that is approximated to two decimal places as 3.14 and thus celebrated in the United States on March 14. Pi, of course, is an important number in geometry and trigonometry because the circumference of a circle is $2\pi r$ (2 times Pi times r) where r is the radius of the circle and Pi is represented by the Greek letter π . The area of a circle is also calculated using Pi in the formula $\text{area} = \pi r^2$ (Pi times r squared). In mathematics, a rational number can be represented as a fraction, one number divided by another number. An irrational number like Pi cannot be represented as a fraction, and the digits to the right of the decimal point go on forever in a never-repeating sequence.

Pi day has also become a time when the technology community celebrates all things Raspberry Pi. You may remember from previous columns that the Raspberry Pi is a low-cost (\$35) computer designed to help students learn more about computers. This year, the Raspberry Pi celebrates its fifth anniversary since its first release in February 2012.

It seems that each year the Raspberry Pi foundation brings out something new. This year, the new toy is the Raspberry Pi Zero W. This is a Raspberry Pi Zero (released last year) with the addition of built-in wireless networking (Wi-Fi) and Bluetooth. The board is designed to sell for \$10, which is \$5 more than last year's Pi Zero. Both of the Zero models use an ARM 11 single core processor with a Broadcom VideoCore IV graphics processing unit (GPU) and 512 megabytes of RAM. The Zeros are about the size of a pack of gum and typically run a Linux operating system.

The current flagship of the Raspberry Pi line is the Pi 3. This \$35 computer is about the size of a deck of cards and packs a quad core 64 bit ARM 7 processor with 1 gigabyte of RAM, the VideoCore GPU, and built-in wireless and Bluetooth.

In addition to the Raspberry Pi, the Raspberry Pi foundation has

3.14-gigabyte hard drive that plugs into a USB port on the Pi. Several companies make add-ons called HATS (hardware attached on top). These can add new features to the Pi like small video screens, music amplifiers, and controllers used for robotics. Adafruit and Spark-

Fun are two companies that offer a variety of these HATS.

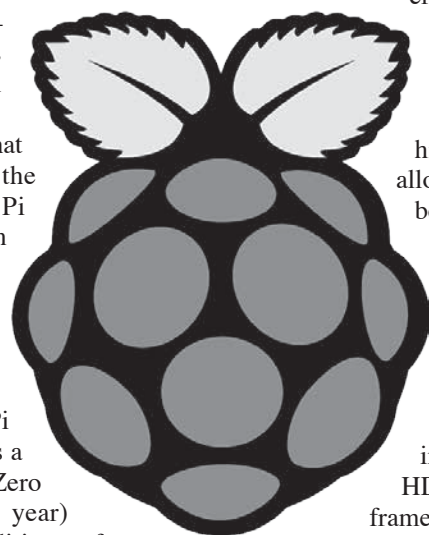
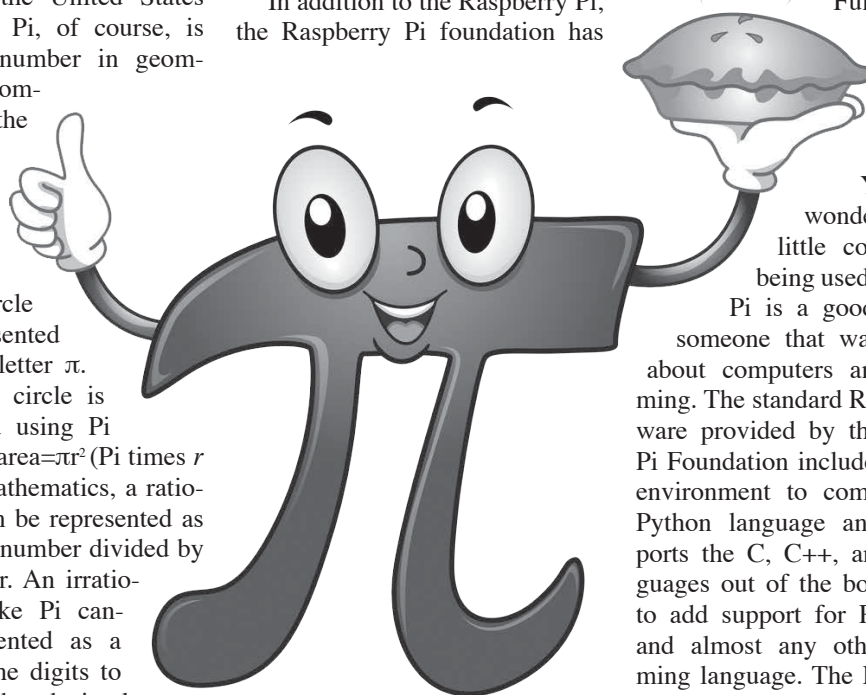
You may wonder how these little computers are being used. Clearly, the Pi is a good choice for someone that wants to learn about computers and programming. The standard Raspbian software provided by the Raspberry Pi Foundation includes a learning environment to comprehend the Python language and also supports the C, C++, and Java languages out of the box. It is easy to add support for Ruby, PHP5, and almost any other programming language. The Raspberry Pi is also a popular choice for creating a media center. Various versions of the Kodi media center platform are available for the Pi. Another popular use is to create a retro gaming platform. Retrocade Pi and RetroPie provide game emulators for many of the old game platforms including arcade machines and platforms like the Gameboy, Commodore 64, and old Atari systems.

The Raspberry Pi has become a very popular platform to include as a part of new things that people create. Some people have fashioned miniature arcade game consoles with a Pi inside to run the games. Others have used the Pi to run 3D printers or various robots. The Pi has been used in weather stations, wildlife cameras, security cameras, and photo booths. The Raspberry Pi has become one of the most popular tools to build your own Internet of Things, thing. You can use it to create your own Amazon Alexa device, browse the web, or to write newspaper articles. Happy Pi Day!

designed some standard add-ons for the computers. The sales of these add-ons help to support the nonprofit Raspberry Pi Foundation as it continually develops educational resources and enhances the Pi to reflect the ever-changing state of technology. The Pi Camera is a camera

developed specifically for the Pi and attaches to a special high speed bus allowing photos to be quickly moved from the camera's sensor to the Pi's memory. The Pi camera supports 8-megapixel resolution images and full HD video at 30 frames per second. It is available for \$25 for both the Pi 3 and the Zero. The Pi case is for the Pi (there is a case for the Pi 3 and a smaller one for the Pi Zero), which allows easy access to plug accessories like the camera into the Pi. There is also a standard 7-inch touch display and a case that holds both the Pi and the display.

Other companies have joined into the mix as well. Western Digital makes the Pi Drive. This is a



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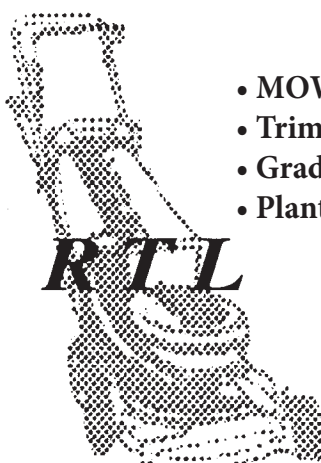
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Rosapepe's Report to Beltsville

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Tackling school overcrowding and deterioration

To reduce school overcrowding and deterioration in Beltsville and across the state, I also introduced the School Overcrowding Reduction Act of 2017, aiming to reduce overcrowding more quickly, repair old buildings more quickly, and end the need for portable classrooms. School overcrowding and deterioration are major problems:

- Today, 65,297 students are in 2,839 temporary classrooms
- \$2.9 billion in estimated statewide school construction is need for FYs 2019-23
- \$438 million is estimated



Senator Jim Rosapepe

unfunded for the statewide maintenance backlog

We can drastically reduce school overcrowding more quickly by boosting competition in bidding, using 21st-century construction methods and materials, and incentivizing school systems and counties to be more efficient.

Protecting Maryland Jobs, Homes, and Retirement Funds

After the financial crisis and Great Recession of 2008, President Obama and Congress enacted the

Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act to protect American jobs, homes, and savings. Recognizing that President Trump and Congress have announced they intend to repeal Dodd-Frank protections, I introduced legislation to oppose these measures, creating the Maryland Financial Consumer Protection Commission to monitor federal changes and recommend changes in Maryland laws to protect Maryland working families from Wall Street abuse. Chairman Barney Frank joined me in Annapolis to testify in support along with MD Attorney General Brian Frosh and Marylanders Sarah Bloom Raskin and Gary Gensler, former US Treasury officials who helped President Obama crack down on Wall Street after the 2008 financial crisis. Last month, the Maryland Senate passed my bill, and it's on track for passage.

Contact us

Please let Delegates Barbara Frush, Joseline Peña-Melnyk, Ben Barnes, and me 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.



MD Attorney General Brian Frosh, Chairman Barney Frank, Sarah Bloom Raskin, Gary Gensler, Sen. Jim Rosapepe testify to oppose the repeal of Dodd-Frank protections.

Club News

The Yoo Club Researches the Best of Beltsville

Last month, journalists of Beltsville's Youth Opportunity Outreach (YOO) program interviewed employees and volunteers at establishments of their choice. Journalist Everett Price conducted an interview at the Beltsville Branch Library while Ava Valentine wrote an article on the Beltsville AMC movie theater.

Escape to an Adventure at the Beltsville Library

By Everett Price

The Beltsville Branch Library is located at 4319 Sellman Rd, Beltsville, MD. Named after Prince George's County Council

member Walter "Mike" Maloney, it is a part of the Prince George's County Memorial Library System. After getting permission from the administrative office, I had the pleasure of interviewing one of the librarians, Marcy Richardson.

Everett: When was the Beltsville Library built?

Ms. Richardson: In 1975, and [it] was originally located on Old Gunpowder Rd.

Everett: How many books are in the library, and what type of books are checked out the most?

Ms. Richardson: The library holds

approximately 40,000 items. Cookbooks and popular fiction books are checked out the most. For children, chapter books like *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* and for adults, best sellers.

Everett: On average, how many people visit the library, and when is it the busiest?

Ms. Richardson: Approximately 400 people visit the library a day. It is busier during the school year because people work on their school assignments by using the computers and books. February

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SCOUTING NEWS

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being blind, using his computer and cell phone, and helping a person who is blind. Scouts also learned how to use American Sign Language to sign the Pledge of Allegiance. Other dens were playing games, building walking sticks, and working on safety.

Each year, members become involved in activities such as camping, hiking, the annual pine-wood derby, and campfires. The pack also engages in participatory citizenship along Little Paint Branch Trail, a toy drive, and Scouting for Food. Along the way, everyone learns responsibility, plays games, and has tons of fun.

If you interested in discovering the fun of Cub Scouts with your son, please contact Regina Halper through www.BeAScout.org—just put in our zip code and look for Cub Pack 1031.

Boy Scout Lawn and Garden Fund Raiser

By Gary Baughan, Assistant Scoutmaster

Spring must be right around the corner as Troop 1033 will hold their 31th Annual Spring Lawn and Garden Fund Raiser on Saturday, April 8. Look for order forms in your doorways the weekend of March 18 & 19. The scouts are selling top quality mulch, potting mix, top soil, and Leaf-Gro. Again this year, Behnke's Nursery products will be sold.

There is a big change this year. Hardwood mulch is only available in 2 cu ft size, this is a smaller bag than in the past which were 3 cu ft. There are several advantages to purchasing from the Boy Scouts including: First - We deliver to your home on April 8th, saving you time, energy, gasoline and keeping your car clean; Second - We provide competitive prices because of the substantial discount given to us by Behnke's Nursery we can offer the products at a competitive price; and Third - 33% of your purchase can be deducted from your taxes as a gift to the Boy Scout Troop.

The deadline for placing your order is Friday, March 31st. Our goal this year is to send every scout in our troop to summer camp. A week long Boy Scout camp is what most boys remember their entire life and we want each boy to have the opportunity to attend camp this year. Your support of our fund raiser will allow this to happen.

In addition, this year's fundraiser will provide for other activities including overnight camping trips where the scouts will go hiking, biking, kayaking, canoeing, and swimming. Please note that all efforts to organize and operate this sale are 100% volunteered by sup-



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porters of Scouting in Beltsville. Contact Eric Saathoff, Assistant Scoutmaster, at 301.346.6625 or bsabeltsville@hotmail.com with any questions.

Scouts Go Climbing

By Gary Baughan, Assistant Scoutmaster

The Boy Scouts in Troop 1033 traveled to Columbia, MD, to Earth Trek, which is an indoor climbing facility. The scouts learned from the Earth Trek instructors and the watchful eyes of Scoutmaster Rick Deery, Assistant Scoutmasters Budhan Pukazhenth, and Kevin Deustachio,

and the den leader and cub master from Pack 202 in Greenbelt, MD, the correct way to put on a harness and helmet, tie themselves in with a proper figure-eight knot, and relay commands for belaying. The scouts practiced their skills in the one-story instructional area before they applied them on the three-story climbing walls. Boy Scouts Mike, Kyle, James, Surya, Jay, Edward, Sam, Abel, Joel, Vlad, Brian, and Ryan along with Cub Scout Webelos from Pack 202 in Greenbelt joined in on the climb. All achieved new heights in learning climbing skills and enjoyed the thrill of reaching the top of the building.



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Club News

College Park Post and Unit #217 Support Veterans Creative Arts

By Ivy Christoffers

April 1 the doors will open at 1 pm at the Bowie Center for Performing Arts located on Rte. 450 in Bowie where the best show of the year will be taking place. Our fabulously talented disabled veterans will be exhibiting their visual arts, including painting, sculpture, pottery, leather working, jewelry making, photography, and many more awesome pieces. There are 53 categories of visual arts. In addition, our performing artists have been rehearsing their acts to provide you with two hours of live entertainment. Our community has rallied around this event, providing food for the veterans and door prizes for the drawing at intermission. It makes me very proud to live in such a great community that reveres its brave veterans who gave so much for us. The cost to attend this Maryland Veterans Creative Arts Festival is only \$10.00. The proceeds benefit the veterans.

Have you attended any of our Tuesday or Wednesday bingo parties at Post #217? We have been

holding these for many years. If you are planning to begin attending, take my advice and arrive early because there are many regulars who have their lucky seats previously booked and they arrive early to be sure they get them.

Our student Americanism Essay winners have been chosen, and they will be attending our April Southern Maryland District meeting to be awarded their prizes. We have two winners this year. They will be announced next month. We have excellent essay writers in our local schools, and there are always district and department winners. We have had national winners some years. We recognize and applaud our teachers for the excellent job they are doing.

Upcoming events at Post #217 include Big Money Band appearing on April 1 from 8 to 11 pm. Admission is \$20.00. Come dance the night away. Food will be available for purchase. On May 6, Johnny Seaton (Elvis Presley impersonator) and Ronnie Dove will be appearing from 7 to 11 pm. There will also be a silent auction

that benefits Wounded Warriors. The ticket cost is \$25.00, and a delicious spaghetti dinner, cooked by Tina, will be available for \$8.00

Ronnie and Johnny are very popular entertainers, so you might want to call Tina at 301.935.5380 or 301.580.6134 for tickets. Come out for a great night of entertainment and to support our wounded heroes.

If you have a special event coming up in your near future, call Gary Kingery at the post home, 301.441.2783, and check out our great lounge. It can accommodate a small or large group easily. We also have a great chef named Brian.

Our Friday night dinner dances are very popular. Where can you go that has live dance bands that do not have a cover charge? Post #217, that's where! If you live or work in the College Park area and would like to try some new place for lunch, why not try Post #217 some Tuesday through Friday?

May God continue to bless this great land of ours and keep our troops safe as they fight for freedom around the world.

The Beltsville Young at Heart Club

By Barbara Schofield

Our last meeting was called to order by President Jim Pop after refreshments and friendship time. Jim thanked Elmo Webb, Dorothy Zagby, Livia Foley, and me for their cakes. Afterwards, plans for Beltsville Day were further discussed.

Here are some upcoming events. April 20 is the date of our

anniversary pot luck luncheon; no committee has been formed yet. May 5 we will have a mariachi band for Cinco de Mayo. The Theatre Mystery Ride and Luncheon, Anywhere, USA, trip on May 17 is filling up fast, so call Shirley Denell at 301.937.5342 as soon as possible if you would like to participate. The price of the trip is \$115 per person.

If you have something you

would like me to write about in this column, please see me at the club meeting. Here's a little Irish ending for you. "You gotta try your luck at least once a day, because you could be going around lucky all day and not know it" (Jimmy Dean). "To succeed in life, you need three things: a wishbone, a backbone and a funny bone" (Reba McEntire).

Women's Community Club of Beltsville Scholarship

The Women's Community Club of Beltsville (WCCB) is accepting applications for its scholarship. Applicants must be residents of Beltsville and be a high school senior who has been accepted into a college, technical, 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. Deadline to mail applications is May 1. Mail completed application to WCCB 2017 Scholarship c/o Emmanuel Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane, Beltsville, MD 20705.



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Club News

The Beltsville Garden Club

The Beltsville Garden Club (BGC) will meet on Wednesday, April 26, 2017, at 7:30 pm in the multipurpose room of the Duckworth School, 11201 Evans Trail, Beltsville, MD.

Please join us for a program titled Growing, Harvesting, and Preparing Therapeutic Herbs for Self-Care. In this talk, Donna Koczaja will share how herbs can be amazing healers and how herbal "medicines" need not be complicated to make at home. This lecture will highlight best methods of harvesting different plant parts and methods to make simple preparations such as teas, syrups, and oils as well as topical salves and poultices. Example herbs and their growing habits will also be highlighted for each preparation discussed.

Donna Koczaja graduated from the Maryland University of Integrative Health (MUIH) (formerly Tai Sophia Institute) with a Master of Science in Therapeutic Herbalism and a Post-Master's Certifi-

cate in Clinical Herbalism. Now practicing as a clinical herbalist at MUIH in North Laurel, Donna combines the rigor of her original scientific training (as a mechanical engineer) with the traditional healing art of herbal medicine to partner with her clients to uncover the root cause of their underlying health issues. Her primary interest is in inspiring others to improve their health and sense of well-being through the joys of gardening and the power of natural medicine. To learn more, visit www.greenhavenliving.com.

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 meeting.

The Garden Club will also be holding its first plant sale of the spring on Saturday, April 22, in the parking lot of High Point High School, 3601 Powder Mill Rd.,

Beltsville.

The sale runs from 8 am-noon and will be held rain or shine. Come early for the best selection of quality plants at reasonable prices from our members. A variety of annuals, vegetables, herbs, houseplants, shrubs, perennials, and trees will be available. Plants grown by BGC volunteers in the James E. Duckworth School greenhouse will also be for sale. All proceeds from greenhouse plant sales will benefit the school.

The Beltsville Garden Club is celebrating its 65th anniversary this year and has a rich tradition of gardening and philanthropic activities. Membership is only \$10 a year per family and includes our monthly informational meetings on garden topics and several club social events each year. We welcome new members at any time.

To learn more about the Beltsville Garden Club, visit www.beltsvillegardenclub.org or Like Us on Facebook - www.facebook.com/beltsvillegardenclub.

The Prince George's County Genealogical Society

The Prince George's County Genealogical Society will meet on Wednesday, April 5, at the New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway, New Carrollton, MD 20784 at 7 pm.

This month, Mr. Douglas McElrath, senior curator and manager of Special Collections at the University of Maryland Library, will inform us about The Uni-

versity of Maryland libraries' digital collections and more for genealogists. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, visit us on the web at www.pgcs.org or call the PGCGS library at 301.262.2063. You can also like us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/pgcogenealogy>.

Church News

Advance Directives and MOLST Presentation at Emmanuel United Methodist Church

The Beltsville Community is invited to join us in this important seminar May 7th at 12:30. Make sure you have your future health

care Needs known to those whose hands you entrust your Care! Learn the difference between POA of Health Care, Living Wills, Advance Directives and MOLST (Maryland Medical Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment). Don't be caught short of having your medical care decisions known and legally binding.

Join us for a short informal educational meeting presented by the Community Outreach and Resource Nurse from Hill haven

Assisted Living, Nursing Home and Rehabilitation Center. Have your questions answered regarding Medicare's requirements for rehabilitation center admissions and the impact of hospital observation admission versus hospital treatment admission. If you have any questions, please contact the Church office at Emmanuel at 301.937-7114 or office@eumcbeltsville.com. Emmanuel is located at 11416 Cedar Lane, Beltsville, MD 20705.



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Lenten and Easter Activities at Emmanuel UMC

The most important season in the life of the church is Lent. This is the season that allows us to reflect on the final days of Jesus Christ and what they mean. Emmanuel UMC is holding many activities and special events for everyone in the Beltsville community. The first day of Lent was March 1, Ash Wednesday. Emmanuel celebrated with a special Wednesday service that began at 7 pm. Church members were joined by Queen's Chapel UMC for a meaningful and heartfelt service.

On Thursday, March 2, the church's Lenten Bible study, Near the Cross, began at 7 pm. Participants meet at Panera Bread, 10914 Baltimore Ave, Beltsville, MD 20705. This is a 6-week study, and everyone is welcome.

On Saturday, March 4, the church held a pancake supper from 6-8 pm with activities for the whole family. This was a great family event.

On Saturday, April 8, there will be a community Easter egg hunt from 10am-noon on the lawn with games, crafts, refreshments, and a visit from the Easter Bunny. The hunt is for children 2-12 years of age.

April 9 is Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week. Emmanuel will be presenting its annual Easter cantata, a celebration of the



Lenten season through a musical program performed by the choir and praise band ministries. This is an awesome worship experience that begins at 10 am and will be followed by a small reception and meet-and-greet. The entire community is invited to attend.

Thursday, April 13, is Maundy Thursday or Holy Thursday. Emmanuel will hold its traditional Holy Thursday service to remember the Last Supper. This is a very moving and informative service. It will be followed by the annual Seder meal tasting, a chance to experience the foods of the traditional Jewish Seder meal as well as a time to meet the members and attendees of Emmanuel.

Good Friday is the day in which the church remembers the death of Jesus. Join Emmanuel for

2 special services. The first will take place at 11 am and it is called a Stations of the Cross service. Participants will gather at the church, then walk through the community, and make several stops along the way to hear scripture and participate in the service. The service lasts approximately one hour. Then, at 7 pm, there will be a Tenebrae or dark service. This service brings to life the final hours of Jesus's time here on earth. It is a soul-stirring service that you don't want to miss.

Finally, on Sunday, April 15, join Emmanuel as it celebrates the joy of the Resurrection! There will be 2 services, the 9 am contemporary and 11:15 traditional. Sunday school for the young ones and Bible study for the adults will take place from 10:15-11am! Emmanuel hopes your family can join this joyous occasion.

Unless otherwise noted, all events will take place at Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane, Beltsville, MD 20705. You can find out more information by visiting the church website at www.eumcbeltsville.com, or calling the church office at 301.937.7114.

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2017 Easter Sunrise Service at Emmanuel United Methodist Church

By Pastor Jacob Young

Emmanuel United Methodist Church (EUMC) will host an Easter sunrise service on Easter Morning, April 16, at 6:15 am. This will be the first time Emmanuel will host a sunrise service.

The Easter sunrise service in Beltsville has been hosted by St. John Episcopal Church in the past, and EUMC has been an active participant. After some discussion, the two churches decided to alternate hosting duties. The service will take place at the wooden cross in front of Emmanuel. After the service is over, coffee and donuts will be served.

Sunrise service is a worship service on Easter practiced by some Protestant churches, replacing the traditional, ancient Easter Vigil preserved by the Roman Catholic, Eastern Orthodox, Anglican, and Lutheran churches. The service takes place outdoors, starts early in the morning, and is timed so that the attendants can see the sun rise while the service is

taking place.

This year it is very meaningful for EUMC to host the service because of a special project at Emmanuel. Emmanuel is building a memorial patio that will lead from the church building to the cross. During Lent, the brick patio will be built around the church cross where Easter Sunrise service will take place. The patio will be paved by memorial bricks that have been engraved with the names of loved ones in memory of them. Bricks may be ordered at any time. The patio will be completed by April 1. On that day, the patio will have at least 60 engraved bricks, and the remaining 390 bricks will not be engraved, but the church will accept orders until all of them are engraved. The cost of a memorial brick is \$100. For more information, contact Ted Ladd at 301.937.6796 or tedladd02@aol.com.

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

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.

EUROPEAN HERBS IN EARLY AMERICAN MEDICINE AND CUISINE

The display continues through Mon., May 1 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily, but is closed on Wednesdays. See copies of illustrations from 17th, 18th, and 19th Century “herbals,” instructional books on identifying and using herbs in medicine and cooking. The colors in these ancient prints are still vibrant, the lines graceful and elegant, and the shading almost 3-D in its effect. The images are courtesy of the Rare Book Division of the National Agricultural Library. 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. Hours of operation are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, except for most major holidays. 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., Apr. 12 at 12 noon. Bring your lunch and join us for a different topic of discussion on the second Wednesday each month. For April, hear artist Misty Cole share her process in putting together the exhibit *Flying Solo: Fiber Art*, inspired by College Park Aviation Museum. The first 30 attendees will receive a free lunch courtesy of Nando's of College Park. Lecture cost: Free. Ages 18 and up.

FAIRLAND SPORTS AND AQUATICS COMPLEX

13820 Old Gunpowder Rd, Laurel, MD 20707.

AQUA EGG HUNT

Sat., Apr. 15 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. It is a fun event where children ages 3 – 12 years old sign up for an age-specific time slot to participate in crafts, our egg hunt in the water, and an afternoon of swimming! **Adult supervision is required for all participants.** Children 5 and under must be within arms-reach of an adult. The event cost is \$10/residents, \$13/non-residents (one adult admission to the pool is included in the price of a child's admission). The first 25 pre-registered will get a free pass for a future visit to Fairland's pool (up to a \$6 value). Participants 8 + years old can enjoy the Wibit, an inflatable obstacle course in the water, for an additional \$3 residents/ \$4 non-residents.

FLEA MARKET

Sat., Apr. 29 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission to the Flea Market is

free for browsers and buyers. Clean out your closet, attic, and garage and then come to Fairland to sell your treasures! A limited number of vendor spots are available which includes: one parking space, a table and a chair \$20 residents/ \$26 non-residents. If you have any questions please contact me via email Dawncullins74@gmail.com or by telephone 301-362-6076 or 301-362-6060.

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 April. 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 April will take place on Wed., Apr. 12 at 10:30 a.m. A special program — *Memory & Lifestyle Strategies for Seniors* — will be presented. Sign-up and pay for the luncheon by Wed., Apr. 5.

DELAWARE PARK CASINO TRIP

Take a special trip to the Delaware Park Casino in Wilmington, DE on Wed., May 17, 2017. Depart from the Laurel Hospital Employee Parking Lot at 9:30 a.m. (the entrance is off of Contee Rd., just before the entrance to the Laurel-Beltsville Senior Activity Center). Return at 5:30 p.m. The trip is sponsored by the Senior Friendship Club. **Deadline for registration is Mon., May 1.** Cost: \$35, includes transportation, gratuity, and \$30 free slot play. Make check payable to LSFC.

THURSDAY MOVIE MATINEE

The featured movie for Thur., Apr. 13 is *Florence Foster Jenkins*. The featured movie for Thur., Apr. 27 is *Loving*. 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. 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 April.

HOLLINGSWORTH ART GALLERY

The featured artist for April is April is William J. Deming. 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.

TINY TOTS: NATURE AND MUSIC

Sun., Apr. 2 and Mon., Apr. 3 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. each day. Ages 16 – 42 mo. **Parental participation required.** Learn about wildlife at the refuge through fun and interactive songs and rhyming.

WEDNESDAY BIRD WALKS

Wednesdays, Apr. 12 and 26 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. each day. Ages 16+. Search for spring migrants in various refuge habitats on this guided hike. *Field guides and binoculars are recommended.* The walk begins at the Visitor Center.

BABY ANIMALS

Wed., Apr. 12 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Ages 5 – 7. Join us because spring is here! Come learn about new life at Patuxent.

OWL PELLETS

Sat., Apr. 15 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Ages 7+. 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.

WILDLIFE FOR SALE

Sat., Apr. 15 from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Ages 8 – 10. Learn how illegal trade hurts wildlife around the world, how the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service is combating it, and what you can do to help!

NATURE TOTS: DELIGHTFUL DUCKS

Mon., Apr. 17 and Tue., Apr. 18 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each day. Ages 3 – 4. Introduce your preschooler to the wet and wonderful world of ducks through games, stories, and crafts in this fun, interactive program.

FAMILY FUN: EARTH DAY!

Fri., Apr. 21 and Sat., Apr. 22 from 10:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day. Ages: 3+. Celebrate Earth Day by learning how you can Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle to benefit wildlife and the planet. The 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. No registration required.*

IN SEARCH OF A TRUFFULA TREE

Sat., Apr. 22 and Sun., Apr. 23 from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Ages 5 – 7. Learn how important it is to protect our natural environment through the Dr. Seuss story *The Lorax*.

SUNDAY BIRD WALK

Sun, Apr. 23 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. Ages

6+. Search for early spring migrants in various refuge habitats on this guided hike. *Binoculars are highly recommended.* The walk begins at the Visitor Center entrance.

RAPTORS REIGN

Sat., Apr. 29 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..

BELTSVILLE EVENTS

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NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIBRARY (NAL)

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

BELTSVILLE CITIZENS ASSOC. MEETING

Wednesday April 26 at 7 p.m. The meeting will take place at the 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.

AMARYLLIDS: THE GARDENER'S FRIEND

Sat., Apr. 1 at 11 a.m. Pestered with rabbits, groundhogs, voles, deer? Do tulips and hyacinths dwindle and disappear for you, even without the varmints? Bulbs in the amaryllis family are your friends. You can find something blooming for every season—and most are hardy and will thrive for you. Presented by Jim Dronenburg. Cost: free.

GESNERIAD SOCIETY MEETING

Sat., Apr. 15 at 10:30 a.m. Come to the meeting and hear the talk “*African Violets with Unusual Leaves or Flowers (bustled leaves, spooned, girl, longifolia, chimera)*.” Presented by the National Capital Area Chapter of the Gesneriad Society. Open to the public.

BELTSVILLE LIBRARY

All branches in the Prince George's System will be closed on Thur., Apr. 13 for Staff Development Day. In addition, all branches that are normally open on Sunday will be closed on Sun., Apr. 16. 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 Sunday. *Visit our library system website at 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 April 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 TO READ PRESCHOOL STORYTIMES

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Ages 3 – 5.

READY TO READ TODDLER STORYTIME

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

READY TO READ BABY STORYTIME

Thursday mornings at 11:15 a.m. Ages birth – 2 years old. *Please note: Will not be held on Thur., Apr., 13 due to library closure for Staff Development Day.*

STEM FOR FAMILIES

Wed., Apr. 5 from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Dinosaurs: Help hatch dinosaur eggs and create your own dinosaur. Ages 5 to 12 years.

BLACKOUT POETRY

Thur., Apr. 6 from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Join us for the art of Blackout Poetry to celebrate Poetry Month. Ages 5 to 12 years.

ILEAD TUTORING AND MENTORING FOR TEENS 13 TO 18

Three Saturdays in April: April 1, 15, and 29 from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Homework help for students in grades 6 through 8.

TAIL WAGGIN' TUTOR

Two sessions: Sat., Apr. 15 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. and Tue., Apr. 18 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Children read to a dog. Ages 5 to 12. For information, call or visit the branch.

RAINBOW ROCK BAND

Sat., Apr. 22 from 11 a.m. to 12 noon. Children's band playing a mix of original and classic pop rock tunes. All ages!

LOVE YOUR LIBRARY SIDEWALK ART

Wed., Apr. 26 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Show your love for the library with chalk creations! Rain date: Wed., May 3.

TD BANK WOW! ZONE

Wed., Apr. 26 from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Learn about money matters in this fun, interactive program. Ages 5 to 12 years.

BELTSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

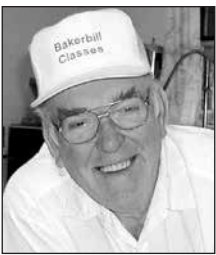
3900 Sellman Rd., Beltsville. Phone: 301.937.6613. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512. Regular hours of operation are: Mon. – Thur. from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fri. from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sat. from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., closed on Sunday. Hours of operation for Xtreme Teens and Pre-teens: Fri. – Sat.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

YOUNG AT HEART CLUB

The Beltsville Young at Heart Club meets on the 1st and 3rd 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



Baker Bill

Baking Powder Biscuits

In a medium-size bowl, place:
1 stick of butter (room temp)
1 1/4 cup flour
1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon sugar
1 full teaspoon baking powder
Stir with spoon (wooden is best) until all is mixed well.

Now,
Stir in 1/2 cup cold milk and make it into a dough
Mix it well
Dump it on a floured table
Knead like bread dough until smooth

Cover and let it rest

Prepare a small pan coated with butter so the biscuits won't stick to the pan. This is the most important step.

This mix will make 4 biscuits. Each should be 3/4 inches thick. Place them close together but not touching in

the pan along with scrap. Bake for approximately 12 minutes. The bottoms should be tan.

Come on, now: do I need to tell you to use an oven glove when handling a hot pan? YES, I know you have seen this formula before, but maybe you will try it. Making great biscuits is simple and easy. The only tip I have is to make them all 1 inch thick with a 2" cutter.

I have written a lot about my new home, Riderwood. But my heart and mind are still in Beltsville. I miss all my friends there, but I have gotten a lot of new read-

ers here, so to increase readership, I have written more about my new home.

I have received several letters lately including one complaint about my fruit cake. The lady said it was dry. That's one complaint I never heard before. All the recipes I write about are class tested. But please, if you have a complaint or question, write me bill@bakerbill.net or go to my web page, bakerbill.net. Better still, just write me. I answer all mail. But I 'm not on any social media—NONE. Many people have wanted to be friends, but I do not trust all of them (the systems, not the people).

Now, stop overthinking the recipes and try the biscuits, and if you have comments or questions, write and tell me about them.

Well, that's all for now.

Bill Raulin, AKA Bakerbill@Riderwood

Try the biscuits!



School News

SADD Shines at Eleanor Roosevelt

By Ekaete Ekpo

Students in Eleanor Roosevelt High School's SADD chapter (Students Against Destructive Decisions) have been taking strides to keep their peers informed and vigilant about how they live their lives.

On February 16, 2017, SADD members united to partake in a special event that promoted awareness of pressing issues in today's society. It was called the SADD Shines Day Luau! Members dressed in tropical attire and distributed leis, candy, and colorful bracelets. They even performed a fun, festive hula dance!

Members also handed out pamphlets focusing on a dynamic trifecta of important causes: teen dating violence awareness, anti-



Mrs. Read and SADD members at the luau with pamphlets and decorations

bullying, and suicide prevention. During various lunch periods, SADD members reached out to other students and encouraged them to sign anti-bullying and anti-cyberbullying pledges.

The event was full of energy and insight, and many students

learned about the dangers that face them today and ways to handle them responsibly and effectively. Our SADD chapter continues to diligently spread the word about destructive decisions and how to avoid them. Keep an eye out for members' activism!

CALENDAR

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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 April.

XTREME TEENS AND PRE-TEENS REGULAR EVENTS

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- A Lighthouse Moment (Sunday Worship) - Sunday, 10am
- 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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11:15 Traditional Service

10:15 am Bible Study & Sunday School for adults & children

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Sign Language Interpretation at 11:15 service

Lent, the season of Easter begins March 1! Join us as we celebrate this special time of year.

March 1 Ash Wednesday Service 7pm

March 2 Lenten Bible Study begins 7pm at

Beltsville Panera.

March 4 6pm Pancake Supper

April 8 Easter Egg Hunt at 10am

April 9 Palm Sunday Cantata 10am

April 13 Holy Thursday Service and Seder

Tasting at 7pm

April 14 Good Friday Tenabre Service at 7pm

April 16 Easter Celebration at 9 and 11:15!

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YOO CLUB

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and March are the busiest months. In the summer, people come for the summer reading programs.

Everett: When did you decide to become a librarian, and what do you enjoy the most?

Ms. Richardson: I started working for the library right out of college. I enjoyed it so much that I went back to get my Master's Degree in Library Science. I enjoy programming, especially for the little guys.

I told Ms. Richardson that I appreciated her taking the time to do the interview with me. I promised to bring a copy of the interview once it's been published.

The Beltsville AMC Theater

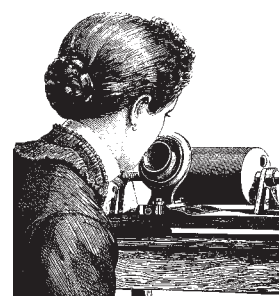
By Ava Valentine

On February 4, 2017, I visited the AMC movie theater in Beltsville, MD, and I had the great privilege of interviewing one of the staff members. She told me that she had been working at AMC for three years. According to my interviewee, customers come to the theater to enjoy themselves with their family and friends in a modern and relaxing setting. In addition to the friendly staff, the theater has extremely comfortable leather recliners, fresh popcorn, and a diverse candy selection. (As a candy person with a strong sweet tooth, I think tasty candy is a must-have.)

Not only is the theater comfortable and sells great food, but AMC in Beltsville is very popular. The theater frequently sells out at the box office, which is why its online ticketing services have become so popular. The most popular movie in February 2017 was *The Lego Batman Movie*.

After my visit, I feel that Beltsville AMC is one of the best places for entertainment with family and friends. I would rate this establishment 5 out of 5 stars. If you have not already attended this theater, you should definitely try it out! The next time you are planning on seeing a movie, take my word for it and go to the Beltsville AMC movie theater!

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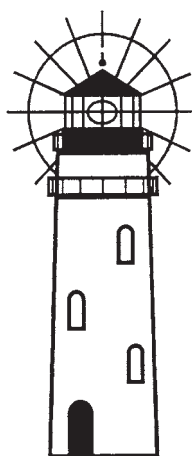
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Keith Holland, Pastor

EASTER ACTIVITIES AND WORSHIP

Community Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 8, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
For children ages 2 - 12 years

Palm Sunday Worship, April 9

*9:45 a.m. Bible Study (for all ages)
*11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

Maundy Thursday Worship Service

April 13, 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday

April 14, 12:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Church Open for Prayer

Easter Sunday, April 16

6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service
7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast
*9:45 a.m. Bible Study (for all ages)
*11:00 a.m. Worship Service

*Childcare available for children up to 3 years old

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