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## Beltsville Briefs

### Emmanuel to Hold "Blessing of the Animals" Service

*Every creature in the forest is mine, the wild animals on all the mountains. I know every mountain bird by name; the scampering field mice are my friends.*

—Psalms 50: 10-11

From the earliest parts of the Bible, God's love for animals is evident. From Creation to Noah and beyond, the kindness God has shown to animals has always been abundant. Emmanuel United Methodist Church on Cedar Lane in Beltsville, Md., has always been known for having an open invitation to anyone who walked through their doors. This October, they are taking it one step further. Emmanuel is inviting you to bring your pets to church. Pastor Daniel Mejia will be holding a Blessing of the Animals Service on Oct. 9, 2011, at 4 p.m.

I know what you are asking: why bless the animals? Well, the answer is a simple one. When we bless something, we focus our attention on the perfection put into it when God created it. When we bless what is good in our lives, we increase it, adding on more blessings to the blessings that are already a part of it. Blessing increases God's positive influence in our lives and the lives of the people and other living creatures around us.

Pets bring a lot of joy and hope to many people in our community. For single householders, a pet can be a true companion. Many people arrive home from work to find a furry friend overjoyed at their return. Many a senior has a lap filled with a purring fellow creature. The bond between person and pet is like no other relationship, because the communication between fellow creatures is at its most basic. Eye-to-eye, a man and his dog, or a woman and her cat, are two creatures of love.

So join Emmanuel as it blesses the animals. There is no need to register in advance; you can just show up with your pet or pets to have the blessing by Pastor Mejia

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## Beltsville is Rocked by Three Natural Disasters

By Carissa Schorback

The end of August and beginning of September brought an interesting experience for Beltsville residents: a 5.9 earthquake on Aug. 23, 2011, hurricane Irene, and flooding, some of which caused the loss of power for many residents.

Many residents of Beltsville and surrounding areas could tell you exactly what they were doing during the earthquake, a rare occurrence and touted as the strongest in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area since 1897.

Carrie Wright said she was cooking and wondered what was happening. Once she realized it was an earthquake, she said she was unnerved by it. Later she named her meal "earthquake chicken."

Nancy Manili, credit manager, was at work and said she crawled under her desk, thinking it was an atomic bomb given the proximity to Sept. 11. She claimed she learned to do that when she was in elementary school as a child. Some of her coworkers at Adams-Burch, Inc., also crawled under their desks until Rick Gallagher, vice president of operations, announced a temporary evacuation of the building.

Four days later, hurricane Irene struck the Beltsville area causing wind damage to homes, trees, and



Susan Zook stands next to the transformer on the telephone pole destroyed by hurricane Irene the night before.

power lines, as well as flooding and debris. Many residents lost power.

In a median across from Susan Zook's home, a large tree uprooted and fell, pulling on the power lines and snapping the telephone pole in three places.

Pepco worked fervently to return power to Beltsville residents, some who were without power for three days.

The week after hurricane Irene, Beltsville was under flood warnings because hurricane Lee came up the east coast dumping several inches of rain in the area throughout several days. Chrissy McGirt called the fire depart-

ment when she noticed the rain weighed a tree limb down and it caused a power line to spark and smoke.

The fire department responded and informed McGirt there was nothing they could do; they passed the call on to Pepco. Pepco responded to the scene just an hour later and said there was nothing they could do, either; they passed the call on to a tree-trimming company.

If it had not been raining, the branch would have caught on fire, but the power was still on. Two hours after Pepco left

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## Prince George's Community Federal Credit Union Checks Car Seats in Time for Back to School

Prince George's Community Federal Credit Union (PGCFU) and the Prince George's County Police Department partnered with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and held

their first back to school car seat checkup on Friday, August 19 at PGCFU's Beltsville Branch, located at 6985 Muirkirk Meadows Drive in Beltsville.

The car seat checkup was

free and open to the public. Each check up took about 30 minutes, and the checkup ensured that car seats were properly installed and that parents and/or guardians knew exactly how to install and uninstall the car seat they had purchased. Prince George's Community Federal Credit Union provided brand new car seats to the public that had faulty or expired car seats.

Two car seats were given out the day of this event. "Since many of us don't know the best practices for using car seats and boosters, this initiative allowed us to ensure that each child was receiving optimum protection," said Cindy Prestandrea, CEO of Prince George's Community Federal Credit Union.



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**On the Agenda**



Karen Coakley

**BY PRESIDENT KAREN M. COAKLEY**

Representatives from Metro and the Carl Freeman Company will be our guests at the October Meeting. Metro will discuss the benefits the "Purple Line" will bring to the Route 1 Corridor, providing the community with another alternative in transportation for the region.

The Carl Freeman company will give a presentation for their Shopping Center Project located along Route 1 between Taco Bell, St. Mary's Street, and the back of the U.S. Post Office. MNCPPC planning staff will also join us to share the pros and cons of the project in accordance with the newly adopted Master Plan for the area. The property has been zoned for a "shopping center" for over 20 years.

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## 25 Years Ago in the Beltsville News

By Phil Whitman

*Extracted from the October 1986 issue*

### 25th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Sypniewski celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on Aug. 17, 1986.

### Wedding

Susan Marie McMillan became the bride of John Brice Davis in a morning ceremony at St. Mary of the Mills Catholic Church in Laurel, Md., on Sept. 20, 1986.

### New Arrivals

Ashley Marie Weber is the daughter of Kimberly and Kent Weber of Franklin Street in Beltsville, Md.

Dana Leigh Cooper is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sherod Cooper of Crownsville, Md.

Robert William is the son of Janice and Jeff McMillian of Bowie, Md.

### Christening

Charles and Bonnie Hurley announced the Christening of their son John Marshall on Oct. 5, 1986.

### Hospital Bazaar

The Greater Laurel-Beltsville hospital held a Bazaar on Nov. 7 and 8, 1986.

### 50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee

Sister Mary James Gadzinski celebrated 50 years as a Salvatorian. She taught at St. Joseph's School in Beltsville, Md.

### High Point Visitor

General Richard Hearne, commandant of the Air Force Junior ROTC, made an inspection of the High Point High School unit in September 1986.

### Service News

Marine Pfc. Mark E. Bowen completed recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

Marine Lance Cpl. George S. Boileau was promoted while serving at 29 Palms, Calif.

### BPW Woman of the Year

The Laurel Business Organization of Professional Women selected June Anthony as the 1986 Woman of the Year.

### Obituaries

Leonard Lee Hudgins died Sept. 15, 1986

Ella M. Hortony died Sept. 30, 1986.

William L. Humbert died Sept. 26, 1986.

## Letters to the Editor

Dear Sirs:

I have read that Smart Meters are intrusive and their radiation is dangerous to our health and more. According to [refusesmartmeter.com](http://refusesmartmeter.com), the law does not require homeowners to accept a Smart Meter above their objection.

Tracy Broadhurst

Dear Editor,

I just want to take the opportunity to share my feelings about Beltsville. My husband and I, and our growing family, moved here approximately 10 years ago. We moved here from upper Montgomery County. We had some trepidation because many of our friends and acquaintances were moving in

the opposite direction.

Everyday I praise God that we didn't heed popular opinions and look for a different locale. We love Beltsville and our enjoyment increases as the years roll along.

We love Beltsville because:

- Quick and easy access to Interstates 95 and 495
- Close proximity to two metro stations
- Our community is very diverse and multicultural
- International grocery stores abound
- Ethnic restaurants are readily available
- Many options for everyday shopping
- Great schools; although plagued with the usual challenges, they have teachers who care and a core group of students that strives for excellence
- Public resources are all within walking distance from our home: police; post office; fire station; recreation center; and, best of all, a great library -- a place where all are made to feel welcome and the staff is ready to assist, the reading selections are family friendly, with many educational resources (I especially like the fact that it is so child-friendly.)
- Great community publications

The best part of Beltsville and truly the treasure of highest value are its people:

- They are friendly and welcoming
- They are down to earth
- Our neighbors look out for one another

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## GBBA Revisits Beltsville Area Master Plan



Kierre McCune, Prince George's County Planner, Maryland-National Park and Planning Commission introduced his successor, Tamara Jovic, as the planner for Sub-Region 1 Master Plan. Tamara noted the final Sub-Region 1 Master Plan report should become available in print in four to six weeks. Kierre is now managing the Prince George's County Master Plan update within the Department.  
Photo by Jay Williams Design Company

**By Paul G. Zurkowski,  
GBBA President**

Kierre McCune is the Park and Planning official who led a six year effort leading to the approval of the 2010 Master Plan for the area in Northeast Prince George's County including Beltsville. His successor, Tamara Jovic, now has responsibility for this Sub Region 1 plan. Their presentation to the September 21 meeting of the Greater Beltsville Business Association highlighted the history of the creation and approval of the plan with some significant features.

"By setting new 'land use' designations for properties, the plan avoids immediate zoning tax changes," Mr. McCune said. "Only when the business puts in place a new land use will the property incur a new assessed value."

Thomas F. Aylward, Jackson Shaw, a GBBA member of the Board of Directors, chaired the program and noted this significant approach in the plan. Jackson Shaw is developing the Brick Yard project in the Muirkirk area east of Route 1 in Beltsville and is now approaching the construction phase.

The GBBA audience included a wide array of Beltsville leaders including Karen Coakley, Beltsville Citizen's Association, Galeb Gould, Konterra Development, Laurel Development officials, Silver Spring's Urban Partnership leader, Carmen F. Camacho, Dr.

John Moynihan, Beltsville Dentist and Ted Ladd, *The Beltsville News*, as well as many Beltsville business leaders. Dr. John Moynihan and Ted Ladd are well known Rotary and Lion's Club leaders.

Topics that came up in the discussion included plans for Konterra, street scapes for key portions of Route 1 in the southern part of the plan, and an extension of the Metro Green Line paralleling MARC train rail bed with a Muirkirk Metro stop adjacent to the MARC train station. Given the economic conditions, the Metro stop and plans to bury power and phone lines along Route 1 in what is considered Beltsville's main business center, may not be realized any time soon.

Details of the plan will be reviewed by GBBA to see what may possibly be implemented to strengthen Beltsville as a community destination for families and businesses considering relocating. Businesses interested in working with GBBA on this project are invited to call Paul Zurkowski, President, 301.931.8222.

The area plan is fully described in a 200-page interim-planning document. The final version of the plan is expected to be available in 4 to 6 weeks. If you have questions about the plan please call Tamara Jovic, Planner, Northeast Section, Community Planning North Division, The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, 301.952.3910, tamara.jovic@ppd.mncppc.org

## Emmanuel Celebrated 175 Years of Methodism

The weekend of Sept. 17 and 18, 2011, was a very special one at Emmanuel United Methodist Church on Cedar Lane in Beltsville, Md. The congregation celebrated 175 years of Methodism with a dinner on Saturday night and a special worship service the next day. Emmanuel received proclamations from the County Executive, County Council, and General Assembly, commemorating the occasion.

The celebratory dinner on Sept. 17, 2011, was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Cherry Hill Road. Enrique and his staff at Cherry Hill Manor Caterers provided a delicious buffet. Cruisin', a barbershop quartet, entertained the group with their four-part harmony. Special dinner guests included former pastor Richard Karpal and his wife, Martha, County Councilwoman Mary Lehman, State Senator James Rosapepe, and several former members of Emmanuel, including Marilyn Harpole, Edie Marcus, and Paul and Nancy Newport.

A silent auction held during the dinner was followed by a live auction. Funds raised will be used to renovate the church's 50-year-old kitchen, which is heavily used for mission work, as well as church functions.

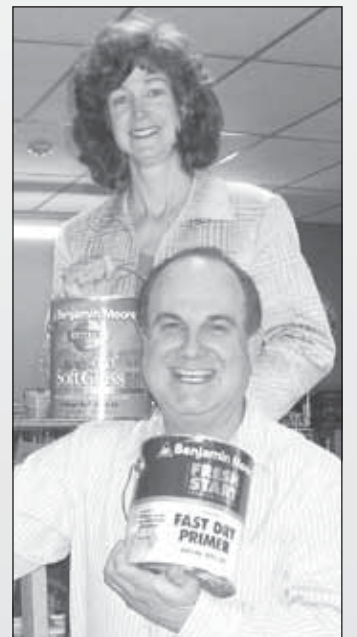
The church was packed for the anniversary worship service the following morn-

ing. The congregation was honored to have Bishop John R. Schol deliver the sermon. Other special guests in attendance were United Methodist District Superintendent Dr. Ianther Mills, County Executive Rushern Baker and State Senator James Rosapepe. The service featured music by both the praise band and the church's choirs. The Maranatha Choir joined the Chancel Choir to give the first performance of a commemorative anthem commissioned by Emmanuel, "Together We Praise." The composer, Ruth Elaine Schram, used motifs from the anthem in her Introit "Come Let Us Sing," which the choirs also sang at the commemorative service, accompanied by Rebecca Oliverio on the trumpet. Chancel Choir member Pat Allen wrote the Response to the Benediction, which the choir performed at the end of the service. Rick Bergmann put together a great video of Emmanuel, now and then.

After this brief look back to our past, Emmanuel is turning its focus toward serving the people of Beltsville today. If you are looking for a church home and a loving community of faith, why not give Emmanuel United Methodist Church a try? The church is located at 11416 Cedar Lane, in the heart of Beltsville. See you in church!

## Holiday Designs

Not to put any extra pressure on you, but do you realize that Thanksgiving is right around the corner? And you know what comes right after that in December. If you get started NOW, you can have that truly gorgeous home when you entertain your family and guests this Holiday season. The designers at Will's Home Decorating ([www.decoratmaryland.com](http://www.decoratmaryland.com)), Valerie Kabelac and Michael Richards, offer stylish and reasonably priced custom draperies, valances, blinds, flooring, wallpaper and Benjamin Moore Paint that will give your home an instant update. By freshening up your home ahead of time, as each holiday arrives you will find yourself relaxed and in the holiday spirit.



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Unsure where to begin? Start with the rooms your guests will be using the most. According to Valerie, "That usually means the living room, dining room, and /or the family room." For those rooms, Valerie recommends drapery panels made from dupioni silk, with its rich, nubby texture to provide color and interest. Valerie also suggests taking a close look at your upholstered pieces in the room. If the fabric on your sofa or chairs looks tired and tattered, consider reupholstery or even a few new pillows to hide the worn spots. Will's Home Decorating has all the newest fabrics and trims to make your draperies, valances or sofa not only stunning, but unique. Then, let Michael select one of Benjamin Moore's luxurious paint colors to envelope your room in warmth and beauty. By tapping the expertise of Michael and Valerie, not only will you avoid making costly mistakes, but you will also get your decorating project completed well before your guests arrive.

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## Rosapepe's Report to Beltsville

By Senator Jim Rosapepe (D-21)

### Jobs should be priority for special session of legislature

Delegates Barbara Frush, Josefine Peña-Melnyk, Ben Barnes and I, along with our colleagues in the legislature, expect to consider several jobs measures to tackle the ongoing unemployment crisis. The special session's primary focus will be redistricting for the congressional and school board maps in the state, with the legislative districts scheduled to be redrawn in January.



Senator Jim Rosapepe

family and friends for a great meal and a fun evening to benefit the Beltsville Lions. The event begins at 6:00 p.m. and is located at The Villa in the Calverton Shopping Center (4055 Powder Mill Road next to the Fairfield Inn). Call Kevin Kennedy at 301.910.9600 for more details.

### Aftermath of Hurricane Irene

While there was substantial power loss after Hurricane Irene, Pepco seemed to improve its restoration time for Beltsville homes without power. Councilwoman Mary Lehman, the 21st District Delegates and I pushed hard on Pepco to assist those whose power was out for an extended period. As always, please let us know if we can assist you. You may be aware that this year the General Assembly passed tough reliability and service standards for the major utilities operating within Maryland. When met, these standards will cause our utilities to provide services that are reliable while making Maryland more energy independent.

### Contact Us

As always, please let Delegates Barbara Frush, Josefine Peña-Melnyk, Ben Barnes and I know if there are other issues you have questions or thoughts about. And, of course, feel free to be in touch if we can be of help to you. Just email 21stDistrictDelegation@gmail.com or call 301.858.3141.

### New bike trail in Beltsville

Last month the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning hosted a public meeting to kick-off the design of a new trail that will close the gap between College Park and Fairland Regional Park in Laurel. The new trail will start where the Paint Branch Trail ends at Cherry Hill Road in College Park and connect to the Beltsville Community Center where it will meet the existing trail along the Little Paint Branch. These trails are part of the growing 20+ mile Anacostia Tributary Trail System that links parks, neighborhoods, and Metro stations in northern Prince George's County for hikers, bikers, and equestrians. Projected construction of the Beltsville section would start in 2013.

### 4th Annual Official Red-Hot Chili Cook-Off – Saturday, Oct. 8

Come out to Behnke's Nursery on Route 1 and taste some of the best chili from the Maryland/Virginia Chili Appreciation Society's premier cooks and some local competitors. It's free to attend and you can cast a vote for your favorite chili. Plus, there will be a raffle to benefit the Beltsville Rotary Club and all of the wonderful organizations they support! Chili tasting begins at noon, judging at 3:00 p.m., and the raffle to benefit the Beltsville Rotary Club at 4:00 p.m.

### Beltsville Lions Silent Auction and Dinner — Wednesday, Oct. 26

We hope you can bring your

## Proposed Legislation Threatens Volunteer Fire Departments

By Margie Dickey, President, Beltsville Volunteer Fire Department

On behalf of the men and women of the Beltsville Volunteer Fire Department, I am writing to express our vehement opposition to the proposed changes in legislation that will affect the Prince George's County Volunteer Fire Commission and were submitted on September 19, 2011 by County Executive Rushern Baker.

These proposed changes were submitted without first sitting down with the Volunteer Leaders that represent the 38 VOLUNTEER Fire Corporations in Prince George's (PG) County to discuss potential alternatives and the adverse affects the changes will bring.

Currently the Fire Commission is comprised of 9 men and

women who are Volunteer Fire/EMS personnel within PG County and are voted into office by the 38 VOLUNTEER corporations that they represent. Collectively they bring over 300 years of fire service experience to the table.

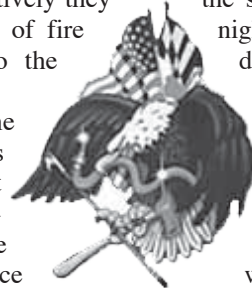
That they are one of the few agencies' within the County that have maintained a balanced budget for the last 2 years is evidence that they are fiscally responsible. The proposed legislation wants to change the Fire Commission to an advisory board that would consist of 3 Career Fire/EMS personnel, 3 Volunteer Fire/EMS personnel, and 3 citizens and they would be appointed positions.

The VOLUNTEER fire corporations of PG County own approx-

imately 75% of the apparatus and fire stations of the Prince George's County Fire Department, and provide a significant portion of the staffing – particularly on nights, weekends, and holidays. To restructure the

Volunteer Fire Commission as we know it would be detrimental to our existence. Fire trucks and ambulances that need maintenance would be out of service longer, volunteer fire corporations would lose members, and fire stations could potentially have no staffing when you need it most.

If you would like to more information, please go to the link on our website [www.BeltsvilleVFD.com](http://www.BeltsvilleVFD.com) or email us at [info@beltsvillelevfd.com](mailto:info@beltsvillelevfd.com).





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## Neighbors in the News

### Prince George's Community FCU Opens Branch and Headquarters in Bowie

Prince George's Community Federal Credit Union has opened its new full service branch and administrative headquarters in the heart of Bowie at the Hall Road & Central Avenue corridor.

The Bowie branch offers a full service drive-thru with drive-up

ATMs, remote teller access, coin machine, and more! Offering a branch to our membership within Bowie is the best way to service the community.

The credit union was winner of the 2009 and 2012 "Best of Upper Marlboro," has served County

employees since 1967, and opened its doors to the community in 2006 to anyone who lives, works, worships, or volunteers in Prince George's County, offering them the benefit of credit union membership.

### St. John's Episcopal Church, Zion Parish, Celebrates Its 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Saint John's Episcopal Church, Zion Parish, is celebrating its 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year. Zion Parish was established in 1811 by the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland. Services were first held in Old Paint Branch Chapel, somewhere in the Calverton area. The history of the parish has seen its share of trouble, with the church being destroyed and damaged over its long history by fires, storms, a tornado, and lightning. Nevertheless, the church and its membership, over its 200-year span, have been resilient and dedicated to the service of God and community.

The original church, established in 1811, fell into disrepair and a new chapel was given in 1825 to Zion Parish. In 1826, Zion Church was built near Vansville. In 1847, Zion Church Vansville was destroyed by storm and fire. In 1856, land was given for St. John's, Zion Parish by John Brown for a new church and cemetery in Beltsville. In 1857, the frame and building were erected as St. John's Episcopal Church, Zion Parish on its present site at 11040 Baltimore Avenue, Beltsville, MD. During the Civil War, the churchyard was used as an artillery site by the Federal troops. Cannon fire was exchanged with Confederate troops at White House Tavern, nearby. One Union soldier was killed.

In 1867 the Church was destroyed by fire again, and a new

brick building rebuilt in 1868. Some bricks for the church were taken from English ballast ships. Again, in 1874, St. John's Church was leveled by a windstorm, and rebuilt in 1877.

In 1923, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, College Park, was established as a mission church of St. John's, and ceded from St. John's. The following year, 1924, St. John's built a Parish house.

Like many other churches across the nation, on May 7, 1945, V-E Day, World War II ended in Europe, and St. John's steeple bell was rung in celebration of the end of the war. Unfortunately, in 1967, St. John's steeple was struck by lightning. There was no fire, but a lightning rod was installed.

In 1966, St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Fairland, which had been yoked with St. John's as a Zion Parish church, became an independent parish. Saint Mark's is located on Old Columbia Pike, in Silver Spring, Maryland.

Once again, St. John's was victim to church damage in 1972 when a fire, thought to be arson, began in the church Parish Hall. The church sustained major smoke and water damage. Fire companies from Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C. responded to the fire. The Parish Hall and the church were refurbished shortly thereafter. In 1991, a new Parish Hall and addition to the church were built which

included the Church Office.

Throughout its long, tumultuous history, St. John's Episcopal Church, Zion Parish has remained a healthy, vibrant community of God, resilient in faith and dedicated to service to the community. The Parish has a diverse membership of persons from throughout the world, of every age, ethnicity, and culture, who worship as one to the glory of God every Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. The parish is a SHARE food program site, which provides groceries to people throughout the community at vastly discounted prices.

A festive Bi-Centennial service will be held on Sunday, Oct. 2, 2011, at 10 a.m. when St. John's will celebrate its 200 years of faithful ministry to God and the community. All are invited to come to this service of celebration, or visit this wonderful parish any Sunday. Sunday School for children begins at 9:45 a.m. on Sundays, from Sep., through May. All are welcome to come and join this exciting, 200 year old community known as St. John's Episcopal Church, Zion Parish.

For more information about St. John's Episcopal Church, Zion Parish, you may find them on the web at [www.stjohnsbeltsville.org](http://www.stjohnsbeltsville.org), email the church at [stjohnsbeltsville@verizon.net](mailto:stjohnsbeltsville@verizon.net), or call the church at 301.937.4292.



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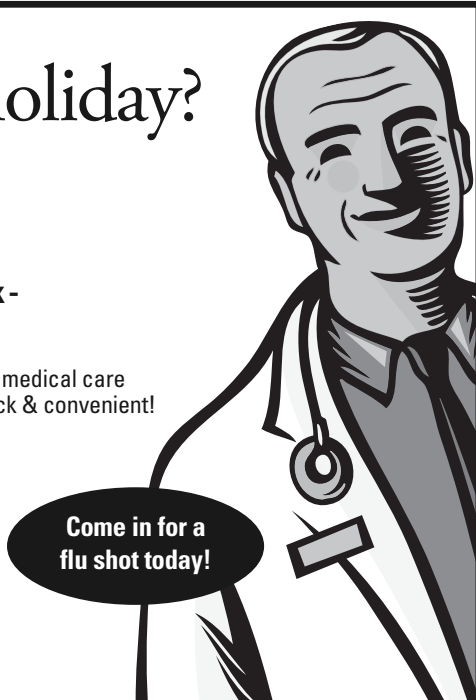
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## Editorial

# The First Day of School

By Jeannine A. Carter

As millions of children start their academic careers this month – entering kindergarten at public and private schools throughout Beltsville and Calverton – I wanted to delve into the mind of a 5 year old during and after her first day in the classroom. From the social challenges to snack time quandaries to returning to the comfort of home, prepare to

read the on-the-fly analysis of a little girl's first day of school. Today was my first day of kindergarten. I acted like I was very excited but I was really pretty scared. Everything I was used to changed all at once. Today I had to behave when I didn't feel like it, and I had to take a nap when I really wanted to be playing with my mommy at home or going to the pool with my daddy. I kind of liked my teacher but she made me wash my hands like a billion times and if I wasn't polite to her she got a funny look on her face. Mommy and Daddy, I am very happy to learn how to print nicely and spell, even how to add numbers. Just sometimes I was so tired of listening and not being able to act cranky to get my way. It's very hard to follow all of the new rules at once! Plus, there is a boy who will not stop bugging me, and when I told the teacher she just said, "Oh, Lilly, he wants to be your friend." Hey teacher lady, I don't want to be friends with him! Then snack time came...double yuck! They gave us granola bars and bananas and watery juice and nobody ever asked what I like.

Then, when I didn't eat it, the teacher lady seemed kind of angry. What am I supposed to do, eat something I hate just to make this lady who is not my mom happy? It was a very confusing day and I wanted to cry a few times but I decided to swallow my tears because I knew that when my mommy picked me up I could cry all I wanted. When I saw it was almost 3:00 I got a happy feeling in my heart. I would get to see Mommy and Daddy and they will feel sorry for me and soothe my hurt feelings about my first day of kindergarten. But wait...why were you both so darned cheerful? Why were you asking me so many stupid questions when all I wanted to do was go home, watch a video and cuddle up with you, Mommy? I really felt like telling you I didn't want to talk about my day right then; why couldn't we just be like we were yesterday? I started to cry, Mommy, because I was frustrated. My life seems so different than it was before I had to go to Kindergarten. But you made me feel better, mommy, when you gave me a hug and rubbed my back and told me that you under-

stand how I am feeling. My heart was suddenly happier! Around 5:00 I was feeling more relaxed because I had time to chill out. So, Mom, when you asked me questions it seemed like fun to tell you about that dumb boy who wouldn't leave me alone and that stupid girl named Zoe who acted so perfect, not like me who just shows my feelings. I never even told the teacher that I saw Zoe put a blue marker in her backpack when we left school. Mommy and Daddy, please be patient with me. God isn't finished with me yet. I know you love me and you know I love you guys but I have only been on earth for five years. Sometimes I don't understand what grownups want from me. I don't mean to make you upset, just like when you fuss at me and don't mean to make me upset. Maybe we can be a team and work on this school thing together, with all of the have-tos I am not used to, and all of the rules and gross food they expect me to eat. Everything will probably be okay in a few weeks but until then I will suck it up if you will.

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## Children's Corner

By Denita Johnson

Fall is here. Here come the beautiful, cool days and the light wind that makes the leaves fall; you see pumpkins and scarecrows everywhere, but with this nice weather come fall allergies and little colds and sneezing everywhere. Here is a little tip to keep the colds down for children: just keep their hands washed and away

from their mouths and eyes as much as possible to keep those germs away.

Now talking about children's hands, here are a few projects that we can do this fall with those little hands to keep them busy and show off some artwork.

- Draw a pumpkin and use their handprints for leaves.
- Draw a tree and use their fingerprints for apples all on the tree.

• Use their handprints to make bats (draw the bats body and use hand prints for wings).

• Make an all-about-me book and use their handprints for the cover.

• Cut out large apple, pumpkin or leaf shapes from paper and let them finger paint.

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## Emmanuel Food Bank Soldiers on Despite Hurricane Irene

By Rick Bergmann

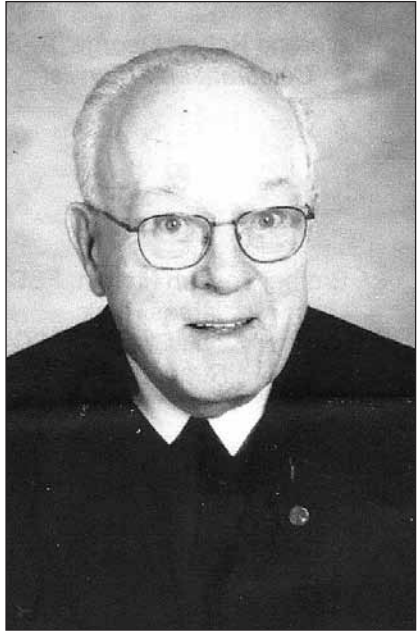
August, 2011, will be remembered by some in Beltsville, Md., as the month we lived through an earthquake and a hurricane all in one week. Early that week, we had a 5.9 earthquake and hurricane Irene swept through and knocked power out for many residents in the area over the week-end. But despite the earthquake and the incoming hurricane, the volunteers at the Emmanuel Food Bank on Cedar Lane in Beltsville, Md., continued helping families in need.

The food bank had families lining up to receive food, clothing, and school supplies almost an hour

prior to opening. The school supplies were donated by many area residents and businesses such as Tischer Acura of Laurel, Md., who held a school supply drive for the food bank. Through Emmanuel's Sisters in Spirit and their affiliation with Renaissance Gardens at Riderwood in Silver Spring, Md., the school supplies were placed in backpacks for families to pick up. The residents spent an afternoon by separating and counting the school supplies and then creating 75 backpack kits. The food bank can't thank residents and members of Sisters in Spirit enough for all

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## Club News



The Beltsville News extends warm congratulations to Brother Patrick Power, F.S.C., in recognition of his 80 years of service as a Brother of the Christian Schools. Brother Patrick was born on Dec. 22, 1912.

## The Beltsville Garden Club

By Louise DeJames

The Beltsville Garden Club will hold its general meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2011, at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of the James E. Duckworth School, 11201 Evan Trail, Beltsville, Md.

The guest speaker for this month will be Matt Cohen. His topic will be: persimmons, pomegranates, polygonatum and other perennial food plants.

He will discuss easy ways to grow edible perennials in the landscape for sunny and shady areas in your garden. Included are plants you might not know you could eat and some that may already be growing in your garden or neighborhood.

Cohen, owner of Matt's Habitats, is a professional landscaper based in Takoma Park, Md. He leads nature walks in the Washington, D.C., area with an emphasis on wild edibles. More information is available on his website at [www.mattshabitats.com](http://www.mattshabitats.com).

Please join us to hear this informative speaker. Refreshments will be served after the meeting. Bring a plant or plant-related material for the club's door prize table. The public is welcome and admission is free.

For more information, contact Louise DeJames, Publicity Chair, at 301.890.4733 or visit our website at [www.beltsvillegardenclub.org](http://www.beltsvillegardenclub.org).

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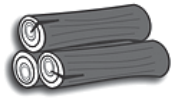
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## St. John's Will Bless Pets

In celebration of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi, who is said to have loved animals and all nature, St. John's Episcopal Church, Zion Parish, will have a service of the Blessing of the Pets on Sunday, Oct. 9, 2011, at 1 p.m. in the church's upper parking lot at 11040 Baltimore Avenue, Beltsville, Md. Owners from throughout the community are invited and encouraged to bring their pets including dogs, cats, gerbils, rabbits, etc., to the special ceremony. Saint John's has hosted this fun event for the last two years, and looks forward to having pets from our community come out for this happy activity. We ask that pets are caged or leashed at the service for the comfort of all involved. The service is short, and all pets present (or brought by photo) are blessed. Water and cat and dog treats will be provided for all pet participants.

Come out, bring your pets, and invite your neighbors to do likewise. It will be a nice time for all. In case of rain, the Blessing of the Pets service will be held on Sunday, Oct. 23 at 1 p.m.

## Free Community Shred Day and Community Food Drive

On Saturday, Oct. 22, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Money One Federal Credit Union and the Berwyn Heights Police Department are partnering to help the community fight identity theft. Everyone is invited to bring personal financial documents and watch the volunteers shred the documents to protect everyone's identity. Documents will be shredded using a secure, high-powered commercial shredding truck.

Enjoy refreshments, music, giveaways and door prizes. Don't miss the fun! The location will be the Staples parking lot next door to Money One's College Park Branch at 8904 62<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, College Park, Md., 20740.

Credit union staff will be available to help you with opening an account, loans, credit cards and all of your banking needs. Visit [MoneyOneFCU.org](http://MoneyOneFCU.org) or call 301.925.4600 for more information.

You can also help spread good will by bringing non-perishable food items with you to support Money One's annual charity Cram the Cart Thanksgiving Food Drive. Carts provided by Safeway will be on site for your donations. St. Joseph's Catholic Church will distribute proceeds to area families in need.

## Trunk or Treat at Emmanuel United Methodist Church

The annual Trunk or Treat activity will take place at Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane in Beltsville, Md., on Oct. 31. Park your cars between 6 and 6:30 p.m. Cars should be parked before the kids start Trunk or Treating. Trunk or Treat is from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Kids, elementary age and younger, will go from car to car to get treats. Cars should have plenty of candy to give out. Family Life at Emmanuel will supply reflective bags, glo-sticks and candy from the church. Join us for this annual event, whether you have small children who want to get treats, or whether you want to decorate your car and give out candy. Everyone is welcome!

## Basket Bingo

St. Joseph's Parish will conduct a Basket Bingo on Friday evening, Nov. 4, 2011, in the parish hall at 11011 Montgomery Road, Beltsville, Md., from 7 to 9:30 p.m. (non-smoking). Come join us for this fun-filled event. Bingo winners will receive specialty baskets, pottery and home accessories. There will be door

prizes and raffles, too! Tickets are available daily for \$12 in advance at the school and parish offices or for sale at the door. Refreshments are available.

## Slavic Food Festival

St. Gregory of Nyssa Byzantine Catholic Church located at 12420 Old Gunpowder Road, Beltsville, Md., is holding its annual Slavic food festival, bake sale and raffle on Saturday, Nov. 5, 2011, from 10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Featured will be eastern European foods including pirohi, holupki, halushki and kolbassi with sauerkraut. All food will be available for eat-in or carry-out. Our bake table will offer kolachi, homemade bread filled with walnuts, poppyseed apricot, raspberry, lekvar (prune) and a wide variety of other homemade goodies. Admission and parking are free. For details call 301.552.2434 or go to [www.stgregoryofnyssa.net](http://www.stgregoryofnyssa.net).

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## Obituaries

### Brakefield, Jean

The University Park Lions are sad to report the sudden death of Lion Jean Brakefield who passed away Monday, Sept. 5, 2011. She had been a member of the Beltsville-College Park Lioness Club for two and one-half years at which time she became a Charter Member of the newly formed University Park Lions Club in May of 1992. She was an active member of the Club and served on several committees; was Club Treasurer from 1995 to 1998, Club President from 2005 to 2007, awarded with a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship in 2007, and made perfect attendance during all those years. Lion Jean was a faithful member

of the club who truly enjoyed the camaraderie of all Lions. Lion Jean will be greatly missed.

### Hense, William F. "Billy" Jr. (age 77)

William F. "Billy" Hense, Jr., died on Tuesday, Aug. 23, 2011, of cancer. He was born Feb. 3, 1934, in Beltsville, Md., to William and Helga Hense. He was the husband of 55 years to Millie Hense, father of Cheryl Hassett (Kevin) of Berlin and Ocean City, Md., and Jill Hense of Annapolis, Md. He was the grandfather of Craig, Christopher and Corey Hassett, brother of Shirley Rhoads, the late Dorothy Whitman and Marian Collins. Many cousins, nieces and neph-

ews survive him. Hense served in the D.C. National Guard during 1955-1956. He was the owner and operator of H&W Sand and Gravel Co. in Beltsville, Md., and Hess Sheet Metal. He loved to crab off his pier, work in his garden, sit under his tree and enjoy the boats on the Chesapeake Bay, and be with his family and his three grandsons. Rev. Connie Miller officiated at a memorial gathering held at First Lutheran Church of Bowie Cemetery, 12710 Ducktown Road, Bowie, Md., on Saturday, Sept. 10 at 10 a.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Mandrin Hospice House, 3675 Solomons Island Road, Harwood, Md. Arrangements by Borgwardt Funeral Home.

## Club News

### Women's Community Club of Beltsville

Please join us Saturday morning, Oct. 29, 2011, 9 a.m., at Martin Luther King, Jr., Middle School on Ammendale Road in Beltsville, Md., to celebrate the 21<sup>st</sup> anniversary of Make a Difference Day and help continue the long-standing tradition to plant flower bulbs and beautify our community. Please bring your digging tools. We provide the bulbs!

In a continued effort to reach out to more women wanting to serve our community, our next evening meeting will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011, at 7 p.m. at Three Brother's Restaurant in Beltsville, Md. Please join us. Our membership dues are only \$15 per year.

This year's regular daytime meetings will be held, as usual, on the second Monday of most months: Oct. 10, Nov. 14, and Dec. 12 in 2011; and Feb. 13, March 12, April 9, May 14, and June 11 in 2012 at 12:30 p.m. at Emmanuel United Methodist Church on Cedar Lane in Beltsville, Md.

During our October meeting we will celebrate our 89<sup>th</sup> anniversary! We are gearing up for our Thanksgiving and Christmas

holiday food and gifts-giving programs for those Beltsville families in need.

Our mission is to serve the Beltsville community. Please remember we are a 501(c)(3)

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## Club News

### Beltsville Young at Heart

By Barbara Schofield

The Beltsville Young at Heart Club meets on the first and third Thursday of the month. Come join us for friendship and fun.

Our last meeting focused on entertainment; John Snyder played and sang summertime tunes for us. We had sing-along time, too. Hugh Gribben raffled off two \$25 gift certificates to the Olive Garden restaurant. Great job. Terry Stark won the raffle. Past president Edie Marcus was in town and paid us a visit to see many old friends.

Trouble is a sieve through which we sift our acquaintances. Those too big to pass through are our friends.

### October Happenings at the College Park Moose Lodge #453

Friday, Oct. 7th, is the date for the return of the great band, HO-KISS PO-KISS. The band members are great musicians and talented singers. They perform songs of the original artists while dressed in that era's attire. You might hear Willie Nelson, Dolly Parton, Alan Jackson, the Blues Brothers, and more. Ticket price includes dinner and dessert. Dinner is 6-7:30 p.m. with music beginning at 7:30 p.m. Come out to see, dance, and listen to the sounds of the sensational HO-KISS PO-KISS BAND. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. Call for tickets early, as this is a popular event.

A 50's NIGHT will be

held on Friday, Oct. 21 beginning at 6:00 p.m. There will be 50's music & dance contests. Food will be available to purchase, including sliders, fries, root beer floats and fudge brownie ice cream sundaes. Food 6-9:00 p.m. Music 7-10:00 p.m. THIS IS A BENEFIT FOR MOOSEHEART, THE HOME FOR CHILDREN. Come out and enjoy our 50's celebration. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - FREE ADMISSION.

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### COAKLEY

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October is Fire Safety Month. Please share these Halloween safety tips with friends and family.

Before children start out on their "trick or treat" rounds, parents should make sure that an adult or an older responsible youth will be supervising the outing for children under 12 years of age. Teach your children to stop only at houses or apartment buildings that are well lit and **never** enter a stranger's home. Establish a time for children to return home.

**Motorists:** Your job is to watch for children and their parents, as they too will be sharing the roadways and sidewalks this holiday season. Be very careful for anyone that could dart out from parked cars. When traveling through residential locations please be mindful



of the speed limit that is posted and allow for pedestrians to cross at designated cross walks.

**Costume Design:** Only fire-retardant materials should be used for costumes. Costumes should be loose so warm clothes can be worn underneath. Costumes should not be so long that they create a tripping hazard. Falls are the leading cause of unintentional injuries on Halloween. If children are allowed out after dark, outfits should be light colored materials. Strips of reflective tape should be used to make children more visible.

**Face Design:** Masks can

obstruct a child's vision; use facial make-up instead.

**Accessories:** Knives, swords and other accessories should be made from cardboard or flexible materials.

Do not allow children to carry sharp objects. Bags or sacks carried by youngsters should be light-colored or trimmed with reflective tape if children are allowed out after dark. Carrying flashlights will help children see better and be seen more clearly.

**On the way:** Remind your child not to enter homes or apartments without adult supervision. Walk, do not run, from house to house. Do not cross yards and lawns where unseen objects or the uneven terrain can present tripping hazards. Walk on sidewalks, not in streets. Walk on the left side of the road facing traffic if there are no sidewalks.

**Treats:** To ensure a safe trick-or-treat outing, parents are urged to give children an early meal before going out. Insist that treats be brought home for inspection before anything is eaten. When in doubt, throw it out.

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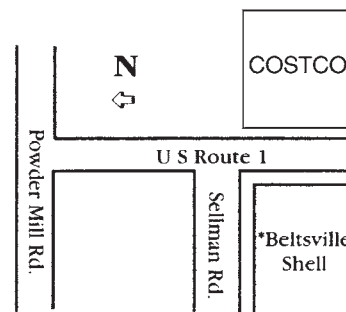


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## FOOD BANK

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their hard work.

Despite the rain and wind, the food bank handed out 79 boxes of food to 73 families serving 324 people. They also gave out more than 100 backpacks and tote bags with school supplies in them and several bags of clothing.

The food bank would like to thank all of the volunteers who came in to help with the distribution as well as everyone who donated items. Remember, the food bank is always accepting donations of dried and canned

goods such as tuna, vegetables, pasta, pasta sauce, macaroni and cheese, cereal, powdered milk, shelf-stable non-refrigerated milk, and more. We also take clothing donations. If you have anything to donate or are in need of immediate assistance and can't wait for the monthly distributions, you can call our office at 301.937.7114 or email us at [foodbank@emmanu-elumcbeltsville.net](mailto:foodbank@emmanu-elumcbeltsville.net).

The food distribution schedule for the rest of the year is as follows: Oct. 22, 10 to 11:30 a.m.; Nov. 20, 1:30 to 3 p.m.; and Dec. 24, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

## Club News

### Beltsville-Adelphi Boys and Girls Club

Attention all athletes and non-athletes! Come out and join the fun! October and November offers opportunities to register for basketball. Cheerleading, soccer, fall developmental baseball, and football are underway. Yes, football is back in Beltsville and better than ever. Register for the year with our new online registration at [www.beltsvilleadelphi.com](http://www.beltsvilleadelphi.com). Payments are now due for all sports. Make your payment arrangements today. Become a volunteer and coach, assistant coach or become a team parent. You can help sell concessions. Board of Directors seats are still available. Join us in making our program better; you can make a difference. Everyone remember to come out and join us for the Harvest Classic Soccer Tournament at High Point High School in Beltsville on Nov. 12 and 13. Hope to see everyone there!

### Beltsville Rotary News

By Ivy Christoffers

Chili-lovers unite! The waiting is over! Oct. 8, 2011, is the long awaited day of festivities at Behnke's Nursery: the annual Chili Cook-Off with chili-tasting, a competition for first place between the professional cooks and a separate throw-down between the amateurs, three different musical groups which were added this year, the great raffle, and much more to hold your interest. Come out, join in the fun and fellowship and dance in the aisles. Add your support to this unique fundraiser that is held to support the Beltsville Rotary. All the proceeds return to the community through the various charities we support, including educational scholarships. We guarantee you will have a great time.

Our most recent speaker was past president, Nancy Randall, who gave us an update on the political front and spoke at length of her involvement in the Neighborhood Watch program in the Adelphi, Md., and Hillandale, Md., communities. Through her intervention many positive changes have transpired, resulting in less conflict and more peaceful co-existence.

Following this meeting, three Rotary members attended an award ceremony held at The National Agricultural Library where our Rotary Club president, Eleanor Frierson, was presented the very prestigious Federal Librarian of the Year award. Karl Norris, an agricultural engineer who spent 38 years with the Agricultural Research Center, Nancy Randall, past Rotary president and business owner, and myself, were pleased to add our congratulations to Frierson on her many accomplish-

ments that garnered her this great acknowledgement of her achievements.

Another very enjoyable meeting was held the previous week when each Rotarian in attendance was called upon to give an update of the recent happenings in their lives. A lot was shared and learned.

Joyce Malin, our secretary, brought us a guest speaker, Patsy Conner, who has been with the Prince George's County school system for 22 years and at High Point High School for approximately 13 years. Conner spoke with great passion of her Youth with a Purpose program through which she has developed a very successful peer-to-peer motivation and mentoring of at-risk youth. Through her efforts, one student received a full scholarship to Pepperdine University and other prior students have returned to become board members. Conner spoke of several success stories, a most worthwhile and needed effort to save our leaders of tomorrow.

Each week we invite guest speakers to visit our club and bring us informative discussions that we may not otherwise be privy to. If you are a professional who has a message of merit, please give me a call to discuss the possibility of your appearing before our members. Lunch is on me.

We welcome the new principal of High Point High School, Sandi Jimenez, and wish for her a truly successful year implementing the changes she expressed in her column last month.

If you would like to check out Rotary, we meet each Tuesday at noon in the Holiday Inn in College Park, Md. Phone 301.595.5225.

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# Club News

## End of Summer Activities for College Park Unit #217

By Ivy Christoffers

The last few weeks have been very active for the members of College Park Unit #217, as well as for the Post members, as they planned and executed several events to honor our Veterans, support our youth and assist the community.

Let us begin with the National American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary Convention held in Minneapolis the last week of August. Two of our Beltsville residents were among the attendees: myself and Sandi Dutton, a past National American Legion Auxiliary President and a member of Greenbelt Unit #136. There was much information shared, awards presented, and friendships revisited, as well as a great parade and many discussions on plans for the coming year. We came home with renewed dedication and commitment for this great organization that honors our heroes and their service to this country. We can honor them through volunteering, sharing our time and talent, connecting with others, enabling, encouraging and inspiring our members to greater heights of service.

In September, Mark Beard, Post # 217 Sergeant-at-Arms, officiated at our annual POW/MIA observance held at the Post. Well done. The next day, on Sept. 17, there were two events. First, my car left the Post Home at 9 a.m. with three other volunteers inside, Annie Hanyok, Elizabeth Rice and Pat Ferguson, and we were on our way to Charlotte Hall Veterans Home to participate in their annual Summer Carnival. The theme this year was "The Fabulous Fifties," which was evidenced everywhere. Thanks to past president of Unit #217, Diana Mays, I was right in style in her poodle skirt. We had a great time and entertained more than a hundred veterans. Joan Stewart and Post Commander Elando Lindsey attended for a short time. Lindsey visited with Donny Graves, a Post member who is now a resident of Charlotte Hall who said he would appreciate more visitors.

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the success of the day. Our veterans really enjoyed this event. On the way home, Elizabeth Rice and I stopped for dinner, as the hotdog we had for lunch at Charlotte Hall had long since

worn off.

The same day, "Crabs in the Backyard" began at 4 p.m. at the Post Home, so most of our volunteers left Charlotte Hall to attend this other event. This was also a success because more than 65 crab-lovers took advantage of the opportunity to enjoy our Maryland seafood specialty.

Columbia Arts Center is currently exhibiting 39 pieces of work from Veterans participating in Veterans Creative Arts at the Washington, D.C., VA.

A reception held on Sept. 15, 2011, was well-attended by art lovers and 12 of the Veterans whose work was on display. Congratulations to the Arts Center for recognizing these talented artists, all Veterans, who have served our country.

Upcoming events in October will be the appearance of Johnny Seaton, the famous Elvis Presley impersonator, on Oct. 8, the Youth Appreciation Day on Oct. 15, the Senior Fall Conference of the American Legion Auxiliary on Oct. 28-30 being held in Ocean City, Md., our Unit and Post com-

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## Club News

### Beltsville Lions to Hold Annual Banquet and Silent Auction

The Beltsville Lions Club Annual Banquet and Silent Auction is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 26, at the Villa, located at 4060 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville, Md., adjacent to the Calverton Shopping Center.

Guests will be treated to a gourmet meal in the sumptuous Grand Ballroom at the Villa, and will have the opportunity to silently bid on a wide selection of items donated by businessmen and service providers in the greater Beltsville area. The items include hotel rooms, meals in great restaurants, jewelry, designer sunglasses, tickets to sporting events and much more. Items go to the highest bidder, and every penny collected by the Lions will come back to Beltsville in the form of aid to those in need.

Make reservations by sending your check for \$35 per person to

Beltsville Lions, PO Box 252, Beltsville, Md., 20704. Call Ted at 301.937.6796 or e-mail [BeltsvilleLions@aol.com](mailto:BeltsvilleLions@aol.com) for further information. Entree options are: grilled tenderloin of beef, pan-

seared mahi mahi, and chicken Devonshire. The full menu will be forwarded on request. An order form is provided below to facilitate making reservations for this function.

Please make reservations for \_\_\_ persons for the Beltsville Lions Banquet & Silent Auction of 27 October at The Villa. A check or money order payable to the Beltsville Lions to cover the cost of \$35 per person is enclosed.

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## School News

### High Point's Jimenez Discusses Budget with Alumni

By Laura Kelley, High Point High School Senior

In the midst of class change, students walked the familiar halls of High Point High School and noticed something a little different – a group of approximately 30 High Point graduates following Principal Sandra Jimenez on a tour of the building on Friday, Sept. 16, 2011.

These weren't just any High Point graduates; this was the class of 1961 returning to their alma mater after 50 years. The graduates were greeted in the Media Center by a presentation from Jimenez and then taken on a tour where Jimenez answered any questions the alumni had for her. Presented were facts about the school and the changes the student body, as well as staff and faculty, have undergone in the past six months.

"Things have changed so much," said Jimenez as she discussed the importance of finances in a school such as High Point where such a limited budget is given to operate from August to June. Jimenez mentioned the poverty level present at

the school and how it has made an impact on families.

Due to budget cuts, the school lacks valuable programs, but with donations, Jimenez plans to provide important services to the students. These programs would include free coats or school supplies for families who can't afford them, GED programs, etc.

"The truth of the matter is that there's a new guitar class with 30 or 40 kids and only 10 guitars," Jimenez clarified as she spoke on behalf of the fine arts department's lack of funding for their classes. That was just one example of the many needs of the school.

In addition, athletic programs at the school raise their own money for new uniforms or equipment. Jimenez believes when students are at the school involved in extracurricular activities, it means they are not out on the street or causing trouble. Therefore, Jimenez would like to see more support given to these teams by way of contributions.

The alumni asked whether or not their possible donations would go to the school or straight to

the county. Jimenez assured them there are regulations and procedures whenever a school receives money, but High Point would ultimately get it.

The school can take the slightest amount of money and stretch it to go a long way and make an impact on the overall school environment greatly.

One alumnus, questioning the potential progress of the county's public school system, asked, "Is there a light at the end of the tunnel?"

Jimenez replied, "I see hope."

This mentality is exactly what High Point and its community wants and is thankful to her for it.

With budget cuts constantly on the rise, students and teachers alike ponder over the fate of their school and extracurricular activities. With 220 schools in the Prince George's County Public School system, it is hard for High Point High School to receive the necessary funding for special programs and renovation. This year's graduating class and all future classes look to alumni to help make the difference.

### Our Doors Are Open

The High Road Upper School of Prince George's County places a premium on providing top notch educational services to its students. In addition, it is essential to students to provide opportunities that will enhance their learning and social and emotional growth through programs, events and activities throughout the school year.

Michelle Anderson, Education Director, strongly believes in school events where the community can join the students as they put their learning on display.

Anderson said, "Our events are the perfect chance for our students to share with the community their knowledge and education growth through a variety of projects."

The event schedule kicks off on Oct. 6, 2011, at 10 a.m. with its annual open house. The school opens its doors to parents, family members, district personnel, and you, the community, to give you a glimpse of a typical day at the High Road Upper School of Prince George's County. Beaming with school pride, students will be leading tours throughout the event. We look forward to seeing you.



# Baker Bill

STUFF 'N THINGS

Summer is over and football season is here. My class starts in a few days and I still have room for one more. If you have been putting it off, call 301.572.4180 now.

Here I go again. I have just driven through the heaviest rain-storm in my life. My wipers could not keep up and the wheel wash coming toward me from the cars was fierce. Most drivers had their headlights on, but some didn't; if you were one of them, shame on you for putting your life and that of other drivers in danger. Others could not see you! I am sure you were glad others had their lights on. Oh well! I made it through. I thought about pulling over and waiting, but that's not a good idea because I would have become a stopped target and other drivers behind me may not understand why I am stopped and rear-ended me. The best practice is to slow down, follow the lights in front of you, and hope they stay on the road!

Remember when I wrote fad diets come around about every

five years? I saw an ad for a no-carb diet the other day. You know, I write about TV commercials a lot. They also have fads. Right now, you can lose weight without making any changes in your eating habits. Just take a pill, as in one of 10 I have seen advertised lately, or buy frozen food from a company. In fact, there are three plans you can buy. If you only eat their stuff, you can look good in a string bikini in only 12 years or so. Will you look good in that many years?

The one that really gets me is this one: if you owe \$25,000 to the IRS, one of these scams will cut the amount to only \$5,000. Great, but you probably owe them \$2,500, payable on demand. Of course, all of this is my opinion only. I have no facts. And all you need to do for a new car is show up. Hey — don't even get me started on cell phones, smart phones, etc. In fact, I would not be surprised if it came out that all the so-called systems are the same company under different names. Another fad that is dying, glad

to say, is Botox, a very dangerous drug, unless a doctor does it. And they make mistakes and can deform you; don't do it.

Where were you when the earthquake happened? I was sitting in the den when I first heard a rumbling sound coming from the TV set; then the whole house shook. Now I have experienced it all, a tornado, a blizzard, a hur-

**BAKER BILL**  
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# Calendar of Events

## AREA EVENTS

### MONTPELIER MANSION

9650 Muirkirk Rd., Laurel. Call 301.377.7817 for information on events and classes, including those at the Art Center; TTY: 301.454.1472; e-mail: montpeliermansion@pgparks.com. The grounds are open from dawn until dusk every day of the year. Except for major holidays, tours of the mansion are available on the following schedule: A) Self-guided tours Mon. – Thur. from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., and B) Guided tours Sun. at 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. Fees for all tours: \$3.00 for adults, \$2.00 for seniors, and \$1.00 for children 5 – 18. Children under 5 are admitted FREE.

### AFTERNOON TEAS

The Mystery Tea will take place Sat., Oct. 15 at 1:30 p.m. The Masquerade Tea will take place Sun., Oct. 23 at 2:30 p.m., and masks are encouraged. Treat yourself to an English tea in the relaxing atmosphere of the elegant South Wing. Indulge in a prix fixe menu of fine finger sandwiches, scrumptious cakes and pastries, buttery scones, and your choice of two quality loose-leaf teas. **Advanced reservations and payment required.** Cost: \$27.50/person, includes gratuity and self-guided tour. Call 301.377.7817; TTY 301.699.2544.

### COLLEGE PARK AVIATION MUSEUM

1985 Cpl. Frank Scott Dr., College Park. Call 301.864.6029 for information on more events. TTY: 301.699.2544. Museum admission is \$4.00 for adults, \$3.00 for seniors, and \$2.00 for children. Children under 2 admitted free. Open daily from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tours for groups of 10 or more are available by appointment.

### RESTORATION SHOP OPEN HOUSE

Sat., Oct. 1 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Take a short walk from the museum to the restoration facility to see the process of creating and restoring museum quality exhibits and aircraft. Staff will be on hand to answer questions.

### GREENBELT COMMUNITY CENTER

15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770. Call 301.397.2208 for more information and to register. Also see [www.greenbeltdmd.gov/recreation](http://www.greenbeltdmd.gov/recreation) to see listings for other classes and events.

### CERAMIC BEADS AND PENDANTS MINI-CLASS

Suns., Oct. 9 and 16 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Learn how to create one-of-a-kind, hand-crafted ceramic pendants, beads, and buttons with master clay artist Karen Arrington and use to design your own pieces. From necklaces, bracelets, and earrings to pillows, purses, and lampshades, the possibilities are endless. Clay and glazes are provided. Limited Ceramics Open Studio provided between the two class meeting dates. Participants are also eligible for a \$10.00 discount on Ceramics or Visual Arts Open Studio for the full fall session. Ages 16+. Fee: \$50.00 for Beltsville residents.

### NATIONAL WILDLIFE VISITOR CENTER

10901 Scarlet Tanager Loop, Laurel, MD 20708. The Visitor Center entrance is accessed from Powder Mill Rd. between the Baltimore–Washington Pkwy. and Rt. 197. The center is part of the Patuxent Wildlife Research Refuge and is open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. FREE admission to the center and its exhibits, the grounds, and the trails. For more information regarding the following and other activities, call 301.497.5887 or see [Patuxent.fws.gov](http://Patuxent.fws.gov).

### SEASONAL TRAM TOURS

Tours take place weather permitting. Weekend schedule until mid-Nov.: 11:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m., and 3:00 p.m. Enjoy a 30-minute guided tour through the Patuxent Wildlife Research Refuge on an all-electric, open-air tram. View wildlife and their managed habitats while discovering the story of how the land has changed over time. Tickets are \$3.00 for adults, \$2.00 for seniors over 55, and \$1.00 for children under 12. *Please bring exact change.* Registration is not required; seating is first come, first served.

### ANNUAL WILDLIFE FESTIVAL

Sat., Oct. 15 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **No registration necessary. All Ages. FREE.** Come find out about the groundbreaking research being done here. Activities include live animal displays, kid's crafts, research exhibits, and *behind-the-scenes tours [by free bus] to see endangered whooping cranes.* Refreshments will be available for sale, courtesy of Friends of Patuxent, and the regular seasonal tram tours will take place as usual (for a fee, see listing above).

### MISUNDERSTOOD MENAGERIE

Sun., Oct. 23 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. All Ages. FREE. Bring the whole family, to explore and dispel some common misconceptions about some marvelous Maryland wildlife. Discover the truth about such creatures as skunks, snakes, toads, and dragonflies. You decide if they are truly scary.

### FALL RUMMAGE SALE

Sat. Oct. 22 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at College Park United Methodist Church, 9601 Rhode Island ave., College Park. \$2 per bagful starts at 1:00 p.m.

## BELTSVILLE EVENTS

### NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIBRARY (NAL)

NAL is open Mon. – Fri. from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except for federal holidays. 10301 Baltimore Ave. Parking is free in the visitor's lot accessed via the Rhode Island Ave. driveway entrance. See **NAL en Español** at [www.nal.usda.gov/about/spanfly.pdf](http://www.nal.usda.gov/about/spanfly.pdf) or in English at [www.nal.usda.gov](http://www.nal.usda.gov). Call 301.504.5876 for information on basic services, resources, and special events. FREE and open to the public.

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**Closed Mon., Oct. 10.** Regular hours of operation are: Mon. – Tue. 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Wed. – Fri. 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Sat. 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., closed on Sun. Contact the Beltsville Library by phone at 301.937.0294 for more information regarding these and other programs. Visit us at 4319 Sellman Rd., Beltsville, next door to the police station. Visit our library system website at [www.pgcmis.info](http://www.pgcmis.info).

### PROGRAMS FOR EVERYONE

#### CHESS CLUB

Tues., Oct. 11 and 25 at 5:30 p.m. Chess for all ages and levels. Everyone welcome. Come to learn or just to play and have fun.

### PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

#### READING THEATER

Mon., Oct. 3 at 4:30 p.m. *Contact the library to get the date for the second session because the library will be closed on Mon., Oct. 10.* Be a character or a member of the audience and have fun reading out loud with a group. Ages 8 – 11.

#### FAMILY GAME ON!

Tue., Oct. 4 at 6:00 p.m. Families are invited to join the library for a night of video games and board games.

#### TAIL WAGGIN' TUTORS

Sat., Oct. 15 at 10:15 a.m. Build your child's confidence in reading. Bring a favorite book or choose one from the library. Read to Bou or Oscar, specially trained therapy dogs who will be glad to listen. Each child will read for 15 minutes. **Registration is required.** Please contact the Beltsville Library for more information. Ages 6 – 12 years.

#### HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

Tue., Oct. 18 at 7:00 p.m. Dress for a costume parade and be entertained by a surprise special guest. All ages welcome.

### SCARY STORIES, SPOOKY STORIES

Sat., Oct. 22 at 2:00 p.m. Join Voices in the Glen for an afternoon of scary stories. Ages 7 – adult.

### GOOSEY LOOSEY

Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m., through Nov. 16. Stories, songs, fingerplays, and Mother Goose rhymes. For newborns to 18 months with caregiver.

### STORYTIME

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m., through Nov. 23. Stories, songs, and fingerplays. Ages 3 – 5.

### PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

#### TEEN CREATIVITY CONTEST

Entries accepted until 5 p.m., Sat., Oct. 15. Express your creativity by creating an original piece of artwork, either by hand, digitally, or by a photograph. Entries will be displayed in the library as they are submitted and they will be voted on during Teen Read Week, Oct. 17 – 22. Please contact the Beltsville Library for more information. Ages 11 – 18.

### BELTSVILLE TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

Sat., Oct. 1 at 2:00 p.m. Make a difference at your library. Ages 13 – 18.

### PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

#### FRIENDS OF THE BELTSVILLE LIBRARY

Tue., Oct. 4 at 6:30 p.m.

#### EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION

Tue., Oct. 11 at 7:00 p.m. Annie Dillard's *The Maytrees*. All adults are welcome.

#### AFTERNOON BOOK DISCUSSION

Tue., Oct. 18 at 2:00 p.m. Kathryn Stockett's *The Help*. All are welcome.

### COMPUTERS FOR EVERYONE

Thur., Oct. 27 at 9:10 a.m. Don't be intimidated by computers! Join us to learn basic computer skills, terminology, and how to use the library's computers. Leave the library feeling more confident using a computer. Limit 16 per class. Registration required.

### BELTSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

3900 Sellman Rd., Beltsville. Hours of operation are: Mon. – Thur. from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Fri. from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (except for Xtreme Teen events), and Sat. from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (except for Xtreme Teen events). Closed on Sunday. The Program Specialist is Michael Hansborough. Contact him at 301.937.6613 or [Michael.Hansborough@pgparks.com](mailto:Michael.Hansborough@pgparks.com) for information regarding events and classes scheduled for October. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512.

### SCRAPBOOKING FOR CHILDREN

Tues., Oct 11 and 25 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Kids, get creative building priceless memories for your family. You will create one scrapbook page per session with the help of an expert. Bring in your favorite pictures, decorations, stickers, and a scrapbook page (12" x 12" sheet) to generate a personalized piece. At the end of 2011 you will have a book of memories. Ages 5 – 12. Fee: \$5 for Residents, and \$7 for Non-residents.

### LIVE REPTILE SHOW

Fri., Oct. 21 from 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. This event is in honor of Reptile Awareness Day. Come join us here at the Beltsville Community Center as some scaly friends visit us from Mount Rainier Nature Center. Ages 6 – 12. FREE. **Registration required by Oct. 14.**

### PRE-HALLOWEEN SPOOKY SKATE

Fri., Oct. 28 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Come dressed up in your best costume and have a great time roller skating with friends and family. We provide the roller skates and music. Ages 6 – 12, Fee: \$3.00 Residents, \$5.00 Non-residents. **Reservations required by Oct. 21.**

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**XTREME TEEN OPEN HOUSE**

Fri., Oct. 14 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. This is an exciting night that showcases our teen program that takes place on Friday and Saturday nights throughout the year. Stop by, hang out, and have a great time! Ages 10-17. FREE w/ center ID.

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**XTREME TEENS REGULAR EVENTS**

Every Fri. and Sat. from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.  
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munity children's Halloween Party on Oct. 30 from 1 to 3 p.m. and an adult Halloween Party on the same evening: costumes are mandatory. Except for the fall conference, all of these events are open to the public. For further information, call 301.441.2783.

Sunday dinners are still served during the games, and every Friday from 5 to 7:30 p.m. followed by a band and dancing until 11 p.m. Call the above number for the menu. A great lunch can be had during the week. Brian does a terrific job supplying delicious meals.

Remember our Veterans on Veteran's Day and, if possible, attend an observance in your area. The one held at the intersection of Route 1 and Greenbelt Road is always especially memorable. Keep our troops in your prayers. May God continue to bless America.

**DISASTERS**

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the scene, the branch became so heavy with rain it rested on the power line. There was an electrical buzz, a bright light, and a loud boom, followed by the complete loss of power. An hour later, Pepco returned to trim the tree and restore power to the area.

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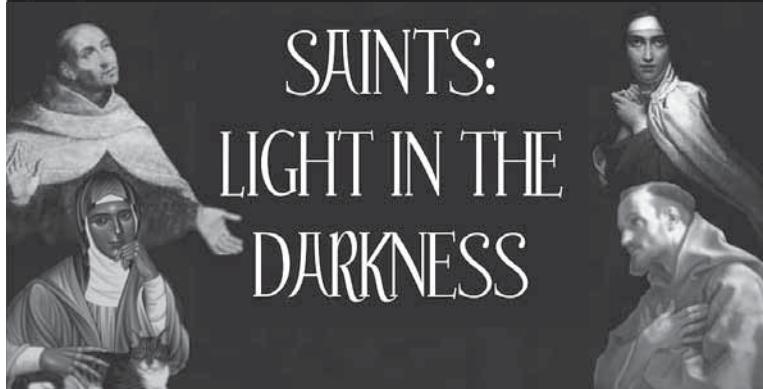
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**LETTER**

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- They are responsible citizens of their community
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*Your fellow citizen,  
Catherine Ajenifuja*

**BAKER BILL**


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ricane, and an earthquake. Now if I could only break 100 in golf again. Funny, I just wrote about earthquake insurance. Frankly the rumbling was more scary than the shaking. The sound was so strange. I have never heard anything like it, and then another hurricane. Wow! The media was saying don't go out or you may die, again and again, all day, all week. In my area, very little happened; just a lot of rain, but some areas had it very bad.

I'll close for now. Reach me at [bakerbill2010@hotmail.com](mailto:bakerbill2010@hotmail.com). Thanks for reading.

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