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## Beltsville Briefs

### Basket Bingo

Birmingham Lodge of Masons at 10800 Edmonston Rd. Beltsville, MD 20705 will hold its first Family Basket Bingo on Sunday, April 25 at 2:00 p.m. The proceeds will go to the Lodge Community Outreach program. Come and join the fun.

### Beltsville Lions Blood Drive

The Beltsville Lions cordially invite your participation in their quarterly blood drive on Tuesday, April 27 from 3:00 to 6:45 p.m. at the Beltsville Community Center, 3900 Sellman Road. Professional staff of the Washington Hospital Center, MedStar will conduct the blood donations.

The donations are done in a very efficient manner, and waiting time is kept at a minimum. Please consider donating if you are able to do so. You could give no better gift to someone in dire need of a transfusion.

If you can do it and are interested in helping with a blood donation, please call Lion Ted Ladd at 301.937.6796 or e-mail tedladd02@aol.com to schedule a time. Appointments are at 15-minute intervals starting at 3:00 p.m.

### Poured Out - A Ladies Tea

Saturday, May 1, at 10:00 a.m. the First Baptist Church of Beltsville, 4700 Odell Road, Beltsville, MD will present a ladies tea and crafting event. Gayla Parker, the WMU Executive Director for the Baptist Convention of MD/DE, will share an encouraging message and challenge us to be a blessing to others. Fee of \$10 includes lunch and handmade crafts. Please contact the church at 301.937.7771 or churchoffice@fbcbeltsville.org to register before April 25th. All ladies are welcome!

### Vacation Bible School at First Baptist Church of Beltsville

Saddle up your horses & giddy up to Vacation Bible School (VBS) at First Baptist Church of Beltsville, 4700 Odell Road. We'll round up answers to life's big questions during June 21-25, from 9:00 a.m. to high noon each day. This VBS is FREE. For more information call 301.937.7771.

## Beltsville Boy, 13, Wins Merit Award In Lions International Peace Poster Contest

OAK BROOK, IL, USA, March 4, 2010—Eduardo A. Escamilla, a 13-year-old boy from Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School, has been named a merit award winner in the 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest. The theme of this year's competition was "The Power of Peace."

"My message to those who see my poster is that we can make peace in this world without fighting and making war," said Escamilla.

Escamilla's winning poster was chosen for its originality, artistic merit and portrayal of this



Eduardo A. Escamilla

year's theme. He is one of 23 merit award winners chosen from

more than 350,000 entries drawn by children ages 11 to 13 from 70 countries.

As a merit award winner, the College Park Lions Club, local sponsor of the contest, will present Escamilla with a cash award of US\$500 and a certificate of achievement.

"Our club is very excited to have sponsored a merit award winner in this meaningful international contest," said Robert C. Smaldore, youth committee chairperson of the College Park Lions Club. "We are proud to

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## Local Artist Exhibited at Lowe House Office Building in Annapolis, MD

Barbara Crawley Crowe has two of her photographs on exhibition in the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission's annual Time/Space exhibition. The annual exhibition showcases Prince George's County artists during the state's nine-week legislative session and serves to remind our lawmakers that artists are important constituents and members of the community.

Her digital photographs "Out on the Bay" and "No Place to Go" are on display in the Prince



Barbara Crawley Crowe

George's Delegation Wing of the Lowe House Office Building until April 2010. A reception for artists and legislators sponsored by the Prince George's Arts Council will be held March 24th from 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Barbara is a visual communicator using as her primary medium of communication the lens of a camera, be it 35mm SLR or digital SLR. She states, "There has always been a part of me that has wanted others to see the

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## Beltsville Academy Science Fair Winners

Another outstanding Science Fair was held recently at Beltsville Academy with over 200 projects submitted for judging by students in the 4<sup>th</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> grades. More than 35 judges participated from the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center, WSSC, Behnke's Nursery, and individuals from the Beltsville community. Eleven outstanding projects received 1st place blue ribbons, and two projects (one lower grade and one upper grade) received Grand Prize awards on March 10.



Blue ribbon and Grand Prize winners, from left, are Erica Gibbs, Samantha Iseli (Grand prize winner, 6<sup>th</sup> grade), Mrs. Ingrid Reynolds-Lawson, Principal, Alyssa Guitierrez, Mrs. Leslie Lowe, Vice-Principal, Tim Pulik, Daniel Douglas, Mr. Ed Pulik, PTA Science Fair Chair, Frederick Douglas (Grand prize winner, 5<sup>th</sup> grade), and Steven Dea. Winners not shown include Jacob Keppler, Nick Keppler, Julian Blackwell and Christina Sutton.

## NEXT ISSUE:

### Submissions Due

No Later

Than:

April 21

Paper Out:

May 1

## On the Agenda



Karen Coakley

### By President Karen Coakley

Spring is Finally here!!!! This year the county will pick up grass, clippings, leaves, branches etc.... from your yard along with your regular trash. All yard waste must be bagged or bundled.

### CHRISTMAS IN APRIL PROJECT 2010

The District 6 Police are looking for helpers with this year's Christmas in April Project 11708 Ellington Drive Beltsville MD 20705. The date of the event is April 24, and the time of start is 8:00 a.m. If you can lend a hand, give me a call.

### EARTH DAY CLEAN UP 2010

April meeting will be on Wednesday April 21st at 7:00 p.m. If you have a community concern that you would like to discuss please give me a call. I can be reached at 301.937.0157 or karenmcoakley@verizon.net.

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## 25 Years Ago in the Beltsville News

By Phil Whitman

Extracted from the  
April 1985 Issue

### Feeny Honored

The Maryland General Assembly honored **Maralita (Micky) Feeny**, longtime Beltsville librarian, for her contributions to the community.

### Engagements

**Mr. & Mrs. John Sigler** of Beltsville announced the engagement of **Susan Marie Sigler** to **Lee John Phillips** of Scranton, PA.

**Katherine Mary Tinius** was engaged to **Paul Lamerton Thompson** of Rockville, MD and the wedding was planned for October 1985.

### Weddings

**Dayle Suzanne Johnson & Terry Reece** were married on October 27, 1985 in the Church of the Little Flower.

**Letha Jarrell Nealis** married **Terry Grant Cope** of Houston, TX.

### Carl Behnke Graduates

**Carl Behnke** graduated from the Culinary Institute of America on January 18, 1985, having completed a 21-month course in food preparation and service.

### Local Author Produces New Book

**Gordon F. Shea's** new book, "Managing a Difficult or Hostile Audience" became available in paperback.

### FISH Benefits from Crop Walk

On November 4, 1984, participants in the Sixth annual Crop Walk raised \$5,325. Twenty per cent was donated to the local FISH organization. **Doris Wray, Bytha Bowen** and **Carolyn Scarcia** presented the check.

### Service News

Navy Airman Recruit **Gregory J. Hobson** graduated from the Basic Aviation Ordnance School in Millington, TN

Marine PFC **Israel Rodriguez** completed the Aviation Hydraulics Maintenance Course.

Marine Lance Corporal **Luis A. Martinez** served with the Marine Service Support Group 22 at Camp Lejeune, NC.

### New Arrival

**Holly Rene Gorman** was born on February 16, 1985 to **Judy & Chris Gorman** of Greenwood Road, Beltsville.

### Sisler Receives Award

**Hugh D. Sisler** received the 1985 Excellence in Research Award from the College of Agriculture Alumni Chapter at the University of Maryland.

### Obituaries

**Wilbur I. (Brick) Snyder** died April 1, 1985.

**Alice L. Geimar** died March 16, 1985

**Brian D. Woodzelle** died March 18, 1985.

**Edna A. Bell** died March 29, 1985

**Ida C. Snead** died March 10, 1985

**Christina I. Horan** died March 25, 1985

**Ollie A. Wells** died March 18, 1985

## Letter to the Editor

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### Circulation

14,000 copies published monthly; 10,000 mailed in the 20705 zip code (total saturation) and 4,000 pick up copies available at the Beltsville library, community center, selected stores, and churches.

Dear Editor,

I am writing to acknowledge and to commend a local businessman. Mr. Kim, manager of Raulins' Bakery, is a kind and considerate man who delivers bread from his bakery to an elderly man who lives on Cedar Lane in Beltsville. He delivers at no charge, in response to his phone orders for fresh bread.

He, or others in his bakery have been doing this for some time (more than 2 years). I thought it appropriate to recognize these kind and considerate acts. It is a matter of civic pride that our town has such people and businesses that contribute to our community and keep the spirit of neighborliness and thoughtfulness alive and thriving. This is especially true in the present economic situation, where we see the effects of greed, the "me first" attitudes and other negative human behavior at the national level.

Hugh O'Donnell

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# TESST College of Technology's Beltsville Campus Hosts Graduation

TESST College of Technology's Beltsville campus held a graduation ceremony on Thursday, March 11, 2010, for 173 students. The ceremony took place at 7:00 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Stamp Student Union at the University of Maryland in College Park, Md. Yvette Alexander, District of Columbia council member, will keynote the ceremony.

The Beltsville-based school recognized students for earning associate degrees or certificates in one of eight programs in the allied health, criminal justice, information technology or trade fields. Upon graduation, students may be eligible for entry-level positions in their field of study. According to the most recent Long-term Occupational and Industry Projections, a report by the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, electrical technician positions are expected to increase by 13.8 percent and medical assistant positions by 27.8 percent from 2006 to 2016.

"I applaud our graduates for their commitment to obtaining their desired education," said Amy Beau regard, president of the TESST College of Technology Beltsville campus. "The successful completion of an education is one of the most rewarding and joyous events in a person's lifetime, and I offer best wishes and congratulations."

The TESST College of Technology Beltsville campus is accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC). ACCSC is listed as a nationally recognized accrediting agency by the U.S. Department of Education.

The TESST College of Technology Beltsville campus March 2010 graduates are as follows:

### Associate of Applied Science

#### Electronics, Computer and Telecommunications Technology

John Afra, Elkridge, MD  
Adebanji Baderinwa, Riverdale, MD  
David Brown, Laurel, MD  
Charles A. Brunson, Lanham, MD  
Dewayne Davis, Jr., Silver Spring, MD

Marcus A. Davis, Potomac, MD  
Nathaniel Douglas, Laurel, MD  
Jose A. Guevara, Silver Spring, MD  
Wilber Guzman, Forestville, MD  
Maurice R. Harrison, Landover, MD  
Nicholas Krisa, Alexandria, VA  
Manuel Leon-Sequeira, Washington, DC  
Harley Maxi, Beltsville, MD  
Ricardo D. Mitchell, Beltsville, MD  
Alpha E. Walker, Lanham, MD  
Keith Wolfolk, Temple Hills, MD

### Associate of Applied Science

#### Network Information Systems

Jonathan E. Acker, Hyattsville, MD  
Olugbenga A. Akindolie, Laurel, MD  
Kurt Berglund, Germantown, MD  
Michael Butler, Germantown, MD  
David E. Canasa, Germantown, MD  
Oscar J. Eddins, Brandywine, MD  
Janae Fundersburg, Springdale, MD  
Delonte J. Furr, Springdale, MD  
John Gomillion, Washington, DC  
Julio C. Guillen, Silver Spring, MD  
Jay A. Hollins, Jr., Lanham, MD  
Janee M. Latta, Washington, DC  
Adrian Luckie, Lanham, MD  
Peter T. Pham, Lexington Park, MD  
Jonathan A. Rawlings, Owings, MD  
Shanna Rice, Laurel, MD  
Matthew H. Stephens, Laurel, MD  
Horacio I. Turcios, Hyattsville, MD  
LaMar Verner, Hyattsville, MD  
Tiffany Weston, Greenbelt, MD  
Melanie P. Wilcher-Simpson, Clinton, MD  
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### Associate of Applied Science

#### Criminal Justice

Sam Akkad, Bowie, MD  
Tony Argueta, Silver Spring, MD  
LaQuita Carr, Indian Head, MD  
Mauricio Cerruto-Rios, Silver Spring, MD  
Alexis R. Cropper, Laurel, MD  
Patrice Cropper, Laurel, MD  
Derrick M. Cubbage, Upper Marlboro, MD  
Latoya Hill, Columbia, MD  
Octavia Holt, Washington, DC  
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Briant Rojas, Rockville, MD  
Nzinga Severe, Columbia, MD  
Matildia Sherrod, College Park, MD  
Shenola I. Smith, Oxon Hill, MD  
Aisha K. Walton, Riverdale, MD  
Kimberly W. Williams, Hyattsville, MD  
Lawrence Witherspoon, Suitland, MD  
Malena Zelaya, Hyattsville, MD

### Certificate

#### Network Information Systems

Ming Q. Cheung, Beltsville, MD  
Roberto A. Evans, Forestville, MD  
Thierry Tchiengang, Gaithersburg, MD

### Certificate

#### Computer Business Management

Bernard A. Adade, Upper Marlboro, MD  
Betty L. Henry-Brown, Temple Hills, MD  
Freddie D. Lovelace, Burtonsville, MD  
Veronica Santos, Hyattsville, MD  
Linda M. Zelaya, Silver Spring, MD

### Certificate

#### Network Information Technology

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Richard Brown, Suitland, MD  
Seth Campbell, Silver Spring, MD  
Harry G. Davies, Hyattsville, MD  
Mfon Ekpenyong, Silver Spring, MD  
Brittany Greenhow, Beltsville, MD  
Jennifer X. Howard, Temple Hills, MD  
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Warren A. Johnson, Silver Spring, MD  
Magath Nam, Silver Spring, MD  
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Travis Wirth, Silver Spring, MD

### Certificate

#### Electrical Technician

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Robert M. Carroll, Rockville, MD  
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Miguel Dardon, Silver Spring, MD  
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### Certificate

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## National Agricultural Library to Present Display on Tomatoes in Washington

The National Agricultural Library (NAL) will be exhibiting at Public Service Recognition Week (PSRW) on the National Mall in Washington, D.C. NAL will feature a display on Tomatoes, which includes free tomato seeds.

More than 100 government offices and agencies, nonprofit organizations and private companies sponsoring interactive and educational

exhibits showcase the innovative and quality work performed by public employees. This year, the Partnership For Public Service and the Public Employees Roundtable will host the National Mall event May 6-9, 2010 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

During the four-day celebration, attendees will see government programs in action. Kids can meet

Smokey Bear, climb aboard an aircraft, or take home free educational buttons, coloring posters and maps and puzzles. Adults can search online for jobs, check their credit report, receive free health screenings and learn about emergency preparedness.

We hope you'll be able to join the celebration!

## Adult Co-Ed Kickball League

Adult co-ed kickball is being offered at the Beltsville Community Center, 3900 Sellman Road in Beltsville. The league will meet on Sundays from May 2, thru July 18, 2010. The fee is \$400 per team and the deadline for registration at the Beltsville Community Center is Friday, April 23. For more information contact Tarik Brown at 301.937.6613 or [Tarik.brown@pgparks.com](mailto:Tarik.brown@pgparks.com).

## Neighbors in the News

# Neighborly Teamwork Clears Cedar Lane

By BBBeltville

The snow fell all night and the next day and all night again. Then, on the third day, the sun was shining. The schools were closed, the federal government was closed and the county was closed because the sun was shining on two feet of snow. So the County Public Works Department must have thought they were closed because Cedar Lane didn't see a plow.

On Cedar Lane the residents spent all day clearing their driveways and waited for the county plows to come. We hoped to see the plows the next day because more snow was forecast, but "No Plows."

Then another snow fell all night and all day, adding another two feet of snow, but still no plows. So the tired residents of Cedar Lane were out again clearing the driveways and waiting for the county plows to clear the street. Even though sidewalks and driveways



Royal Smith (left) and Clarke Ahlers

were clear, the residents of Cedar Lane couldn't wait any longer for the county plows, with two snow blowers and lots of shovels, the men and women of Cedar Lane cleared a single lane for the much needed escape route to Montgomery Road.

Many thanks to the friends on Cedar Lane (between Cedar Court and Stephen Lane) for a great job:

Greta and Royal Smith as snow blower one, Clarke Ahlers as snow blower two, and the shovel team: Chris and Jessica Bostic, KC and Bill Clark, David and Ellen Miller, Sheldon and Diane Morris, the Whites, the Bullards, Wendy Harris and Ronald Quarry, Marcia and Ansel McKenzie. I hope we will see our county tax refund in the mail soon.

## Calling all Eagle Scouts

The Boy Scouts of America are celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and they are planning the largest gathering of scouts, especially Eagle Scouts, in a century. The Boy Scouts have planned a Grand Parade down Constitution Avenue on July 25<sup>th</sup> and would like to invite all Eagle Scouts to attend. If you are currently registered as an adult BSA volunteer, a complete

Boy Scout uniform is acceptable. Alternatively, we ask that you wear your vocational dress. For example, if you are active military wear your military uniform; if you are a lawyer, a suit; if you are a pharmacist, your lab coat, etc. There is a \$50 cost associated with participating in the parade, as the Boy Scouts need to pay for public safety, sani-



tation, cleanup, etc. If you are an Eagle Scout and you are interested in attending the Centennial Parade please contact Gary Bauchan, Scoutmaster Troop 1033 bsabeltsville@hotmail.com or 301.937.0944.

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## Happy Easter, Baby!

Leo Kai-Wei Chen McClintock, grandson of John and Ming Yee Chen of Beltsville, lives with his parents in Seattle, Washington. He turned two on March 12, 2010. Leo and his family will be in Beltsville for Mother's Day.

## Neighbors in the News

# The Beltsville Business Breakfast – Here's How It Works

By Paul G. Zurkowski,  
Coordinator

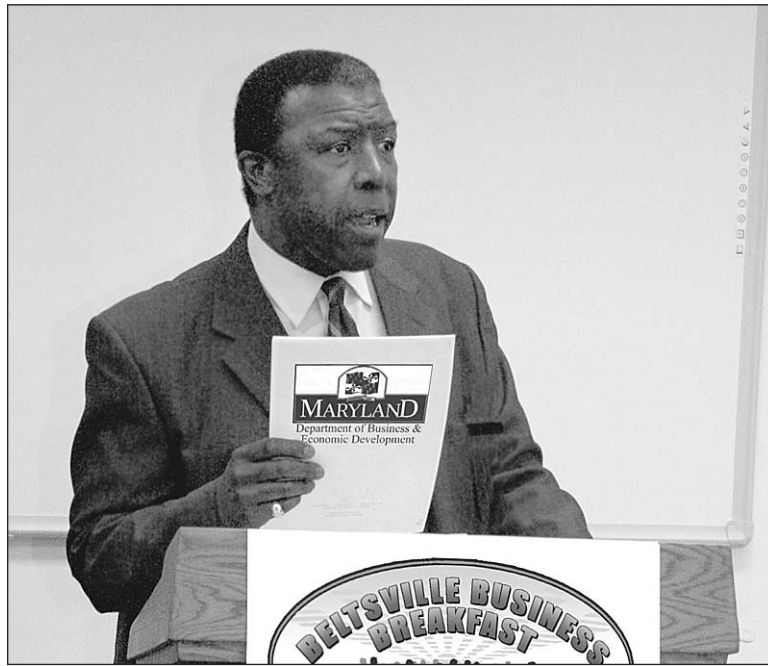
In February, after looking around the room at the Beltsville businesses gathered in the 14<sup>th</sup> floor conference room in the tall brown National Library of Agriculture in Beltsville for the Breakfast the 21<sup>st</sup> Legislative District hosts, Senator Jim Rosapepe asked if the group would like to hear about the support the State of Maryland provides small businesses. He got a resounding "yes!"

He picked up the phone and called Les Hall, the Director of Small Business Financing in the Department of Business and Economic Development who agreed to speak to the 7:30 breakfast group on March 16.

When the day arrived 50 members of the Beltsville Business Community were present eager to hear what Les had to say.

Mr. Hall started with funding programs designed to support small businesses and to generate or preserve employment opportunities.

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Celester A. Hall, Director, Small Business Financing, Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development address the March 16 Beltsville Business Breakfast.

from 20% to 50% of loan amounts for such things as land acquisition, buildings, machines and equipment, even working capital.

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major capabilities for Strategic or Local Economic Development, Direct Assistance to local jurisdictions, regional or local Revolving Loan Funds or Special Purpose loans.

Before he concluded, Mr. Hall responded to questions, many of which demonstrated that Beltsville businesses were involved and interested.

In the end, Mr. Hall encour-

aged businesses to call him (410.767.6356 or 877.821.0099) and promised to pinpoint the appropriate contact point at the state level for each question raised. He also introduced Robert Carpenter, the Lender Relations Specialist from the DC office of the U.S. Small Business Administration who also was in attendance at the breakfast. Hall said the two offices enjoy a high level of mutual cooperation and can be extremely helpful to small businesses. Mr. Carpenter (202.272.0355) resides in Beltsville and came to lend his support to the small business community in his hometown.

It was announced the Breakfast henceforth would meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month (April 21<sup>st</sup>) at the Cross Creek Golf Club House, 12800 Bay Hill Drive, Beltsville, at 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. Registration will remain just \$5. Senator Rosapepe announced that the Prince George Community Federal Credit Union, about to open a branch office in Beltsville, would be both a sponsor and speaker at that breakfast.

The breakfast serves as a listening post for the 21<sup>st</sup> District Delegation that, in addition to Senator Rosapepe, also includes three Delegates, Barbara Frush, Josefine Peña-Melnyk and Ben Barnes serving the Beltsville area.

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## Will's Decorating

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By Gary Bauchan, Scoutmaster

The Boy Scouts of Troop 1033 joined Troop 746 of Greenbelt, MD at Ski Liberty located near Gettysburg, PA on February 27<sup>th</sup>. The scouts rose early in the morning on Saturday to drive up to Ski Liberty. Most of the scouts decided to snowboard rather than ski as they were all jazzed up watching Shaun White snowboard in the Olympics. They got their gear including a helmet, attended a snowboarding lesson and then hit the slopes. Most of the morning was spent learning how to fall gracefully but after lunch the scouts looked almost like Olympians swooping down the slope. Following a day on the slopes the scouts went to the Quality Inn in Gettysburg to change out of their wet, snowy clothes and fed their Olympic size hunger by eating at an all-you-can-eat Chinese Buffet. Teen age scouts have unlimited energy which was proven by going swimming in the indoor pool at the hotel after digesting their dinner. The scouts enjoyed soaking in the warm waters and bragging about all the bumps and bruises they sustained while snowboarding during the day. The scouts who attended were: Tyis Robinson, Al Diagne, Danny Moreno, Eduardo Orellana, Patrick Deery, Adrian Villarroel,

## Scouts Snowboard Ski Liberty



Scouts enjoy snowboarding at Ski Liberty

Nathaniel Pinnock, David Timus, Charleston Laymon, Eric Matthews, Sean Halper, Chris Walker, Nujau Pinnock, and Chris Walker. Scoutmaster Gary Bauchan and Assistant Scoutmaster, Gregory Bauchan kept a watchful eye on the scouts while they were on

the slopes. Scout parents Valencia Laymon, Betsy Matthews and Bob Walker provided transportation. The scouts arose bright and early on Sunday and enjoyed a hot breakfast at the hotel before returning to Beltsville. The scouts did learn that just because you

see it on TV does not mean you can do it also. It takes practice to become an Olympian but you just never know, one of these scouts may grow up to be an Olympic snowboarder.

## Obituaries

### Beam, Franklin J.

Franklin J. Beam of Beltsville passed away on Saturday, March 13, 2010. He was the beloved husband of 59 years to Helen C. Beam; loving father of Greg (Linda) Beam, Roxann Porter and Shari (John) Papanicolas. He was the brother of Mary Spahr. Also survived by nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Funeral service was held at Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane, Beltsville, MD on Tuesday, March 16 at 11:00 a.m. Interment private. Borgwardt Funeral Home made arrangements.

### Geibel, Beverly S.

Beverly J. Geibel of Beltsville

passed away at Laurel Regional Hospital on Saturday, February 20, 2010. She was the beloved wife of 58 years to Bill J. Geibel, loving mother of Becky G. Burns and Bill J. Geibel, Jr., and grandmother of Rachel E. Burns. Also survived by many loved ones, family, and friends. Funeral service was held at Borgwardt Funeral Home, 4400 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville, MD, on Thursday, February 25, At 11:00 a.m. Interment George Washington Cemetery.

### Grove, Grace Wiser

Grace Wiser Grove of Beltsville, MD died on Sunday, February 21, 2010. She was the beloved wife of Harry R. Grove; mother of J. Dennis (Arlene) Grove, Michael

Grove and Patricia (Bernard) Pikulski; and sister of Ralph and Lawrence Wiser. Eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren also survive her. Memorial service was held at Berwyn Baptist Church, 4720 Cherokee St., College Park, MD 20740 on Friday, February 26 at 11:00 a.m. Interment private. Memorials may be made to Berwyn Baptist Church. Borgwardt Funeral Home made funeral arrangements.

### Herron, Linn

Linn Herron, a longtime resident of Beltsville, passed away on Wednesday, February 25, 2010. His wife Dorothy, brother Charles of Morgantown, WV and a host of nieces and nephews survive him.

Interment in Morgantown, WV.

### McCullough, Rita (nee Pezzella)

Rita McCullough passed away at her Beltsville residence on Wednesday, February 24, 2010. She was the beloved wife of the late William Ferrell McCullough; loving mother of Debra (Stephen) Kane, Ferrell (Tracy) McCullough, Kelly (Steve) Wego and Kenneth (Henri) McCullough; devoted sister of Josephine Pasterchick, Vinnie Mayo and the late Philip Pezzella; grandmother of Amanda, Kara, Brooke, Jessica, Ashley and Jacob. Funeral service was held at Borgwardt Funeral Home, Beltsville, MD on Monday, March 1 at 1:00 p.m. Interment Union Cemetery, Burtonsville, MD. Memorial contributions may be made to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Soci-

ety, National Capital Area, 8545 Richmond Highway, Suite 800, Alexandria, VA 22303.

### Wauschek, William M., Jr.

William M. "JR" Wauschek, a Beltsville resident for 28 years, passed away on Thursday, February 18, 2010. He was the beloved husband of Vicki T. Murphy-Wauschek, loving father of William Peter and Patrick Michael Wauschek, and brother of Joan Beringer. Also survived by numerous loved ones, family, and friends. The family received friends at Borgwardt Funeral Home, 4400 Powder Mill Rd., Beltsville, MD on Sunday, February 21, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Service and interment private. Memorial contributions may be made to Boy Scouts of America.

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Johnny Seaton will perform as ELVIS at the College Park Moose Lodge #453 on Saturday, April 10, 2010. Johnny does an excellent impersonation of ELVIS. He and his band performed in Las Vegas for many years, and have also performed in Atlantic City. The ticket price includes dinner, dancing, and show. Dinner 6:00-7:30 p.m., music & dancing 8:00-11:00 p.m. The Lodge is located at 3700 Metzert Road, College Park, MD. This event is OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. For tickets please call 301.935.5525.



Sean Michael Miskimins & Natalie Anne Kovach are engaged.

## Engagement Announced

Myra Kovach, of Beltsville, announces the engagement of her daughter, Natalie Anne Kovach, to Sean Michael Miskimins, son of Neil and Christine Miskimins, of Portland, Oregon.

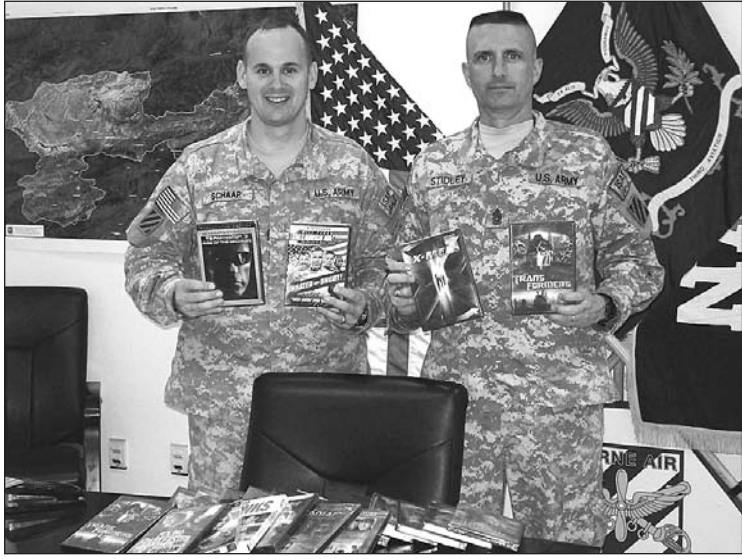
A 2002 graduate of Saint Vincent Pallotti High School and a 2006 graduate of Stevenson University in Stevenson, Maryland, the bride-to-be is an Educational Technology Teacher at Clarksville and Swansfield Elementary Schools. She is a graduate student

at Loyola University of Maryland.

The future groom is a 1996 graduate of Beloit College in Beloit, Wisconsin. He is a Middle School Social Studies Teacher at Saint Marys of the Mills School and a graduate student at the College of Notre Dame of Maryland.

The bride and groom met while teaching at Saint Marys of the Mills School. A wedding is planned for July 2, 2010 at Saint Marys of the Mills Catholic Church in Laurel.

## Neighbors in the News



Troops receive DVDs in Afghanistan.

## Eagle Scout Project a Success

By Michael Cotter, Life Scout

The DVDs for Troops in Afghanistan, Eagle project by Michael Cotter, was completed with great support from Boy Scout Troop 1033, the community, members of Emmanuel United Methodist Church and St. Joseph's Catholic Church, plus financial support from Best Buy in Laurel. The Troops received 3 boxes of nearly 100 DVDs that nearly doubled the movie library for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Combat Aviation Brigade. The movies will be signed out to soldiers who can watch them and return them for others to enjoy. "Your generosity will be felt by several thousand soldiers over the next year," reported Major Schaap of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Combat Aviation Brigade. Thank you to all who supported my Eagle Scout project.

## AWARD

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support local young people and encourage peace and understanding in our community."

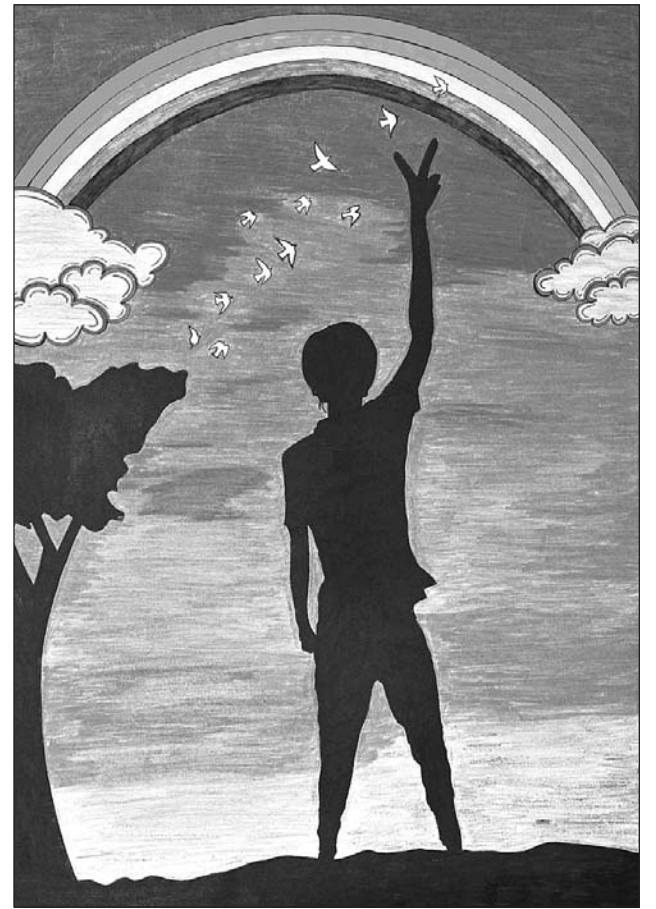
Lions Clubs International President Eberhard J. Wirfs said, "The youth of today will grow to lead us into a better future. They will remember that the Lions helped them to consider the significance of international cooperation and peace."

Yu-Min Chen, a 13-year-old girl from Taiwan, created the grand prize winning poster. The merit award winners are from the Bahamas, China, the Dominican Republic, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, Korea, Malta, Mexico, the Philippines, Russia, Switzerland and the United States.

Escamilla enjoys playing the guitar, drawing, and using the computer to edit photos and design. He is also involved in the Cobras clubs.

The 24 finalists' peace posters will be exhibited at children's museums and various locations throughout the United States. They will also be featured prominently at the 93<sup>rd</sup> annual Lions Clubs International Convention in Sydney, Australia. Visit the Lions Clubs International Web site, [www.lionsclub.org](http://www.lionsclub.org), to view Peace Posters, learn more about the contest and send Peace Poster e-cards.

Lions Clubs International, the world's largest service club organization, is made up of 1.3 million men and women in 205 countries and geographical locations throughout the world. Lions created the Peace Poster Contest to foster a



Eduardo A. Escamilla's Peace Poster

spirit of peace and international understanding in young people worldwide.

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## Neighbors in the News

# BAPS Hosts Third Annual Women's Conference

### Focuses on Nurturing Families, Shaping Communities

This past weekend, over 150 women from the greater Washington DC, Pennsylvania, and southern New Jersey area came together for the annual BAPS Swaminarayan Sanstha (BAPS) Women's Conference.

The three-hour Conference was held in celebration of International Women's Day (IWD) and was hosted by the BAPS Swaminarayan Sanstha at the BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir in Beltsville, MD. IWD is a global event commemorated by the United Nations to recognize women and the important contributions they have made in the world. BAPS is a member of the UN's Economic and Social Council.

The theme of the conference, "Nurturing Families, Shaping Communities," provided a forum for attendees to discuss the educational and environmental impact created by the global community of women through their roles in family and society. The theme draws inspiration from BAPS' core values of nurturing individuals and creating stronger families. The various keynote speakers stressed these topics.

Ms. Ami Patel, a policy assistant for the Mayor's Office of Education in Philadelphia, PA, addressed the topic of education. Ms. Patel relayed how she was able to help shape communities in Philadelphia through her work in the field of education. She stressed to women the importance of education in shaping the world around them.

Dr. Vandana Sharma, a practicing neurologist from Virginia spoke about the role of women in "Healthy Living in Family and



Women's Conference panel of speakers and guests

Community." She emphasized the strength of women and their role as natural, physical, and emotional nurturers. She provided inspiring examples of women who from their misfortunes helped com-

Nichelle Schoultz, special assistant to Maryland Senator Barbara Mikulski was impressed by the participation of young women in organizing the conference and expressed the importance of holding such a forum to address women's issues.

Many other attendees also felt inspired and empowered, ready to implement the message of the conference in their own lives.

### About BAPS

The BAPS Swaminarayan Sanstha (BAPS), a worldwide socio-spiritual organization in Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, is dedicated to community service, peace and harmony. Motivated by Hindu principles, BAPS strives to care for the world by caring for societies, families and individuals. Through a number of social and spiritual activities, BAPS endeavors to produce better citizens of tomorrow who have a high esteem for their roots, their rich Hindu culture. Its 3,300 international centers support these activities of character building. Under the guidance and leadership of His Divine Holiness Pramukh Swami Maharaj, BAPS aspires to build a community that is morally, ethically and spiritually pure, and free of addictions.

### About Pramukh Swami Maharaj

His Divine Holiness Pramukh Swami Maharaj, the fifth spiritual successor of Bhagwan Swaminarayan, has inspired millions of people across the world to lead a God-centered, morally pure life. As the present leader of BAPS, Pramukh Swami Maharaj travels from village to village, continent to continent, emphasizing the importance of family harmony, community service and spiritual progress. He embodies the essence of Hindu life. His compassion for humanity, universal wisdom and striking simplicity have touched many world religious and national leaders.

For more details visit [www.baps.org](http://www.baps.org)



Dr. Vandana Sharma addresses audience

munities by establishing support groups and scholarships.

Dr. Pinaki Vaidya from Georgetown University Hospital spoke about women's role in creating a strong family environment. The theme of her message was "Nurturing Today to Shape Tomorrow." She spoke of the importance of cultivating happiness to nurture ourselves and our families as well as nurturing communities with acts of kindness. She highlighted the importance of investing in women by providing an excellent example of a young girl in India who at the age of 10 learned the skill of Bee-keeping. From the meager wages she earned, she provided for her family, funded her education, and trained other girls in her trade so that they also could be self sufficient.

In closing, Ms. Sejal Modi presented the charitable works of BAPS. She spoke of the relief and rebuilding efforts that BAPS undertook after hurricane Katrina in the US, and the earthquake in Gujarat, India in 2001.

Attendees enjoyed the opportunity to network and socialize with one another during a post-conference reception. Ms.

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# Rosapepe's Report to Beltsville

By Senator Jim Rosapepe (D-21)

## Are you concerned about speeding in Beltsville?

In response to widespread citizen concern, Delegates Barbara Frush, Ben Barnes, Joseline Peña-Melnyk and I supported Governor O'Malley's proposal to allow Prince George's County to fight speeding by putting up speed cameras near local schools and road construction projects. We all can see the signs of speed cameras mounted on I-95 near the construction of the ICC.

In coming months, the County will have to decide where to place speed cameras near schools in Beltsville. We and Councilman Tom Dernoga, who has worked with us closely to deal with speeding, would welcome your suggestions of roads near schools where speed cameras should be considered. For example on Powder Mill near High Point? On Montgomery Road near Beltsville Academic and St. Joseph's? On Ammendale Road near Martin Luther King



Senator Jim Rosapepe

Middle School? On Old Baltimore Pike near Vansville Elementary School? Where else? Please let us know your thoughts by emailing or calling our offices.

## Join Us in Calverton on April 14

The Delegates and I will be reporting on the 2010 legislative session at the Calverton Civic Association's at Calverton Elementary School on Wednesday, April 14 at 7:30 p.m. We'll be talking about our efforts to create

jobs, protect our local schools and police, fight foreclosures, and balance the state budget while helping those in need. Please join us so we can answer your questions and hear your concerns.

## Have fun -- and learn -- at the University of Maryland on April 24

Every spring the University opens the campus to its neighbors and friends. This year, Maryland Day is Saturday, April 24 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Games, booths, tours, performances -- every department from dance to physics shows its stuff. It's fun and interesting for folks of all ages. And it's free. Just come down Route One and take a look.

## Be in Touch

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

# Children's Corner

By Denita Johnson

April is Earth Month and a good month to teach our children the importance of recycling. We hear every day the importance of not wasting. Don't let the water run, and reuse some of our material to keep it out of the trash dump that is continually growing. Telling our children what to do is good, but it will be great to show them by example. Our children will continue to keep the earth clean and green if we guide them now. Having fun while recycling and planting trees are fun ways to get your children started in saving the earth for the future. So in our time of recycling more to help, here are some fun ideas to do with your children while they are

learning about the importance of recycling.

## Recycling Project Ideas (Trash to Treasure)

Let your children save some of their serving-size plastic chip bags. Tape together about six bags and cover with clear contact paper and use as a mat for snacks and crafts.

2. Save 16 oz. plastic bottles. With a small craft knife make a vertical slit in the back of the bottle long enough to slip little toys and small treats in. Decorate with ribbons and insert a miniature balloon on a stick through the top. Use as party favors on birthdays or holidays.

3. Brown paper bags. Cut out two of the same shape (heart or

leaf for example) and glue together with a glue stick. Use tacky glue to draw a design on one side and allow to dry. Paint front and back black and allow to dry. Use a metallic rub and rub over a raised design. Punch a hole and use as a necklace or bracelet.

Use an empty salt container. Remove the metal spout and cut a larger slot for depositing and removing money. Glue on play money or any picture you like on the container. Use as a bank for a rainy day or vacation fund.

Cut the soles off of old children's sneakers with designs and pictures on the bottom and use as rubber stamps.

Remember to recycle all your unused items.

## Ski Race

Her ski teacher congratulates Kira Kira Kai-Ling Chen Bertsch, six-year old granddaughter of John and Ming Yee Chen of Beltsville, after winning the bronze medal in a ski race in Scuol, Switzerland on February 19, 2010. Kira and her parents live in Zurich, Switzerland and last visited Beltsville in October 2009 to celebrate her Grandpa's birthday.





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# The Subregion 1 Master Plan

By Councilman Tom Dernoga

The efforts to complete a new Subregion I Master Plan continue on – hopefully to a conclusion very soon. A Master Plan establishes development policies transportation, environment, public facilities, parks and more. Dur-

ing the Master Plan process, land may be rezoned to accommodate changing uses. However, because of the potential changes and their impacts, it is very important that citizens provide input and let public officials know what type of community the citizens want and expect.

The Subregion I area of the County includes Beltsville, Calverton, Gunpowder, North Beltsville, Pheasant Run, South Laurel, Vansville, and West Laurel. The last Master Plan was approved 20 years ago and is very out of date. We have been working on a new Master Plan since 2005 and it should have been completed; however, in 2008, at my request, the County Council rejected the draft plan and sent it back to M-NCPPC (Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission) to better deal with traffic congestion, to include provisions for Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED), to include updated pupil information to ensure adequate school capacity, and to better address runoff from developments. There was a public hearing on September 22, 2009 to listen to the public about potential revisions. M-NCPPC has now issued a Resolution for the County Council to consider, but the Plan needs a large number of Amendments and these must be presented to the public and a hearing must be held to seek your input.

I have requested this additional public hearing for May 10, 2010 to address additional amendments on Konterra, the Howard University property, improvements to Old Gunpowder Road, sidewalks and trails, environmental issues and design elements. The hearing will be at the County Council Hearing Room in the County Administration Building in Upper Marlboro at 7:00 p.m. (with exhibits and staff available at 6:00 p.m.). If you



Councilman Tom Dernoga-

are not able to attend the hearing, please send your comments to the Clerk of the Council, 14741 Governor Oden Bowie Drive, Room 2198, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772. Comments MUST be sent hard copy (not faxed or emailed) with a signature to be entered into the record.

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Moore at LCMoore@co.pg.md.us or 301.952.3887. More on the Subregion 1 Master Plan here: [http://www.pgplanning.org/Projects/Ongoing\\_Plans\\_and\\_Projects/Community\\_Plans/Subregion\\_1.htm](http://www.pgplanning.org/Projects/Ongoing_Plans_and_Projects/Community_Plans/Subregion_1.htm)

If you want to receive emails from me with updates on the Master Plan or other local issues, email me at TEDernoga@co.pg.md.us and we will add you to our email list. I will be sending out information about the proposed amendments as the process moves forward, so please sign up to receive any additional information.

And on a lighter note, you are invited to a party! Join us on Sat-

urday, April 24<sup>th</sup> as we celebrate Earth Day's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a river party right on the Indian Creek in Beltsville hosted by the Anacostia Watershed Society. We will be gathering for this grand event at the parking lot adjacent to where Powder Mill Road crosses over Indian Creek (5050 Powder Mill Road) between Route 1 and Route 201. My staff and I as well as scores of other citizens from Beltsville and the surrounding communities will be rolling up our sleeves and helping clean up this very important tributary that leads into the Anacostia River, and eventually the Chesapeake Bay.

On Earth Day, this, and over thirty other sites in the Anacostia watershed, are part of an on-going effort to clean up the streams and rivers in Prince George's County and educate citizens on what can be done to reduce stormwater runoff and other pollutants. You can be a part of making Beltsville and our county cleaner by joining us for this exciting and worthwhile event. Take this opportunity to join your neighbors, make new acquaintances, watch me really get my hands dirty, create a difference on the Indian Creek, and enjoy a free barbeque at noon to reward everyone for their hard work. This is an excellent opportunity for students to get community service hours.

Please Rsvp for this event so the host can get an accurate count for the food and drinks by calling my office at 301.952.3887. Hope to see you at the party!

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These choristers joined 100 singers from 11 churches and presented a choral worship service for family and friends on March 14 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Gaithersburg. They learned and memorized 6 anthems (one in Swahili). Choristers Guild, an international organization for church choir directors, and the local Capital Beltway Chapter, sponsored the festival. Payton Hornig, Dara Hassan, Monica Hatton and Angela Hatton are members of the Maranatha Choir at Emmanuel United Methodist Church where Kathryn Griffin is music director and Daniel Mejia serves as Pastor.

# Patuxent Research Refuge Public Programs

All programs are **FREE**; however, donations to **The Friends of Patuxent** are greatly appreciated! Programs DO require advance reservations. Reservations are taken by calling **301.497.5887**. Please advise us of any special needs so that we may accommodate you. Visit us on the web: [patuxent.fws.gov](http://patuxent.fws.gov)

## Programs Held at the North Tract

The North Tract is located on Rt. 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 32.

### Bird Walks

Wed. April 7, 8:15-10:30 a.m. Ages 16+

Wed. April 21, 8:15-10:30 a.m. Ages 16+

Search for birds in several refuge habitats on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars are recommended.

### Spring Wildflower Walk

Sat. April 10, 9:00-11:00 a.m. All Ages

Sun. April 25, 1:00-3:00 p.m. All Ages

Come search for wildflowers

on the refuge. Learn why these springtime blooms are so important in the refuge ecosystem! Field guides are recommended.

### Weed Warriors!

Wednesday, April 21, 1:00-3:00 p.m. Ages 13+

Non-native invasive plants are threatening our wildlife habitat. We need YOU to help stop them! Bring gloves and water (and hand tools if available).

### Herp Search

Sat. April 24, 10:00-11:30 a.m. All Ages

Join a refuge naturalist on this guided search for reptiles and amphibians. Wear good walking shoes!

### Night Hike

Sat. April 24, 5:30-7:00 p.m. All Ages

Discover the nighttime world of the refuge as you look and listen for nocturnal animals on this guided walk.

### Bird Walk

Sun. April 25, 8:15-10:15 a.m.

All Ages

Search for birds in several refuge habitats on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars recommended.

## Programs Held at the National Wildlife Visitor Center

The Visitor Center is located on Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 197.

### Bird Walks

Fri. April 9, 8:00-10:30 a.m. Ages 14+

Weds. April 14, 7:30-10:00 a.m. Ages 16+

Weds. April 28, 7:30-10:00 a.m. Ages 16+

Sat. April 24, 8:00-10:30 a.m. Ages 14+

Search for early spring migrants in various refuge habitats on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars are recommended.

## Puppet Show "Little Whooper's Excellent Adventure"

Fri. April 23, 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

## National Wildlife Visitor Center

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### Discovery Hike

Sat. April 11, 1:00-2:00 p.m. Ages 8-12

Come take a hike; explore the early signs of spring. Learn how to make your own field guide and identify the plants and animals you see.

### Otters Tale

Thurs. April 15, 10:00-11:30 a.m. Ages 5-7

Live the life of an otter in this "otterageous," hands-on program. Learn why otters are so at home in the water.

## Science and Research

Sun. April 18, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Ages 12-14

Ever wonder if scientific research could take place in your own backyard? Come explore what it takes to be a scientist, study the environment and how to collect your own data to support scientific research.

## Celebrate Earth Day!

Thurs. April 22, 3:00-4:30 p.m. Ages 5-7

Come out this Earth Day and learn to conserve our natural resources by *Reducing* the amount that we use, *Reusing* what we can, and *Recycling*.

## Nature Tots: Bees and Blooms

Thurs. April 29, 10:30-11:30 a.m. & 1:00-2:00 p.m. Ages 3-4

Introduce your preschooler to our fascinating friend of flowers, the honeybee, through games, songs, and crafts in this interactive program.

## ARTIST

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world as I see it. Through my passion for photography, I can communicate my view of the beauty all around us that we often fail to see."

She further states, "My photographic goals are for others to see the world 'THROUGH MY EYES' and enjoy the beauty

that I see all around me. Through my photographs, I want to give others a chance to stop and 'smell the roses' even if it's only through the eyes of their imagination."

Her work is varied from still life, landscapes, portraits, flowers, nature scenes and digital artwork. Her award-winning artwork has been exhibited at the Marlboro Gallery, Prince George's Community College and at Harmony Hall, M-NCPPC in Fort Washington, MD. You can see more of her work at barbarakay photography on Facebook.



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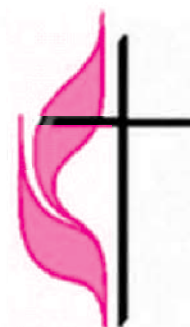
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### **April 1—Maundy Thursday**

**. Communion Service—7pm**

**. Seder Tasting—8pm**

### **April 2—Good Friday**

**. Tenebrae Service—7pm**

### **April 4—Zion**

**. Easter Sunday—9am & 11:15am**

**. Egg Hunt—10:15am**

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# Passing the Torch Service at Hillandale Baptist Church

On Sunday, December 1, 2009, the Hillandale Baptist Church of Adelphi, Maryland held a "Passing the Torch" Service in honor of its new Senior Pastor and Family, Reverend Wyndell O. Banks, Sr., Minister Dr. Amy J. Banks, and son Wyndell O. Banks, Jr. The symbolic torch was passed to Pastor Banks from Interim Pastor, Dr. I. Benni Singleton. Pastor Banks preached a sermon titled "Oh,

What a Wonderful Change!" based upon 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 5:17-21.

Hillandale Baptist Church has been a beacon in the community for over 56 years. The church boasts a multi-racial and multi-cultural congregation, with 32 different nationalities represented among its membership. The church is located at 2601 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi, MD, and has service on Sundays at

11:00 a.m. and Prayer, Praise, and Bible Study Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Pastor Banks formerly served as an Associate Minister at Metropolitan Baptist Church in Washington, DC under Senior Pastor Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, Jr. Pastor Banks served as an assistant to the Minister for Men and Youth, and also provided leadership and ministry support to various outreach ministries. He was licensed at Metropolitan in March of 2003 and ordained in May of 2004.

Pastor Banks received his Bachelor's of Science degree in Accounting from Southern University in Baton Rouge, La. in 1987. He received his Juris Doctorate from Howard University School of Law in 1990. He also received a Master's in Religious Studies from Howard University in 1999 and a Master's of Divinity



Rev. Wyndell O. Banks, Hillandale Baptist Church

degree from Howard University's Divinity School in 2004.

Pastor Banks has been a practicing attorney since graduating from Howard's Law School in 1990. He most recently served as Director of Legal Programs for

the Neighborhood Legal Services Program ("NLSP") in Washington, DC. NLSP is a nonprofit organization that provides free civil legal services to low-income people in the District of Columbia. Pastor Banks managed NLSP's 3 offices and approximately 20 attorneys, in addition to administrative staff and volunteers. Prior to joining NLSP, Pastor Banks was the founding principal of The Banks Law Firm in Washington, DC, and he also has experience with the District of Columbia Housing Authority, the U.S. Small Business Administration, and the law firm of Honigman, Miller, Schwartz & Cohn in Detroit, Michigan.

Pastor Banks was born and raised on a farm outside of Forrester City, AR. He is married to Minister Dr. Amy J. Banks, and they have one son.

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The weekly services are faith-filled and power-packed with life changing messages and inspiring devotionals that will draw you closer to God

City of David Tabernacle has a



reach out to the people in our vicinity, Nation and the World with the love of God by providing essential commodities such as food, clothing and drugs to orphans and widows in Africa and other parts of the world. They have also provided groceries to low-income families and to the elderly homes

within this community.

The services are as follows: Sundays at 10:00 a.m. Every Wednesday Bible Study otherwise called Faith Clinic starts at 7:00 p.m. On Fridays is our miracle night service starting at 9:00 p.m. And the weekend leading to every first Sunday of the Month is a Freedom weekend.

You are welcome to join City of David Tabernacle in any of the services believing that this is a place for you to fulfill the plan of God for your life.

strong and meaningful fellowship of love, faith and hope, which is the greatest gift we can offer one to another.

Over the years, people have been miraculously healed by God in this church of incurable diseases, others have been set free from several years of addiction, generational curses that have hindered God's children from fulfilling their purpose in life have also been destroyed.

The heart of God is people, and this Church is doing their part to

## Emmanuel United Methodist Church Easter Egg Hunt

By Todd Reitzel

On Sunday, April 4, Emmanuel United Methodist Church (UMC) will hold an Easter egg Hunt for children through grade 5. The event will be held 10:15 a.m.-11:00 a.m. whether rain or shine. Children may bring their own egg baskets or may use one from the church. Adults and young people grades 6 and above are welcome to come watch the fun.

Christian Education classes will be held during the same period, and nursery care is available.

The event will be held between Emmanuel UMC's two regular worship services. Contemporary worship is at 9:00 a.m. and includes a praise band. Traditional worship is at 11:15 a.m. and includes the church choir.

Easter Sunday is the culmination of a number of Holy Week events at Emmanuel UMC. Palm Sunday is March 28, with an Easter Cantata at the 11:15 a.m. service. On Thursday, April 1, there will be a Communion Service at 7:00 p.m. followed by a Seder Tasting commemorating Jesus' Last Sup-

per. The Methodist Church practices open Communion and all are welcome. The Good Friday Tenebrae service, commemorating Jesus' Crucifixion, begins at 7:00 p.m. on April 2.

Emmanuel UMC welcomes all Beltsville residents to attend the egg hunt, education classes, and worship services. Membership is not necessary to visit. Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane in Beltsville, seeks to be a community church available to all Beltsville residents.

## Club News

By Ivy Christoffers

### Beltsville Rotary Club Update

Ah: Blessed Spring! As I write this column I am still warm from my outing on this warm, sunny spring day. It is hard to think that just a few days ago we were buried in three feet of snow and had to withstand strong damaging blizzards and winds of such force to uproot trees and snap power lines. How quickly Mother Nature changes her attire from stark and barren to bright and beautiful, and how fortunate are we to witness these miracles.

During the past few weeks business has progressed as usual for the Beltsville Rotary Club. We have had some excellent speakers, some welcome visitors from other Rotary Clubs and, of course, have enjoyed the times we have spent with each other at our regular Tuesday luncheon meetings.

Mae Whitehead, a woman of many talents, graciously accepted my invitation to speak at our March 2nd meeting. Whitehead, President of The Women's Club of Beltsville as well as a certified mediator in private practice, gave us an overview of her life in the public and private sectors. She retired from the U.S. Dept. of State in Washington D.C. after 36 years of federal service where she was a skilled analyst in the field of foreign affairs information life cycle management. In the last decade of her career she received extensive training in workplace and other conflict resolution methods. In 1993 she became interested in the rudiments of mediation and thus began her new career in the field of mediation and conflict resolution. Whitehead has earned many honors and meritorious awards over the course of her two careers. She suggests we, "Hear and be heard - a little talk goes a long way."

Another interesting speaker



Beltsville Rotary Club Past President and Public Relations Chair, Ivy Christoffers, The Women's Club of Beltsville President and a Certified Professional Mediator, Mae Whitehead, and Beltsville Rotary Club President, Richard Salamy, enjoying a photo op at the March 2nd luncheon meeting.

was Mack Therson who was hosted by Joyce Malin. Therson is the director of Fairland Sports and Aquatic Center who discussed programs available for both adults and children. These include group and individual training in areas as diverse as yoga, aquatics, water programs for arthritics, muscle building, tennis, etc. The facility is also available for personal events such as birthday parties. The Ice Rink is available both publicly and privately. Many groups meet there, for example, the area curling club. Therson encouraged everyone to take the time to check out the facility and to make use of its many services, such as S.A.F.E. Senior Aquatics Fitness Enthusiasts.

We had a repeat visit from an old friend this week who was the guest of Sonja Festerling. Dr. Dave Deppner, along with his

wife, founder of the organization known as, "Trees For The Future." Dr. Deppner gave us an overview of where they are in the planting of trees in the many countries where reforestation is taking place. This group and others who are dedicated to bringing about a sustainable system to these third world countries have planted many millions of trees throughout the world. Trees For The Future is one of our ongoing charities that are supported throughout the year by Beltsville Rotarians.

The Beltsville Rotary Club meets for lunch every Tuesday at the Holiday Inn in College Park. We invite any business owners or professional personnel in our area to stop in and meet some of your peers who are dedicated to bettering the lives of all mankind. Inquiries can be addressed to 301.595.5225.

### Beltsville Garden Club Spring Plant Sales

By Louise DeJames, Publicity Chair

Mark your calendars for the Beltsville Garden Club Spring Plant Sales.

They will be held on Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup> and Saturday May 8<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. until noon. Both sales will be held in the parking lot of High Point High School, 3601 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville.

The April sale will include perennials, shrubs and trees. The May sale will have annuals, vegetables, and herbs in addition to perennials, shrubs and trees. Plants grown in the Beltsville Garden Club's greenhouse may also be available.

For more information contact Geoff White at 301.937.1539 or visit our web site, [www.beltsvillegardenclub.org](http://www.beltsvillegardenclub.org).

### Beltsville Garden Club


By Louise DeJames, Publicity Chair

The Beltsville Garden Club will meet on Wednesday, April 28 at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of the James E. Duckworth School at 11204 Evans Trail in Beltsville. Our guest speaker for this month is **Christopher Puttock** and his topic will be "**Gardening with Chesapeake Natives.**" This will be a presentation about some of the local perennial species that are finding their place in garden habitats and how they are bringing back native biodiversity.

Dr. Puttock was born in England, lived in Australia for 34 years as a botanist and flora writer for *Flora of Australia*. In Maryland/D.C. he is engaged in flora projects as a Research Associate at the Smithsonian Institution, designing gardens as Chief Botanist for the Monarch Sister Schools Program and is the Executive Director of Chesapeake Natives.

As always we have plants for our door prize table and refreshments after the meeting. The public is welcomed and admission is free.

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

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# Women's Community Club of Beltsville

**By Mae Whitehead, President**

The Women's Community Club of Beltsville (WCCB) brings "Happy Spring" greetings for everyone and

a Warm Welcome to all new Beltsville residents. We thank last month's speaker Stephanie Fleming, granddaughter of the owners of Behnke's Nursery for her informative presentation during our

Woman's History Month program. This month we are pleased to focus on traditional public relations, print media, Internet, and word-of-mouth about our Club activities. Our door is open to meet and greet women of all ages (seasoned ladies, stay-at-home moms, single ladies, service oriented women, working women and mothers, and others).

organizations, and more.

We are a diverse group helping to maintain the Clubs active presence in the community.

We seek the opportunity to have more women participate in our mission as we honor the Club, and perform outreach to support the goals of all women, families, and the community in the 21st century.

disadvantaged during Thanksgiving, and food assistance and gifts for the Christmas Holiday season.

We provide food assistance year round for families or individuals identified as being in need.

We offer a consistent time and place for our monthly mid-day meetings, with social interaction and light refreshments for our members and guests.

We support and collaborate with other Beltsville community groups.

We are 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization, and our membership fee is minimal. Want to know more about WCCB? Please join us at our monthly meeting at Emmanuel United Methodist Church 11416 Cedar Lane Monday April 12 at 12:30 pm in the Church Lounge. Refreshments will be served.

Visit us on the Internet: [www.beltsvillerec.org](http://www.beltsvillerec.org) or contact Mae Whitehead [presidentwccb@yahoo.com](mailto:presidentwccb@yahoo.com) 301.572.7464.

## Beltsville Young at Heart Club

**By Barbara Schofield**

The February 18 meeting was an entertainment meeting and the New Dimensions Seniors from Beltsville sang songs from the twenties and thirties with some sing along's for us. Thelma Forte reported that they were making aprons and ordering retro toys for the general store on Beltsville day. On March 18 we had speaker, Scott Gregerson, who told us about all the changes that have been made at Doctors Hospital. Mary Lingeback, RN spoke about breast cancer. Her web site is [www.dchweb.org](http://www.dchweb.org) at Doctors Hospital.

It is really nice to have this early spring weather. Here's hoping everyone has a blessed Easter and the Bunny is good to the little ones.

### Did you know?

We are an eighty-seven year "young" organization serving the Beltsville community since 1922 with a goal of helping women, and providing community service. That still has relevance today as women balance work, home and family life, along with many other concerns of our times.

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- 2.75 or above GPA
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- Completed Application, Attachments, and Essay

#### Attach on Separate Paper:

1. List school activities, community service activities, awards, leadership positions held, etc.
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# Karaoke is a Blast at College Park Post & Unit #217

By Ivy Christoffers

WOW! Who knew he could sing? Have you stopped in to enjoy the fun we are all having at the Post home singing to the music as spun by D.J. Wayne Miller? Even I was brave enough to get up and belt out a song or two. This is a fun time and it happens every few weeks. I know I'll be exercising my vocal chords on March 20th. Call the Post at 301.441.2783 to find out when the next one is happening. Our Post is a friendly place to kick back and let your hair down after a hard day. Did you have the opportunity to sample chef Brian's Corned Beef and Cabbage on St. Patrick's Day or should I say, K.C.'s birthday? And how about those Sunday dinners? We have many talented cooks in our midst who share their talents on an ongoing basis. Our Chefs are kept busy every Thursday with the special Shrimp & Wings dinner from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and on Fridays with Brian's dinners served from 5:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. This is a good place to enjoy a very good



Dishing up his special brand of entertainment, D. J. and Karaoke Maestro, Wayne Miller, entertains the crowds at The American Legion Post # 217 in College Park.

meal for a fraction of the cost in a restaurant.

Some upcoming events that are planned are the Shrimp Feast being held on April 11th from 2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. to benefit the

Wounded Warriors Fund. Post #217 has supported this fund since hostilities began in Afghanistan and Iraq, supporting the wounded men and women at Walter Reed and Bethesda Naval Hospitals. Many thousands of dollars have gone into supplying the much needed or desired items these soldiers could not obtain through government channels. It is our desire to continue with this support but it does take a lot of fundraisers

to do so. This is one everyone can enjoy as the menu consists of shrimp, fillet of flounder, cream of crab soup, hush puppies, and Cole slaw. Yum. Sounds good to me. Call 301.441.2783 for additional

information or to buy tickets or reserve a table.

Another area of fundraising to appeal to the bingo players who are reading this is a COACH BAG BINGO. This is slated to begin at 6:00 p.m. (doors open at 5:00 p.m.) on May 1st. The cost is \$20.00 in advance before 4/28 and \$22.00 after 4/28. All table reservations MUST be paid in advance. Only 125 tickets will be sold. Food will be available. Contact Angie Rodriguez at 240.421.1187 or Diana Nix at 301.758.6576. The funds realized from this event will be used to support our Veterans and Children's Programs.

We will be holding a clothing bazaar for the homeless veterans served by Perry Point VAMC in mid April and will be gathering up good, clean, usable clothing to take to this event during the next two weeks. I have had word from Holy Joe's Coffee Cafe in Iraq. The soldiers are still enjoying the Eight O'clock Coffee we sent to them but have asked for some more tea. That is running a little low, so we will be sending a case off to them soon, along with a box of baked goodies. We love and support our Troops. May God keep them safe and bring them home soon, and may God continue to bless America.

## School News

### Black History Month

Calverton Elementary School celebrated Black History Month with a number of activities. Teachers and students decorated their classroom doors to emphasize the importance of African-American people and their contributions to the United States. Facts and trivia questions were announced daily over

the P.A. system. A delightful taste of soul food was prepared by the faculty and staff, and then enjoyed by all to music from the 1970's. Calverton's Black History program was postponed due to the inclement weather in February and was rescheduled for March 24 and March 25. Mrs. Donnella, the multi-cultural program director, and Mrs. Wright, the Black History Month committee co-chairman, prepared certificates for all participants.

### Calverton's Young Authors Prepare for Special Visitor

In late February and early March, Calverton's Young Authors prepared for a Shakespeare presentation by reading and discussing *Romeo and Juliet*. Their teacher, Mrs. Wood, had invited her niece, Mrs. Michelle Michlik, a drama teacher at the LAB School in Washington, D.C. to present *Romeo and Juliet* in an interactive arrangement to the students. The presentation was March 24, so there will be more information in the next edition on this exciting event.

The students and staff are very grateful to Mrs. Michliks for once again volunteering her expertise and love of Shakespeare with Calverton students. Her creative, engaging style of teaching enlightens students to the literal and figurative concepts of Shakespeare. During this activity, students will act out the characters, imitate emotions, identify with conflicts, and analyze author's purpose through physical and mental connections.

The Young Authors meet once a week to write creatively. There are two groups this year, one that meets on Wednesdays and the other on Thursdays. The following is a poem written by one of those talented students:

#### The Tree

Written by the poet  
Nicholas O'Connor in  
Mr. Reif's 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Class

#### The Tree

I always think of that rugged tree

That I never used to climb  
All I ever heard were bad things about that tree

When I heard those things,  
fear would come to me

One day I faced my fears and climbed the tree.

Suddenly everything activated inside of me.

The tree was shining with all the colors of the rainbow.

I rode that rainbow to a new earth I never thought I'd see.

The water was as pure as diamonds.

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Just good everywhere  
At the end of the rainbow,  
I climbed down the tree.

Then I realized that the tree  
Was always inside of me.

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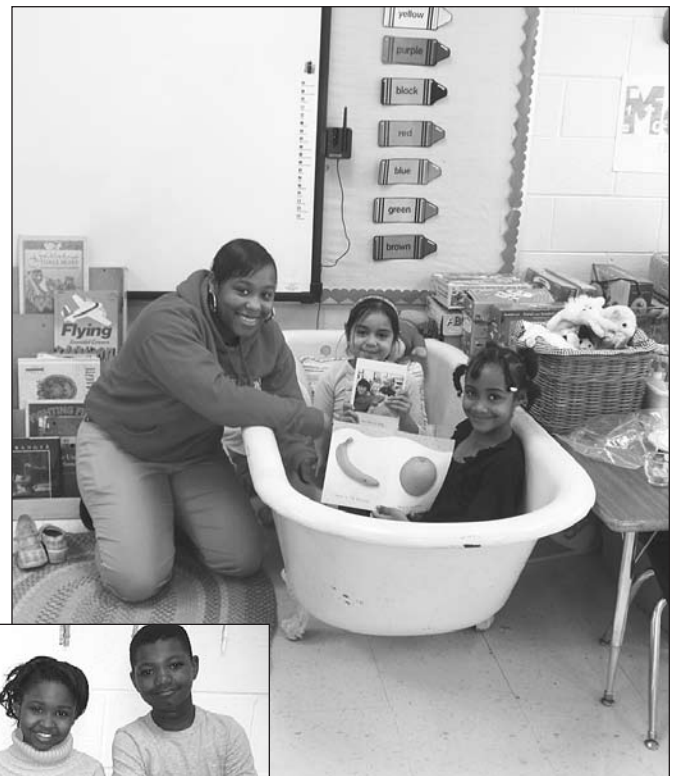
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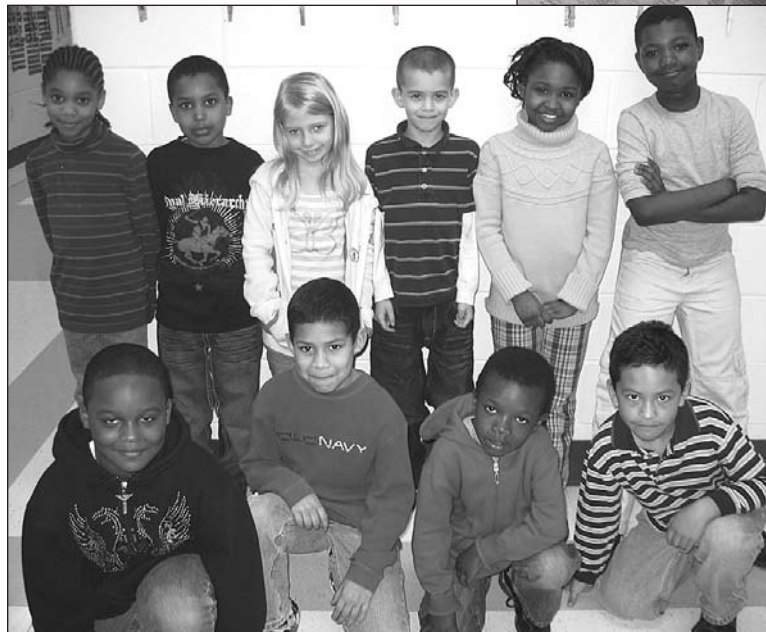
### Calverton News

Mrs. Russell would like to congratulate the ten students in her class who passed all of their second grade math facts tests as of March 12. These students are Mi'kye Jackson, Nelson Perez, Talisha Hamilton, Haley Hedrick, Julian Meade, Kyarah Rhodes, Jair Francis, Brandon Johnson, Michael Okwukwe, and Michael Danso. Congratulations to them all.

Mrs. Freeman is thrilled to have High Point student Jordan Blue interning in her classroom this year. Jordan helped the students make snowmen pictures with bubble wrap painted snowmen. Jordan reads with the students and helps them with many classroom activities.



Jordan Blue, Above, High Point intern, helps students in Mrs. Freeman's kindergarten class get reading practice in the class bathtub



At left, Mrs. Russell's second grade math whizzes, back row (l-r) Talisha Hamilton, Mi'kye Jackson, Haley Hedrick, Julian Meade, Kyarah Rhodes and Michael Okwukwe. Front row (l-r) Brandon Johnson, Jair Francis, Michael Danso and Nelson Perez

## Eastern Bluebirds Coming to Calverton

By Katie Swanson,  
Save the World  
Sponsor

Save the World! Environmental Club has constructed the beginning of a bluebird trail at Calverton Elementary School. With the help of our local bluebird expert, Tim Norvell, who has generously donated his time and expertise, plus our principal, Mary Tschudy, and teachers, Holly Bellows and Shirley Upchurch, we have built four bluebird houses. We created the houses from scratch, drilling holes and screwing wood pieces together to make houses just the right size for bluebirds. Last week, again with Mr. Norvell's help, we hung four houses on Calverton's grounds. The Eastern Bluebird has faced serious population declines recently, largely due to



Part of our bluebird team: Standing (l-r) Laura Espinal, Mary Tschudy, Holly Bellows, Jasmine Maddy, Tim Norvell, Ila Rajkumar, Katie Swanson, Crystal Boateng and Shirley Upchurch. Seated (l-r) Shagun Sharma and Onyinye Obiefuna

predation and competition for suitable habitat with other small species of birds. Eastern Bluebirds are a Maryland native species, so it is important to conserve them. We will be monitoring the

houses regularly in hopes of finding bluebirds nests. We hope that our efforts will bring bluebirds back to the Calverton area - be on the look-out for the small, beautiful, brilliantly-colored birds!

# Regionalization Means Enrollment Boon for St. Joseph's Regional Catholic School

St. Joseph's Catholic School will become a regional school supporting St. Hugh, St. Nicholas, and

St. Joseph Parishes beginning with the 2010/2011 academic year. As a result,

enrollment for the mid-size elementary and middle school has increased by 30% and space is becoming extremely limited in the school that offers one class per grade level. Higher enrollment will help keep the tuition costs to an affordable minimum as well as secure increased funding for academic program expansion. The school that prides itself on discipline, spiritual formation, and academic excellence has plenty of



available space to accommodate the registered students and staff members are eager to help orient incoming students. St. Joseph's continues to serve a diverse population of children coming from a variety of ethnic and faith backgrounds.



## St. Joseph's Catholic School and the Scientific Method

Scientists and Engineers from leading industries and government agencies including NASA, Technical Resources International, NSA, FDA, and USDA served as judges for the annual Science Fair at St. Joseph's. Students from first through eighth grade participated and conducted experiments employing the scientific method. The experiments were categorized according to consumer science, environmental science, behavioral science, and natural science. The Grand Prize Winners, sixth grade student Gabriella and eighth grade student Noah performed original, well designed, and

well documented experiments exploring canine response and the effect of plant growth to different colored light sources. Each student was interviewed and prepared a thorough report of the research and calculations. The students were well prepared by Mrs. Pappas, our middle school Science teacher and Science Fair coordinator. The detailed science fair presentations were displayed in the Parish Hall. St. Joseph's Catholic School continues to provide rich foundations in the Sciences for the students, thanks in large part to the great enthusiasm and energy of the science teachers.



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# Calendar of Events

## MONTPELIER MANSION

9650 Muirkirk Rd., Laurel. Call 301.377.7817 for reservations and information on events and classes, including those at the art center; TTY: 301.454.1472; Fax: 301.377.7818, e-mail: montpeliermansion@pgparks.com. Regular tours are on Sundays at 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. Fee: \$3.00 for adults, \$2.00 for seniors, \$1.00 for children 5 – 18. Children under 5 admitted free.

## COLLEGE PARK AVIATION MUSEUM

1985 Cpl. Frank Scott Dr., College Park. Call 301.864.6029 for information on special events and the Hollywood Flyers film series. TTY: 301.864.4765. 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., *except the first Friday, when the museum is open until 9:00 p.m.* Closed on major holidays. Tours for groups of 10 or more are available by appointment.

## HOLLYWOOD FLYERS FILM SERIES

Saturday, April 24 at 1:00 p.m. Join us for *Rocket Man*. The family comedy follows a geeky spacecraft designer who gets the chance to make his dream come true and travel to Mars as a member of the first manned flight there. Lemonade and popcorn are included. FREE with museum admission.

## IN PLANE VIEW: ABSTRACTIONS OF FLIGHT PHOTOGRAPHY

The exhibition continues through June 11. It

features large-format photographs by Carolyn Russo showcasing the aesthetic quality of some of the National Air and Space Museum's iconic aircraft. With close-up facets, sculptural forms, and life-like elements, *In Plane View* directs the viewer's attention to the often-overlooked simple elegance of aircraft design. This exhibition has been organized by the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum. FREE with museum admission.

## WEIGHT LOSS PROGRAM

BERWYN BAPTIST CHURCH is hosting First Place, the Christian based weight-loss program that offers spiritual, mental, emotional and physical transformation. No material or attendance fees. Classes on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, Berwyn Baptist Church, 4720 Cherokee Street, College Park. For info call 301.474.7117 church office or visit us on the web at [www.berwynbaptist.org](http://www.berwynbaptist.org)

## SHRIMP FEAST TO BENEFIT WOUNDED WARRIORS

Sunday April 11 from 2:00-5:00 p.m. at the American Legion Auxiliary of College Park, 9218 Baltimore Blvd. Menu includes Fillet of Flounder, Cream of Crab soup, Hush Puppies, Cole Slaw. Call 301.441.2783 for information. All proceeds will benefit the Wounded Warriors Fund.

## COACH BAG BINGO

Saturday May 1, 6:00 p.m. at the American Legion Auxiliary of College Park, 9218 Baltimore Blvd. All proceeds will benefit our Veteran's and Children's Programs. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Tickets: \$20.00 in advance (by 4/28) \$22.00 after 4/28. Table reservations must be paid in advance. Only 125 tickets will be sold. For advance ticket purchase, contact Angie Rodriguez 240.421.1187 or Diana Nix 301.758.6576.

## BELTSVILLE EVENTS

### VANSVILLE CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION

Monday, April 12, 7:00 p.m. at Franklin Brown Building, Vansville Community Park, 11733 Old Baltimore Pike.

### BELTSVILLE CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION

Wednesday, April 21 at 7:00 p.m. at Beltsville Elementary School, 4300 Wicomico Ave.

### WOMEN'S COMMUNITY CLUB OF BELTSVILLE

Monday, April 12, 12:30 p.m. at Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 11416 Cedar Lane.

## BELTSVILLE RECREATION COUNCIL

Monday, April 19, 7:00 p.m. at Beltsville Community Center.

## YOUNG AT HEART CLUB

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays, 11:00 a.m. at Beltsville Community Center.

## BELTSVILLE BUSINESS BREAKFAST

April 21, 7:30-9:00 a.m. at Cross Creek Golf Club, 12800 Bay Hill Drive, Beltsville. The Beltsville Business Breakfast is a business-networking group hosted by the 21st District Delegation. It meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month. Registration is \$5. Senator Rosapepe announced that the Prince George's Community Federal Credit Union, about to open a branch office in Beltsville, will be both a sponsor and speaker at that breakfast.

## BARC'S 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY IS COMING SOON!

Plan ahead for Saturday, June 5 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., **rain or shine**. Mark your calendar for BARC's Field Day in celebration of its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! Visit BARC at 10300 Baltimore Ave., Beltsville, MD 20705 for a fun-filled day for the whole family. There will be hayrides, a petting zoo, and farm machinery in addition to a large tented area with research exhibits and hands-on demonstrations. Light refreshments will be available for purchase. For more information contact Stephanie Yao, Public Affairs Specialist at 301.504.1619 or [stephanie.yao@ars.usda.gov](mailto:stephanie.yao@ars.usda.gov).

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## FLOWER AND GARDEN PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

Sunday, April 25 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Behnke's Garden Center will present a Garden Photography Workshop by E. David Luria, one of the Washington area's most prominent architectural photographers. Fee: \$60.00. Non-photographer companions are invited to come at no cost and are welcome to serve as models. Classes are limited to 12 students, so you are sure to receive the attention you need. Classes will be held rain or shine. Behnke's Garden Center is located at 11300 Baltimore Ave., Beltsville, MD. Call Behnke's at 301.937.1100 for more information and to make reservations.

## BELTSVILLE LIBRARY

Regular hours of operation are: Monday and Tuesday from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Wednesday – Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., closed on Sunday. Contact the Beltsville Library by phone at 301.937.0294. Visit us at 4319 Sellman Road, Beltsville, next door to the police station. Visit our library system web site at [www.pgcmis.info](http://www.pgcmis.info).

## ANNUAL POETRY CONTEST

Start writing your poems now! Applications are available at the library, **and the deadline for entry is April 10 at 5:00 p.m.** Submit your original poetry for a chance to win. Winners will be asked to read their winning poems on Tuesday, April 20 at 7:00 p.m. Contact the Beltsville Library for more information. Sponsored by the Friends of the Beltsville Library. Ages 6 to adult.

## BELTSVILLE LIBRARY'S 35<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

April 13, 15, and 17. Join the celebration! Events will include a special photo display of library history all week. Honored guests and cake cutting will take place Tuesday, April 13 at 7:00 p.m. A puppet show by Kaydee Puppet will take place Thursday, April 15 at 10:30 a.m. Meet and greet the Friends of the Library on Saturday, April 17 at 12 noon. This event coincides with National Library Week. All are welcome! Contact the library for more information.

## CHESS CLUB

Tuesdays, April 6 and 27 at 5:30 p.m. Chess for all ages and levels. Everyone welcome. Come to learn or just to play with other players and have fun.

## WRITE NOW!

Mondays, April 5, 12, 19, and 26 at 4:00 p.m. If you love to write and want to have fun doing it, this is the program for you! Ages 8 – 12 years.

## STORYTIME

Wednesdays, April 7, 14, 21, and 28 at 10:30 a.m. Songs, fingerplays, and stories. Ages 3 – 5.

## GOOSEY LOOSEY

Wednesdays, April 7, 14, 21, and 28 at 11:30 a.m. Songs, fingerplays, and Mother Goose rhymes. For newborns to 18 months with caregiver.

## GAMING DAZE FOR FAMILIES

Monday, April 26 at 6:00 p.m. Participants will have the opportunity to play games on a Nintendo Wii, Xbox 360, including Mario Kart, Super Smash Bros. Brawl, and Madden and multiple board games.

## GAMING DAZE TOURNAMENT STYLE

Wednesday, March 31 through Friday, April 2 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. What are you doing for spring break? Join us at the library for an afternoon of tournament gaming featuring Mario Kart, Super Smash Bros. Brawl, and other Xbox 360 games. Games may change at the discretion of the library staff. Doors open at 1:30 p.m. for registration and open practice. The tournament rounds begin at 2:00 p.m. Ages 7 and up.

## TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

Saturday, April 17 at 2:00 p.m. Make a difference @ your library. Ages 13 – 18.

## FRIENDS OF THE BELTSVILLE LIBRARY MEETING

Tuesday, April 6 at 6:30 p.m.

## EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION

Monday, April 12 at 7:00 p.m. Alexander McCall Smith's *The Kalahari Typing School for Men*. Pick up a copy at the library. All are welcome.

## TUESDAY AFTERNOON BOOK DISCUSSION

Tuesday, April 20 at 2:00 p.m. Greg Mortenson's *Three Cups of Tea*. All welcome. Drop by the library to pick up a copy.

## INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT WORD

Thursday, April 15 at 9:10 a.m. Don't be intimidated by computers. Learn to identify basic terminology and how to create a document. Leave the library feeling confident using Microsoft Word. Limit 24 per class. Registration required. Please contact the Beltsville Library for more information. Adults only.

## BELTSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

3900 Sellman Rd., Beltsville. The Program Specialist is Tarik Brown. Call 301.937.6613 for information on these and other activities. TTY: 301.445.4512. FAX: 301.937.8815. Hours of operation are: Monday – Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. *Closed on Sunday.*

## PONY EXPRESS DAY

Saturday, April 3 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Celebrate one of the original message systems by creating your own message day in our computer lab. Space is limited to 20. Sign up by April 1. Ages 6 to 12. FREE.

## LASER TAG

Friday, April 9 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Join us for some fun at XP Laser Sport. Bring \$10.00 for laser tag games. Transportation is provided. Ages 10 to 17. Reservation required by April 2.

## NATIONAL PROGRAMS DAY

Friday, April 16 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Wear your favorite P.J.'s and have snacks while watching a movie. Ages 10 to 14. FREE.

## EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

Join our staff for some exciting **Go Green** activities. All ages welcome. FREE.

## XTREME TEENS REGULAR EVENTS

Fridays and Saturdays from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Ages 13 – 17. FREE with Xtreme Teens ID card.

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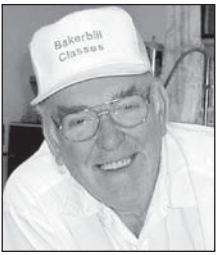
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# Baker Bill

## STUFF 'N THINGS

Notice: My e-mail address was hacked and it appeared that I was asking for money. Not so! Someone was using my good name to scam you, my address-book friends. But this computer is fairly new. I only had a few names in the contacts. After review, it appears I had a worm implanted on my computer, and the sad thing is that I approved it. McAfee warned me that a security system I was purchasing may contain a Trojan horse and may be bad for the computer. But since I was purchasing it from what I believed to be a Microsoft company, I approved it. I have changed my e-mail address to williamraulin@verizon.net so if you want to write me you'll need to use the new address. You can also use bakerbill1@verizon.net and bakerbill.net is still active.

Wow! I didn't think I would make it! No more snow, no more shoveling, but if things go as they have it will rain every day until August. The snow may be gone but the potholes remain. Caverly Avenue is a mess.

The thing I like about April, beyond what I have written above, is golf, but I have a consumer warning. Beware of speed traps. Driving around the Laurel Beltsville area I have seen three tickets being written. Remember the state needs the money. Spring is when they put all the new officers out for experience. Of course, this is my opinion only.

On the general subject of speed traps, etc. this is the time of year people like to jog early in the morning. If you are one of these, great, BUT wear something

bright! A lady a few days ago at the time of this writing was killed in downtown Washington. When she left her Georgetown home she was wearing black. In the street video you can barely see her in the before-dawn light. The truck that sideswiped her never knew he killed someone. He never saw her! Think about it!

I have written in the past about what I can do. There's one thing I can't do or do well and that's drinking coffee through that hole in the lid. I can chew gum and walk at the same time; however, with the coffee I seem to dribble it down my front. That's not good on a clean white shirt.

Here's another saying I like: "We get too soon old, and too late smart (a German expression).

things and know a lot of stuff from the school of hard knocks.

Another tip for us consumers: When you open a bag of chips, open from the bottom, not the top. In this way you get all the broken ones first. I can see by my word count it's time to close.

Until next month,  
William Raulin  
AKA Bakerbill.net

### Consumer corner

Little known facts: (A) if you purchase a car on the 31st of December it will be a year old on January one! It may not matter to you now but comes into play when you trade it in. (B) the best time to buy a new car is on a day no one can get to the showroom after a major snow like we just had. You can get your price. I know a lot of

### CALENDAR

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are: Monday – Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. when the fitness area closes to make room for the XTreme Teens events, and Sunday from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

### SPRING EGG HUNT

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**Palm Sunday Worship, March 28**  
9:45 a.m. Bible Study (for all ages)  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

**Maundy Thursday Worship Service**  
April 1, 7:00 p.m.

**Good Friday**  
April 2, 12:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
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**Easter Sunday, April 4**  
6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service  
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<b>Good Friday, April 2nd</b> Stations of the Cross at Noon <i>Liturgy at 7:30 p.m.</i>	<b>Easter Egg Hunt</b> For the younger children after the 10:00 a.m. service.
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*Mobile Museum Chronicles America's Rich History of Traditions*

**Beltsville, MD, April 25, 2010** – What do a President's rider-less horse saddle, Rosa Parks' quiet act of defiance, and Abraham Lincoln's casket have in common? That's what students, local residents and funeral professionals will soon discover from an exhibit featuring a collection of funeral objects and historical depiction of funeral customs in a traveling museum.

*Reflections: The American Funeral*, examines funeral traditions and their role in helping the living achieve closure. Spread out across 1,000 sq. ft., thoughtful display areas reveal how much we mourn the dead. Of special note is the Lincoln exhibit, featuring a reproduction of Lincoln's casket and tracing the near 3-week funeral procession. Scholars cite Lincoln's 1865 funeral as the birth of today's modern funeral service. Other moving exhibits include "Arlington National Cemetery," which honors our country's veterans and the more than three million Americans buried in our national cemeteries. "Glory, Glory Hallelujah" showcases President John F. Kennedy's rider-less horse – empty boots reversed in the saddle – trotting briskly in his funeral procession and Rosa Parks, who was the first woman to lie in state at the Capitol Rotunda.

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***The Reflections: The American Funeral* mobile museum will be located at 4400 Powder Mill Rd. Beltsville, MD 20705, in the parking lot of Donald V. Borgwardt Funeral Home, on Sunday, April 25, 2010, during their 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Open House between the hours of 10-3 pm.**

From the cross-country funeral procession for Abraham Lincoln to the national outpouring of grief for Elvis Presley, America has a rich history of mourning the dead. *Reflections: The American Funeral* explores these traditions, beginning with Native American burial mounds and ending with the diverse rituals practiced across the country today. Produced by Michigan-based MRA, it's earning praise from everyone who experiences it. "Awesome!" "Great educational tool!" "Amazing! Brings out a lot of things we don't think about." "Very, very moving."

"There are intriguing stories of funeral practices throughout the centuries and this exhibit educates people on those stories and enables them to connect to the universal human experience of death," says Harry Kurtz, President of MRA, a leading mobile exhibit and event producer. "The displays on Arlington and fallen public safety officers move people to tears."

*Reflections: The American Funeral* has been touring across the United States since Summer 2008, stopping at state capitols, universities, veteran events, and mortuary schools, funeral homes and industry conventions. During January 2009 Inauguration celebrations, both Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C., and Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine in Baltimore, MD, hosted it.

