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There is a Star Among Us

Chelsea Utley, granddaughter of Sarah Glover, has chosen the track and field path to make her mark as a rising star. Chelsea is 16 years old and attends Green Run High School in Virginia Beach, Virginia. She will start her senior year in the Fall.

During her 7th and 8th grade years, Chelsea was a very active part of the PG County Tots and Teens. A decision beyond her control led her to attend school in Virginia Beach in the 9th grade. This decision was life-changing as well as life-altering for her. She is excelling both academically (with a 3.0

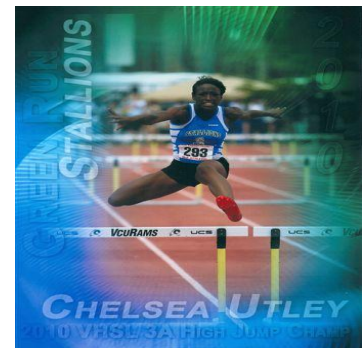
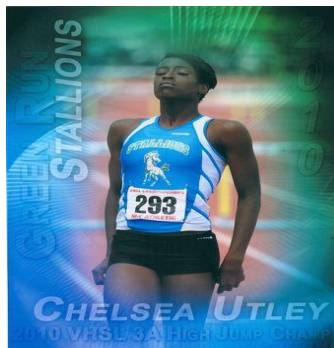
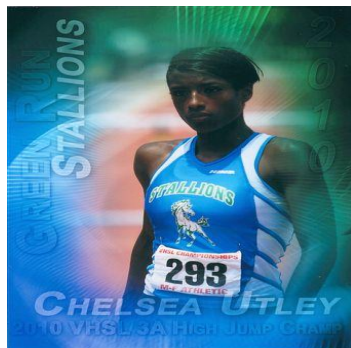
average) and in the area of track and field. She is living proof that “all things work together for the good of those who love Christ Jesus.” Chelsea chose track and field as a way of dealing with the pressures of life and it has proven to be her path to success.

300 meter hurdles, 4x8 relay, triple jump, high jump and 4x4 relay are her chosen events. She is currently the 2010 Virginia State High Jump Champion—jumping 5’8”. Also Chelsea competed in the 2010 New Balance Nationals in June and became the National Girls High Jump Runner-up. She is # 2 in the nation—both girls jumped 5’8”.

Results of that competition are featured on the ESPN website, along with Chelsea’s pictures. Chelsea is scheduled to compete in the Jr. Olympics in August. We will be praying for her success.

Track and Field is also serving as Chelsea’s pathway to college. She has received several scholarship offers from Division 1 schools. Chelsea wants to pursue a degree in Anesthesiology.

You Go Chelsea!!!! We are so very proud of you.



P. G. Tots and Teens Get a Lesson in Etiquette

On June 13th more than 40 members of the Chapter attended an Etiquette Workshop held at the Friendship House in Hyattsville Md. The workshop was led by Chante Douglas, 2nd Vice President of the Chapter. Youth and adults alike learned many worthwhile lessons centering on table etiquette.

While learning our lessons we also feasted on a delicious meal prepared and served by members of the chapter.

Lessons learned:

Inappropriate conversation at the table is Politics and Religion.

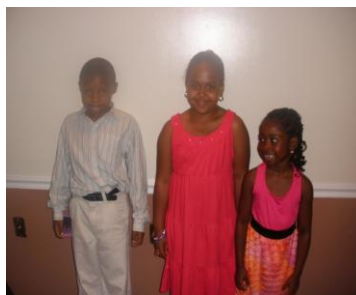
One should never pick up a dropped eating utensil or napkin; simply ask the waiter for another one, but leave the dropped one on the floor.

If you need to leave the table, you should always excuse yourself.

To indicate that you have finished your meal; turn your knife and fork over and cross one over the other in the middle of your plate.



This event also served as a mini Youth Recognition Program. We honored our children for their many accomplishments throughout the year. From the academic to the athletic and from learning body parts to a foreign language; our children are achieving great things.



Bowie Baysox Game

On May 22nd, a few members and some friends of the Chapter attended a Bowie Baysox game. The forecast of inclement weather kept a lot of our members at home. Although the Baysox lost the game and we had to skip through the raindrops, we still enjoyed ourselves. The ball park was beautiful, and the hot dogs and chicken fingers were great!



My Date with a Dolphin

By Kelli Pettv

My husband Gary and I recently took a vacation to Hawaii to celebrate our 14th wedding anniversary. We had a wonderful time touring that beautiful island and birthplace of our President, Barack Obama.

As some of you may know, I have always been very adventurous and I was able to show that spirit in Hawaii. I was able to be a true risk-taker. Gary and I climbed a mountain that was 760 feet high, rode a kayak down the Whailua River and I swam with a dolphin at Sealife Park in Oahu.

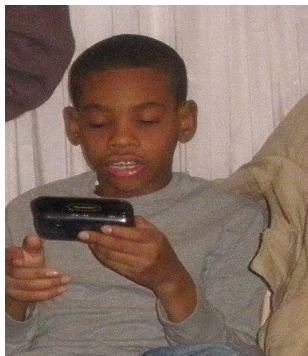
To accomplish this feat, I had to swim into the middle of the pool and once the dolphin came close, I had to grab hold of her fins. I was afraid that I was going to fall off, but I held on tight.

My dolphin's name was Kawilikai, which means "Blend of the Ocean" and she was 5 years old. She weighed 350 pounds, but can grow to be around 900 pounds. She is half whale and half dolphin; they call her a whalefin. She felt like "smooth rubber".

My date with Kawilikai was so exciting. I truly felt one with nature.



Our Presidential Scholar



Miles Hamilton is the eldest child and only son of Michelle Hamilton and big brother to Milan and Milena. Miles is 11 years old and recently graduated from Marlton Elementary School.

Miles has always been an excellent student, but this year he was recognized for his academic excellence by receiving a very special award.

As you may know, there are 2 levels of Presidential Awards given for academic achievement. There is the Presidential Award and then there is the Presidential Award for Excellence. Miles, along with a few other graduates received the prestigious Presidential Award for

Excellence. His family was so proud of him.

Miles was not finished being a star that day. In addition to receiving the Presidential Award for Excellence, he also was awarded a certificate for achieving the highest score in Science in the 6th grade. As usual, he was his normal laid back self. On the other hand, his mom was really excited and very proud of her son. His framed Presidential Award of Excellence, signed by President Barack Obama, is sitting in the living room.

You Go Miles!!!
Your Tots and Teens Family is Very Proud of You Too.

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