

The Prince George's Post



A COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER FOR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY SINCE 1932

Vol. 87, No. 28 July 11 — July 17, 2019

Prince George's County, Maryland

Newspaper of Record

Phone: 301-627-0900

25 cents

Prince George's Firefighter and Maryland Detailer Selected to 2019 Air Force One Detailing Team At Seattle's Museum of Flight

By KIMBERLY BALLARD
for Shine Right Detailing

HUNTINGTOWN, Md. (July 1, 2019)—Prince George's County Firefighter and automotive detailer Josh Buckler of Shine Right Detailing has been hand-picked for the second year to the much anticipated 2019 Air Force One Detailing Team at Seattle's Museum of Flight. He again made the cut from hundreds of detailers nationwide by the original "Detailer of Air Force One", Renny Doyle of Detailing Success. Doyle announced this year's 55-person team just in time for the Independence Day holiday, and he will lead the weeklong project at the museum, July 7-14.

For 16 years, members who are chosen for the exclusive Air Force One Detailing Team, do so voluntarily as their patriotic duty to restore, maintain and protect the original presidential jet Air Force One and more than a dozen additional historic aircraft currently on exhibit

in the museum's new Airpark Pavilion.

"I trained Josh as an expert in paint and he has perfected his skill at cleaning and polishing paint and metal. When I chose him for the team last year, I was confident he was qualified for the job," said Doyle. "After a year on the team, he has proven he has the experience needed to continue our work and he can help us coordinate new team members and show them the ropes this year."

"I am just as excited this year about being chosen of the team as I was last year, but I think I bring more to the table this year than last," says Buckler. "It is an honor to be steward and caretakers for all these iconic aircraft—especially Air Force One. I am honored to have been chosen for the team again and it makes the Fourth of July holiday special this year."

In addition to Air Force One, which is currently in preservation stages after 15 years of restoration, the team will continue restoring a solid aluminum WWII

B-29 Super Fortress Bomber and a recently acquired and badly deteriorating Vietnam-era B-52G Stratofortress Bomber. They will also clean and continue to maintain the first-ever Boeing "Jumbo Jet" 747; the Concorde Alpha Golf; and the first 1960s-70s-era Boeing 727-022 commercial airliner—all three, planes previous teams have begun restoring in the past 5-10 years.

Air Force One is the first presidential jet, known as a flying Oval Office for four American presidents including Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson, and Nixon. It entertained international dignitaries like Nikita Khrushchev and Henry Kissinger. For more than a decade, it lived on the open tarmac exposed to Seattle's notorious climate.

In 2003, a Bush-administration executive contacted Doyle about saving the deteriorating paint and brightwork on the



PHOTOGRAPH COURTESY SHINE RIGHT DETAILING

Prince George's County Firefighter and automotive detailer Josh Buckler

See DETAILING TEAM Page A8

Upper Marlboro Resident Appointed to UMMS Board

By SHAREESE CHURCHILL
Office of the Governor



PHOTOGRAPH COURTESY OF WILLIAM LAYNE
Elisa Basnight, Esq.

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (June 12)—Governor Larry Hogan announced [in June] the appointment of new members to the University of Maryland Medical System (UMMS) Board of Directors. These appointments deliver on the governor's promise to overhaul the board in response to revelations of self-dealing and wrongdoing, and build on his enactment of major reforms of the way UMMS operates.

"Bipartisan reforms to fix the problems at

UMMS were a good first step, but I said that—still—more needed to be done," Governor Hogan said. "I pledged that I would appoint new board members who will serve with integrity and accountability, and today, I am delivering on that promise. This is another critical step as UMMS works to restore public trust."

The following UMMS appointee is from Upper Marlboro:

Elisa Basnight, Esq. currently serves as senior vice president of supply chain for the American Red Cross. She previously served as chief of staff for the United States Mint under the Obama administration, as well as head of the Center for Women Veterans at the Department of Veterans Affairs. She has also served as executive vice president for StrategyServ in Upper Marlboro and senior vice president of Health Net Federal Services for the Centene Corporation.

Governor Hogan will make additional appointments in the coming months, consistent with the bipartisan legislation he enacted in April.

Central Gateway Communities ANC Meeting Monday, July 15, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Spauldings Public Library, 5811 Old Silver Hill Road, District Heights, MD 20747

Main topics: Reinvesting in the Economy in Our Established Communities; Improving Retail in Prince George's County

Main speaker: Prince George's County Economic Development Corp.
RSVP link: <https://forms.gle/6mEvSWFdmftvQmSM9>

Commentary, Page A4

Commissioner Wanda M. Leonard Elected New Mayor of Upper Marlboro

By KYLE SNYDER
Town of Upper Marlboro

UPPER MARLBORO, Md. (July 2, 2019)—Wanda M. Leonard, who has served as a Commissioner in the Town of Upper Marlboro for the past 18 months, was elected President of the Board of Commissioners (Mayor) for the Town of Upper Marlboro in a special meeting July 1. Leonard succeeds Tonga Turner, who resigned last month to spend more time with her husband and their young sons and to focus on her professional career.

Leonard was sworn into office by the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court [on July 2]. She becomes only the second African American Mayor in the town's 313-year history. She will serve alongside fellow Commissioner Linda Pennoyer.

"I am humbled and honored to have been elected as the town's new Mayor," Leonard said Tuesday. "My goals are two-fold. I certainly want to continue the great work

started by my predecessor, Tonga Turner. I also want to continue to move Upper Marlboro forward with my own vision of what we can become by working together."

Leonard said today that she strongly believes in service to the community. Her personal mantra is "Service before self." Realizing that the Town of Upper Marlboro needed visionary leadership and fresh perspectives on what town residents needed to enhance their living experience, and what matters are truly important to the community, initially led her to run for public office in January 2018.

Some of Leonard's community outreach accomplishments include being a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for abused and neglected children in the District of Columbia; a board member for Family Advocacy and a Donate Life Ambassador with Washington Regional Transplant Community (WRTC); an alum of the Prince George's County Police Citizens Academy; a Prince George County Police Volunteer



PHOTOGRAPH COURTESY UPPERMARLBOROMD.GOV

Upper Marlboro Mayor Wanda M. Leonard

in Police Services (VIPS); and president of the Greater Upper Marlboro Maryland Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).

See NEW MAYOR Page A8

Prince George's County Grief Programs Include Something New For Teens and Kids

By ELYZABETH MARCUSSEN
Hospice of the Chesapeake

LARGO Md. (July 1, 2019)—Chesapeake Life Center's Prince George's County office will offer a variety of grief support groups through September at its offices at 9500 Medical Center Drive, Suite 250, Largo, Maryland, as well as at other locations in the county.

New to the schedule is its Prince George's County Teen Support Group for youth ages 13 to 18 to connect with others their age who also grieve the death of a loved one. Its first meeting will be from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Sept. 11. Call for location and to speak with a counselor prior to attending the first meeting.

Another exciting new program is the Prince George's County Children's Grief Day Camp. It will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 17

at the College Park Airport and the Aviation Museum and will be an interactive workshop experience where children ages 6 to 12 can explore their grief, make friends and have a lot of fun. Through art, play, conversations and support, children will develop new ways to handle the difficult task of grieving while learning they are not alone. The program includes snacks and lunch and an activity in the aviation museum. The cost is \$40.

Other programs offered at the center's Prince George's County office include:

- **Coffee and Conversations Monthly Morning Grief Support Group**, an informal gathering that provides a safe place for sharing and learning about grief while exploring coping strategies. The group will meet from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Sept. 12.
- **Monthly Evening Grief Support Group** is similar in format to the morning group

and will meet on the fourth Thursday of the month from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Sept. 26.

- **Sudden Loss Support Group** is for adults who are grieving someone who has passed unexpectedly or suddenly, including from suicide, homicide, accidents or natural causes that brought death rapidly. The group will meet on the evening of Sept. 16. Call for times and to speak with a counselor prior to attending your first meeting.
- **SoulCollage Grief Support Group** has participants create a series of collages to commemorate lost loved ones and to visually journal the grief process. The group will meet from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Aug. 5 and Sept. 9. The cost is \$10.

Children are not permitted in any adult groups. Registration is required for all groups; call 888-501-7077 or email griefinfo@chesapeakelifecenter.org.

INSIDE

ChildWatch: A Country We Still Have to Create

The need to change course, heal, and make America what it professes to be and the nation our children and grandchildren deserve is more urgent than ever.

Governor Hogan Announces Menu for the Annual Buy Local Cookout

This year also features recipes by student chefs from Crossland High School in Prince George's County.

UM Capital Region Health Announces Interim President & CEO

The Board of Health extends its warmest congratulations to Joseph L. Wright, MD, MPH, upon his appointment as the Interim President and Chief Executive Officer of the University of Maryland Capital Region Health (UM Capital).
Business and Finance, Page A5

Movie Review:

Annabelle Comes Home

It's suspenseful and ominous, with a few good jolts, but not as intense or unnerving—more "funhouse scary" than "I'll never sleep again" scary (which is more an observation than a complaint).

Out on the Town, Page A6

Earth Talk

Dear EarthTalk:

What are American businesses doing to help the U.S. meet its Paris climate accord commitments?

—M. Francis, New York, NY

Features, Page A7



YOU DON'T NEED A/C TO CHILL

Save Money on Peak Savings Days

This summer, you can relax and save money by saving energy. On Pepco's Peak Savings Days, the less energy you use the more money you could save on your bill.

Learn more at pepco.com/peak



An Exelon Company

COMMENTARY

Marion Wright Edelman

President Emerita,
Children's Defense Fund



ChildWatch:

A Country We Still Have to Create

This Fourth of July I am returning to the wise words of my late friend Dr. Vincent Harding, the revered historian, theologian, social justice activist, and visionary who never lost sight of the "beloved community" his friend and colleague Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. believed our nation and world could become. In July 2012 on his 81st birthday Dr. Harding spoke at the National and Racial Healing Town Hall at a Children's Defense Fund's conference. He told us he believed America was a wounded nation, but despite so many years of struggle he remained convinced America could and must get better. He urged all of us to commit ourselves to healing America and making our country what it should be, and shared a line he had heard a West African poet recite: "I am a citizen of a country that does not yet exist."

The poet was speaking about his homeland, which was going through political turmoil on the road to independence, but my dear brother Vincent said it applied to our current spiritual and moral crisis in America: "We are citizens of a country that we still have to create—a just country, a compassionate country, a forgiving country, a multiracial, multi-religious country, a joyful country that cares about its children and about its elders, that cares about itself and about the world, that cares about what the Earth needs as well as what individual people

need...I am, you are, a citizen of a country that does not yet exist, and that badly needs to exist."

He drew a comparison to the words of the brilliant poet Langston Hughes in "Let America Be America Again." That poem celebrates the poor, working class, and immigrant Americans from all backgrounds and colors who have always been the farmers, factory workers, and laborers on whose backs America was built, but who generation after generation have been "tangled in that ancient endless chain/Of profit, power, gain, of grab the land!/Of grab the gold! Of grab the ways of satisfying need!/Of work the men! Of take the pay!/Of owning everything for one's own greed!" Vincent Harding quoted Hughes's refrain, "America never was America to me," and said: "We can always stop there and complain and complain and complain. 'You've never been America to me.' But remember, Langston did not stop there: 'America, you've never been America to me. But I swear this oath—you will be!' I want you, those who are not afraid to swear oaths, to swear that oath for yourself, for your children, and for your old uncle here. You will be, America. You will be what you should be, and I am going to give my life to the working for that."

I swear this oath—you will be!
We are in a moment when we are watching hollow promises about

American greatness turn into an American nightmare. Instead of the vision of the Statue of Liberty welcoming the tired, the poor, the "huddled masses yearning to breathe free," and the "homeless, tempest-tost," the picture of America today is the photograph of 23-month-old Angie Valeria Martinez Avalos, her body tucked inside her father's shirt with her arm around his neck, drowned while trying to swim across the Rio Grande in desperation after attempting to seek asylum at the United States border. But millions of Americans agree this is not who we are—and we will refuse to let it be who we become.

On this Fourth of July we are very, very far from living up to America's promise, but this barbaric and shameful moment in American "exceptionalism" and American leadership will not last forever. The need to change course, heal, and make America what it professes to be and the nation our children and grandchildren deserve is more urgent than ever. Those of us who share the vision for a just, compassionate, multiracial, joyful nation that cares for children and elders, itself and the rest of the world, and the needs of the Earth and the people who inhabit it must never stop working to make that America reality. We are citizens of a country that does not yet exist, but it is up to us to finally create it and make it a just and hopeful land for all. July 3rd, 2019

Marc Morial

President and CEO, National Urban League



To Be Equal:

States Should Follow Illinois' Lead on Expungement, Opportunity in New Cannabis Law

"The U.S. "war on drugs"—a decades-long policy of racial and class suppression hidden behind cannabis criminality—has resulted in the arrest, interdiction, and incarceration of a high percentage of Americans of color. The legal cannabis industry represents a great opportunity to help balance the detrimental effects of the war on drugs by creating an equal playing field for all people to benefit from the changing legal landscape."

—Minority Cannabis Business Association

It's difficult to overstate how devastating America's racist "War on Drugs" has been for communities of color. Although Black and white people use marijuana at similar rates, Black people have been four times more likely to be arrested for marijuana possession.

In Michigan, which has already legalized marijuana for recreational use, a 68-year-old man named Michael Thompson is 25 years into a 40-to-60-year sentence stemming from the sale of three pounds of marijuana to an undercover officer.

Last week, Illinois made history when it passed a marijuana legalization law that seeks to atone for the injustice of the War on Drugs.

Illinois' law gives low-income communities of color—the very communities ripped apart by decades of racist drug policies—a fair shot at dispensary and grow-shop licenses. A portion of tax revenue generated by cannabis sales will be directed to investment in those communities through the Restore, Reinvest, and Renew Program.

Under the new law, arrest records for possession of small amounts of marijuana will be expunged automatically, and the board that makes clemency recommendations to the governor will receive a list of everyone convicted of minor possession offenses.

Nearly 800,000 criminal histories could be erased under the law.

We applaud Illinois historic achievement. We stand ready to evaluate the implementation and effectiveness of the law. We urge other states to follow Illinois' lead when crafting legislation to legalize marijuana by looking comprehensive at redress for past wrongs and creating economic opportunities for communities that bore, and continue to bear, the negative effects of the War on Drugs.

The history of cannabis in the United States—which became known as marijuana in the early 1900s—is fraught with racist hysteria. Following the Mexican Revolution, more than 890,000 Mexican people legally immigrated into the United States between 1910 and 1920. Even though cannabis long had been used in the United States as an ingredient in unregulated "patent medicines," the Spanish term marijuana became associated with fear and prejudice against new immigrants. By 1930, 16 states had outlawed prohibited marijuana as a way to target the growing Mexican community.

In 1971 President Richard M. Nixon launched the "War on Drugs," which was exposed in 2016 by White House Counsel John Ehrlichman as a political ploy to target African Americans and anti-war protestors. Two years after Nixon proclaimed drugs "public enemy number one," presidential hopeful Nelson Rockefeller, Governor of New York signed the most draconian drug statutes in the nation, setting the sentence for selling two ounces of certain drugs, including cannabis, or possession of four ounces, at a minimum of 15 years to life in prison. The laws have been blamed for tripling New York's prison population.

Even now, as states have begun legalizing recreational marijuana use, recent investigation by the *New York Times* found that Black people

See TO BE EQUAL Page A8

An editorial by the National Newspaper Association

It is time to recognize the journalists who gave their all

WASHINGTON D.C. (July 4, 2019)—World War II correspondent Ernie Pyle died during the invasion of Okinawa in 1945. In his pocket was a draft of his last column, "On Victory in Europe." He wrote, "...the companionship of two and a half years of death and misery is a spouse that tolerates no divorce. Such companionship finally becomes a part of one's soul, and it cannot be obliterated."

He had returned to his home after brushes with death while covering the war in Europe. But he was haunted by the untold stories on the Japanese warfront and so back he went.

He died from machine gun fire in an area that had been considered safe. No one could say he was ready to die. Indeed, he hated the fact that he had to go back. But the troops and the nation were counting on him. He knew and feared the danger, but duty propelled him back to the fight so he could tell America about the men and women at war.

That devotion to duty has been understood by journalists across America throughout our nation's history. Like first responders, journalists run toward danger. Some lose their lives.

But the greatest recent loss of journalists on American soil was not during the heat of battle. It happened on June 28, 2018, when five newspaper employees were gunned down in their offices at the *Capital-Gazette*, in Annapolis, Maryland. The shooter was apprehended. Law enforcement officers said he held a grudge against the paper for its coverage.

That announcement was chilling. It strikes at every reporter, editor and publisher who has presented unpopular information to readers and viewers. Whether it is a story of public corruption, a drunk-driving arrest or even something as simple as a house foreclosure, someone often wants to keep that information out of the paper. That we have reached a point in our nation's history where journalists at work are receiving training on surviving a shooter would surprise and dismay a hardened wartime correspondent like Pyle. He probably would say that is not the nation he went to war to protect and inform.

We agree. That is why it is time to recognize, with sadness and heavy hearts, those who lost their lives because they were trying to tell us the stories that make us a democracy: The five *Capital-Gazette* employees—Gerald Fischman, Rob Hiaasen, John McNamara, Rebecca Smith and Wendi Winters; Jamal Khashoggi, who was killed in the Saudi Consulate in Istanbul; Mike McCormick and Philip Aaron Smeltzer, who died covering tropical storm Alberto for WYFF in North Carolina; and others deserve our thanks and our respect.

That is why it is time for the Fallen Journalists Memorial in Washington, D.C. to be built entirely without taxpayer dollars. The memorial requires Congressional authorization to be placed on federal land in Washington, D.C.

Legislation sponsored in the House by Reps. Tom Cole, R-OK and Grace Napolitano, D-CA; and in the Senate by Benjamin Cardin, D-MD, and Rob Portman, R-OH, will give the Fallen Journalists Memorial Foundation a green light to begin planning for the memorial. It would be a blessing if, by the time the memorial is built, there are no new names to add to it.

This newspaper believes it is time to recognize the sacrifice of journalists killed in the line of duty. We call upon our Members of Congress to add their names to the legislation introduced by Cole, Napolitano, Cardin and Portman and we urge you to ask them to sign onto this worthy effort.



KARL MERTON FERRON | THE BALTIMORE SUN

Candles with the faces of the five employees who were killed were used at a gathering of mourners for the employees killed in the *Capital Gazette* newsroom, Annapolis, Maryland.

Hoyer Statement on the Inspector General's Investigation into the Administration's FBI Relocation Plan

WASHINGTON, D.C. (July 3, 2019)—Congressman Steny H. Hoyer (MD-05) released the following statement today after the Inspector General announced it would open an investigation into the Administration's abrupt decision to not relocate the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) from its headquarters in DC and instead pursue a more expensive plan:

"Congress and the American people deserve to know why the decade-long process to build a new, relocated headquarters for the FBI was abandoned overnight by an Administration whose president would be personally financially impacted by its outcome. It is entirely appropriate for the Department of Justice Inspector General to investigate what transpired and how the Trump Administration came to this decision. Along with the rest of the Maryland delegation, I will continue to push for the

FBI's long-planned move to a new, consolidated headquarters and advocate for the selection of a site in Prince George's County."

The Prince George's Post

The Prince George's Post
P.O. Box 1001 15207 Marlboro Pike
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772-3151
Phone: 301-627-0900 • Legal Fax: 301-627-6260
Email: pgpost@gmail.com
Contents © 2019, The Prince George's Post

Publisher/Senior Editor Legusta Floyd	Editor Lisa Duan
General Manager/ Legal Advertising Manager Brenda Boice	Administrative Assistant/ Billing Julie Volosin
Legal Advertising Assistant Robin Boerckel	Web Manager Kyler Quesenberry

Prince George's County, Md. Member National Newspaper Publishers Association, and the Maryland, Delaware, District of Columbia Press Association. The Prince George's Post (ISSN 10532226) is published every Thursday by the New Prince George's Post Inc., 15207 Marlboro Pike, Upper Marlboro, Md. 20772-3151. Subscription rate: 25 cents per single copy; \$15 per year; \$7.50 senior citizens and students; out of county add \$1; out of state add \$2. Periodical postage paid at Southern Md. 20790. Postmaster, send address changes to Prince George's Post, P.O. Box 1001, Upper Marlboro, Md. 20772-3151.

The Prince George's Post

Your Newspaper
of Legal Record

Call: 301-627-0900
Fax: 301-627-6260

COMMUNITY

The American Counseling Association's Counseling Corner

You Do Deserve the Success You've Earned

It's a feeling that affects both men and women. You've achieved success at work, with a community organization, or just within your family, and yet you don't feel you've really earned that achievement.

You may think that your accomplishments come from luck or good timing rather than any real talent and hard work on your part. You may feel like a fraud, not really capable of the tasks facing you.

Having these thoughts is fairly common. They're manifestations of self-doubt and a lack of self-confidence, and there's even a psychological term to describe them—"imposter syndrome."

It's not a psychological disorder but rather a descriptive name developed in the late 1970s. Researchers and clinicians found that they were seeing people who had strong accomplishments yet were often convinced they didn't deserve the success they had won.

It happens to many of us. We may have trouble believing we are as intelligent and talented as we really are. The result can be our crediting outside reasons or forces as to why a good thing is occurring, rather than accepting that we actually made it happen ourselves.

Such feelings can become a problem when feeling like an impostor gets in the way of our daily lives. We might be afraid or even frozen when facing a work presentation or speech at a big meeting. We may question or avoid the decisions we need to make regarding our children and family. Professional counselors report that they have seen this self-questioning and lack of confidence in everyone from managers of large businesses to stay-at-home moms.

However, there are ways to overcome impostor syndrome. A starting point is to step back and look objectively at your accomplishments. Make a list of positive things, big and small, you've accomplished in the past year. Then own those accomplishments. Give yourself credit for the work and talent that achieved those successes.

Research has shown that simply talking to yourself can change how you see yourself. Tell yourself that you are worthy in all aspects of your life. Tell yourself that you are better and smarter than you think you are, and that you know more than you usually give yourself credit for. And be sure to remind yourself of these positive thoughts as often as possible.

If a form of impostor syndrome is negatively affecting your life, a professional counselor can offer assistance in overcoming the problem.

Counseling Corner is provided by the American Counseling Association. Comments and questions to ACACorner@counseling.org or visit the ACA website at www.counseling.org.

Governor Hogan Announces Menu For the Annual Buy Local Cookout

Signature Event Challenges All Marylanders to "Buy Local, Eat Fresh"

By SHAREESE CHURCHILL
Office of the Governor

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (June 28, 2019)—Governor Larry Hogan today announced the 16 recipes that will be featured at the 12th Annual Buy Local Cookout, which celebrates Maryland's Buy Local Challenge Week, July 20-28, and encourages all Marylanders to eat at least one locally grown, made, or harvested product each day. The cookout, hosted by Governor Hogan and First Lady Yumi Hogan, will be held at Government House on Thursday, July 18.

"Every year, local chefs submit recipes for the Buy Local Cookout that highlight the Maryland farmers, watermen, and producers that work tirelessly to provide our state with a diverse selection of agricultural products, world-class seafood, and Maryland-made products," said Governor Hogan. "The cookout is a great reminder of the many benefits to buying locally, and I encourage all Marylanders to join me in taking the Buy Local Challenge."

This spring, Governor Hogan invited teams of local chefs and pro-

ducers to submit original recipes that highlight the diversity of Maryland products. Over 40 recipes were submitted and 16 were selected. The First Lady and Government House chefs will provide an additional entrée and dessert for the cookout.

Recipes were selected based on availability of ingredients, geographic representation, maximum use of local ingredients, and creativity. This year also features recipes by student chefs from **Crossland High School** in Prince George's County, the University of Maryland Eastern Shore at the Universities at Shady Grove, and the Chesapeake Culinary Center in Caroline County.

All recipe submissions will be published in a cookbook titled *Recipes from the 2019 Maryland Buy Local Cookout*, which will include wine, beer, or spirits pairing recommendations from the Maryland Wineries Association, Brewers Association of Maryland, and the Maryland Distillers Guild. The cookbook will be available online when completed next month.

The following dessert recipes [from Prince George's County chefs]

were selected to be prepared at the cookout:

Corny Cake aka Eat your Vegetables Cake, submitted by student chefs **Christopher Young, Justin Thurston, Stephen Clark, Jordyn White, Sean Rohlfis, and James Richburg** with culinary teacher **Muriel Homesack** from **Crossland High School** in Prince George's County with producer **Brad Miller of Miller Farms** in Prince George's County for corn and eggs.

The Brewers Association of Maryland, Maryland Distillers Guild, Maryland Wineries Association, Honest Tea, and George's Mixes are also donating products for the event. The Maryland's Best Ice Cream Trail will sponsor a tent at the cookout with ice cream from Kilby Cream, Prigel Family Creamery, South Mountain Creamery and Woodbourne Creamery at Rock Hill Orchard. Musical entertainment will be provided by the Geckos.

For more information about the 2019 Governor's Buy Local Cookout or the *Buy Local Cookbook*, contact Karen Fedor at karen.fedor@maryland.gov or 410-841-5773.

HSFPP Curriculum Training for Teachers and Volunteers

July 18, 2019, 9:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.
MD|DC Credit Union Association, 8975 Guilford Road, Suite 190, Columbia, MD 21046

Join University of Maryland Extension and MD|DC Credit Union Association as they host a FREE personal finance training that will prepare high school teachers and adult volunteers/educators to teach Personal Finance to

teenagers. High School teachers, Middle School 8th grade teachers and volunteer educators are also encouraged to attend to learn about the High School Financial Planning Program developed by the National Endowment for Financial Education. Free breakfast and lunch will be provided. Bring laptops/notebooks.

Register via [eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com).

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

Social Security Matters

Ask Rusty:

Age Seventy Hasn't Yet Applied For Social Security

By RUSSELL GLOOR, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor
Association of Mature American Citizens

Dear Rusty:

How can I maximize my monthly Social Security benefit? I'm already 70 years old—almost 71 now. **Signed: Ready to Apply.**

Dear Ready to Apply: You've already maximized your monthly Social Security benefit by waiting until age 70 to apply. Age 70 is when you stop earning delayed retirement credits, which have boosted your monthly benefit amount by 32% over what you would have received at your full retirement age of 66, and by 76% over what you would have received if you had claimed benefits early at age 62. Your maximum Social Security benefit is reached in the month you turn 70 years of age, so you shouldn't delay any longer. Since you're now actually more than 70 (almost 71), you should immediately claim your Social Security benefit and you should also ask for 6 months of retroactive benefits, which SS will give you in a lump-sum. You can claim your benefits by contacting the Social Security office (find your local office at www.ssa.gov/locator) and making an appointment to apply for benefits, or you can apply online at www.ssa.gov. To apply online, you'll have to first set up your personal "My Social Security" online account at www.ssa.gov, and then complete and submit your application online. You should specify your "benefit start month" as six months before the date you apply to get the retroactive benefits.

If you are married, since you have not yet applied for benefits your wife is not yet receiving spousal benefits from your record. Assuming she has reached her full retirement age, her spousal benefit will be half of the benefit you were eligible to receive at your full retirement age, if that amount is more than she is entitled to on her own lifetime work record. If your wife was born on or before January 1st, 1954 she should contact your local Social Security office to file for her spousal benefit. If your wife was born January 2nd, 1954 or later, her spousal benefit should be automatically added to her own benefit when you claim, and she should not need to contact Social Security to apply. I encourage you both to claim these benefits as soon as possible, because each month you delay you are losing benefits which you are entitled to. This is true even if one or both of you are still working, because there is no penalty for working after you have reached full retirement age. And even if you're still working and paying FICA taxes monthly, your benefit will not increase just because you are still paying into Social Security.

The 2 million member Association of Mature American Citizens (AMAC) (<https://www.amac.us>) is a vibrant, vital senior advocacy organization that takes its marching orders from its members. We act and speak on their behalf, protecting their interests and offering a practical insight on how to best solve the problems they face today. Live long and make a difference by joining us today at <https://amac.us/join-amac>.

This article is intended for information purposes only and does not represent legal or financial guidance. It presents the opinions and interpretations of the AMAC Foundation's staff, trained and accredited by the National Social Security Association (NSSA). NSSA and the AMAC Foundation and its staff are not affiliated with or endorsed by the Social Security Administration or any other governmental entity. To submit a question, visit our website (amacfoundation.org/programs/social-security-advisory) or email us at ssadvisor@amacfoundation.org.

UM Capital Region Health Announces Interim President & CEO

Joseph L. Wright, MD, MPH, FAAP Appointed Interim Role to Lead Organization

By JANIA MATTHEWS
University of Maryland
Capital Region Health

CHEVERLY, Md. (June 28, 2019)—Joseph L. Wright, MD, MPH, FAAP has been appointed interim President & CEO of UM Capital Region Health (UM Capital), effective July 7.

Dr. Wright joined the organization in September 2018 as Senior Vice President and Chief Medical Officer and he will continue in his role in addition to his interim position.

"Dr. Wright will lead a strong executive team at UM Capital Region Health that will continue to drive positive change as we advance our efforts to meet the future healthcare needs of residents in Prince George's County, and the surrounding region," says UMMS Interim President and CEO, John W. Ashworth III. "Dr. Wright has already made a positive impact in many areas of the organization, including building a strong partnership with medical staff across the UM Capital system. I know the organization is in very capable hands as the search process gets underway."

A consulting firm has been engaged to conduct a national search to identify candidates to permanently fill the role of President & CEO and a search committee, co-chaired by Ashworth and UM Capital Board Chair Judge Alexander Williams will lead the effort.

"Change within any organization can be difficult, but Dr. Wright is well-positioned to take on this role," says Judge Williams. "He is dedicated to the success of the organization and he's been a pillar of the community, having lived in Prince George's County most of his life."

Prior to joining UM Capital, Dr. Wright served as Professor and Chair-

man of Pediatrics at the Howard University College of Medicine in Washington, DC. He previously served as Senior Vice President within the Children's National Health System, where he provided strategic leadership for the organization's advocacy mission, public policy positions and community partnership initiatives.

"The opportunity to lead UM Capital Region Health is an appointment that I do not take lightly," says Dr. Wright. "My commitment to this organization and to this community extends far and wide. Prince George's County is my home and as a clinical leader who is passionate about public health and serving patients with the best possible care, I am honored to serve as interim President and CEO."

Currently, Dr. Wright holds academic appointments as a professor in the departments of Pediatrics and Health Policy and Management at the University of Maryland Schools of Medicine and Public Health, respectively.

Additional Comments from Community Leaders:

Prince George's County Executive Angela D. Alsobrooks: "We are excited that Dr. Wright has been named the interim President & CEO of UM Capital Region Health, because I know he will be a great partner in our efforts to provide high-quality healthcare to more Prince Georgians," said Prince George's County Executive Angela Alsobrooks. "Dr. Wright is well-qualified for this role, and as a resident of Prince George's for most of his life, understands the needs of our communities. I look forward to working with him and his team on a number of projects and initiatives, including the new UM Cap-

ital Region Medical Center in Largo that will provide the high-quality healthcare our residents want and deserve, while reducing some of the health disparities that exist in our County."

Prince George's County Council, The Honorable Todd M. Turner, Chair, District 4: "Access to quality health care, health promotion and disease prevention are priority concerns for the Prince George's County Council, in its role as the Board of Health, and for the residents we represent."

The Board of Health extends its warmest congratulations to Joseph L. Wright, MD, MPH, upon his appointment as the Interim President and Chief Executive Officer of the University of Maryland Capital Region Health (UM Capital).

Dr. Wright has established a longstanding record of service to County residents, and a productive working relationship with the Council, serving as consultant and liaison to the Board of Health from 2011 to 2018, after which he assumed the position of Chief Medical Officer for the UM Capital.

This successful partnership, and Dr. Wright's experience and expertise as a physician, surgeon and hospital executive will be an invaluable resource to advance public health policies, improve Quality of Life for our residents, and continue Prince George's County's historic journey toward healthcare transformation.

We look forward to continuing to work with Dr. Wright in his new role, to address healthcare in Prince George's County, and as we move closer to the exciting grand opening of the new University of Maryland Capital Region Medical Center in 2021."

COUNTY CHURCH DIRECTORY

UNITED METHODIST

WESTPHALIA
United Methodist Church

"A CHURCH ON THE REACH FOR GOD"
9363 D'Arcy Road
Upper Marlboro, MD

Two Worship Services:
8 and 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 9:30

(301)735-9373
Fax: (301) 735-1844

Rev. Dr. Timothy West,
Pastor

ALL ARE WELCOME

Web Site:
www.westphaliaum.org

BAPTIST

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF HIGHLAND PARK

'A Bible Based, Christ Centered & Spirit Led Congregation'

6801 Sheriff Road Landover, MD
20785 (301) 773-6655

Sunday Biblical Institute:
9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship:
7:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Saturday Worship:
6:30 p.m.

'WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS WITH JESUS':
12 noon (The Power Hour) and 6:45 pm

"A Time of Prayer, Praise, Worship, & The Word"
Dr. Henry P. Davis III, Pastor
www.fhbp.org

BAPTIST

First Baptist Church of College Park
Welcomes You Where Jesus Christ Is Lord and King
Stephen L. Wright, Sr., Pastor

5018 Lakeland Road
College Park, MD 20740
301-474-3995
www.fbc-cp.org

Sunday School 9:30a.m.
Sunday Worship 11a.m.
Holy Communion 1st Sunday
Wednesday Bible Study 7-8p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service 8p.m.

UNITED METHODIST

Union
United Methodist Church

14418 Old Marlboro Pike,
Upper Marlboro, MD

Church (301) 627-7389

Sunday School: (Children/Adults) - 8:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Rev. Dr. Kendrick D. Weaver,
Pastor
www.uumchurch.com

S. G. Spottswood
A.M.E. Zion Church

419 Hill Road, Landover, MD
20785 • 301-490-2625

Rev. Ranessa Mayo, Pastor

"We are training disciples to experience victory in every area of their lives"
Matthew 28:19-20

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

Soulful Thursdays
Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

BAPTIST

Forest Heights Baptist Church

We exist to strengthen your relationship with God.
6371 Oxon Hill Road
Oxon Hill, Maryland 20745
Sunday School
(Adults & Children) - 9:30 A.M.
Worship Service - 11:00 A.M.
Wed. Prayer Service & Bible Study - 7:00 P.M.
Office (301) 839-1166
Fax (301) 839-1721
E-mail: FHBC@verizon.net
Pastor: Rev. Waymond B. Duke

COMMUNITY CHURCH

WORD OF GOD COMMUNITY CHURCH

"The Church Where Everybody is Somebody and Jesus is Lord"

4109 Edmonston Road Bladensburg, MD
(301) 864-3437

Intercessory Prayer: Sundays - 8:30 a.m.
Church School: - 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship Celebration - 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Night Bible Study - 7:45 p.m.
Elder Willie W. Duvall, Pastor

Church Directory Advertisements are paid ads.

Call the Prince George's Post today and have your Church information published in our Directory.

Call Today!
301-627-0900

Detailing Team from A1

iconic plane. Doyle was known for his skill at paint correction and restoring the shine on classic cars, as well as his knowledge in caring for expensive car collections, exotics, and aircraft.

"That beautiful jet was in such a distressed state when I first saw it in 2003, and it was just me, my wife and business partner Diane, and a few staff members who decided anything we did would help and nothing we did could make it worse," said Doyle. "There was a lot of new technology, new equipment, and innovative products coming onto the market for professional detailers 16 years ago that I had been field testing.

"Since then, those tools and products—some for which we have developed specifically based on the needs of this project, have been instrumental in bringing the plane up to the excellent condition it is in now."

Air Force One still requires an annual cleaning because even though it does not sit exposed on the tarmac, it is inside an open-air pavilion, covered but still subject to the dampness and cold that causes her paint and brightwork to get cloudy. The team also continues their restorative work on the other iconic planes on display.

New Mayor from A1

Leonard has served on the Maryland Municipal League (MML) Hometown Emergency Preparedness Ad hoc Committee (HEPAC). Additionally, she is a Fellow with the University of Maryland 2019 Academy for Excellence in Local Governance; a member of the Prince George's County Municipal Association (PGCMA); a member of the Prince George's County Municipal Elected Women Association; a member of the Prince George's County CSA 23 Leadership Council; and an associate member of the Prince George's County Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 89.

President Leonard is also a United States Army Reserve veteran. In addition to her extensive public service, Leonard is also a seasoned leader in the health care industry. Ms. Leonard holds a Bachelor of Art in Business Administration, with an emphasis on management and a minor in finance, from the University of the District of Columbia.

A special election to select the third Commissioner on the three-member body has been scheduled for Monday, August 5, 2019.

To Be Equal from A4

were nearly 15 times more likely than whites to be arrested in New York City for low-level cannabis crimes.

It's going to take much more than simple legalization to level the playing field—and Illinois' new law recognizes the challenges. Illinois will waive half of the application fee for license-seekers who are either long-term residents of a "disproportionately impacted area" or who have been incarcerated for a minor pot crime that is eligible for expungement under the bill.

These applicants who receive a license to grow or sell marijuana in Illinois will also be eligible for special low-interest loans from the state, direct grant aid for start-up costs, and other benefits.

As Illinois state Rep. Jehan Gordon-Booth said, "What we are doing here is about reparations. After 40 years of treating entire communities like criminals, here comes this multibillion-dollar industry, and guess what? Black and brown people have been put at the very center of this policy in a way that no other state has ever done."

Prince George's County Department of Social Services Recognized by Human Rights Campaign (HRC) Foundation For LGBTQ Inclusion Efforts

By BUEL YOUNG
Prince George's County Department of Social Services

UPPER MARLBORO, Md. (July 2, 2019)—The Prince George's County Department of Social Services (PGCDSS), proudly announced that it is being recognized by the Human Rights Campaign (HRC) Foundation in its All Children-All Families 2019 Report Celebrating Everyday Change-Makers for the department's work to enhance efforts to achieve safety, permanency, and well-being for LGBTQ youth and families. The 2019 All Children-All Families report highlighted the work of PGCDSS and other child welfare agencies across the country to improve the services provided to the LGBTQ community, including children in foster care and prospective foster and adoptive parents.

"It is a great honor to be acknowledged by the Human Rights Campaign Foundation and to have Nakiya Lynch, one of our foster care youth, featured as part of the All Children-All Families video documentary," said Director Gloria Brown Burnett. "I am very proud of our department's work in support of the LGBTQ community and especially the work of our AFFIRM unit to transform the delivery of child welfare services to our LGBTQ youth."

PGCDSS' AFFIRM program is one of only a few child welfare programs in the country dedicated solely to supporting LGBTQ youth and their families. Its implementation is part of the LGBTQ2S Quality Improvement Center, a groundbreaking national effort to build new evidence-based strategies for improving services for LGBTQ youth and families. AFFIRM works with young people in the foster care system whose families have trouble accepting their sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression or who experience bullying in school or other forms of abuse. The program gives youth coping skills and teaches parents and caregivers how to validate and support their children's LGBTQ identities and experience.

To learn more about the Prince George's County Department of Social Services or the department's AFFIRM program, contact Buel Young at Buel.Young1@maryland.gov or 301-909-7073.

CLASSIFIEDS

AUTOMOBILE DONATIONS

DONATE AUTOS, TRUCKS, RVs
Lutheran Mission Society of MD.
Compassion Place ministries help local families with food, clothing, counseling Tax deductible. MVA licensed #W1044. 410-636-0123
www.CompassionPlace.org

BUSINESS SERVICES

Place your ad on Facebook; Twitter; LinkedIn and Google Ads Words through MDDC's Social Media Ad Network; Call today to find out maximize your presence on Social Media; 410-212-0616; or email Wanda Smith at wsmith@mddcpress.com

MISCELLANEOUS

Join other advertisers of the MDDC Small Display Advertising Network. Grow your Revenue with a business size ad in this network; Let the Multi-Media Specialists help you increase your customer base; CALL TODAY 410-212-0616—See your results NOW

SERVICES MISCELLANEOUS

212-0616 Ask for Multi-Media Specialist—Wanda & watch your results grow.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

Let the Multi-Media Specialists of MDDC Advertising Network assist you in growing your business and increasing your customer base. Call today at 410-212-0616 and start seeing results NOW. www.mddcpress.com

SEE RESULTS!
Promote Your Business in The Prince George's Post!
Call 301-627-0900

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

Delaware New Move-In Ready Homes! Low Taxes! Close to Beaches, Gated, Olympic pool. Homes from low \$100's, No HOA Fees. Brochures Available 1-866-629-0770 or www.coolbranch.com

WANTED TO BUY OR TRADE

WANTED FREON R12: We pay CASH. R12 R500 R11 Convenient. Certified Professionals (312) 291-9169 RefrigerantFinders.com

BUSINESS SERVICES

Increase your presence by advertising on FACEBOOK; TWITTER AND GOOGLE-ADS; Call our Multi-Media Specialists to experience the success of social media advertising today; CALL 410-212-0616

Place a business card ad in the Regional Small Display 2x2/2x4 Advertising Network—Let MDDC help you grow your business! Call TODAY at 410-212-0616 to increase your customer base and get results.

SERVICES—MISCELLANEOUS

SAVE loads of money with your advertising BUDGETS; CONNECT with the Multi-Media Specialists of the MDDC Advertising Networks; GET Bulk Advertising Opportunities NOW; CALL TODAY; With One Call; With One Ad Placement & One Bill; You'll Reach the Entire Mid-Atlantic Region; Call 410-212-0616

Get the Prince George's Post delivered to your door!
\$15/year
(\$7.50/year for Seniors)
Subscribe Today!
301-627-0900

Bulk advertising at its best: advertise in over 70 newspapers and reach millions of readers with ONE call. Broaden your reach and get results for pennies per reader. Call Wanda at 410-212-0616 or email wsmith@mddcpress.com.

EDUCATION/ CAREER TRAINING

AIRLINE MECHANIC TRAINING—Get FAA certification to fix planes. Financial Aid if qualified. Approved for military benefits. Call Aviation Institute of Maintenance 866-823-6729.

WET BASEMENTS STINK !!

Mold, mildew and water leakage into your basement causes health and foundation damage. What can be done to fix the problem? Allstate American Waterproofing is an honest, hardworking local company. We will give you a FREE evaluation and estimate and a fair price. We have repaired thousands of basements in the area; we can provide local references. When your neighbors needed waterproofing, they called Allstate American. Why don't you? Call now to receive a 20% discount with your FREE ESTIMATE. MHIC#36672

CALL 1 800 426 7783 NOW!

AARP Auto Insurance Program from THE HARTFORD

AARP AUTO INSURANCE FROM THE HARTFORD

TO SPEAK WITH AN AGENT AND REQUEST A FREE QUOTE CALL THE HARTFORD TO SEE HOW MUCH YOU COULD SAVE:

1-877-579-9788

Lutheran Mission Society Alan Amrhine, Communications Director
Lutheran Mission Society

"MDDC has connected donors with the LMS Vehicle Donation Program for over six years! Great exposure, cost effective, and Wanda is so helpful."

Call Wanda: 410-212-0616
wsmith@mddcpress.com
Local touch, infinite reach.

Your advertising resource
MDDC press
www.mddcpress.com

Dental Insurance

This is real dental insurance from Physicians Mutual Insurance Company that helps pay for over 350 procedures – cleanings, fillings, crowns, even dentures.

- No annual maximum, no deductible
- See any dentist you want – including your own
- Over 50? Coverage as low as \$1 per day

Call now to get this FREE Information Kit
1-855-337-5228 dental50plus.com/MDDC

Enter To **WIN \$3,000**

Newspaper sponsored shopping survey. No purchase necessary.

Enter to win now, go to:
www.pulsepoll.com