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## Independence Day Events

### Bowie Independence Day Celebration July 2 at Prince George's Stadium

BOWIE, Md. (June 11, 2019)—The City of Bowie will host a free concert and fireworks display to celebrate Independence Day on Tuesday, July 2 at Prince George's Stadium. The concert, by legendary band The Fabulous Hubcaps, begins at 7:30 p.m. and the fireworks are expected to shoot off at around 9:15 p.m. The fireworks show will include an exciting array of pyrotechnics that will be visible beyond the stadium.

The Fabulous Hubcaps have been together for over 40 years. They play cover music from many famous singers and bands of yesteryear. Attendees can expect songs by Tom Jones, Billy Joel, The Drifters, Benny Goodman, Cher, The Platters, Elvis, Buddy Holly, Tina Turner, Frank Sinatra, Little Richard, the Beach Boys, and others more during the performance.

Prince George's Stadium is located off Ballpark Road near BJs. (The address is 4101 Crain Highway, Bowie). The parking lot opens at 5 p.m. and the stadium doors open at 6 p.m.

Food and drink will be available for purchase at the stadium. For more information, call the City's Special Events Division at 301-809-3078.

### Coca-Cola® July 4th Fest—Six Flags America

Celebrate independence day with FOUR jam packed days of thrills, water park fun, exclusive ride times and fireworks daily from July 3 through July 6. Fireworks and live entertainment every night. Six Flags America, 13710 Central Ave, Upper Marlboro, 20774.

### Bowie Baysox Independence Day Celebration and Fireworks

Celebrate July 4 the All-American way with America's Pastime and the biggest Fireworks Spectacular of the season! On July 4 at Prince George's Stadium (4101 Crain Highway, Bowie) after the Harrisburg Senators game. Presented by Johns Hopkins Community Physicians. See [www.milb.com/bowie/tickets/promotions](http://www.milb.com/bowie/tickets/promotions)

### City of Laurel Fireworks

The City of Laurel is hosting their annual fireworks on Saturday, July 6, 2019. The fireworks display is scheduled to begin at 9:15 p.m. on Laurel Lake and Granville Gude Park, 8300 Mulberry Street, Laurel, 20707. The 35-minute display will be accompanied by patriotic music.

officials to erect new religious displays.

The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, a government entity, owns and maintains the Bladensburg Cross, which towers over a busy intersection in Bladensburg, Maryland. Supported by the American Legion and the Trump administration, the Commission argued that the cross memorializes and honors American soldiers of every faith—even though the Latin cross is the preeminent symbol of Christianity.

In [last week]'s decision, the Supreme Court ruled that the monument, which is nearly a century old, is permissible because

it was built to honor the sacrifice of World War I soldiers and because, purportedly, it emulated the "solemn image of endless rows of white crosses" in World War I cemeteries abroad. The ruling, however, was narrow. The court emphasized that "retaining established, religiously expressive monuments, symbols, and practices is quite different from erecting or adopting new ones."

"The government's giant cross in Bladensburg sends an obvious message of religious favoritism, and today's decision

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## In a Limited Ruling, Supreme Court Upholds Government's Display of 40-Foot-Tall Cross

By MIA JACOBS  
ACLU Media

WASHINGTON (June 20, 2019)—A governmental display of an enormous Latin cross as a war memorial does not violate the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, according to a decision issued [last week] by the Supreme Court in *American Legion v. American Humanist Association*. Although the ruling is a blow to the separation of church and state, the court decided the case on narrow grounds, making clear that the decision is not an invitation for government

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"Freedom of the Press Day"  
honors the  
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## Library News

By D. SCOTT-MARTIN

The Prince George's County Memorial Library System

### Summer Meals 2019

While school is out for the summer, meals will still be available for children in our community at selected schools, apartment communities and libraries. The Library will offer Summer Meals for youth, ages 18 and under, from June 24–August 16 at the following locations:

**Spauldings Branch:** 1 p.m., Monday–Friday

**Fairmount Heights Branch:** 1 p.m., Monday–Thursday

**Hillcrest Heights Branch:** 1 p.m., Monday–Thursday

**Oxon Hill Branch:** 12:30 p.m., Monday–Friday

**Beltsville Branch:** 2 p.m., Monday–Friday

**New Carrollton Branch:** 1 p.m., Monday–Friday

For a complete list of schools and sites offering meals and to find a location near you, visit [www.mdsummermeals.org](http://www.mdsummermeals.org) and search by zip code / map or browse "2019 Sites" by county.

### PGCMLS Branch Closures

*Surratts-Clinton*

The Surratts-Clinton Branch Library will be closed effective July 1, 2019 for major renovations. Nearby branches include: Oxon Hill, Accokeek and Baden. For additional information regarding library events, visit [www.pgcmls.info](http://www.pgcmls.info).

*Upper Marlboro*

The Upper Marlboro Branch will be closed July 1–15, 2019, for building maintenance. It will reopen on July 16.

## Dr. Monica Goldson Appointed PGCPS Chief Executive Officer

First woman from Prince George's County to lead school system, second woman in PGCPS history

By OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Prince George's County Public Schools

UPPER MARLBORO, Md. (June 18, 2019)—Prince George's County Executive Angela D. Alsobrooks announced the appointment [last week] of Dr. Monica Goldson as Chief Executive Officer of Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS), effective July 1, 2019.

Dr. Goldson has served in the interim role since July 2018. She has spent her entire 28-year career in PGCPS, starting as a mathematics teacher at Suitland High School. Dr. Goldson has also served as Deputy Superintendent of Teaching and Learning and Chief Operating Officer.

"I am proud to announce, without reservation, Dr. Monica Goldson as the permanent CEO of Prince George's County Public Schools," Alsobrooks said. "The reputation and institutional knowledge Dr. Goldson brings is invaluable. She brings a complete and comprehensive understanding of our school system."

As Interim CEO, Dr. Goldson successfully advocated for increased school funding, student supports and public-private

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## Advisory Neighborhood Community (ANC) Initiative Update—The Next Phase

First meeting: Wednesday, June 26 for Clinton and Camp Springs area; Laurel-Beltsville Meeting Monday, July 1

By MEL FRANKLIN  
Council Member At-Large

Dear Neighbor!

Thank you so much to all who participated in our Advisory Neighborhood Community (ANC) Initiative meetings in April and our Prince George's County Family and Friends Day Festival in May. In April, we launched the ANC Initiative as an ambitious community engagement program to better connect county government to our residents in the communities where they live. We received a great deal of positive feedback to the three April ANC meetings, one in North, Central,

and South County, with over 500 residents attending (more than 1500 residents attended the Family & Friends Day Festival)! We also received messages from many of you about how we could make the ANC Initiative connect even more with the communities where you live, including (1) instead of meeting as large regional clusters, we should have our periodic meetings on a community-by-community basis and (2) instead of discussing policies and special projects outside of the regular meetings, we should have those discussions in the ANC meetings themselves. We heard you loudly and clearly! As a result, over the next 6 weeks, we will host 11 ANC community meetings all across

the county! For this to work, we need your participation and support. Please register below!

**Clinton, Camp Springs, and Vicinity ANC Meeting**

Stephen Decatur Middle School  
8200 Pinewood Dr, Clinton, MD 20735

**Wednesday, June 26, 6:30–8:30 p.m.**

Main topic: The County's New Curbside Food Waste Pick-up Day

Main speaker: The Department of the Environment Communities: Clinton, Camp Springs, Morning-side, Joint Base Andrews

RSVP link:

<https://forms.gle/FMR58APRvBQPcFL87>

**Laurel-Beltsville ANC Meeting**

Laurel Public Library  
507 7th St, Laurel, MD 20707

Monday, July 1, 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Main Topic: An Update on PGCPS's Plans to Replace High Point High School

Main speaker: Prince George's County Public Schools

Communities: Greater Laurel, Greater Beltsville

RSVP link:

<https://forms.gle/VgSG2R1p2diuoBza9>

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#### Free July 4 Lyft Rides Offered Throughout Prince George's County to Prevent Drunk Driving

Last year, a record 746 persons in the Washington-metropolitan area used WRAP's July 4 SoberRide® program rather than possibly driving home impaired.

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#### Construction Begins on the Residences at Riverdale Park Station

"Riverdale Park Station is truly a livable and walkable community and fully inclusive environment, and is more of what we want to see here in Prince George's County."

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#### Out on the Town: Spotlight on History

- Beer, Blues, & Burgers at Marietta House Museum
- Archaeology Dig Days at Calvert Historical and Archaeological Park
- Southern Maryland Genealogy and History Fair Day Conference
- MCAAHC Legacy Symposium in Baltimore

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#### Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council Launches '4 Star Arts For Veterans' Program

"There are nearly 60,000 veterans in Prince George's County," said Dr. James Dula. "We are pleased to add a local arts program to enhance the quality of life of the servicemen, women and families who have made Maryland their home."

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# TOWNS and NEIGHBORS

## In and Around Morningside-Skyline

by Mary McHale 301-735-3451

### Celebrate the 4th of July in Morningside with Parade, Fun Day and Fireworks

Morningside Parade participants must check in at the Morningside Firehouse to get their street assignment.

The Parade will kick off at 11:30 a.m. from the Firehouse, march up Suitland Road, turn left onto Marianne Drive, and go straight into Douglas Patterson Park in Morningside where Family Fun Day will be starting.

Family Fun Day activities will continue until 3 p.m., offering games, food and drinks, drawings, and Whack-a-Wreck.

Fireworks begin at dusk. They are the best!

An important announcement from July 4 Chairman Susan Mullins: We ask that people park at the VFW instead of the streets in town, when possible.

### Celebrate National Ice Cream Month at Darnall's Chance

July is National Ice Cream Month. And we all love ice cream!

Darnall's Chance House Museum is celebrating the occasion on July 20, from 6 to 8 p.m. They invite you to join them and make yourself a sundae to honor ice cream's colonial roots. Enjoy ice cream and music; participate in lawn games, and more. And it's all free, while supplies last.

No reservation necessary. Darnall's Chance is in Upper Marlboro, across the street from the County Administration Building, on a hill overlooking scenic Schoolhouse Pond. Info: 301-952-8010.

### Neighbors and other good people

- Happy 94th birthday to Gloria Grapevine on July 3. She is one of Morningside's longest residents.
- Linda (Ferguson) Sandoval emailed a note thanking Wayne for his memories. She sent a few of her own: "A couple that came to my mind are sleigh riding down Maple, Boxwood and the hill on Suitland Parkway. The town would even close Maple and Boxwood for sledding. When we'd gather at the hill on Suitland Parkway we'd build a bonfire. One

time the guys showed up with a hood from an old car and we all piled in that and went down the hill. Another fond memory is sleeping outside in huge tents that we made by draping and clothes-pinning blankets over clotheslines."

- The McHales moved to Skyline Drive in late June 1958, 61 years ago. We moved here before the Beltway, the malls, and McDonald's. Residents knew their neighbors. It was a quieter, friendlier time.

### Academia

Maria Farmer, of District Heights, has graduated with a master's (MSLS) in Information & Library Science from Clarion University of Pennsylvania.

Eric Tyrell Contee II, of Upper Marlboro, graduated May 19 from Harvey Mudd College in California with a degree in engineering. Harvey Mudd was an engineer who struck it rich on a Greek island.

(I visited Harvey Mudd at his mansion out in Los Angeles back in 1951 with my father. Harvey gave us a tour of the estate. He was descended from the Maryland Mudds and is my distant cousin.)

### Changing landscape

A black bear has been captured on video making the rounds in Fort Washington, doing brazen incursions into backyards and onto roads.

Behnke Nursery in Beltsville closed last week after 89 years in business. It began as a simple roadside plant-stand run by two German immigrants, Albert and Rose Behnke, in the 1930s when the D.C. suburbs were only getting started.

Payless Shoe Source has closed in Clinton, and all Payless stores, throughout the U.S., will shut down by the end of June.

Dallas-based Topgolf International Inc. is about to announce its official opening, near National Harbor at 6400 Clipper Way in Oxon Hill. They've been hiring, and are expecting between 350 to 500 employees. The three-story venue includes more than 100 hitting bays, full-service restaurant and bars, a

rooftop terrace with a fire pit, more than 200 high-definition televisions, and private event and meeting spaces.

### Un-Changing landscape

The Supreme Court ruled this week that the 40-foot Peace Cross, erected as a tribute to war dead, can continue to stand on public land in Maryland, rejecting arguments that it is an unconstitutional endorsement of religion. The vote was 7 to 2. This World War I memorial is at the junction of Bladensburg Road, Baltimore Avenue and Annapolis Road.

### Helen Michalco, Senior Lunch Bunch member

Helen Macko Michalco, 93, of Temple Hills, a member of St. John's Senior Lunch Bunch and the Clinton Senior Center, died April 11 at her home.

Helen was born in Lyndora, Pa., daughter of Peter and Anna Macko. She married Paul Michalco and was a medical secretary before raising her family.

She was preceded in death by her husband Paul and their son Paul, daughter Theresa, and five siblings. Survivors include daughters Marian Luther and Rebecca Michalco, and two grandchildren. Services were at St. John the Baptist Byzantine Church in Lyndora, Pa., with burial at Rose Hill Cemetery in Butler, Pa.

### Milestones

Happy birthday to Mike Dudding, Juanita Eppard, Erica R. Webb, Eva-Marie Anthony and my granddaughter Leah Katherine Mudd, June 28; Faith "Dycki" Brown, Alexis Schuler and my great-grandson Wesley McHale, June 29; Karen (Beardmore) Ellis, June 30; Ruth LaBelle and Jordan Foster, July 1; Sharon Simms and Megan Frostbutter, July 2; Gloria Grapevine (94th!), Pat Richardson Conlon, Sarah Booth and Jack Hay II, July 3; Grace Carruth, Matthew Ryan White and Nya Nichols, July 4.

Happy anniversary to Jack & Kimberly Hay on their 33rd, June 28; and to Carl and Sue (Stine) Mason, their 34th on June 29.

*Happy July 4th to all my Readers!*

## Around the County

### PGCPS Launches

#### Summer Youth Apprenticeship Program

*Students to gain real-world experience for in-demand trades*  
UPPER MARLBORO, Md. (June 17, 2019)—[Last] week, Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) welcomed the first participants in this summer's Youth Apprenticeship Program, giving students on the job training for in-demand trades.

The program—the first of its kind in Maryland—allows approximately 20 juniors and seniors to work alongside PGCPS Building Services employees to gain paid, structured workplace learning in plumbing, electrical, carpentry, masonry and HVAC repair. The students attend Bladensburg, Crossland and Suitland high schools.

"This is a unique opportunity for our students to learn valuable skills through real-life experience with our Building Services team," said Dr. Monica Goldson, Interim Chief Executive Officer. "We are truly 'growing our own' by providing a pipeline from our classrooms to jobs within the school system."

The apprenticeships will continue part-time through students' senior year. After graduating from the program, participants can continue their studies at Prince George's Community College and earn industry certification with eligibility for preferential hiring in the school system or participating county agencies.

Last fall, the school system received approval from the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation to serve as an eligible employer for the Apprenticeship Maryland Youth Apprenticeship Program.

Maryland requires eligible employers to hire Apprenticeship Maryland participants, facilitating their entrance into high-skill, high-growth STEM-related industries such as healthcare, biotechnology, information technology, construction and design, banking and finance, and advanced manufacturing.

—Office of Communications, Prince George's County Public Schools

### Local Students Honored

#### Local Student Graduates From Colorado College

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (June 13, 2019)—Jesse Phillips of Bowie graduated from Colorado College with a bachelor's degree in Philosophy. Phillips is a graduate of The Key School and one of 537 undergraduates receiving a Bachelor of Arts at the May 19 ceremony. Global media leader, philanthropist, producer and actress Oprah Winfrey urged Colorado College graduates to use their life in service, telling those attending CC's 145th Commencement ceremony, "I'm here to tell you that you actually do get to transform the world every day by your actions. Small steps lead to big accomplishments," she said.

"You have no idea what your legacy will be," said Winfrey. Her legacy to the Colorado College Class of 2019 was not only being their Commencement speaker; Winfrey also personally handed each graduate a copy of her most recent New York Times bestseller, "The Path Made Clear: Discovering Your Life's Direction and Purpose."

—Leslie Weddell, Colorado College

#### Area Resident Named to Dean's List for the Spring 2019 Semester at Quinnipiac University

HAMDEN, Conn. (June 14, 2019)—Lydia Jones of Glenn Dale was named to the dean's list for the Spring 2019 semester at Quinnipiac University.

To qualify for the dean's list, students must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 with no grade lower than C. Full-time students must complete at least 14 credits in a semester, with at least 12 credits that have been graded on a letter grade basis to be eligible. Part-time students must complete at least six credits during a semester.

—John W. Morgan, Quinnipiac University

#### Amanda Dawson Makes the High Academic Achievement List at Rochester Community and Technical College

ROCHESTER, Minn. (June 14, 2019)—Amanda Dawson, a resident of Landover, was among more than 800 students from Rochester Community and Technical College who made the High Academic Achievement List for Spring Semester ending this past May.

To qualify for the High Academic Achievement List, a student must have completed 3–11 credits for the same semester with a 3.75–4.0 GPA. The Rochester Community and Technical College High Academic Achievement List can be viewed by going to: <https://www.rctc.edu/about/deans-list/>.

Congratulations to all who made the High Academic Achievement List!

—Nate Stoltman, Rochester Community and Technical College

#### Md. Student Named to Dean's List For Spring 2019 Semester

MANCHESTER, N.H. (June 17, 2019)—Saint Anselm College has released the Dean's List of high academic achievers for the second semester of the 2018–2019 school year. To be eligible for this honor, a student must have achieved a grade point average of 3.2 or better in the semester with at least 12 credits of study which award a letter grade.

Mark W. Cronin, Dean of the College, announced that Kyle Hill, a Criminal Justice major in the class of 2019 from Upper Marlboro was named to the Dean's List for the spring 2019 semester at Saint Anselm College in Manchester, New Hampshire.

A total of 706 students representing 23 states and 3 countries were named to the list.

—Michelle O'Regan, Saint Anselm College

## Brandywine-Aquasco

by Audrey Johnson 301-922-5384

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The address is 3408 Harmon Court, Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772. Call to register at 301-574-5023. Website is [Ourchildrensc@Outlook.com](mailto:Ourchildrensc@Outlook.com).

### THE SHOW PLACE ARENA

Bring your family to watch the BEST Horse Show Series Saturday, July 13, 2019–Sunday, July 14, 2019 from 8:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m. daily at The Show Place Arena. The BEST Horse Show Series was voted by the Maryland Horse Shows Association, the "Best Horse Show" for 2014–2016 and the "BEST MHSA Regional Horse Show" for 2017–2018. The address is 14900 Pennsylvania Avenue, Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772. The cost is free for spectators.

### SENIOR 60 AND BETTER

Enjoy a wide range of recreation service for seniors 60 and older. Some of the activities are recreation classes, senior clubs, tours and trips, health and fitness programs, nutrition program, special events, free fitness Room ID card, free community Center ID card for county residents and many more services. Call 301-699-2255, TTY 301-699-2544 or visit [pparks.com](http://pparks.com) for more information.

### JOB FAIR AND TEACHER PLACEMENT

Prince George's County Public Schools will host a Job Fair and Teacher Placement Event Wednesday, July 24, 2019 from 8:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. at Dr. Henry A. Wise, Jr. High School. The school is located at 12650 Brooke Lane, Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772. Candidates must apply online before coming to a job fair at [hr.recruitment@pgcps.org](mailto:hr.recruitment@pgcps.org).

### ART CAMP: TEENS

At Art Camp teens will learn different art mediums which may include nature art, painting, clay modeling, drawing, pottery and tie-dyeing. This camp is led by teachers and artists who will guide you in exploring your artistic side. Sign up to express yourself through your creations and to take your skills to new heights. The Camp is for ages 13–17 from July 22–July 26 Camp 1302-377A, AM Care 11603-377Q and PM Care 11603-377L.

The Art Camp is being offered at Southern Region Tec & Rec Complex, 7007 Bock Road, Fort Washington 20744. Telephone number is 301-749-4160.

### BOWIE STATE UNIVERSITY

Recognizing their success in preparing students for business careers, The Bowie State University bachelor's and master's degree programs in business administration had their full accreditation reaffirmed through 2029.

The Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP) affirms that the programs meet the standards required for excellence, including strong program leadership, qualified faculty, student learning assessments and a rigorous curriculum. The programs have maintained ACBSP accreditation since 1998.

"I want to thank the College of Business administrators, faculty, staff and students whose work made it possible to achieve this important indicator of the quality of our business administration programs," said Bowie State University President Aminta H. Breaux. "The programs highlight that the university is continuing to make significant accomplishments in the race to Excellence".

### GOVERNOR BRIDGE NATURAL AREA

With over 2 miles of natural surface trails, the Governor Bridge Natural Area is an excellent area for bird watching, biking, nature study and hiking. All trails are identified by white fiberglass markers with color coded diamond directional arrows. Users are encouraged to evaluate trail conditions prior to use and follow proper trail etiquette. The address is 7600 Governor Bridge Road, Bowie, Maryland 20716. Telephone number is 301-627-6074.

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holding otherwise is deeply disappointing," said Daniel Mach, director of the ACLU Program on Freedom of Religion and Belief. "The silver lining, though, is that the ruling is limited to the unique circumstances of this particular monument, and is hardly a free pass for government officials to promote their preferred religious symbols and messages in the future."

Dana Vickers Shelley, executive director of the ACLU of Maryland, added: "The state of Maryland is religiously diverse, and so, too, are Marylanders who have served in our armed forces. Unfortunately, the Supreme Court failed to see that the Bladensburg Cross elevates the service and sacrifice of some veterans over others, violating the basic constitutional requirement of religious neutrality."

The amicus brief filed by the American Civil Liberties Union, the ACLU of Maryland, and allied religious and civil rights organizations can be found here: <https://www.aclu.org/legal-document/american-legion-et-al-v-american-humanist-association-et-al-aclu-amicus-brief>



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# COMMENTARY

## Steny H. Hoyer

Maryland Congressional District 5



### Hoyer Announces Appointments To the U.S. Service Academies

WASHINGTON, DC (June 21, 2019)—[On June 21.] Congressman Steny H. Hoyer (MD-05) announced the names of 14 Fifth District students appointed to the United States Service Academies. The students, nominated by Congressman Hoyer, have accepted offers to the Air Force Academy, the Naval Academy, and the Military Academy at West Point. All of the service academies require a nomination from an authorized nominating source. Friday afternoon, Congressman Hoyer hosted a

reception honoring the nominated students at the Library of Congress in Washington; 12 of the 14 students attended.

"I was pleased to recognize these outstanding students today and congratulate them on their achievements," said Congressman Hoyer. "Each student here today has already shown dedication and desire to serve their nation, and I look forward to what the future has in store for each and every one of them. I was honored to nominate them,

and I wish them well in their future endeavors."

Additionally, Congressman Hoyer announced the winners of the Army Congressional ROTC scholarship. The scholarship allows Members of Congress to nominate up to five candidates who were not offered an appointment to a military service academy. Two students from the Fifth District were awarded the scholarship this year, and were in attendance today—Megan Zegel from Anne Arundel County and Julia Markland from Calvert County.

The following Fifth District students received appointments:

**U.S. Air Force Academy**

Niyah Martinez, Charles County

**U.S. Naval Academy**

Eloisa Chubb, St. Mary's County

Margaret Foulkes, Calvert County

Renee Nosko, St. Mary's County

William Rentz, Anne Arundel County

**Jonathan Simmons, Prince George's County**

**U.S. Military Academy at West Point**

Charles Burkes, St. Mary's County

John Eckhardt, Anne Arundel County

Christopher "CJ" Holmes, Charles County  
**Luke McLaren, Prince George's County**  
**Nathaniel Smith, Prince George's County**  
**Kevin Ruthemeyer, Prince George's County**  
**U.S. Merchant Marine Academy**  
 Joseph Vita, Anne Arundel County  
**U.S. Coast Guard Academy**  
 Maxwell Van Rees, Calvert County

Six additional students, who received appointments from other sources but live in the Fifth District, attended today's reception:

**Joshua Bowman, Prince George's County—**

**U.S. Naval Academy**

Ryan Conway, St. Mary's County—U.S. Naval Academy

Jasmine Forbes, Charles County—U.S. Naval Academy

Andrew McCorison, Calvert County—U.S. Naval Academy

**Zachary Shieh, Prince George's County—**

**U.S. Naval Academy**

Mason Nunn, Charles County—U.S. Military Academy at West Point

## Marion Wright Edelman

President Emerita,  
Children's Defense Fund



**ChildWatch:**

### Thank You, MaryLee Allen

MaryLee Allen was a brilliant, passionate, persevering, caring servant leader—not a self-serving leader—committed to helping build a world fit for children. When the Children's Defense Fund was brand new, I was searching for smart, passionate people to help with our earliest work. One of the very first ones I found was MaryLee. Immediately after graduating from Marquette University with her degree in sociology MaryLee had come to Washington, D.C. to join the Civil Rights Division of the Justice Department, where she prepared research for lawsuits on school desegregation and discrimination in employment and jury selection, and received a special commendation for her work on Alabama school desegregation efforts. Since then she'd continued working as a policy and law researcher, and she joined us to work on CDF's first-ever policy report, Children Out of School in America. Soon after that she went on to earn her master's degree in social work from Catholic University but as soon as her graduate studies were done I called again, asking her to work with CDF for just a month while she waited to hear about her next job. Forty-two years later, she was still here.

As anyone familiar with CDF's work knows, for more than four decades MaryLee's heart, soul, and political and policy expertise have been behind some of the most enduring and successful efforts to help America's children and families.

MaryLee Allen, CDF's longest-serving staff member and the anchor of our policy work, passed away peacefully at home on June 13 a few short weeks after a diagnosis of advanced stage cancer. The entire CDF family and child advocacy community are sending all of our love and prayers to her son, Sean, her sister, Barbara, and the rest of her family. We are also celebrating her extraordinary legacy and impact and saying thank you.

Along with CDF's late Director of Research Paul Smith, MaryLee was the co-creator of CDF as we know it. She will live on and on through the millions of children whose lives she touched and improved, especially some of our most vulnerable ones in the child welfare system. She also lives on in all the young (and not-so-young) current and former CDF staff who she trained by her example, in her meticulous work and publications and in her mentoring and outreach to

the other child welfare and child advocacy networks she nurtured. She taught us that children do not come in pieces. She was a forger of laws, regulations and practices that will continue to endure as beacons of hope and protection for generations to come and guide those seeking to serve the most vulnerable families and children and families in our nation.

For that very first CDF report one of the colleagues MaryLee worked alongside was a young lawyer named Hillary Rodham—later First Lady and Secretary Hillary Rodham Clinton. Together they knocked on doors to gather data on why school-age children were at home and not in school. Children Out of School in America became a major catalyst for the enactment of the Education for All Handicapped Children Act (now the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, or IDEA) and was the first of many major policy victories MaryLee helped achieve. For most of her professional life MaryLee took a lead role in shaping CDF's advocacy for children's welfare, health and safety, and from IDEA to the Adoption Assistance and Child Welfare Act to the recent landmark Family First Prevention Services Act it is not an exaggeration to say every federal child welfare law enacted in the past four decades has been influenced by MaryLee and her unwavering commitment to improving the lives of children.

Just as important to her as the work itself was building the next generation of advocates and leaders and bringing new voices to the table to broaden the perspectives and impact of our collective work to improve outcomes for children. MaryLee was a strong believer that major policy reforms couldn't be accomplished without a groundswell of support and advocacy from different stakeholders and partners at the national, state and local levels. She drafted, edited, and consulted, she

testified before Congress more times than anyone can count, and colleagues inside and outside of CDF depended on her wise counsel for their policy decisions and campaigns. But beyond all of her expertise, we depended on her leadership as a person.

She was the consummate servant leader; as one of her policy team members put it, "she showed her leadership by helping others learn to lead." Her former interns, staff, and colleagues have gone on to lead organizations at the state and national levels and are just one more way her fingerprints are left on our nation's work for children. She was known for her un-failing kindness, calm steadfastness, grace, and her attention to other people's needs. She never failed to ask about a child's graduation or a sick parent. Her enduring example was in encouraging and reminding all of us always to keep moving forward. In the words of one of her favorite sign-offs: Go! Go! Go!

Perhaps the most extraordinary thing about MaryLee Allen's life is that it exemplifies how one person can make a difference and leave the world better than they found it in profound and enduring ways. Millions of children and families have benefited from this one woman's passion to make change and create an equal opportunity for every child to succeed in America. Their futures are brighter because MaryLee Allen lived.

Following her example, all of us will strive every day to be as effective, as careful, and as committed to the most vulnerable children as MaryLee was. Her spirit, servant leadership, work ethic, and unwavering commitment to ensuring a chance for every child to fulfill their God-given potential through the highest quality work will live on and on. We will miss her beyond measure, but we will honor her by carrying on as she taught us. Thank you, MaryLee.

## Todd M. Turner

Prince George's County Council Chair



### County Council Members Support Selection of Dr. Monica Goldson as Schools CEO; Urges Board and State Approval

The Prince George's County Council welcomes the selection of Dr. Monica Goldson as the permanent Chief Executive Officer for Prince George's County Public Schools.

We congratulate County Executive Angela D. Alsobrooks on [last week's] announcement of Dr. Goldson's appointment, which follows a national search and community outreach efforts, to serve in this top school position. The Council urges the County Board of Education's approval for Dr. Goldson and final

support from the State Superintendent of Education to complete the State law required appointment process.

The Council has established a very productive relationship with Dr. Goldson, as Interim Schools CEO, and previously as Deputy Superintendent. Her twenty-eight years of service to the school system and partnership have made a positive difference for the progress of education in Prince George's County.

We have successfully worked together with Dr. Goldson on a

broad range of issues including day to day maintenance, our joint audit process of Continuous Business Improvement to routinely assess the effectiveness of school operations, and most recently, the Alternative Construction Financing (ACF or P3) project to build and renovate aging school infrastructure in the County.

Dr. Goldson is well-qualified, and her appointment as Chief Executive Officer of Prince George's County Schools signals a collective commitment to our schools—Maryland's second

largest and one of the nation's 25 largest school districts; its more than 134,000 students and parents; and its teachers, administrators, and support staff.

Educating our children to compete in a global economy is a critical element to the success of Prince George's County. All the County's education stakeholders must maintain a steadfast devotion to collaboration, continually identifying opportunities to strengthen public school system operations, management and accountability and commit to ensuring that our students are well prepared for higher education and the demands of the workforce in our growing economy.

As the County's fiscal authority, the County Council is wholly vested in the success of our County's school system, and in our budgetary oversight role, we will continue to work to ensure a return on County taxpayers' significant investment in education and the future of Prince George's County.

**Dr. Monica Goldson from A1**

partnerships to enhance school construction capacity. Dr. Goldson's strategic priorities include driving more resources to low-performing schools, expanding access to prekindergarten and improving the availability of mental health services to students and families.

"Our work to date is only the beginning. While the road ahead will not be without challenges, I remain confident that with open communication and collaboration, we will maintain a culture of transparency, accountability and academic excellence," said Dr. Goldson. "PGCPS has been my home for 28 years and I simply cannot see myself do-

ing this work anywhere else. It is my privilege to work every day towards building a system that fulfills its promise of academic excellence for all students."

Dr. Goldson is a former assistant principal of Forestville and Frederick Douglass high schools and principal of Frederick Douglass and Dr. Henry A. Wise Jr. high schools. As the founding principal at Wise, she partnered with Prince George's Community College to launch a dual enrollment program and oversaw a 182-point increase in SAT scores.

A three-time graduate of historically Black colleges and universities, Dr. Goldson holds a bachelor's degree in Mathematics from Florida A&M University, a master's degree in Elementary and Secondary School

Administration from Bowie State University, and a doctorate in Educational Administration and Policy from Howard University.

**Fast Facts: Dr. Monica Goldson**

- First woman from Prince George's County to lead the school system; second woman in PGCPS history
- Potomac High School Graduate
- Former Interim CEO, Deputy Superintendent of Teaching and Learning and Chief Operating Officer
- Longest PGCPS tenure among recent superintendents/CEOs
- Founding principal of Dr. Henry A. Wise Jr. High School
- PGCPS parent

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# COMMUNITY

## The American Counseling Association's Counseling Corner

### Don't Ignore Childhood Complaints of Teasing

Teasing happens with kids of all ages. It may be seemingly-innocent name-calling, or more serious harassment and ridicule, but whatever the level it can be painful and psychologically damaging.

Recognizing and dealing with negative interactions between children, such as teasing and bullying, is an increasing area of focus for most schools today. This is especially true as social media has provided new and far-reaching means for kids to shame other kids.

But bullying doesn't end with the school year. It's important for parents to pay attention to situations in which their child may be experiencing teasing or bullying. Studies find that children who are repeatedly teased may end up suffering from depression, anxiety and sleep problems. They are more likely to skip school, or under-perform in classes and in severe cases, can suffer from serious emotional and psychological issues.

When a child lets a parent know, directly or indirectly, that he or she is being teased and harassed by one or more other kids, it's important not to ignore or downplay the incident. The answer is not to confront the bully or to offer advice to just ignore the teasing. Confrontations often make things worse and advice to ignore the bullying tells the child that mom or dad doesn't understand the pain that being felt, and may keep the child from sharing future experiences and problems.

Experts advise letting your child know that you understand that what has upset him or her is just as serious a problem to you. Ask your child to explain what has happened and listen carefully without criticizing or disapproving about how your child handled the situation.

You might share your stories of teasing or criticism you have experienced in order to let your child know that it happens to most of us and that it's normal to be upset.

You can also help your child learn how to handle or stop the teasing. Your local library or bookstore will have books on the subject, or try an online search for advice (a U.S. Health Department site is at [www.stopbullying.gov](http://www.stopbullying.gov)). In serious, ongoing cases, consider consulting with a professional counselor specializing in family and child counseling.

To adults, teasing may seem a minor issue, but to an adolescent, pre-teen or even a teenager facing repeated taunting, harassment and ridicule, it's a serious and painful problem that shouldn't be ignored.

Counseling Corner is provided by the American Counseling Association. Comments and questions to [ACACorner@counseling.org](mailto:ACACorner@counseling.org) or visit the ACA website at [www.counseling.org](http://www.counseling.org).

## Free July 4 Lyft Rides Offered Throughout Prince George's County to Prevent Drunk Driving

Over one-third of U.S. highway deaths on Independence Day involve drunk drivers  
By TAMMY WAN  
WRAP

UPPER MARLBORO, Md. (June 17, 2019)—Preparing to combat that time of year when, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), over one-third (39%) of all U.S. traffic deaths involve drunk drivers\*, free July 4 Lyft rides will be offered to deter impaired driving throughout Prince George's County beginning Thursday, July 4, 2019.

Offered by the nonprofit Washington Regional Alcohol Program (WRAP), the 2019 Independence Day SoberRide® program will be in operation beginning at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 4 (Independence Day) until 2 a.m. Friday, July 5, 2019 as a way to keep local roads safe from impaired drivers during this traditionally high-risk holiday.

During this seven-hour period, area residents age 21 and older celebrating with alcohol may download Lyft to their phones, then enter a SoberRide® code in the app's "Promo" section to receive their no cost (up to \$15) safe transportation home. WRAP's Independence Day SoberRide® promo code will be posted at 6 p.m. on Thursday, July 4 on [www.SoberRide.com](http://www.SoberRide.com).

Last year, a record 746 persons in the Washington-metropolitan area used WRAP's July 4 SoberRide® program rather than possibly driving home impaired. The charity also offers its SoberRide® program on St. Patrick's Day, Cinco

de Mayo, Halloween and the winter holidays.

"Over one-third (39%) of all U.S. traffic fatalities during July 4th, 2017 involved drunk drivers according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration," said Kurt Gregory Erickson, WRAP's President. "Worse, over three-fourths (79%) of alcohol-impaired fatalities during the 2017 July 4th period occurred during nighttime hours."

SoberRide® is offered throughout Lyft's Washington, D.C. coverage area which includes all or parts of: the District of Columbia; the Maryland counties of Montgomery and Prince George's; and the Northern Virginia counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun and Prince William.

Sponsors of this year's Independence Day SoberRide® campaign include the 395 Express Lanes, AAA Mid-Atlantic, Anheuser-Busch, Brown-Forman, Constellation Brands, District of Columbia Association of Beverage Alcohol Wholesalers, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Giant Food, Glory Days Grill, Kendall-Jackson, Lyft, Miller-Coors, Restaurant Association Metropolitan Washington and the Washington Area New Automobile Dealers Association.

More information about WRAP's SoberRide® initiative can be found at [www.SoberRide.com](http://www.SoberRide.com).

\*Source: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, see: <https://www.trafficsafety.gov/get-materials/drunk-driving/buzzed-driving-drunk-driving/4th-july>

# BUSINESS AND FINANCE

## Social Security Matters

### Ask Rusty:

## Confused About Working, Medicare and Spouse Benefits

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

### Dear Rusty:

I will reach my full retirement age (FRA) in September of 2020 at age 66. My wife will be 64 at that time and will start drawing her SS at 1/2 of my benefit because it will be more than hers, even if she reached her FRA. My question is, I know I will need to sign up for Medicare Part A this year at age 65 but do I need Part B at this time? Both myself and my wife work for the same company and have insurance through them. I will have insurance for one more year through the company until I retire at 66. Another question is when I retire at 66 and my wife retires at age 64 at 1/2 my benefit, will she be able to sign up for Medicare because she is drawing SS benefits? Or will she have to wait until 3 months before she turns 65? **Signed: Planning Our Retirement**

**Dear Planning:** Signing up for Medicare when you turn 65 is optional if you have creditable employer coverage. If you enroll in Part A, and you have a Health Savings Account (HSA) you and your employer must both stop contributing to it the month before you turn 65. Whether you should take Medicare Part B (coverage for doctors and other outpatient services) at age 65 depends upon whether your healthcare coverage through your employer is considered a "creditable" alternative to Medicare Part B coverage. Generally, if it's a group plan with more than 20 participants it will be considered creditable, but you should check with your HR department to make sure. Assuming your employer coverage is "creditable," you can defer enrolling in Part B until your employer coverage ends. At that time, you'll enter a "special enrollment period" during which you can enroll in Medicare Part B (and Part D drug plan) without a late enrollment penalty. You can enroll in Part B (and Part D) a little before your employer coverage ends so as to avoid any lapse in health care coverage.

If your wife claims her Social Security benefit at age 64 when you claim your SS at age 66, her own benefit will be reduced, and her spousal benefit will also be reduced from 50% of yours because she is claiming the spousal benefit earlier than her full retirement age. Any time any Social Security benefit is claimed earlier than one's full retirement age it is reduced. Taken 2 years before her FRA, your wife's spousal benefit will be about 42% of yours, not 50%.

Your wife cannot enroll in Medicare simply because she is collecting Social Security; she's not eligible for Medicare until she is 65 (she can enroll 3 months earlier for coverage to start the month she turns 65). If your wife retires from work before she is eligible for Medicare, she may use COBRA coverage until she reaches age 65 and her Medicare coverage begins. If your wife claims her Social Security to start when she retires at 64, she will be automatically enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B just prior to her turning 65 years of age, but if she continues to work and still has creditable employee (not COBRA) healthcare coverage from her employer at that time and wishes to delay enrolling in Part B (to avoid the premium), she can do so until her employer coverage ends. Then when her employer coverage ends, she should enroll in Medicare Part B (and Part D plan) during her special enrollment period so as to avoid any future late enrollment penalties.

Finally, you should both be enrolled in Medicare Part A (hospitalization coverage) because it is required to collect Social Security benefits after age 65. Medicare Part A coverage is free for anyone who is eligible to receive Social Security benefits.

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>.

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## Construction Begins on the Residences At Riverdale Park Station

Prince George's County's Living, Shopping and Dining Community Kicks Off Next Phase with Community Groundbreaking Celebration

By RACHEL BUCKLEY  
for Riverdale Park Station

RIVERDALE PARK, Md. (June 20, 2019)—Officials at Riverdale Park Station, along with esteemed Maryland elected officials, celebrated the kick-off construction for the new residential building and final segment of the paved hiker/biker trail on Wednesday, June 19. The groundbreaking was commemorated with the Riverdale Park Station development team, including Jane and Calvin Cafritz of Calvin Cafritz Enterprises, and city officials, putting the first shovels in the ground.

Raymond Gilley, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Economic Development at Prince George's County Executive Office, joined developer Calvin Cafritz Enterprises in remarks alongside a community celebration.

"We had a vision of turning this site on Route 1 into Riverdale Park Station, an active and transit-oriented living, working and shopping center that could be accommodating and accessible to all residents and visitors, and today we kick off the final piece of this neighborhood," stated Jane Cafritz of

Calvin Cafritz Enterprises at the groundbreaking. "The completed Residences at Riverdale Park Station and final segment of the hiker/biker trail will add to the existing versatile living and transportation amenities at Riverdale Park Station, and bring even more vibrancy and connectivity to Prince George's County."

Located at 4650 Van Buren Street, the five-story, mixed-use building known as The Residences at Riverdale Park Station will feature approximately 229 living units, 8,000 square feet of amenity space, 10,000 square feet of retail space and 750 indoor structured parking spaces. Slated to deliver in the spring of 2021, the final section of the approximately 4 mile hiker/biker trail, which begins north of College Park and goes alongside Rhode Island Avenue to The District, will reopen alongside the new residences.

"The Residences at Riverdale Park Station will bring much needed living spaces to accommodate all the people moving to Prince George's County and greatly complement the existing offerings," stated Raymond Gilley at the groundbreaking. "Riverdale

Park Station is truly a livable and walkable community and fully inclusive environment, and is more of what we want to see here in Prince George's County."

With an emphasis on increased connectivity and pedestrian and bicycle safety for residents and visitors alike, Riverdale Park Station worked to connect the bike path between Albion Road and Tuckerman Street, further connecting the communities alongside the hiker/biker trail. Introducing a number of new pedestrian walkways and biking trails, Riverdale Park Station also offers two bike share systems, mBike and Capital Bike-share, alongside plenty of surface parking, making Riverdale Park Station one of the most transit-oriented developments in the Metro region.

At full build out, the 37-acre development of Riverdale Park Station will encompass approximately 200,000 square-feet of commercial space, 850 apartment homes, 119 townhouses, and a 120-room extended stay hotel.

For more information on Calvin Cafritz Enterprises please visit <http://riverdaleparkstation.com/our-team/>



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(from left to right): James Speyer, Calvin Cafritz Enterprises; Calvin Cafritz, Calvin Cafritz Enterprises; Wanda Brooks, Prince George's County Council Citizen Services, Office of Danielle Glaros; Lenford Carey, Mayor of University Park; Anne Healy, Maryland House of Delegates, District 22; Alan K. Thompson, Mayor of Riverdale Park; Raymond Gilley, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Economic Development at Prince George's County Executive Office and Jane Cafritz, Calvin Cafritz Enterprises

# OUT on the TOWN



By STACEY HAWKINS  
M-NCPPC

Join us on Saturday, June 29, from 1–6 p.m. for a day of fun! Enjoy various styles of beer from the Calvert Brewing Company, along with the sounds of blues musicians; Higher Standards Jazz (1–3 p.m.) & The Lovejoy Group (4–6 p.m.)

Burgers and other foods will be available for purchase through our food vendors. Visit our craft vendors and artisans, watch woodcarving demonstrations, tour the his-

toric 1813 home (included with admission). Our Farmer's Market will be here throughout the day with fresh produce, herbs, plants, food and bakery items, beautiful decorative cutting boards, and more.

Bring a lawn chair and blanket and watch the falling leaves on a relaxing autumn afternoon!

- Beer is available for purchase.
- Ages 21 & older to attend this event
- \$10/person

Marietta is the 1813 home of Judge Gabriel Duvall, a Supreme Court Justice

and Comptroller of the Treasury. Marietta stands on terraced, landscaped grounds with two contemporary outbuildings: a brick law office and a stone and brick root cellar/harness storage room. The grounds boast three County Champion trees. The family graveyard has been relocated to these serene surroundings.

Marietta is located at 5626 Bell Station Road, Glenn Dale, MD 20769 and is a property of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission. 301-464-5291; TTY 301-699-2544

## Calendar Spotlight on History

### Harmony Hall Chapter NSDAR at Southern Maryland Genealogy and History Fair Day Conference

Date and Time: Saturday, June 29, 2019, 7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.  
Description: Sponsored by the Southern MD Family History Study Group, the Southern Maryland Genealogy and History Fair Day Conference is expected to be a day filled with speakers, workshop sessions, and presentations, along with representatives from local groups and societies. Karen Janczy, Regent of Harmony Hall Chapter explains, "There is a wonderful opportunity in our area to meet with such a dedicated and focused group of family historians. We are looking forward to attending this exciting event and to discuss the work and rich history of the DAR and Harmony Hall Chapter!" The Chapter meets regularly at the Fort Washington Forest Community Center on Filmore Road in Fort Washington, MD. Meetings are free and open to the public. To learn more about the work of Chapter, their meetings and events, please visit [www.harmonyhall.marylanddar.org](http://www.harmonyhall.marylanddar.org)

Cost: Free, open to the public  
Ages: All ages are welcome  
Location: College of Southern Maryland, LaPlata Campus, 8730 Mitchell Rd. LaPlata, MD 20640

### MCAAHC Legacy Symposium

Date and Time: Saturday, June 29, 2019, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.  
Description: Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture (MCAAHC) during the Legacy Symposium hosted on the campus of Morgan State University. Enjoy a panel discussion with renowned experts including Harvard Professor and ASALH President Dr. Evelyn Brooks Higginbotham, as they share the impact the MCAAHC has made on preservation projects throughout the state. The event will feature The Honorable Kweisi Mfume, 50th Anniversary Honorary Chair, the newly elected first Woman and African American Speaker of the Maryland House of Delegates, Speaker Adrienne Jones, a special presentation from The Quarles Institute High School & College Student Scholars and much more. Lunch will be provided.

Cost: Free. **Register:** <https://bdmuseum.maryland.gov/events/>  
Ages: All ages are welcome  
Location: Morgan State University, New Jenkins Hall, 1600 Havenwood Road, Baltimore, MD 21251  
Contact: 410-216-6180

### Archaeology Dig Days

Date and Time: Saturday, June 29, 2019, 11 a.m.–3 p.m.  
Registration is not required.  
Description: Discover history's secrets while getting fresh air and exercise! Archaeologists will show participants how to dig and screen for artifacts in this real excavation site, once home to a Native American village, a colonial town in the 1700s, and a large plantation in the 1800s. Self-guided tours of the archaeological museum and Patuxent riverfront property also available.

Cost: Free! **See OPEN TO THE PUBLIC feature below.**  
Ages: All ages are welcome  
Location: Mount Calvert Historical and Archaeological Park, 16801 Mount Calvert Road, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772  
Contact: 301-627-1286; TTY 301-699-2544

## PLAN AHEAD FOR THESE EVENTS!

### Arts on the Waterfront: Summer Concert Series

Date and Time: Sunday, July 7, 2019, 6 p.m.  
Description: Sunday evening series. On July 7, bring your dinner and family to hear Spanglish Latin American Band.  
Cost: Free  
Ages: All are welcome!  
Location: Bladensburg Waterfront Park, 4601 Annapolis Road, Bladensburg, MD 20710

### Outdoor Summer Movie Series: Moana

Date and Time: Friday, July 12, 2019, 8:30 p.m.  
Description: Join Council Member Deni Taveras, M-NCPPC Parks and Recreation, and our local School PTA/Os for an Outdoor Summer Movie Series throughout District 2! Our local PTA/Os will have a concession stand filled with a yummy selection of treats. Come out and enjoy a movie, all while you support our local school PTA/Os.  
Location: Mount Rainier Nature Center, 4701 31st Place, Mount Rainier, MD 20712

### 10th Annual Lake Arbor Jazz Festival

Date and Time: Saturday, July 13, 1–8 p.m.  
Description: Enjoy a family friendly environment featuring some of the region's most accomplished and emerging jazz artists. For festival details and ticket information, visit [LakeArborJazz.com](http://LakeArborJazz.com).

Location: Lake Arbor Community Center, 10100 Lake Arbor Way, Bowie, MD 20721

### (un)choir at the Old Parish House

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 19, 2019, 7–9 pm.  
Description: A new kind of choral experience: learn your part and sing a song in harmony, all in one fun evening! (un)choir turns the tables on traditional choir. No auditions, no rehearsals, no long-term commitment—just show up and sing a song you love! You will get a lyric sheet, then Allison Hughes, music director for College Park Chorale, will teach you 2 or 3 part harmony to a well-known song. To cap the evening off, you'll then sing your heart out with a choir of your new best friends!  
Cost: Free  
Ages: All are welcome!  
Location: Old Parish House Address: 4711 Knox Rd, College Park, MD 20741

### Outdoor Summer Movie Series: Incredibles 2

Date and Time: Friday, July 19, 2019, 8:30 p.m.  
Description: Our local PTA/Os will have a concession stand filled with a yummy selection of treats. Come out and enjoy a movie, all while you support our local school PTA/Os.  
Location: Lane Manor Park, 7601 West Park Drive, Adelphi, MD 20783

## ERIC D. SNIDER'S IN THE DARK ... Movie Review ...

### Ma

Ma  
Grade: C+  
Rated R, a lot of harsh profanity, some nonsexual nudity, brief mild sexuality, some violent images.  
1 hr., 41 min

While the category of "horror" is broad enough to include "Ma" (especially the last 20 minutes of it), you'll be disappointed if you're expecting anything scary or suspenseful. It's more of a psychological drama and a mystery with some horror elements thrown in. You might still be disappointed, though; the movie would have done well to choose a more decisive path and commit to it.

Directed by Tate Taylor from a screenplay by first-timer Scotty Landes (a TV comedy writer), "Ma" reunites Taylor with his "The Help" Oscar-winner, Octavia Spencer, who plays Sue Ann, a lonely, middle-aged veterinary assistant in a small Ohio town who befriends a group of teens and becomes their booze-supplier and party-enabler (her isolated country house has a sweet basement). The main teen and the movie's co-protagonist is Maggie (Diana Silvers), who has just moved to town with her casino-waitress mother, Erica

(Juliette Lewis), who grew up here. Maggie is sweet on Andy (Corey Fogelmanis), a nice boy whose dad (Luke Evans) was BMOC back in the day and is now dating the skanky Mercedes (Missi Pyle). All of the adults know each other because they went to high school together, and Sue Ann has flashbacks to that era that shed light on her current mental state.

She starts out merely

friendly, if grossly irresponsible and a little randy. The teens—Maggie, Andy, cool girl Haley (McKaley Miller), hot guy Chaz (Gianni Paolo), and token minority Darrell (Dante Brown)—can't believe their good fortune at finding a pliable grown-up who will buy them alcohol and let them drink and smoke in her basement. (These parties soon grow to have dozens of attendees, but it's not clear how Sue Ann recruited them.) They don't really think of her as a "friend," though, which becomes a problem as Sue Ann grows clingy, needy, and manipulative, on her way to full-on unhingedness.

It takes a while for that to happen, but time passes pleasantly enough while we wait for it. Maggie and Erica have a mother-daughter comradeship that's unusually healthy for a

teen movie. Maggie and Andy are a cute, wholesome couple. Allison Janney (who was also in "The Help") does the director a favor by showing up for a few brief, amusing scenes as the exasperated veterinarian Sue Ann works for.

When things finally do go bonkers, they go just bonkers enough to make you wish they'd gone more bonkers. This is a trashy, exploitative B-movie at heart, but it hedges its bets by keeping one foot in the realm of respectability. There are legitimate themes that could have been dealt with here—bullying, peer pressure, multi-generational dysfunction, dead-end small towns—but only if they were treated seriously and not surrounded by such a gleefully ludicrous plot. What can I say? It should have been trashier.



ROTTENTOMATOES.COM

Oscar® winner Octavia Spencer stars as Sue Ann, a loner who keeps to herself. One day, she is asked by Maggie, a new teenager in town (Diana Silvers, Glass), to buy some booze for her and her friends, and Sue Ann sees the chance to make some unsuspecting, if younger, friends. She offers the kids the chance to avoid drinking and driving by hanging out in the basement of her home. But there are some house rules: One of the kids has to stay sober. Don't curse. Never go upstairs. And call her "Ma." But as Ma's hospitality starts to curdle into obsession, what began as a teenage dream turns into a terrorizing nightmare, and Ma's place goes from the best place in town to the worst place on earth.

## OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



Mt. Calvert Historical & Archaeological Park

PHOTOGRAPH COURTESY OF THE M-NCPPC

One of the most significant historical and archaeological sites in Prince George's County, Mount Calvert served as the first county seat in 1696 and is the site where evidence and artifacts from over 8,000 years of human culture have been discovered. Relics from Native American Indians, colonial America, and even a tobacco plantation are uncovered seasonally by archaeologists. The house and museum at the **Mount Calvert Historical and Archaeological Park** are open April through October on Saturdays from 10 a.m.–4 p.m., and on Sundays from 12 noon–4 p.m. Excavations are open on most Saturdays from April through October.

Mount Calvert Historical & Archaeological Park:  
16801 Mount Calvert Road, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772  
301-627-1286 • <http://www.pgparcs.com/3007/Mount-Calvert-Historical-Archaeological>

## PLAN AHEAD FOR JULY!

### Blast-in-the-Past: A Hands-On History Playground

Date and Time: July 11–August 3, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.  
Description: Who knew history could be so much fun? Your kids will get fresh air, exercise, and learn about history this summer at Blast-in-the-Past, the hands-on history playground! Montpelier's shaded grounds become a kid-sized colonial village, with town square, market, farm and more. Kids can play and pretend 'til their hearts' content! Come for an hour or stay for the day. Win a free pass by joining PGMLS's "Summer @ Your Library" program!  
Cost: Prince George's Co. Resident \$2.50/day; Non-Resident \$3/day. Saturdays are All-County Day, all pay \$2.50.  
Ages: 2 and up  
Location: Montpelier Historic Site, 9650 Muirkirk Road, Laurel, Maryland 20708  
Contact: 301-377-7817, TTY: 301-446-3302, [www.pgparcs.com](http://www.pgparcs.com)

# Calendar of Events

June 27–July 3, 2019

## “We Rise” Youth Conference:

### Black Youth Through A Beautiful Lens

Date and Time: Friday, June 28, 2019, 9:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.  
Description: This conference will celebrate the shared experiences of its participants and focus on capturing the beauty of black culture through imagery and photojournalism. We welcome youth (13–17) of all backgrounds, to explore history, art, and culture during this event. Lunch will be provided.

Cost: Free. Register: <https://bdmuseum.maryland.gov/events/>

Ages: 13–17

Location: Banneker-Douglass Museum, 84 Franklin Street, Annapolis, MD 21401

Contact: 410-216-6180

## Veterans Benefits Seminar

Date and Time: Saturday, June 29, 2019, 9 a.m.–12 noon  
Description: Hosted by Fort Foote Baptist Church Veterans Ministry. Hear updates on Veterans Benefits from Veteran Service Organizations. Veterans MUST bring their DD 214 Form for claim assistance. Spouses welcome. Light refreshments will be served.

Cost: Free

Ages: Veterans and spouses

Location: 8310 Fort Foote Road, Fort Washington MD 20744

Contact: Deacon Ray Mason, 301-910-1833; [rayout\\_144@hotmail.com](mailto:rayout_144@hotmail.com); Deacon James Barbour, 301-523-1582, [jbarb00@gmail.com](mailto:jbarb00@gmail.com)

## Arts & Literacy Summer Pop-Ups

Date and Time: Saturday, June 29, 2019, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.  
Description: Join Council Member Deni Taveras, Prince George's County Memorial Library and Parks & Recreation, for a fun-filled summer with books and art. The Arts & Literacy Summer Pop-Ups provide kids the opportunity to build and retain literacy skills through multicultural story time and visual arts workshops.

Cost: Free

Ages: Children grades 1–6

Location: Super Clean Laundromat, 1425 University Blvd, Suite 213, Hyattsville, MD 20783

Contact: RSVP: 301-952-4436; email: [councildistrict2@co.pg.md.us](mailto:councildistrict2@co.pg.md.us)

## Wonderful World of Herbs

Date and Time: Saturday, June 29, 2019, 12–4 p.m.  
Description: Drop by and ask questions of the herbal expert. Each month a different aspect of growing and working with herbs will be addressed.

Cost: Free

Ages: All ages are welcome

Location: Belair Mansion, 12207 Tulip Grove Drive, Bowie, MD 20715

Contact: 301-809-3089

## G.E.A.R.: Calling All Young Ladies!

Date and Time: Saturday, June 29, 2019, 7–10 p.m.  
Description: Call all your friends and head down to the center for a night of Double Dutch and Hop Scotch! Don't miss these fun, competitive contests that will have you jumping for joy!

Cost: FREE! with M-NCPPC youth ID

Ages: 10–17

Location: North Brentwood Community Center, 4012 Webster Street, North Brentwood, MD 20722

Contact: 301-864-0756; TTY 301-699-2544

## Luther Re-lives Concert ft. William “Smooth” Wardlaw

Date and Time: Saturday, June 29, 2019, 7 p.m.  
Description: Enjoy “A Luther's Summer Eve” as vocalist William “Smooth” Wardlaw pays tribute to Luther Vandross with love, respect, and faithful accuracy.

Cost: \$25 General, \$20 /Seniors, \$20 Faculty/Staff/Students. Buy tickets at the Bulldog Ticket Office or online (service fees apply). [www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4259819](http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4259819)

Ages: All ages are welcome

Location: Fine and Performing Arts Center, Main Stage Theater, 1400 Jericho Park Rd, Bowie, MD 20715

Contact: [cknight@bowiestate.edu](mailto:cknight@bowiestate.edu), 301-860-3760

## National Orchestral Institute Philharmonic:

### Mahler's Symphony No. 5

Date and Time: Saturday, June 29, 2019, 8 p.m.  
Description: Michael Stern leads a triumphant conclusion to the 2019 festival with music by Anna Clyne, Richard Wagner and Gustav Mahler.

Cost: Starting at \$20; Student/Youth \$10

Location: The Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, Dekelboum Concert Hall

Contact: The Clarice Ticket Office 301-405-2787

## Walking in Greenbelt Park

Date and Time: Sunday, June 30, 2019, 9:30 a.m.  
Description: Prescription for better health is a walk in the park. Join us for a group walk along the Park Central Road through the park. Meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area. Part of the Healthy Parks Healthy People events throughout the National Parks.

Cost: Free

Ages: All ages are welcome

Location: Greenbelt Park, 6565 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770

Contact: 301-344-3944, <http://www.nps.gov/gree>

## Concert—A Second of July Celebration of the American-French Alliance

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 2, 2019, 6:30–7:30 p.m.  
Description: Celebrate the Second of July, the day the Continental Congress voted for American independence, with music of the founding era. David and Ginger Hildebrand of the Colonial Music Institute perform eighteenth-century songs—including ballads, marches and French-inspired songs—in costume with period instruments.

Cost: Free

Ages: All ages are welcome

Location: The American Revolution Institute, Anderson House, 2118 Massachusetts Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20008

Contact: 202.785.2040, [www.americanrevolutioninstitute.org](http://www.americanrevolutioninstitute.org)

# Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council Launches ‘4 Star Arts For Veterans’ Program

By R. JOSHUA REYNOLDS  
PGAHC

LARGO, Md. (June 20, 2019)—Following the May 30 Military Appreciation Month Event hosted in partnership with the county's Office of Veterans Affairs, the Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council (PGAHC) launch[ed] its “4 Star Arts for Veterans” program at Overdue Recognition Art Gallery in Bowie Maryland on June 22. “4 Star Arts for Veterans” is a multidisciplinary arts program for veterans, active duty personnel, and their families that will feature visual arts, music, dance, and poetry. Artistic workshops will provide veterans the opportunity to tell their stories and participate in creative activities with artist in our community.

“We are pleased to work with our partners in Prince George's County,” said PGAHC Exec. Dir. Rhonda Dallas. “Working together, we can give back to those who

have given selflessly to protect and serve all of us. We are committed to making sure the program will grow in the months and years to come.”

The program is the result of a partnership between PGAHC, the Office of Veteran Affairs for Prince George's County (OVA) and Vet Arts Connect. The goal of the program is to transform veterans' lives by providing a creative outlet. Dr. James Dula, Director of the OVA and PGAHC Board member, was happy to support the program.

“There are nearly 60,000 veterans in Prince George's County,” said Dr. Dula. “We are pleased to add a local arts program to enhance the quality of life of the servicemen, women and families who have made Maryland their home.”

The unveiling of the ‘4 Star Arts for Veterans’ program [took] place on Saturday, June 22, 2019 from 12 to 2 p.m. at the Overdue Recognition Art Gallery in Bowie, Md.

Upcoming interactive workshops will include a “Paint Party” on Saturday, June 29, “Poetry Workshop” on July 6, and a “Newspaper Workshop” Saturday, July 13 and 14. All of the workshops are scheduled to take place at Creative Suitland located at 4719 Silver Hill Road in Suitland, MD.

Participants should RSVP for each workshop. Please visit [www.pgahc.org](http://www.pgahc.org) for more information. To RSVP for a workshop, please contact Kristina Lyles at [klyles@pgahc.org](mailto:klyles@pgahc.org) or 301-772-8943.

Prince George's County Arts & Humanities Council (PGAHC) is an independent nonprofit organization designated by the Prince George's County government to coordinate financial support and advocacy for the arts and humanities through grants, artistic programs and creative partnerships with businesses, educational institutions, the government and residents.

# TowerCares Foundation Donates \$5,000 to We Honor Veterans Program

By ELYZABETH MARCUSSEN  
Hospice of the Chesapeake

PASADENA, Md. (June 14, 2019)—Gail Sanders, Foundation Ambassador for the TowerCares Foundation, paid a visit to Hospice of the Chesapeake's John & Cathy Belcher Campus in Pasadena on June 7, to deliver a \$5,000 check in support of the nonprofit's We Honor Veterans program.

For the last few years, the nonprofit hospice and palliative care organization has been a fortunate recipient of giving from the foundation, which grants funding to organizations supporting veterans and active-duty military and their families as well as to children in need.

Hospice of the Chesapeake Director of Volunteer Services Mary Jermann, who is the chair of the organization's We Honor Veterans Committee, said the foundation's gift makes a tremendous impact in providing services to the veterans in their care as well as in the

community. “This kind of commitment to our program goes a long way when funding many of the materials, such as pins and framed certificates, used to perform Honor Salutes for veterans facing end of life. It also helps fund the education provided to our clinical team and volunteers on the needs of veterans and so much more,” Jermann said. “We are grateful to have such an amazing partner in caring for the lives of so many veterans.”

Veterans and active-duty military personnel are always needed to support the program as volunteers. To volunteer, contact Nicole Malatesta at 443-837-1513 or [nmalatesta@hospicechesapeake.org](mailto:nmalatesta@hospicechesapeake.org). To learn more about the veterans program, visit <https://www.hospicechesapeake.org/hospice-palliative-care/care-for-veterans/>.

For 40 years, Hospice of the Chesapeake has been caring for life throughout the journey with illness and loss. The Prince George's County office is located at 9500 Medical Center Drive #250, Largo, MD 20774. Visit [www.hospicechesapeake.org](http://www.hospicechesapeake.org).



# All-Natural Acne Treatments: Tea Tree Oil, Witch Hazel and Milk of Magnesia Just a Few Options

Dear EarthTalk:

*I suffer from occasional acne but am loathe to treat it with harsh chemicals. Do you know of all-natural ways to get rid of pimples or prevent them altogether?*

—J. W., Miami, FL

Acne—when sebum from oil glands under the skin clogs pores causing small bacterial infections that lead to swelling and discomfort—isn't just a temporary annoyance during our teenage years; it plagues many of us throughout our adult lives as well. Some 85 percent of Americans are prone to at least occasional break-outs or worse. But common over-the-counter treatments—most contain either benzoyl peroxide or salicylic acid—can irritate the skin, eyes and lungs and are also linked to more serious health problems. The U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) warns that the use of these over-the-counter topicals “can cause rare but serious and potentially life-threatening allergic reactions or severe irritation.”

Most of the top-selling brands incorporate benzoyl peroxide or salicylic acid in their acne treatments, but the only way to know for sure what's inside any given product is to consult its label. Even better, do some research online before you buy. The Environmental Working Group's free online

Skin Deep database lists ingredients—and more important, the health and environmental threats—of over 120,000 personal care products, including more than 2,000 different acne treatments now or recently available on store shelves.

As far as alternative treatments go, tea tree oil, distilled from the leaves of Australia's Melaleuca plant, seems to be a favorite. Studies have shown it to be equally as effective as benzoyl peroxide in reducing both the number of acne lesions and their severity. Likewise, Witch Hazel has similarly positive effects for most who try it, although there hasn't been any scientific research to back that up yet.

According to *National Geographic*, dabbing a pasty mixture of powdered nutmeg and honey onto a problem pimple and leaving it there for 20 minutes can help unclog pores. Another trick is to soak a chamomile tea bag in cold water, squeeze it out, then hold it onto a pimple for 30 seconds. Icing a new pimple can also help reduce swelling and discomfort and shorten its lifespan. And smearing a little milk of magnesia on your face at bedtime can help prevent break-outs to begin with.

Healthline's Kayla McDonnell suggests dabbing zits with apple cider vinegar or witch hazel or applying a honey/cinnamon mask. Her other tips for pimple remediation include regular exfoliation, taking a zinc

and/or fish oil supplement, eating a low glycemic load diet, cutting back on dairy, reducing stress and exercising regularly.

If your acne is more severe, it might be worth consulting a dermatologist who can recommend prescription-strength treatments that can work with your body chemistry to limit the production of sebum in the first place. But drying, irritation and/or other side effects can ensue from these doctor-prescribed treatments as well, so be sure to let your doctor know so he or she can adjust the dosage or treatment plan.

**CONTACTS:** Skin Deep, [www.ewg.org/skindeep](http://www.ewg.org/skindeep); FDA's “Topical Acne Products Can Cause Dangerous Side Effects,” [bit.ly/acne-risks](http://bit.ly/acne-risks); “13 Powerful Home Remedies for Acne,” [www.healthline.com/nutrition/13-acne-remedies](http://www.healthline.com/nutrition/13-acne-remedies); “The efficacy of 5% topical tea tree oil gel in mild to moderate acne vulgaris: a randomized, double-blind placebo-controlled study,” [www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/17314442](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/17314442).

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**TUESDAY TIP**

- Bats love to eat mosquitoes! Create or install houses for bats and bees, or a nectar feeder for hummingbirds.
- Avoid using pesticides, especially glyphosate (commonly found in Roundup®), which can be toxic to pets, wildlife and beneficial insects.
- Use natural repellents on yourself or pets. Lemon Eucalyptus oil and IR3535 are bio-repellents (derived from natural ingredients).
- Find more information on how to create a sustainable garden that helps pollinators and wildlife by visiting [www.nwf.org](http://www.nwf.org).

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**ANC Initiative Update from A1**

**Four Cities and Vicinity ANC Meeting**  
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7414 Riverdale Rd, New Carrollton, MD 20784  
Tuesday, July 9, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Main Topic: Update on the SHA's Expansion and Reconstruction of  
U.S. Route 1  
Main speaker: MD State Highway Administration (SHA)  
Communities: Berwyn Heights, College Park, Greenbelt, Lanham-  
Seabrook, New Carrollton, Riverdale Park, and University Park  
RSVP link: <https://forms.gle/NFbh34zzzG2bbFtd8>

**Southern Gateway Communities ANC Meeting**  
Hillcrest Heights Community Center  
2300 Oxon Hill Drive, Temple Hills, MD 20748  
Thursday, July 11, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Communities: Suitland, Greater Temple Hills, Greater Oxon Hill,  
and Forest Heights  
Main topic and speaker: To be announced  
RSVP link: <https://forms.gle/Au82L6iFALx4TL3SA>

**Central Gateway Communities ANC Meeting**  
Spauldings Public Library, 5811 Old Silver Hill Road, District  
Heights, MD 20747  
Monday, July 15, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Communities: Capitol Heights, District Heights, Seat Pleasant, and  
Fairmont Heights  
Main topic and speaker: To be announced soon  
RSVP link: <https://forms.gle/6mEvSWFdMftvQmSM9>

**Greater Landover and Vicinity ANC Meeting**  
Charles Flowers High School, 10001 Ardwick-Ardmore Road,  
Springdale, MD 20774  
Wednesday, July 17, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Communities: Greater Landover, Cheverly, Glenarden, Springdale,  
Ardmore  
Main topic and speaker: To be announced soon  
RSVP link: <https://forms.gle/ew4cykCZoxefGT28>

**Fort Washington-Accoceek ANC Meeting**  
Accoceed Academy, 14400 Berry Road, Accoceed, MD 20607  
Thursday, July 18, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Communities included: Accoceed, Fort Washington  
Main topic and speaker: To be announced soon  
RSVP link: <https://forms.gle/gDYdQ3LdukLgBSW98>

**Greater Largo, Mitchellville, and South Bowie ANC Meeting**  
South Bowie Public Library, 15301 Hall Road, Bowie, MD 20721  
Monday, July 22, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Communities: Largo, Kettering, Perrywood, Westphalia-Northern  
Upper Marlboro, Mitchellville, South Bowie (portions of Bowie  
south of US-50) Area  
Main topic and speaker: To be announced soon  
RSVP link: <https://forms.gle/gnL1YsXqe1EjqKN9>

**Upper Marlboro, Brandywine, and Vicinity ANC Meeting**  
Marlton Golf Club, 9413 Midland Turn, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772  
Tuesday, July 23, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Communities: Southern Upper Marlboro (incl. municipal Upper  
Marlboro and points south), Croom, Brandywine, Baden-Aquasco,  
Eagle Harbor, Cedar Haven  
Main topic and speaker: To be announced soon  
RSVP link: <https://forms.gle/gxpz5PyxWsGH68rA7>

**Bowie Advisory Neighborhood Community ANC Meeting**  
Bowie Public Library, 15210 Annapolis Rd, Bowie, MD 20715  
Monday, July 29, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Communities: Bowie (excluding South Bowie), Glenn Dale  
Main topic and speaker: To be announced soon  
RSVP link: <https://forms.gle/UZEEhF4Kbv9ogXUo8>

**Northern Gateway Communities ANC Meeting**  
Northwestern High School, 7000 Adelphi Road, Hyattsville, MD  
20872  
Wednesday, July 31, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Communities included: Adelphi, Chillum, Langley Park, Greater  
Hyattsville Area, Port Towns, Mt. Rainier, Brentwood, and North  
Brentwood  
Main topic and speaker: To be announced soon  
RSVP link: <https://forms.gle/zcwgFnbafxDwdU8A>

We will have another round of these meetings in the fall and a  
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