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### Bowie Baysox to Donate Ticket Proceeds to *Capital Gazette* Families and *Capital Gazette* Memorial Scholarship Funds

*By* PRESS OFFICER **Bowie Baysox** 

BOWIE, MD (July 13, 2018)— The Bowie Baysox announce today that the team will donate 50 percent of their ticket proceeds from their home game on Thursday, July 19, 2018 at 7:05 p.m. against the Erie SeaWolves (Class AA Affiliate of the Detroit Tigers) to two funds set up to help and honor the victims and families affected in the *Capital Gazette* tragedy that occurred on June 28, 2018.

Fifty percent of all ticket sales that [occurred] online at Baysox.com between 9:00 AM on Friday, July 13, and 11:59 PM on Wednesday, July 18, for the Baysox home game on Thursday, July 19, will be donated to the *Capital Gazette* Families Fund and the *Capital Gazette* Memorial Scholarship Fund.

"The Annapolis Capital and its affiliate papers-including the Bowie Blade-News and West *County Gazette*—have been such important partners to the Baysox since our first game in 1993," said Baysox General Manager Brian Shallcross. "Over the many years of working together, we have come to know many great people at the Capital Gazette family who have put their heart and soul into their craft. We are saddened at the tragic loss of our good friend John McNamara and colleagues Gerald Fishman,

Robert Hiaasen, Wendi Winters and Rebecca Smith.

"The Baysox wanted to provide a forum for our fans to be able to contribute to their memories and celebrate the lives and legacies of those lost in the tragic events of June 28, and we hope that these efforts at our home game on July 19 will bring those in our community together to do just that."

Tickets for the Bowie Baysox game on Thursday, July 19, start at just \$8.00 and all online ticketing fees have been waived for this event. Parking for all Baysox home games is free.

During the Baysox game on Thursday, July 19, there will be tributes to those who perished in the tragedy as well as opportunities for fans to bid on silent auction items throughout the game that will include autographed items from Baysox and Orioles players. One hundred percent of the proceeds raised from the silent auction will benefit the two funds named above.

The *Capital Gazette* Families Fund is being managed through the Community Foundation of Anne Arundel County. The family fund has been established to provide immediate relief and long-term recovery support to those individuals directly and indirectly affected by

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# Successful 2018 Special Olympics USA Games Focuses On More Than Athletic Competition

Team Maryland Joined Thousands of Special Olympics Athletes In Promoting a Message of "Inclusion Through Sports"

#### By JEN SHECKELS, Editor

During the week of July 1–July 6, 2018, the Special Olympics Maryland team joined 4,000 Special Olympics athletes and coaches from across the country in Seattle, Wash., for the 2018 Special Olympics USA Games. These amazing athletes were joined by tens of thousands of volunteers, family members, and fans for a week of special events and tough competitions.

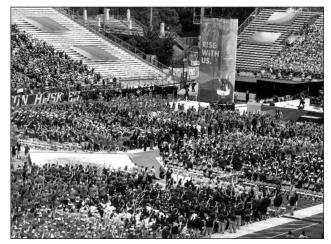
At the heart of it all, though, was a powerful, passionate message of inclusion through sports, seen prominently throughout the week with the Games' theme "Rise With Us." It was a message that resonated beyond the competitors, as more than 39,000 spectators attended the opening ceremony on Sunday, July 1.

"The 2018 Special Olympics USA Games showcased the abilities of athletes with intellectual disabilities, promoted the ideals of acceptance and inclusion through sport, and celebrated the transformative power of Special Olympics," stated Beth Knox, President and CEO, 2018 Special Olympics USA Games. "From corporate partners and the thousands of fans in the stands, to the 15,000 volunteers who came out in droves to support our athletes and coaches, every single person who participated in the 2018 USA Games contributed to its success," said Brad Smith, President of Microsoft and Honorary Board Chairman of the 2018 Special Olympics USA Games. "Every act of

participation was itself an act of inclusion. I couldn't be more proud of the example that Seattle set for the rest of the country as a city of inclusion."

The athletes competed in 14 different team and individual categories: athletics, basketball, bocce, bowling, flag football, golf, gymnastics, powerlifting, soccer, soft-

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PHOTOGRAPH COURTESY OF THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS USA GAMES

With a record 101,500 in attendance, the 2018 Special Olympic USA Games could well be the largest in the program's history.

> PHOTOGRAPH COURTESY OF SPECIAL OLYMPICS MARYLAND

At top: Team Maryland's infectious energy and spirit at the 2018 USA Games resulted in 45 medals for the team.

## **County Executive Baker Cuts Ribbon**





# to Open Center for Returning Citizens at the Department of Corrections

#### *By* PRESS OFFICER **Prince George's County Department of Corrections**

UPPER MARLBORO, MD (July 12, 2018)—The Prince George's County Department of Corrections celebrated the opening of the Community Release Center on Wednesday, July 11, 2018 with County Executive Rushern L. Baker III spearheading the ribbon-cutting ceremony. The 74-bed facility has the capacity of housing 60 men and 14 women. The mission of The Community Release Center is to act as an alternative to incarceration for employed, non-violent offenders.

Residents will begin occupying the Community Release Center in September at which time they will be able to work during the day and report to the center at night where they will stay until their sentence is complete. Participants can take advantage of a plethora of services regarding substance abuse, co-occurring disorder treatment, vocational services, linkage to benefits such as Medicaid, housing and assistance and help with obtaining documents such as social security cards, birth certificates or Maryland identification. PHOTOGRAPH COURTESY OF THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY DEPT. OF CORRECTIONS

"A facility such as this is needed. We have options to make sure families stay together and people keep their jobs. Just because you make a mistake once doesn't mean that the end result destroys everything that you have done. This gives citizens an opportunity to pay their debts to society, so to speak, and maintain their dignity and their livelihood," stated Administrative Judge for Prince George's County Circuit Court, Sheila R. Tillerson Adams.

"This is about changing their lives, so they're (returning citizens) better when they leave here. If we do that then they will make the contributions to society that we all want them to do," County Executive Rushern L. Baker III said.

Department of Corrections Director Mary Lou McDonough said bringing a Community Release Center back to the county has been a longtime goal of hers. She credited programs like this for helping

to reduce the correctional facility's average daily population by more than a third.

"From a high of 1,507 inmates to last night's low of 899. This huge decline is due to a number of factors including reduction in crime, and I thank both the police chief and the sheriff for that, but it's also including the alternatives that we've developed, as a county, to incarceration including our specialty courts, community service, our pretrial release and home detention," stated Director Mary Lou McDonough.

The center has four dormitories, a laundry room and day rooms to ensure that residents have all the tools necessary. The staff is excited about being able to offer these individuals assistance as they prepare to return to the community. The program is the result of collaborations with numerous stakeholders including the Health Department and Social Services.

#### Record Ridership Equates to Removing a Potential Drunk Driver From Area Roadways Every 43 Seconds

#### *By* PRESS OFFICER **Washington Regional Alcohol Program**

WASHINGTON, D.C. (July 9, 2018)—A record 746 persons in the Washington-metropolitan area used the free safe ride service, Sober-Ride,<sup>®</sup> on Independence Day (July 4, 2018) as opposed to possibly driving home drunk.

"For its hours of operation this July 4th, this level of ridership translates into SoberRide removing a potential drunk driver from Greater Washington's roadways every 43seconds," said Kurt Gregory Erickson, President of the nonprofit Washington Regional Alcohol Program, the organization conducting the region's SoberRide effort.

WRAP's 2018 July 4th SoberRide campaign began at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, July 4th and continued until 4:00 AM the following day (Thursday, July 5th) as a way to keep local roads safe from potentially impaired drivers during this traditionally high-risk holiday. During this ninehour period, area residents celebrating with alcohol could download Lyft to their phones, then enter the code 4THOFJULYDC in the app's "Promo" section to receive their no cost (up to \$ 15) safe transportation home while supplies lasted. (Last year, WRAP announced a partnership with the ridesharing service Lyft to provide WRAP's SoberRide service in the Washington-metropolitan area through 2017. SoberRide, the popular free safe ride service to prevent drunk driving, is now solely available via the Lyft mobile app ridesharing platform.)

"We're thrilled by how many people took advantage of the SoberRide program this July 4th. Lyft believes strongly in the power of rideshare to reduce impaired driving. I'm glad we were able to connect so many people with a reliable and convenient Lyft ride this week," said Steve Taylor, General Manager, Lyft Washington, D.C.

This year's July 4th ridership of 746 SoberRide users surpassed WRAP's previous record ridership for the July holiday which had been 513 SoberRide users during last year's Independence Day holiday. The charity also offers its SoberRide program on St. Patrick's Day, Cinco de Mayo, Halloween and the winter holidays, including New Year's Eve.

Lyft provided SoberRide trips throughout the Washington-metropolitan area to local residents age 21 and older who otherwise may have attempted to drive home after drinking.

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Joint Base Andrews Community Thank You "We are (mostly) just like you. When we take off the uniform, we eat, laugh, pray, and have fun along with you. You are our friends and our neighbors, and whether you know it or not, you're a big part of Team Andrews."	History Comes Alive at Montpelier The historic site's "Hands-On History Playground" returns this summer with great opportunities to have fun and learn	Nearly \$5 Million in Grants to Be Awarded to Heritage Projects By the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority These grant funds support heritage tourism projects and activities that draw visitors and increase economic development and tourism-related job creation throughout Maryland.	<b>Exploring the County</b> <b>Where You Live</b> July is National Parks and Recre- ation Month and we're celebrating by taking a look at the amazing opportu- nities available right here where we live—Prince George's County. From parks to museums, there's a lot to enjoy this summer!	Prince George's County Participates in Second Annual Statewide Cat Adoption Event The Prince George's County Ani- mal Services Facility (ASF) is teaming up with 19 other shelters in the state to participate in the second annual Maryland 2,000 Saving Lives Across Maryland adoption event.	
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# TOWNS and NEIGHBORS

# In and Around Morningside-Skyline

by Mary McHale 301-735-3451

#### Kids Learn 18th Century Spying Techniques at Darnall's Chance

"I Spy" is a free program for ages 6 to 12, beginning July 25 at Darnall's Chance in Upper Marlboro. Kids can learn real 18th century spying techniques during a hands-on interactive spy mission for General George Washington. They can find out how the Continental Army successfully outwitted the British with tricks to win American Independence!

Kids can drop in between 11:00 AM and 2:00 PM, July 25–August 16, for the 30–45 minute activity. No reservations required. Groups of 7 or more must call in advance to schedule a special appointment.

The historic Darnall's Chance House Museum is at 14800 Governor Oden Bowie Drive, in Upper Marlboro, up on a hill overlooking School House Pond. For information call 301-699-2544 or go to history.pgparks.com.

#### People

Jeff West, formerly of Morningside, is in the hospital recovering from major surgery. He and his wife Laura live in Charleston, W.Va. They have two sons.

Jacqueline (Roper) Holohan, a 1957 Suitland High graduate, and her husband John celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on July 9. Jackie has owned a cakes and catering business in Manassas for 40 years and John retired from Ceridian Corporation after 46 years.

Florence Cray, formerly of Skyline, turns 95 on July 26. She and Jim lived for years on Elmendorf Drive and were founding members of the Skyline Citizens Association. She now lives in Owings Mills, but misses Jim who died in 2013.

Robert Dice West Jr. emailed me to correct an error in a recent column: "Thank you for the kind words about my father, Dice West, in your last column. I miss him a lot ... Dad was actually not a member of the Morningside Sportsmen's Club. I was. We did give him the Laddie Beardmore Award and he was an emcee at several of our award banquets."

Mark Richardson has been elected Grand Knight of the St. Pius X Council of the Knights of Columbus in Forestville. Other officers are Amin Reeves, Robert White, Lester Dockery, David Cropper, Robert Jacobs Sr., Don Hockman, Eugene Vines, Steven Jacobs, George Hoehl, Nolton Davis Jr. and Robert Jacobs Jr. They were installed on July 12.

#### Academia

Mercer University, founded in 1833, is the oldest private university in Georgia. And two local students graduated from there this spring: Areke Walcott, of Oxon Hill, with a bachelor of Science in Engineering,

#### Eats

• Rolling Ribs, Part II (Part I was a truck) is number 7 on the Washington Post's latest Barbecue list. Open only Friday through Sunday, it has lot of devoted customers who'll stand in line for co-owner Ivory Davis's Southern-style meats. According to the Post review, "This is home-style barbecue designed to satisfy only one thing: some deep-seated craving for meats slow-cooked with wood and charcoal. If the brisket sells out, as it often does, order the spareribs and pulled pork, both of which are smoky and succulent." Rolling Ribs is at 9423 Marlboro Pike. For information, call 301-599-0099.

• St. Philip's annual Crab Feast is coming up August 4, 1:00-5:00 PM. In addition to crabs, there's hotdogs, baked beans and mac-n-cheese. (Beer is at additional cost.) Adults, \$50; kids 8 to 14, \$25; 7 and under, free; family (2 adults & 2 kids), \$100. St. Philip's is at 5416 Henderson Way in Camp Springs. For information, email suxygiroux@verizon.net.

#### Jerome Thorne, Solid Waste Entrepreneur, Dies at 53

Wendell Jerome Thorne, a 1983 Crossland graduate and an official in the Solid Waste and General Construction area, died May 17.

He grew up in Auth Village, the eldest of the four children of Elijah and Marilyn W. Thorne, founders of Grayhound Trash Removal. His obit mentions that at the early age of three, he started "working" with his father and by 12-without any instruction or permission-started driving trash trucks on his father's farm. He was certified as a minority enterprise business and recently owned and operated ASAP, his own solid waste business.

Jerome was a member of the Hampton University Alumni, lonic Lodge #17, the Shriners, Sons of Black Caesar Motor Cycle Club and a former member of the Down 'N' Dirty Motorcycle Club. During his healthier days he was a volunteer at DC Central Kitchen where he engaged in cooking, one of his passions. He regularly provided clothing, especially winter coats, to the homeless and needy.

Survivors include his parents; sisters, Rev. Adriene Thorne, Eva Cristina Thorne and Nicole Thorne Jenkins, Ph.D; nieces, nephews, and a host of other relatives and extended family. Services were as St. Philip's with Fr. Edward Hegnauer, celebrant, and Deacon Keith Somerville, homilist. Music was by the Gospel Choir of St. Margaret's Church.

#### Milestones

Happy birthday to Donna Buchin, Dorothy Gessner and Tina Nichols, July 20; Mary Hay and Jeff Frederick, July 21; Ryan Simms and David Cook, July 22; Virginia Price, July 23; Angela Surratt, July 24; Bill Curcio and Thomas DeGraba, July 25; Florence Cray and Jennifer Booth, July 26. Happy 28th anniversary to my daughter Sheila and John Mudd on July 20; Percy and Barbara Crawford, their 46th on July 22; and Steve and Tessie Johnson, their 18th on July 22.

by Audrey Johnson 301-888-2153

# **Around the County**

# **Joint Base Andrews Community Thank You**

A Message to the Community for Its Continued Support of Joint Base Andrews' Service Men and Women

#### By COL. E. JOHN TEICHERT Joint Base Andrews

As my time here at Joint Base Andrews winds down, I've been thinking about the great things we've been able to accomplish together with our amazing community partners. As I leave this incredible place, I want to use this last opportunity to thank our friends outside the gate for your enduring support of our Airmen, Sailors, Soldiers and Marines over these last two years.

That support has been instrumental in our ability to get the mission done. You are the teachers who educate our children. You're the police officers and security guards who keep our service members safe when they leave the installation. You're the cashiers who offer a military discount because we forgot to ask, and the fellow patrons who thank us for our service.

Let me make it clear: Our service is our pleasure, and it's you we have to thank.

We are (mostly) just like you. When we take off the uniform, we eat, laugh, pray, and have fun along 2016, we've deployed with you. You are our more than 1,900 people to

ample of that. You were there when the Air Force Band and Honor Guard performed around the region on patriotic holidays. You were there as first responders when an Andrews' pilot had to eject from his F-16 over Clinton. Your kids are there when our service members visit schools on career days, and your local representatives are at the aircraft noise abatement meetings when we explain our flying operations.

Joint Base Andrews is a busy place these days. We conduct more than 45,000 total sorties annually, with 15 different types of aircraft. Every week, we facilitate several VIP flights including the president, vice president, cabinet members and other senior government and military leaders. JBA is often where foreign leaders land, and is therefore their first experience on American soil. That's why we are America's Airfield.

Since I arrived here in friends and our neighbors, 82 locations around the support for five wings, three



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NCR, such as the presidential inauguration and the homecoming of Americans who were detained in North Korea.

Those are the kinds of missions your support enables, from the Andrews Alliance, to the officials of Prince George's County, to our federal leaders, to the citizens of our community.

Thank you for making Joint Base Andrews such an important and welcome part of this community. Thank you for making this truly a team. And thank you for working together to serve this great community and this great country.

Colonel E. John "Dragon" Teichert was the Commander of the 11th Wing at Joint Base Andrews, Maryland. As the host wing for Joint Base Andrews, the 11th Wing provides security, personnel, contracting, finance, medical and infrastructure headquarters, and over 80 tenant organizations, as well as 60,000 Airmen and families in the National Capital Region and around the world. On July 10, 2018, he turned over command to Colonel Andrew Purath.

and Brittany Murray, of Upper Marlboro, with a bachelor of arts.

#### **Changing Landscape**

The Landing at Woodyard, corner of Woodyard Road and Branch Avenue, is being revamped. The following tenants have signed on: Burlington, Ross, Aldi, Panera Bread, Firehouse Subs, Tropical Smoothie Cafe, Chick-fil-A, Marco's Pizza and Quickway Japanese Hibachi.

and whether you know it or not, you're a big part of Team Andrews.

Teammates work together in both good times and challenging times, and our community relationship has always been a great ex-

world, where our people helped fight terrorism in the Middle East and brought humanitarian aid to Puerto Rico. And here at home, JBA personnel were intimately involved in huge events in and around the

## **Brandywine-Aquasco**

#### **VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS IN BRANDYWINE**

You can get involved in Brandywine volunteering for nonprofits and organizations at the Maryland Food Pantries and Soup Kitchens (www.foodpantries.org/ ci/md-brandywine), American Red Cross (Local Chapter) (http://www.redcross.org), and Meals-on-Wheels Volunteer (http://mowaa.org/).

#### **CLINTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Brian Harper BHARPER-MUSIC LLC will appear at Clinton United Methodist Church Sunday, July 29, 2018 at our 10:30 AM Service. Our church is located at 10700 Brandywine Road, Clinton, Maryland 20735. Rev. Dorothea J. Stroman is our Pastor.

#### 2018 GRADUATE

Leroy Elmer Contee, Jr. who was raised in Brandywine, Maryland is the son of the late Leroy Contee, Sr. and the late Evelyn Contee. Leroy is the brother of Dr. Karmalita Contee. He received his Master of Arts in Forensic Psychology from Argosy University Hawaii on Saturday June 23, 2018 at the Hawaii Convention Center in Honolulu, Hawaii. Congratula-

tions Leroy and good luck in all your future endeavors.

#### **CAREER OPEN HOUSE**

Join us for a Career Open House at the College of Southern Maryland Saturday, July 28 10:00 AM-2:00 PM. The Open House will be in the Center for Trades and Energy Training (CT Building). The event will highlight many career opportunities. Come learn about certificate, degree programs, and workforce training. You will receive information about trade programs, health sciences programs, financial aid, business and information technology programs and transportation.

Giveaways! Attend for a chance to win a \$400 scholarship toward CSM tuition and other prizes. For driving directions, please use: 83-99 Foster Ln., Hughesville, Maryland 20637. For additional information visit www.csmd.edu/OpenHouse.

#### 4TH ANNUAL CRAB FEAST

The Bowie State University National Alumni Association, Inc. Sports Hall of Fame Alumni Chapter presents their 4th Annual Crab Feast on Saturday, August 11, 2018 from 1:00 PM-4:00 PM at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Communication Arts Center Patio at Bowie State University. The address is 14000 Jericho Park

Road, Bowie, Maryland 20715 (Parking Lot B).

The Crab Feast will feature #2 male crabs, fried fish fillets, 100% beef hot dogs, ground beef hamburgers, baked beans, cornon-the cob, potato salad, assorted desserts and beverages. Donation: \$65.00 per person (\$25 tax deductible); child under 12, \$35.00 per person.

For ticket information contact: Rae Roy, Scholarship Chair 301-332-7270 (cell); Ricardo Mitchell, HOF 301-775-8008 (cell); Donald Ball, HOF 301-275-0565 (cell); Lawanna Akins-Dowtin, HOF 301-641-9162 (cell); Arlene Creek, HOF 240-508-6874 (cell); Annette C. Wedderburn, Board Member, 301-860-4327 (office). Purchase tickets online at www.bowiestate.edu/calendar. Proceeds from this event are to benefit the BSU Sports Hall of Fame's Norris "Bubba" Roy Scholarship Fund. Post Office Box 789, Bowie, Maryland 20718.

#### **NATURE QUEST:** NATURE ART CONTEST

Explore your backyard, a local park or other outdoor environment and be a part of a new Department of Parks and Recreation's Nature Quest art contest. Tell your story by photographing, drawing, writing a poem, or painting. Enter the

art contest by uploading your artwork to the Nature Quest web page at www.pgparks.com/naturequest.htm.

The contest is open to youth ages 18 and under. Contest ends on November 1, 2018. Winning artwork will be featured in an art exhibition at the Prince George's Sports & Learning Complex Gallery from December 1, 2018 to January 1, 2019.

#### PGCPS **FATHERHOOD AWARD**

Curtis Eugene who resides in Brandywine, Maryland is the father of Morgan Eugene. Morgan was an IB Scholar and Minds in Motion Scholar Athlete while attending Frederick Douglass High School in Upper Marlboro, Maryland and graduated May 2018.

"Having a multi-sport athlete in high school, Curtis made the commitment to be at every contest. He was the biggest cheerleader in the stands. He assisted with setting up for meetings, assisting with refreshments, in addition to many other facets of team parenting.

"Curtis also takes an active role in his daughter's education. He has attended numerous educational showcases and ceremonies throughout the year, whether pertaining to IB or NHS. Without any reservation, Mr. Eugene exemplifies the qualities and characteristics of a committed parent whose aim is to help this school community SOAR."

## **State Urges Marylanders Not to Consume Fresh Crab Meat Imported From Venezuela**

Maryland Department of Health Investigating Contamination

#### **BV PRESS OFFICER MD** Department of Health

BALTIMORE, MD (July 6, 2018)—The Maryland Department of Health is warning consumers to avoid eating fresh crab meat imported from Venezuela because of potential risk of infection.

The Department is investigating a cluster of Vibrio infections in individuals who reported eating "fresh" (non- pasteurized) crab meat-from a plastic tubwith a label indicating that it is imported from Venezuela. The imported crab meat is sold under different brand names. Maryland crab product has not been associated with this cluster.

The implicated foods have been prepared in both household and restaurant settings, and include a variety of dishes, such as crab cakes, seafood salad containing crab, and crab benedict.

Symptoms of Vibrio parahaemolyticus infection include watery diarrhea, abdominal cramping, nausea, vomiting, fever, and chills. At least 9 cases who consumed imported crab meat have been confirmed in the state of Maryland. Two of the individuals were hospitalized and there have been no deaths.

Vibrio infections can be caused by ingestion of Vibriocontaining water or shellfish and by direct skin exposure to Vibrio-containing salt or brackish water, including waters of the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries. However, none of the individuals have reported contact with water as a likely cause of illness.

Individuals who have recently consumed imported crab meat from Venezuela and are experiencing any of the symptoms listed above should consult their primary care provider.

The Department continues to investigate this cluster and will provide updates as warranted. Consumers should refrain from eating these nonpasteurized imported products until further notice.

The Maryland Department of Health is the State agency that protects Maryland's public health. We work together to promote and improve the health and safety of all Marylanders through disease prevention, access to care, quality management, and community engagement. Stay connected: http://www.twitter.com/MD-HealthDept and http://www.facebook.com/MarylandDHMH.

# COMMUNITY

# The American Counseling Association's **Counseling Corner**

# **Helping Children** With the Death of a Pet

with death is often the loss of a pet. This can be a traumatic experience, but it's also a time to learn to cope with the grief and pain that comes with losing someone who brought them love and happiness.

Some parents try to spare their child by not talking about the pet's death or by not honestly dealing with what has happened. Pretending that the animal ran away, or "went to sleep" can make a child feel even more confused, frightened and betrayed when the truth is finally learned. It's better to tell the truth and provide opportunities to grieve.

If the decision is euthanasia for the pet, explain the process and why it's necessary. Help them understand that the pet is suffering and that this is a way to stop the pain. Explain that the process is quick and painless, and being done for the right reasons.

And make sure your child understands that it's okay to feel sad, but that there's no reason to feel guilty, thinking it's their fault that the pet has to be put to sleep.

If the decision is for euthanasia, give your child the opportunity to spend some personal time with the pet and say goodbye in their own special way.

After a pet's death, children should be allowed to grieve.

A child's first experience Let your children see that you, too, are sad over the pet's death. If don't feel the sense of loss as strongly as your children, respect their grief and allow them to express their feelings openly. Don't make them feel guilty or ashamed about their sadness.

> Grief doesn't have a time limit. For children, as for adults, it's a personal thing. However, some special activities can help soften the grieving process. Holding a funeral or a memorial service for the deceased pet can allow children to openly express feelings and help process the loss. You may also want to give the child a chance to create a memorial of the pet, such as a special photograph.

> And don't rush out and get a "replacement" pet. Doing so doesn't allow a child to grieve the loss being felt, and can teach that even something like death can be overcome by buying a replacement.

Losing a beloved pet is always difficult. Allow and help your children to process that loss and learn to cope with this certainty of life.

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.



The Historic Site's "Hands-On History Playground" Returns This Summer

Montpelier's grounds have been transformed into a kid-sized colonial village! Young visitors can camp out on the frontier, design a hat at the milliners, harvest crops at the farm, play colonial games, and much, much more. The Dinosaur Hands-On Activity Room is included with admission.

Come for an hour, or stay for the day. Drop-ins welcomeno reservations required. Kids receive a free pass when they join Prince George's County Memorial Library System's "Summer (a) Your Library" program! Take the mansion's house tour while you're visiting, too-kids are free through August 31, 2018.

#### July 5–August 4, 2018 Thursday-Saturday ONLY, 10:00AM-3:00 PM

\$2.50/day for Prince George's and Montgomery Cost: County Residents; \$3/day for Non-Residents. 2 FREE adults per group. Saturdays are "All County Days"everyone pays the in-county fee!

All ages are welcome Ages:

Location: Montpelier Mansion Historic Site 9650 Muirkirk Rd., Laurel, MD 20708

Contact: 301-377-7817; montpeliermansion@pgparks.com

For more events coming up at Montpelier Mansion Historic Site, visit http://www.pgparks.com/3066/Calendar-of-Events.

#### ALL PHOTOGRAPHS COURTESY OF THE M-NCPPC

From donning colonial clothing (top left), to harvesting crops and preparing herbs (top right), historical games (at right, top) and other activities, learning really can be fun when you get "Hands-On" this summer!





Special Olympics from A1

a lot of records. Some were for attendance, some

ball, stand up paddleboard, swimming, tennis and volleyball. In all, 7,409 medals and ribbons were awarded to this year's competitors.

The 2018 USA Games also delivered a number of Special Olympics firsts including the debut of stand up paddleboard as a sport at the Games, the first job fair for athletes, and the first pilot video gaming tournament, in partnership with Microsoft's Xbox gaming division. Athletes were also offered opportunities for free health screenings through Special Olympics Healthy Athletes. In addition, the 2018 USA Games made a big impact on Seattle's local economy, estimating more than \$76.4 million in revenue and creating 10,200 temporary jobs.

With an estimated 101,500 in attendance, the 2018 Special Olympics USA Games is the largest USA Games held to date. "These USA Games set

were on the playing field, but what I'll remember most were the countless smiles, hugs and high fives," said Knox.

"I commend, thank and applaud Seattle and the local organizing committee for their years of planning and hard work on these Games," said Timothy P. Shriver, Chairman of Special Olympics International. "The week was a stunning success."

Held every four years, the next Special Olympics USA Games will take place in Orlando, Fla. from June 5–10, 2022.

#### Team Maryland Makes Us Proud!

After a week of hard competition at the 2018 USA Games, Team Maryland's delegation of 76 athletes and Unified® Partners traveled home with a stunning 45 medals to mark their achievements: 16 Gold, 17 Silver, and 12 Bronze. But beyond the medals, and perhaps more importantly, Team

> Maryland showed "great sportsmanship and effort in every competition," something everyone in their home state can be proud of.

"I think that we can all agree that the delegation with the most spirit, best dance moves, and biggest fan following is Team Maryland," said Josh Wilkens of Special Olympics North America.

PHOTOGRAPH COURTESY OF THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS MARYLAND At left: Team Maryland shows off their team spirit through some killer dance moves at the opening ceremonies on July 1, 2018.

Special Olympics Maryland (SOMD) is a year-round sports organization dedicated to providing quality sports training and competition opportunities to Maryland's children and adults with intellectual disabilities and/or closely related development disabilities. SOMD currently provides thousands of sports experiences annually for athletes statewide, and offers 27 sports, all at no cost to the athletes or their families. For more information about SOMD visit www.somd.org or call *410-242-1515*.

The 2018 Special Olympics USA Games were held in Seattle, Washington July 1-6, 2018. More than 4,000 participants from across the nation, along with the support of tens of thousands of volunteers and spectators, competed in 14 Olympic-type team and individual sports. The 2018 Special Olympics USA Games celebrated the Special Olympics movement and its 50th anniversary; promoted the ideals of acceptance and inclusion through sport; and showcased the abilities of people with intellectual disabilities. The 2018 USA Games also highlighted Special Olympics' work in sport, education, health and community-building. For more information on the 2018 Special Olympics USA Games, please visit SpecialOlympicsUSAGames.org and follow them on Facebook (@SpecialOlympicsUSAGames), Twitter (@2018USAGames) and Instagram (@SpecialOlympicsUSAGames).

Capitol Heights Athlete Wins	
Gold While Chasing His Dream	n

Despite Tough Competition During the 2018 USA Games, Calvin Massenburg Keeps His Eyes on the Prize—the 2019 World Games

High-performance division runner Calvin Massenburg was among Team Maryland's 76 athletes at this year's Special Olympics USA Games in Seattle. His mother, Wanda Irving, made the trek to Seattle to help cheer him on.

Massenburg placed in three out of four Athletics events during the 2018 USA Games. He started strong, winning Gold in the 200M Run early in the week. "I did good," Massenburg said of the win. In one of his favorite events, the Long Jump, he met with fierce competition against an athlete from Florida but managed to walk away with a solid score to take the silver. Massenburg kept his stride steady all week long, ending it on a high note with the Gold in the 100M Run on July 6.

Though his primary focus was on the week's events, Massenburg already had his sights set on the future, with dreams of moving on to the World Summer Games, scheduled for March 2019 in Abu Dhabi.

"It would be an honor for him, and me, if he's chosen because it would open his eyes and experience with a whole new area," Irving said of Calvin's potential selection for the upcoming World Games. "I'm just so thankful to Special Olympics for giving him the opportunity to see different parts of the world, and challenging him to be the athlete he is."

Calvin Massenburg resides in Capitol Heights, Md.

#### **Final Scores:**

Event	Place	Score
100M Run	1st	12.09
200M Run	1st	24.82
4x100M Run	4th	01:08.2
Long Jump	2nd	4.29

PHOTOGRAPH COURTESY OF SPECIAL OLYMPICS MARYLAND **Calvin Massenburg of Team** Maryland flies down the track to win Gold in the 200M Run at the 2018 Special **Olympics USA Games in** Seattle on July 2, 2018.



PHOTOGRAPH COURTESY OF THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS USA GAMES

Calvin Massenburg finishes a successful week of competition at the 2018 Special Olympic USA Games by taking Gold in the 100M Run on July 6, 2018.



# **BUSINESS AND FINANCE**

# **Support Local** Agriculture and Businesses

Maryland's Buy Local Challenge Runs July 21–July 29, 2018

#### By PRESS OFFICER Fresh. Local. Fun. PGC

The statewide Buy Local Challenge Week (BLC) takes place annually during the last full week of July (21-29). Jointly promoted by the Southern Maryland Agricultural Development Commission and Maryland Department of Agriculture, the BLC encourages consumers around the state to purchase Maryland farm products during Buy Local Week.

Do your part by taking the pledge and supporting our County's farmers markets and farms that week.

Be sure to continue the BLC fun at the 2nd Annual Buy Local Challenge Celebration at Greenstreet Gardens, in Lothian. Event highlights include food trucks with menus featuring locally sourced ingredients, live music, carriage rides, and a raffle. There's also fun for the whole family. Green-



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street Gardens' play area will be open throughout the evening with activities for kids of all ages including an underground slide, jumping pillow, barrel train rides and petting zoo. Ticket holders also receive an insulated shopping bag to keep their purchases cool "from farm to fridge."

Buying from local farms helps you get products that are fresher, and have traveled much shorter distances overall from farm to fork. Plus, you're supporting independent family farms, which helps strengthen the local economy.

Learn more about the Buy Local Challenge or find where to buy local meats, produce, seafood and more at https://www.buylocalchallenge.com. Share your #BuyLocalChallenge pictures on Facebook or Instagram using hashtag #BuyLocalChallenge! for a chance to win a "Buy Local" t-shirt and have your image featured on Southern Maryland Agricultural Development Commission's social media pages!

Follow the Fresh. Local. Fun. PGC Farms & Food Community on Facebook as well as their other social media accounts to stay up to date on the latest news and events, and share what you know as well.

Fresh. Local. Fun. PGC, a program of the UMD Extension, Prince George's County, invites you to engage with our diverse farming and local food community. Our mission is to promote agricultural economic development and healthy food access in Prince George's County by connecting residents, agricultural producers, farmers markets, food retailers, restaurateurs, and county agencies. Visit them online at https://www.farmpgc.com/ to learn more.

University of Maryland Extension (UME) is a statewide non-formal education system funded by federal, state, and local governments within the University of Maryland-College Park and the University of Marvland-Eastern Shore. Our mission is to support Maryland's agricultural industry; protect its valuable natural resources; enhance the well-being of families and all individuals, both young and old; and foster the development of strong, stable communities.

## **Practical Money Matters**

## A Pet Could Be a Great Opportunity to **Teach Children Valuable Money Lessons**

By HUGH NORTON

A friend and I were recently discussing family pets. Their family had recently adopted a dog, and he was pointing out that while his children had fervently promised to take care of the pet with the best of intentions, they didn't necessarily have the greatest track record of following through. After the first few months, he and his wife found themselves handling 90 percent of the responsibilities. While I laughed, I also know that it's likely that our family will wind up having the same experience

#### **Trying Before Buying** and Entrepreneurship

Children and teenagers don't always understand the long-term consequences of their decisions. However, if you can get them to take care of neighbors' or friends' pets (with you there to supervise if necessary), they'll be able to experience the balance of work and enjoyment that goes into having a pet before the final decision is made to foster or adopt a pet of their own.

It may even be a good way of creating income and encouraging entrepreneurship. They might offer

want to consider having them chip in to cover part of the adoption fees.

#### How to Create and **Follow a Budget**

The real work (and fun) starts once you bring a pet home. Picture this: your children have learned about the many responsibilities that come with having a pet and are taking it upon themselves to handle all the basic associated chores ... a parent can dream, right?

Even if your children don't exactly tackle these chores with the grit and determination you would have hoped for, you can teach them financial lessons by involving them in all pet-related financial decisions and transactions and by teaching them how to create and follow a budget. Have them start by listing out the necessary expenses, such as food, vet checkups and toys. Then work together

tool for planning for the future. To help teach your children

the importance of saving, make sure to teach them to set aside money in the budget for longerterm expenses. Long-term costs could include holiday gifts for the pet, boarding or pet sitting fees for when your family travels or even an emergency medical fund for visits to the vet. Boarding and medical care can be quite expensive. To help set your child's expectations and set savings targets, research your pet or breed of pet and base your savings plans on the information you find.

Tangible savings accounts, such as a jar labeled with the saving goal, could be a good option if only a small amount of funds needs to be saved. As savings needs grow, it could be a good opportunity to open a joint checking or savings account where your child can deposit money and practice using an account.

# **Nearly \$5 Million in Grants** to be Awarded to Heritage **Projects by the Maryland** Heritage Areas Authority

Increased Funding by Hogan Administration Allows for Record Number of Grants to be Awarded to Heritage Tourism Sites and Organizations Across Maryland

#### **By PRESS OFFICER MD Dept. of Planning**

CROWNSVILLE, MD (July 13, 2018)-The Hogan administration announced today that 114 matching grants totaling nearly \$5 million were awarded to Maryland nonprofits, local jurisdictions, and other heritage tourism organizations by the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority (MHAA). These grant funds support heritage tourism projects and activities that draw visitors and increase economic development and tourism-related job creation throughout Maryland.

"Heritage tourism fosters sustainable economic development and job creation, while making our communities better places to live and work," said Governor Larry Hogan. "Our administration is proud that this additional funding will allow for a record number of projects to move forward and congratulate Maryland's Heritage Areas and their tourism partners for their support in changing Maryland for the better."

For the past three years, approximately \$3 million was available annually to fund these projects. The Hogan administration nearly doubled the funding to \$5 million in FY 2019, allowing for a record number of grants to be awarded. Organizations receiving grant awards include museums, parks, educational organizations, and other entities that steward and celebrate the unique cultural and natural resources located within one of Maryland's 13 Heritage Areas. "These Heritage Areas grants encourage private investment in a tourism-related economy that is as unique as the geography of our state," said Planning Secretary Rob McCord. "The Heritage Areas continue to bring an appreciation of Maryland's long history and rich culture to people both inside and outside of our state."

Areas. Today, all Maryland counties and Baltimore City have at least part of a statecertified Heritage Area within their boundaries. Heritage Areas foster broad public-private partnerships to preserve and enhance the best of Maryland's historic sites and towns, unspoiled natural landscapes and enduring traditions. These tangible links to both place and past encourage residents to recognize they have a special piece of the American story to treasure and share with others, and that in doing so they are contributing to the economic well-being of Maryland's communities.

Tourism is the 10th largest private sector employer in Maryland, providing more than 146,000 jobs and nearly \$17.3 billion of visitors' spending annually. Maryland's Heritage Areas contribute by saving and enhancing the places that attract heritage tourists-people who focus their travels on historic sites, museums, cultural activities, or the natural beauty of Maryland's Atlantic and Chesapeake Bay coastal areas and unspoiled scenery of Western Maryland. Studies show heritage tourists tend to stay longer and spend more money than other categories of tourists.

The Maryland Heritage Areas Authority is an independent unit in the Executive Branch of government administered by the Maryland Department of Planning. Since its creation in 1996, MHAA has awarded more than \$36 million dollars in grants and helped to leverage more than \$1.1 billion in non-state funding for heritage tourism projects and activities. To learn more about the Maryland Heritage Areas Program and the state's certified Heritage Areas, please visit http://mht.maryland.gov/heritageareas.shtml. For a full list of the Grant awardees, view the PDF at http://planning.maryland.gov/ Documents/Press/2018-0712-FY2019-MHAA-Grantees.pdf.

when we get a pet.

Regardless of who handles the bulk of the responsibility for a pet over the long term, the conversation got me thinking about the many valuable teaching moments that can present themselves when you bring a pet into your family. While parents often use pet ownership as a tool to teach overall responsibility, there are great opportunities to use the experience to impart lessons concerning financial responsibility as well.

their friends and neighbors a service-the first few dog walks, check-ins or litter box changes as freebies and then charge a small fee for their services. Even if they charge just \$5 or \$10 each visit, the experience will help them get a taste of the responsibilities of pet ownership while they practice entrepreneurship and learn about the effort needed to succeed and rewards that can come from starting a business. In addition, if they are able to amass an income of their own from the experience, you may

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Bringing a pet

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can also be a great

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to research the anticipated costs and create a plan. There is a big difference in the budget needed to bring home a small goldfish versus a cat or even a large dog. One friend's child fell in love with horseback riding after participating in the sport at camp. Now, in addition to taking care of the family dog, my friend and the child are exploring the possibility of signing up for horseback riding lessons or even sponsoring a horse.

If you want to teach your children about budgeting in this context, they'll need an income to use to cover their expenses. The money could come from an allowance, continued pet care work or a parttime job if they're old enough. Or you may have to fund a special pet care account that they help manage.

#### The Importance of Saving to Cover Long-term Expenses

While a budget is primarily intended to be used to cover day-today expenses, it's also an important

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the tragedy. Grants can be applied to grief and trauma counseling, medical expenses not covered by insurance, funeral expenses, and other associated expenses and services. The Michael and Jacky Ferro Foundation will match up to one million dollars in donations to this fund.

The Capital Gazette Memorial Scholarship Fund has been created to provide an annual award for select students pursuing a degree in Journalism at the University of Maryland, College Park. The fund celebrates the lives of Gerald Fischman and John McNamara, who were alumni of the University; Robert Hiaasen, a lecturer in Journalism at the University; Wendi Winters, a reporter at the *Capital Gazette*;

and Rebecca Smith, who worked on the Capital Gazette sales team.

The Bowie Baysox 2018 season is presented by Money One Federal Credit Union. Baysox single game tickets are available online at baysox.com, via phone at 301-464-4865 or in person at the stadium ticket office. The Baysox ticket office is open Monday through Friday from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. on nongame days, until the top of the 7th inning on non-fireworks game days and at the end of the fireworks show on fireworks game days.

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Bottom line: For children and adults alike, learning about money can be difficult when it's only an abstract concept. By tying the prospect of getting and taking care of a new pet to the importance of earning, budgeting and saving money, you can help teach your children about financial responsibility and instill money habits that could serve them for the rest of their lives.

Hugh Norton directs Visa's financial education programs. To follow Practical Money Skills on Twitter: www.twitter.com/PracticalMoney

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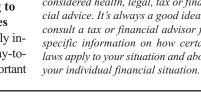
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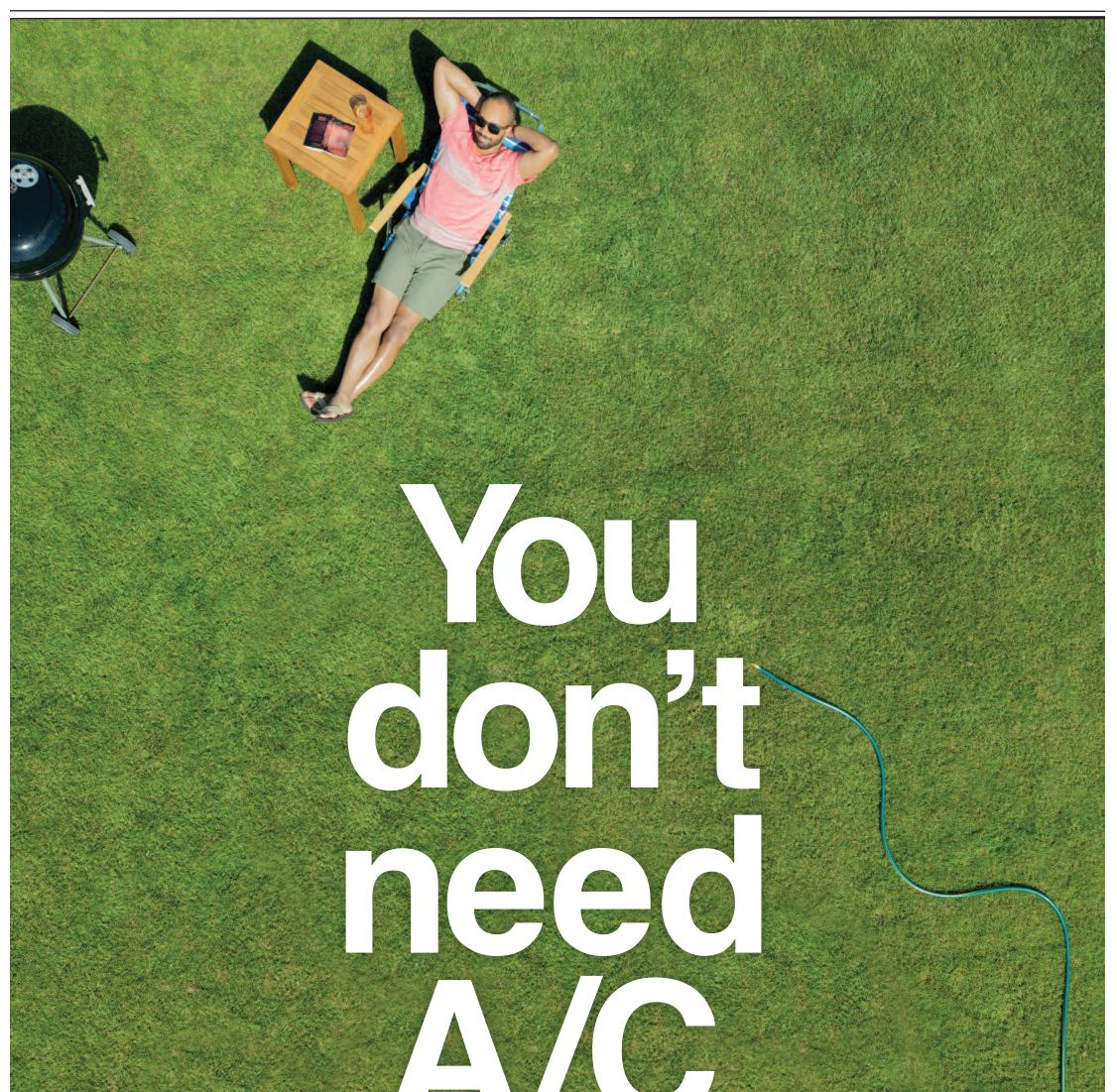
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# OUT on the TOWN

# Exploring the Count here you Live

Celebrate National Parks and Recreation Month by Tapping Into the Resources Found Right Here ... In Prince George's County

#### By JEN SHECKELS, Editor

July is National Parks and Recreation Month and we're celebrating by taking a look at the amazing opportunities available right here where we live. From hiking and biking, to museums and performing arts, there's so much to do right here in Prince George's County! Treat yourself and your family to all of the unique programming and places the County has to offer this summer.

#### Outdoors

The summer months are the perfect time to take in green spaces throughout the countylike Jug Bay Natural Area, this week's "Open to the Public" feature (on this page). Go for a hike, boat ride or fish. You could plan to camp out or take an exercise class, like yoga, while surrounded by serene natural scenes. Perhaps try taking a closer look at your surroundings by photographing or sketching the flora and fauna you find along your explorations.

You can even enjoy an outdoor concert or movie screening when the weather cooperates-many sites throughout the Parks and Recreation system are offering these events for free. Too hot outside? Plan a visit to your local pool or splash park to cool off during those dog days of summer.

#### Indoors

Just because school is out for the summer, it doesn't mean the learning has to stop. Visit a local museum or historic site to learn more about the roots of the people and places throughout the County. Take a tour or participate in the interactive exhibits and programming-there are numerous events planned throughout the year for adults and children alike, ensuring lots of fun while learning something new.

Looking for something a bit more creative? From fun trips and performances, to art classes and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics) programs for youth, there are a lot of activities to keep young minds engaged throughout the year.

No matter how you choose to explore your County, there's any number of different activities sure to make for exciting family outings as well as fun learning experiences.

Find the perfect park to #optoutside or that local museum or event that will engage the whole family today-visit the Department of Parks and Recreation website at http://www. mncppc.org/185/Parks-Recreation or their calendar of events at http://www.mncppc. org/calendar.aspx?CID=22.



ALL PHOTOGRAPHS COURTESY OF THE M-NCPPC Featuring the Patuxent Rural Life Museum and its exhibits (top), natural fauna (middle left) and flora (middle right), opportunities to picnic and camp (at left), as well as an array of paths for walking, biking and hiking, the Jug Bay Natural Area is one of the many sites maintained by the Prince George's County Parks and Recreation Department.

#### **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

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

# Jurassic World: Forgotten Kingdom

Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom Grade: C-Rated PG-13, a little profanity, much dinosaur mayhem 2 hrs., 8 min.

Bad news, everyone: dinosaurs are boring now. People were so preoccupied with whether they could make a fifth Jurassic Park movie, they didn't stop to think if they should. Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom, a direct sequel to 2015's passable but familiar Jurassic World, is missing nearly everything that made the original so much fun 25 years ago. It's like director J.A. Bayona (The Orphanage, The Impossible) never saw it, only had it described to him by thirdhand sources.

Fallen Kingdom, written by two of the four writers of Jurassic World, Derek Connolly and Colin Trevorrow, hinges on the

question of what to do about Isla Nublar now that the theme park is closed and a volcano is about to kill the dinosaurs still wandering the island. Some say these "de-extinct" creatures, the result of man's interference in the first place, should be left to die. Others say we've had real, living dinosaurs for an entire generation now, and wouldn't it be sad if they went extinct again?

On the pro-dino side is Claire (Bryce Dallas Howard), the park executive who had two nephews in the last film (they're not mentioned). She's approached by Benjamin Lockwood (James Cromwell), a dying billionaire who was John Hammond's heretofore unmentioned partner in the early days, who wants to fund a mission to rescue the dinosaurs from Isla Nublar and move them to a sanctuary to live out their days in peace. Claire is

eager to help, but they also need the best dino-whisperer in the business to track and capture the beasts: Owen Grady.

Who? Sorry, Chris Pratt. The guy Chris Pratt plays.

Owen doesn't want to go. He's on the side that says we should let our scientific mistakes die and never speak of them again. Playing on his attachment to Blue, the raptor he worked with, Claire says, "You're just gonna let her die?" Owen's response: "Well, yeah." I'm with him, but the movie persists. He changes his mind for no reason other than that the movie needs him to change his mind, and he and Claire lead a team that includes tough paleo-veterinarian Zia (Daniella Pineda), cowardly nerdy tech guy Franklin (Justice Smith), and obviously-a-badguy mercenary Wheatley (Ted Levine) back to the island.

Like a King Kong story, Fallen Kingdom spends its first half collecting and occasionally being killed by animals on a remote island, then transports the animals to a new location so they can get loose and kill some more. The first half has a well-shot sequence with Claire and Franklin trapped underwater in one of the park's gyroscope bubbles, effectively made to look like one long,

breathless take. (It's nice not to hear Franklin screaming for a while.) But the rest of the island scenes are gardenvariety dinosaur hijinks, made irritating by the human characters all being the sort who, when something is running toward them, stare at it in terror for several seconds before running away (to name just one of many recurring dumb choices).

The second half of the film turns small and mundane, set mostly indoors, with the major characters relatively safe while nameless baddies get eaten. Kindly old Lockwood is OK, but his business manager, Eli Mills (Rafe Spall), has secret, greedy plans. Scientists have concocted another new dinosaur, even scarier than the one they made up last time, yada yada. There's a totally off-the-wall subplot involving Lockwood's young granddaughter, Maisie (Isabella Sermon), that I suspect is setting up ideas for the next film, which, if I'm right, should be a monumental trainwreck.

I'll give Bayona and his team credit for making us feel sympathy for the scared CGI herbivores locked in cages. The people, on the other hand, are flat and forgettable (except for Jeff Goldblum's three-minute cameo, of course). There are no laughs. And the predator dinosaurs? Over-familiarity has drained them of their ability to terrify us. Once they made the velociraptors trainable and turned the T.rex into a Godzilla figure who saves people from other monsters, the writing was on the wall. Rarely have I seen a movie franchise become such a metaphor for itself.

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It's been three years since theme park and luxury resort Jurassic World was destroyed by dinosaurs out of containment. When the island's dormant volcano begins roaring to life, Owen (Chris Pratt) and Claire (Bryce Dallas Howard) mount a campaign to rescue the remaining dinosaurs from this extinction-level event. Arriving on the unstable island, their expedition uncovers a conspiracy that could return our entire planet to a perilous order not seen since prehistoric times.



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Marking one of the most important freshwater tidal estuaries in the region, Jug Bay Natural Area is a noted site on the Chesapeake Bay Gateways Network, a partnership of parks, refuges, museums, historical communities, and trails where visitors can experience and learn about the Chesapeake Bay. A designated "Important Birding Area" by the National Audubon Society, Jug Bay offers a number of opportunities to get out and explore nature, from scenic woodland trails and fishing areas, to the exhibits of the Patuxent Rural Life Museum. Explore the waterways by canoe or kayak along the Patuxent Water Trail solo or embark on one of the park's guided trips.

Jug Bay Natural Area: 16000 Croom Airport Rd., Upper Marlboro, MD 20772 • 301-627-6074 http://outdoors.pgparks.com/Sites/Jug Bay Natural Area.htm



#### **Enter the New Nature Quest Art Contest Today!**

Explore your backyard, a local park or other outdoor environment and tell your nature story by drawing, painting, photographing, writing a poem, or making a video. Enter the contest by uploading your artwork to the Nature Quest website for a chance to win cash prizes!

Contest ends on November 1, 2018. Contest is open to youth ages 18 and under. Winning artwork will be featured in an art exhibition at the Prince George's Sports & Learning Complex Gallery from December 1, 2018, to January 1, 2019.

For more information about the Department of Parks and Recreation's Nature Quest art contest, the winning prizes, or to submit your final masterpiece, visit http://www.mncppc.org/ 2689/Nature-Quest.



# Calendar of Events

July 19–July 25, 2018

#### Prince George's Shakespeare in the Parks 2018: A Midsummer's Night Dream

Date and Time: July 19, 2018, 7:00 PM-8:30 PM Description: Summer Arts in the Parks-Grab a blanket or lawn chairs, pack a picnic dinner, and come out to enjoy a variety of arts performances this summer throughout the county.

Cost: FREE

All ages welcome Ages:

Location: Watkins Regional Park (On the Green) 301 Watkins Park Dr., Upper Marlboro, MD 20774 (Rain Location: Largo/Perrywood Community Center, 431 Watkins Park Dr., Upper Marlboro, MD 20774)

Contact: 301-218-6700

#### **Annual Therapeutic Recreation**

"Family and Friends" Movie Night Date and Time: July 20, 2018, 7:00 PM-8:30 PM Description: For more information and movie selection, please call 301-446-3400. FREE Cost: Ages: All ages welcome Location: Watkins Regional Park 301 Watkins Park Dr., Upper Marlboro, MD 20774 Contact: 301-446-3400

#### Junior Ranger: Beginner's Tree Walk

Date and Time: July 21, 2018, 9:00 AM-9:45 AM (Also available 08/04/2018, 08/25/2018) Description: Come join us for a beginner children's tree walk. Meet at the Ranger station near the campground at 9:00 a.m. FREE Cost: All ages welcome Ages: Location: Greenbelt Park (Ranger Station near the campground) 6565 Greenbelt Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770 Contact: 301-344-3944; https://www.nps.gov/gree

#### Namaste & Rosé

Date and Time: July 21, 2018, 9:30 AM-10:30 AM Description: A one hour relaxing meditative yoga class, with a glass of our Robin Hill Farm & Vineyards Rosé (or any other farm wine of your choice) at the end! No prior yoga experience necessary. Hurry-spots are limited! Tickets are not refundable, but may be transferred up to the day of the event. You can purchase tickets here: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/namaste-rosejuly-class-tickets-45165242456.

Cost: \$18 plus standard Eventbrite taxes & fees. Adults Ages:

- Location: Robin Hill Farm and Vineyards
- 15800 Croom Rd., Brandywine, MD 20613 Contact: 301-643-5619, www.robinhillfarmandvineyards.com/

#### **Blazing Backyard Beach Party**

Date and Time: July 21, 2018, 2:00 PM-5:00 PM

Description: Throw on your best beach gear, slip on your flipflops, and grab your towel for the party of the century! Beach party games, crafts, inflatable slip n' slides, inflatable pool games,

# **Prince George's County Participates in Second Annual Statewide Cat Adoption Event**

20 Maryland Animal Shelters Waiving Adoption Fees to Find Homes for More Than 2,000 Unwanted Felines

#### **By PRESS OFFICER Prince George's County Dept. of the Environment**

LARGO, MD-To save and find homes for the thousands of homeless cats and kittens in Prince George's County and all across Maryland, the Prince George's County Animal Services Facility (ASF) is teaming up with 19 other shelters in the state to participate in the second annual Maryland 2,000 Saving Lives Across Maryland adoption event.

Now through July 31st, ASF and the participating shelters will be waiving adoption fees for felines with the collective goal of finding homes for at least 2,000 unwanted cats and kittens across the state. Cats of all ages and personalities will be available for adoption, including kittens who

are born during the warm summer months, known as Kitten Season. "Kitten season is a busy time

for animal shelters in Maryland," says Chief Rodney Taylor, Associate Director of the Prince George's County Animal Services Facility. "This surge of kittens and moms coming into our already full shelters makes it critical that we find them all homes so we can continue to take in other cats and kittens who need our help."

The Maryland 2,000 Saving Lives Across Maryland is being organized by members of the Baltimore Animal Welfare Alliance (BAWA) partnering shelters, Baltimore Animal Rescue & Care Shelter (BARCS), Baltimore County Animal Services, Baltimore Humane Society and the Maryland SPCA.

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tal At Towson (CHAT) and the following veterinary practices in Maryland will be offering free wellness exams to Maryland 2,000 adopters: A Cat Clinic, Arnold Veterinary Hospital, Brentwood Animal Hospital, Calvert Veterinary Center, Cat Sense Feline Hospital, Countryside Veterinary Clinic, Homeward Bound Mobile Vet, Metropolitan Cat Hospital, VCA Columbia Animal Hospital @ Hickory Ridge, VCA Lewis Animal Hospital and VCA Peachtree Animal Hospital.

Last year, participating shelters collectively surpassed the goal of the Maryland 2,000 and found homes for 2,395 cats and kittens during the inaugural year.

Regular adoption procedures still apply. For more information about adopting from the Prince George's County Animal Services Facility or more information about the Maryland 2,000 Saving Lives Across Maryland, visit http://www. princegeorgespets4us.com/ or call (301) 780-7200.

**Celebrate National Parks & Recreation Month!** 

July 21, 2018

1:00 PM-6:00 PM

Family Fun Day at Marietta Mansion

Come out for a day of Family Fun at Marietta this weekend! The festivities will include live jazz music from the Lawrence Dean Quartet (3:00-5:00 PM); children's activities including face painting, 19th century games, and possible visit from the Glenn Dale Volunteer Fire Department; local craft artisans, woodcarving demonstrations, wine, food, and extended hours for the Glenn Dale Farmer's Market!

The 1813 historic home will also be open for tours throughout the day. Bring a lawn chair and/or blanket, and enjoy a day celebrating where we live.

> Cost: FREE admission and parking Ages: All ages are welcome Location: Marietta Mansion 5626 Bell Station Road, Glenn Dale, MD 20769 Contact: 301-262-0532



Other signs that pesticides may be involved in bee deaths or other problems include in-Pesticide Drift Takes Its Toll creased aggressiveness, paralysis, rapid spinning or abnormally jerky, wobbly movements. Another option to consider is PAN's Drift Catcher tool, which allows you to measure the concentration of pesticides in the air. The Drift Catcher uses a vacuum pump to pull air through two glass sampling tubes, which trap pesticide molecules as the air passes through. The tubes are sent to a laboratory for analysis. If high levels of pesticides are found, you can use the data to raise awareness of the problem and spur local authorities to mandate improvements. PAN's representatives are available to discuss costs and training associated with using the device and for general questions about monitoring pesticide levels in your local area.

PHOTOGRAPHS COURTESY OF THE MARIETTA MUSEUM, M-NCPPC Ginny and Edwin Purkey enjoy Family Fun Day while sporting their yellow fire hats, courtesy of the **Glenn Dale Volunteer Fire Department.** 

# **Calendar** Spotlight

and party foam pit. Don't forget your bathing suit! Refreshments and giveaways will be provided while supplies last. Reservation is required.

Resident: \$10; Non-Resident: \$13 Cost: 10 - 15Ages: Location: Upper Marlboro Community Center 5400 Marlboro Race Track Rd. Upper Marlboro, MD 20772 Contact: 301-627-2828; TTY 301-699-2544

#### **Cedar Heights Family Day**

Date and Time: July 21, 2018, from 12 Noon-6:00 PM Description: Celebrating 20 Years of Excellence! Come out for class demos, workshops, face painting, skating, children's games, live entertainment and much more. A ticket is required for guaranteed refreshments. Refreshments will be served while supplies last.

Cost:	FREE; Registration required to guarantee refresh-
	ments. Register online at Parks Direct,
	http://www.pgparksdirect.com/.
Ages:	All ages are welcome
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Location: Cedar Heights Community Center 1200 Glen Willow Dr., Seat Pleasant, MD 20743 Contact: 301-773-8881, 301-699-2544 (TTY)

#### **Bladensburg Waterfront Art Festival**

Date and Time: July 22, 2018, 12:00 Noon-6:00 PM

Description: Enjoy an afternoon of art and imagination, featuring an outdoor gallery of artwork, art demonstrations and kids creative zone, river boat tours, tasty food and fun trest, and live performances from The Crawdaddies and Kim Reynolds trio.

Stay after the Festival to enjoy the continuing Arts at the Waterfront Summer Concert series, featuring Eclipse International Band (Reggae, Caribbean) who take the stage at 6:00 PM. Cost: FREE

All ages welcome Ages:

Location: Bladensburg Waterfront Park

4601 Annapolis Rd., Bladensburg, MD 20710 Contact: 301-779-0371; TTY 301-699-2544

#### Sunday Concert Series: Rise Band & Show (Motown/R&B)

Date and Time: July 22, 2018, 7:00 PM-8:00 PM Description: Each Sunday evening from Memorial Day weekend until Labor Day weekend, enjoy a concert at the Robert V. Setera Amphitheater at Allen Pond Park. Concerts are from 7:00 PM-8:00 PM. The concerts are canceled in the case of inclement weather. Cost: FREE

All ages are welcome Ages:

Location: Robert V. Setera Amphitheater, Allen Pond Park 3330 Northview Dr., Bowie, MD 20716

Contact: 301-809-3078, www.cityofbowie.org/concerts

Find more events happening this week by visiting www.pgparks.com/Calendar.aspx



#### Dear EarthTalk:

Earth

As a member of Joe Public, is it possible to monitor pesticide levels when my neighboring farmer sprays his fields? I have wild bees and am concerned that they are being affected.

> -Mickey Proctor, Ames, IA

In search of nectar and pollen, bees can be exposed to acutely toxic pesticide residues, resulting in both lethal and nearlethal consequences. Bees that come in direct contact with such chemicals can die immediately or succumb to short-term behavioral effects that eventually lead to death.

When not outright lethal, pesticides have been shown to give bees an increased susceptibility to the gut pathogen Nosema, inflict damage or death to parts of the bees' brains responsible for learning and memory, and cause optical lobe damage, which likely impacts visual acuity and thus the bees' ability to forage effectively.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) estimates that 70 million pounds of pesticides are lost to drift—or the movement of pesticide to any site other than the area intended—each year. While at times clouds of pesticides can be seen drifting off a field, some pesticides are invisible and odorless or continue to evaporate from fields for several days or weeks after application.

The non-profit Pesticide Action Network (PAN) reports that incidents of pesticide drift-regardless of whether people were directly exposed or any ecological damage or economic harm is immediately visibleshould be promptly reported.

Finding the appropriate state agency to report pesticide incidents to is as easy as steering your web browser to the website of the National Pesticide Information Center. When reporting an incident with your state agency, PAN recommends that you ask for a formal investigation and for sampling to be done as quickly as possible, given that pesticide residue can degrade quickly.

Meanwhile, the non-profit Beyond Pesticides recommends collecting a handful of dead bees and putting them in the freezer in a clean, tightly sealed plastic bag for possible analysis. While honeybees typically only live five to six weeks-and it's normal to see dead bees in and around the hive—large numbers of bee deaths that result in piles around the hive can be the result of a pesticide poisoning.

CONTACTS: EPA Pesticide Drift. epa.gov/reducing-pesticide-drift/introduction-pesticide-drift; Pesticide Action Network, panna.org; Beyond Pesticides, beyondpesticides.org; National Pesticide Information Center, npic.orst.edu.

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# Make a Splash!

Learn to Swim and Have Fun at the Same Time

Parks & Recreation and the USA Swimming Foundation, offers free water safety and swim lessons to the youth. The summer program will offer 600 spaces to participants ages 6-17, who hold a free M-NCPPC Youth Identification card.

#### Make a Splash Initiative

As partners with the USA Swimming Foundation's "Make a Splash" initiative, the Prince George's Department of Parks and Recreation offers free Water Safety and Swim Lessons to young people in Prince George's County. Participants will receive four free Water Safety Lessons designed to increase awareness of safety in, on, and around water, and to promote drowning prevention.

For more information or to find a participating "Make a Splash" summer site near you, visit http://www.pgparks.com/1082/Make-a-Splash-Initiative.



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# **COUNTY CHURCH DIRECTORY**



#### Become a voice for a child in foster care!

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> Will you speak for abused and neglected children in your community?

#### **Volunteer Information Session:**

You are encouraged to attend our Volunteer Information Session on September 17, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. The session will be presented by staff from CASA Prince George's County. It will be an informal presentation and participants will have the opportunity to ask questions. The information session will be held at the Hyattsville Administrative Building, 4310 Gallatin Street, Hyattsville, MD 20781. To RSVP for the Volunteer Information Session, email volunteer@pgcasa.org.

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