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Harry Thomas, McDonald's Regional Field Office VP; Susan Reichle, CEO, International Youth Foundation; District of Columbia Attorney General Karl Racine; youth participants; Melissa Kersey, McDonald's Chief People Officer

McDonald's to Expand Pre-Employment Training Pilot to DC and Prince George's County

Following Chicago pilot, McDonald's aims to connect 1,000 DC-area youth to education, training and jobs

By JULIA GRAHAM MOORE for McDonald's Corporation

WASHINGTON D.C. (July 18, 2019)—McDonald's Corporation and the International Youth Foundation (IYF) have expanded the Youth Opportunity initiative—a global goal to reduce barriers to employment for two-million young people by 2025 through pre-employment job readiness training, employment opportunities and workplace development—to Washington DC and Prince George's County in Maryland. Through a two hundred thousand dollar investment, McDonald's and local franchisees aim to support 1,000 area youth develop the competencies and the confi-

dence employers are looking for in entry-level employees.

According to Measure of America, there are 63,900 young people in DC and surrounding areas that face barriers preventing them from working or going to school. To address some of the challenges youth in the area face, McDonald's will partner with three local community based organizations, The Maryland 4-H Foundation, Latin American Youth Center and LAYC Career Academy to reach 1,000 young people in the area with the customized resources and relevant networks to connect their ambition with opportunity.

Through local partnerships, McDonald's and IYF will de-

velop relevant skills training programs with a specialized version of the IYF's Passport to Success curriculum to help participants learn valuable soft skills such as self-awareness and management, communication skills, healthy relationship building, and conflict management. In addition to being considered for job opportunities at company-owned and franchised restaurants, graduates from the training will have the chance to pursue education and employment opportunities with potential employers across a variety of industries like healthcare, supply chain logistics and IT.

"McDonald's Youth Opportunity program plays an important role in connecting young

people to the local resources and mentorship they need to achieve their potential," said Melissa Kersey, McDonald's US Chief People Officer. "Together with our franchisees, we want youth in the DC-area and across the country to know that we believe in them and are invested in their success whether at McDonald's or elsewhere."

"At the Office of the Attorney General, we work every day to help young people get on paths that lead to their brightest futures. The strength and determination shown by so many District kids is inspiring, and we know they have what it takes

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County Library to Open All Branches on Fridays

By DONNA SCOTT-MARTIN PGCMLS

LARGO, Md. (July 19, 2019)—Thanks to all our library supporters and the generosity of the County Executive and County Council, the Prince George's County Memorial Library System will open all operational branches on Fridays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., starting July 26, 2019. Branches with the added Friday hours are Accokeek, Fairmount Heights, Glenarden, Hillcrest Heights and Upper Marlboro.

"It is our goal to create consistent hours for all library loca-

tions in order to meet the diverse needs of our community members. In an effort to expand hours and start working toward this goal, we requested and received additional funding to hire more staff for which we are grateful," said CEO Roberta Phillips.

Celebrate Happy Friday at your library! Where there is always something new for you.

The Surratts-Clinton Branch Library is at its temporary location: Davies Memorial Unitarian Universalist Church, 7400 Temple Hills Road, Temple Hills, MD 20748, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. as of Tuesday, July 23, 2019.

Anne Arundel Medical Center, Doctors Community Health System Sign Definitive Agreement

By ARMINTA PLATER Anne Arundel Medical Center

ANNAPOLIS, Md. and LANHAM, Md. (July 15, 2019)—Anne Arundel Medical Center (AAMC) and Doctors Community Health System (DCHS) announce that they have solidified their partnership. After sharing their intent to partner in May, the two organizations signed a definitive agreement at the end of June and closed July 1, 2019. This transaction will allow them to move forward with plans to form a new health system to serve the region.

"The new health system will reimagine community care, improving access and population health while expanding services throughout Maryland," said Victoria Bayless, president and CEO of AAMC. "We will continue our community focus and provide the personalized and localized care that our patients need. We want to ensure that the care our patients receive is from those who know the region and have a longstanding commitment to meeting the needs of our communities."

Bayless will also serve as chief executive officer of the new system. Paul Grenaldo, who served as chief operating officer at DCHS since 2010, will succeed Philip

Down as president of DCHS. Down will serve as strategic advisor to the new health system.

"This is an amazing time for healthcare at each entity and in our communities," said Grenaldo. "With Doctors Community Health System and Anne Arundel Medical Center engaged as partners in this integration process, we have an amazing opportunity to design a system that is keenly focused on addressing the evolving medical needs of area residents and contributing to the ongoing development of a highly talented workforce. Working together, we will reach even higher levels of excellence throughout Maryland."

AAMC and DCHS will initially maintain their own governing boards with both organizations having representation on the board of the new health system. A name for the new health system will be announced later this summer. The full integration is expected to take up to two years.

"Our vision is to create an exceptional system of care that honors the legacies of both DCHS and AAMC, while being aspirational about our future together," said Bayless. "Ultimately, we are here to serve our communities and to do so in a way that reimagines the possibilities of community health for the region."

Maryland Humanities Accepting Nominations For Fall 2019 Election to Board of Directors

By SARAH WEISSMAN Maryland Humanities

BALTIMORE, Md. (July 17, 2019)—Maryland Humanities is seeking nominations for new members to join its dynamic volunteer Board of Directors. Nominees should have a passion for the humanities as well as a deep commitment to our mission of engaging Marylanders in lifelong learning in the humanities, inspiring the open exchange of ideas, and enriching Maryland communities.

Maryland Humanities is an educational nonprofit established in 1973. We directly serve

more than 50,000 people—from youth to seniors—through hundreds of free events in 170 communities across the state each year. The role of Maryland Humanities is to inspire and promote lifelong learning and stimulate dialogue about our histories, cultures, and futures as Marylanders. Our programs—like One Maryland One Book, Maryland History Day, and Chautauqua—use the humanities to foster understanding among people with diverse perspectives and to strengthen our ability to interact meaningfully.

Maryland Humanities specifically seeks humanities enthusi-

asts with experience in advocating local and state government, candidates in corporate or business leadership roles, and professionals with training in the humanities who work inside or outside of the university classroom. Candidates who have experience guiding organizational growth and change are of particular need this year. Nominees should have deep community connections and a willingness to activate them. They should be proactive in generating ideas, perspectives, or approaches that help clarify, strengthen, and advance the mission of Maryland Humanities.

Maryland Humanities also seeks to add members who reflect the state's demographic diversity, as well as those who offer a broad geographical representation of the state. Currently, Maryland Humanities hopes to find interested community members from Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Prince George's, and Washington Counties.

Board members' primary responsibilities include strengthening and monitoring the organization's programs and services, ensuring effective fiscal management, fundraising, strategic planning, selecting and orienting new Board members, allocating grant

funds, hiring and evaluating the Executive Director, and promoting Maryland Humanities activities. Nominees must be available to attend quarterly Board meetings, periodic committee meetings, and Maryland Humanities events throughout the state. Candidates are expected to make Maryland Humanities a philanthropic priority, with the capacity to contribute or secure from private or public sources the minimum board contribution and willingness for active solicitation. Members serve without pay and are eligible to serve up to three three-year terms.

The current Board includes attorneys, business professionals, nonprofit and museum professionals, current and former educators, and financial advisors among others.

Both self-nominations and those of others are welcome. Complete the Board Nomination Form (www.mdhumanities.org/board-nominations/) to nominate yourself or someone you know. All nominations must be received by August 5 to be considered for election in October.

Maryland Humanities is a statewide nonprofit organization that creates and supports educational experiences in the humanities that inspire all Marylanders to embrace lifelong learning, exchange ideas openly, and enrich their communities. Maryland Humanities is generously supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities, the State of Maryland, private foundations, corporations, small businesses, and individual donors. Visit www.mdhumanities.org.

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"... We believe that we lift as we climb and that without philanthropy, without the help of the non-profit world, many organizations and people will not have their needs met."

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New Survey Reveals Crucial Need To Empower Women To Lead Climate Change Action

A dozen students from Laurel and Bowie were in attendance at the Baltimore session July 14-19 of the United Nations Women HeForShe second annual STEM Innovation Leadership Academy.

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University of Maryland Prince George's Hospital Center Receives American Heart Association's Highest Honor

"We are pleased to recognize UM Prince George's Hospital Center for their commitment to stroke care," said Lee H. Schwamm, MD, national chairperson of the Quality Oversight Committee ...

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Port Discovery Children's Museum Unveils Cargo Ship Exhibit

"People from around the world come together at the Port," ... "The exhibit is like a metaphor—kids across the community are playing side by side and all working together to get something from here to there."

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Earth Talk

Dear EarthTalk:

Is there any way we could harness the light from bioluminescent organisms for everyday lighting and other practical purposes?

—M. Wilson, Framingham, MA

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TOWNS and NEIGHBORS

In and Around Morningside-Skyline

by Mary McHale 301-735-3451

Morningside Memories: real estate, then and now

In 1939 the area consisted of woods and farmland with a few scattered houses. Walter W. Powers was tapped as planner for the village of Morningside and new houses were soon under construction. By May 1940, houses were priced at \$2,680, with terms of \$180 down and \$20.90 per month.

In June of 1940 the price was \$2,730. In August—due to a jump in lumber prices—the homes were \$2,780. Eighty houses had been sold by then.

In October of 1940, larger houses were built, with a duct heating system. Sales price was \$3,300. More than 100 houses had been sold.

By 1953 houses were going for between \$10,000 and \$12,000.

And what are they're going for now?

Houses sold in Morningside so far in 2019 include Larkspur Rd. (1 house), Maple Rd. (3), Marianne Dr. (1), Morgan Rd. (1), Pickett Dr. (1) and Woodland Rd. (3 houses). Prices ranged from \$205,000 to \$333,000.

And, I might add, going up.

National Night Out, August 6

Throughout the country, National Night Out Against Crime will be celebrated with food, fun, and a chance to chat with police officers and candidates running for the upcoming election.

The Morningside Police Department will be hosting Night Out on Aug. 6, starting at 5:30. Morningsiders (and others) will celebrate their community, police partnership and enjoy food and fun. For information, call 301-735-7400.

Skyline will not have Night Out. Sad to say, after nearly half a century, we have lost our gathering place: Skyline School. It is now an office building for the County Schools. Although, even as I write this, SCA President Stan Holmes may be finding a way for the Skyline Citizens Association to find a place Night Out and spread the word.

Health Fair at Suitland Road Baptist, Aug. 3

Rev. Dr. Kelvin McCune, Pastor, invites you to community outreach at Suitland Road Baptist Church (formerly, Morningside Baptist Church), 6412 Suitland Road, on August 3, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The event is hosted also by the

Prince George's Health Department, Amerigroup RealSolutions, and Community Legal Services of Prince George's County.

There'll be blood pressure screening, fitness workout and other health information. The Mama and Baby Bus will provide check-in and waiting area and two private exam rooms. Walk up services such as Well Women exams with Pap smear exams and breast exams will be offered, plus, basic maternal and child health services.

All are welcome. Call 301-219-2296, for more information.

Changing landscape, and Westphalia is protesting

Westphalia Town Center is a luxury mixed-use community in Upper Marlboro minutes from the Beltway off Pennsylvania Avenue, not far from Andrews.

Westphalia residents have been promised shops and professional office space. Instead, they may be getting an Amazon fulfillment center, five stories high, with 1,794 parking spaces, 267 loading spaces and ground-floor office space.

Concerned Westphalians turned out in numbers at two Upper Marlboro meetings last week to protest.

Memorial garden will soon offer community rental plots

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Temple Hills, which merged to become St. Michael's Truth/OSLC, is now the home of the Jelani Graham Memorial Garden, a community vegetable garden supplying fresh produce to church members and the Oxon Hill Food Pantry.

Currently church members, Food Pantry volunteers, and a local Girl Scout Troop are caring for it. Next year, the plan is to enlarge the garden, and rent space to community residents.

Parishioner Kathy Gabrielsen says, "We are thankful for the many contributions from the Capital Area Food Bank, Clinton Hardware, Ed's Plant World and Roozen's Garden Center."

For more information, call the church office at 301-894-3556. The church is at 4915 St. Barnabas Road in Temple Hills.

Neighbors and other good people

I am sad to announce the death of

Raymond Short, who years ago lived on Larkspur Road in Morningside and later moved to Auth Village. He was a great guy and a longtime usher at St. Philip's Church. I'll pay tribute to him in next week's column.

Firefighter and EMT Chelsea Trolli is one of the live-ins at the Morningside Volunteer Fire Department. Recently she was promoted to Staff Sergeant with the U.S. Army.

On its website, the Morningside VFD pays tribute each week to one of its members. This week it is Gabriel K. Osamor. "Gabe was looking for a local volunteer company to join and, after checking our website, was instantly in love with it, and decided to join MVFD last year.... Gabe joined Morningside with no certifications but, as of today, he has completed EVOG, CPR, Metro Rail Basic, TECC and is excelling in EMT class! MVFD is excited to see what the future holds for Gabe!"

Academia

Angela Hay, of Auth Village, graduated in May from Catholic University with a degree in psychology and a minor in social work. She plans to go on to Marymount University to get her certificate in Pastoral Ministry.

Timothy Hoffma, of Joint Base Andrews, graduated this spring from Southwestern College with a BS degree. Southwestern is a private liberal arts college founded in 1885 by Methodists in Winfield, Kansas.

Senator Chris Van Hollen has announced the appointment of nine Prince George's high school grads to the military academies, among them: Joshua Bowman, of Clinton, to the Naval Academy, and Ehizele Akojie, of Upper Marlboro, to West Point.

Call me at 301-735-3451 or email muddmm@aol.com and relay information about the new graduate in your family.

Milestones

Happy birthday to Florence Cray (her 96th!!) and Jennifer Booth, July 26; Floyd Shields, Connie Robbins and Patricia Rosetta, July 27; Matthew Gyskewicz, Kenny Hunt and Jason Nichols, July 28; Gary Barnes, July 29; Helen Rawlett and Helen Cordero, July 30; John Short, Paula Boxley and Howard C. Booth, July 31; and Carolyn Dade, Aug. 1.

Around the County

Local Students Honored

UW-Stevens Point Spring Graduates 2019

STEVENS POINT, Wis. (July 19, 2019)—The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point conferred degrees on more than 1,250 graduates during the university's spring commencement ceremonies on May 18, 2019.

Graduates, their guests and faculty members were addressed by Dale Klapmeier, co-founder and chief executive officer of Cirrus Aircraft and a 1983 graduate of UW-Stevens Point.

Ceremonies were held at 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. for associate, bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees at the UW-Stevens Point Multi-Activity Center in Marshfield Clinic Health System Champions Hall (formerly the Health Enhancement Center).

Lanham, MD

Anabel Perea, Bachelor of Arts, Sociology

—Carrie Heibler, *The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point*

Bowie State Bulldogs Football Set To Begin

Preseason Practice August 16

By GREGORY C. GOINGS

Bowie State Sports Information

BOWIE, Md. (July 15, 2019)—Bowie State University will begin preseason practice for the 2019 season on Friday, August 16 at 3:30 p.m. on campus in Bulldogs Stadium.

Coach Damon Wilson and his staff are excited about the start of camp and look forward to the upcoming season. The Bulldogs finished last season with a 10-3 overall record, 6-1 in league play and captured Bowie State's first-ever CIAA crown in 2018. The returnees, transfers and incoming freshmen report to campus on Thursday, August 15.

Bowie State kicks off the regular season (Saturday, September 7) on the road at American International College (Springfield, Mass.) at 12 p.m. See <https://bsubulldogs.com/schedule.aspx?path=football> for the full season schedule.

All practices are open to the public and subject to change. Below is a list of practice times through September 1.

Friday, August 16: 3:30 p.m. (Helmets)	Monday, August 26: Off Day (Classes Begin)
Saturday, August 17: 3:30 p.m. (Helmets)	Tuesday, August 27: 7 p.m.
Sunday, August 18: 2 p.m. (Helmets)	Wednesday, August 28: 4 p.m.
Monday, August 19: 3:30 p.m. (Shells)	Thursday, August 29: 4 p.m.
Tuesday, August 20: 3:30 p.m. (Shells)	Friday, August 30: 4 p.m.
Wednesday, August 21: 3:30 p.m. (Full Gear)	Saturday, August 31: Off Day
Thursday, August 22: 3:30 p.m. (Shells)	Sunday, September 1: 1:00 p.m.
Friday, August 23: 3:30 p.m. (Full Gear - Scrimmage)	Normal Game Week Practice Schedule
Saturday, August 24: Off Day	Tuesday: 7 p.m.
Sunday, August 25: 2:30 p.m. (Media / Picture Day) (Leonidas S. James Complex and Bulldogs Stadium)	Wednesday and Thursday: 4:00 p.m.
	Friday: Travel Day or 4 p.m. Practice

Volunteers of America Chesapeake and Volunteers of America Carolinas Merge to Expand Services, Transform Lives Together

By MONICA BISCOE

for Volunteers of America Chesapeake & Carolinas

LANHAM, Md. (July 16, 2019)—Effective July 1, 2019, Volunteers of America Chesapeake and Volunteers of America Carolinas merged program and administrative operations to have a greater impact in the lives of the men, women and children we serve. The new organization, known as Volunteers of America Chesapeake & Carolinas, have joined forces to serve more than 8400 people from 48 programs in over 125 communities across the region.

"By combining the strengths of our organizations, we are now better positioned for regional growth, to enhance the quality of our direct support and clinical services to the populations we serve and invest in our most valuable asset—our employees," stated Russ Snyder, President and CEO of Volunteers of America Chesapeake & Carolinas.

As a stronger organization, Volunteers of America Chesapeake & Carolinas will leverage their organizational presence and programmatic outcomes to help more people in need of supportive housing, workforce development and health care in the Washington Metropolitan area and North and South Carolina. The merger of the affiliates will allow them to continue to provide all their current services to existing clients and enhance the expansion of veteran services.

Volunteers of America Carolinas has grown rapidly in size since Volunteers of America Chesapeake began managing the affiliate nearly 20 months ago. During that time, VOA Carolinas was solicited as a non-profit provider for the Back@Home Project, a disaster housing program response model for how North Car-

olina will handle major disasters. This project's mission is to provide a housing option for individuals who are not receiving FEMA individual assistance in the disaster counties and who do not have a housing option.

As one of the nation's largest nonprofit providers of quality, affordable housing, the merged affiliates will create an affordable housing portfolio in the Carolinas and invest greater resources in VOA's mission to preserve the service-enriched housing both organizations currently provide. Additionally, with VOA Chesapeake's expertise in developmental disabilities services, they can expand their behavioral health competency in the Carolinas. It is VOA Chesapeake and Carolinas belief that with the increased reach, the combined entities will continue to achieve the mission of their core values of collaboration, compassion, excellence, integrity and respect.

The combined organization will maintain administrative offices in Lanham, MD and Durham, NC with program offices located in several cities within the Washington/Baltimore region and the Carolinas. For more information, go to the websites at www.voaches.org or www.voacarolinas.org.

Volunteers of America Chesapeake & Carolinas, Inc. is a faith-based, non-profit organization whose mission is to empower self-reliance and inspire hope. As a church without walls, we do this through personalized housing, ministry, health, and human services that benefit vulnerable individuals, their families and the community.

Brandywine-Aquasco

by Audrey Johnson 301-922-5384

NIGHT OUT

Join us for a free night out with G-Swagg Band & Show, R & B Jazz, Pop and Go-Go, Tuesday, August 6, 2019 from 6:30–8:30 p.m. at Hillcrest Heights Community Center. The address is 2300 Oxon Run Drive Hillcrest Heights, Maryland 20748.

Bring a blanket or lawn chair. Refreshments will be available for purchase, if desired. For more information contact the Southern Area Office at (301) 203-6000; TTY (301) 669-2544.

SAARC

The Southern Area Aquatics and Recreation Complex (SAARC) located at 13601 Missouri Avenue, Brandywine, Maryland 20613 is designed to create a vibrant place for physical and social activity. SAARC is the first multi-generational recreation complex in Prince George's County.

The 75,000 square-foot complex includes a natatorium, two high school sized gymnasiums, a fitness room, and flexible, programmable space. SAARC also has rental spaces available for community and family gatherings that allow the use of a warming kitchen to accommodate outside caterers. All these beautiful features can be accessed through the atrium that connects the interior spaces. The second level of the facility can be accessed through, either the stairway or the elevator, and includes an indoor running track and fitness center.

Operating hours are Monday–Friday 5 a.m.–10 p.m., Saturday 6 a.m.–10 p.m., Sundays 10 a.m.–6 p.m. The amenities are natatorium, gymnasium, aerobic rooms, fitness room and hospitality spaces. There are programs for preschoolers, children & youth, pre-teens/teens, adults, seniors, family. Membership and rental rates can be found on the website at pparks.com. Telephone number is 301-699-2255 (CALL); TTY 301-699-2544. SAARC is not completed yet.

OUR STORY

"American Legion Post 227 is open to all veterans and their family. Many of our events, like our dinners and special events are open to the public. The majority of our events benefit the veterans and local community. We enjoy giving

back to those that are making a difference for our veterans, their families and our Brandywine, Maryland community. Like, follow, share and join us on Facebook."

CRAB FEAST & SILENT AUCTION

American Legion Post 227 will sponsor a crab feast and silent auction Saturday, August 3, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. The menu includes all you can eat crabs, corn, slaw, hotdogs with draft beer, water and iced tea just for \$40.00 for an advance ticket by July 31, 2019. After that date a ticket will cost \$45.00 per person, no sharing plates. Proceeds benefit Post #227 charitable activities. American Legion Post is located at 13505 Cherry Tree Crossing Road Brandywine, Maryland 20613.

GBACA

Greater Baden Aquasco Citizens Association (GBACA) was founded in 2000 to protect the rural tier in the southeast corner of Prince George's County. GBACA offers its residents a forum to voice their concerns they feel will ultimately affect the community.

Please support our efforts by attending our meetings (January, March, May, July, September and November) on the third Wednesday 7:30 p.m. at the Baden Volunteer Station. The annual cost of the membership is only \$10 per family. For current information, see GBACA on Facebook.

SAVE THE DATE

Friday, August 16, 2019 Pastor Rony Young will lead us in Revival with "Happy Hour Praise and Worship at 7 p.m. with the men of New Hope Fellowship Cooperative Parish rendering the music. Pastor Ronal "Rony Young is a current student at Lancaster Bible College, Greenbelt, Maryland and Wesley Theological Seminary, N.W, Washington, DC. He began serving again in pastoral ministry in July 2016 when he was appointed as a Licensed Local Pastor at St. Luke United Methodist Church, Sykesville, MD. Pastor Rony is coming back home to the church where his family worshipped. Our address is 10561 Brooks Church Road, Upper Marlboro, Maryland, 20772.



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ChildWatch:

Dr. Donald Stewart

I was devastated by the loss earlier this year of Dr. Donald Stewart. He and his wife Isabel Carter Stewart have been among my dearest, dearest friends. Donald served as president of my alma mater Spelman College from 1976 to 1986, overlapping with my own tenure on Spelman's Board of Trustees and then as Board Chair, where he took Spelman to new heights and set it on the path to its standing today as a leading liberal arts and historically Black college ranked #51 on U.S. News and World Report's list of National Liberal Arts Colleges. I was so proud when Spelman's robotics team made history in 2005 as the first all-female, all Black undergraduate team to qualify and compete in the International RoboCup four-legged robot soccer competition and several years later tied for first place in a championship in Japan! Spelman is the nation's oldest historically Black

college for women and a shining example of why historically Black colleges and universities (HBCUs) continue to play a critical role in American education.

Donald, who graduated from Grinnell College, also earned graduate degrees from Yale and Harvard Universities and served as an administrator at the University of Pennsylvania. He understood the importance of solidifying Spelman's strong academic reputation and nurturing the potential every Spelman student had to offer. When he was chosen as Spelman's second Black male president following Dr. Albert Manley after a succession of White women leaders, students who had hoped Spelman would choose a Black woman protested by locking in members of the Board of Trustees, tying the door to our board room shut for 26 hours. But in his first address Donald promised he would

never let "male ego" get in the way of being the leader Spelman's students needed.

Under his leadership the college's commitment to STEM skyrocketed, including establishment of the chemistry and computer science departments and a computer literacy requirement, setting the stage for Spelman students' excellence today. He also established the school's honors program and the Women's Research and Resource Center—the first of its kind for a Black college—and greatly expanded Spelman's fundraising and endowment to help ensure its success for the future. And he responded to our Board decision and student and alumnae insistence that Spelman fully divest from apartheid South Africa.

Throughout Donald's tenure at Spelman his beautiful and accomplished wife Isabel Carter Stewart was an invaluable copartner. I am always so happy to say I played matchmaker between them—I have never had a divorce in all of my matchmaking history and they were one of my most successful pairs! I was a bridesmaid at their beautiful wedding and was thrilled to see them create such a strong legacy together at Spelman. They and their young sons Jay and Carter brought new youthful energy to Spelman's campus after Dr. Manley's 23 years as president and their family's involvement in Atlanta life brought great visibility to the college throughout the city. Carter and my oldest son Joshua have been close friends since childhood and I am so grateful they are now

carrying on family friendships and traditions with their children.

Spelman's Donald and Isabel Stewart Living-Learning Center was dedicated during Donald's last year as Spelman's president and after Spelman both Donald and Isabel continued careers of service. Donald served as president of the College Board, senior program officer at the Carnegie Corporation, and CEO of the Chicago Community Trust. He was also a director of the New York Times Company and served on a number of boards. Isabel served as director of the Global Fund for Children, national executive director of Girls, Inc., and executive director of the Chicago Foundation for Women and has also served and worked on many boards, including the Museum of Modern Art in New York City, Public/Private Ventures, and NOW Legal Defense and Education Fund. Donald said once about their shared commitment to philanthropic and non-profit organizations: "Isabel and I have—throughout our professional lives—been in non-profit service, and we believe in giving. We believe that we lift as we climb and that without philanthropy, without the help of the non-profit world, many organizations and people will not have their needs met."

Donald and Isabel led and lifted many others along the way. I am profoundly grateful for our many years of friendship and the lasting legacy he left at Spelman. He is deeply missed.

Marc Morial

President and CEO, National Urban League



To Be Equal:

Failure to Pursue Civil Rights Charges in Eric Garner Case is a Miscarriage of Justice

"It was Eric and my family five years ago, but it could be you and yours today or tomorrow. They want all of us to believe that we didn't see what we saw on that video, but our eyes do not deceive us ... Eric is no longer able to speak so I will be his voice and you will hear me."

—Gwen Carr, Eric Garner's mother.

Eric Garner died pleading for his life on a New York City sidewalk.

The chokehold that triggered his fatal asthma attack was illegal.

Eleven times, Eric Garner said he couldn't breathe, and Officer Daniel Pantaleo did not loosen his strangling, illegal grip on Garner's neck.

The world saw Pantaleo's deadly assault. The world heard Garner's pleas. But there will be no justice for Eric Garner.

When U.S. Attorney General William Barr abandoned the civil rights case against Pantaleo, it sent a devastating message from an administration whose hostility toward civil rights protections is unprecedented in the last 50 years.

Astonishingly, Pantaleo remains a member of the

New York Police Department, pending a decision by an administrative judge who is expected to rule within a few weeks. His continued employment by the NYPD diminishes the institution, and he should be terminated.

It is difficult to imagine the grief of Garner's family. To lose a father, a son, a brother, to an untimely death is painful enough. To have been dragged through five years of injustice after injustice, to see the person responsible for that death escape accountability seems almost too much to bear.

Not only has Pantaleo escaped accountability, he has received a substantial raise in his pay since Garner's death.

Sadly, police officers are rarely held accountable when unjustified brutality—local prosecutors are predictably reluctant to bring charges. That's precisely why the federal government has a special responsibility to seek justice in such cases, and why Attorney General Barr's failure to do so in the Garner case cuts so deeply.

In the wake of the death of Garner and other unarmed people of color who died violently at the hands of police officers, the National Urban League promulgated a 10-Point Plan for Police Reform and Accountability, elements of which were incorporated into the final report of the President's Task Force on

21st Century Policing. One of the key recommendations is "external and independent investigations and prosecutions of officer-involved shootings and other use of force situations and in-custody deaths."

In the Eric Garner case, as in many others, the Department of Justice's civil rights inquiry was arguably the only hope for an external and independent investigation.

But this is an administration that is intent on weakening enforcement of civil rights laws. Under Barr's predecessor, Jeff Sessions, the Justice Department abandoned all efforts to work with local police departments to address discriminatory practices. Consent decrees historically have been a crucial tool in the Justice Department's efforts to ensure constitutional and accountable policing.

The department also tried, unsuccessfully, to block a federal court in Baltimore from approving a consent decree between the city and the Baltimore Police Department to rein in discriminatory police practices that the department itself had negotiated over a multi-year period.

The Department of Justice's failure to seek justice in the Eric Garner case is just the latest in a series of missteps with regard to civil rights. Our hearts go out to Garner's family as they suffer yet another blow in the ongoing tragedy of Garner's untimely death.

IUPAT Hosts 2020 Democratic Presidential Candidate Cory Booker at Union's State-of-the-Art Training Facility

IUPAT Hosting Candidates in Run-up to Union's August Convention

By LIBBY SMELKER
for International Union of Painters and Allied Trades

LANHAM, Md. (July 18, 2019)—Presidential candidate Sen. Cory Booker toured the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades District Council 51's state-of-the-art training center on Thursday, July 18, and spoke with workers about strengthening the middle class.

"It was an honor to host

Cory Booker at our Lanham facility. These visits are opportunities for candidates to discuss their policy proposals and for our union to explain the issues that matter to our members, like protecting union apprenticeships and improving the economy," said IUPAT District Council 51 Business Manager Lynn Taylor.

"We also want candidates to see the extraordinary work being done collaboratively at our training facilities between in-

dustry partners and the union. Our apprentices receive training focused on high-quality, professional craftsmanship and safety, preparing them for great careers and offering an entry into the middle class," said Taylor.

Booker toured the IUPAT's Finishing Trades Institute training facility in Lanham, a first-of-its-kind, state-of-the-art apprenticeship program for industrial coating and painting, teaching the proper processes

and controls to prevent corrosion.

"I was grateful for the opportunity to meet with the good people of the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades," said Senator Booker. "I've seen firsthand the importance and power of unions in ensuring that dreams of jobs of dignity are a reality. And today, I proudly reiterated my steadfast commitment to continue empowering unions and strengthening worker protection across the country."

"Unions are paving the way for the success of our workers, our communities, and the public. By investing in our apprentices and providing rigorous, real-world skills for a high-paying career, the IUPAT ensures that our workers are primed to join the middle class," Taylor said.

In the run-up to the IUPAT's August convention, Taylor said the IUPAT is looking forward to hearing presidential candidates' ideas on strengthening the economy, funding infrastructure projects, creating an opportunity for all, and immigration reform, all of which are important for many IUPAT members and tens of thousands of workers in our country.

Members of the IUPAT and presidential Candidate Cory Booker gather at the IUPAT training facility.

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Legal One-on-One Business Clinic At the Bowie BIC July 25

Jerry Miller, Joseph, Greenwald & Laake, P.A.
July 25, 2019 • 4-7 p.m.

Bowie BIC, Headquartered at Bowie State University, Center for Business, Suite 2312, 14000 Jericho Park Road, Bowie, MD 20715, www.bowiebic.com

Bowie Business Innovation Center (Bowie BIC) offers a FREE monthly Legal Business Clinic for entrepreneurs and small businesses hosted by Jerry Miller, Principal, with Joseph, Greenwald & Laake's Business Services Group. Jerry will be available to meet One-on-One with entrepreneurs and early stage companies

who have legal questions related to their businesses.

- Legal challenges of owning and operating a growing business.
- Choosing the right corporate structure.
- Advice on complex business issues.

The sessions are open to all Bowie BIC clients. Entrepreneurs from the Prince George's County business community are also welcome. Call or email Crystal Clark, Operations Director & Student Liaison (crystal.clark@bowiebic.com or 301-383-1550 x105) to schedule a specific meeting time with Jerry.

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The American Counseling Association's Counseling Corner

Depression in Teens Shouldn't Be Ignored

If there's a teenager in your home, he or she, at various times, is probably moody, ecstatic, angry, happy and just about every other emotional state you can think of.

The fact that your teen can seem like an entirely different person at various times is fairly easy to explain. The teenage years are a pretty difficult time. Teens face all kinds of pressures. Their bodies are changing, their friendships can be volatile, there are demands at school and the uncertainty of college or career decisions.

It's not an easy time of life and one issue, which can be easy to overlook, is that a teen can face a very real and serious mental health problem—depression.

Teen depression is more than the moodiness that many teens display in everyday situations. Teen depression is described as prolonged, persistent feelings of sadness and is characterized by a loss of interest in most activities.

It's a problem that not only shuts out the happiness that ought to be part of the teenage years, but can also lead to serious consequences, including suicide. Teen suicide is one of the leading causes of teenage deaths and leads to thousands of hospital visits resulting from suicide attempts.

It's vital for parents to recognize the signs of clinical depression and to get help for their teenager when needed.

There are a number of signs to look for in your teen, some emotional and others behavioral. A depressed teen will often feel sad, perhaps even experiencing crying spells for no apparent reason. The teen may be easily annoyed or angry, and may express feelings of worthlessness or guilt or hopelessness.

The teen's behavior will also be changed, including losing interest in most activities. Your teen may seem lacking in energy, or may be overly active. Sleeping too much or insomnia may occur. There may be a loss of appetite, or suddenly overeating.

One sure sign of teen depression is when the teen's loss of interest and happiness goes on for a period of more than two weeks. This is a time to take action, especially immediate action if a teen starts talking of suicide or makes a suicide attempt.

If your teen is showing signs of depression, talk to your family physician or contact a professional counselor. If you sense the potential of suicide, contact the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255.

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.

New Survey Reveals Crucial Need To Empower Women To Lead Climate Change Action

Study released as the Exelon Foundation embarks on second-annual HeForShe STEM Innovation Leadership Academy aimed at fostering the next generation of climate leaders
A dozen students from Laurel and Bowie in attendance at the Baltimore session July 14-19

By ROBIN GRAY
Exelon Corporation

CHICAGO (July 17, 2019)—A new survey funded by the Exelon Foundation found that even though nearly four out of five high school girls believe action must be taken to address climate change, the majority don't feel equipped to take on this critical issue themselves. And despite survey respondents' confidence that women have the talents needed to address climate change issues, only 50 percent foresee females leading these efforts.

Recognizing the need to empower girls to pursue career paths that address climate change issues, the Exelon Foundation and United Nations Women HeForShe are hosting their second annual STEM Innovation Leadership Academy. STEM stands for science, technology, engineering and math. The Baltimore session was held July 14-19. Also taking place in Philadelphia (July 21-26) and Chicago (August 4-9), the 2019 Academy events are tailored to the increasing number of young women who express an interest in STEM careers. In fact, 60 percent report that they are likely to pursue a career that uses STEM, with nearly half attributing their interest in STEM to the pathways it provides to make a positive impact on the world.

"The global climate crisis is one of the most urgent issues of our time. It's very encouraging to hear that most young women surveyed recognize the need to act, but we must arm them with

the necessary tools and reinforce the confidence they need to tackle climate issues head-on," said Chris Crane, Exelon President and CEO and HeForShe Thematic Champion.

Designed to inspire and equip the next generation of climate leaders, the STEM Innovation Leadership Academy will provide a week-long curriculum that incorporates a series of hands-on STEM activities centered on climate action, visits to noteworthy energy and environmental landmarks and discussions with prominent female STEM leaders. Each of the three events will host approximately 60 young women and culminate with an Academy-wide Energy Innovation

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PHOTOGRAPHY BY TRE LYNN

At left: Kennedy Cheek of Bowie, age 16, Charles Herbert Flowers High School
Above: (Far right) Natalia Budhoo, 16, of Capitol Heights, Charles Herbert Flowers High School

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

Social Security Matters

Ask Rusty:

Will Social Security Go Bust?

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

Dear Rusty: I'm always hearing rumors of Social Security imploding—of people my age getting benefits but not the younger as they have time to do something else. I wonder if I file in December for 50% of my spouse's benefit, and later, before I turn 70 and change to my own benefits, if SS goes bust will I lose what I would have been able to claim under myself? I understand that you would only be guessing to answer that. From what I've read, it seems that 20% reduction will be necessary across the board. I do not trust politicians who love to play Santa to get reelected. **Signed: Untrusting Senior**

Dear Untrusting Senior: As of right now, Social Security (SS) has about \$2.9 trillion in reserves in its Trust Fund. Beginning probably in 2020, SS income will be less than needed to pay all benefits, and money will start to be withdrawn from the Trust Fund to meet benefit obligations. Current projections are that the Trust Fund reserves are sufficient to pay 100% of benefit obligations until 2035, at which time SS will only be able to pay out as much money as it brings in. According to projections, that would result in about a 21% cut in benefits for all beneficiaries. But those dire predictions are only valid if Congress does nothing to resolve Social Security's cash flow deficit expected to start in 2020.

The solutions for Social Security's financial issues are very well known to Congress. What's missing is a bipartisan agreement on the best way to resolve it. One side of the aisle wants to simply raise Social Security taxes (remove payroll caps and raise FICA contributions), while the other side prefers future program adjustments which deal with the reality that people are living much longer today than they did when SS was first enacted. Most pundits believe that Congress will eventually reach a compromise before the Trust Fund is depleted in 2035 requiring benefit cuts. After all, what politician who wishes to stay in Congress would want to be associated with reducing Social Security benefits for the very large and voting senior citizenry?

To get to your specific question: There is no real danger of SS going "bust," as in not being able to pay any benefits at all, so you'll never "lose what I would have

been able to claim under myself." The worst-case scenario is that your age 70 benefit (which will be about 32% more than your age 66 benefit) might be reduced, but it would never be totally eliminated. The best-case scenario is that Congress puts the current vitriolic atmosphere aside and does their job to fix the problem before it's a crisis.

The last time Social Security had a crisis of this nature was in 1983, and the Democratic-controlled Congress and the Reagan Administration worked together to enact a fix which lasted for decades (until now). It's my sincere hope, and indeed my expectation, that a similar bipartisan effort will eventually take place to resolve Social Security's financial issues for many decades to come. The Association of Mature American Citizens (AMAC) has developed a common-sense Social Security Guarantee proposal which has been presented to multiple Congressional representatives for consideration, and which would solve Social Security's financial issues for generations. If you'd like to see that proposal feel free to go to this link: <https://amac.us/social-security/>. Will Congress act on this any time soon? I'm afraid that's impossible to predict, but if history offers any insight it's that they will probably act only when the crisis can no longer be ignored.

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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University of Maryland Prince George's Hospital Center Receives American Heart Association's Highest Honor for Commitment to Quality Stroke Care

By JANIA MATTHEWS
University of Maryland Capital
Region Health

CHEVERLY, Md. (July 16, 2019)—University of Maryland Prince George's Hospital Center (UM PGHC) has received the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association's Get With The Guidelines® Gold Plus Quality Achievement Award. The highest honor that a hospital can receive recognizes the hospital's commitment to ensuring stroke patients receive the most appropriate treatment according to nationally recognized, research-based guidelines based on the latest scientific evidence.

This advanced level of recognition was earned by demonstrating high compliance with specific quality achievement measures for the diagnosis and treatment of stroke patients. These measures include evaluation and success of the proper use of medications and other stroke treatments aligned with the most up-to-date, evidence-based guidelines with the goal of speeding recovery and reducing death and disability for stroke patients. Before discharge, patients should also receive tailored education on managing and protecting their health after stroke, scheduling follow-up visits, as well as other care transition interventions.

"We are honored to receive this award, which reflects our dedication to improving the quality of care for our stroke patients by implementing the American Heart Association's Get With The Guidelines-Stroke initiative," says Joseph L. Wright, MD, MPH, FAAP, In-

terim President & CEO, UM Capital Region Health. "The tools and resources provided help us track and measure our success in meeting evidenced-based clinical guidelines developed to improve patient outcomes."

Additionally, UM PGHC received the association's Target: StrokeSM Elite Plus award. To qualify for this recognition, hospitals must meet quality measures developed to reduce the time between the patient's arrival at the hospital and treatment with the clot-buster tissue plasminogen activator alteplase, or tPA, which is considered the gold standard treatment for ischemic stroke. It is the only drug approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to treat acute ischemic stroke.

"We are pleased to recognize UM Prince George's Hospital Center for their commitment to stroke care," said Lee H. Schwamm, MD, national chairperson of the Quality Oversight Committee and Executive Vice Chair of Neurology, Director of Acute Stroke Services, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts. "Research has shown that hospitals adhering to clinical measures through the Get With The Guidelines quality improvement initiative can often see fewer readmissions and lower mortality rates."

According to the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association, stroke is the No. 5 cause of death and a leading cause of adult disability in the United States. On average, someone in the U.S. suffers a stroke every 40 seconds and nearly 795,000 people suffer a new or recurrent stroke each year.

OUT on the TOWN

Port Discovery Children's Museum Unveils Cargo Ship Exhibit With Support From Ports America Chesapeake

New exhibit celebrates the Port of Baltimore and encourages maritime learning through play

By LAURA TORALDO
for Port Discovery Children's Museum

BALTIMORE, Md. (July 12, 2019)—This summer, Port Discovery Children's Museum reopened its doors to its newest exhibit, The Port, which highlights the importance of the Port of Baltimore to the region. The exhibit was developed through the support of private and public financial commitments, including a \$50,000 grant from Ports America Chesapeake and Steamship Trade Association Charitable Legacy.

“People from around the world come together at the Port,” said Port Discovery Vice President of Development and Communications Jennifer Bedon. “The exhibit is like a metaphor—kids across the community are playing side by side and all working together to get something from here to there.”

“Ports America Chesapeake is proud to support ‘The Port’ exhibit at Port Discovery,” said Ports America Chesapeake Vice President Bayard Hogans. “We love that both parents and kids will learn more about the Port’s impact in the state and the idea that it may inspire the next generation of engineers, marine superintendents and stevedores.”

Located in a prime location at the center of the museum, The Port exhibit explores maritime industries and their impact on local, regional and global activities. On a life-size sculpture of a cargo ship titled S.S. Friend Ship, kids are encouraged to use their imagination to become captains, engineers, sailors, crane operators and more. Children can imagine themselves as engineers in the mock engine room, which includes the tools and components found in a real marine engine room. Additional features include a mock gantry crane lifting light-weight storage containers that helps children improve motor skills, and four different engine component activities that focus on problem-solving skills and teamwork.

PAC furthered its commitment to the museum through a \$12,500 sponsorship of \$2 Family Fun Night events this summer. Through this donation, families throughout Maryland will receive \$16 off the original ticket price for entry.

“[PAC’s] philanthropic support is so important to allow people from this community to come through these doors,” Bedon said.

Port Discovery Children's Museum is located at 35 Market Place, Baltimore, MD 21202 in Baltimore's Inner Harbor. www.portdiscovery.org



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Through Port Discovery's new exhibit, The Port, children learn the value of the Port of Baltimore and how professionals work together to move goods. The exhibit is part of a \$10.5 million renovation for Port Discovery, the museum's first major makeover since 1998.

Escape Farm!

Will you escape the farm before it's too late?

Want to do an escape room, but you're a bit claustrophobic? We've got you uncovered. Escape Farm challenges you to investigate the National Colonial Farm's historic houses and gardens to uncover clues and solve historic puzzles. Will you be able to repair your broken time machine before time runs out?

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Friday evenings in July and August,
6:30–7:30 p.m. and 8–9 p.m.

Dates: July 26, August 2, August 9, August 16, August 23, and August 30

National Colonial Farm, 3400 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek, MD 20607

Please book your Escape Farm at least 24 hours prior. Time slots with no registrations are subject to cancellation. Cancellation Policy: Classes and events may cancel due to low enrollment or inclement weather. Cancellation will be made 1–2 days prior to the program. Check the website (<https://accokeekfoundation.org/>) for details. Refund Policy: If the Accokeek Foundation cancels the event (before it starts), prepaid fees will be refunded or used for another Hike program.

supposed to be a plaything. Unlike every other toy in these movies (even the villainous ones), Forky is either unaware of or unconcerned about the rule that says toys don't move or speak when people are around, giving Woody one more thing to worry about.

But the story still has more places to go. Forky gets lost in a quaint old Western town called Grand Basin (reminds me of Telluride, Colo.) while Bonnie and her parents are on an RV road trip. Woody's search for Forky leads to an antique shop in the town where a homecoming queen of a talking doll (Christina Hendricks), guarded by a silent squad of creepy ventriloquists' dummies, says Bo Peep once lived. This doll, Gabby Gabby, can talk the way most toys in this universe can talk, but her voice box—the thing that makes her a “talking doll” for little girls to play with—is broken, hence her consignment to a dusty shelf in an antique store. She wants Woody to donate his to her, whether Woody wants to or not.

And there's more! A traveling carnival is currently in Grand Basin, and this is where we find Bo Peep living the life of a “lost toy,” unencumbered by belonging to anyone. More so than in previous chapters, this installment talks about the relationship between toy and kid like a marriage. Woody hasn't gotten over the end of his last one; Bo Peep has decided she doesn't need one; other toys, like the plush Ducky and Bunny (Keegan-Michael Key and Jordan Peele) waiting to be won in a carnival game, yearn for the day when they will have one. An

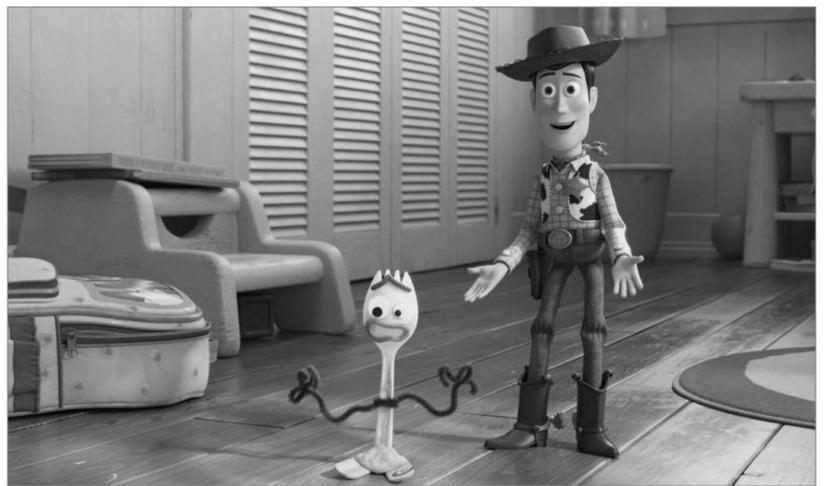
old action figure, Duke Caboom (Keanu Reeves)—“Canada's greatest stuntman”—never recovered from being rejected by his kid on Christmas morning when the kid discovered Duke wasn't as capable as he seemed in the TV commercial. The aisle of used toys is littered with broken hearts.

These movies have all been about toys' existential crises. Now, with Forky, we finally have one asking a fundamental question that the others evidently never considered: Why am I alive? What a deep, somber, potentially bleak subject! In a G-rated kids' cartoon! I love it. While that's go-

ing on, Buzz Lightyear (Tim Allen) has misunderstood Woody's talk of an “inner voice” (i.e., one's conscience) and thinks it means the prerecorded messages that play when you push a toy's buttons or pull its string. So he's going around making decisions by pressing his own buttons and doing what they say ... and the random “advice” proves useful in every instance. Is this a cosmic joke? Are we all kidding ourselves thinking we obey a higher power or a conscience when really we're just following random, self-generated instructions? How marvelous that a Disney cartoon

is making us think about these things.

The problem is simply one of comparison: “Toy Story 4” isn't nearly as funny or emotionally powerful as its predecessors, and none of the supporting characters beyond those already mentioned have more than a few moments of screentime. Woody, the original protagonist, has become the focus again, eschewing the “you've got a friend in me” ensemble vibe. After the satisfying, cathartic resolution of “3,” it's a letdown to be called back into the theater for a postscript that doesn't add much.



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Woody (voice of Tom Hanks) has always been confident about his place in the world, and that his priority is taking care of his kid, whether that's Andy or Bonnie. So when Bonnie's beloved new craft-project-turned-toy, Forky (voice of Tony Hale), declares himself as “trash” and not a toy, Woody takes it upon himself to show Forky why he should embrace being a toy. But when Bonnie takes the whole gang on her family's road trip excursion, Woody ends up on an unexpected detour that includes a reunion with his long-lost friend Bo Peep (voice of Annie Potts). After years of being on her own, Bo's adventurous spirit and life on the road belie her delicate porcelain exterior. As Woody and Bo realize they're worlds apart when it comes to life as a toy, they soon come to find that's the least of their worries.

Calendar Spotlight on History

Archaeology Dig Days

Date and Time: Saturday, July 27, 2019, 11 a.m.–3 p.m.

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 archaeology museum and Patuxent riverfront property also available.

Cost: Free

Ages: All ages are welcome

Location: Mount Calvert Historical and Archaeological Park, 16801 Mount Calvert Rd, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

Contact: 301-627-1286; TTY 301-699-2544

Seasonal Selections: Summer Bounty

Date and Time: Sunday, July 28, 2019, 12:15–3:15 p.m.

Description: Grab some 19th-century inspiration and a new recipe or two as you pop into the open hearth kitchen to watch the Riversdale Kitchen Guild demonstrate 19th-century foodways and recipes. This week highlights the bounty of the garden with fresh fruit and vegetable recipes.

Cost: Free!

Ages: All ages are welcome

Location: Riversdale House Museum, 4811 Riverdale Road, Riverdale Park, MD 20737

Contact: 301-864-0420; TTY 301-699-2544

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



Riversdale House Museum

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Riversdale was one of the most distinctive homes in the region during the early Federal period. Today, the central portion of the house serves as a museum interpreting the lifestyle of an affluent family. The rental areas include a large carpeted ballroom in late 19th century decor as well as a smaller meeting/banquet room and catering kitchen. Riversdale House Museum and the Museum Shop are open to the public Fridays and Sundays from 12 noon–3:30 pm year round. Admission Adults: \$5/person; Seniors and Groups of 10 or more: \$4/person; Ages 5–18 and Students with ID: \$2/person; Ages 4 & under: Free. Riversdale is available for weddings, receptions, and meetings. For fees and availability, please call 301-864-0420 for more information.

Riversdale House Museum: 4811 Riverdale Road, Riverdale Park, MD 20737 • 301-864-0420, TTY: 301-699-2544 • <http://www.pgparcs.com/3023/Riversdale-House-Museum>

ERIC D. SNIDER'S IN THE DARK

.... Movie Review

Toy Story 4

Toy Story 4

Grade: B

Rated G, existential dread
1 hr., 40 min.

“Toy Story 3” was such a perfect culmination to the series that any “Toy Story 4” is going to be met with wariness. The “Toy Story 4” we got does nothing to allay those concerns—it is, as expected, an unnecessary addition, though I do like where the characters all end up—and it's my least favorite of the four. But least favorite compared to three grade-A movies is still pretty good, and there are moments of the usual brilliance sprinkled throughout this serviceable, affectionate epilogue.

Before it can begin, however, “Toy Story 4” must explain why Bo Peep (voiced by Annie Potts) wasn't in “Toy Story 3.” We learn that prior to the events of that film, Ms. Peep was put in a box to be given away and declined Woody's (Tom Hanks) efforts to rescue her because she was OK with moving on. Unlike Woody, who was devoted to his kid, Andy, and has not gotten over Andy's growing up and moving away, Bo Peep is at peace with the toy's lot to be played with and then passed along.

In the present, a year or so after “Toy Story 3,” Woody, all of the old toys, and the new ones we met in “3” are the happy property of young Bonnie (Madeleine McGraw), who's about to start kindergarten. Bonnie has little use for Woody, having made Jessie (Joan Cusack) sheriff of her pretend town, and the gentle old cowboy feels worthless. He gets a new mission in life when Bonnie makes a toy at kindergarten, brings it home, and loses it. A rescue mission! That's what Woody is best at, if the events of every film in this series are any indication!

Now, about Bonnie's new toy. He's made out of a plastic spork, a pipe cleaner, and other debris. Bonnie named him Forky, and for reasons nobody can understand, he came to life (voiced by Tony Hale) the way all toys do. Being made of trash, Forky believes himself to be trash, and he keeps throwing himself away while Woody keeps frantically rescuing him in a montage set to one of Randy Newman's most on-the-nose songs yet, entitled “I Can't Let You Throw Yourself Away.”

Forky is a wonderfully weird addition to the cast, an agent of pure chaos, horrified to be alive at all, insistent that he is NOT

Calendar of Events

July 25–July 31, 2019

Exhibit Opening: CONTRAST:

Curt Belshe, Jenny Freestone, Jake Muirhead

Date and Time: Friday, July 26, 2019, 6:30–9 p.m. Opening Reception; Exhibit runs July 21–August 18, 2019. Gallery hours: 10 a.m.–6 p.m. Tuesday–Saturday, and 12–5 p.m. on Sunday.

Description: Three printmakers working in intaglio are exhibited in this inky and dark-hued show. These well-crafted works offer diverse imagery, ranging from the natural world to the digital age. Cohesively, the prints have a velvety and mysterious quality achieved through the techniques of etching, drypoint, and photogravure.

Cost: Free

Ages: All ages are welcome

Location: Pyramid Atlantic Art Center, 4318 Gallatin Street, Hyattsville, MD 20781

Contact: 301-608-9101, pyramidatlanticartcenter.org

Arts & Literacy Summer Pop-Ups

Date and Time: Saturday, July 27, 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: Mount Rainier Nature Center, 4701 31st Place, Mount Rainier, MD 20712

Contact: RSVP: 301-952-4436; email: councildistrict2@co.pg.md.us

The Lone Satellite: Earth's Moon

Date and Time: Saturday, July 27, 2019, 1–2 p.m.

Description: Join a Ranger for a talk about the Earth's Moon. There have been many myths and legends about the moon through the ages and some facts. Due to the rotation of the Earth and the Moon during the first and third quarters the moon is out during the day for viewing. Join us by the visitor center where we will set up a telescope to gaze at Luna as it moves across the sky. This program dependent upon the weather and clouds. Call park to confirm if unsure of cloud cover in the area.

Cost: Free

Ages: All ages are welcome

Location: Fort Washington Park, 13551 Fort Washington Road., Fort Washington, MD 20744

Contact: Park Ranger, 301-763-4601

"SuperPig!" Puppet Show

Date and Time: Saturday, July 27, 2019, 1–2 p.m.

Description: Join us as the Blue Sky Puppet Theater tells the story of SuperPig and his efforts to fight bullying! SuperPig will teach anti-bullying techniques.

Cost: Free

Ages: Ages 5–10

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

Contact: 301-809-3089

Walk in the Park

Date and Time: Sunday, July 28, 2019, 9:30 a.m.

Description: Join us at the Sweetgum Picnic Area to walk the 1.4 mile Loop Road. Beginners and pets welcome. This is a 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, Maryland 20770

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

Urban Line Dancing

Date and Time: Monday, July 29, 2019, 8:30–9:30 a.m.

Description: No registration required. Join us for a fun, easy-to-follow, choreographed dance workout that increases your heart rate, burns calories, and improves coordination. Exercise level: Recommended for all levels of fitness. Classes may be canceled due to inclement weather or wet grounds. Call 301-927-0822 for weather-related cancellations.

Cost: Free!

Ages: 18 and older

Location: Kentland Community Center (Located on the outdoor basketball court), 2413 Pinebrook Avenue, Landover, MD 20785

Contact: 301-446-6845; TTY 301-699-2544

Community in the Courthouse: Case Closed: A Discussion

Around Major Cases Handled by the State's Attorney's Office

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 30, 2019, 8:30–10 a.m.

Description: Community in the Courthouse is a monthly event where members of the community can come to the courthouse and learn firsthand about the justice system in the County. It brings concerned members of the community together to learn about the court system, the operations of the State's Attorney's Office and other County agencies. Participants engage with prosecutors about how rulings, sentences, and various outcomes of cases affect the rights of all residents of the County. In addition, participants are invited to witness courtroom proceedings to hear actual cases.

Cost: Free

Ages: Adults

Location: Prince George's County Courthouse, 14735 Main Street, Room M0421, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

Contact: <http://sao.mypgc.us>, <http://twitter.com/PGSAONEWS>

Summer Cinema in the Park: HOOK

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 31, 2019, 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Description: Bring a blanket or lawn chair. Refreshments will be available for purchase, if desired. Movie will begin at dusk. Presented by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Prince George's County Department of Parks & Recreation. **Rain date is August 8.**

Cost: Free

Ages: All are welcome!

Location: Stephen Decatur Community Center, 8200 Pinewood Drive, Clinton, MD 20735

Contact: 301-203-6000

The NETWORK BICP to Host Their eSTEAM Fair on July 27 During Our 50th Anniversary Celebration

We will have exhibitors across the evolving Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (eSTEAM) spectrums.

By APRYL HARRIS

The NETWORK BICP - National

WASHINGTON, DC (July 12, 2019)—The NETWORK National eSTEAM program was created to assist in bridging the digital divide by providing tools and resources to expand digital literacy and technology engagement in our communities. Our mission is to expand the awareness of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (STEAM) related careers and provide a pipeline of minority talent, able to fill STEAM career openings using the following keys:

- Developing technical skills
- Extending exposure to STEAM careers

- Dispelling STEAM myths
- Increasing digital literacy among students & adults
- Promote AT&T ACCESS in our 21-state footprint

We know how important it is to provide educational enrichment to students to prepare them for the workforce. We want to inspire students to excel in STEAM by fostering collaboration and innovation.

Latya Taylor, Chief Executive Officer for The NETWORK BICP, says, "Through The NETWORK eSTEAM, our flagship academic enrichment program, we endeavor to contribute to the minority talent pipeline by preparing students to fill vacancies in

STEAM-related career opportunities."

We will have exhibitors across the evolving Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (eSTEAM) spectrums who will engage the children with both informational and hands-on exhibits. Lunch will be provided, and we will have great giveaways. *

We are looking for this event to be monumental, and open the doors for the proceeding events to be just as impactful.

Parents and teachers can register at: <https://thenetworksteamfairdc.eventbrite.com>

**Both lunch and giveaways provided while supplies last.*

Photojournalist Jermaine Gibbs On Exhibit in Gallery 90

By ELYZABETH MARCUSSEN

Hospice of the Chesapeake

PASADENA, Md. (July 9, 2019)—Travel the world through the work of photojournalist Jermaine Gibbs in his exhibit now showing in Gallery 90.

Thanks to Hospice of the Chesapeake's healing arts partner, Chesapeake Arts Center, Gibbs' photography is on display through Aug. 30 in the gallery throughout the nonprofit's administrative building on the John & Cathy Belcher Campus at 90 Ritchie Highway, Pasadena, Maryland.

A native of Baltimore, Gibbs has been traveling around the world since 2010 grasping hold to glimpses of various cultures and making provisions for others to see through the lenses of the unknown and make them comparable to those that we see every day. "When we change the way we see, everything we see will change," Gibbs said. His work can be viewed around the world, including in the National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington, D.C. For more about Gibbs, visit www.jermainegibbs.com.

A free docent-led tour of Gibbs' exhibit will take place from 9 to 11 a.m. July 26. For reservations, or to schedule a private tour for your group, contact Renate Little at 443-837-1512 or rlittle@hospicechesapeake.org.

Gallery 90 was established to realize the vision of creating a harmonious work environment for Hospice of the Chesapeake administrative staff and visiting nurses, caregivers and volunteers who work directly with patients and their families.



PHOTOGRAPH COURTESY HOSPICE OF THE CHESAPEAKE

Photojournalist Jermaine Gibbs

Earth TALK™ Harnessing Bioluminescence For Practical Purposes

Dear EarthTalk:

Is there any way we could harness the light from bioluminescent organisms for everyday lighting and other practical purposes?

—M. Wilson, Framingham, MA

Bioluminescence—defined by Merriam-Webster as “the emission of light from living organisms (such as fireflies, dinoflagellates, and bacteria) as the result of internal, typically oxidative chemical reactions”—is one of the wonders of nature that just about any of us can witness.

While a few organisms can produce bioluminescent light outside of the oceans (think fireflies), most of the bioluminescence going on is in saltwater. In fact, the vast majority of bioluminescent organisms evolved in order to provide light in deep sea marine ecosystems—either to light up prey or as a warning against predators—far below sunlight's reach into the water column.

What exactly causes bioluminescence? Other sources of light (the sun, fire, light bulbs) generate energy from heat, whereas bioluminescent light comes from energy released in a chemical reaction: When two organic chemicals, luciferin and luciferase, combine, they release light-based energy as they oxidize.

While the general process is the same across all bioluminescent organisms, the color of the light in each situation depends on the chemical structures of the different life forms involved. Fireflies most commonly light up as green or yellow—and sometimes red—while most of the bioluminescence under water comes through as blue-green or green light.

Humans have been putting natural bioluminescence to work for a while—19th century coal miners would trap fireflies in jars and use them as safety lights (instead of open-flame candles or

lanterns that could cause an explosion). But nowadays researchers are hard at work synthesizing the chemical reactions behind bioluminescence for a range of modern-day applications.

Harnessing bioluminescence to help cure disease is a big focus of some biomedical research companies, given the promise of using heat-free organic light to detect metastasizing cancer cells, stem cells, viruses or bacteria within living tissue. The military also has big hopes for utilizing the chemical reactions of bioluminescence to create light that won't trigger the heat-seeking sensory equipment of the enemy whether on land, at sea or in the sky.

Some other practical applications of bioluminescence, as recently highlighted by *Popular Mechanics*, include an effort to splice genes from bioluminescent organisms into trees that would light up when the sun sets (as an all-natural alternative to street lights), using bioluminescent bacterium to highlight contaminants in drinking water supplies, and genetically modifying crop seeds to grow fruits and vegetables that could signal their need for more water or other inputs by glowing accordingly.

While none of these “technologies” is yet ready for mainstream implementation, it's good to know that the future looks bright even if we run out of fossil fuels to power our traditional light bulbs.

CONTACTS: “The emerging use of bioluminescence in medical research,” bit.ly/bioluminescence-med-research; “6 Bright Ideas for Bioluminescence Tech,” bit.ly/6-bright-ideas-bioluminescence.

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PARKS AND RECREATION

TUESDAY TIP

- Check out regional parks, countywide parks, dog parks, or local parks to enjoy hikes, picnics, bird watching and other activities available throughout Prince George's.
- The Department of Parks and Recreation also offer classes, performances, exhibits, fitness programs, trips and more among the many athletic fields, historic sites, community centers, and recreation facilities.
- Find your park and recreation opportunities by visiting bit.ly/pgparks.

This July, it's "Game On" outdoors and at recreation centers during Park and Recreation Month. Find your park or just learn about the various open spaces and recreation opportunities in your neighborhood.

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McDonald's from A1

to succeed—but we also know that no one can do it alone," said District of Columbia Attorney General Karl A. Racine. "That's why community partnerships like this one are so important, and I applaud McDonald's for investing in our young people and helping to knock down barriers they face on the path to success."

The expansion of Youth Opportunity follows a successful inaugural pilot in Chicago. After announcing the program last summer, McDonald's exceeded its goal and provided life skills training to over 4,200 young people to help reconnect them back into the workforce and education pathways. Upon completion of the program, 71%* of youth reported being engaged in education or employment, and approximately 150 are now working for local franchisees. Of those hired at McDonald's, many have gone on to take advantage of the Archways to Opportunity education program. This program provides eligible employees at participating U.S. restaurants an opportunity to earn a high school diploma, receive upfront college tuition assistance, access free education/ career advising services and learn English as a second language. Since 2015, the Archways to Opportunity education program has increased access to education for over 38,500 people and awarded over 58 million in high school and college tuition assistance.

"As we seek to better serve our customers through technology, such as mobile ordering and kiosks, and enhanced hospitality options like table service, we are creating opportunity for different skillsets deployed in different ways in our restaurants," said Kersey. "Pre-employment programs coupled with our existing training and education programs can have a powerful and lasting impact on the quality of service McDonald's customers ultimately experience, as well as benefitting the professional development and career progression of those who work in McDonald's restaurants."

"Every day, around the world, we see evidence that young people are our greatest resource and our greatest hope. Too often, though, they lack the opportunities needed to reach their full potential. At the International Youth Foundation, we know that pre-employment skills are a critical piece of the solution," said Susan Reichle, President & Chief Executive Officer of the International Youth Foundation. "We're proud to be partnering with McDonald's to deliver the Youth Opportunity pre-employment initiative—first with a successful pilot year in Chicago reaching 4,200 young people, and now in the Washington, D.C. metro area. I'm confident that the benefits of this program will impact young people, their families and communities, and the cities where we live."

*Percentages were collected from IYF and include results from Chicago participants who elected to share with the local organizations that collect education/employment data. Therefore, not all data sets add up to the total enrollment number.

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About Our Partners

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LAYC Career Academy engages and empowers young people between the ages of 16 and 24 by providing a college preparatory education, career training in high-growth occupations and/or college-credit classes. We prepare students with industry training while helping to award industry recognized certifications.

Latin American Youth Center's mission is to empower a diverse population of youth to achieve a successful transition to adulthood through multi-cultural, comprehensive, and innovative programs that address youths' social, academic, and career needs. LAYC serves over 5,000 youth and families through youth centers, school-based sites, and public charter schools in the District of Columbia and Maryland's Prince George's and Montgomery Counties as the Maryland Multi-cultural Youth Centers (MMYC).

Empower Women from A5

tion Challenge, encouraging participants to identify ways to increase energy efficiency on college campuses.

The second annual STEM Innovation Leadership Academy is a primary component of the Exelon Foundation's commitment to the UN Women's HeForShe initiative, which was created to foster a movement where men can become agents of change for gender equality. The second annual Academy is part of Exelon's three-year, \$3 million investment to encourage and support the involvement of young women in STEM.

"HeForShe is committed to mobilizing people of every gender identity and expression as advocates for gender equality," said Elizabeth Nyamayaro, Senior Advisor to Under Secretary-General, Executive Director of UN Women and Global Head of the HeForShe Movement. "We're proud to partner with Exelon for their STEM Innovation Leadership Academy in an effort to educate and empower young people to become leaders in fields that can make a global impact."

"The Exelon STEM Innovation and Leadership Academy is a creative, comprehensive, and effective approach to exposing young people—especially girls—to science, technology, engineering and mathematics in practical and exciting ways that allow them to see a future in these fields," said Maryland Governor Larry Hogan. "This event goes hand in hand with my proposed expansion of Maryland's Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) program, which Exelon has supported from the very beginning. I applaud you and appreciate the ongoing partnership."

In 2018, Exelon contributed \$13.7 million to education-related causes. In addition to the company's investment in STEM programs for young women and girls, Exelon's partnership with HeForShe also includes a commitment to improving the company's retention of women by 2020, with a goal of reaching parity in voluntary turnover of men and women professionals.

To learn more about Exelon's initiatives to promote gender equality and support the communities where its employees live and work, visit exeloncorp.com.

Exelon Corporation (NYSE: EXC) is a Fortune 100 energy company. Created by UN Women, the United Nations entity for gender equality and the empowerment of women, the HeForShe solidarity movement for gender equality provides a systematic approach and targeted platform where a global audience can engage and become change agents for the achievement of gender equality in our lifetime. Visit www.HeForShe.org/en.

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