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Lt. Governor Rutherford Honored With "Rutherford Area" Dedication at Rosaryville State Park



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Governor Larry Hogan honored Lt. Governor Boyd K. Rutherford with dedication of the "Rutherford Area" at Rosaryville State Park.

By BRITTANY MARSHALL
Office of Maryland Lt. Governor

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (Dec. 8, 2022)—In a surprise ceremony, Lt. Governor Boyd K. Rutherford was honored by Governor Larry Hogan, the Maryland Department of Natu-

ral Resources (DNR), and his family with the dedication of the "Rutherford Area" at Rosaryville State Park in Prince George's County. The 187-acre "Rutherford Area" is dedicated in recognition of the lieutenant governor's commitment to outdoor recreation and state parks, as well as his distin-

guished service and many contributions to the State of Maryland.

"Rosaryville State Park became the second visit on my State Park Bucket List jour-

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AT&T Dream in Black Announces Class of 2022 Rising Future Makers

25 HBCU students will receive 5G's (\$5,000) and mentorship opportunities to jumpstart their careers

By PRESS OFFICER
AT&T

DALLAS (Dec. 7, 2022)—What's the news? AT&T* Dream in Black is proud to announce its second Rising Future Makers Class. The 2022 class honors 25 students, all from Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), who are making a positive impact in their communities and on their campuses.

An extension of AT&T's Dream in Black Future Makers program, Rising Future Makers reflects AT&T's continued commitment to empower diverse communities and dedicate resources that foster economic growth and innovation, as well as help bridge the digital divide, which disproportionately impacts communities of color. With each class, AT&T will provide access to technology and resources that connect the students to a new world of possibilities.

The winning class will each receive \$5,000 presented by AT&T 5G, a 5G-enabled mobile phone with one year of AT&T service, among other gifts. They also will get professional workshop opportunities, including mentoring sessions with AT&T executives aimed at growing their network and furthering their career opportunities.

The selected honorees hail from 14 colleges and universities such as Florida A&M University, Hampton University, and North Carolina Central University and aspire to become entrepreneurs, lawyers, graphic designers, activists and more.

The AT&T Dream in Black Rising Future Makers Class of 2022:

- Bethune-Cookman University: Don'Neisha McFadden, junior
- Bowie State University: Jaivien Kendrick, junior
- Delaware State University: Tamon Frisby, senior
- Dillard University: Kalaya Me'Kenzie Jadi Sibley, senior
- Fayetteville State University: Iyana Marie Beachem, junior

- Fisk University: Kayla E. Willis, senior
- Florida A&M University: Amyia White, junior; Andre McClain, junior; Skylar Kennedy Warren, junior; Makira Burns, senior; Zachary C. Bell, senior
- Hampton University: Amber Anderson, senior; Sarah "Lee" Buckner, senior
- Howard University: Tariah Hyland, sophomore; Mia Bennett-Jones, junior; Rayna Carter, junior; Jordyn Allen, senior; Rachel Motley, senior
- Norfolk State University: Tiara C. Simms, senior
- North Carolina A&T State University: Nadiya McLean, senior
- North Carolina Central University: Christopher Johnson, sophomore
- Prairie View A&M University: Cyrai Young, freshman; Justin Lamar Collins, sophomore; Jocelynn Poppy Johnson, 1st year graduate student
- Xavier University of Louisiana: Nina Giddens, senior

How is AT&T supporting these 25 Future Makers?

The Dream in Black Rising Future Makers program is geared towards promoting young Black talent and ensuring they have access to the network and resources they need to realize greater possibility. The inaugural class of 2021 saw tremendous success from the program, and many have graduated to begin their careers in tech, law, health, and politics with connections made through the opportunity. Beyond the initial workshops and networking opportunities, AT&T continued to support the future makers with exposure to hands-on opportunities that would further their dreams, including broadcast segments alongside actress and content creator Tabitha Brown as well as participating in panel discussions with AT&T executives at the 2022 Essence Music Festival.

Current Rising Future Makers will participate in a development workshop available exclusively to the students, where they



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BOWIE, Md., Dec. 7, 2022: Bowie State University junior Jaivien Kendrick shares the impact of AT&T's Dream in Black Future Makers program. At right is Howard University senior Jordyn Allen.

can learn key tips on how to personally brand and pitch themselves to executive leaders. Within the experience, the inaugural class of Rising Future Makers and the 2022 class will be invited to attend networking opportunities and provide ongoing feedback, related to the program.

What are people saying?

"Since last year's launch of the Rising Future Makers program, we have seen a surge in how our audience has tapped into the conversation—quadrupling the number of applications received for this class," said Sabina Ahmed, assistant vice president, Media and Sponsorship, AT&T. "Through our collaboration with companies like Aux Cord Wars and our dedicated touchpoints at HBCUs across the country, we are excited about the continued potential of this initiative and look forward to supporting this next generation of leaders, providing them with the resources and connections they need to succeed."

To learn more, visit AT&T Dream in Black: <https://www.attdreaminblack.com/index.html>.

First Black Woman Judge in Prince George's County to Retire From the Bench

By PRESS OFFICER
Circuit Court for Prince George's County

UPPER MARLBORO, Md. (Dec. 9, 2022)—The Honorable Sheila R. Tillerson Adams will retire as the Chief and Administrative Judge of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County and Seventh Judicial Circuit of Maryland on December 31, 2022. Judge Adams has served as the Administrative Judge for 12 years.

Judge Adams was the first Black woman appointed by then Governor William Donald Schaefer to the District Court of Maryland in Prince George's County in June 1993. She served in that capacity for three years before she was elevated to the Circuit Court for Prince George's County by then Governor Parris Glendening in 1996. On September 4, 2010, following the Retirement of Judge William D. Missouri, then Maryland Court of Appeals Chief Judge Robert M. Bell appointed her as Administrative Judge of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County and the 7th Judicial Circuit of Maryland. Judge Adams began her legal career in 1982 and in 1984 became only the second Black female State's Attorney in Prince George's County, after being hired by then State's Attorney, Arthur M. "Bud" Marshall.

"I have thoroughly enjoyed serving as Chief and Administrative judge in Prince George's County, and I hope, during my tenure, the residents in the County have benefitted from having a fair forum for justice that provides efficient and innovative services," said Judge Adams. "I have led the Court through floods and fires that damaged Court facilities and even through a pandemic, and I am proud to say that we always overcame, persevered and thrived together."

While serving as Chief and Administrative Judge, Judge Adams created a vision statement to exemplify the Court's goals when pro-



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The Honorable Sheila R. Tillerson Adams

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Tom Dernoga Elected Chair of the Prince George's County Council

By PRESS OFFICERS
Prince George's County Council Media

The Prince George's County Council, during the Exchange of Gavel ceremony, held on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, elected District 1 Council Member Tom Dernoga to serve as Chair of the County Council for the 2023 Legislative Year. This will be Council Member Dernoga's third time serving as Council Chair. He previously served in Council leadership in 2006 and 2010. He also served as Vice Chair of the Council in 2005 and 2009. Council Member Dernoga, whose tenure on the Council has been noted for his leadership on environmental, historical and agricultural preservation issues, and smart growth, represents Councilmanic District 1.

District 6 Council Member Wala Blegay, was elected as Vice Chair to serve alongside Council Member Dernoga. They are committed to bringing government to the People. Their principal areas of focus will be:

- Transparency in Our Government
- Increasing Services for Residents
- Preserving our Green Space and Protecting Our Environment
- Supporting Smart and Quality Development for Our Com-

munity - quality development to support transit-oriented community and Bringing Amenities Closer to Residents

- Supporting Working Families: Supporting policies that bring financial growth for families
 - Increasing Opportunities for Local Minority Businesses and Nonprofits
 - Bringing Access to Quality Healthcare to Our Community
- Council Member Dernoga also announced the following members of his leadership team:
- Vice Chair Wala Blegay, Council District 6, will serve as Chair of the General Assembly (GA) committee.
 - Eric Olson, Council District 3, will serve as Chair of the Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy & Environment (TIEE) committee.
 - Jolene Ivey, Council District 5, will serve as Chair of the Planning, Housing & Economic Development (PHED) committee.
 - Krystal Oriadha, Council District 7, will chair the Health, Human Services & Public Safety (HHS) committee.
 - Ed Burroughs, Council District 8, will chair the Government Operations & Fiscal Policy (GOFP) committee.

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In & Around Morningside-Skyline by Mary McHale 301-735-3451

Remembering Pearl Harbor and the Mayor who was a Survivor

On December 7, 1941, Gerald August Glaubitz was a 21-year-old sailor stationed aboard the USS San Francisco in balmey Pearl Harbor. He had spent the evening before in Honolulu with friends, but early the morning of the 7th, word got around that all sailors were to report back to their ships.

Jerry, as we knew him, and his friends piled into his 1932 Graham-Paige roadster. They could already see black smoke and hear bombs falling. At the base, they were waved in. Jerry parked and ran to the ship. He never saw that car again.

More than 3,500 died at Pearl Harbor and 18 American ships were sunk or badly damaged.

But Jerry survived. A year later he was able to get shore leave and on December 23, 1942, he married his girlfriend, 17-year-old Jean Loree Quapp, at the American Lutheran Church in Lincoln, Nebraska.

He was honorably discharged from the Navy in December 1945 and went to work at the Naval Research Lab in Washington, as a civilian engineer. In August 1947 the young couple moved to Morningside. In 1961 Jerry was elected Mayor.

On December 7, 1991, the 50th year anniversary of Pearl Harbor, Jerry was back there, as National President of the Pearl Harbor Survivors. This time, Jean was with him, and they accompanied President and Mrs. George H.W. Bush to services aboard the Arizona Memorial.

More Pearl Harbor survivors

Back in 1991, when we were memorializing Pearl Harbor, there were others—three from Prince George's—who were Pearl Harbor Survivors: Frank L. Bartos of Camp Springs, William M. Canavan of Adelphi and Frederick Schroeder of Beltsville.

My Skyline Drive neighbor, the late Dorothy Carroll, also had a Pearl Harbor connection. Her brother, Dennis Russell Hartman USN survived the bombardment, only to be lost at sea on Jan. 11, 1943, during a fierce battle in the South Pacific. His ship, the Argonaut, was the largest submarine in action at that time and carried a crew of 102 men—all of whom were lost.

Town of Morningside

There is still time to donate a new toy, non-perishable food item or cash donation for three local families in need. You can bring your donation to the Morningside town hall Monday–Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. until Dec. 21.

Morningside holds its next Town Meeting Dec. 20, beginning at 7 p.m. For All Things Morningside, call 301-736-2300.

Jody Bowman Nyers emailed: "My family moved to Morningside when I was in the third grade, so we had many Christmases there until I graduated high school. But one of my most memorable was when I was about 10 years old, and my sister Tammy and I woke up to matching lime green bicycles. We were so thrilled that Santa left us brand new bikes. Many of our family lived in Morningside so we could not wait to jump on our new bikes and ride around to show them. That was 55 years ago, and I remember it as if it were yesterday."

As for me, among the things I miss about Christmas in Morningside (and Skyline): Santa and the Morningside Sportsman cruising the community, siren blaring, collecting canned goods for those in need, while Sportsmen offspring did the running up to the houses to get the cans of beans and corn and tuna. (Hey, Sportsman, who was usually Santa? I've forgotten. I'd like to honor him for his Santa years.)

Email your Morningside Christmas memories to muddmm@gmail.com.

Changing landscape

RFK Stadium opened in 1961 as DC Stadium and was renamed in honor of Senator Robert F. Kennedy in 1969. After serving as a sports and concert venue until 2019, the stadium closed to the public and is being demolished. Its orange wooden seats with the shared armrest are currently being sold for \$499. Single seats available for \$399. The burgundy and gold seats from the upper deck will be sold next year.

Starting July 1, D.C. will eliminate fares on Metrobus, allowing patrons to board free.

For the sixth winter in seven years, below-average snow is due to fall in the Metro area. That's not fair! I'm a Michigander and I want snow!

A home at 4421 Ridgecrest Drive, in Skyline, just sold for \$295,000.

Places to go and things to do this holiday season

The outdoor train display at the Botanic Garden in D.C. will be running in the outdoor gated gardens until Jan. 2.

The Snowy Winter Wonderland will hold its Festival of Lights Dec. 15–18 and Dec. 21–23, 6 to 10 p.m., at Regency Furniture Stadium, 11765 Linus Drive in Waldorf. There'll be light displays, music, photo ops, vendors and food trucks, Santa and the Grinch. Tickets are \$12, \$7 for ages 3 to 15, photos with Santa, \$10. Info: <https://snowywinterwonderland.com>.

Shelter animals need toys, treats and leashes

Prince George's Animal Shelter is running low on enrichment items—toys and treats, critter supplies, supplies for their kennels, and leashes for volunteers and staff.

You can go on bit.ly/pgcanimalshelterdonations for a list of items needed and how to make a monetary donation. All items can be sent to their facility at 3750 Brown Station Road, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772. Or you can drop donations at that address during regular open hours: Tues.–Fri., 10 a.m.–4 p.m. and Sat., 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Donation bins are in the front lobby.

Neighbors & other good people

The #2 Democrat in the House of Representatives, Steny Hoyer, is stepping down from his leadership in this, his fifth decade on the job. Easily reelected in November, he plans to stay in House for the coming term. The Washington Post refers to him as "a beloved, admired giant on Capitol Hill." And he's a graduate of Suitland High School.

Kathleen Alice Barry "Kathy" Collins, who attended La Reine High School and American University, died Oct. 22. She was retired after 37 years with the Treasury Dept. She was a former Miss Montgomery County and Miss Maryland finalist and volunteered with the Miss America Pageant. She was predeceased by daughter Tiffanie and active with

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Brandywine-Aquasco

by Audrey Johnson 301-922-5384

CONGRATULATIONS TO TODD JOHNSON

Congratulations to Todd Johnson who lives in Brandywine, Maryland for accepting the position of First Vice President of the Brandywine North Keys Civic Association. Todd presented very well in his presentation speech as to why he would work for the good of the community.

BOWIE STATE UNIVERSITY

Allison Seymour, an Emmy award-winning anchor at WUSA TV 9 News, will address over 400 graduates at Bowie State University's Fall Commencement ceremony on December 22, 9 a.m. at the Leonidas S. James Physical Education Complex. She currently anchors WUSA's early morning show Get up DC.

Seymour began her career in television on the ABC News Washington Bureau. Her first on-air job was in Upstate New York in 1993. In 1998, she accepted an anchor position in St. Louis, Missouri but returned home to D.C. and began a 21 year career with WTTG FOX until she departed the station in 2020 for CBS affiliate WUSA TV 9.

Seymour is a fixture in greater metropolitan D.C., active in community events, a member of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. She earned her bachelor's degree in Mass Media from Hampton University and a master's in Mass Communication from the University of South Carolina. MEDIA CONTACT: David Thompson, dthompson@bowiestate.edu, 301-860-4311.

WOODVILLE COLORED SCHOOL NO.1

When the Prince George's County Board of School Commissioners took over the administration of Black schools in 1872, the building known as the John Wesley School became Woodville Colored School No.1, in Election District 8. Richard Douglas, James Gray and Walter Thomas were appointed by the Board as trustees of the county-run "colored school".

On May 11, 1877, the Board of School Commissioners instructed its treasurer to take the necessary steps, "for construction of the new "colored" school at Woodville. The newly constructed building was a one-room, wood frame structure with a 33 desk capacity, blackboards and a coal stove. The new "colored" school at Woodville would serve its Black residents continuously for the next 57 years.

Patrons of the Woodville school are on record as having first appeared before the Board on March 7, 1916, to petition for an addition to their one room building. Their request for improvements was repeated without success until February 10, 1931. On that day, Woodville patrons appeared before the Board and requested construction of a new three-room building

at a cost of \$6,000. On March 10, the Board finally recommended that the legislative "grant authority for a bond issue for the Aquasco school."

A new school was constructed in 1934 on two-and-one-half acres purchased by the Board. It remained in operation until 1955. The following year, the building was sold to St. John's Commander #373 as a meeting for Black Catholics in the Aquasco area. Information received from Historical Document provided by Prince George's County Public Schools.

LET'S CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS TOGETHER

Let's Celebrate Christmas together is a community event. "Jesus is the reason for the season" on Christmas Eve Saturday, December 24, 2022, at St. Philip's Church Baden with Rev. Tyrone Johnson. The church address is 13801 Baden Westwood Road, Brandywine, Maryland.

We will be having Holy Eucharist Service at 10 a.m. with you, me, the children and all. Followed by Brunch with Christmas music, movies, family pictures, games, fun and cheer. RSVP with numbers eating and for food accountability to 301-888-1536. Come on out and have fun with us.

UPLIFT: INSPIRATIONAL DANCE FESTIVAL

The Uplift Inspirational Dance Festival Sunday, February 19, 2023, 4–5 p.m. will be held at Prince George's Public Playhouse, 5445 Landover Road, Hyattsville, Maryland. Local dancers share their artistic voice with healing, comfort, and gratitude. This festival is for all ages. Tickets: \$20/person, \$15/person for seniors, students, and groups of 20 or more. Purchase tickets on PARKS DIRECT.

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Arts on a Roll has been rolling out to the community since 2015. We started by providing a few small group visual arts workshops out of a mini-van a couple of times a year. Now we offer up to 80 workshops and events annually and continue to grow.

We are providing limited in-person as well as virtual programming as we continue to observe COVID-19 precautions. Reach out to find out more about by emailing Arts.onaroll@pgparks.com or complete our Event Inquiry Form.

Around the County



COURTESY PYRAMID ATLANTIC

Hoopties & Hoagies, 16x20", Hand Cut Paper.

Pyramid Atlantic Exhibition: PASTPORTS Cut Paper Landscapes by Rosa Leff

Rosa Leff's PASTPORTS Opens Dec. 17

HYATTSVILLE, Md. (Dec. 8, 2022)—In her meticulously hand-cut streetscapes, Rosa Leff explores changing cities and the concept of time. Her subject matter is drawn from photos she took during her travels, including the destinations of Japan, China, Puerto Rico, and the U.S.

Leff will exhibit work she made pre-pandemic based on these images alongside new work based on photos from the same travels. With a post-lockdown eye, she has discovered new details in the source material that were seemingly insignificant before and are now beautifully intriguing.

PASTPORTS opens Saturday, Dec. 17 with an opening reception from 6–8 pm (RSVPs requested). The exhibition runs through January 29, 2023 in Pyramid's Helen C. Frederick Gallery. The reception and exhibition are free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Wed–Thu, 10–8 p.m. and Fri–Sun, 10–6 p.m. (note: Pyramid will be closed December 25–January 1). Pyramid is located at 4318 Gallatin Street, Hyattsville Maryland 20781. For more information and an RSVP link, visit pyramidatlantic.org or call 301-608-9101.

"What I love about cities is that they're always changing. Businesses come and go. Neighborhoods become trendy. Others fall into disrepair. Offices are torn down. Condos go up. And even when things seem to stay the same, the people change. These changes become part of the background of our lives and we may not really even notice them. But when one has the opportunity to return to a place they once loved after a long time there's the feeling that everything, all of it, is different," remarks Leff.

The exhibition contains a mix of work Leff made in her pre-lockdown travels and new work from the same photo source material. "These recent papercuts reveal the things I was unable to see before. In a photo of a busy market scene I discovered a man making eye contact with my camera, likely thinking that I was attempting to take his picture. In another I discovered a pigeon sitting watch over a crowded intersection. Each of these seemingly insignificant details combines to make a street a street. Nothing lasts forever, and memories fade, but in that beautiful blur that is nostalgia there is more to be discovered."

Leff's work is hand cut with an exacto knife from one sheet of paper. Her cityscapes are based on photos she's taken in her neighborhood and all over the world. While Leff is best known for her ability to capture thin tangles of powerlines and intricate brickwork, she also enjoys experimenting with novel media such as paper plates and paper towels. Leff delights in bringing a modern, urban perspective to a traditional folk medium. Between painting alongside her grandmother and watching her father build reproduction antique furniture, Leff grew up seeing no distinction between fine art and craft.

Currently based in Baltimore, Leff has a BA with concentrations in art history and Spanish from Sarah Lawrence College and MS in elementary education from University of Pennsylvania. She was apprenticed to Alejandro Cordobés at Instituto Superior De Arte in Havana, Cuba. She exhibits nationally and internationally and her work is in the permanent collections of The Colored Girls' Museum in Philadelphia and the Museum of International Folk Art in Sante Fe.

This exhibition is made possible in part through support from Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Department of Parks and Recreation, Prince George's County and the Maryland Department of Commerce.

Founded in 1981, Pyramid Atlantic is a nonprofit contemporary art center fostering the creative disciplines of papermaking, printmaking, and book arts within a collaborative community. We equip, educate, and exhibit in our historic Hyattsville home. Our vision is to create an artistic hub in Hyattsville that inspires and enables local, national, and international artists to create and innovate in our core disciplines; elevates the local arts and small business scene; and enhances the quality of life for artists and neighbors. We value artistic excellence, infrastructure for artists, hands-on experiences, and collaboration.

Student Winners of the Maryland Judiciary's 17th Annual Conflict Resolution Day Bookmark Art Contest Are Honored by the Judiciary

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (Dec. 7, 2022)—On Monday [Dec. 5], the Maryland Judiciary's Mediation and Conflict Resolution Office (MACRO) held its 17th annual bookmark art contest and announced 10 student winners and 15 honorable mentions from schools throughout Maryland. Students were asked to create bookmarks on the theme of preventing or resolving conflicts peacefully. Contest winners in kindergarten through eighth grade were announced at an awards ceremony and reception for students and parents hosted by MACRO featuring Court of Appeals of Maryland Chief Judge Matthew J. Fader.

"It is my first time hosting this wonderful event as chief judge and it is an honor and a privilege to meet the students and their families to congrat-

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COMMUNITY

Alcohol and Drug-Related Traffic Fatalities Decrease in Metropolitan-Washington

New data also shows increase in alcohol-related injuries, crashes and arrests

By ALEXANDRA LUCCHESI
WRAP

WASHINGTON (Dec. 6, 2022)—The number of alcohol and drug-related traffic fatalities decreased by 10-percent between 2020 and 2021 in the metropolitan Washington area, according to the 30th-annual “How Safe Are Our Roads?” report prepared by the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) for the nonprofit Washington Regional Alcohol Program (WRAP).

Meanwhile, the number of alcohol-related injuries, crashes, and arrests all increased during the same period.

The ten-percent decrease in fatalities is the lowest recorded for the region in a half-decade, countering national early estimates from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) showing an increase of five-percent in fatalities in “police-reported, alcohol involvement crashes.”

“We are grateful to see the progress made in the number of fatalities in our region but there is still a lot of work to

do” said WRAP President Kurt Erickson. “We are still averaging 28 DUI arrests and 10 drunk driving crashes every single day.”

Overall traffic fatalities in the area increased over 17-percent during the COVID-impacted 2020–2021 period.

“The timing of this report is poignant as we enter the holiday season, a time of year when we see increases in impaired driving” said COG Police Chiefs Committee Chair and Laurel Police Chief Russell E. Hamill, III. “Around this time, we see as many as nearly half

of all traffic deaths involve drunk drivers.”

Findings from the report include:

- **Fatalities:** Regional alcohol and/or drug-impaired traffic fatalities decreased by 10-percent between 2020 and 2021 (from 95 to 85 such fatalities).
- **Injuries:** Regional alcohol and/or drug-related traffic injuries increased by over 17-percent between 2020 and 2021 (from 1,298 to 1,522 such injuries).
- **Crashes:** Regional traffic crashes at-

tributed to alcohol and/or drugs increased by over 14-percent between 2020 and 2021 (from 3,292 to 3,739 such crashes).

• **Arrests:** Local arrests for either driving under the influence (DUI) or driving while impaired (DWI) increased by 3.7-percent between 2020 and 2021 (from 9,882 to 10,248).

In addition, nearly one-quarter (24.9%) of Greater Washington’s traffic fatalities last year involved impaired drivers.

First Bilingual Interactive (Yoruba-English) Sound Book for Children Released by Author, Dr. Taiye Ayoola-Adedeji

By PRESS OFFICER
YORTONES™

BOWIE, Md. (Dec. 6, 2022)—The Yoruba Sound Book for Children was created and released as the first of its kind in the YORTONES™ book series by author Dr. Taiye Ayoola-Adedeji. This sound book is a bilingual book with the Yoruba words translated in English in written and verbal form. This added benefit is for young children who are still developing language skills and actively learning by hearing, reading, writing, and reciting songs, all of which are a part of the multi-dimensional book authored by Dr. Ayoola-Adedeji. With the inclusion of Yoruba pronunciations and

English translations, this book is for anyone who wants to enjoy the process of learning an African language.

The bilingual educational book includes basic concepts such as numbers, colors, days of the week, animals, foods, body parts, greetings and so much more. The book’s vibrant images, soothing voice-over, cultural songs, fun puzzles and quizzes are included to ensure that readers remain engaged learning the Yoruba language. Dr. Ayoola-Adedeji said, “I was inspired to create The Yoruba Sound Book for Children so that my own children could easily learn the Yoruba language and appreciate their rich cultural heritage. As a mother, I under-

stand how challenging it can be to teach children a new language and I wanted to make that process interactive and fun. That’s why I worked on creating an educational and interactive bilingual book like The Yoruba Sound Book for Children that can be used by different age groups. This book is a great resource for those who want to learn or teach the Yoruba language or even for those who want an interactive book to reinforce basic English concepts for children.”

In creating the book, Dr. Ayoola-Adedeji’s goals expanded beyond ensuring that her own children appreciate and value their rich cultural heritage. Millions of Nigerians, many of whom are from the Yoruba ethnic group, mi-

grate and live in large communities found in the United States and abroad. An estimated 600,000 to 1,000,000 Nigerians contribute to the rich fabric of this nation’s landscape. Given these statistics, Dr. Ayoola-Adedeji’s desire to share the richness of the Yoruba language and culture within the United States and globally is realized through the release of this book. The Yoruba Sound Book for Children is available for purchase online at YORTONES on Amazon, or at Walmart.

Dr. Taiye Ayoola-Adedeji earned her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Maryland, School of Pharmacy, a top institution in the U.S. She is the Author

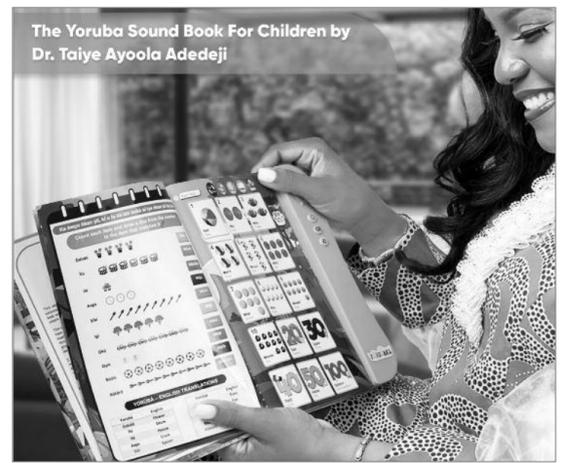


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Dr. Ayoola-Adedeji with The Yoruba Sound Book for Children

of the innovative educational bilingual book titled, *The Yoruba Sound Book for Children* and she is passionate about preserving and promoting the Yoruba language and culture. She lives in Maryland with her husband and children. In ad-

dition to spending time with family and friends, she enjoys reading, writing, listening to music, traveling, and actively teaching others the Yoruba language via her YORTONES platform on social media.

Salisbury University, University of Bucharest Students Partner for International Class Negotiation Competition

By JASON RHODES
Salisbury University

SALISBURY, Md. (Dec. 6, 2022)—Cultural differences can play a major part in international negotiations.

That was one of the lessons Salisbury University students learned during the second Cross-Atlantic Negotiation Competition, a joint online venture between SU’s Franklin P. Perdue School of Business and the University of Bucharest School of Law.

Dr. E. Patrick McDermott, professor of management and law in the Perdue School, established the event after teaching at the University of Bucharest as a Fulbright Scholar during the 2018–19 academic year.

Professor Adriana Almasan at the University of Bucharest and McDermott paired students SU’s Management 454: Negotiation class with counterparts

in Almasan’s law school negotiation course to maximize the cultural experience.

Following a week of preparation, the two-person teams engaged with others in real-time negotiations representing a fictional vaccine supplier and distributor. Students said the experience was demanding—in a good way.

“It’s challenging connecting with your Romanian partner,” said Sergio Nazzaro, a business management major from Dunkirk, MD. Beyond the time difference—which posed its own obstacles—getting to know a new partner’s negotiating style with limited time to acclimate to one another was a new experience, he said.

“Working with people from different cultures is an eye-opening experience,” said Alexis Strom, a business management major from Severna Park, MD, adding she thought

the interactions she navigated would prove useful in her chosen field of human resources.

For some students, the exercise allowed them to expand their comfort zones when it came to the art of business.

Chloe Dize, a marketing major from Salisbury, noted that during the semester-long negotiation assignments, “Sometimes tensions got high. You learn a lot about yourself and how you react to certain situations.”

“You learn a lot about how to communicate with people to reach a common goal,” agreed Steven Kalamets, a business management major from Middletown, MD.

Kaylynn Boswell, a management major from Brandywine, MD, hopes to use the skills she learned in McDer-

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Association for the Public Defender of Maryland (APDM) Receives Grant From CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield to Connect Justice-Involved Youth in Prince George’s County With Behavioral Health Services

By PRESS OFFICER
Maryland Office of the Public Defender

(Dec. 5, 2022)—The Association for the Public Defender of Maryland (APDM) was [recently] awarded over \$450,000 from CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield (CareFirst) for the Justice-Involved Youth Behavioral Health Access Project. This three-year grant will increase access to services and improve wellness for justice-involved youth in Prince George’s County through screening, assessment, planning, ongoing support, and referrals to appropriate behavioral health treatment and community-based services. It is a collaboration between APDM, CareFirst, and the Maryland Office of the Public Defender (OPD).

“Far too often, children in Prince George’s County get swept into the juvenile justice system due to an unaddressed behavioral health issue,”

said District Public Defender for Prince George’s County Melissa Pryce. “This grant will provide dedicated resources to ensure that our young clients are connected with community-based treatment services that will address their needs, rather than exacerbating their underlying issues with incarceration.”

The Justice-Involved Youth Behavioral Health Access Project is part of a larger \$7.9 million grant investment from CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield (CareFirst), the largest not-for-profit health plan in the mid-Atlantic region, to improve behavioral health outcomes for youth across its service areas in the region.

“CareFirst recognizes that behavioral health is an essential part of overall health, which in-

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COMMENTARY

Marc Morial

President and CEO, National Urban League



To Be Equal:

The Challenges Maryland's First Black Governor Overcame Inspired His Mission to Combat Poverty and Racism

"A campaign based on championing equal opportunity, compassion for the incarcerated, education for all children, and hope in the future can not only win, but prove infectious enough to spread across the country. Wes Moore's victory has recaptured some of the magic that has been lost in our politics in the tumult of the past few years. Hopefully, this is just the beginning."

—Peniel E. Joseph

The 2022 midterm elections resulted in groundbreaking wins for historically marginalized groups of Americans. Massachusetts and Oregon elected the first openly lesbian governors in the nation. Florida is sending the first member of "Generation

Z," the post-millennial generation, to Congress. And Wes Moore was elected the first Black governor of Maryland, and only the third Black governor elected in U.S. history.

Moore will be the sixth Black governor to serve, but only two before him were elected: L. Douglas Wilder of Virginia in 1990 and Deval Patrick of Massachusetts in 2007. David Patterson became the first Black governor of New York upon the resignation of Eliot Spitzer in 2008. The other two served in my home state of Louisiana during the Reconstruction Era. Oscar Dunn took over as acting governor when Henry Clay Warmoth was injured in 1871. Upon Dunn's death and Warmoth's impeachment, P.B.S. Pinchback became

the state's second Black governor in 1872.

Moore's running mate, Aruna Miller, who immigrated from India at age 7, will be the first woman of color and first immigrant to serve as Maryland's lieutenant governor.

The details of Moore's resume may read like a wish list for aspiring political candidates: Rhodes scholar, combat veteran, anti-poverty activist, and best-selling author. But his rise was an improbable one—a sad reality that has informed his mission to eliminate child poverty and the racial wealth gap.

When Moore was only 3-years-old, his father collapsed and died of a virus just hours after failing to receive appropriate treatment at a Maryland hospital. Moore soon moved with his mother and two sisters into his grandparents' home in the East Bronx, then in the throes of the mid-1980s crack epidemic. Reluctant to send Moore to the neighborhood school—one of the first in the city to employ metal detectors—his mother worked several jobs to send him to an exclusive private school.

Moore struggled to find an identity between the racially-diverse, working-class neighborhood of his home and the mostly-white, wealthy environment of his school, and acted out. Determined not to "lose him to the streets—or mediocrity," his mother said, she enrolled him at Valley Forge Military Academy. Her decision changed the direction of his life, putting him on the path to academic success, distinguished military service, and a passion for social justice.

Moore placed racial equity at the center of his campaign, calling for police accountability, prison reform, access to education and health care, and making sure that fixing procurement policies provide opportunities for minority- and women-owned businesses.

I am proud to serve on the Advisory Council for Ninety-To-Zero, the economic justice initiative Moore helped to launch. Named for the dramatic 90% wealth gap between white and Black America, brings together business leaders and executives from all sectors of the economy who are committed to eliminating that gap.

As CEO of the anti-poverty organization Robin Hood Foundation, Moore raised more than \$650 million, directing COVID-19 relief to the hardest-hit communities and creating a new initiative to fund and support nonprofit leaders of color.

He will lead the state of Maryland with the same commitment and innovative spirit. His plans include free pre-K, investments in apprenticeship and trade programs, diversifying school faculties, and confronting racial discrimination in housing appraisals.

"We got into this race with a clear idea that we as a state just have to move faster, that we have to be bold and deliberate about how we meet this moment, how we meet the challenges that we've seen throughout the state," Moore said. "It's been very encouraging to see that people in the state feel the same."

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ney after my visit on Earth Day 2019; so it holds a special significance to me, and now more so after this great honor of the Rutherford Area," said Lt. Governor Rutherford. "I am truly humbled to receive this recognition with my family in attendance. My hope is that this area will be a place where all Marylanders can enjoy our state's natural beauty, create lifelong memories, and understand the need to protect our natural resources."

"The Lieutenant Governor has brought awareness and attention to Maryland's 76 incredible state parks,

and we have consistently increased funding for the Maryland Park Service every year of the Hogan-Rutherford administration," said Governor Hogan. "Lt. Governor Rutherford has been such a great friend, a partner to me through challenges neither of us could have predicted, and has been such a tireless advocate for Marylanders in need. For decades to come, all Marylanders and visitors to Rosaryville State Park will be able to reflect on his legacy and many contributions to our state."

In 2020, Governor Hogan and the Board of Public Works authorized DNR to acquire the 187-acre parcel at Rosaryville State Park, now known

as "Rutherford Area." The land expands urban outdoor recreation opportunities with multi-use trails, and conserves an important natural area in Prince George's County by providing water quality protection for the western branch of the Potomac River.

"The Department of Natural Resources is pleased to honor Lt. Governor Rutherford for his strong and unwavering support of Maryland's public lands and outdoor recreation," said DNR Secretary Jeannie Haddaway-Riccio. "Rosaryville State Park is a unique gem in our park system, providing almost 1,000 acres of natural landscapes

and outdoor recreation opportunities in the Washington Metropolitan Area, and the 'Rutherford Area' is a wonderful addition."

Last month, Lt. Governor Rutherford completed his State Park Bucket List at the opening of the 76th state park, Sideling Hill Creek State Park in Western Maryland. Under his leadership, in fiscal year 2023, the administration secured 20-year record funding for Maryland State Parks.

The lieutenant governor's state park visits are documented on the State Park Bucket List website: <https://governor.maryland.gov/ltgovernor/2689-2/>.

Judge from A1

viding judicial services: "The Circuit Court Welcomes All—A Forum for Justice." The statement has undergirded every initiative, program and goal throughout the Court.

Under Judge Adams' leadership, the Problem-Solving Courts was expanded to further assist youth and adults facing a myriad of challenges. The Veterans, Re-Entry, Truancy Reduction, Juvenile Diversion and Back on Track Courts were established to help people who have served in the military, people who struggle with substance issues, students with truancy struggles and the formerly incarcerated succeed in life. Through counseling, rehabilitation services and intense monitoring, these programs are changing lives for the better daily.

Judge Adams also focused on providing resources and assistance to survivors of elder abuse, sexual assault, domestic violence and sex trafficking with the creation of the Prince George's County Family Justice Center (PGCFJC), an initiative of the Circuit Court. The Center has served County residents in need of assistance even throughout the global pandemic. With more than 21 on-site partners, the PGCFJC provides a full array of co-located services through a coordinated, collaborative and hope-centered advocacy model. Local government and private community-based organizations work together and efficiently meet survivors' needs.

As the pandemic continued for nearly three years, Judge Adams led the way in enhancing the Court's

technological advancements and accessibility to the public. More hearings and trials were held virtually, and litigants were even able to access Zoom links via a website that provided all the information they needed to attend judicial proceedings. Health and safety protocols were maintained in the Courthouse for the protection of the staff and public that we serve.

Security is also Judge Adams' priority. She led the way for the design and construction of a security checkpoint near the Courthouse. Delivery vehicles are now required to go through an extensive search at the checkpoint by the Prince George's County Sheriff's Office K-9 Team to determine if there are any hazardous or explosive materials inside any of the vehicles.

Another security measure that Judge Adams developed was to create a Security Command Center complete with IT workers who monitor hundreds of security cameras throughout the Courthouse Complex. The Center has the capability of being monitored by designated Court officials 24/7. This is a state-of-the-art Center that provides the Court with maximum security and thorough observation capabilities of the entire Courthouse Complex. This initiative was extremely important to enhance security measures, which is one Judge Adams' primary goals.

Once the pandemic restrictions were lifted, Judge Adams moved on to her next focus, which was the implementation of a new case management system called Maryland Electronic Courts (MDEC). Her goal was to transition Court operations to an elec-

tronic system that is nearly paperless.

With MDEC, attorneys are required to utilize electronic filing when representing clients in civil and criminal cases. Electronic filing is optional for self-represented litigants. Employees also can access files virtually via the online system instead of having to hunt down paper files. After years of planning and training sessions, MDEC went live successfully in Prince George's County on October 17, 2022.

Overall, Judge Adams has made tenacity her mantra. She has utilized technology to modernize the Court's capital improvement to make it a dignified space to resolve disputes and collaborated with many justice partners throughout the County to provide enhanced judicial services. A fearless and bold leader, Judge Adams' tenure and leadership will continue to impact Prince George's County and the legal system for years to come.

Judge Adams was born in Washington, D.C. She graduated cum laude from Morgan State University in May 1979 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology. She received her Juris Doctor Degree from Howard University School of Law in May 1982 and in May 1987, she received a Master of Laws in Taxation from Georgetown University Law Center. She was admitted to the Maryland Bar in June 1983, the Federal Bar in July 1983 and the Supreme Court in May 1992.

Judge Adams is a member of the J. Franklyn Bourne Bar Association, and she served as President in 1991. She is also a member of the Maryland State Bar Association, the Prince George's County Bar

Association, the National Bar Association, the Women's Bar Association of Maryland, the American Bar Association, the Maryland Circuit Judge's Association, and the National Association of Women Judges.

Judge Adams co-chairs the Law Links Committee of the Prince George's County Bar Association and has done so since 1993. Law Links is a paid summer internship program with local law firms and legal departments in the County that is committed to broadening the possibilities of young people. It combines a work experience with a law and leadership institute. All participants in the program are Prince George's County high school students.

Throughout her career, Judge Adams has received many awards and honors. Most recently, the J. Franklyn Bourne Bar Association presented Judge Adams with the Wayne K. Curry Spirit of Excellence Award for her trailblazing leadership. In May 2022, she was awarded the 2022 Gladys Noon Spellman Public Service Award at the 37th Annual Prince George's County Women's History Month Celebration. Also, in April 2022, the Prince George's County Commission for Women presented Judge Adams with the 2022 Trailblazing Woman Award for her extraordinary legal career and achievements.

Judge Adams is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated and the Mount Rose Chapter of the Links, Inc. She has two surviving children that are away in college and is married to Mayor Timothy J. Adams, and they reside in Bowie, Maryland.

Salisbury from A3

mott's class—including lessons from the competition—following her anticipated graduation from SU in May. She already has been offered a job focusing on procurement and negotiating skills.

In addition to negotiation skills, the exercise also taught students about licensing and other business issues that intersect with the law, McDermott said. Student Heather MacMaster of Sykesville, MD, said the competition also incorporated facets of her major: psychology.

"It was cool to have my eyes opened to a different culture, especially with something as universal as negotiating," she said.

Students from the University of Bucharest also found the exercise helpful.

"I feel like it was more than a negotiation session ... we also had the experience of intercultural bonding," said participant Melisa Gun. "It was great to have an insight into how culture plays a huge role in negotiations. It was an amazing experience."

Fellow student Andreea Nedelcu agreed: "It was an enriching experience. The fact that we managed to avoid the cross-cultural pitfalls played an essential role in reaching an agreement."

"With the help of the coordinating teachers, the different nationalities and mentalities blended perfectly, resulting in balanced and competitive teams negotiating both styles—American and Romanian—in a friendly atmosphere," said student Ioana Buchur.

Almasan noted the benefits of the experience to all participants, especially in an increasingly expanding world of business and law.

"This negotiation exercise abundantly proves its educational and professional value," she said. "Stressing the importance of cross-cultural negotiation in the current globalization environment [unveils] the students' complex negotiation abilities as well as the fun in learning negotiation."

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Behavioral from A3

cludes a continuum of conditions ranging from severe mental health disorders to the emotional, psychological, and social factors that affect a person's overall wellbeing," said Dr. Destiny-Simone Ramjohn, Vice President of Community Health and Social Impact for CareFirst. "We are proud to invest in 19 dynamic organizations who will minimize behavioral health disparities among young people and dramatically increase the number of trained health professionals that provide culturally responsive and trauma-informed behavioral health care."

This is the second partnership between APDM, OPD, and CareFirst. CareFirst previously supported an initiative in Frederick and Washington Counties to connect OPD adult clients with an opioid use disorder with community-based treatment services. "APDM is proud to work with CareFirst and OPD to address the unmet mental health and substance abuse needs of justice involved individuals," said Johanna Leshner, APDM's Co-Executive Director. "When public health issues are addressed through the criminal justice system, public defenders are uniquely able to successfully intervene."

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Social Security Matters

Ask Rusty:

Will My Wife's Benefit Change My Claiming Decision?

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Dear Rusty: I'll be 69 in April 2023, and my wife will be 59 later this month. I'm still working and am trying to determine whether I should take Social Security at 69 or 70. My main question revolves around my wife's future Social Security benefits and how they will affect my decision on whether to start mine at 69 or 70. I would like to know how to map this all out. **Signed: Waiting but Wondering**

Dear Waiting: Since you're now 68 and not yet collecting benefits, you have been (since you were 66) earning Delayed Retirement Credits (DRCs) which will result in an increased personal Social Security benefit for as long as you delay claiming, up to age 70 when your maximum benefit is reached. If you claim at age 69, your benefit will be 24% more than it would have been at your full retirement age (FRA) of 66; if you wait until age 70 to claim your benefit will be 32% more than it would have been at 66 (8% additional benefit for waiting that extra year).

Your wife's future spousal benefit while you are both living (if she is entitled to one) will be based on your age 66 amount, not the higher amount you will get because you waited to claim. But your wife's benefit as your surviving widow will be based on the amount you were actually receiving at your death, not on your age 66 amount. So, if your goal is to maximize your younger wife's benefit as your widow, then waiting until you are 70 to claim your benefit will do that. Keep in mind that your wife's surviving spouse benefit will be affected by her own age when she claims. If she has reached her own full retirement age of 67 when she claims, she will get the maximum survivor benefit available to her. Claimed at age 67 while you are both living, her spouse benefit will be 50% of your age 66 benefit amount, if that is more than she is personally entitled to on her own. If you die first and your wife claims her survivor benefit at or after age 67, she will get 100% of the benefit you were receiving at your death instead of her own smaller benefit. But if she claims her survivor benefit before reaching her own FRA of 67, that benefit will be actuarially reduced according to the number of months prior to her FRA it is claimed. Note your wife can wait to claim her survivor benefit until it reaches maximum at her full retirement age.

So, to recap: Your wife's spousal benefit while you are living will be based on your age 66 amount and her age when she claims it, and your wife's benefit as your widow will be based on 100% of what you are getting when you die and her age when she claims it. The maximum benefit for your wife in either case is attained when she reaches her FRA (67) but claimed earlier will be reduced. And you waiting until age 70 to claim will maximize your wife's benefit as your widow.

Finally, since you are still working, you should know that if your current earnings are among the highest of your lifetime, you will still get credit for those earnings even after you start collecting your Social Security benefits. Your SS benefit when you claim will be based on the highest-earning 35 years over your lifetime (adjusted for inflation), but SS will monitor your earnings each year to see if a benefit increase is warranted because your current earnings are higher than any used in originally computing your benefit amount.

The 2.4 million member Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC] www.amac.us is a vibrant, vital senior advocacy organization that takes its marching orders from its members. AMAC Action is a non-profit, non-partisan organization representing the membership in our nation's capital and in local Congressional Districts throughout the country. And the AMAC Foundation (www.AmacFoundation.org) is the Association's non-profit organization, dedicated to supporting and educating America's Seniors. Together, we act and speak on the Association members' 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 www.amac.us/join-amac.

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Hospice of the Chesapeake Announces New Board Members

By ELYZABETH MARCUSSEN
Hospice of the Chesapeake

PASADENA, Md. (Dec. 5, 2022)—Several prominent members of the community recently were appointed to the boards of directors of Hospice of the Chesapeake and its foundation.

John Belcher, Shelly Gross-Wade, Greg Kernan and Richard Wilder were elected to the Hospice of the Chesapeake Inc., Board.

Belcher is founder and CEO of JMCB Enterprise Solutions, Gross-Wade is president and CEO of the Prince George's Financial Services Corporation, Kernan is vice chair of the Calvert County Planning

Commission and past-president of Calvert Hospice, and Wilder is managing director of A. Neumann & Associates.

Amy Castleberry, Liz Freedlander, Maria Colucciello, Pat Taylor, Gene Deems and Peggy McKelly were elected to the Hospice of the Chesapeake Foundation Board.

Castleberry is managing director of Ziegler Investment Banking, Freedlander is the former executive director of Talbot Hospice, Colucciello is a dentist with West Annapolis Family Dentistry, Taylor is president of All Green Management, Deems is retired after serving as eGov and digital services manager for the Maryland Department of Natural Resources and McK-

elly is retired after holding a number of executive positions with Computer Sciences Corporation.

Headquartered in Pasadena, Maryland, with local office in each county it serves, the nonprofit provides hospice and supportive care as well as grief services to residents of Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles and Prince George's counties. Hospice of the Chesapeake is honored to welcome these new board members in support of our mission.

Caring for life throughout the journey with illness and loss is the mission of Hospice of the Chesapeake. For more information, visit www.hospicechesapeake.org.

Maryland Humanities Awards \$500,000 in General Operating Grants to Cultural Organizations Through New Program

By SARAH WEISSMAN
Maryland Humanities

BALTIMORE (Dec. 5, 2022)—Maryland Humanities announces a total of \$500,000 in general operating funding for 50 Maryland nonprofit organizations (\$10,000 per organization). Recipients of a grant from the organization's SHINE (Strengthening the Humanities Investment in Nonprofits for Equity) Program include museums, historic sites, preservation & historical societies, and community & cultural organizations.

General operating expenses include salaries, rent, utilities, supplies, equipment, programs, and other expenses. They are located in 20 Maryland counties, as well as Baltimore City. These grants provide full flexibility to nonprofits, allowing them to determine where funds are most needed.

"With the SHINE Grants, we're aiming to lower barriers and provide funding in a more equitable way to organizations statewide," says Lindsey Baker, Executive Director at Maryland Humanities. "Reporting from Grantmaking for Effective Organizations found that general operating support enables 'nonprofits to build a strong and sustainable infrastructure to provide programs and services that will have the greatest impact.' We're looking forward



to help push the field forward in this direction."

Keith Stone, Vice Chair of the Board of Directors and Grants Committee Chair at Maryland Humanities, says, "While we're no longer providing program-specific support like we have through prior grant programs, we believe that the shift to general operating support will allow Maryland Humanities to build deeper, stronger relationships with our partners, each of which will focus on providing quality humanities programming to Marylanders."

"We are thrilled to be able to provide financial support for nonprofits who embrace humanities throughout Maryland," says Mary Hastler, Maryland Humanities

Board Chair. "Their role in ensuring that all Maryland residents have the opportunity to learn and grow in the humanities and operating support provides a fundamental framework for this to take place."

These grants are funded by the State of Maryland via the Maryland Historical Trust. Grantees are listed below. Learn more about our SHINE Grants at <https://www.mdhumanities.org/grants/>

Prince George's County Fall 2022 SHINE Grant Awards Organization Name and City

Anacostia Trails Heritage Area, Hyattsville
National Museum of Language, Greenbelt

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. For more information, visit www.mdhumanities.org. Maryland Humanities is generously supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities; the State of Maryland; the Citizens of Baltimore County; private foundations; corporations; small businesses; and individual donors.

NASA Administrator Names New Leadership at Two Agency Centers

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NASA Administrator Bill Nelson has named Bradley Flick director of the agency's Armstrong Flight Research Center in Edwards, California, effective immediately. The administrator also has named Dave Mitchell to fill the role as acting director of NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland, effective Jan. 1.

Flick has served as the acting director of Armstrong since July.

"Brad is a compassionate leader with a long career in revolutionizing air trans-

portation, developing sustainable aviation, and nurturing a diverse and inclusive workforce," Nelson said. "Under Brad's leadership, NASA Armstrong will continue to innovate and keep America at the forefront of aviation and aerospace advancements."

At Armstrong, Flick will oversee a center that continues to advance and secure America's leadership in aeronautics, Earth and space science, and aerospace technology that will revolutionize aviation, as well as the successful first flights of the agency's first all-electric experimental aircraft, and the quiet supersonic aircraft.

"I'm humbled to be considered worthy of this position and honored to be selected," Flick shared. "We're riding on the shoulders of legendary flight researchers and the discoveries they made here over the last 75 years. Our missions will continue to change and evolve, but there are still exciting opportunities for discovery

through flight. I look forward to leading the team in making those discoveries."

Flick's full official biography is available at: <https://go.nasa.gov/3VW20yJ>

Mitchell currently serves as NASA's chief program management officer. Prior to assuming his role as NASA's top program manager, Mitchell served at Goddard for more than 34 years in a multitude of programmatic and leadership roles.

"I've come to know Dave as a stand-up leader with a fount of NASA knowledge," Nelson said. "He will be all-in at Goddard to ensure a seamless transition as we work to not only fill the center director position permanently, but also the position of associate administrator for NASA's Science Mission Directorate, which is so closely intertwined with Goddard's work."

Mitchell's full official biography is available at: <https://go.nasa.gov/3Y0p8c4>

Governor Hogan Addresses First-Ever World Quantum Congress

Also Discusses Maryland's Economic Turnaround With American Hotel and Lodging Association

By MICHAEL RICCI
Executive Office of the Governor

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (Dec. 1, 2022)—Governor Larry Hogan today addressed the first-ever World Quantum Congress at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center in Washington, DC, discussing the importance of Maryland's leadership in innovation and new sciences and technologies to address the

economic and security challenges the nation faces.

"Maryland has created a robust and unmatched quantum ecosystem, rich with academic research partnerships, industry investment, and critical federal government engagement," said Governor Hogan. "We are leading a quantum revolution in our state that serves not just our long-term economic benefit, but also advances our critical national se-

curity and cybersecurity goals. My hope is that other states will follow Maryland's example so that together we can form a strong quantum network that will ensure that our national and international leadership in this field will continue to flourish."

The Quantum World Congress is the first-ever gathering of its kind, bringing together researchers, developers, and experts to discuss the quantum industry.

In his remarks, the governor noted that Maryland is home to a growing pipeline of quantum startups, as well as one of the nation's leading quantum companies—IonQ, based in College Park—which last year began trading on the New York Stock Exchange, making it the world's first public quantum computing company. He also highlighted how the University of Maryland has been named among the top 10 institutions in the world for quantum computing.

In addition, the governor stressed the importance of both the region and the United States embracing quantum technology to advance economic growth and maintain competitiveness on the world

stage. As the cyber capital of America, and the home of a world-class life sciences cluster, Maryland is poised to continue leading the quantum revolution for the years to come.

Forum with American Hotel and Lodging Association. After the event at the Reagan Building, the governor visited The Wharf for a moderated discussion with Chip Rogers, President and CEO of the American Hotel and Lodging Association.

Their conversation touched on Maryland's economic turnaround, innovative programs that have been central to the state's strong recovery, as well as the governor's perspective on the state of politics.

