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Brown Delivers Address on the Future of Maryland

Build on Progress by Investing in Businesses, Schools, Health Care, Infrastructure Emphasizes

By PRESS OFFICER
Office of the Lt. Governor

OCEAN CITY, Md. (August, 2012) – Lt. Governor Anthony G. Brown delivered the keynote address at the Maryland Association of Counties (MACo) Summer Conference. The Lt. Governor's remarks focused on the keys to building a bright economic future and creating jobs in Maryland: continued investment in our schools, making health care affordable and accessible for all Marylanders, modernizing our infrastructure, and encouraging private sector growth by supporting Maryland businesses.

"Today I want to talk to you about the future that I see for Maryland," said Lt. Governor Brown. "It's easy to just see our economy as numbers that go up and down with each passing month – a percentage point here and there. We must focus on building a bright economic future for the people behind the numbers, for the Marylanders who are working hard to succeed."

The Lt. Governor continued, "Because the American Dream starts with a job, we must focus our efforts on getting Marylanders back to work. Building quality schools, expanding access to health care, and modernizing infra-

structure are all essential for job creation. We also need to help our private sector grow, which means helping businesses directly so they can create jobs."

"Under Governor O'Malley's leadership, we've built the country's best school system, reduced our crime rate to historic lows, maintained a Triple A bond rating, and balanced our budget through six difficult years of recession and recovery," said Brown. "Maryland is a great State, but I know that we can build on our success and make it better."

"The greatest challenge of our time, for us as leaders and as a State, particularly as we

recover from this recession, is to address the persistent gaps and disparities that exist in our communities. I believe that in counties throughout Maryland, each of us is strengthened when all of us succeed, and we all suffer when members of our communities don't reach their full potential. I know that meeting these challenges will be difficult, but I also know each of us has been entrusted by the people to make the difficult choices and to ensure a bright future," said Brown.

Lt. Governor Brown has dedicated his life to public ser-

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School Bus Cameras Will Nab Drivers Failing to Stop for School Buses

Thousands Of Motorists In Md. Illegally Pass School Buses Each School Day

By PRESS OFFICER
AARP

WASHINGTON, D. C. (August, 2012) – It happens 72,000 times each school day across the country, and it also occurs more than 7,000 times daily on roadways in Maryland during the school year. As the new school year dawns, Montgomery County will crack down on motorists who flagrantly zip pass a stopped school bus while it is loading and unloading students. To combat the problem, the Montgomery County Public Schools has outfitted a number

of its school buses with automated school bus safety cameras. So adjust your driving habits accordingly.

Lights, Camera, Stop! If you illegally pass a stopped school bus come Monday, August 27, the County Police will use the video evidence captured by the bus's newly installed stop-arm camera to issue traffic citations, warns AAA Mid-Atlantic. The hefty fine will set you back a pretty \$250. It is the latest weapon in the growing arsenal of automated traffic enforcement cameras deployed across

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Mikulski to Speaker at Democratic Convention

By PRESS OFFICER
PGCC Communications

Maryland's Senior Democrat to Lead Program Highlighting Democratic Women Running for Senate. Record Number of Democratic Women Running for Senate in 2012

WASHINGTON – U.S. Senator Barbara A. Mikulski (D-Md.) will be a featured speaker at the Democratic National Convention, taking

place the week of September 3rd, 2012 in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Senator Mikulski will lead the podium program highlighting the Democratic women candidates for Senate in 2012. Senator Mikulski will deliver remarks.

The Senate Democratic women, including Senators Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.),

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Election 2012 Ballot Questions

Dear Friend,
The Secretary of State released the final language for the ballot questions in Maryland for the 2012 General Election. This is an important election, and as Marylanders, it is our responsibility to make informed decisions on policies that will affect our State for years to come. I encourage everyone to closely examine the ballot initiatives and share the language with family and friends. This year, we have a unique opportunity to move our State forward toward a more just and equal society, while defending dignity, protecting religious freedom, and investing in our greatest assets: the talents, skills, ingenuity and creativity of our people.

Below are the statewide ballot questions.

Question 1 - Constitutional Amendment – Qualifications for Prince George's County Orphans' Court Judges

Question 2 – Constitutional Amendment – Qualifications for Baltimore County Orphans' Court Judges

Question 3 – Constitutional Amendment – Suspension and Removal of Elected Officials

Question 4 – Referendum Petition – Public Institutions of Higher Education – Tuition Rates

Question 5 – Referendum Petition – Congressional Districting Plan

Question 6 – Referendum Petition - Civil Marriage Protection Act

Question 7 – Gaming Expansion Referendum - Gaming Expansion

I'd also like to encourage every Marylander to register to vote. *This year, for the first time, you can register to vote and change your address online.*

Thank you,
Martin O'Malley Governor

Obama Administration Announces New Design, Expanded Content for Recreation.Gov

Features Make it Easier to Discover and Explore Parks, Recreation Areas and, Public Lands

By PRESS OFFICER
U.S. Department of the Interior

WASHINGTON -- As part of President Obama's initiative to fuel the economy and create jobs by promoting travel and tourism, the administration today announced a new design, improved navigation tools and expanded content for Recreation.Gov, the interagency website that guides visitors to 90,000 sites on federal lands such as national parks, wildlife refuges, waterways, forests and recreation areas.

The redesign of www.recreation.gov is an initial step in a multi-year strategy to engage visitors with enhanced interactive content and more multimedia, mobile, trip-planning tools. The seven million visitors who use the web site every year will be able to make reservations, see ready-made itineraries for destination cities, and search



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Horses on the beach - Assateague's wild horses are well known, even to many people who have never been to the island. The "wild" horses on Assateague are actually feral animals, meaning that they are descendants of domestic animals that have reverted to a wild state.

for activities on an interactive map.

"Tourism and outdoor recreation are powerful economic engines in communities across

the country," Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar said. "With the redesign of Recreation.Gov, we are making it easier for people to plan trips, find outdoor

adventures, and explore activities at our public lands across

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The Affordable Care Act

As a result of the Affordable Care Act seniors and people with disabilities in Maryland have saved \$59.7 million on prescription drugs. Seniors in Maryland saved an average of \$662 in the Medicare prescription drug coverage gap known as the "donut hole". Nationwide, the savings is over \$4.1 billion on prescription drugs.
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Reducing Risk for U.S. Investors

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Lockheed Martin Contract

The U.S. Defense Information Systems Agency selected Lockheed Martin for a role on its Test and Evaluation Mission Support Services (TEMSS) program. Six other companies were also selected to compete for future TEMSS tasks, with a seventh supporting other program elements.
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Movie Review

The young boy in "ParaNorman" suffers from what you might call "Sixth Sense" syndrome, which is the ability to see and communicate with dead people. There are plenty of dead people for him to encounter, too: he lives in New England. His quaint hometown, Bliethe Hollow, has a Salem-like history of executing witches.
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Earth Talk

Dear EarthTalk:

What is the Domestic Fuels Protection Act of 2012 and why are environmental groups opposing it?

-- William Bledsoe, Methuen, MA

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In and Around Morningside-Skyline

by Mary McHale 301 735 3451

MedStar offers big plans for Southern Maryland Hospital

MedStar has acquired our local hospital, making it one of ten owned by MedStar, a non-profit, community-based healthcare organization serving the Baltimore/ Washington region. Included among the ten are Georgetown and Washington Hospital Center. The merger should be complete by the end of the year.

Michael Chiamonte, CEO of Southern Maryland Hospital Center, spoke to a hundred or so community leaders at the Colony South Hotel on August 14. I went, representing the Skyline Citizens Association.

He talked about his father, Dr. Francis P. Chiamonte, a urologist with offices in Marlow Heights, who founded the hospital in 1977 because he believed Southern Maryland needed a hospital. Dr. Chiamonte handed it over to his son several years ago. Michael Chiamonte talked about how family-owned hospitals are increasingly rare, due to growing health demands.

They invited bids and 15 health systems responded. The number one criteria, Chiamonte said, was "what will you pledge to do and when?" MedStar offered \$150 million and plans for an oncology program; neurosciences center for stroke care; spine, back and clinical trials; and more. New buildings and parking garages will go up on the property.

Chiamonte will stay on for at least three years, as president. He also said they will not sell Colony South.

Golf carts go up in flames

On July 25, Engine 27 (Morningside VFD) responded to Henson Creek Golf Course where a tin storage facility for golf carts was "fully involved in fire, which sent up a large plume of thick black smoke," visible for miles. Other departments also responded.

According to their website, "Rescue Engine 27 cleared the scene roughly four hours later."

Suitland's first classes celebrate 60th

Please spread the word that Suitland's classes of 1952 and 1953 are meeting at the Rod & Reel in Chesapeake Beach on Sept. 5 to celebrate their 60th. Janet Booth Kaye emailed this news. She graduated in 1952, Suitland High's first graduation.

Hours for reunion are 1 to 5 p.m. Cost is \$45.00 and checks should be sent to Mary Fran Ryon, 159 Freeboard Lane, Carolina Shores, NC 28467 or Margaret Hampton, 3669 Woodley Rd., Waldorf, MD 20601. Checks need to be received by August 24 or as soon as possible. For more information, call Mary Fran at 910-575-8343.

How to build a house

Have you ever wanted to enter the annual Gingerbread House Contest at Darnall's Chance House Museum in Upper Marlboro, but weren't really sure how to make a gingerbread house? The Museum is sponsoring a two-hour workshop Sept. 8, 1 to 3 p.m., to help you with basic recipes and helpful hints from a gingerbread pro. Open to ages eight and up; \$5 per person. Reservations required by Sept. 4. Call 301-699-2544.

Remember last year?

"What a week! An earthquake and a hurricane—within five days of each other!" That's the way I started my column a year ago this week. On Tuesday, August 23, 2011, about 1:51 in the afternoon, a 5.8 quake shocked the Washington area. And the following Saturday, Aug. 28, Hurricane Irene brought us terrible winds, high water and blackouts. Worst weather week in the 53 years I've lived here. Most of the area has

recovered but the Washington Monument is still closed.

May they rest in peace

Gerald Joseph Eckholm, 78, a former firefighter with the DC Fire Department, died July 25. He was a Washington native and a long-time resident of Camp Springs. He was appointed to the Fire Department in 1958 and retired in 1984 as 1st Battalion Fire Chief. Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Mary; children, Ann Purvis, Kathleen Matthes, Stephen Eckholm, Sheila Glass and Martin Eckholm; sister, Eileen E. Cusato; grandfather of nine. Mass of Christian Burial was at St. Philip's.

Linda Lee Lagana, 65, a 1965 graduate of Suitland High School, died Aug. 18. She was payroll manager at Encore Travel Agency and pastoral secretary for the Maple Springs Baptist Church in Capitol Heights. Her husband of 47 years, Ronald Lagana, a 1962 graduate of Suitland High, died in May. Linda was the mother of Ronald and Thomas Lagana; sister of Robert Carlock, Holly Cook, Deborah Kinnaman and the late Charles Carlock; grandmother of five. Mass of Christian Burial was offered at Holy Family Catholic Church in Davidsonville.

Milestones

Happy birthday to my son Brian McHale, who turns 55 on Aug. 25; Shirley Holmes, Chris Busky, William Fowler, and twins Anthony and Avery Simmons, Aug. 27; my daughter-in-law Michelle McHale, Aug. 29; Wanda Payne Simms, Bria Barbour-Ray, Denis Wood, Jai McCune and Caitlin Rose Woods, Aug. 30; Mary Berkley and Travis Mullins, Aug. 31.

Happy 64th anniversary to Aubrey and Annetta Pridgen on Aug. 27.

Congressman Steny H. Hoyer's Legislative Update

Congressman Steny H. Hoyer (MD-5) hosted a reception to honor the participants of the 2012 Fifth District Congressional Art Competition, an annual contest that gives students a chance to have their artwork displayed in the U.S. Capitol for one year.

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including art teachers and professional artists — reviewed each submission before selecting artwork by Victoria Wolf of Calvert High School in Prince Frederick to represent the Fifth District. Victoria's artwork, entitled "In the Hands of Liberty," will be on view in the Capitol for one year along with the winning entries of Congressional Art Competition contests from districts throughout the country.

Neighborhood Events

Statement from Prince George's County Executive Rushern L. Baker On Prince George's Police Department Tragic Vehicle Crash Incident

"Today is a very sad day for the Prince George's County government and our public safety community. Two County Police officers were involved in a serious car crash while in pursuit of another vehicle. Tragically, one of the officers lost his life. The other officer was seriously injured and is expected to survive. Our thoughts and prayers go out to their families, friends and co-workers as they deal with the pain and heartbreak of this tragedy.

Each day, the men and women of our Police Department face life threatening circumstances so that our citizens can be safe. Like so many other officers, these men did not think about the risks in this particular situation because they were just doing their jobs. Today's accident is a somber reminder of the dangers our officers face as they patrol our streets and neighborhoods each day.

On behalf of the nearly 863,000 residents, I commend these officers for their courage and commitment to the people of Prince George's County. We are blessed to have such dedicated men and women of valor serving our communities."

Cardin Rebukes Appeals Court Decision on Cross-State Air Pollution

"Air pollution doesn't stop at the state border"

Washington, DC — U.S. Senator Ben Cardin (D-MD), a member of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, responded with the following remarks to the federal appeals court decision that struck down the EPA's ability to protect states from air pollution that crosses state lines.

"It doesn't take a scientist to understand that air pollution doesn't stop at a state borderline. Despite today's court decision, the need to address cross-state air pollution remains as urgent as ever. Maryland, despite having some of the strictest clean air rules in the country, continues to suffer from dirty air — and the resulting harm to public health — because of pollution from other states. More than half of the smog in Maryland originates outside of our state. Federal efforts are essential to protecting our communities from the damaging effects of air pollution."

Statement from MDE Secretary on Court Ruling on Federal Air Quality Rule

BALTIMORE, MD (August 21, 2012) — Maryland Secretary of the Environment Robert M. Summers today released the following statement on the ruling by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia vacating the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Cross-State Air Pollution Rule (CSAPR), which addresses air pollution from power plants that contributes to unhealthy air in downwind states. "The court ruling vacating EPA's CSAPR rule is very disappointing. Maryland was among a group of states that intervened in the court case to defend the rule. The court decision deals a significant blow to our ongoing efforts to improve the quality of our air in Maryland. Maryland has worked very hard to reduce air pollution through programs such as the Maryland Healthy Air Act, the toughest power plant emission law on the east coast, and the Clean Cars Program and through implementation of stringent emission limitations on many other sources. Because as much as 70 percent of our air pollution problem comes from upwind states, we need the emis-

sions reductions from sources in these states that we would have realized from implementation of CSAPR.

"The 2005 Clean Air Act Interstate Rule remains in effect, but that rule is not strong enough to protect Marylanders from the effects of out-of-state air pollution. We are reviewing the court's 100-plus-page decision and will confer with EPA on any next steps. In the meantime, we continue to do as much as we can in Maryland to protect our environment and the health of our citizens."

Mikulski Statement on Deadly CSX Train Derailment in Ellicott City

WASHINGTON — U.S. Senator Barbara A. Mikulski (D-Md.) today issued the following statement following the tragic CSX freight train derailment in Ellicott City: "My thoughts and prayers go out to the families of those lost as a result of this tragic derailment. My gratitude goes out to the first responders who have worked tirelessly to protect Ellicott City residents following this disaster.

"It's concerning that this is the third safety incident in Maryland involving a CSX train this month, and the second partial derailment in Howard County. I urge the NTSB to conduct its investigation thoroughly and quickly to ensure the safety of Maryland communities and provide answers for the families grieving today. CSX must get to the bottom of what went wrong and outline what steps they are taking to ensure it will never happen again.

Hoyer Hosts Reception to Honor Congressional Art Competition Participants

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Brandywine-Aquasco

by Ruth Turner 301 888 2153

WORLD VIEW CHRISTIAN CENTER

World View after School Club House provides Homework help, Basketball, Cheerleading, Music, Art, Dance, Karate and Drama for ages 5-12. The cost is \$75.00 weekly. For more information call 301-372-0053 or visit www.WorldViewChristianCenter.com.

BACK TO SCHOOL COOK-OUT

There will be a back to school (COOK-OUT) Sunday September 30, 2012 from 12:00 PM until 3:00 PM at St. Philip's Episcopal Church. The church is located at 13801 Baden Westwood Road Baden, Maryland.

Hot Dogs, hamburgers and drinks will be provided. Bring your lawn chair and blankets. Admission is back to school supplies. Come and enjoy fellowship, games and fun. Benefit: Peter A. Gross, Sr. Scholarship Memorial Fund, Inc.

"JONAH"

There will be a trip to see "Jonah" at the "Sight and Sound Theater" in Lancaster, PA. Wednesday, September 26, 2012. Arrive at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 4435 Piney

Church Road, Waldorf, MD at 8:45 AM for departure at 9:00 AM. Return estimated by 9:00 PM.

Cost is \$125.00 per person which includes show, dinner, all taxes and gratuities. Reservations and payment must be received by Sunday, August 26, 2012. Contact Valerie Carter for further information at 301-934-2883.

NATURE CLEARWATER NATURE FAIR

On Saturday, September 22 from 12 NOON-4 PM there will be a family oriented event promoting ecological awareness and stewardship. There will be fun activities for all ages with live animals, hands on activities, local Magician Joe Romano and Bikes for the World Bicycle Collection. Admission and parking is free. The address is 11000 Thrift Road, Clinton, Maryland located in Cosca Park. Telephone number is 301-297-4575.

CELEBRATE BADEN DAY

Come out on Saturday, September 29 12:00 Noon-5:00 PM to celebrate Baden Day with neighbors and friends. There will be live band music, children's activities and Baden Elementary

Choir and food. Baden Library, neighbors, friends and community vendors will make this an enjoyable event.

Admission is free for all ages. There will be nominal fees for food and activities. The Celebration will be at Baden Community Center 13601 Baden Westwood Road, Brandywine Maryland 20613. Telephone number is 301-888-1500: TTY 301-203-6030.

GOSPEL CONCERT

The Flowers Family will be in concert at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Baden, Maryland on Saturday September 29, 6:00 PM-8:00 PM. There will be dinners at 1:00 PM.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Birthday Wishes to Alice Brooks, Catherine Brown, Tyrone Campbell, Alexis Champion, Jeremy Chew, Robert G. Contee, Janice Glascoe Swann, Adrienne Harris, James Richard Hawkins, Jerliene Hill, Marvin Jackson Jr., Todd Oliver Johnson, Timothy Roscoe Johnson, Henson Lewis, Sr., Angela Savoy, Rakene Savoy, James Simms, Leisha Thomas, Catherine Watkins and James Wilkerson.

COMMUNITY

People with Medicare Save Over \$4.1 Billion on Prescription Drugs Thanks to the Health Care Law

Seniors and People with Disabilities in Maryland Have Saved \$59.7 Million Since 2010

By PRESS OFFICER
Maryland Office of Tourism

As a result of the Affordable Care Act — the health care law enacted in 2010 — seniors and people with disabilities in Maryland have saved \$59.7 million on prescription drugs since the law was enacted, Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Kathleen Sebelius announced today. Seniors in Maryland saved an average of \$662 in the Medicare prescription drug coverage gap known as the “donut hole” in 2012. Nationwide, nearly 5.4 million seniors and people with disabilities have saved over \$4.1 billion on prescription drugs.

In addition, during the first seven months of 2012, the new health care law has helped 535,470 people with original Medicare in Maryland get at least one preventive service at no cost to them.

“The health care law has saved people with Medicare over \$4.1 billion on prescription drugs, and given millions access to cancer screenings, mammograms and other preventive services for free,” said

Secretary Sebelius. “Medicare is stronger thanks to the health care law, saving people money and offering new benefits at no cost to seniors.”

The health care law includes benefits to make Medicare prescription drug coverage more affordable. In 2010, anyone with Medicare who hit the prescription drug donut hole received a \$250 rebate. In 2011, people with Medicare who hit the donut hole began receiving a 50% discount on covered brand-name drugs and a discount on generic drugs. These discounts and Medicare coverage gradually increase until 2020 when the donut hole is closed.

The health care law also makes it easier for people with Medicare to stay healthy. Prior to 2011, people with Medicare had to pay extra for many preventive health services. These costs made it difficult for people to get the health care they needed. For example, before the health care law passed, a person with Medicare could pay as much as \$160 for a colorectal cancer screening. Thanks to the Affordable Care Act, many preventive services

are offered free of charge to beneficiaries, with no deductible or co-pay, so that cost is no longer a barrier for seniors who want to stay healthy and treat problems early.

In 2012 alone, 535,470 with traditional Medicare in Maryland — or 76% of those eligible — have received at least one preventive service at no cost to them. This includes 43,690 who have taken advantage of the Annual Wellness Visit provided by the Affordable Care Act.

In 2011, an estimated 32.5 million people nationwide with traditional Medicare or Medicare Advantage received one or more preventive benefits free of charge.

For state-by-state information on savings in the donut hole, please visit:

<http://www.cms.gov/apps/files/donut-hole-data-chart.pdf>

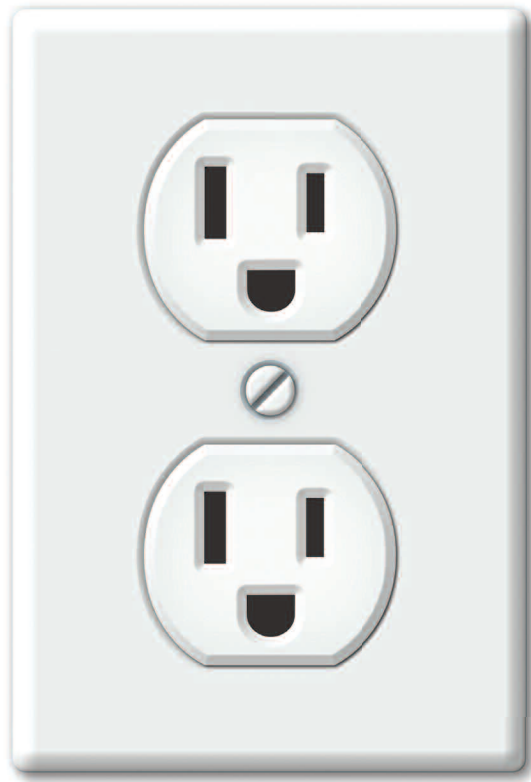
For state-by-state information on utilization of free preventive services, please visit:

<http://www.cms.gov/apps/files/preventive-data-chart-first-seven-months-2012.pdf>



Postcards from Union Rally to Save Medicare

PHOTO BY BILLYCLUB.FLICKR



WE DID IT. TOGETHER WE SAVED \$50 MILLION.

That kind of success gives all of us something to smile about. Thanks to your letters, postcards and personal stories, the Maryland Public Service Commission denied the majority of Pepco’s rate hike request. With your help, AARP will continue to urge the PSC to hold the utility companies accountable for reasonable rates and reliable service.

Learn more and get involved at action.aarp.org/md

COMMENTARY

Benjamin L. Cardin United States Senator for Maryland



Cardin, Lugar, Leahy and Welcome SEC Approval of Transparency Rules

Washington, DC — U.S. Senators Ben Cardin (D-MD), Dick Lugar (R-IN), and Patrick Leahy (D-VT) welcomed action by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) to implement the “Cardin-Lugar Amendment” on extractives industry transparency.

“I’m pleased that the SEC has adopted the long-overdue final rule implementing the Cardin-Lugar Amendment. Increased transparency reduces the risk for U.S. investors and allows citizens in resource-rich countries to hold their leaders accountable. Finally, the U.S. has the tools in place to add accountability and stability to the inherently unstable energy sector. It’s now up to the extractive industries and regulators to make sure enforcement of the regulations complies with the intent of Congress,” said Senator Cardin. “Increased transparency will not put companies that comply at a competitive disadvantage. We also expect, with U.S. leadership, the SEC rule will become the norm for governments and markets around the world.”

“Information is power. It is power for shareholders and power for citizens living under oppressive regimes. With the Cardin-Lugar Amendment, the U.S. is leading the world in the moral and economic necessity to choose transparency over shadow, rule of law over corruption. Now that U.S. law will be implemented, we call on our European colleagues to join us,” Senator Lugar said. “We will carefully examine the rule approved today that it conforms with the plain language of the law.”

“Sunshine is a powerful disinfectant, and the SEC has just pulled back some curtains. I hope that the SEC’s final rule relating to Section 1504 will increase transparency for companies involved in the development of oil, natural gas

and minerals,” added Senator Patrick Leahy, Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee who as a conferee worked closely with Senators Cardin and Lugar when he successfully offered the amendment during the Dodd-Frank conference negotiations that created Section 1504. “This will help make governments in resource-rich countries more accountable to their people. It is too soon to tell whether this is a perfect rule, but it is long past the time for indecision and inaction. I commend the SEC for taking action to increase corporate responsibility, promote energy security and provide U.S. investors with the information they need to properly analyze these risks.”

Earlier this month, Lugar and Cardin renewed their call for prompt SEC action to implement the Cardin-Lugar Amendment. http://www.huffingtonpost.com/sen-dick-lugar/senate-to-sec-act-on-card_b_1729306.html

The Cardin-Lugar Amendment became law in 2010 as Section 1504 of the Dodd-Frank Act and required the SEC to promulgate rules for implementation. The Cardin-Lugar Amendment requires transparent reporting of payments made to governments for the extraction of oil, natural gas, and minerals by companies that otherwise must file disclosures with the SEC. Once fully implemented, the Cardin-Lugar Amendment will help empower investors to have a more complete view of the value of their holdings and encourage capital formation. It will bring more information to global commodities markets, which would benefit price stability. And it will help empower citizens to hold their governments to account for the decisions made by their governments in the management of valuable oil, gas, and minerals resources and revenues.

To Be Equal Marc Morial, President and CEO National Urban League



Eric Holder, Bernette Johnson Honored at Whitney M. Young Awards Gala

“In our efforts to protect voting rights and to prevent voting fraud, we will be vigilant and strong...we will not allow political pretext to disenfranchise American citizens of their most precious right.”

Attorney General Eric Holder

Two recipients of National Urban League awards at our recent annual conference in New Orleans are emblematic of our “Occupy the Vote” campaign to protect the voting rights of millions of Americans this November. Attorney General Eric Holder has likened the sudden proliferation of voter ID laws to modern day “poll taxes,” and has made stopping voter suppression one of the Justice Department’s top priorities. And Louisiana’s first African American woman Supreme Court Justice, Bernette Joshua Johnson, who is the second longest serving judge on the Court and thus in line to be the next Chief Justice this February, is currently facing an unconstitutional effort to deny her that seat — a clear violation of the Voting Rights Act.

I was proud to present a Living Legend award to A.G. Holder and the President’s Award to Justice Johnson at our Whitney M. Young awards gala on July 28th.

Since Eric Holder’s 2009 appointment by President Obama as the first African American Attorney General in American history, he has reclaimed the nation’s commitment to fairness, and expanded opportunity. Over the past three years, his Civil Rights Division has filed more criminal civil rights cases than ever before; and he has made significant strides in combatting discrimination in the nation’s housing and lending markets. His commitment to voting rights is especially noteworthy.

In response to the outbreak of voter ID and restriction laws across the country, Attorney General Holder has initiated thorough reviews of proposed voting changes “in order to guard against disenfranchisement, and to help ensure that none of these proposals would have a discriminatory purpose or effect.” Last December, his Justice Department rejected South Carolina’s new voter ID law, finding that it discriminated against minority voters. And in June, the Federal District Court in Miami granted an injunction blocking Florida’s new and “onerous” restrictive voter registration law. The Justice Department also found that Florida’s effort to purge its voter rolls of suspected non-citizens may violate Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act.

Justice Bernette Johnson was first elected to serve on the Louisiana Supreme Court in 1994 and is currently the second longest serving Associate Justice on the Court. Highly respected for her legal acumen and fairness, she has received numerous awards, including the 2009 Distinguished Jurist Award presented by the Louisiana Bar Association and the 2000 Medal of Honor which I was honored to present to her during my last term as Mayor of the City of New Orleans.

For much of her life, Justice Johnson has worked as an advocate for social justice and civil rights. Her election to the Louisiana Supreme Court in 1994 made her only the third African American jurist ever to serve on the state’s highest court, after the Supreme Court ruled in 1991 that the state’s method of electing Supreme Court Justices ensured that black voters would never be able to elect a black justice. The current move to deny her the Chief Justice seat is clearly in violation of the law.



Open to the Public

Montpelier Arts Center

The Arts Center which opened in 1979 houses three galleries, artist’s studios, and classrooms. Exhibitions include cutting edge work as well as more traditional approaches and feature both emerging and established regional, national and international artists.

Child Watch

by Marion Wright Edelman



Mapping the War on the Right to Vote

Our nation’s democracy is in a crisis. We are facing the biggest challenge to our nation since its inception. No, there is not an armed rebellion going on, but, oh, is there a war—a silent, insidious, invidious, nefarious, absolutely downright ugly war. And the war is on the right to vote for American citizens.

-- Barbara Arnwine, July 2012

At the Children’s Defense Fund’s recent national conference Barbara Arnwine, the Executive Director of the Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights Under Law and a leader of Election Protection, the nation’s largest nonpartisan voter protection coalition, issued an urgent call to action. Right now assaults on voting rights across the country in advance of the 2012 elections are keeping her very busy.

Arnwine said 25 million Americans who had voted in 2008 did not vote in the 2010 midterm elections, and when new state legislators came into power after those elections, their first priority was figuring out how to keep those 25 million people from returning to the polls. Legislators in 35 states quickly drafted bills making it harder for people to vote: “everything from photo ID laws, to laws restricting early voting, to laws making it harder for third party registration groups to register people to vote, to laws making it harder for people to vote on Sundays because in many states that’s when Latinos and African Americans voted the heaviest, to laws restricting student voting.” Arnwine said the lawmakers behind these bills were counting on the targeted voters not noticing what was happening until it was too late.

But, she said, “they forgot that we stand on the shoulders of giants who we will never let down . . . we get up in the morning and we say that we cannot negate the legacy of Fannie Lou Hamer; that we will never forget the legacy of Cesar Chavez; that we never will negate the legacy of Mr. Korematsu; that we never can sit back and let rights be stolen.” Arnwine then shared her Map of Shame: Voter Suppression Legislation by State, that shows all of us who are ready to fight back exactly where the battlegrounds are.

The map’s original title was the Map of Voter Suppression in the United States, but one day as Arnwine was studying an early version she heard her late father’s voice in her head

saying what he always did when he saw something wrong: “That’s a sin and a shame.” It’s a sin and a shame that in 2012 we are still fighting the same battles for voting rights that have been going on since the nation was founded and facing some of the same Jim Crow-era voter suppression tactics we hoped were dead and buried after the Civil Rights Movement. But as Frederick Douglass taught us, “Power concedes nothing without a demand. It never did and it never will.” So the first step for every one of us is to become familiar with the Map of Shame, especially the current and proposed voting laws in our own states.

Then we each need a plan. Arnwine and her colleagues are doing their part by suing states whose proposed laws violate the Voting Rights Act. But Arnwine stressed that every person can do something to fight in this war on the right to vote, and we each need to decide now how we will execute our roles. Begin by using traditional networks and social networks to make sure every single person you know is a “V.I.P.”: they have verified their voter registration status; they have the right identification for their state; and they know their precinct.

The last is important, Arnwine said, “because the biggest devilment that goes on in these elections are what we call deceptive practices—people are going to get robocalls, and they’re going to get fliers that claim they’re from the NAACP and everything, telling people to go to the wrong polling place . . . if they’re in the wrong polling places, in

most states their vote will not count.” Securing “V.I.P.” status is critical to making sure people will not be disenfranchised on Election Day.

Next, Arnwine said, we need to counter the organized groups who are already planning to send “poll watchers” to African American, Latino, and student voting places to intimidate and harass voters, and we need to “get [our] friends to become poll workers, official poll workers, because that’s what they’re doing—they’re putting them inside of the polling places also, so they can challenge people on the inside and nobody will know what they’re doing. So we need good people sitting next to them, making sure that people have access to the ballot.” Now is the time to sign up for these roles.

We can also volunteer at Election Protection Coalition Command Centers to help watch out for local problems. Finally, on Election Day every one of us must do the basic job of helping other people get to the polls—as Arnwine says even “if you’re bedridden get up in the morning and call everybody you know: ‘Are you going to vote today?’”

Arnwine summed up this way: “There is a role for everybody. Don’t forget. If you forget everything that I said today, if you remember nothing, just remember this one thing: that we can only win this fight if you fight.” We cannot stand by and let the right to vote be taken away again on our watch. Every one of us must decide what we can do in the fight to protect voting rights today. There’s no time to waste.

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Ask the Plant and Pest Professor

Tomato Plants, Crabgrass, and Kwanzan Cherry Tree

Question #1:

My tomato plants were very healthy this season. I am now noticing some of the leaves turning yellow and then browning. Is this something I should be concerned about? The plants are still producing and I want to make sure I can harvest the rest of the tomatoes.

webbing into. Alternatively, B.t. (*Bacillus thuringiensis*, var. *Kurstaki*), horticultural oil, or insecticidal soap can be used to control young larvae in large infestations. Break open the webbing and spray the caterpillars and the surrounding branches.

Question #3:

My lawn is full of crabgrass this summer. Why is it so bad? I know I need to do some overseeding soon. Do I need to kill the crabgrass now? What can I do to prevent this from happening again?

Answer #1:

The extreme heat and typical tomato diseases, like early blight, challenged tomato growers this season. You are fortunate that your tomato plants were healthy. At this point it doesn't sound like what is happening to your plants is something to be overly concerned about, especially if the rest of the plant looks healthy. Older leaves naturally turn yellow as they age. As the plant matures, it is even normal for the plant to lose some of its older foliage. This process is called leaf senescence. If you are noticing any other symptoms such as spots, you can send some digital photos to our website for evaluation, www.hgic.umd.edu and then click on 'send a question'

Question #2:

A Kwanzan cherry tree in my front yard has a large web in it that encases two of the branches. Inside the net are hundreds of caterpillars. What should I do? This is one of my favorite trees in the spring because it blooms so beautifully and I do not want it to be harmed.

Answer #2:

Your description describes fall webworm *Hyphantria cunea* activity. You are noticing the second generation of the insect; the first is usually seen in May. This is a native caterpillar that has a large host range including fruit trees. The caterpillars produce a web of fine silk over terminal branches. They only feed inside the web, which they enlarge as they grow. Their presence is not aesthetically pleasing but rarely do they do enough damage to seriously hurt trees. You can choose to do nothing about it, as eventually after the caterpillar activity subsides the web will disintegrate on its own, although that can take some time. If you can reach it, prune the webbing out or use a rake handle to remove the nest. Place a black plastic bag or a bucket of soapy water nearby to dump the

Crabgrass is a very common lawn weed in Maryland. It begins to germinate in the spring and pretty much continues to germinate throughout the hottest part of the summer. It is a summer annual meaning after we have a frost it will die but it will come back next year because of all the seeds that have dropped into the soil. Cultural practices such as thickening up the lawn and proper mower height (3 inches for tall fescue) help to reduce it in lawns. It will also be necessary for you to apply a crabgrass preemergent early next spring. Depending on the product two applications about 6 weeks apart are necessary, so read the product label. Herbicides are not very effective on crabgrass this time of year. Begin your lawn renovation project by mowing your lawn at the lowest setting, bag the clippings to capture any seeds, then use a core aerator or slit seeder to distribute the grass seed. For detailed information on lawn renovation look for publication HG 102 Lawn Establishment, Renovation, and Overseeding on the HGIC website.

"Ask the Plant and Pest Professor" is compiled from phone and email questions asked the Home and Garden Information Center (HGIC), part of University of Maryland Extension, an educational outreach of the University of Maryland. To ask a home gardening or pest control question or for other help, go to www.hgic.umd.edu.

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100 Years of Accelerating Tomorrow

By Press Officer
Office of the County Executive

The U.S. Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) selected Lockheed Martin [NYSE: LMT] for a role on its Test and Evaluation Mission Support Services (TEMSS) program. Six other companies were also selected to compete for future TEMSS tasks, with a seventh supporting other program elements.

Lockheed Martin will begin its support through a 90-day, firm fixed price phase-in task worth \$393,000. The TEMSS program is a one-year indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity (IDIQ) contract that includes four one-year options with a potential ceiling value of \$800 million for all contractors. Work will take place in Fort Huachuca, Ariz.; Indian Head, Md.; and Fort Meade, Md.

The contract will support DISA's mission to provide network, computing infrastructure and enterprise services for real-time information sharing and decision making among military and civilian agencies. Lockheed Martin will pursue opportunities to deliver testing, scientific, engineering, logistic, administrative, and operations and maintenance services.

"We share in DISA's mission to ensure the right information gets to the right people precisely when it's needed," said June

Shrewsbury, vice president of technical services within Lockheed Martin's Global Training and Logistics business. "Our experts in information technologies will build on our record of delivering secure systems that DISA can use with confidence."

Lockheed Martin has proven expertise in Command, Control, Communications, Computers and Intelligence (C4I); information assurance; information technology and automated information systems for individual customers and joint entities. In addition to developing the National Cyber Range with the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, Lockheed Martin operates several labs, test facilities and programs that support cyber security, information technology and information assurance. The company also formed the Cyber Security Technology Alliance, which brings together leading technology providers to collaborate on solutions for early threat detection and protection using best practices, hardware, software and tools.

Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., Lockheed Martin is a global security and aerospace company that employs about 120,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services. The corporation's net sales for 2011 were

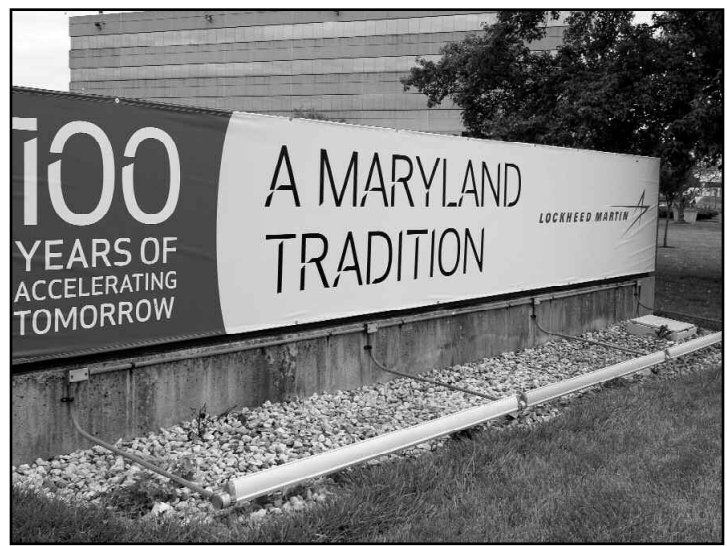


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Lockheed Martin Headquarters in Bethesda, Md.

\$46.5 billion.

To mark our 100th anniversary, we're looking back at the innovations and achievements that helped our customers rise to some of the world's most vital challenges. And we'll look forward – to emerging global challenges and the technology that will shape our world for the next 100 years.

One hundred years ago, on August 16, 1912, Glenn L. Martin established the Glenn L. Martin Company in Los Angeles, California. He started the company after building his first plane in a rented church, where he took a leap of faith on his risky but innovative new aircraft design at the urging of none other than Orville Wright.

Four months later and four hundred miles away, on

December 19, 1912, Allan and Malcolm Lockheed founded the Alco Hydro-Aeroplane Company, later renamed the Lockheed Aircraft Company. Talented mechanics, they set up shop out of a garage, constructing seaplanes that would shatter speed and distance records for overwater flights.

A church and a garage. These were humble beginnings. But these were also men of unrelenting vision and unwavering purpose. The gift that Martin and the Lockheed brothers shared was a unique ability to look past the obstacles of today to the promise of a brighter tomorrow. And they knew – as we've known for 100 years – that innovation, performance and purpose were the keys to accelerating that tomorrow.

Women from A1

Maria Cantwell (D-Wash.), Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.), Kirsten Gillibrand (D-N.Y.), Kay Hagan (D-N.C.), Amy Klobuchar (D-Minn.), Mary Landrieu (D-La.), Patty Murray (D-Wash.), Jeanne Shaheen (D-N.H.) and Debbie Stabenow (D-Mich.) will be introduced and

appear on stage as part of the program.

"In this historic election, with more Democratic women running for Senate at one time than ever before, we have a tremendous opportunity to elect women and hold the Senate for Democrats," Senator Mikulski said. "Women do make a difference. We make a difference

when we vote and when we lead. Because we have an agenda that's about creating jobs, making college affordable and strengthening the middle class. That's how women leading makes a difference."

Senator Mikulski's remarks will focus on how the Senate women and President Obama work together to make a differ-

ence in the day-to-day lives of American families.

A record number of 12 Democratic women are running for Senate this November, making 2012 an historic election. Senator Mikulski is Dean of the Senate Women. On March 17, 2012, she became the longest serving woman in Congress in American history.

Keynote from A1

vice. A Colonel in the United States Army Reserves, Anthony is the nation's highest-ranking elected official to have served a tour of duty in Iraq. Now in his second term as Lieutenant Governor, Brown has transformed what was once a largely undefined and ceremonial position into one of substance, mak-

ing great strides for Maryland's working families. Lt. Governor Brown leads the O'Malley-Brown Administration's work to expand and improve health care, support economic development, help victims of domestic violence, increase access to higher education, and provide Veterans with better services and resources. Working in partnership with Governor Martin

O'Malley, Lt. Governor Brown has delivered results for Marylanders that have improved our health, strengthened our schools, created jobs, and helped our State weather the most significant economic crisis in generations.

The Maryland Association of Counties (MACo) is a nonpartisan organization that

includes representatives from Maryland's 23 counties and Baltimore City. During MACo's annual summer conference in Ocean City, attendees from every Maryland jurisdiction have an opportunity to attend workshops, policy presentations, and gather with other elected officials to form partnerships and learn about innovations in governance.

Parks from A1

the country."

"Outdoor activities contribute an estimated \$646 billion to the U.S. economy, according to independent estimates, and this enhanced website will provide a gateway for Americans to enjoy their great outdoors," Department of Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack said.

"If we can provide visitors both here and abroad easily accessible information and itineraries at the click of a mouse, we will increase the number of people who choose to vacation and travel in the United States," Acting Secretary of Commerce Rebecca Blank said. "From hotels to restaurants to taxis, small businesses across the nation stand to benefit from this new website."

"Recreation.gov is a 'one-stop' website to find places that close to home for a day's fishing, boating, swimming, hiking, and much more. There are so many sites within a short drive of urban areas that people don't know about," Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works Jo-Ellen Darcy said. "At Recreation.gov people can find

parks, swimming beaches, boat ramps, and other places to get away to for a few hours, days, or weeks."

Highlights of the updated site include:

Explore Trip Ideas: Recreation.gov now features Explore Trip Ideas with interactive maps to help visitors discover points-of-interest on public lands when planning trips to popular destination cities like Atlanta, Miami, Las Vegas, San Francisco, and more.

Go Lists: Created to encourage more people to get active outdoors, Go Lists provide highlights of places to go, events, and activities at federal sites across the country with topics including "Day Hikes for Weekend Warriors" and "Civil War 150th Anniversary: Places and Events that Shaped Our Nation."

Discover Great American Adventures: More in-depth articles and destination spotlights can be found in Discover Great American Adventures which feature a wide variety of experiences and adventures found only in America.

The Recreation.gov website

update is a joint initiative between federal agency partners – including the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Forest Service, National Park Service, National Archives and Records Administration, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. It is a key effort under President Obama's America's Great Outdoors Initiative, which focuses on supporting healthy outdoor spaces and making them more accessible to Americans.

President Obama signed an executive order in January to

significantly increase travel and tourism in and to the United States. As part of this initiative, the Departments of Commerce and the Interior outlined a long term strategy for increasing both domestic and international tourism.

The strategy provides a blueprint for the federal government to reach a goal of attracting and welcoming 100 million international visitors annually by the end of 2021. International spending on U.S. travel and tourism-related goods and services set an all-time record of \$153 billion in 2011, an 8.1 percent increase from 2010, and supported an additional 103,000 jobs for a total of 7.6 million industry jobs.

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Movie Review

“ParaNorman”

“PARANORMAN”
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Rated PG for mild scariness
and action violence.
1 hr., 33 min.

The young boy in “ParaNorman” suffers from what you might call “Sixth Sense” syndrome, which is the ability to see and communicate with dead people. There are plenty of dead people for him to encounter, too: he lives in New England (that place is crawling with ghosts), and his quaint hometown, Blithe Hollow, has a Salem-like history of executing witches and such. In fact, the 300th anniversary of the town’s most famous witch-related incident is fast approaching. Some say the occasion will be marked by the fulfillment of a horrible curse...

Ah, but do not be alarmed! ‘Tis all in the spirit of fun that “ParaNorman” tells its Halloween-ish tale. Produced by Laika Entertainment (which made “Coraline”) using stop-motion animation and marvelously handcrafted models and sets, this slyly macabre zombies-and-ghouls story is meant for kids – kids like 11-year-old Norman, actually, who stays up late to watch old horror movies on TV and has gotten used to communing with the dead. Sometimes his late grandmother (voiced by Elaine Stritch) watches with him.

With a small, weak body and hair that stands on end as if he’s constantly in a state of fright, Norman (Kodi Smit-McPhee) looks the part of a haunted lad. But his only real source of unhappiness is the way he’s



ROTTENTOMATOES

The new 3D stop-motion comedy thriller from animation company LAIKA, reteaming the company with Focus Features after the groundbreaking Academy Award-nominated Coraline. ParaNorman is, following Coraline, the company's second stop-motion animated feature to be made in 3D. In ParaNorman, a small town comes under siege by zombies. Who can it call? Only misunderstood local boy Norman (Kodi Smit-McPhee), who is able to speak with the dead. In addition to the zombies, he'll have to take on ghosts, witches and, worst, of all, grown-ups, to save his town from a centuries-old curse. But this young ghoul whisperer may find his paranormal activities pushed to their otherworldly limits. -- (C) Focus

misunderstood and disbelieved for his gift. “I wish everyone could see what I can see!” he says, exasperated. “I didn’t ask to be born this way!” At school, an idiotic bully named Alvin (Christopher Mintz-Plasse) teases him. At home, his parents (Jeff Garlin and Leslie Mann) dismiss his ghost-seeing as imagination, while his teenage sister, Courtney (Anna Kendrick), is too busy with the usual concerns of teenage girls to care either way.

Norman’s insane Uncle Prenderghast (John Goodman), who looks like a homeless Fidel Castro, believes him, though that is not much comfort. It’s Prenderghast who

relates an old legend to Norman, informing him that he may be able to prevent a cemetery full of zombies from wreaking havoc on Blithe Hollow.

The ensuing adventures are great juvenile fun, with Norman, Alvin, Courtney, Norman’s fat friend Neil (Tucker Albrizzi), and Neil’s dumb-jock brother (Casey Affleck) racing around town in various combinations, trying to ward off an apocalypse. Rest assured, though, it’s a family-friendly sort of apocalypse, with the kind of undead stooges one finds in Disney’s Haunted Mansion. I can’t imagine any kid who enjoys Halloween (I

mean the holiday, not the movie) not being delighted by “ParaNorman.”

It’s from an original screenplay by Chris Butler, an animator who’s also making his debut as co-director (with Sam Fell, who helmed “Flushed Away” and “The Tale of Despereaux”). The story runs out of steam before it’s over, and seems to be spinning its wheels for a while. (The story is steam-powered, yet it also has wheels, I guess.) But you could spend all day being caught up in the dazzling and inventive visuals on display, admiring the craftsmanship and artistry required to produce such a colorfully twisted end-of-summer confection.

The Edge of Sports

by DAVE ZIRIN

Australian Government Will Issue Overdue Apology to 1968 Olympic Hero Peter Norman

In an act as appropriate as it is overdue, the Australian House of Parliament is issuing an official state apology Monday to the country’s late, great sprinter Peter Norman. Norman won the 200-meter silver medal at the 1968 Olympics, but that’s not why he’s either remembered or owed apologies. After the race, gold and bronze medalists Tommie Smith and John Carlos bowed their heads and raised their fists on the medal stand and started an international firestorm. Many see the iconic image and assume Norman was just a bystander to history, or as he would joke, “the white guy.” But he was standing in full solidarity with Smith and Carlos, wearing a patch on his chest that reads, “Olympic Project for Human Rights.” As Norman recalled to sports writer Mike Wise, when he heard what Carlos and Smith were going to do he had to show his support. “I couldn’t see why a black man wasn’t allowed to drink out of the same water fountain or sit in the same bus or go to the same schools as a white guy. That was just social injustice that I couldn’t do anything about from where I was, but I certainly abhorred it.” On that day, Norman earned the undying respect of Smith, Carlos and countless others. But that didn’t help him upon returning home.

Credit Australia for telling the truth, that Norman was denied a place on the 1972 team for his political beliefs. Credit Australia to making the apology. But true reconciliation for a man like Peter Norman could never come from a parliamentary apology for a past wrong. It would come from a national commitment to an anti-racist future

Silver medal or not, Peter Norman was now a pariah in Australia, a country that at the time held racial exclusion laws that rivaled apartheid South Africa. He was banned from running. He was denied a spot on their 1972 team after qualifying. He and his family were harassed, refused work, and made to suffer. “Peter always had it harder than Tommie and me,” remembers John Carlos. “They took turns kicking our butts. Peter had to face an entire country and suffer alone.”

For decades, Peter Norman was invited to condemn Smith and Carlos as well as his own actions. If he had, he would have been re-embraced by the establishment, found steady work through the Australian Olympic Committee, and been part of the pageantry when the Olympics came to Sydney in 2000. But he never wavered and he remained a proud outcast until a fatal heart attack in 2006 struck him down at the all-too-young age of 63. The lead pallbearers at his funeral were John Carlos and Tommie Smith. Now, six years after his death and in the aftermath of what was arguably the poorest Australian Olympic performance in decades, Australia wants to reclaim him as their own. Here is the text of the resolution that will be offered into parliament by MPs Rob Oakeshott and Andrew Leigh:

“That this House; Recognises the extraordinary athletic achievements of the late Peter Norman, who won the silver medal in the 200 metres sprint running at the 1968 Mexico City Olympics, in a time of 20.06 seconds, which still stands as the Australian record;

Acknowledges the bravery of Peter Norman in donning an Olympic Project for Human Rights badge on the podium, in solidarity with African-American athletes Tommie Smith and John Carlos, who gave the black power salute;

Apologises to Peter Norman for the wrong done by Australia in failing to send him to the 1972 Munich Olympics, despite repeatedly qualifying; and Belatedly recognises the powerful role that Peter Norman played in furthering racial equality.”

Norman’s old comrades are moved by the gesture. I spoke with John Carlos who said to me, “There is no one in the nation of a Australia that should be honored, recognized and appreciated more than Peter Norman. He should be recognized for his humanitarian concerns, his character, his strength and his willingness to be a sacrificial lamb for justice.”

Carlos is right and Norman should be recognized. I understand fully why there is joy among Peter Norman’s family and friends, and yet I can’t help wonder. If Peter Norman were still alive, it is very possible that this stubborn, principled man, would tell the Australian Government to take their apology and stick it down under. I wonder if he’d point out that Australian Olympic boxer Damien Hooper was almost sent home last month for wearing an Aboriginal flag on a T-shirt and the Australian Olympic Committee gave him no support, condemning him for his actions. I wonder if he’d also point out that Aboriginal Australians comprise 2.5 percent of the nation but make up about 26 percent of the prison population. I wonder if he’d rail against the staggering rise in arrests of minorities and Australia’s own version of what in the United States has become known as the “New Jim Crow.” I wonder if he would take inspiration from the late South African freedom fighter and athletic organizer Dennis Brutus. When Brutus was offered a spot in the South African sports hall of fame, he rejected it saying, among other things, “It is incompatible to have those who championed racist sport alongside its genuine victims. It’s time-indeed long past time-for sports truth, apologies and reconciliation.”

Bobby Blue Bland Headlines Bluebird Blues Festival

Free Event Features Legendary Performers and Activities for All Ages

BY PRESS OFFICER
PGCC Communications

LARGO, Md.— Blues legend Bobby Blue Bland headlines the 20th Annual Bluebird Blues Festival, Saturday, September 22, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. at Prince George’s Community College. Bobby Blue Bland, member of the Blues Foundation’s Hall of Fame and Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, has had 23 top ten hits on the Billboard R&B charts including “Farther Up the Road,” “I’ll Take Care of You,” “I Pity the Fool” and “Turn On Your Love Light.” Live entertainment, children’s activities, music workshops, food and crafts will engage people of all ages.

“For 20 years, Prince George’s Community College has hosted one of the county’s richest community traditions that everyone looks forward to each fall,” said Malverse Nicholson, Jr., chair of the Bluebird Blues Festival planning committee and dean of college life services at Prince George’s Community College. “This year’s lineup is special, and we are confident Bobby Blue Bland will make the celebration an unforgettable experience,” he added.

Other main stage performers include renowned blues musician Clarence Carter, famous for “Love Me with a Feeling”; Baltimore’s Sonnytils’ Orioles well-known for “Tell Me So;” Guitar Blues Legend Bobby Parker celebrated for his single

“Watch Your Step”; and Yahzarah, R&B vocalist and former background singer for Erykah Badu, noted for “Love Come Save the Day.”

Blues pianist Daryl Davis, Phil Wiggins, Little Bit A Blues featuring Warner Williams & Jay Summerour, and The Jewels will perform on the Nap Turner Stage located in Queen Anne Fine Arts.

About the Bluebird Blues Festival

The Bluebird Blues Festival is presented by Prince George’s Community College, the Office of the Prince George’s County Executive, NBC4 and Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission. Other sponsors include Comcast, Maryland State Arts Council, Prince George’s Arts Council, Allstate, Southern Management Corporation, The Pepsi Bottling Group, Thompson Hospitality, Holiday Inn Express, Prince George’s Community College Foundation, Inc., Prince George’s Community College Alumni Association, WPFW and Prince George’s Community College Bookstore.

For more information about the Bluebird Blues Festival, call 301-322-0853 or visit the college website at www.pgcc.edu.

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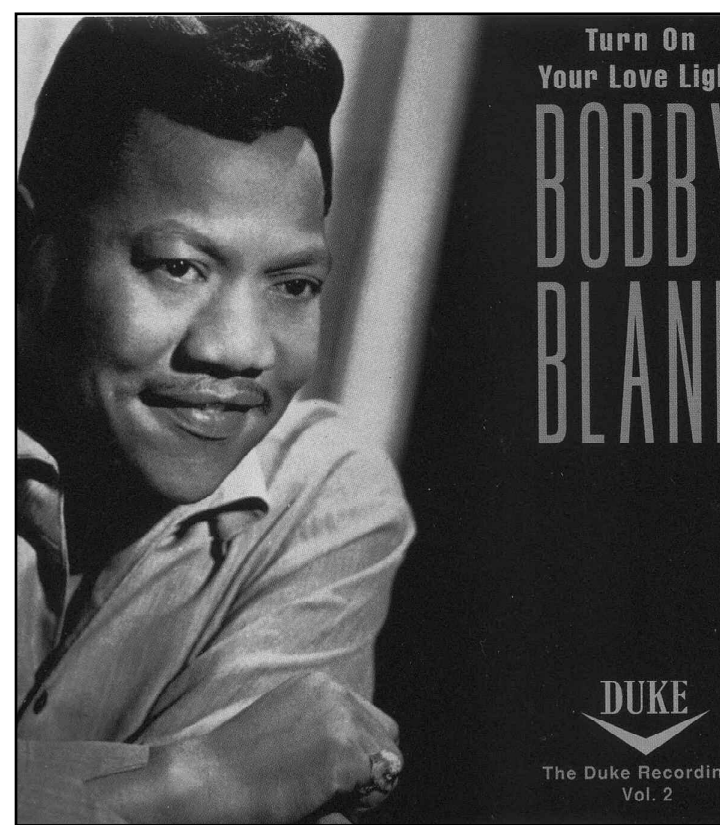


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Mikulski decried wage discrimination. "Let's start with equal pay for equal work,"

year Education designated by the National Security Agency and the Department of Homeland Security (2010-2015). Established in 1958, Prince George’s Community College provides transfer and career programs that help students transfer to four-year colleges and universities and prepare them for the workforce. Each year, 40,000 students take part in more than 200 academic programs and workforce development and continuing education courses. Located in Largo,

Maryland, Prince George’s Community College has additional sites at Joint Base Andrews, University Town Center in Hyattsville, Laurel College Center, Skilled Trades Center in Camp Springs, and Westphalia Training Center in Upper Marlboro. For more information, visit the college website at www.pgcc.edu, follow on Twitter, Facebook, Foursquare, LinkedIn and tune-in to Transforming Lives at Prince George’s Community College, Mondays at 11 a.m.

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Calendar of Events

August 30 - September 5, 2012

Beltsville/USDA Farmers Market

Date and Time: Thursdays through October 25, 10 am-2 pm
Description: FMNP Checks (WIC & Senior) & FVC accepted

Location: 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Parking Lot B, Beltsville 20705

Contact: Carletha Mcgriff at 301-504-1776 or carletha.mcgriff@usda.gov

Laurel Farmers Market

Date and Time: Thursdays, June 7-October 25, 9 am-4 pm
Description: FMNP Checks (WIC & Senior) & FVC accepted

Location: 300 block of Main Street, Laurel 20708

Contact: Gail Reinhardt at 301-483-0838 or grr1054@aol.com

Riverdale Park Farmers Market

Date and Time: Thursdays through November 15, 3-7 pm
Description: FMNP Checks (WIC & Senior) & FVC accepted

Location: Queensbury Road, Riverdale Park 20737

(MARC station parking lot)

Contact: Jim Coleman at 301-586-5973

www.rpfarmersmarket.org

Crossroads Farmers Market

Date and Time: Wednesdays, May 16-October 31, 2:30-6:30 pm

Location: 7676 New Hampshire Avenue, Langley Park 20912

Contact: Allison Milchling at 301-891-7244 or crossroads-market@gmail.com

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Date and Time: Saturdays, May 5-November 17, 7 am-12 noon

Description: FMNP Checks (WIC & Senior) & FVC accepted

Location: M-NCPPC, Wells-Linson Complex (parking lot) 5211 Paint Branch Parkway, College Park 20740

Contact: Phil Miller at 301-399-5485 or smmiller64@aol.com

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Date and Time: Saturdays, May 26-October 27, 10 am-2 pm

Location: American Way (Waterfront & Fleet Streets), Oxon Hill 20744

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EARTH TALK ... The Domestic Fuels Protection Act of 2012

Dear EarthTalk:

What is the Domestic Fuels Protection Act of 2012 and why are environmental groups opposing it?

-- William Bledsoe,
Methuen, MA

The Domestic Fuels Protection Act of 2012 (H.R. 4345) is a bill that was introduced in the House of Representatives in April 2012 by a bi-partisan group of Congress members to protect domestic producers of ethanol, biodiesel and other green-friendly fuels from liability to end-users who put the wrong kind of fuel or fuel mix into their tanks and damage their engines and/or emit exaggerated amounts of pollution accordingly. The idea behind the bill is to ensure that domestic "green" fuel and related equipment producers aren't forced into dire financial straits or put out of business due to crippling liability claims.

But some feel that the fuel industry, whether its products are environmentally friendly or not, should be held accountable for damage its products may cause. Most recently, E15, a fuel blend containing 85 percent gasoline and 15 percent ethanol (a renewable crop-based fuel) came under fire for causing engine damage in some older cars and trucks. The EPA approved the use of E15 in 2010 after lobbying from the ethanol industry, which seeks to

up the ethanol content of gasoline from what had been the standard of 10 percent, which is much easier for gasoline engines to tolerate.

The Auto Alliance, an industry group, recently released a study claiming that upwards of five million cars on U.S. roads today could be damaged if owners pump in E15 instead of straight gasoline or even the milder E10 (10 percent ethanol, 90 percent gasoline). "Problems included damaged valves and valve seats, which can lead to loss of compression and power, diminished vehicle performance, misfires, engine damage, as well as poor fuel economy and increased emissions," reports the group, adding that the potential costs to consumers are significant. "The most likely repair would be cylinder head replacement, which costs from \$2,000-4,000 for single cylinder head engines and twice as much for V-type engines."

Environmental and consumer advocates say that H.R. 4345 is a bad deal for consumers who will be left footing the bill for these repairs. The non-profit Environmental Working Group (EWG) bemoans the bill because it would exempt hugely profitable and already "favored interests" including fuel producers, engine makers and retailers of fuels and fuel additives from liability for damage caused by their products.

H.R. 4345 is currently under committee review in the House, but analysts doubt it will ever



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Some green groups bemoan the recently-introduced Domestic Fuels Protection Act because it would exempt highly profitable producers of fuels and fuel additives from liability for damage caused by their products and push the burden of cost onto consumers.

make it to a floor vote given the contentious debate surrounding the fact that it puts the burden of repair costs on end consumers. Users on the gov-track.us website (which provides free and comprehensive legislative tracking for everyday citizens) give H.R. 4345 only a three percent chance of passing. Meanwhile, the Senate is considering a companion bill, the so-called Domestic Fuels Act (S. 2264). But unless the House passes its version first, the Senate bill is unlikely to gain much traction.

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Nuclear Energy Proponent Criticizes Natural Gas, Upsets Some Delegates

By MATT MCNAB
Capital News Service

TAMPA, Fla. - A nuclear energy expert from Maryland found himself under fire from some members of the state's Republican delegation during his Monday breakfast speech after criticizing natural gas fracking and its viability as a primary energy source.

Donald R. Hoffman, president and chief executive officer of Excel Services Corporation in Rockville, criticized the lack of research done in local areas before fracking, an unconventional method of gas extraction that involves drilling horizontally into a shale layer and injecting a pressurized mixture of water, sand and chemicals to crack open the rock, releasing trapped gas.

Hoffman contrasted that with the extensive planning done before nuclear plants are approved.

He also characterized the fracking process as under-regulated and unsafe to the surrounding area, and said it doesn't create enough jobs when compared with nuclear plants, which drew criticism from some members of the Maryland delegation.

"There's a huge amount of natural gas in this country and with fracking, we know how to get it out of the ground," former Talbot County Republican Party Chairman Kate Boland said. "It creates jobs. North Dakota and Pennsylvania have low unemployment rates because of energy production. I'm not against nuclear energy at all, but it's not helpful to talk down natural gas."

Alternate delegate Jamie Falcon agreed with Boland's analysis.

"It seemed like his talk should have been more comprehensive. You should be promoting your energy source, not knocking the other ones," Falcon said.



BY J. STEPHEN CONN, FLICKR

Tampa, Florida, Skyline

Located on Tampa Bay and the Gulf of Mexico on the west coast of Florida, Tampa is a major seaport, industrial area, and a vibrant center for commerce and finance. It also has much to offer the visitor: museums, theme parks, historic sites, and much more.

Hoffman clarified his comments after hearing from Boland and delegate Greg Fox, who both disagreed with his stance. He said while natural gas is flush in areas like Pennsylvania, and he's supportive of other forms of energy, nuclear energy permits a larger and faster output than natural gas or other alternatives.

Hoffman said two approved nuclear power plants, one in Georgia and one in South Carolina, will create at least 42,000 new jobs, and up to 160,000.

Hoffman said those two plants are the only approved plants in the United States over the next decade, and a fraction of the 30 China plans to build over that same period. Hoffman said three factors have caused a reluctance to approve and use nuclear power, despite the energy source accounting for 20 percent of U.S. energy output.

"There's a severe cost to build the facility before it starts to make money," he said. "Almost \$5 (billion) or \$6 billion must be invested before the plant is operational. Past incidents also contribute to it. Even after studies showed an incident like the one in Japan wouldn't happen here, the public is uneasy about them."

"Lobbyists are also campaigning telling people that solar power and wind power are the answer," Hoffman said. "Sure, they're environmentally great, but it's just not possible for them to be a primary source of energy."

Allegany, Garrett and Washington counties in western Maryland are part of the Marcellus Shale Formation, which is estimated to have the largest onshore reserve of shale natural gas in the country.

In June, Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley signed an

executive order to examine the environmental impacts of drilling and extracting the natural gas. It is expected to be completed by 2014.

Maryland has just one nuclear power plant -- the Calvert Cliffs plant on the Chesapeake Bay's western shore, but at-large delegate and Maryland House of Delegates member Kelly Schulz, R-Frederick, called nuclear power "something we have to take a look at."

"I'm on the energy committee, and we're focused on finding effective, efficient alternative energy sources, and nuclear power is just that," she said. "We have to take a good, qualified look at it."

Hoffman's speech to the Maryland delegation isn't his only planned address this week. He will speak to the Alaska and Virginia delegates, and possibly several others about nuclear energy.

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Last spring, the Montgomery County Council gave the green light to legislation empowering the Montgomery County Police to install stop-arm cameras on yellow school buses. The county became the third jurisdiction in the state to approve the use of the technology for its school bus fleet. When its 2012-2013 school-year commences next Monday, the Frederick County Public Schools will roll out 40 of its 433 school buses fully equipped with the stop-arm cameras.

Most school transportation-related accidents occur while children are getting on or off a school bus, according to the Mid-Atlantic Foundation for Safety and Education and AAA Mid-Atlantic. It is imperative for parents, school bus drivers, school bus stop monitors, and school children themselves to become aware of the “danger zone” around the school bus. It is the place where most school children face their greatest risk of getting hit by either a passing vehicle or by the school bus itself.

In fact, the area to the left of a school bus is always considered the most dangerous because of passing vehicles. The school bus “danger zone” extends as much as 30 feet from the front bumper, 10 feet from the left and right sides of the bus and 10 feet behind the rear bumper of the school bus. “The stop-arm cameras will save the lives and the limbs of our most precious cargo,” added Townsend. “Their presence will give peace of mind to parents, school bus drivers, and students who are unnerved by speedy motorists who refuse to treat the extended stop sign on a school bus like a regular stop sign.”

The law in Maryland lays it down. A police officer who witnesses the crime in Maryland can slap motorists with a ticket that carries a stiff fine of up to \$1,000, plus three points on the driver’s license. Vehicles are required to stop for school buses loading and unloading children. Under state law the only exception to the rule is if the school bus is across a divided highway with a median. Sadly, many drivers don’t know, follow, or obey the Maryland School Bus Stopping Law. If in doubt, stop!

* Two-Lane Roadway: When the school bus stops for passengers, all traffic from both directions must stop! You must stop at least ten (10) feet away from the school bus.

* Two-Lane Roadway With A Center Turning Lane: When a school bus stops for passengers, all traffic from both directions must stop!

* Four-Lane Roadway Without A Median Separation: When the school bus stops for passengers all traffic from both directions must stop!

* Divided Highway Of Four Lanes Or More With A Median Separation: When a school bus stops only traffic following the bus must stop!

As it stands, Montgomery County Police only issue around 500 tickets per year to drivers who are caught red-

handed for the violation, and the fine is costly. With the advent of stop-arm cameras on county school buses, that number is expected to skyrocket soon, predicts AAA Mid-Atlantic.

“Bell Time” is drawing nigh and 96,000 students will hop on and off school buses each day in Montgomery County. Maryland’s State Highway Administration (SHA), AAA Mid-Atlantic, and the Mid-Atlantic Foundation for Safety

and Education are urging motorists to watch for school children mornings and afternoons, to obey the School Crossing Guards and School Safety Patrol at the bus stop, and to know the rules of the road when driving near school buses.

* Don’t try to beat the bus. For safety’s sake, school buses are painted yellow because the “black letter on that hue was easiest to see in the semi-darkness of early morning and late afternoon.”

* Slow down. Watch for children playing and congregating near bus stops.

* Be alert. Children arriving late for the bus may dart into the street without looking for traffic.

* Yellow flashing lights indicate that the bus is preparing to load or unload children. Motorists should slow down and prepare to stop their vehicles.

* Red flashing lights and extended stop arms indicate that the bus has stopped, and children are getting on or off.

Motorists approaching from either direction must wait until the red lights stop flashing before proceeding.

* Learn and obey the “alternately flashing warning light” system that school bus drivers use to alert motorists.

Along with an expansion of Maryland’s texting while driving law and the state’s ignition interlock program, Maryland’s School Bus Monitoring Camera law (SB 679) also went into

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