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## Shutdown Fallout Raises Fear for Research

By KATE ANDRIES  
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COLLEGE PARK - Scientists are scrambling to recover after the government shutdown forced their research to go dark and cut off federal funding for weeks. And the already beleaguered scientific community fears that another shutdown in January could be devastating.

"There's certainly a lot of frustration and anger," said Joanne Carney, director of the American Association for the Advancement of Science's Office of Government Relations. "Scientists are feeling like they were collateral damage."

Any science-related activity funded by the government essentially stopped during the shutdown. Only research deemed essential—things like clinical trials involving the health of humans or animals—and already funded research were allowed to continue.

But, Carney said, even fully funded research was thwarted because federal data that many scientists rely on was unavailable during the shutdown.

During the 16-day shutdown, "no proposals were received or distributed for peer review, no review panels were convened, no new awards were made, and no existing awards received payments," acting director of the National Science Foundation Cora Marrett wrote in a memo.

It will take months for activity at the National Science Foundation to return to normal, Merritt wrote.

"The impacts were devastating," said Lee Cooper, a research professor at the University of Maryland Center



About 60 people listen to Delegate Neil Parrott, R-Washington County, criticize President Obama at a Hagerstown T.E.A. Party meeting. Capital News Service photo by Lauren Loricchio.

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## Largest Tea Party Group Gains Support

By LAUREN LORICCHIO.  
Capital News Service

ANNAPOLIS - Despite national polls showing tea party support at record lows as a result of the government shutdown, Maryland's largest tea party organization said it has drawn new members.

Sam Hale, a Linthicum resident who founded the Maryland Society of Patriots, said, "I wasn't doing any advertising for my group, we didn't have a meeting, and I picked up 80 members on Facebook."

The group currently has nearly 1,700 Facebook members and more than 3,000 people subscribe to its email list, Hale said.

Hale attributes the increase in support to media attention the tea party received as a result of the 16-day government shutdown.

Despite the increase Hale said he doesn't believe it will affect the political landscape in Maryland.

"There hasn't been a really big impact at the statewide level," Hale said of

tea party influence on Maryland politics.

According to Todd Eberly, associate professor of political science at St. Mary's College, Republicans comprise about 30 percent of voters in the state and the tea party is a small subsection of that group.

Eberly said because there are so many public sector jobs and Maryland's economy is tied to the federal government, it's unlikely that the tea party will gain much support.

Brian Murphy, a business investor and tea party supporter from Easton, said he thinks the Republican party is stronger now, despite polls that say otherwise.

Murphy, who was endorsed by former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin when he ran for governor in 2010, was defeated by Bob Ehrlich in the Republican primary.

Murphy doesn't see the tea party as a third party, but instead as part of the GOP.

"I think the Republican Party is stronger after the shutdown. I think that

obviously the media is never gonna report accurately on public sentiment. We've just kind of gotten used to that," Murphy said.

According to Murphy, a national survey taken after the shutdown asked questions in an unfair way and as a result doesn't reflect American views accurately.

"It's very disingenuous for people to quote these polls as if the Republican party is within extinction when the polls were skewed," he said, calling the pollsters' questions "misleading."

Several recent polls indicate views of the tea party movement and the Republican Party at historic lows.

A Pew Research Center poll published Oct. 16, showed a decrease in tea party favorability across party lines. Nearly 45 percent of the public has an unfavorable opinion of the tea party, an increase of 4 percent since June, with a

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## Court Could Strike Down Limits on State Contribution

By CHRISTOPHER NEELY  
Capital News Service

WASHINGTON--Maryland is one of nine states that restrict the total amount of campaign contributions that an individual can give to candidates during any given election cycle.

Those limits may be in jeopardy, though, pending a decision by the Supreme Court in *McCutcheon v. Federal Election Commission*, a case involving federal aggregate campaign contribution limits.

Considered to be the biggest campaign finance court case since *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission* (2010), when the courts struck down campaign contribution limits from corporations and labor unions, the *McCutcheon* case could decide whether aggregate campaign contribution limits are constitutional, or whether they are an abridgment of First Amendment rights.

Aggregate contribution limits put a cap on the total amount of money a donor can give to candidates, party committees and PACs during an election cycle.

"The case is about your rights to spend your money on as many candidates and political committees as you choose," said plaintiff and Alabama businessman Shaun McCutcheon.

"It's part of the fundamental political free speech under the First Amendment."

The Republican National Committee has teamed up in the litigation with McCutcheon, who is a member of the Jefferson County Republican Party in Alabama.

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## State Marriage Law Patchwork Puts Maryland Same-Sex Couples at Risk

By ZAINAB MUDALLAL  
Capital News Service

COLLEGE PARK- When Emily Hecht-McGowan and her wife, Sharon McGowan travel outside of Maryland with their 1-year-old daughter, they take a Pack 'n Play crib, diapers, formula, snacks, a stroller, toys -- and lots of documents.

The documents, like the diapers, are necessary protections for their daughter, Sadie. If she had a health emergency in a state that doesn't recognize same-sex marriage, a hospital may not recognize both Emily and Sharon as parents without documents to prove it.

"Because laws vary from state-to-state and because we don't have nationwide recognition [as same-sex couples], couples still need to go through extra steps to ensure the security of their family," said Emily Hecht-McGowan, who lives in Takoma Park.

Legal same-sex marriage in Maryland means both partners are recognized as parents. But that recognition doesn't



Sharon McGowan (right) and Emily Hecht-McGowan attended the LGBT Pride March in New York with their 1-year-old daughter, Sadie.

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automatically extend to the 35 states that currently restrict marriage to a man and a woman.

"When these married couples and their children travel or move to another state like North Carolina, where their marriage will not be recognized, any legal relation-

ships to children that flow from their marriage will not be recognized," said Michelle Zavos, an adoption attorney in Silver Spring.

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## Libertarianism Attracting College Students, Others, Looking for Alternative

By LUCY WESTCOTT  
Capital News Service

WASHINGTON - Rebecca Coates used to call herself a Republican, but increasingly found she had to be more specific.

"For a long time I thought I was a Republican, but I was always having to add addendums like, 'I'm Republican, but I think drugs should be legal,' or 'I'm Republican, but I don't want us to be at war overseas,'" said Coates, a student at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County and a member of the campus' College Libertarians.

Across Maryland, and much of the country, libertarianism is attracting college students and others looking for an alternative. Libertarianism is becoming especially popular among younger voters, many of whom

are tired of the stalemate between Republicans and Democrats in Washington, as evidenced by the 16-day government shutdown.

"I think the congressional dysfunction ... only makes people more interested in other viewpoints," said Michael Ben-Horin, a Students For Liberty campus coordinator for the mid-Atlantic region and president of the George Washington University College Libertarians.

A 2011 Pew Research Center Poll found that 9 percent of Americans identify as libertarian.

The growth in popularity of libertarianism seems to be closely related to the emergence of the Tea Party movement.

Theda Skocpol, professor of politics and sociology at Harvard

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#### The Shutdown

After 16 days of a costly government shutdown, America is open for business again. More than 800,000 furloughed federal workers are back on the job. Nutrition programs for low income women and children are back in service. The CDC's flu program and the FDA's food safety efforts are back on track.

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#### Brown Released Business Plan

Lt. Governor Anthony G. Brown released his Compact with Maryland Business, outlining his goals to build a better business climate for businesses across the board — big and small, in every sector of our economy. Brown was joined at the event by his running mate, Howard County Executive Ken Ulman, and local leaders.

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#### Movie Review 'All Is Lost'

One of the first things Robert Redford says in *All Is Lost* — and it's also one of the last things he says — is "I'm sorry." His character, whose name we never learn, is in a damaged boat on the open sea, writing a note to his loved ones that he has little reason to believe they will ever read. "All is lost," he reports.

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#### Earth Talk Dear EarthTalk:

*I work for the Gap and know firsthand the amount of waste that's produced at my store. Can you suggest ways retail stores can reduce waste? And how can I get a conversation started with the people upstairs about recycling and being less wasteful?*

-- Name withheld, via e-mail  
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# Towns and NEIGHBORS

## In and Around Morningside-Skyline

by Mary McHale 301 735 3451

### Toys, clothing donations needed for Christmas Outreach

Christmas Outreach will be Dec. 8 at National Church of God, in Fort Washington. The organization is requesting donations of new toys, hats, gloves and new or gently-used winter coats for all ages. Donations may be dropped off at 4109 27th Ave., in Temple Hills, or at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 4915 St. Barnabas Road on Tuesdays or Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This is a project of Homeless Outreach, Inc. They send thanks for the success of their Back-to-School event held for families in five area homeless shelters. Supplies were received for more than 300 children. They send special thanks to the following churches, businesses and organizations for their donations: Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Temple Hills; Reformation Alive Baptist Church, Temple Hills; National Church of God, Fort Washington; Evangel Assembly of God, Temple Hills; Christ Mission Ministries, Accokeek; Kingdom Covenant Church, Clinton; Covenant Life Church, Germantown; Corkran United Methodist Church, Temple Hills; Providence United Methodist Church, Fort Washington; Ambitious Women on a Mission, Waldorf; Milloff's Catering, Brandywine; and Bo-jangles, Marlow Heights.

### Neighbors

Renee Branham, daughter of Stacie and John Smith of Skyline, and Abjovi Jimason, son of Joann Jimason of District heights, were married Oct. 23 in Upper Marlboro.

The Knights of Columbus, in Forestville, hosted a chicken cordon bleu dinner and entertainment for about 35 Catholic nuns on Oct. 24. A cruise-ship magician performed, bringing some of the sisters up to assist. The K of C holds this delightful event every year.

Former Morningside town secretary Becky Capps and her husband Dave will celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary on

Nov. 9.

I enjoyed having my sister, Rosie Nickodemus, come from Saginaw, Mich., for a delightful week's visit.

### Coming up

The monthly Morningside Town Meeting will be Tuesday, Nov. 19, 8 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Skyline Citizens Association holds its quarterly meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 20, 7 p.m., at Skyline School.

Bishop McNamara High School, in Forestville, hosts an Open House on Sunday, Nov. 10, 12:30 to 4 p.m. All welcome. For information, call 301-735-8401.

McNamara and La Reine classes of 1965 are holding a 48th mini reunion on Sunday, Nov. 24, at the Rams Head Tavern, 33 West Street in Annapolis. Other classes are welcome. For information or to make reservations, contact Terry Hoffmann at 301-890-8434 or thoffmann1@verizon.net.

Ft. Washington Medical Center is celebrating its 30th anniversary with a Reception & Auction on Sunday, Nov. 23, at 6 p.m., at the Gaylord National Resort in National Harbor. For tickets and info, call 301-686-9010 (ext. 100).

### Changing landscape

Tanger Outlets at National Harbor will open to the public on Nov. 22. For more information, go to: www.tangeroutlet.com/national-harbor.

**Additional lanes are being added to Surratts Road from Branch Avenue to Brandywine Road, and to a connecting section of Brandywine Road.**

MedStar, which purchased Southern Maryland Hospital last year, is proposing to invest \$80-\$100 million in private sector funds to upgrade and expand Southern Maryland Hospital.

### Nature lesson

Recently I came upon an opossum sitting my neighbor's tree, eating the figs. Since I'm often the beneficiary of those figs, I spoke harshly to him (her?) about

eating them. He looked at me, shrugged, and went right back to munching.

Well, I did a little research: Possums—as we call them—are marsupials, “mammals whose babies are born tiny and helpless.” They eat almost anything. The real name is Virginia Opossum and they are the only marsupials that live in North America.

60 years ago in Morningside

From the Morningside-Skyline Bulletin & Advertiser, Sept. 26, 1953: “Mr. Gwynn of the Board of Education and County Commissioner Dan Abbott informed the town School Committee that the Commissioners have authorized the County to borrow money from the State to construct the Morningside school. Funds will not be available until after November 1, but Mr. Gwynn stated that he hopes to break ground around Christmas time...”

May she rest in peace

Wanda Lee Brooke, 65, Program Specialist for the Census Bureau, died October 5. She was the wife of the late Thomas W. Brooke. Survivors include her daughter and son-in-law, Morningside Recreation President Susan C. and Morningside Councilman Todd Mullins; son and daughter-in-law, Sean M. and Cheryl Brooke; siblings, Ann Gautreaux, Dianne Fisher, Bonnie Robbins and Ross Spicher; grandchildren, Sara Papas, Lacey Brooke, Brienne Brooke and Travis Mullins; and great-grandson Levi Papas. Her memorial service was held at Bradburn Memorial Bible Church, in District Heights.

### Milestones

Happy birthday to Davey Capps, Jr., Nov. 9; Cindy Lewis, Nov. 12; Robin Brown, Nov. 13; and Tyrell Boxley, Nov. 14.

Happy anniversary to John and Dineen Whipple, their 38th on Nov. 8; and Roseann and Franny Rohan, their 50th on Nov. 9.

Happy 75th anniversary to the Auxiliary of VFW Post 9619, which was chartered on Nov. 13, 1938.

## Brandywine-Aquasco

by Ruth Turner 301 888 2153

### HOLIDAY GIFT BAZAAR

The Holiday Gift Bazaar will be November 16, 2013 from 8:00 AM-1:00 PM at Baden Community Center. Table space is available. Please call 301-888-1500 to reserve a table.

### HARVEST BALL

Join us at the Harvest Ball November 30, 2013 8:00 PM until 12 Midnight at Leonardtown Firehouse. There will be entertainment by Joe Webb and Element of Surprise and DJ Gene Butler. We will have free set ups, food on sale and door prizes. Tickets cost \$25.00 a ticket and \$40.00 for a couple. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Contact Ella Burton 240-434-3061, Doris Martin 301-884-4423, Thomas Dotson 301-904-9614 or Levie Parker 301-373-0862 for ticket information.

### PGCPS SHOOOL CALENDAR

Prince George's County Public Schools will be closed for students Monday November 11, 2013 for Parent-Teacher Conferences. Schools will be closed Wednesday November 27, 28, 29 for students and teachers. December 26-27,30 Thursday & Friday Winter Break-schools and offices closed, December 31-January 1, Tuesday-Wednesday Holidays-New Year's.

### BRANDYWINE-NORTH KEYS CIVIC ASSOCIATION

All members and residents of Brandywine are encouraged to attend and participate in the Association's monthly meetings. The meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month in the Media Center at Brandywine Elementary School. The organization needs and welcomes your input in addressing matters affecting our community. Dues yearly are \$30.00 per household payable at the meetings. The next meeting will be Wednesday November 20, 2013.

### PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY EVENT

Trash to Treasure Green Craft Fair will be November 9, 2013 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM at Watkins Nature Center. Come out and shop for this holiday season. There will be handmade goods by local artisans crafted from recycled, sustainable, organic or fair trade materials. Items include wood, carvings, jewelry, bee products, natural fiber products and more. Contact carla.rohde@pgparks.com or call 301-218-6702 for more information.

### NATURE HIKE FOR HOME SCHOOLERS

Join a naturalist on a hike for fun and fitness Thursday, No-

vember 14, 2013 from 1:00-3:00 PM. You will start out with stretches and hike through the park, learning about nature and animals. The focus will be on a different theme for each hike. Please bring a water bottle, binoculars and dress appropriately. Visit www.pgparcs.com or call 301-218-6702 or TTY 301-699-2544 for more information.

### FALL OPEN HOUSE

Come for a visit and meet students and faculty at Bowie State University. Open House will be held at Bowie State University Student Center November 16, 2013 9:00-1:00 PM. The address is 14000 Jericho Park Road Bowie, Maryland 20715-9465. Register online at www.bowiestate.edu/openhouse. Contact 301-860-3415 for additional information.

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## Neighborhood Events

### Council Member Karen R. Toles Selected as Greater Baden Medical Services 41st Anniversary Honoree

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*Toles Among Distinguished Marylanders Honored for Meritorious Contributions to Improved Health Care*

Prince George's County Council Member Karen R. Toles (D) – District 7, in recognition of her contributions to improved community health care outcomes, was selected by Greater Baden Medical Services as a 41st Anniversary Celebration Honoree. Council Member Toles' contributions were formally recognized on October 22, 2013 during the Greater Baden Medical Services 41st Anniversary Celebration Gala “Our Home is Your Medical Home, Mi Casa Su Casa” event, at Camelot by Martins in Upper Marlboro, Maryland.

“I am very humbled by this recognition from Greater Baden,” said Council Member Toles. “As a Federally Qualified Health Center, Greater Baden offers the residents of Prince George's County access to affordable, high quality, health care, regardless of income or ability to pay. I am grateful for their collaborative efforts in District 7, and their continuing commitment to bringing healthy lifestyle awareness and preventative care resources directly to our neighborhoods.”

Greater Baden Medical Services 41st Anniversary Celebration honorees also include, Maryland Lt. Governor Anthony Brown, Charles County Commission President Candice Kelly, First Baptist Church of Glenarden Pastor John Jenkins, Kaiser Permanente Director of Safety Net Partnerships Mindy Rubin, and Baden Board Member Wendell Lee.

“We are pleased to have committed champions, like Council Member Toles and all of our honorees who support Greater Baden's mission,” said Greater Baden Medical Services, Inc. CEO Colenthia Malloy.

Founded in 1972 to provide primary care services to Prince George's County residents, Greater Baden Medical Services, Inc. is a community based health provider committed to delivering high quality health care services. Greater Baden Medical Services operates health centers in Prince George's County, Charles County and St. Mary's County. Greater Baden operates two facilities, Capitol Heights I and II, in Council District 7, with additional locations in Oxon Hill, Suitland, and Brandywine.

### County Executive Baker Hosts First of Three Public Meetings and Listening Sessions On Monday Night

First meeting is next Monday, October 28, 7:00 p.m. at Prince George's Sports and Learning Complex in Landover, MD

Upper Marlboro, MD – As the 2014 legislative session of the Maryland General Assembly approaches, Prince George's County Executive Rushern L. Baker, III, is holding the first of three public meetings at the Prince



“Over 1400 students and their parents attended Rep. Edwards' 5th Annual College and Career Fair at the new Oxon Hill High School. Over 80 schools and 70 other organizations took part to help students plan their next steps after high school.”

George's Sports and Learning Complex (Wayne Curry Sports and Learning Center) on Monday night, October 28th, at 7:00 p.m. The three listening sessions are designed to provide residents with an opportunity to share their ideas on issues that impact their lives and our communities. Members from the County's House and Senate delegations to the Maryland General Assembly, the Prince George's County Council, School Board representatives and other community leaders will also be present to hear the issues that residents are concerned about. Please click on the link here to visit the County's website and learn more about the listening sessions.

“Citizen feedback plays a critical role in shaping how we approach our upcoming budget and policy issues,” said Prince George's County Executive Rushern L. Baker, III. “I encourage all residents to attend one of these three public meetings and share their ideas, thoughts, concerns and priorities with us.”

The information gathered during these sessions will be used to develop the County's legislative priorities for the 434th session of the Maryland General Assembly, which starts in January 2014. Each listening session will include brief opening remarks by the County Executive, but the primary focus will be to listen to citizens.

Individuals can pre-register by completing the Registration Form or by calling 301-952-4131. There will be limited opportunities to sign-up to testify, so pre-registration is encouraged. Comments will be timed and limited to three (3) minutes per person. Resident can also sign-up to testify onsite. Residents unable to attend are encouraged to submit testimony to CommunityFeedback@co.pg.md.us.

Below are the locations and times of the County-wide sessions:

Monday October 28, 2013, Prince George's Sports & Learning Complex 7-9 p.m. 8001 Sheriff Road, Landover, MD

Wednesday November 6, 2013: Eleanor Roosevelt High School 7-9 p.m. 7601 Hanover Pkwy, Greenbelt, MD 20770

Wednesday November 13, 2013, Potomac High School 7-9 p.m. 5211 Boydell Avenue, Oxon Hill, MD 20745

### Edwards Statement on Passing of Radio One's Sheila Stewart

Washington, D.C. – Congresswoman Donna F. Edwards (MD-4) released the following statement on the passing of Sheila Stewart, News and Community Affairs Director for Radio One's D.C. stations.

“I am incredibly saddened to learn of the tragic passing of Sheila Stewart. As News and Community Affairs Director at Radio One, she was instrumental in advocating on behalf of issues, nonprofit organizations, and events that helped improve communities throughout our region. Sheila was guided in every way by her faith. Her energy and passion to make change will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with Sheila's family and all those at Radio One as we grieve together during this difficult time. I will miss her tremendously.”

### Statement from County Executive Rushern L. Baker Tragic Death of Radio One News and Community Affairs Director, Sheila Stewart

Upper Marlboro, MD – Today, Prince George's County Executive Rushern L. Baker, III, released the following statement on the tragic death of Radio One News and Community Affairs Director and former Prince George's County resident, Sheila Stewart:

“I was deeply saddened to hear about the tragic and untimely passing of Sheila Stewart today. My thoughts and prayers go out to her family, friends, and colleagues. Sheila was a not only a great Prince Georgian, but she was also my friend.

Over her 20 year career in radio, Sheila was a popular on-air personality with the residents of Prince George's County and, more importantly, an organizer of charitable giving, support, and engagement throughout our communities. She understood that good business meant being a good corporate citizen. She represented Radio One with the utmost professionalism, passion, and persistence in working with our County's faith community, non-profits, and the County government itself.

During her many years as a Prince Georgian, Sheila was always a proud and strong advocate of the County and exemplified the talented professionals who live and work in this County.”



# COMMUNITY

## Practical Money Skills

By Jason Alderman

### GI Bill Eases College Costs for Military Families

As Veteran's Day approaches, this is a good time to remind our active duty service members and veterans about the many education assistance benefits available to them through the G.I. Bill and other government programs.



Here's a rundown of a few of the more commonly used programs:

The Post 9/11 GI Bill is more flexible and generally offers more generous benefits than earlier GI Bills. It provides up to 36 months of support for education and housing to individuals with at least 90 days of active duty after September 11, 2001, or those with a service-connected disability after 30 days. An honorable discharge is required.

Approved training includes undergraduate and graduate degrees, and vocational/technical/on-the-job training, among others. You will be eligible for benefits for 15 years from your last period of active duty of at least 90 consecutive days.

This program covers 100 percent of tuition and fees for in-state students at public institutions, paid directly to the school. For those attending private or foreign schools, it will pay up to \$19,198.31 per academic year (sometimes more in certain states).

If you attend a costlier private school — or a public school as a non-resident — you also may be eligible for the Yellow Ribbon Program, where schools voluntarily fund tuition expenses exceeding the highest public in-state undergraduate rate. The institution can contribute up to 50 percent of those expenses and the Veteran's Administration will match the amount.

The 9/11 GI Bill also will pay a books and supplies stipend of up to \$1,000 per year, and a monthly housing allowance generally comparable to the military Basic Allowance for Housing for a military pay grade E-5 with dependents, based on the ZIP code for your school.

Another advantage of this newer GI Bill: Armed Forces members with at least six years' service can transfer some or all of their benefits to their spouse and/or children. Here are the basic rules:

You must agree to four additional years of service. (Special rules apply if standard policy precludes you from serving four more years or you're eligible for retirement).

Because the clock starts ticking from the date you elect to participate — and you can't enroll additional beneficiaries after leaving the military — it's best to sign up all family members right away. You can always go back and change allocation percentages or remove beneficiaries at any time until the benefits are used.

Spouses may begin using transferred benefits right away; however children must wait until you've served the full 10 years.

You and your spouse must use the benefits within 15 years of your leaving the military; children must use them by age 26.

Montgomery GI Bill. This older version of the GI Bill may still be available if you didn't already opt for the Post 9/11 GI Bill. You're eligible if you started active duty for the first time after June 30, 1985, served continuously for three years, are honorably discharged and had your pay reduced by \$100 a month for the first 12 months. (There's a separate plan for reservists.)

For most people, this program is less generous than the Post 9/11 GI Bill. Benefits typically expire 10 years after military separation and are not transferrable to family members; plus, you pay tuition and fees upfront and are later reimbursed. The VA website has a tool to compare benefits under the two GI Bills.

To learn more about the GI Bill, visit [www.gibill.va.gov](http://www.gibill.va.gov). Other VA-sponsored educational financial aid programs can be found at:

[www.gibill.va.gov/benefits/other\\_programs/index.html](http://www.gibill.va.gov/benefits/other_programs/index.html).

Jason Alderman directs Visa's financial education programs. To Follow Jason Alderman on Twitter: [www.twitter.com/PracticalMoney](http://www.twitter.com/PracticalMoney)

## Prince George's County is Making Gross Food into Something Good

By Communications Department  
Dept. of Environmental Resources

*Prince George's County is Making Gross Food into Something Good Partners with University of Maryland, Town of University Park, Whole Foods and GORE® Cover technology to launch Food Scrap Composting Pilot Project*

LARGO, MD — The Prince George's County Department of Environmental Resources' (DER) Waste Management Division (WMD) today, cut the ribbon on a food scrap pilot project that will compost yard waste and food scraps bulked together.

Currently operating at the County's Yard Waste Composting Facility (Western Branch) in Upper Marlboro, the pilot will provide a baseline testing for producing a nutrient-rich compost product using the industry leading GORE® Cover technology, a technology similar to Gore-Tek, while diverting 4,500 tons of leftovers headed to the County's landfill. Prince George's County is the first County to pilot a food scrap composting program using this technology. "I am very proud of this new, innovative and sustainable pilot program from the Department of Environmental Resources," said Prince George's County Executive Rushern L. Baker, III. "When we launched the Department of Permits, Inspections, and Enforcement several months ago, we knew it would allow the Department of Environmental Resources to focus and expand their responsibility over environmental stewardship of Prince George's County. Today's ribbon cutting of this exciting composting program is evidence that Prince George's County isn't



PHOTO COURTESY PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES' Officials and speakers gather to cut the ribbon!

just following best environmental practices, we are creating them." The County has partnered with the Town of University Park, University of Maryland College Park and local waste management service companies; Apple Valley and Progressive to collect their food scraps for testing in the one-year pilot.

Maryland Environmental Services (MES) will facilitate the pilot using the GORE® system, which specializes in reducing odors, dust and volatile organic compounds (VOCs), while creating a high-value compost product used for gardening and farming.

The food scraps and yard waste are grinded together onsite at the facility and placed under cover in three heaps that are monitored daily using a computerized system. The curing process takes approximately eight weeks from start to finish

instead of the current eight month cycle time for the open windrow composting process used for yard waste. "By generating food scraps into a valuable compost material, we are reducing waste, saving money and providing a valuable benefit to our environment," says DER Director Adam Ortiz. "This program will propel us toward our goal of zero waste in Prince George's County."

Another key County partner is the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). DER was recently awarded a \$12,000 Solid Waste grant from the EPA to provide additional funding for the program. "EPA, through our Food Recovery Challenge and other efforts, is trying to divert food waste from landfilling into composting and is looking forward to working with Prince George's County on this innovative project," says Mike Giuranna, Solid Waste Specialist

with the EPA, Region III.

Scott Woods, Founder and CEO of Sustainable Generation, LLC, the authorized sales and service provider of the GORE® Cover technology in North America, is working with the County and MES to provide training on the technology.

At the conclusion of the project, the County will evaluate the overall effectiveness and efficiency of the program before expanding the program Countywide. For more information on the Food Scrap Composting Pilot Program click here. For more information on the GORE® Cover Organic Waste Treatment system, click here.

For more information about DER and its programs and services, contact CountyClick 311 or visit <http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/sites/environmentalresources/Pages/default.aspx>.

### Marriage from A1

To avoid problems, same-sex parents have to take legal precautions that straight parents don't. Attorneys like Zavos advise a second parent adoption — the adoption of a child by the second parent in the home who is not the biological parent — to help avoid this issue when in other states.

"Nobody lives their life in just one state," she said.

The patchwork of laws does not affect same-sex couples who adopt a child together. But it does affect married same-sex couples where only one partner is the biological parent. The non-biological parent in same-sex couple is automatically considered a legal parent in Maryland, but not in states that are hostile to same-sex marriage.

In Emily Hecht-McGowan's case, she gave birth to a daughter in Washington, D.C. As with any state that recognizes same-sex marriage, Sharon McGowan was considered a legal parent. They also had additional protection from a district statute that allowed them to sign a "consent to insemination" form, which strengthened Sharon McGowan's recognition

as a legal parent. Despite both protections, they still underwent a second-parent adoption in Baltimore.

"We did a second parent adoption as soon as we could," said Emily Hecht-McGowan, describing the process of the adoption as "intrusive." "We were grateful we had the opportunity to do it, but we felt angry and a little bitter. This is just something we have to go through because of what our family looks like."

Emily Hecht-McGowan is the director of public policy at the Family Equality Council, a national advocacy organization committed to securing family equality for the LGBT community.

Courts in states that do not recognize same-sex marriages will not consider both partners parents unless both names are on adoptions papers, Zavos said.

"Second parent adoption results in a judgment of adoption, where every state is supposed to give full faith and credit," Zavos said. "In North Carolina, there is a public policy not to recognize these [same-sex] marriages, but if it's a judgment of adoption, that's a court order and there's no exception to a court order."

This ensures the legal parentage of both parents, with both names on the adoption papers.

"Without that adoption, that other parent is kind of hanging out there," said John R. Greene, an adoption attorney in Annapolis. "It's not a good situation for the second person."

Because of varying state laws affecting the legal status of same-sex couples, Harvey Schweitzer, an adoption attorney at Schweitzer & Scherr, LLC, said he saw the lack of consistency nationwide as a major hurdle for married same-sex couples.

"Unless and until same-sex marriage gets the same equal footing, there will always be the issue that at some point down the line, [these couples] can realize that they're not legal parents," he said.

Some federal lawmakers are trying to resolve this issue with the Every Child Deserves a Family Act, introduced in the House and Senate in May. The act would prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity or marital status in public child welfare systems.

With 11 cosponsors in the Senate and 79 in the House of Representatives, Maryland representatives like Rep. John Delaney, D-Potomac, and Rep. Chris Van Hollen, D-Kensington, called the bill an important step in addressing the issue of family security.

"The law moves us closer to a national environment that is more friendly to LGBT families," Delaney said. "This bill is only one part of the equation." Van Hollen said that the bill would give important protections to LGBT families.

"Every child deserves the security, love and care that a family brings," he said. "And no child should be denied that opportunity."

The House bill, sponsored by Rep. John Lewis, D-Ga., and the Senate component, sponsored by Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand, D-N.Y., was referred to committees in May and hasn't seen any action since.

Even with a universal law, the public still needs to adjust to a world with LGBT families, Emily Hecht-McGowan said.

"Families come in all different shapes and sizes," she said. "That's just the way the world works today."

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# COMMENTARY

**By Del. Aisha Braveboy**

*Chair, The Maryland Legislative Black Caucus*

## Justice Delayed Too Long for Maryland's Historically Black Universities

Judge Catherine Blake, of the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland, handed down a historic victory for civil rights in higher education on October 7th. While some have tried to downplay the significance of Judge Blake's decision, it is clear to the fair-minded observer that this decision will have far-reaching impacts on the way the state administers higher education and will require a huge infusion of resources into Maryland's Historically Black Institutions (HBIs). Judge Blake clearly stated that Maryland has continued a pattern of discrimination against Maryland's HBIs. The way it did so was by unnecessarily duplicating academic programs and perpetuating a "dual structure of higher education" that was traceable to the era of legal segregation. Maryland's four HBIs are Bowie State University, Coppin State University, Morgan State University and the University of Maryland Eastern Shore. The students who attend these institutions are the beneficiaries of the ruling.

The wheels of justice turn slowly. The lawsuit was brought more than six years ago by a coalition of students and alumni of Maryland's HBIs, who are represented by Michael Jones, a partner at the Washington office of Kirkland and Ellis, LLP and the Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law. They alleged that the State violated Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment through its educational policies and practices towards HBIs.

Judge Clark said that with the unnecessary duplication of programs, the State continued to promote a "separate but equal" system of higher education, in violation of the 1954 ruling in *Brown v. Board of Education*, which rejected that doctrine. An analysis by Dr. Clifton Conrad, the nation's leading scholar on the issue of program duplication shows that 60% of the noncore programs at Maryland's HBIs are unnecessarily duplicated, compared with only 18% at Maryland's Traditionally White Institutions (TWIs). For example, in 2005, over the objections of Morgan State University, the State approved a joint University of Baltimore/Towson niversity MBA program even though Morgan State University was already operating an MBA program in the Baltimore

region. Morgan States' program suffered as a result. In addition, when Towson University was allowed to duplicate Bowie State University's MS in Computer Science program, Bowie State's enrollment dropped from 119 in 1994 to 29 in 2008.

It is confounding that in a State focused squarely on remaining competitive, the Court found that the State's discriminatory policies have prevented Maryland's four HBIs from reaching their full potential. The evidence is that HBIs are vitally important to the State's economic prosperity and quality of life in Maryland. The majority of the nation's black engineers, scientists and mathematicians are graduates of HBIs like Bowie and Morgan State Universities and HBIs produce a significant number of graduates with the skills the economy needs for high-tech, math and science-based jobs. What's more, students at HBIs would benefit from greater diversity and should be afforded the opportunity to grow and develop high demand programs that will attract the best and brightest students, benefits that students at TWIs have enjoyed on their campuses.

Now is the time for the State of Maryland to act with utmost speed to comply with the Civil Rights Act and the U.S. Constitution in its treatment of the State's HBIs. Maryland must fulfill its legal duty to remove all impediments to the success of our HBIs. The Maryland Legislative Black Caucus encourages the Governor and the administration to move swiftly, with an eye towards justice and fairness in the mediation phase of this litigation.

The State has failed in its moral obligation, and it is that which will be on display in reaching a resolution. It cannot turn its back on the opportunity to take responsibility for its decades of underfunding HBIs, but must find meaningful ways to remedy the cumulative effect underfunding has had on the facilities, technology infrastructure and full-time faculty hiring percentages. While the court did not find that the Plaintiff's met their burden of showing that Maryland's current funding policies are discriminatory, it acknowledges that "it may be true that the HBIs are at a competitive disadvantage with TWIs because of past discriminatory treatment," a point that the State has never disputed.

**Marc Morial, President and CEO**  
*National Urban League*



## Don't Repeat the Shutdown

*"Extremes to the right and to the left of any political dispute are always wrong."*

*Dwight D. Eisenhower*

After 16 days of a costly and unnecessary government shutdown, America is open for business again. More than 800,000 furloughed federal workers are back on the job. Nutrition programs for low income women and children are back in service. The CDC's flu program and the FDA's food safety efforts are back on track. Head Start programs are reopening their doors. NIH is resuming clinical trials for children with cancer. Our National Parks and Museums have reopened. And financing for thousands of small businesses is flowing again.

We join all Americans in applauding the compromise deal crafted by Senate Majority leader Harry Reid and Minority Leader Mitch McConnell. But it is only a temporary fix. The bill passed by both chambers and signed by President Obama at 12:30 am on October 17 only funds the government until January 15 and extends the debt ceiling until February 7. Congress now faces a "90-day sprint" to craft a balanced, responsible budget that works for the American people, maintains health care coverage for millions through the Affordable Care Act, and avoids another government shutdown. We urge our elected leaders to put aside partisan rancor and get this job done. They were sent to Washington to govern on behalf of all Americans and they have a special duty to prevent a repeat of a shutdown that cost our economy \$24 billion and was especially damaging to middle class families, small businesses, the working poor and the unemployed.

A budget conference committee headed by Democrat Patty Murray in the Senate and Republican Paul Ryan in the House has now

been formed to meet a December 13 deadline for a long-term budget agreement. This won't be easy, with the House majority arguing for extending the onerous sequester cuts to important safety-net programs and resisting any new taxes, while the Senate majority wants to make smart investments to spur job growth, grow the economy and maintain support for vital programs that assist millions of Americans. Both sides say they share the goal of growing the economy and putting people back to work. The key to success will be finding common ground on the way to achieve those objectives.

We believe that any final agreement must put the needs of the American people first. We must protect programs that empower individuals and communities through good jobs, access to affordable housing and healthcare, and quality education. As President Obama said in his weekly address to the Nation, "We should sit down and pursue a balanced approach to a responsible budget, one that grows our economy faster and shrinks our long-term deficits further. There is no choice between growth and fiscal responsibility — we need both."

We agree. And as we move forward, we must also avoid the kind of ideological rigidity that led to the shutdown. We are especially offended by the continued extremist comments of Representative Ted Cruz who has refused to rule out another government shutdown over his desire to dismantle the Affordable Care Act. We have a simple question for Mr. Cruz: How can you make the argument for spending cuts or rally against spending on a law that would actually reduce the deficit and ensure healthcare for all Americans and at the same time support a shutdown that cost the economy \$24 billion...with nothing to show for it? Makes no sense.



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## Child Watch

by Marion Wright Edelman



## "It's Not Rocket Science"

"In the 1960s, when my grandfather was teaching me to drive in his little red Ford Falcon, there was an epidemic of deaths on the highways in the United States, and young people were dying in very large numbers." That's how Dr. Mark L. Rosenberg, president and CEO of The Task Force for Global Health, and former Assistant Surgeon General and former director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, recently began talking about today's public health crisis for young people. He continued: "And this country said, 'We can't let this happen. We're going to stop it,' and they took \$200 million and said, 'We're going to invest in research on how to stop young people from losing their lives on the highway,' and they did an amazing, amazing thing. The research that they supported—and they started the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration—that research led to redesigning cars completely . . . The front end of the cars we drive today crush like an accordion to protect us. We have side-impact protection, rollover protection, air bags . . . We redesigned the roads...We've gotten drunk drivers, to a huge extent, off the roads...What we did in the '60s, redesigning the car, redesigning the roadway, redesigning the drivers, was a result of scientific research, and as a result we have saved, between the '60s and the beginning of this century, 325,000 lives. That's the result of science."

Dr. Rosenberg is confident that America can save lives being lost in the current epidemic of gun violence that is the second leading cause of death among children and teens ages 1 – 19 and the number one cause of death among Black children and teens. He believes this public health threat must be attacked just like all others—by using the power of science and evidence-based research: "We can apply the same science to firearm injuries and deaths of

children, and it's not rocket science."

In Washington, D.C. on October 20th, the Children's Defense Fund partnered with Washington National Cathedral for a special Children's Sabbath service and activities, including a forum with leading experts on gun violence as a public health issue where Dr. Rosenberg shared his experience. Under his leadership the CDC conducted key research in the 1990s: "We set out to show that you could start a research program to find out how to prevent gun violence, just like you could reduce the number of fatalities on the roads, and I think one of the most striking findings from our research was designed to answer the question: Does having a gun in your home protect you, or does it put you and your family at risk? Because the people who make and sell guns and the NRA [National Rifle Association] had a very strong vested interest in telling people, 'You should get a gun and have it in your home for protection.'"

"So we tried to answer that question scientifically, and what we found was that not only did

having a gun in your home not protect you, but it increased the risk that someone in your own home would be killed by a gun, not by 10 percent or 20 percent—that's how much of a risk you have to show to take a drug off the market; not by 100 percent or 200 percent, but 300 percent increase in the risk. And the risk that someone in your home would die from suicide with a gun—and I need to remind us that two-thirds of all gun deaths are suicides—the risk that someone in your home would die from gun suicide went up not 300 percent, but 500 percent. These were extraordinary findings that bringing a gun into your home increases the risk that someone in your home will die from a gun. . . . these research findings have been replicated again and again in many studies. So they're not something that we question. This is the truth."

This research was not well received by the gun lobby, and Dr. Rosenberg says they started a campaign to get rid of the

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# BUSINESS

## The American Counseling Association's Counseling Corner

### Reducing The Stress Of College Applications

Most teenagers find lots of ways to increase stress for themselves and their parents, but few things are as full of anxiety and stress as the college application process. And while there's no way to make applying for college stress-free, with advance planning the process can be much more manageable.

One starting point is to recognize that making an intelligent college choice takes time. Fall of the junior year of high school is the best time to begin the process. High school seniors should be well into college choices and applications by now.

Sitting down and having several honest family discussions about the costs of college and the family's ability to meet those costs is a great starting point. Is a scholarship possible? Are there savings that will be available? If there need to be loans, who will pay them back? Realistic financial discussions can help narrow the range of college possibilities.

This is also the time to look realistically at the student's academic abilities, performance and overall career interests. Take the PSAT, SAT or ACT test that most colleges require. What is your student's grade point average in high school and class rank? These are the measures that college admissions officers will be considering.

While it's fine to try one college that your student really wants, even though it might seem one with only a small chance of saying yes, it's more productive and less stressful to focus most of your efforts on schools that are a solid fit academically and financially. Talk to your high school counselor about what schools might be realistic choices for your student. Your high school counselor can also provide advice on applying for scholarships, loans and other types of financial aid.

You should also check out the various college guidebooks now available. They'll help identify college costs, admission requirements and give some ideas about how good a fit a particular college may be for your student. You'll also find that virtually every college maintains a website that will answer most of the questions someone would have about that school.

Yes, it's a lot of work and no, you still haven't completed the first college application. But starting early, planning realistically and investigating thoroughly will help to ensure that the right college choice is made. And it certainly will make the final college application process much less stressful for parents and students.

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## Business Spotlight

### Council Introduces Legislation Supporting Development and Sustainability of Businesses Owned by Prince George's County Residents

Council Member Mel Franklin Says CB-78 Gives Needed Support to Locally-Owned and Operated Businesses

The Prince George's County Council, during session on Tuesday, October 22, 2013, introduced Council Bill 78-2013, legislation authorizing use of the Economic Development Incentive (EDI) Fund for expansion of small business development and local business ownership opportunities.

Under CB-78-2013, which received unanimous approval during a Public Safety and Fiscal Management (PSFM) Committee Meeting on October 17, a goal of 10-percent of the annual appropriation of the EDI Fund would be established for financial assistance to expand entrepreneurship opportunities for County residents who own businesses based in the County.

Council Member Mel Franklin (D) – District 9, a proposer of the legislation, says small and local businesses owned by county residents drive the local economy and providing them with the support they need to grow and thrive is critical to their success.

"This new component of the Economic Development Incentive Fund is designed to create and grow locally-owned and operated businesses in the County and unleash the entrepreneurial spirit of our County residents. This legislation promotes innovation, and creates jobs and wealth for our communities as we work to grow our County's economy."

The proposed legislation aims to increase the County's commercial tax base, create jobs for County residents, and provide flexible financing for small business start-up and expansion in Prince George's County.

Council Bill 78-2013 is scheduled for a public hearing on Tuesday, November 19, 2013. To speak before the Council, contact the Clerk to the County Council at 301.952.3600.

### Cardin Held a Roundtable with Maryland Small Businesses at UMD Biopark

U.S. Senator Ben Cardin (D-MD), a member of the Senate Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee, visited the BioPark at the University of Maryland in Baltimore to discuss how the recent government shutdown has impacted local businesses.

## Anthony Brown and Ken Ulman Team Release Compact with Maryland Business

By Lt. Governor's Press Office

Baltimore, MD - At MTC Logistics in Baltimore, Lt. Governor Anthony G. Brown released his Compact with Maryland Business, outlining his goals to build a better business climate for businesses across the board — big and small, in every sector of our economy. Brown was joined at the event by his running mate, Howard County Executive Ken Ulman, and local leaders, including Maryland Chamber of Commerce President/CEO Kathleen Snyder. Today's kickoff marks the start of an extensive business climate tour centered on fostering a productive atmosphere for Maryland businesses to create jobs for middle class Marylanders. The Compact released lays out nine areas in which the Brown Ulman administration will create a more competitive business climate by forging strong partnerships between the public and private sectors. These partnerships will result in a set of metrics developed to guide the decisions, policies, and initiatives of the Brown Ulman administration toward the end goal of creating jobs for hard-working Marylanders. The Compact also announced the creation of a Business Advisory Group, comprised of a diverse group of business leaders from every region of Maryland, that will guide the Brown Ulman administration as it makes Maryland the most competitive business climate in the nation.

"Over the last seven years, we've made a lot of progress, but there's always more that we can do to make Maryland better for more Marylanders. To keep Maryland's economy growing, we must focus on ways to create more good middle class jobs and

we'll get there by investing in our workforce and establishing the most competitive business climate in America," said Lt. Governor Anthony Brown. "I look forward to building the close partnerships between the public and private sectors on our business climate tour that will help guide and develop the Brown Ulman administration's policies to grow our state's economy and strengthen Maryland's working families."

"Maryland already has a strong, innovative economy with one of the most skilled workforces in the nation, but we're going to build on that success. By partnering with Maryland's businesses, we can create an even stronger business climate to spur our growing private sector to create more jobs for middle class Marylanders," said County Executive Ulman. "Anthony and I are excited to kick off our Competitive Business Climate Tour so we can hear directly from local business leaders from across our state on their ideas to ensure that Maryland businesses are competing not only nationally, but also globally."

"I'm very excited to be a part of the Brown Ulman Business Advisory Council and look forward to working with them to develop concrete plans to create more jobs, cheaper energy sources, and grow Maryland's economy," said Harry Halpert, Chairman of MTC Logistics. "Through continued investments in infrastructure and education, and most importantly by bringing the public and private sector together, we will make Maryland the most competitive business climate in the nation."

The Brown Ulman Compact with Maryland Business focuses on the following impor-



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Anthony Brown and Ken Ulman Endorsed by Maryland Council of AFL-CIO

tant goals to improve Maryland's business climate:

**Tax Liability:** Reform our tax code to ensure that it reflects our current economy, enables state and local government to adequately fund our shared priorities, and encourages job generating investments in Maryland.

**Regulatory and Licensing Requirements:** Streamline our regulatory and licensing requirements to reduce the cost and improve compliance while continuing to safeguard the public and private interests and activities that are regulated.

**Cost and Reliability of Energy:** Promote the cost-effective generation of energy and improve the reliable delivery of energy through the grid to businesses and residents while transitioning to more sustainable energy sources.

**Cost of Living:** Expand access to affordable housing and healthcare, healthy food options and cost-effective transportation to create a reasonable cost of living for all Maryland families.

**Reliable and Predictable Legal System:** Provide a civil justice system that allows deserving individuals to get justice and hold wrongdoers accountable while ensuring that awards are fair and equitable.

**Small- and Medium-Sized Business Access to Working Capital:** Ensure all viable Maryland small- and medium-sized businesses have access to affordable capital by working with lenders and businesses to maintain a strong environment for growth.

**Quality of the Workforce:** Invest in secondary and post-secondary education and skills training, while facilitating dialogue between public and private education and the Maryland business community that allows our education system to adapt quickly to new skill requirements demanded by the market, for now and the future.

**Quality of Life:** Improve public transportation, public education, public safety, public health and public spaces and art in communities throughout Maryland while ensuring the public expenditures are within spending affordability guidelines and are made in a fiscally responsible manner.

**Infrastructure:** Develop, redevelop and maintain Maryland's transportation and non-transportation infrastructure through traditional and innovative financing and investments while ensuring the investments are within debt affordability guidelines and do not jeopardize the State's AAA bond rating.

### Campaign from A1

McCutcheon's case is not over the federal limit an individual can give a single candidate during any given two-year election cycle, which currently stands at \$2,600. Rather, he is fighting the cap individuals can give to any group of candidates.

The federal aggregate contribution cap is adjusted for inflation every odd-numbered year. The 2011-2012 limit was \$46,200, but the 2013-2014 cap stands at \$48,600.

When McCutcheon originally filed his case, he was objecting to the 2012 cap.

McCutcheon's qualm with this limit is that it only allows an individual to give the maximum to a limited number of candidates. The cap prevents individuals from funding as many candidates as they may support, which McCutcheon believes is an abridgment of First Amendment rights.

"It's important to get more candidates and ideas into the process," McCutcheon said.

Maryland is one of nine states that has aggregate contribution limits at the state level. If McCutcheon wins the Supreme Court battle, it is likely that Maryland, along

with Arizona, Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New York, Rhode Island, Wisconsin and Wyoming, will have to repeal their aggregate contribution limits.

Maryland's limits for the 2010 election cycle stood at \$4,000 per individual candidate and party committee, and \$10,000 for the aggregate contribution limit. Unlike the federal limits, Maryland's have not been adjusted for inflation since their inaugural year of 1991.

While these numbers remained untouched for two decades, the number of Maryland donors reaching these limits remains low.

"While there have been cases of donors exceeding the limits, I've never heard an outcry of people saying 'I wish I could give more,'" said Jared DeMarinis, director of the Candidacy and Campaign Finance Division of the Maryland State Board of Elections.

According to a recent report published by the National Institute of Money in State Politics, only seven of the 154,000 donors in Maryland during the 2010 election cycle reached or exceeded the limits.

The seven donors accounted for \$86,428 of the nearly \$30

million donated during the cycle.

In May, Gov. Martin O'Malley signed a campaign finance reform bill increasing the individual limit from \$4,000 to \$6,000, and the aggregate limit from \$10,000 to \$24,000. The new limits will be implemented after the 2014 election cycle.

As far as opposition to these limits is concerned, there has not been much from Maryland politicians.

"I fully support having these limits," said Joe Cluster, executive director of the Maryland Republican Party. "Without them, the dominant party (Democrats) would be in more control."

Especially in a predominantly Democratic state like Maryland, Cluster said it is important that these limits continue, because they help protect smaller parties.

"If we had unlimited campaign donations, (the Republican Party in Maryland) would be non-existent," Cluster said.

Maryland Democrats also stand behind the limits.

"We support making sure there is integrity in the campaign contribution process,"

said Bob Finety, executive director of the Maryland Democratic Party. "But we are happy the limits were finally increased after a couple of decades."

If Maryland's contribution limits were repealed, it would benefit Democrats because of the already large donor base they have established, however, there is a respect for the system, Finety said.

Paul Herrnson, director of Roper Center for Public Opinion Research and professor of political science at the University of Connecticut, said unlimited campaign contributions always seem to favor the incumbent party.

He said candidates running for office wage two different campaigns.

"One for votes," Herrnson said. "Which includes holding events, putting signs up, using the mass media to get your message out, etc."

"The second is the campaign for resources, which involves raising money and collecting endorsements."

The Supreme Court is not expected to decide the case until next year.

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ERIC D. SNIDER'S  
IN THE DARK

## Movie Review

### “All is Lost”

movie review  
*All Is Lost*  
by Eric D. Snider  
Grade: A-



ROTTENTOMATOES

Academy Award-nominated writer/director J.C. Chandor (*Margin Call*) takes the helm for this tense adventure drama about a man (Robert Redford) who must fight for survival after being lost at sea. ~ Jason Buchanan, Rovi

find the hull of his yacht breached by a shipping container that must have fallen off a freighter. The accident is random and unforeseeable — a cruel twist of fate. We're in the territory of one of the classic conflicts that our high school English teachers drilled into us: Man vs. Nature. It doesn't get much simpler than that. I mean, the guy is even called *Our Man*.

In an era of over-complicated movie plots and effects-heavy spectacle, it's refreshing — heck, it's exhilarating — to see a film so stripped-

down and unadorned. There are no flashbacks to *Our Man's* life before this trip. We don't know what the purpose of the journey was, or where he was going, or who his loved ones are. Why? Because none of those details are relevant to the matter at hand, which is simply this: how long can a person survive in a hostile, unfeeling wilderness? How long before his spirit breaks and he gives up?

Redford's performance is crucial, obviously, and the 77-year-old Hollywood legend has never been better. Without

any grand gestures or showy theatrics, he quietly conveys the character's resourcefulness, pragmatism, frustration, and fear. *Our Man* is courageous and undaunted, yet realistic about his plight. With Redford as his avatar, Chandor skillfully drives the stark terrors of the open ocean — everything from dehydration to sharks — into our hearts. The suspense is fierce, but even more intense are the feelings of admiration we have for our hero. What a piercing, elegant, emotionally powerful story.

## The Edge of Sports

by DAVE ZIRIN

### The Grambling State Player's Strike is not without Precedent



Even in football, a sport whose DNA is constructed to produce obedience and deference to authority, people can be pushed only so far before they push back. At Grambling State, the

players engaged in a players' strike, what all media outlets are calling “a mutiny”, and refused to take the field on Saturday against Jackson State. It just lasted one game, but only because the administration and powers that be made a series of promises to get them back on the field.

They had little choice. The list of grievances at the school that the late Hall of Fame Coach Eddie Robinson called home is both long and startling. From unsanitary locker room conditions that have led to multiple cases of staph infection” as well as “mildew and mold on the ceiling, walls and floor,” to 750-mile overnight bus rides before games, to a weight room that appears to be an ugly accident waiting to happen, to having their popular coach, former Grambling quarterback Doug Williams summarily fired, this is a team of young people that has simply had enough. (Read their grievance letter in its entirety here.)

Some of the players' frustration stems from the numerous cases of infighting by the adults in charge, but the root cause of the chaos can be found in the Louisiana Governor's office of Bobby Jindal. Governor Jindal rejected federal stimulus funds in 2009, while also cutting 219 million dollars in state funds for higher education, \$5 million of which would have gone to Grambling State. In 2012, Jindal cut another million that was due to go to Grambling State's operating costs.

This has hammered the entire school, and the athletic department is no exception. At a school where players are self-rationing weight-lifting supplements to make sure everyone gets a fair share, every dollar matters. But as necessarily as it is to call out Governor Jindal, the Obama administration's record on supporting historically black colleges and universities has also been, to be kind, brutal, with decreases in federal grant funding and changes in loan programs that have estimated to have cleaved \$300 million from HBCU's nationally.

Now a football school that as recently as 2011 won their conference title has not come within ten points of an opponent all season and the players are saying enough is enough.

The Grambling player's strike has been covered very well, in my view, by all corners of the sports media, airing the grievances of the players and turning this into a national story. There is one aspect however that has fallen short. ESPN's Stephen A. Smith, like many commentators, has described the players' strike as “unprecedented,” as if young athletes have never—outside, perhaps of the film *Varsity Blues*—banded together and refused to take the field. This is not actually true. It is worth knowing the history of rebel teams because it makes the actions of Grambling State's players less of an outlier, less of a freak occurrence and more a part of a continuum, however sparse, of players saying that there are more important things in life than obeying authority and agreeing that the gob of spit in your face is indeed rain.

The first time you see players coming together in a way that garnered national attention, was in 1936. Another historically black college, Howard University in DC, saw players walk off their “job.” The team went on strike before a home game against Virginia Union because their school refused to provide them with food. When it came to any kind of pre- or post-game nutrition, the “student-athletes” were on their own. As one player said to *Time* magazine, “We were too hungry to get in there and battle those big country boys full of ham and kale.” That week, Howard students boycotted classes in solidarity with the players and marched down DC's famous Georgia Avenue chanting, “Food! Food! Food! We want food!” with placards that read, “We Want Ham and Cabbage for the Team!”

The 1960s and 1970s also saw players repeatedly demand that they have a voice independent of their head coach. At the University of Washington, athletes won a study of racism in the athletic department after accusing a football trainer of making racial slurs and providing inadequate treatment for injuries.

That May of 1968, Howard University again saw their athletes speak out. They threatened to quit teams en masse, unless Athletic Director Samuel Barnes was removed. They also wanted “better food, more medical attention, streamlined means of transportation, more equipment, better living conditions and a full-time sports information director.” Student assembly president Ewart Brown Jr., a member of the track team publicly burned his Howard varsity sweat-shirt. As it went up in ashes, football player Harold Orr said, “This is what we think of the athletic program. [We need a] cremation of the old system.”

The cascade of protest continued. In February, African-American basketball players at Notre Dame's basketball team threatened to quit unless they receive a public apology from students for booing when they were all in the Michigan State game at the same time, creating what at the time was the rare sight in South Bend of five African-American players at the same time.

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### Tea Party from A1

3 percent margin of error. Among liberal and moderate Republicans, those with a favorable view of the tea party dropped 19 percent since June, to 27 percent, with a margin of error of 6 percent, according to the Pew report. Meanwhile, the amount of conservative Republicans with a favorable view of the party decreased 9 percentage points, to 65 percent, with a 6 percent margin of error.

Capital News Service's Colleen Wilson contributed to this report.

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# Calendar of Events

November 7 — November 13, 2013

## First Tuesdays At Abraham Hall

**Date & Time:** Monthly, First Tuesdays  
**Description:** Abraham Hall, constructed in 1889, is the best example of an African American benevolent society lodge in Prince George's County. Located in the community of Rossville, it is the first African American historic site in the county to be fully restored using public funds. Home of M-NCPPC's Black History Program, please call the number listed below for more information about the First Tuesday program.  
**Ages:** All ages  
**Location:** *Abraham Hall*  
 7612 Old Muirkirk Road, Beltsville 20705  
**Contact:** 240-264-3415; TTY 301-699-2544

## Zumba with Cheryl Hicks & Step-n-Sweat Fitness

**Location:** Glenarden Community Center  
**Date & Time:** Tuesdays & Thursdays, November 12-December 5, 10-11 am  
**Description:** Party with Cheryl and move to the beats of merengue, hip-hop, salsa, and old school line dancing and more. Make your way to Glenarden on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.  
**Cost:** Resident \$38; Non-Resident \$46  
**Ages:** 18 & up  
**Location:** *Glenarden Community Center*  
 8615 McLain Avenue, Glenarden 20706  
**Contact:** 301-772-3151; TTY 301-218-6768  
**SMARTlink #** 1302517

## Native American Harvest Crops

**Date & Time:** Friday, November 15, 10:15-11 am  
**Description:** Discover the history of crops of the Native American culture. Reservations required.  
**Cost:** Resident \$2; Non-Resident \$3  
**Ages:** 5 & up  
**Location:** *Old Maryland Farm*  
 301 Watkins Park Drive, Upper Marlboro 20774  
**Contact:** 301-218-6770; TTY 301-699-2544

## Adult Line Dance Social

**Date and Time:** Saturday, November 16, 8 pm-12 am  
**Description:** Adults socialize, mingle and enjoy the latest line and hand dances. Very light refreshments will be served.  
**Cost:** Resident \$10; Non-Resident \$12  
**Ages:** 18 & up  
**Location:** *Potomac Landing Community Center Park*  
 12500 Fort Washington Road, Fort Washington 20744  
**Contact:** 301-292-9191; TTY 301-203-6030

## Community Workshop-College Park-Riverdale Park Transit District Development Plan

**Event date:** Wednesday, November 20, from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM  
**Location:** Parks and Recreation Building Auditorium  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 20, 2013  
**Time:** 7:00-9:00 p.m.  
**Location:** *Parks and Recreation Building Auditorium*, 6600 Kenilworth Avenue, Riverdale, MD 20737  
**Event Description:** Staff will present an overview of the project, provide information on key design and planning principles, present an outline of existing conditions, and allow for discussion of current plans impacting the TDDP area. Read more»  
**Contact:** Chad Williams, LEED AP Project Mgr. 301-952-3171

## 14th Annual Gingerbread House Contest and Show

**Date & Time:** Friday-Sunday, November 29-30 & December 1,  
 Friday-Sunday, December 6-8, and  
 Friday-Sunday, December 13-15, 12 noon-5 pm  
**Description:** For a sweet treat, come and view an amazing display of edible gingerbread houses. No nibbling allowed! Visitors will have the opportunity to vote in the Viewer's Choice Award Competition. No reservations necessary.  
**Cost:** \$1/person  
**Ages:** All ages  
**Location:** *Darnall's Chance*  
 14800 Governor Oden Bowie Drive, Upper Marlboro 20772  
**Contact:** 301-952-8010; TTY 301-699-2544

## 27th Annual Winter Festival of Lights

**Date and Time:** Friday, November 29, 2013-Tuesday, January 1, 2014, 5-9:30 pm (nightly)  
**Description:** Bring a little sparkle to your holidays at the 27th Annual Winter Festival of Lights! Don't miss this spectacular holiday drive-through event of more than one million twinkling lights! Please bring a canned good to donate to local food banks.  
**Cost:** \$5/cars & vans; \$15/mini-buses & limos; \$25/buses; \$10/multi-visit passes for cars & vans. The festival is FREE on Dec. 25  
**Ages:** All ages  
**Location:** *Watkins Regional Park*  
 301 Watkins Park Drive, Upper Marlboro 20774  
**Contact:** 301-699-2456; TTY 301-699-2544; Linea en Español: 301-445-4509

## History Lecture at Montpelier Mansion

Meet Mary Pickersgill. Montpelier Mansion Historic Site will be hosting a history lecture about Mary Pickersgill, the woman who created the flag that inspired The Star Spangled Banner. Those ages 12 and up are invited to hear Mary Pickersgill (as portrayed by Jill Crowther-Peters of the Star Spangled Banner Flag House of Baltimore) tell her story on Wednesday, November 20, 2013 at 7:30 pm.  
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 This FREE event is sponsored by the Friends of Montpelier and Maryland Milestones. No reservations needed.  
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## Live Animal Show

**Date & Time:** Saturday, November 30, 10-11 am  
**Description:** Meet animals up close & learn about their characteristics. Reservations are required.  
**Cost:** Resident \$2; Non-Resident \$3  
**Ages:** 2 & up  
**Location:** *Watkins Nature Center*  
 301 Watkins Park Drive, Upper Marlboro 20774

# EARTH TALK ... Reducing Waste in Retail Store Operations

Dear EarthTalk:

*I work for the Gap and know firsthand the amount of waste that's produced at my store. Can you suggest ways retail stores can reduce waste? And how can I get a conversation started with the people upstairs about recycling and being less wasteful?*

-- Name withheld, via e-mail

Waste is an issue for all retail operations, given the need to take in and unpack large numbers of individual items and then display and package them up in a way that customers will appreciate.

CalRecycle (California's Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery) suggests that retailers consider the three R's—reduce, reuse and recycle—when setting up their sourcing, packaging and related procedures. As for reducing, CalRecycle encourages retailers to ask their suppliers to provide items without excess packaging and to reuse whatever packaging they can. Also, stores can give customers the choice of having their purchases bagged—or give a discount to those who bring

their own or go without.

For reusing, CalRecycle recommends donating old merchandise to charities rather than throwing it in the trash, and looking for schools or institutions that would take display racks and other decor elements from the previous sales season. Posting such items to a materials exchange is a quick way to find takers. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) maintains a state list of material exchanges on its website.

Retailers can maximize the amount of recycled packaging in their stores by demanding their suppliers use it. And if a store has enough recyclables it may be able to sell it to an industrial recycler periodically.

If a store is in a mall, there may be other opportunities for greening. "Mall property managers and anchor stores can provide leadership by coordinating waste prevention, recycling and purchasing programs at multi-tenant complexes," says CalRecycle. "Mall managers can consolidate efforts among businesses to generate large amounts of recyclable material, thereby making recycling more cost effective."

## Fallout from A1

for Environmental Science, who focuses on the effects of climate change in the Arctic.

While the shutdown hampered a wide array of research opportunities, perhaps none were endangered as much as research in the Antarctic.

Research opportunities in the Antarctic are limited and the field season—the period of time allotted for scientists to conduct research in the region—is limited as well. While some researchers were already on their way to the icy continent, the shutdown occurred just as they began to make landfall.

"Scientists were on a boat that had just arrived and they weren't sure if they would be able to even unload their equipment," Carney said.

While some researchers were allowed to begin their projects

once the shutdown ended, Carney said, many were told their trip would need to wait until next year.

The U.S. Antarctic Program—currently beginning its field season—was forced to enter a caretaker state thanks to the lapse in funding. The NSF manages three year-round stations in Antarctica, none of which are designed to go unmanned, said Peter West, Outreach & Education Program Manager at the National Science Foundation.

"They aren't designed to deal with intense cold and the elements," West said. "A small number of people were there to ensure that the operations of the stations were maintained."

But other than that select group of people, Antarctica was essentially closed to researchers. And it would have continued to be closed, had the shutdown continued.

Instead, West explained, the

## Alternative from A1

University, co-authored 'The Tea Party and the Remaking of Republican Conservatism' in 2011, and discovered an overlap between Tea Party and libertarian identification.

"When we did our research in 2011... we found that as many as 40 percent of (Tea Party supporters) in Virginia considered themselves libertarian," Skocpol said.

In this year's Virginia governor's race, Libertarian Party candidate Robert Sarvis was third with 11 percent in an Oct. 15 poll by Christopher Newport University's Judy Ford Watson Center for Public Policy.

Libertarians in the United States are predominantly male, highly critical of government and disapproving of social welfare programs, according to the Pew poll, although some libertarians find that definition stifling and inaccurate.

The UMBC group includes one of seven Maryland chapters of Young Americans for Liberty, an organization founded in 2008 by Jeff Frazee, who worked as a youth coordinator for former Texas Rep. Ron Paul, a libertarian who unsuccessfully ran for president on the Republican ticket in 2012. There are four newly forming chapters in the state, including Mount St. Mary's University and the University of Baltimore, joining the three already active chapters.

"There's definitely a trend on the national basis and a significant growth in young libertarians," said Yaron Brook, executive director of the Irvine, Calif.-based Ayn Rand Institute. "(It's) a generation that's being screwed by their elders. The baby boomer generation loaded themselves up

with goodies at the expense of young people."

Frustrated with what they perceive as burdensome government regulations promoted by Democrats, and intrusive social policies and over-reaching foreign policy supported by Republicans, young people have increasingly taken to libertarianism over the past five or six years, Brook said.

Jared Naumann, president of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County College Libertarians, which includes members of Students For Liberty, the Libertarian Party and Young Americans for Liberty, did not expect so much enthusiasm when he set up the group a year ago.

"Once it became official and once I had an executive board, it took off. I never expected to get this far, I never expected an official club. I expected, at most, five people on the mailing list," said Naumann, an information systems major who grew up in a libertarian household.

There are now 74 people on the opt-in mailing list, and 23 people signed up at the campus involvement fair in September, Naumann said.

Many of the group's students discovered their beliefs aligned with libertarianism after growing up in conservative households. Libertarians often overlap with conservatives on economic policies, but tend to diverge on social issues.

"A lot of kids who are libertarian now were raised in conservative households, so they might live a very conservative lifestyle in terms of what they value, but when it comes down to it, they want to be free to make their own decisions about things," said Coates, from Harford County.



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All big retail chains have sustainability challenges, but the Gap has made great strides in the last decade in reducing waste and its overall environmental footprint. They recently completed a green makeover of their corporate offices in San Francisco, diverting as much as 75 percent of the waste stream there.

While the Gap has limited control over what goes on at its

retail stores given local rules and systems for waste management, it is partnering with other retailers through industry groups to facilitate recycling in mall store environments and establish lease templates that support waste reduction and other environmental goals. The company is also part of the Clean by Design program,

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of agencies, including the National Science Foundation.

Though his work in the Arctic was not directly impacted by the shutdown—funding for Arctic research had already been allotted, unlike the funds for Antarctic research, Cooper said—future funding is still at risk.

Should the government face another shutdown, Cooper's research could be among funded projects that would be forced to go dark again.

"It will be fine for a little while," Cooper said. "But if this grinding percentage cut in funding continues, it's not a very pretty picture in the end."

Not only will the effects of the shutdown be felt long after its end, the systemic funding cuts and shutdowns send a negative image of the U.S.' commitment to scientific research, Carney said.

"You can't just turn science on and off like a switch," Carney said.

Jordyn Vogel, a biology pre-dental major, said a key component of libertarianism is the distinction between personal and political opinions.

"Whether I personally think that homosexual people should get married doesn't matter, because I don't think the government should define what is and isn't considered marriage," Vogel said.

For many young voters, a distrust of government and institutions means they are more likely to identify as libertarian, said Trey Grayson, director of the Institute of Politics at Harvard University's Kennedy School and former Kentucky Secretary of State. Grayson ran against Sen. Rand Paul, R-Ky., a Tea Party libertarian, in the 2010 Kentucky senate Republican primary.

The willingness of Rand Paul and his father, Ron Paul, to communicate using social media, including the Ron Paul Channel, is attractive to younger voters, Grayson said. And they're more successful at navigating the Internet than their strictly GOP counterparts.

"Historically, the right has been abysmal" at using the Internet, said Bonnie Kristian, communications consultant at Arlington, Va.-based Young Americans for Liberty. "It's just ugly.... (Mitt) Romney was bad, but not as bad as (John) McCain. They don't know how to appeal to anyone under the age of 40."

Kristian handles the Young Americans for Liberty's Facebook and Twitter pages, which have more than 60,000 fans and 15,000 followers, respectively. Facebook is the primary social media outlet because it's the most inclusive, she said.

"Facebook has the advantage

of everyone being there already. The mom and grandma are on there too, and they make up the donor level," Kristian said.

The Internet is also used as a recruitment tool for new members and chapter leaders based on their likes and location.

Matthew Butt, a psychology and pre-med major is president of the newly-formed Young Americans for Liberty chapter at McDaniel College in northern Maryland. The chapter has around 20 members.

Butt was contacted in May by the national organization on Facebook and was asked if he wanted to lead a chapter.

"Even though we may be a minority in Maryland, we're a very passionate and vocal minority," he said.

Despite positive turnout from students and success organizing over social media, the UMBC College Libertarians said they still need what every group needs - money.

At a weekly meeting recently, members were considering how to get their school to fund bus travel to a student libertarian conference in Washington in February, and how to host an 'Atlas Shrugged' movie night despite campus regulations and the hefty price tag to secure the rights to the film.

"It's hard to fundraise if you're a political group, it really is. If you're not connected to a big party like the Republicans and Democrats, it's hard to fundraise," said Tim Jacobs, the group's treasurer.

Like cash-strapped college organizations everywhere, the group was considering a bake sale.



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## Watch from A4

whole gun violence prevention research agenda. The NRA successfully lobbied their allies in Congress to stop the CDC's gun violence prevention research funding. As a result funding for gun violence prevention research at the CDC fell from an average of \$2.5 million per year in 1993-1996 to half that in 1997-2000. Two decades later, the CDC is spending just \$100,000 per year on gun violence prevention research. Meanwhile we are spending 2,500 times that amount on research to prevent traffic fatalities, even though traffic accidents and guns kill a similar number of people every year. We must not let this continue to happen. The President has requested that Congress authorize \$10 million for gun violence prevention research at the CDC, and another \$20 million to set up a nationwide system to better track gun deaths. This would still be only a tenth of what we are spending on traffic deaths, but it would be a vast improvement over where we are right now.

Dr. Rosenberg also said: "There's this sense of fatalism that people sometimes have, and you say, 'Oh, there's 300 million guns out there in the country. The problem is so big, there is nothing we can do about it, and besides, we've lived with violence from the beginnings of mankind. It's just out there' . . .

But we've learned that violence is not 'just evil,' but violence is specific types of problems: child abuse, child neglect, dating violence, youth violence, intimate partner violence and gender-based violence, rape and sexual assault, child sexual abuse, elder abuse, suicide. Violence is a set of specific problems, and we can apply these same four questions—What's the problem? What are the causes? What works? And how do you do it?—to each of these types, and they can be prevented."

Our nation's gun violence epidemic is not inevitable. Scholars must be allowed to do the desperately needed scientific research that will help parents, policymakers and the public determine how we can all work together to stop it. The NRA cannot be allowed to continue to block the truth at the cost of so many lives.

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## Zirin from A6

But nowhere and at no time did athletes come together in anger and against the wishes of coaches and athletic directors than when it came to playing Brigham Young University. BYU was affiliated with the Mormon Church, which denied leadership positions to African-Americans, claiming that their dark skin was "the mark of the curse of Ham." This would remain church policy until 1978. In October of 1968, the Wyoming football program dismissed fourteen players for wearing black armbands the evening before the team was scheduled to play BYU. They called themselves the Black 14 and unsuccessfully sued for \$1.1 million in damages with the support of the NAACP. On October 25, in a game with San Jose State, the entire San Jose team wore black armbands to support the Black 14. (San Jose State was also the home of these guys, making it a place where protest and sports hit together like fist in glove.)

In November 1969, primarily because of controversy surrounding Brigham Young, Stanford University President Kenneth Pitzer announced that Stanford would honor what he called an athlete's "right of conscience." This "right" would allow the athlete to buy-

cott a school or event that he or she deemed "personally repugnant."

One of the great forgotten stories however, took place in Seattle in 1972. That year at the University of Washington, the team refused to come out after half-time unless their opposition to the war in Vietnam was read over the public address system. According to journalist Dean Paton, who worked for the Huskies Sports Information Office and was charged with delivering the team's message to the public address announcer, the following words were heard throughout the stadium:

Ladies and gentlemen, may we have your attention for a very important announcement: The football team at the University of Washington wishes to take this moment to express its concern over the present situation in Vietnam. Toward this end, the team will now delay the game for a couple of minutes.

Dean Paton recalled to me, "As Wendell's words echoed throughout the stadium, a loud symphony of boos arose from the seats on the stadium's south side, where the alumni donors and wealthy season ticket holders sit. The boos were unremitting, and they grew as Wendell continued: 'The players basically have one thing to say: they feel the war and the killing

should be ended immediately. The team wishes you would take these few minutes to think about what has happened in the world this week and what consequences they may have. Thank you.... The game will now resume; the team thanks you for your patience.'"

Today, as players wear All Players United on their clothes to say they are sick and tired of the status quo in college sports, Grambling State reminds us that as bad as the status quo is at mega-schools in the power conferences, it can also be far worse. It is awful for the haves. It is even worse for the have-nots, and that is why change is coming to college football. Fired coach Doug Williams, who had been staying out of the current conflict because his son D.J. Williams is the team's starting quarterback, texted, "I'm proud of them boys. They took a stance." The question is whether the NCAA, Bobby Jindal, the Obama administration and others will listen and stop treating HBCU's like separate and unequal institutions. At all schools, the NCAA will also have to stop using so called student-athletes like expendable pieces of equipment, people with arms and legs but without minds of their own. Whether they do or not, you can count on there being more stances to come.

## Earth from A7

an initiative of the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) to marshal the buying power of multinational corporations (including Wal-Mart, Levi's, Nike and others) to reduce waste and emissions among suppliers abroad.

But just because the company is on the case doesn't mean new suggestions aren't welcome. Corporate leaders at companies like the Gap often encourage feedback from workers, especially when it could benefit the company's bottom line or image. Offering some concrete, succinct examples of ways the company could reduce waste would most likely be the best approach.

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