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WILL CAPTAIN PLANET COME SAVE US THIS TIME?

THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECT'S APPOINTEE FOR ADMINISTRATOR OF THE EPA WILL HAVE AN AFFECT ON AMERICANS, BUT HOW? AND WHAT CAN COMMUNITIES OF COLOR DO ABOUT IT?

It's like we're watching the Truman show, and everyday a new sign is presented that alarms us to be more aware and educated on certain topics we once may have overlooked. One of these bubbling subjects, which has gained serious steam recently on global, national, state and local issues, the natural and built environment. From an increased frequency in natural disasters like Hurricane Katrina and Sandy, to water quality issues in local communities such as the Flint, Michigan crisis, we see the wrings on the wall that it is me to be safer than sorry.

With recent admission of the 2016 presidential elect and his lumbering selection of cabinet leaders, communities of color should not only pay more attention to climate change and environmentally-related news, but take things a step further. At a me where we cannot afford to be traumatized by another surprise, it will be taxing if we don't do our own homework and proactive problem solving within our communities. The presidential elect's candidate to serve as Administrator for the Environmental Protection Agency, just approved by the U.S. Senate, is a worse scare than the forest fires Smokey once warned us to prevent. A former Attorney General, in his past positions, clearly showed his opinion of not only the EPA and the natural and built environments but most importantly, the public health of Americans. Fancying his supporters from the fossil-fuel industry, president-elect chose former Oklahoma Senator and Attorney General Sco Prui, to "protect human health and the environment." With over 20 years in legal experience, you might assume that Prui would be an ideal candidate to regulate and enforce the laws mandated by the EPA. It is hard to believe Prui will serve as the EPA's next captain planet-like administrator, because as a former senator and Attorney General, he has been a huge disbeliever of climate change and the EPA's governing power. In 2010, as Attorney General, Prui dissolved the Environmental Protection Unit in his office, and launched a "Federalism Unit", which was designed to file legal challenges against the EPA. Since 2011, Sco Prui sued the EPA 13 times in attempt to block initiatives such as Clean Power Plan and the reduction of toxins harmful to human health such as mercury, arsenic and smog. In the past, Prui has even declared himself as, "leading advocate against the EPA's active agenda."

Knowing these circumstances, how do these decisions effect the EPA? What impact will the administration have on communities of color in regards to the natural and built environment? Well first, the EPA can expect potential budget cuts. Usually the EPA's budget stoops around \$7-8.5 billion, with a peak of \$10.2 billion in 2010. So fearfully, it is unknown how severe EPA budget cuts may be.



While this sounds disheartening, there may be an upwelling of significance to these series of events. For decades, communities have asked private industry to do its part when it came to protecting the environment. This is an opportunity for companies and organizations with meaningful, innovative corporate sustainability programs, to fully exercise their corporate responsibility to protect the same states, cities and towns that keep our national franchises and enterprises thriving. State environmental agencies, having a more important role now than ever, must push for more regional agreements amongst other states and public-private partnerships that will drive the funding for federal and state environmental agencies to resist the unraveling of the last administrations strides to restore and conserve our birthright to clean air and water.

Another opportunity that this strain on the EPA gives the American citizens, is the opportunity to raise capacity and awareness of existing environmental organizations. Community groups should start to align with existing environmental organizations and their funders, to ensure equity in environmental issues. More specifically, make sure the ignored voices of environmental injustices are heard, and more importantly, respected. Traditional and nontraditional environmental organizations must align with the growing part of America that have not been included in the environmental movement, environmental decision-making processes and the economic participation and benefits of the environment and Earth's natural resources.

So while reading between the lines of decisions made by the national government, me and energy should be focused more towards addressing our environmental concerns at the state and local level. This is also a keen opportunity for underrepresented and underserved communities to exchange support and people power, for resources such as restoration grants and knowledge on climate resiliency that large environmental groups have often not shared in the past. Undoubted support must be demanded of the private sector by citizens. This support must be shown through private and public, direct and indirect, monetarily and morally sound environmental decisions made on the merit and future of the American public.



by Darius A. Stanton II

Darius A. Stanton II, native of Bowie, Maryland, is an environmental management specialist with an emphasis on sustainable community development.

Currently, Mr. Stanton works for Chesapeake Research Consortium as their diversity workgroup staffer in their career development program. Darius plans to obtain his PhD in sustainable design and own his own consulting and eco-landscaping business.

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THE CLEAN ENERGY JOBS ACT

In an historic move, the Maryland General Assembly overrode Governor Larry Hogan's veto of the Clean Energy Jobs Act (SB 921/HB 1106), bringing into law a 25% clean electricity target, which the state must meet by 2020. The overwhelming support to restore this leading piece of legislation comes on the heels of nearly four years of persistent grassroots support for more clean energy, improved public health, and progressive climate action. The Clean Energy Jobs Act will create nearly 1,000 new high-paying jobs annually through 2020 by creating incentives for roughly 1,300 megawatts of wind and solar. That's enough clean energy to power 279,000 homes annually. The measure will also reduce carbon emissions equivalent to taking 563,000 passenger vehicles off the road each year, which will mitigate the impacts of climate change while preventing up to 600 asthma attacks each year.

COMMUNITY SOLAR ENGAGEMENT

Across the U.S. and Maryland, solar power is booming as a source of energy, benefiting consumers, communities, and our climate. Solar energy not only reduces our carbon footprint and decreases air pollution, but it is quickly overtaking fossil fuels as the leading job creator in the energy sector. The number of solar jobs in the U.S. has [more than doubled](#) in five years. In fact, there are more people working in solar now than at oil rigs and in gas fields.

In the fall of 2016, Maryland launched a community solar pilot program. The Maryland's community solar pilot program allows families to take advantage of the cost savings of solar without having to own their home or install equipment on their property.

Community solar allows customers that rent, have shady roofs, or are otherwise unable to install solar on their residences or commercial buildings to buy or subscribe to a portion of a shared solar system. The subscriber's share of the electricity generated by the project is credited to their electricity bill, just as if the solar system were located at the home or business.

STATEWIDE BAN ON HYDRAULIC FRACTURING

Maryland is currently under a moratorium that will expire in October of 2017. Efforts are underway to work for a permanent state-wide ban on fracking. On Friday, October 7th, the Anne Arundel County Council issued a letter to the Anne Arundel County delegation stating that they were under a defacto ban in Anne Arundel County and urged them to pass a state-wide ban.

Submitted by Brook Harper, NAACP, Maryland State Conference, ECJ Committee Chair

For additional information on legislation introduced in the 2017 session and issues that are impacting our state, please visit www.marylandgeneralassembly.com.

A MINUTE WITH DELEGATE DAVID FRASER-HIDALGO, MD



Publisher:

What is the current status of HB 1325?

Delegate Fraser-Hidalgo:

It was my bill, then the work group. I worked with some other folks Delegate Andrew Cassilly and Delegate Jay Jalisi. We ran the work group for two -and-a-half years and came up with the results from that work group, passed the bill and sent it over to the Senate and I had not spoken to the governor in over, I think the entire 3 years.

Publisher:

What does having Governor Larry Hogan's support mean to you as far as being the sponsor of the bill?

Delegate Fraser-Hidalgo:

I was excited to hear that he was on board for a ban. It's a good thing.

Publisher:

With final approval, what would this mean for the state of Maryland? Why is it important to have the ban enforced?

Delegate Fraser-Hidalgo:

This is a message that will reverberate through the entire country because we are officially the first state to legislatively ban fracking. In other words to make it a law, that has any shale gas plate. Vermont did it but it doesn't have any shale plate. New York did it but it was done by executive order, which means it could be overturned at any time so we are the first state to do it. I hope that the message that is sent to fracking the companies and

the rest of the country is that Maryland looks after its citizens and it's not going to do anything to put the public health of our citizens in jeopardy or the environment in jeopardy and the state of Maryland. We're going to preserve Western Maryland, which is a beautiful pristine area with beautiful mountains, a lot of tourism, lots of houses, a lot of vacation homes, a lot of beautiful outdoor lands, Deep Creek Lake.

It just sends a message that we are not going to put those kids and those people that live out in that area at risk. There are other ways of generating energy. It doesn't have to be through putting the public at risk and the environment at risk.

DAVID V. FRASER-HIDALGO

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VOTE **YES** on **SB740/HB1325** TO **BAN FRACKING** IN MARYLAND

The 2017 General Assembly session is legislators' last chance to fully protect the health, environment and tourism economy of Marylanders from the toxic practice of fracking for gas. Unless the General Assembly acts to ban fracking this year, Governor Larry Hogan could begin issuing permits for dangerous drilling starting in October 2017, risking potentially irreversible damage.



Since the General Assembly wisely enacted a two-year moratorium on fracking in 2015, hundreds of new peer-reviewed scientific studies have found widespread health and environmental harms associated with fracking and related infrastructure. Meanwhile, no regulatory framework has been shown capable of preventing significant harm.

A permanent ban on fracking is the only “gold standard” that would ensure the health and safety of all Marylanders. It’s also what the Maryland public wants.

Fracking threatens our health

- People living near fracking operations are getting sick. This is no longer “anecdotal”—major research institutions are now confirming this reality. More than 80 percent of the peer-reviewed studies on human health impacts of fracking show risks or actual harms.
- Studies from Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health documented increases in asthma attacks, premature births, high-risk pregnancies, migraines, sinus infections and fatigue among people living near active fracking operations.
- **More than 200 Maryland health professionals have signed a letter calling on the General Assembly to ban fracking. A growing number of health groups, including the Maryland Public Health Association, are now also calling for a ban in 2017.**

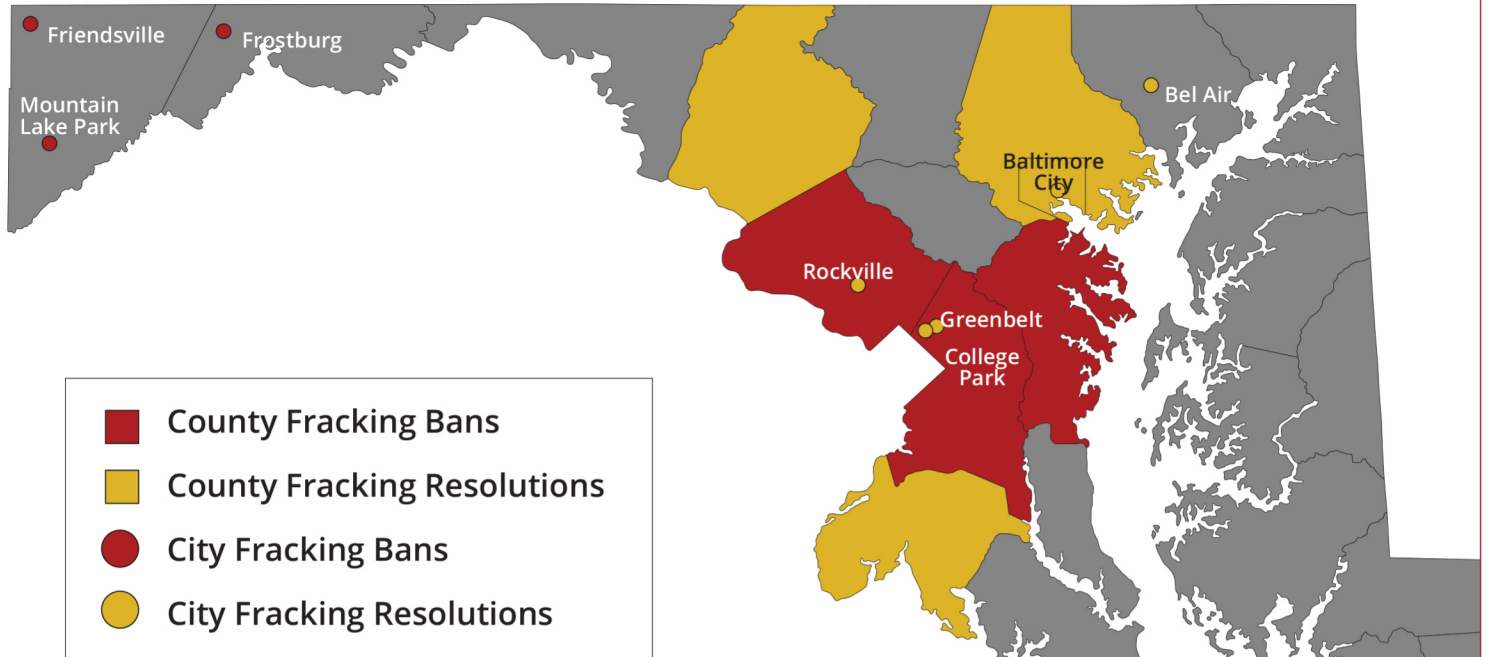
Fracking threatens our economy

- Maryland has a lot to lose and little to gain if the fracking industry moves into our state. While the oil and gas industry operates on a boom-and-bust cycle and relies heavily on out-of-state workers, Maryland’s tourism and agriculture industries generate sustainable economic activity across the state.
- Garrett County, likely the first to be targeted if fracking is allowed, welcomes 1.2 million visitors a year and is the second-largest tourism destination in Maryland, generating \$347 million in local revenue annually.
- Fracking diminishes property values, which can lower local tax revenue, and the heavy truck traffic required can cost local governments millions in road and infrastructure repairs.
- **More than 170 local businesses across Maryland have signed a letter calling on the General Assembly to ban fracking, including 140 businesses in Garrett and Allegany Counties.**

Fracking threatens our clean water, air, and climate

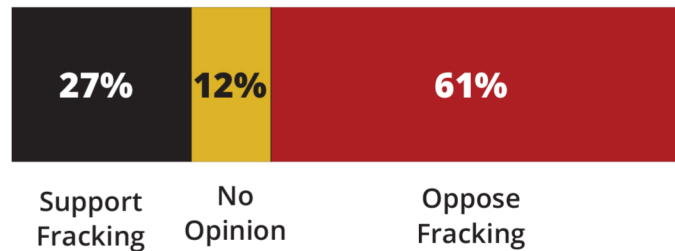
- More than 280 cases have been confirmed of private drinking water contamination related to oil and gas activities in Pennsylvania alone.

Fracking Bans and Resolutions in Maryland



61% of likely Maryland voters oppose fracking.

The Washington Post



SOURCE: Washington Post poll published October 7, 2016. www.washingtonpost.com/page/2010-2019/WashingtonPost/2016/10/07/National-Politics/Polling/question_17514.xml?uuiid=-xfColx0EeaM3E-7GXO1Bg

- Millions of gallons of fresh water are required to drill a single well, resulting in massive volumes of toxic wastewater that can easily leak or run off into soils or surface water.
- Fracking is incompatible with a safe climate future and would undermine Maryland's commitment to tackling climate change. The process releases huge amounts of methane, which is 86 times more powerful over 20 years than carbon dioxide at trapping heat in the atmosphere.

Fracking cannot be adequately regulated

- Even so-called "gold standard" or "platinum package" regulations fail to adequately protect public health and the environment. Wells leak, spills happen, earthquakes damage -- no regulations can solve these problems.
- Governor Hogan has weakened provisions of the regulations, increasing risks to the environment and to Maryland residents, and regulations without tough enforcement are meaningless.
- Contamination of air and water can't be undone. Neither can earthquake damage. The more Marylanders learn about fracking, the more they want to keep it out of our state.

**VOTE YES on SB740/HB1325
TO BAN FRACKING IN MARYLAND**

A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE PUBLISHER

Doreen Williams, Founder and Executive Producer of DW Communications & Media, a communications company that provides educational resources while increasing environmental awareness and understanding through innovative education and communications strategies.

Since establishing the Youth Initiative Energy & Environment Program and the Business Initiative Energy & Environment Program, our mission is to educate youth and the community in the fields of engineering, environmental issues, energy conservation and sustainable practices.

As an extremely timely issue, it is with great dedication that we embark upon educating our next generation about the environment, its infrastructure, its effect on our natural world, and the possible catastrophic complications we may encounter if things do not change.

Since our inception in 2007, DW Communications & Media has worked with many students throughout the Washington Metropolitan area. In our first academic year, we escorted students on nine field trips, exposing them to alternative energy sources, biomass research, conservation, and sustainable practices. In November of 2008, we had the opportunity of running a television ad designed to promote education in the areas of energy and environment on major networks (MSNBC, CNN, BET, FOX NEWS, and Comedy Central). The 30-second spot featured local students who helped in producing the commercial.

On April 23, 2011, Green Education 101 television series premiered on PBS, with a station signal reaching over 2 million households in the Greater Washington Metropolitan area. Green Education 101 highlighted energy and environment education. Green Education 101 focused on good stewardship practices, environmental issues, alternative energy choices and resources and getting students involved.



In addition, DW “Green Education” has been published in a #1 rated nationally syndicated woman’s educational newspaper (U.S. World and Review), in the following four counties: Prince George’s, Calvert, Charles and St. Mary’s as well Washington, DC, and Baltimore.

Most recently, DW Communications & Media started publishing the Maryland Tri-Mex Journal. The Maryland Tri-Mex Journal is a free quarterly educational publication that focuses on Environmental Justice Issues, Energy/Environment Education, Health/Wellness, Veteran Affairs as well as Academia.

The Maryland Tri-Mex Journal will be distributed throughout the Greater Washington Metropolitan area: Maryland, Virginia, and Washington, DC. Since 2007, DW Communications & Media has had the pleasure of educating students and community about the world of sound environmental practices, alternative energy, the scientific community, various areas within the field of engineering, and the arena of media production.



We expose the students to the sciences in order to enhance their awareness and to enlighten them on career alternatives and higher education options. In 2010, DW Communications & Media Foundation, Inc. established DW Green Institute, Green School, a 501(c)(3), non-profit organization. Most recently, we have expanded our educational program to include international studies, taking our first group of student(s) to Costa Rica.

For the past 10 years, Ms. Williams has lent her skills, energy, expertise, and experiences to our programs and she is committed to the integrity of the company's teachings.

Specifically, Ms. Williams background includes work on Capitol Hill as a Congressional Manager/Scheduler for a senior member. She served under the White House Administration as a Special Assistant. In addition, Ms. Williams worked on the Energy Policy Team and served as the Acting Communications Director for the Biomass Program in the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, credited with developing a biomass presentation that was used in "Campaign Victory" at the Assistant Secretary level. As Acting Director for the Biomass Program, she coordinated across agencies during the President's Biofuels Initiative, and the Federal Biofuels Posture Plan (now known as the National Biofuels Action Plan), developed a Communications Plan that described Agency roles in meeting the President's Advance Energy Initiative and aided in the understanding of biofuels within the government agencies, industry, academia, and stakeholders as well as assisted in development of the most comprehensive communications plan that has ever been developed for the Biomass Program.

In 2009, nominated and accepted to the prestigious 2009 Who's Who Registry. We know our efforts are helping to motivate and inspire!

We are proud of our new venture in publishing the Maryland Tri-Mex Journal. We will use this vehicle as a catalyst to continue our mission in bringing awareness and understanding to issues the impact the community.

A Tribute to Senator Lisa A. Gladden

A SALUTE TO SENATOR LISA A. GLADDEN FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND SUPPORT FOR YOUTH AND EDUCATION.

DW Green Institute, Green School would like to take this opportunity to say how grateful we are for your generous support of our services and programs. We are extremely humbled and appreciative for your friendship.

You were welcoming, displaying kindness, friendship, and grace in your leadership. Thank you for sparking thoughts and dialogue with my students about important issues that impact our community.

Furthermore, I enjoyed working with you on our Green Education 101 PBS series. I am proud to say with your guidance and expertise, we have played a part in educating and bringing awareness to the advances in technology and the surrounding issues, in such a wonderful way.

Meeting and working with you will definitely be one of the highlights of my 31 years of producing and educating the community.

It is with warmest regards that my students and I sincerely thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Doreen Williams
Publisher





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EXCERPTS FROM THE SOON-TO-BE-PUBLISHED BOOK
STOP FALLING FOR THE OKEYDOKE:
HOW THE LIE OF "RACE" CONTINUES TO UNDERMINE OUR COUNTRY

by Rev. Stephen A. Tillett



I am sincerely troubled by all the drama and vitriol that continues to revolve around the issue that we call “race.” Inasmuch as there is only one race of Homo sapiens – the Human Race – I will make every concerted effort to use the term “Ethnicity” whenever I am referring to different ethnic groups of people. We seem to keep making the same assumptions, repeating the same patterns and the same mistakes. I fervently believe that many of us continue to let the false issue of “race” color our world view (pun intended), (mis)inform our decisions and keep us in a place where people of common interests allow themselves to be kept separate because of the skin we’re in.

Rev. Stephen Andrew Tillett
President
Anne Arundel County Branch NAACP
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Self-preservation demands that we stop falling for the same misrepresentations and lies over and over again and take a deeper look at our common interests. These common interests must then motivate and empower us to do and become something different and far better than we are now. “If we do what we’ve always done, we’ll continue to get what we’ve always gotten.” Family, it’s time to Stop Falling for the Okeydoke! (“Okeydoke”) is defined as: “absurd, ridiculous, to swindle, to deceive.” According to the popular and widely accepted narrative, there are three “races” of people on the planet. Mongoloid (people of Asian descent), Caucasoid/Caucasian (White people) and Africoid (people of African descent). Over the years, people with more of a socioeconomic agenda, under the guise of (fake) science, have erected barriers between members of the human family based on the false notion of “race.”

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We salute the first African American elected to Congress, Parren J. Mitchell, for his contributions while in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1971 to 1987.

Mr. Mitchell was born in Baltimore, Maryland and attended Morgan State University and the University of Maryland.

On December 3, 2015, the University of Maryland, College Park held a dedication ceremony renaming the Art and Sociology building in his honor.

Submitted by Sandy Bartlett,
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For a moment, let’s not think about financial security or prosperity. Let’s focus our attention on putting first things first.

Nature and life teaches us that there’s a pattern to our existence. For example, crawling precedes a baby’s success at walking. The cliché, “You must crawl before you walk,” rings true for our finances. We cannot attain financial security before establishing stability in our personal finances. Begin the process by making an honest evaluation of your current financial situation. What is your net worth? If you do not know, it means you have not taken the time to prepare a financial statement that reveals your monetary value. Do you have a written plan for spending and saving? If not, your income and expenses probably are not balanced and your debt may be out of control.

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April 22 | Annapolis High School

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You are invited to participate in Anne Arundel County Veterans Affairs Commission’s EXPO on **Saturday, April 22, 2017** at Annapolis High School, 2700 Riva Road, Annapolis, MD 21401.

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VETERANS NEED JOBS, HOUSING, AND HEALTH CARE.
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This EXPO is an educational and vocational event, which will provide attendees with information about benefits, services, and resources available to military families in our community. The expo is free and will include exhibits of vendors, organizations, and businesses.

We will start with a presentation of colors at 10:00 a.m. and offer exhibits and workshops throughout the day until 4:00 p.m. County Executive Steve Schuh and Maryland Secretary of Veterans Affairs George W. Owens III are confirmed to speak at this event. Moreover, there will be information on veteran’s financial assistance, housing, and medical care as well as presentations regarding employment opportunities, resume writing, and interviewing skills.

The Commission was established in May 2009 and is an all-volunteer organization comprised of military veterans and County residents. The VAC serves as a forum for military veterans, maintains coordinated communication with county and local governments and businesses, and provides guidance and information on education, training and public programs.

If you are interested in participating in this event or sharing information about your services, please contact Curtis D. Jones, VAC Expo Chair 2017 at (410) 841-9327 or exschr00@aacounty.org. We welcome donated refreshments as well. Any support to enable a pleasant and professional conduct of the EXPO would be greatly appreciated by the Commission and our veterans.

We look forward to your support of our Veterans’ EXPO and hope to see you there.

Respectfully,

Timothy Mennuti, Chair

Anne Arundel County Veterans Affairs Commission

MILITARY VETERANS EXPO

Saturday, April 22, 2017

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Keynote by Maryland Secretary of Veterans Affairs

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Global Student Leadership Summit

We will be traveling to **Switzerland and Berlin** to focus on **renewable energy** and the influence of technology on society. This tour is partnered with a two-day youth leadership conference that will:

- **Expose** our future leaders to the relevant global challenges of today.
- **Empower** students to take action.
- **Promote** international understanding and respect for a diversity of cultures.

If interested please email Doreen Williams, dwcommmedia@gmail.com



Berlin Interest Sign-Up Sheet

Student's/Applicant's Last Name:		First Name:		Initial:
Phone (Cell):	Phone (Home):		Email Address:	
Date of Birth:	Student Lives With: <input type="checkbox"/> Mother <input type="checkbox"/> Mother/Step-Mother		<input type="checkbox"/> Father <input type="checkbox"/> Father/Step-Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> Guardian
Address:				
School:		School Address		
Grade Level: 11____ 12____				
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MUST BE A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT (11TH GRADE OR 12TH GRADE.) • MUST BE IN GOOD ACADEMIC STANDINGS. • MUST PROVIDE LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FROM SCHOOL COUNSELOR. 				
Parental/Guardian and/or Emergency Contact Information				
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I state emphatically something that is not a new truth, yet it continues to be widely ignored because there is no continuing financial advantage to the wealthy or the business community in this truth: There is only one race, the human race. There are ethnicities within the human family – branches of the family, if you will – but to assert that White people or Brown people or so-called Yellow or Red people are so different genetically as to actually be another “race” of human being is absurd and not supported by science .

"If you ask what percentage of your genes is reflected in your external appearance, the basis by which we talk about race, the answer seems to be in the range of .01 percent," said Dr. Harold P. Freeman, the chief executive, president and director of surgery at North General Hospital in Manhattan, who has studied the issue of biology and race. "This is a very, very minimal reflection of your genetic makeup."

The old game of “Divide and conquer” is not new. It is not even original. It is an ages-old ploy to keep people of like interests separated so that the people who profit from their manipulated separation, colored most of all by greed, will keep right on profiting. By employing this deceptive strategy effectively, over and over again, poor white people have been repeatedly convinced that their struggles are the fault of brown people. They are powerless people being led to believe that their problems are being caused by other powerless people. Thus they misdirect their “fire” and blame and scapegoat people who could not truly influence their standard of living if they tried. When asked why poor and middle class whites vote against their own interests, President Lyndon Baines Johnson (LBJ) put it this way, “If you can convince the lowest white man he’s better than the best colored man, he won’t know you’re picking his pocket.

Hell, give him someone to look down on and he’ll empty his pockets for you. Rich people have always stayed on top, by dividing white people from colored people. But white people got more in common with colored people than they do with rich people . "Senator Jay Billington Bulworth” (from the 1998 film "Bulworth") Some who would like to maintain that children are born a "blank slate" and can achieve anything they want if they will just hitch up their bootstraps and handle their business. Never mind that many children are born without access to the figurative boots or straps. No child should be behind the eight ball from birth. No child should be denied the opportunity to achieve to make the choices that lead to chances to succeed. Their station of birth should not be a permanent, systemic obstacle that prevents them from achieving and excelling. In his book *A People’s History of the United States: 1492 to the Present*, Dr. Howard Zinn wrote:

Racism was becoming more and more practical. Edmund Morgan, on the basis of his careful study of slavery in Virginia, sees racism not as "natural" to black-white difference, but something coming out of class scorn, a realistic device for control. "Your freeman with disappointed hopes should make common cause with slaves of Stop Falling for the Okeydoke: How the Lie of "Race" Continues to Undermine Our Country 3 desperate hope, the results might be worse than anything Bacon had done. The answer to the problem, obviously if unspoken and only gradually recognized, was racism, to separate dangerous free whites from dangerous black slaves by a screen of racial contempt." The "practical" manipulation to hinder relationships between poor whites and stolen Africans planted the seeds for centuries of ethnic and economic animus. This still works to the advantage of the wealthy to this day!

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Specifically, the mission of the DW is to increase awareness and understanding of energy and the environment in our nation's youth through the use of innovative education and communication strategies. We are currently working with schools and communities to expose young people to careers in one of three fields: engineering, science and media. The program's cornerstone is a specially tailored curriculum, field presentations & hands-on and other activities, workshops, field trips and job shadowing opportunities which all allow our students to receive personal exposure to their field of interest. Our program brings young people the world of sound environmental practices, alternative energy resources, and various areas within the fields of engineering, science and the arena of media production. Our aim at DW is to expose each student to the sciences, to enhance their environmental awareness, to teach them to become proactive regarding environmental issues, and to enlighten them on career alternatives and higher education options.

Our core value mirrors those of all education to better prepare students for their futures in the workplace. In DW's focus area of the environment, we feel that students need to learn about:



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1.) The heavy environmental challenges that currently face our planet which are rapidly increasing.

2.) The impact of current technology on those challenges

3.) The need for improvement of current technology using research and development to meet those challenges.

Our approaches increase student participation by drawing the student into the actual world of environmental problems and possible solutions. By talking to environmental scientists, engineers, and other experts and witnessing, firsthand, what the issues are, students become more motivated and excited at the prospect of making a difference. This exposure also allows for increased self-esteem, enhanced decision-making skills, and self-development.

DW aims to serve as a role model and reinforcement for positive living outcomes. However, we are aware that not all students learn at the same pace or level, so our program enhances the current school curriculum by taking students out of the classroom and giving them field experience which may not be available in a traditional classroom setting.

However, limited funding creates challenges for supplemental programs such as ours. Funding for teacher development and support, materials, and transportation, is needed. Thus, support from foundations, companies, parents, community stakeholders, and others is critical to the success of our program and, ultimately, the success of our students, and hopefully, the future success of our global environment.

By Doreen Williams

Publisher





Your net worth is negative if you owe more than you own. A negative net worth can be reversed by reducing liabilities and increasing assets. Calculate your net worth at least annually to assess your progress. Net worth should also be recalculated when your finances are impacted by life events such as job loss, marriage or divorce, inheritance or other life event.

Create an income and expense statement by listing all sources of income coming into the household and all expenses being paid. Gather pay stubs, other income statements, check registers, credit card statements, bank statements, bills and receipts. List income in one column and expenses in another column. Total each column and compare the results to see whether there is sufficient income to cover all obligations, including savings. If your monthly income covers all of your expenses you have balance, or stability; if not, there is instability. However the bottom line is neither scenario is ideal. There is no overflow! Action is required to reduce expenses to free up money to make ends meet and to save more.

Take action by tracking your money. Tracking will reveal your spending habits outside of debt payments and basic living expenses and allow you to see where you can cut back. Revisit your income and expenses statement. If you had an imbalance you now know where you can cut back. If cutting back does not resolve the imbalance, calculate how much more income you need. Consider ways to generate more income to become financially stable and beyond.

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