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Elena Kagan is President Obama's nominee for the Supreme Court. If Kagan is confirmed as expected, for the first time in history, the high court will have no Protestants.

Cardin, Mikulski Praise Obama Nominees for District Court

Senators Both Sign Letter Pledging Not to Use Secret Holds Against Any Nominees

By PRESS OFFICER
Office of the Governor

Washington, DC – U.S. Senators Benjamin L. Cardin and Barbara A. Mikulski (Both D-MD) participated in the nomination hearing for Marylanders Ellen Hollander and James Bredar to fill vacancies on the United States District Court for the District of Maryland. Hollander currently serves as a Maryland Court of Special Appeals Judge and Bredar is a U.S. Magistrate Judge. Senator Cardin, a member of the Judiciary Committee that will consider the nominations, presided over the hearing. Senator Mikulski provided formal introductions for Judge Hollander and Judge Bredar.

“Marylanders can take pride in know-

ing that Judge Hollander and Judge Bredar both have impressive legal backgrounds and long experience in the State of Maryland, which are essential in our District Court nominees,” said Senator Cardin. “I was pleased to join with Senator Mikulski in recommending Judge Hollander and Judge Bredar to President Obama for nomination to the vacant Maryland seats. It has been refreshing to work with an administration open to finding quality, consensus candidates for such critical positions.”

“I am so proud to introduce both of these nominees,” Senator Mikulski said. “It is critical that we have judges with commitment to public service, civic engagement, and the rule of law; and both Judge Hollander and Judge Bredar have these qualities. A look at their backgrounds

shows that while they will bring different and unique experiences to the federal bench, they will each bring unquestionable competence and preparedness as well as a deep understanding of how ordinary Americans live. And, as importantly, they will bring the right values to the bench, having a firsthand understanding of what people in their communities face.”

If confirmed, Judge Hollander will occupy the seat formerly held by Judge Andre Davis, who was confirmed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit last November. Judge Bredar would fill the vacancy created by Judge J. Frederick Motz’s notification of

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Governor O'Malley Announces Jobs Saved or Created Resulting From the Recovery Act

By PRESS OFFICER
Office of the Governor

ANNAPOLIS, MD (May 12, 2010) – Governor Martin O'Malley announced today that the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act created or saved 13,821 jobs in Maryland during the third quarter of federal reporting. This total includes direct, indirect, and induced jobs resulting from the Recovery Act, which President Obama signed just 28 days into his Presidency.

“Thanks to President Obama’s leadership, and our ability as a State to implement

these funds as quickly and efficiently as possible, last quarter more than 13,800 Marylanders, who would otherwise be facing unemployment, went to work instead,” said Governor O'Malley. “As we continue to invest Recovery Act funds, putting Marylanders back to work, these investments will stimulate economic growth, creating and saving more jobs and generating more revenue for small businesses throughout our State.”

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Laurel Woman Raises Puppies For Service

By JENNIFER HLAD
Capital News Service

LAUREL - Joanne Wilson loves puppies. Really, really loves puppies.

Even when a puppy leaves a puddle by the stairs. Even when he wants to go out at 2 a.m. Even when he sneaks in, steals her shoe and then averts his eyes when she catches him holding it between his paws.

She lovingly teaches each puppy to sit, stay and fetch the newspaper. She trains them to bring her the metal food bowl, and not to eat food that doesn't belong to them. She tethers them to her belt loop so they get used to being around a person and anticipating her needs. Then,

after about a year, she gives them away.

Wilson is a puppy raiser for Fidos for Freedom, an organization that raises and trains service dogs for people who have difficulty getting around, and hearing dogs for the deaf and hard of hearing.

She usually takes a puppy home when it is between 9 and 12 weeks old. She is responsible for housebreaking the dog, taking him to the vet and to weekly obedience classes and getting him used to being around people. At about a year old, the dog will go to live with a trainer.

It was Wilson's coworkers at the Department of Agriculture

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OPINION A Black Kagan Recruit Makes The Case for Confirmation

By Ronald S. Sullivan
HARVARD UNIVERSITY

According to some of the media I have read lately, I do not exist. Yet I live, breathe, and pen these words in support of Elena Kagan's nomination to the Supreme Court.

I am an African-American law professor at Harvard who was recruited by Elena Kagan during her deanship. I use the word "recruited" decidedly. The dean does not "hire" any professor at Harvard; rather, the faculty votes on prospective members. To be sure, the dean's role in the hiring process is critical, but she alone cannot hire anyone.

At the time of my appointment, then-Dean Kagan aggressively recruited me and, in the end, persuaded me to leave my professorship at the Yale Law School in favor of Harvard. How did she do this? Kagan offered me the directorship of the prestigious Harvard Criminal Justice Institute, the nation's preeminent teaching and research institute on criminal law, and the directorship of Harvard's Trial Advocacy Workshop, a nationally-known teaching program that brings in some of the country's top lawyers and judges to train Harvard law students during an intensive three week trial skills workshop. I can report that Elena Kagan used every bit of her discretionary authority to make the offer to come to Harvard far too attractive to turn down.

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NAACP Joins Legal Challenge To Arizona Racial Profiling Law

By Leila McDowell
NAACP Communications

Nation's largest civil rights organization will not host any events in the state; Calls for direct action against the law and will urge MLB to move 2011 All Star Game

The NAACP, in coalition with other civil rights groups, filed a class action lawsuit today challenging Arizona's new law requiring police to demand "papers" from people they stop who they suspect are not authorized to be in the U.S. If an individual is caught without papers they can be arrested and jailed. The extreme law, the coalition charged, invites the racial profiling of people of color, violates the First Amendment and interferes with federal law.

"We are joining this lawsuit because the Arizona law is out of step with American values of fairness and equality. It encourages racial profiling and is unconstitutional. African-Americans know all too well the insidious effects of racial profiling," said Benjamin Todd Jealous, President and Chief Executive Officer of the NAACP. "The government should be preventing police from investigating and detaining people based on color and

accent, not mandating it. Laws that encourage discrimination have no place in this country anywhere for anyone."

"Subjecting human beings to discrimination and punishment based upon race and accent is morally offensive, unconstitutional and un-American, said Wilbert Nelson, the president of the NAACP Arizona State Conference "We will fight vigorously to make sure this poisonous law never takes effect. It is part of a menacing return to racial discrimination and the beginning of a slippery slope. Right after this hate law was passed, a statute banning the ethnic studies in our school was passed."

The lawsuit charges that the Arizona law unlawfully interferes with federal power and authority over immigration matters in violation of the Supremacy Clause of the U.S. Constitution; invites racial profiling against people of color by law enforcement in violation of the equal protection guarantee and prohibition on unreasonable seizures under the Fourteenth and Fourth Amendments; and infringes on the free speech rights of day laborers in violation of the First Amendment. A number of

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FILE PHOTO

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In and Around Morningside-Skyline

by Mary McHale 301 735 3451

Marchers, bands, vintage cars and others wanted for the Morningside Parade

The annual Morningside Independence Day Parade is coming up on Sunday, July 4 and they seeking participants. If you have Scouts, a vintage car, a marching group, a band, or want to be a marching clown, call Karen Rooker and she'll sign you up for the parade. Call 301-967-8377, but not after 9 p.m.

Skyline will have a "float" in the parade. If you can help decorate, call Kenia Spivey, 301-967-1320. And who will be the Skyline Queen?

There will be events in the park—vendors and games—after the parade. Interested vendors can contact Karen, 301-967-8377. And, of course, there'll be fireworks at dark.

Fire Department is 7th in the nation!

The Morningside Volunteer Fire Department is the 7th busiest Heavy Rescue Company in the U.S. In 2008 they responded to 6,548 calls and last year to 6,998 calls. During the December snow-storm alone, they handled more than 65 calls.

They recently held an awards ceremony and announced that the top runners for 2009 were Mark Shayne, 477 runs; Stephon Jones, 405; Andrew Yang, 355; Calvin McDowney, 266; Eric Nellis, 265; Crystal Weade, 257; Anthony Johnson, 243; Stephanie Tannahill, 220; Andrea Sudjapun, 188; and Tyrone Gale, 163.

The department is about to get a new and improved web site. Check soon by going to www.Morningsidevfd.com.

Neighbors

Thanks to the Skyline School PTA, the school now has security cameras inside and will soon have them outside as well. These have been planned since the arson fire last fall that destroyed a classroom. As far as I know, no arrests have been made in that case.

Thank you to Yolanda Dooley, of Ridgcrest Drive, and her son Nickolas for picking up trash in the lot next to the VFW in celebration of County Cleanup Day.

Father Charles McCann returned to his native Northern Ireland last week to take up res-

idence in his home parish, St. Michael's in Cookstown. He is a former pastor of St. Philip's in Camp Springs, was in residence at St. John's in Clinton and, most recently, at Jesus the Divine Word Parish in Huntingtown.

Ligia Rojas has been re-elected prefect St. Philip's Sodality. Other officers for the 2010-11 are; Annette Stine, vice-prefect; Anne Harrell, secretary; Christina Webb, treasurer; and Carol Cropper, corresponding secretary.

Get well wishes to former Morningsider Carolyn Sowell who had hip replacement surgery last week. I wish her a speedy recovery.

Condolences to Regina Ryan on the death of her nephew, James McGrath, and to Floyd Shields on the death of his sister, Julia May Shields.

Changing landscape

We have been told officially that repaving and lining Suitland Road will be complete in 30 days. The work began last fall and has included new sidewalks, new pipes underground, gutters, bricks laid in several dividers, trees planted along the road and ornamental grasses planted in the divider under the Beltway. It all looks great and I am very proud of it.

A bigger and better Hillcrest Heights Community Center reopened May 1 after renovation, which took 20 months. The center includes a 6,000-square-foot expansion, two new multipurpose rooms, a new fitness center, childcare room and playground.

An Advance Used & New Tires store has gone in next to Tommy's Auto on Allentown Road.

Academia

Crossland Class of 1985 is holding a 25th reunion at the Westin Washington National Harbor June 11- June 13. Go to <http://starwoodmeeting.com/Book/CCF11A> or call Ronnelle Jackson, 240-299-5968, for more information.

The Reunion Committee is looking forward to seeing everyone.

Congratulations to Keith Miles, biology teacher at Oxon Hill High School, who was named 2010 Prince George's County Teacher of the Year in ceremonies April 28 at the Newton White Mansion in

Mitchellville.

La Keisha Ratliff, of Benjamin Foulois Creative & Performing Arts Academy in Morningside, was among the 27 nominees for Teacher of the Year.

8th-graders receive high school scholarships

Bishop McNamara High School, in Forestville, has presented scholarships to a number of area 8th graders.

The students and their schools are: Micaela Ada, St. Philip the Apostle; Jared Bourke and Jordan Crockett, Grace Brethren; Jamaal Brown, Riverdale Baptist; Tyler Exum, Henson Valley Montessori; Tyshaun Glover, James Madison Middle; Gabriel Jenkins, Alexander Myers, Megan Taylor and Marcus Turner, St. Columba; Chioma Okeke, St. Mary of the Assumption; Julian Proctor, St. Mary of Piscataway; and Carlton Suber, Mount Calvary.

May they rest in peace

Anne Woods, my dear friend, died May 4. Her oldest son, Roger, died a week later, on May 11. They've lived on Allies Road in Morningside for many years. I'll write about them both in a future column.

Vincent W. Gatto, Sr., of Temple Hills, died April 19. He was the father of Vincent (Susan) and Anthony (Ginetta) Gatto; brother of Carmela Marchese, Theresa Ripoli and Frank Gatto. He also leaves six grandchildren. Mass of Christian Burial was at St. Philip's Church with burial in Resurrection Cemetery.

Allen Sumner, formerly of District Heights and a Suitland High Class of 1964 graduate, died April 8.

Milestones

Happy birthday to Crystal Foster, Juanita Hood, David Sanford and Linda Holsonbake, May 22; Betty Call, L. Dorothy Jones, Nancy Sawyer, Dory Babeck and Chester Lanehart IV, May 23; Edna Lucas and Harry Messer, May 24; Dennis Cook,

Norma Edwards and my son John McHale, May 25; Christopher Nichols, May 26; Gary Lewis, Sr. and Steven Busky, May 27.

Happy 51st anniversary to Chet and Winnie Lanehart on May 23.

food is free but the Ministry does accept donations; but please know that donations are not required to receive the food. In addition, individuals must show ID (driver's license is good). Share this information so that the food does not go to waste! THANK YOU MS. NINA GREEN FOR SHARING THIS WITH US.

The Southern Maryland Workforce Investment Board is sponsoring a YOUTH SUMMER EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM. Eligible Applicants: Must be low income, Ages 17-24, in foster-care, member of a family receiving food stamps, TANF, or SSI, offender, pregnant or parenting, homeless, school

dropout, or has other barriers to education and/or employment. Sessions will last 3-4 hours. Reading & Math test will be administered. YOU MUST be able to stay for entire session.

For additional information contact Amanda Hylton for Calvert County (240) 346-2006, Toni Gorman for Charles County (240) 412-7804, and Julie Ashby for St. Mary's County (240) 346-9465.

Register your child for a Summer Fun Bowling Pass at www.kidsbowlfree.com/smff and your child will receive 2 FREE games of bowling each day all summer long. For kids and adults.

GRADUATES AT PGCC RECEIVE NEARLY \$800,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS

Nearly 1,000 Prince George's Community College students will receive degrees and certificates

LARGO, Md. — Dozens of Prince George's Community College graduates have received nearly \$800,000 worth of scholarships to continue their studies at four-year institutions. The graduating class will make history as 965 students are expected to receive associate degrees and certificates this spring. More than half of the students will be participating in the college's 51st Commencement Exercises on Thursday, May 27, 7p.m., at The Show Place Arena in UpperMarlboro.

"Commencement is a momentous occasion not just for our students, but for the entire faculty and staff at Prince George's Community College and the residents of the county," said Charlene M. Dukes, president of Prince George's Community College. "I am so proud of our graduates. Each of their experiences at the college is unique, and as I learn about their stories of determination and see them reach this point in their educational career, I remain inspired by their commitment, tenacity, and perseverance," she added.

Honors and awards have come from a variety of sources including the Prince George's Community College Honors Academy and Honors Program, Phi Theta Kappa, the University of Maryland University College Alliance Program, as well as the Hillman Entrepreneurs Program. Students will be attending colleges in and out of the area including University of Maryland, Howard University, American University, Georgetown University and Florida Memorial University just to name a few.

"To see so many of our students continue their education

and receive nearly \$800,000 in scholarships is astounding," says Tyjaun A. Lee, vice president for student services. "We offer a variety of challenging disciplines here at Prince George's Community College. It speaks volumes about our students to see this record number of graduates receive these honors."

Secretary of Higher Education, James E. Lyons, Sr. will address this year's graduating class and author Reginald Dwayne Betts will receive PGCC's Annual Distinguished Alumnus Award.

Student Highlights

Jemima Pierre-Jacques, a 2010 honors nursing graduate, is a native of Haiti. During this year's tragic earthquake in Haiti, Jemima suffered the loss of her father, many aunts, uncles and cousins. In June 2009, Jemima applied for and was selected for admission as one of 22 members of the Honors Academy at PGCC. In addition, she is one of two members of the PGCC Phi Theta Kappa All-USA Academic Team. Jemima will be attending Howard University on a full scholarship, worth \$48,000, to continue her studies in Nursing.

Leandro and Leonardo Silva are members of PGCC's Honors Academy. The Brazilian twin soccer players, who have been in the United States just over two years, came to PGCC through a recommendation from their soccer coach and PGCC staff member, Richard Todaro. The Silvas hope to receive their bachelor's degrees within two years, continue their dedicated community service and become professional soccer players. The business administration majors received nearly \$65,000 in combined scholarships to Florida Memorial University.

Neo Moneri is a Prince

George's Community College Honors Academy student majoring in accounting. This year, he will be the college's first student to present a commencement address. Originally from Lesotho, a small South African country, he is an Honors Academy member who has been on the Dean's list since spring 2009. While at PGCC, he has held numerous leadership positions, including vice president of Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society, Tau Pi Chapter and president of the Public Speaking Club. Mr. Moneri will be attending the American University Kogod School of Business on a full scholarship worth \$98,000.

Cecelia Evans is an Honors Academy member studying international relations. With a cumulative 3.8 grade point average, she has received a variety of awards, serves in leadership positions in a number of academic honors associations, and is a member of the All-USA Academic Team. As part of her bicultural and bilingual home, Cecelia is fluent in Japanese and is a member of the Model United Nations. In her commitment to pursuing international relations, she has served as a Japanese interpreter and translator on the island of Dominica. Cecelia will attend Georgetown University on a full scholarship totaling \$55,000.

Prince George's Community College is a comprehensive, public, post-secondary institution that provides high quality academic instruction, workforce development and continuing education to the citizens of Prince George's County and surrounding areas. The college awards associate degrees, program certificates and letters of recognition. For more information, visit the college Web site at www.pgcc.edu.

Brandywine-Aquasco

by Ruth Turner 301 888 2153

FAMILY PICNIC

The descendants of Robert and Laura Brooks Pinkney have planned a Family Picnic on Sunday June 27, 2010 at Rosaryville Park 7801 Crain Highway Upper Marlboro, Md. Come and have fun with your family. Bring a side dish that will feed at least six people and your cooler. Everything else we will provide. NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ALLOWED. For more information, please contact Emory (Chipper) Pinkney 301-372-0076, Brenda Pinkney Wright (301) 449-3488 or Gregory Pinkney (301) 372-1227.

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The program begins June 21. For additional information, please call Ms. Yvonne at (301)

877-5974.

The camp is conveniently located near Rosaryville Elementary School. Summer Break, make it great.

JAZZ UNDER THE STARS

(Reminder)

Christ United Methodist Church Aquasco, Maryland will sponsor Jazz under the Stars on Friday, June 17, 2010 featuring Rev. Dred Scott and "Jazz in the Sanctuary."

The entrance fee is \$15.00, time 7:00 PM – 10:00 PM.

Location of Jazz under the Stars will be at 18804 Aquasco Road Brandywine, MD. We will have an old-fashioned fish fry. Please bring your blankets/chairs. Rev. Dr. Robert E. Walker, Jr., Pastor.

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WOMEN'S WEEK-END RETREAT

(Reminder)

This is a FAITH Walk Ministry that invites everyone to join them as they discover the power in loving God. Attend and take hold of the key God has given you in Christ. Use Christ to unlock those doors that are keeping you out: walking the light.

The Women's Retreat will be Friday, June 25-Sunday June 27, 2010 at the Clarion Hotel, Oxon Hill, MD. The gathering includes two general sessions and three workshops designed to equip, encourage, and empower you for a person transformation break through.

Workshops that we will present are the Art of Loving: the Aim of Loving; and the Awe of Loving. Breakfast, Lunch and a double occupancy room are included in the cost of only \$200.00.

Register today! Call 301-873-2500 or go to www.faithwalkministry

Suitland

by Janice Euell 301 523 2677

Okay, everyone...get your pens and pads out for this important information to benefit you and your child(ren).

The Potomac Baptist Church in conjunction with the "Helping Hands Ministry" of the National Deliverance Church will be hosting a free food give away on Saturday, May 22, starting at 10am. There will be enough food for approximately 500 families. We must give all of the food away. The event will be held at the church located at 3340 Minnesota Avenue, SE. Everyone interested will need to give basic information (name, address, number in household) for distribution/tracking purposes. Also, the

food is free but the Ministry does accept donations; but please know that donations are not required to receive the food. In addition, individuals must show ID (driver's license is good). Share this information so that the food does not go to waste! THANK YOU MS. NINA GREEN FOR SHARING THIS WITH US.

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COMMUNITY

Practical Money Skills

By Jason Alderman

Before 'I do,' take these financial vows

With wedding season right around the corner, a lot of soon-to-be brides and grooms are frantically nailing down their wedding and honeymoon plans. Before you marry and mingle your finances, be sure to carve out time for some candid conversations about your respective credit histories, your savings and spending philosophies, and your long-term financial goals as a couple.

We've all seen statistics about the high percentage of marriages that end in divorce and how money disagreements are the No. 1 cause of marital discord. If you can identify — and diffuse — potential problems, you stand a much better chance of living happily ever after.

Here are a few issues to put on the table:

Outstanding debts. Tally up all your outstanding debts and financial obligations, including student loans, credit card balances, car payments, apartment leases, etc. Be candid about past credit missteps, such as late or skipped payments, foreclosures or anything else that might negatively impact your ability to qualify for new credit together.

Keep in mind that although debts accumulated before marrying remain your own responsibility and shouldn't impact your spouse's own credit rating, you will be jointly accountable for any future accounts and debt you take on together.

Credit reports. Because lenders often base credit decisions and loan rates on whichever spouse's credit score is lower, share each other's credit reports so there'll be no surprises. You can each order one free credit report per year from each of the three major credit bureaus at www.annualcreditreport.com.

You might also want to order your credit score to establish a baseline for where your credit stands. You can order your FICO credit score at www.myfico.com. If one or both of you have low scores (say, below 700), you'll want to boost them before applying for a mortgage or car loan. The resulting lower interest rates could save you thousands of dollars over the life of a loan.

For tips on how to repair — or protect your credit scores, visit What's My Score, a financial literacy program run by Visa Inc. (www.whatsmyscore.org.) The site also features a free FICO Score Estimator that can help you approximate your score, as well as a more detailed explanation of the differences between credit reports and credit scores.

Align your goals. Nobody expects spouses to share identical views on everything, but you could be headed for trouble if you don't reach agreements or aren't willing to compromise on important issues like home ownership, continuing education, starting a family, and when you hope to retire. Premarital counseling is always a good idea, and financial issues should be part of the mix.

Share financial duties. Many couples opt to have one person manage all the finances, from balancing the checkbook to choosing retirement investments. But it's probably wiser for both to take an active role in all major financial decisions.

Visa's free personal financial management site, Practical Money Skills for Life, features a practical guide to marriage-related finances that addresses issues such as prenuptial agreements, banking, insurance, budgeting, taxes, estate planning and setting long-term financial goals (www.practicalmoneyskills.com/marriage.)

Start your marriage off on the right foot by sharing an open and honest dialogue about finances.



Bowie State University's Leslie Hall Appointed Student Regent by Governor

BY PRESS OFFICER
Bowie State University

Bowie, Md.)- Bowie State University student, Leslie D. Hall, was appointed by Governor Martin O'Malley to the University System of Maryland (USM) as a student regent. The University System of Maryland consists of 11 universities, two research institutions, two regional higher education centers and a system office.

"As a student leader at Bowie State University, Leslie has represented his constituents very well. He is a thoughtful, but tenacious advocate on issues that affect student learning and success," said Mickey L. Burnim, president of Bowie State University. "We are pleased with his appointment, and know that he will be an outstanding contributor in his role on the Board of Regents."

As a student regent, Hall will serve a one year term on the 17 member Board of Regents that will oversee the University System of Maryland's academic,

administrative and financial operations. Hall now serves as president of Bowie State College Democrats and is excited for the opportunity and plans to take particular interest in the academic requirements and expectations at HBCU's, USM professional and graduate schools.

"In his capacity as Chief of Staff with BSU's Student Government Association, Leslie Hall has become well versed in the issues impacting students and the role of the USM Board of Regents," said William E. (Brit) Kirwan, chancellor of USM. "Having served as the student board member on the Prince George's County Board of Education, he has clearly demonstrated the ability to be an effective member of a high-level policy making body. I am confident Leslie will be a superb representative of the student body on the Board of Regents."

Hall is a junior at Bowie State University, studying to obtain his Bachelor of Science in History for Secondary

Education. He is the Chief of Staff for the Student Government Association (SGA) where he oversees all of the SGA's committees, serves as the official parliament for all Executive Board meetings, and monitors office hours of Executive Board members. Hall is also a Campus Coordinator/Intern for Democracy Matters and is a Senior Resident Assistant for BSU. From 2006 to 2007, he served as the Student Board Member on the Prince George's County Board of Education. He also volunteers for Project College and mentors high school seniors on higher education decisions. He assists in feeding the homeless through the S.O.M.E. (So Others Might Eat) program. Hall attended the Forestville Military Academy and received his diploma with Military and Academic Honors in May 2007. He resides in Prince George's County.

"I am very honored and humbled to be appointed by Governor Martin O'Malley,"

stated Hall. "I am excited for the opportunity to represent the University System of Maryland students. And I plan to take particular interest in the academic expectations and requirements of the HBCU's, professional schools and graduate students."

Bowie State University (BSU) is an important higher education access portal for qualified persons from diverse academic and socioeconomic backgrounds who seek a high quality and affordable public comprehensive university. The University places special emphasis on the science, technology, teacher education business, and nursing disciplines within the context of a liberal arts education. For more information about BSU, visit the website at www.bowiestate.edu. For more information about the 145th anniversary visit the website at: <http://www2.bowiestate.edu/145/>.

Casandra Dorsey, a Bowie State University student majoring in communications, was a contributing writer for this press release.

Judges from A1

senior status last November.

In an effort to bring more transparency to the work of the Senate, Senators Cardin and Mikulski have both signed a letter pledging not to place 'secret holds' and calling upon Majority Leader Harry Reid and Minority Leader Mitch McConnell to end the practice outright. Senators would be forced to give a public explanation of why they are blocking a certain nomination or piece of legislation.

The letter, now signed by 60 senators, reads: "While we deeply respect and appreciate the importance of tradition in this institution, we believe the practice of the secret hold has

no rightful place in the Senate or in an open and transparent democracy. When a member of the Senate wishes to hold legislation or a nomination, that Senator owes to this body and, more importantly, to the American public a full explanation." Read the full letter here.

"The rules of the Senate have been abused. No single senator should be allowed to block nominations or legislation indefinitely or bring the action of the Senate to a halt — and he or she certainly should never be permitted to do it anonymously," said Senator Cardin.

"Secret holds are used to obstruct and obfuscate so that when all gets said and done, more gets said than done," Senator Mikulski said. "It's an

out-dated practice from another age that's not being used as intended. I'm done with it. I've been a reformer all my life. That's why I've pledged not to use secret holds and encourage all my Senate colleagues to make the same pledge."

JUDGE ELLEN LIPTON HOLLANDER

Ellen Lipton Hollander currently serves as a Judge on the Maryland Court of Special Appeals, a position she has held since 1994. She received her juris doctorate from Georgetown University Law Center, and upon graduation, served as a law clerk to the Honorable James R. Miller Jr. on the United States District Court for the District of Maryland. She has spent her

entire legal career in the State of Maryland, and has served as an Assistant United States Attorney and Circuit Court Judge in Baltimore City.

JUDGE JAMES K. BREDAR

James K. Bredar is a United States Magistrate Judge in the District of Maryland, and has served in this capacity since 1998. He received his juris doctorate, with honors, from Georgetown University Law Center, and began his legal career in Colorado, where he served as an Assistant United States Attorney. Judge Bredar then served as the Federal Public Defender for the District of Maryland from 1992-1998, before joining the bench as a magistrate judge.

Recruit from A1

Among my responsibilities at Harvard, I teach a clinical offering where students represent indigent clients - mostly black and brown citizens - charged with criminal violations. And, my research interests include the ways in which race insinuates itself into the criminal justice system. As dean, Kagan provided consistent, strong, and material support for my clinic and research. She showed a genuine appreciation and concern for my clinical program's goal of ensuring that indigent citizens receive constitutionally adequate representation.

Even more, as a clinician, I was impressed by Elena Kagan's substantial expansion of the clinical teaching program at Harvard. From environmental law to educational advocacy, Kagan poured resources into Harvard's clinical offerings.

Due to this expansion, thousands of indigent and underrepresented citizens received quality legal services that they otherwise would not have been able to afford. For me, this represented a tangible commitment

to the principle norm that animates our legal system: "Equal Justice under Law."

While the question of ethnic diversity on the Harvard law faculty is a critically important issue in its own right (and no elite law school has done enough on this front), this issue is occupying so much discursive space nowadays, because many are groping for proxies that will predict what kind of justice Elena Kagan will be if she is confirmed - particularly with respect to issues of race and equality. How successful she was at diversifying the Harvard faculty is one such proxy. With regret, too many media accounts draw conclusions with imperfect and incomplete data. My story is but one example of Elena Kagan's efforts to diversify Harvard's faculty.

Conspicuously absent from much of the public dialogue is the fact that she recruited Professor Annette Gordon-Reed to accept a visiting professorship at Harvard. Professor Gordon-Reed, an African-American woman and award-winning historian, recently accepted Harvard's offer to join its tenured faculty. Other black

law professors at Harvard - Randall Kennedy and Charles Ogletree, specifically - have published statements that chronicle other instances of Kagan's efforts at faculty diversity. Debate on any nominee's record is a healthy component of our democracy; material facts in service of that debate make it all the more rich. My point here is that the inquiry is quite legitimate, but fairness dictates that we look at Kagan's entire record.

It is true that Elena Kagan's scholarship does not provide insight into her ideological dispositions as they relate to issues of racial justice. So, perhaps, proxies are all that we have.

Consider, then, another decision Elena Kagan made as dean. The tradition at the Harvard Law School is that the dean takes the Royall Professorship of Law, which is the law school's first endowed chair. The chair is named after Isaac Royall Jr., who donated over 2100 acres of land to Harvard in the mid-eighteenth century. But, the Royall family earned its immense fortune from the trans-Atlantic slave trade. When Kagan was named

dean of the law school, she broke with tradition and declined to accept this professorship. Instead, she became the first person to hold the Charles Hamilton Houston professorship, an endowed chair named after one of the most prominent African-American graduates of the Harvard Law School, and the architect of the modern civil rights movement. This was a significant statement made by the dean of one of the nation's top law schools.

To my thinking, Elena Kagan is self-evidently qualified to sit on the Supreme Court. She is an outstanding legal scholar, a terrific teacher, and a thoughtful and forward-looking administrator. She has practiced law at a major law firm. She has served as a government lawyer and held a high-level policy position in the Clinton White House. As well, she has served admirably as our nation's Solicitor General. She is smart, fair, independent, respectful of the opinions of others, and a dedicated public servant. All are qualities that will make for an outstanding Supreme Court Justice.

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Lena Horne: The Passing of an Era

"The mere fact of living had to be fought because I was black, and I never lost sight of that."

Lena Horne

Lena Horne was more than a stunning singer and actress. In a career that spanned seven decades, she paved the way for countless black performers, stood on the frontlines of the civil rights struggle and became a proud beacon of African American class and dignity. Her passing on May 9th at the age of 92 marked the end of a remarkable journey that took her from the hard streets of Brooklyn to the night clubs of Harlem, the big screens of Hollywood and the bright lights of Broadway. Like most iconic African American entertainers, Lena Horne used her artistic brilliance to convey deeper messages about life, love and the particular pain of being Black in America. In the 1930s and 40s when Billie Holiday was singing about the "Strange Fruit" lynchings in the American south and Langston Hughes was asking "What happens to a dream deferred," Lena was having long political conversations with Paul Robeson and packing her bags for Los Angeles, where she became one of the first African Americans to sign a long-term contract with a major Hollywood studio.

By her own admission, in addition to her exceptional talent, her light skin and good looks helped get her parts in early films like "Cabin in the Sky" and "Stormy Weather." She won critical acclaim for her role as Glinda the Good Witch in the 1978 movie version of "The Wiz." And she won a Grammy and special Tony Award for her spectacular 1981 one-woman Broadway show, "Lena Horne: The Lady and her Music."

But like the title of her signature song, Lena faced more than her share of stormy weather. Because of her race, she never had a leading role in the movies and many of her scenes in those early films were edited out for showing in states where theaters could not run films with black performers. But Lena insisted on doing show business on her own terms. In her movie contract, she stipulated that she would not be cast in the role of a mammy or a maid, and in her stage shows she refused to perform for segregated audiences.

Lena Horne's success introduced her to many of the leading figures of her day in sports, entertainment and politics. Her circle of friends included Paul Robeson, Billy Strayhorn, Harry Belafonte, Joe Louis and Dr. Jeanne Noble, past president of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. These associations, coupled with a grandmother who took Lena to National Urban League and NAACP meetings as a child, gave her a passion for civil rights and a strong moral compass.

She worked with Eleanor Roosevelt for anti-lynching laws and in 1963 spoke alongside Medgar Evers only a week before he was assassinated.

That same year, she discussed race relations with Attorney General Bobby Kennedy and took part in the March on Washington. She was also a long-time supporter of the National Council of Negro Women.

Lena Horne was a once-in-a-lifetime gift to the world. She was an incomparable performer who lived a life of purpose and leaves a legacy of inspiration for us all. We join the nation in mourning her passing.



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Child Watch

by Marion Wright Edelman



“Beyond the Backpack”: *Dora the Explorer* Helps Prepare Children to Start School

Is every child in your community ready to start school? This may seem like a strange question to families still finishing up their plans for summer vacation. But in reality, it’s never too soon to start making sure children are prepared for their first day of school. That includes children for whom kindergarten is still a few years down the road. So I’m pleased that Nickelodeon has launched a new initiative to help provide preschoolers the resources, skills, and support they will need to be well-prepared for school and ready to start their school years on the right path. The Children’s Defense Fund (CDF) is joining the National Parent Teacher Association, actress Salma Hayek Pinault, and others in partnering with Nickelodeon on this important school readiness campaign.

The initiative was launched as part of the celebration of the tenth anniversary of Nickelodeon’s popular Latina preschool character Dora the Explorer. It’s named “Beyond the Backpack,” taking its title from the well-stocked backpack that keeps Dora ready for every adventure. Nickelodeon hopes to similarly prepare young children for the big adventure of starting school.

As they explain, “The first five years of life are critical to kids’ lifelong development. However, too many children enter kindergarten with physical, social, emotional and cognitive limitations that could have been minimized or eliminated through early attention to child and family needs. Research shows that children who are not performing proficiently by the end of third grade are at very high risk of poor long-term outcomes, such as dropping out of school, teen pregnancy and juvenile crime. Beyond the Backpack is about the navigational tools—emotional, physical, experiential and actual that kids need to start school.

Beyond the Backpack engages parents, educators and the community at large in the four areas critical to school success: 1) social and emotional

“know how,” 2) early literacy and math skills, 3) parental involvement in schools, 4) health and wellness. Families and communities are a critical part of the solution for the well-rounded development of young kids.”

This multi-year campaign will include a Web site with information, links to partner organizations, and downloadable content for parents and educators; public service announcements; financial resources and grants; fundraising activities; and community events. The National PTA will be co-authoring a parents’ toolkit and distributing materials to PTA leaders and parents across the country. Salma Hayek Pinault, John Leguizamo, Slash, Shakira, and others will be contributing to a limited-edition series of celebrity-designed Dora-themed backpacks that will be auctioned off in a number of countries in support of child education initiatives, and one hundred percent of the United States proceeds will benefit CDF.

CDF has worked for over three decades to support the

growth and development of our nation’s children through quality early care. We have paid special attention to the crucial early years when so much brain and emotional development occur. These foundational years can and must propel all our children towards healthy and successful lives. I applaud Beyond the Backpack, which will give parents tools to share unforgettable learning opportunities that stir the mind and spirit of their child. This is the real power of education.

Let us know what you think about this week’s column. Click here to share your comments and find out what others are saying.

Marian Wright Edelman is President of the Children’s Defense Fund whose Leave No Child Behind® mission is to ensure every child a Healthy Start, a Head Start, a Fair Start, a Safe Start and a Moral Start in life and successful passage to adulthood with the help of caring families and communities. For more information go to www.childrensdefense.org.

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Edge of Sports

By Dave Zirin

Author, Columnist

That’s Bill Russell

True story. In 1995, I studied for more than a month on an island off the coast of Chile in a farming community with no electricity or running water.

One day I overheard two young men talking and one said, "Esta cosa es Bill Russell!" I did a double take: "This thing is Bill Russell?" I asked what they were talking about and learned that to say something was "Bill Russell" in their community was an expression for something truthful and not to be doubted. It was a way to end an argument without further discussion if you were utterly confident that you were factually correct. Apparently years earlier there had been a huge dust-up between two young men on the island about whether Bill Russell had gone to the University of San Francisco or UCLA. It lasted hours. When they finally were able to take a boat into town and look up the fact that yes he went to San Fran, the community vowed to never again waste time on such pointless debates. From then on, a person who was deeply confident in a factual position could just say, "It's Bill Russell" and the discussion would cease. "Bill Russell" was the truth.

For 15 years, I've dreamed of actually telling the real Bill Russell that story. Even for me, a kid who grew up breaking out into hives every time Bird, McHale, and Parrish sauntered into Madison Square Garden draped in Kelly green, I respected and admired Bill Russell. It wasn't the 11 championships in 13 years or the fact that he never lost a game 7. It's that he stood for something. On the Mt Rushmore of athletes who used their platform to make a difference, Russell stands with Ali, Ashe, and Billie Jean.

I literally had dreams about craning my neck, looking Bill Russell in the eye and saying, "That's Bill Russell." On April 15th I was finally able to do it and I did it in front of 500 people, including 1968 Olympians Tommie Smith and John Carlos. I was mc'ing the Heroes in Sports gala hosted every year by the remarkable Center for Sport in Society at Northeastern University. Russell flew across the country from his home in the Pacific Northwest to induct his friend and former teammate Thomas "Satch" Sanders into the Center's Hall of Fame. The Center is an organization that unabashedly attempts to organize for the social good through sports and Bill Russell was right at home. In introducing Russell to induct "Satch", I was finally able to tell the "Bill Russell" story. But the highlight of the evening had actually taken place several hours earlier.

At a cocktail party before the festivities, I

approached Russell with more than a little trepidation. Most of us in sports media have had the experience of meeting one of our heroes and wishing we'd saved ourselves the trouble. There's a part of us that doesn't think our idols have the right to be cranky, grumpy, silly, stinky - in other words human. Sometimes the fantasy is best left untouched.

But Bill Russell was everything I could have dreamed. (And thank you to John Carlos for making the introduction.) Not only was he open and friendly, he within seconds told me a story from his past. It wasn't a story about facing Wilt or blocking Oscar. It was about standing up to a radio talk show host in 1968. "He said to me that those Olympic protesters (Smith and Carlos) should be arrested and should have their citizenship revoked. I asked him why and he said politics have no place at the Olympics. I asked him if he knew how [Olympic President] Avery Brundage prevented Marty Glickman [a Jewish American] from running in Berlin in 1936 so Hitler wouldn't be embarrassed. So it's really about who is allowed to be political." Carlos piped in, "I know that's the last time you were on that show!"

Mr. Russell also chatted about today's players, the corrupting influence of mega contracts on the game and other topics I won't repeat, except to say that his personal generosity was remarkable for anyone: famous or otherwise. He was effortless and beautifully human.

Perhaps Mr. Russell was in high spirits because he was with his friend Satch Sanders. In his speech inducting Satch, he remembered, "I once said to Nelson Mandela how lucky I felt to be alive at the same time as him. I feel that way about Satch Sanders. Satch, it was a deep lifelong pleasurable experience to play on a team with you. And I will say that when I left the Celtic locker room, I said I didn't care about going heaven because it would be a step down. That feeling was because of friends like Satch."

There were a few dusty eyes in the crowd but Satch cleared it up by saying as he approached the lectern, "I never thought I'd hear Bill Russell tell the truth so eloquently!"

This was an older Bill Russell, his hair and beard snow white, his back still ramrod straight yet his neck slightly bent. But his spirit, his character, and his proud political will were even more indomitable in person than they are in the history books. It was an honor to meet him and I really do feel that all of us, whether you are a basketball fan or not, owe him a debt. And THAT dear readers, is "Bill Russell."

BUSINESS

Business Exchange

by William Reed



What is the Black Brand?

Who do you think you are? Are you a post-racial advocate that feels race is no longer significant or important in American society? How did you answer the US 2010 Census Form Question No. 9: "What is Person 1's race?" The race question's choices are: "White; Black, African-American, or Negro; American Indian or Alaska Native."

Maybe a better question in how African Americans/Blacks/Negroes identify is consideration of: "Just how White is we"? When the first United States Census was taken in 1790, Africans (including slaves and free people) numbered about 760,000 and were 19.3 percent of the population. During the first 200 years of their "sojourn" in the US, our forefathers referred to themselves as Africans. In Africa, people primarily identified themselves by ethnic group (closely aligned with language) and not by skin color. Over the years, Africans in Americas were forced to give up their ethnic affiliations. This resulted in intermingling of the different ethnic groups and by the early 1800s, the majority of Black people were U.S.-born, so use of the term "African" became problematic. In their quest for status as Americans, by 1835 our leaders of the period were calling for removal of title of "African" from their institutions and replacement with "Negro" or "Colored American". "Black Power" pride and militancy played a significant role in the successes of the civil rights movement. In 1988 Jesse Jackson urged Americans to use the term African American because it shows a historical cultural base. Since then African American and Black have essentially a co-equal status.

Even though he could go either way, President Barack Obama elected to check the "Black" box. At 41 million people and 13.5 percent of the population, Blacks-and-or-African Americans are the largest racial minority, as opposed to Hispanics and Latinos, who are the largest ethnic minority. Like the Obama family, a considerable portion of the U.S. population identified as Black actually has some Native American or European American ancestry. It is toward the 18 percent of European ancestry in us that we base our values, language, customs and culture that American Blacks identify. The

Black racial pride that wrought civil rights legislations has diminished and networking and advocacy for "the race" are caught up the tangle of how we identify ourselves.

The concept of Blackness in the United States is the degree to which people associate themselves with African American culture and values — thoughts, patterns and actions of racial pride. Instead of engaging in mainstream ideology and discussions of the relevancy of the names of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and United Negro College Fund (UNCF), shouldn't more Blacks be engaged in networking and development support with such African American-oriented institutions?

After legal slavery ended, many of Colored people's motivations were proving to white people that we were not like their perceptions of us. Yet, we inculcated the values and images that were created about us. During the Jim Crow-era, we were forced to utilize Black institutions that in the end developed and nurtured us. But, nowadays many of us go from birth to our grave without encountering a Black person with any formal or technical responsibility. Socially, we have developed a lack of trust of and responsibility for each other; too many of us quickly embrace notions that "we are not a monolith" in order to separate ourselves. Blacks as a people remain fragmented geographically, philosophically, politically and psychologically. Such separation is a precursor to powerlessness and impotence amongst us. We are disenfranchised even when there are opportunities and policies that could be utilized for our benefit. We define our context, progress and ourselves by a paradigm created by others.

Being Black is the bete noire feared by most of us ;and correlates with estrangements from each other. Our work, concepts and economic definition come primarily from White America. President Obama's checking of the "Black" on the Form, shows what he thinks he is. The swagger Barack brings to his 'Black Brand' is a source of pride. Now, if he'd only show empathy for more his "cousins".

(William Reed — www.BlackPressInternational.com)

A Diverse Coalition Urges Senate Not to Exempt Private Lenders From Oversight

COURTESY THE INSTITUTE FOR COLLEGE ACCESS & SUCCESS

(Washington, D.C.) — In a letter sent today, nearly 40 organizations that advocate for students, civil rights, higher education, and consumers called on U.S. senators to close worrisome gaps in the Senate financial reform bill. As currently drafted, the bill does not ensure that the new Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) has enforcement authority over the largest private student loan provider, Sallie Mae, or over predatory loans made by large for-profit colleges to their own students.

Private student loans typically have uncapped, variable

interest rates that are highest for those who can least afford them. They lack the consumer protections and flexible repayment options of federal student loans, and are nearly impossible to discharge in bankruptcy.

"Private student loans are exactly the kind of dangerously under-regulated financial product that the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau needs to oversee," said Pauline Abernathy, vice president of the Institute for College Access & Success, home of the Project on Student Debt. "Failing to give the new bureau full authority over all private student loans would leave young people and other vulnerable consumers, and our economy, at the mercy of unscrupulous lenders."

With signers including some

of the nation's largest organizations representing people of color (the NAACP and National Council of La Raza), the letter notes that large for-profit colleges disproportionately enroll minority and low-income students, and some of these colleges are making private loans directly to their students, knowing that most will not be able to repay.

The letter calls for amending the Restoring American Financial Stability Act (S. 3217) to address private student loans in three ways. First, by giving the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau full enforcement authority over the largest private lenders. Second, by ensuring the bureau has full enforcement authority over predatory student loans made by

schools and other nonbanks. And finally, by requiring loan "certification," which means lenders must confirm with the school that the borrower is really a student, is eligible to borrow the requested amount, and has been notified of any untapped federal loan eligibility. At the urging of many of the groups that signed today's letter, the House-passed financial reform bill achieves these three objectives.

"Lenders, schools and students all support requiring certification before lenders issue private student loans. This common-sense reform will help prevent unnecessary risky borrowing and reduce damaging loan defaults," said Abernathy.

Goddard French Immersion Educator Named Christa McAuliffe Outstanding Teacher

By JOHN WHITE

PGCPS Communications

Peter Mills, sixth-grade science teacher at Robert Goddard French Immersion School in Seabrook, has been selected by a committee of his peers in Prince George's County as the recipient of the 2010 Christa McAuliffe Outstanding Teacher Award.

"Teachers nominated for the annual Christa McAuliffe Award represent some of the best teaching talent in our county," said Dr. William R. Hite, Jr., Superintendent of Schools. "Because recipients for the award are selected by peers who understand the challenges of teaching, it is a very special honor."

Mills will be honored during the school system's annual Employees' Recognition Dinner on May 26 at Martin's Crosswinds in Greenbelt. He will be presented with a special award, and his name will be inscribed on a plaque displayed in the Board of Education Meeting Room of the Sasscer Administration Building in

Upper Marlboro, Maryland.

During his 16-year career, Mills has served 13 years as a French Immersion teacher for Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS), teaching science to students in grades 1-8. He has spent the past seven years at Robert Goddard French Immersion School.

Mills was nominated for this year's award by peers at his school based on his ability to motivate students, content knowledge, communication skills, leadership skills, community involvement, and professional development.

Mills earned a diploma in French instruction and a certificate in computer systems from the University of Toulouse in France. While living and studying there for seven years, he earned a diploma in Technical French from the French Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Paris, and in 2007 went on to earn the U.S. equivalent of a Master's degree from the University of Toulouse.

A natural leader, Mills chairs his school's Science Department, sponsors and coor-

dinates K-8 Science Enrichment Programs, is a member of the School-Based Management Team (SBMT), acts as SAFE Study Group Facilitator, is Job-Alike Mentor, facilitates the Comer School Program, and serves as Teacher Liaison for his school's Parent Teacher Association (PTA).

In addition, he cultivates partnerships with local businesses and agencies to support the school's science initiatives. He has led Robert Goddard French Immersion students to winning distinguished awards in STEM and science fairs and coordinated the Final Frontier Science and Technology Competition, working with students and parents to create projects that consistently win the top three places each year.

"Mr. Mills is a very talented educator who has mastered the art of teaching children the way they learn," said his principal Kona-Facia Nepay. "He has devised ways to reach at-risk students through his 'no limit learners' program. He treats each student as a unique individual with emotions and spe-

cific needs, and encourages them to perform at their full potential in class."

Christa McAuliffe taught in Prince George's County from 1971 to 1978, and was selected from more than 10,000 applicants nationwide to be America's Teacher-in-Space in 1985. The Prince George's County award was established as a special tribute after McAuliffe was lost in the January 1986 explosion of the Space Shuttle Challenger.

Candidates for the award must have at least five years of experience and be certified, full-time teachers. The following teachers joined Mills as nominees for this year's award:

- Donna Lauerhahs, H. Winship Wheatley Early Childhood Center
- Tara Minter, William Paca Elementary School
- M. Michele Rowland, University Park Elementary School
- Lauren Szelenyi, Beacon Heights Elementary School
- Sharon Johnsen, Baden Elementary School

Jobs from A1

Today's jobs announcement encompasses what are termed direct, indirect and induced jobs. Direct jobs are those supported by Recovery Act dollars, such as the construction worker on a highway project funded through the Act. Indirect jobs are those that support Recovery Act activities, such as an employee at an asphalt company that supplies the highway project. Induced

jobs are created by increased consumer activity, such as the construction worker purchasing a car, or going to a restaurant, resulting in those companies increasing employment due to sustained or increased business.

For a complete breakdown of direct, indirect, and induced jobs created or saved in the third quarter, please visit Maryland's Recovery website.

As of March 31, 2010, Maryland has expended

\$612,651,363 of the \$2.19 billion awarded thus far in what is known as "Section 1512" Recovery Act funding. In addition to 1512 funding, Maryland received \$196 million in federal Medicaid matching funds and \$39 million in Family Safety Net programs, such as increases in TANF, adoption, child support, and food stamp assistance.

For the second straight year, Maryland received the top ranking in the nation for the innova-

tive use of online tracking tools that allow the people of Maryland to monitor and track every dollar spent from the Recovery Act in Maryland communities. And this year, Maryland also received top honors for implementation of clean water infrastructure funding from the Recovery Act, which has allowed for vital improvements to wastewater treatment plants and drinking water systems throughout the State.

Law from A1

other states are considering similar laws.

Several prominent law enforcement groups, including the Arizona Association of Chiefs of Police, oppose the law because it diverts limited resources from law enforcement's primary responsibility of providing protection and pro-

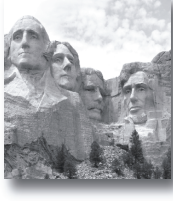
moting public safety in the community and undermines trust and cooperation between local police and immigrant communities.

"As a former police officer, many of us in law enforcement want to ensure that the resources of the police are put into fighting serious crime and not turn them into federal immigration

agents," said Reverend Oscar Tillman, president of the Maricopa County Branch (Phoenix, Arizona). "It can jeopardize security when victims or witnesses to crime are afraid to talk to police because they might be targeted by this law."

The coalition filing the lawsuit includes the NAACP, the

American Civil Liberties Union, MALDEF, National Immigration Law Center (NILC), ACLU of Arizona, National Day Laborer Organizing Network (NDLON) and the Asian Pacific American Legal Center (APALC) — a member of Asian American Center for Advancing Justice.



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Summer is coming and with it increased opportunities for teen dating and parental worrying. While we all realize that it's natural for teenagers to be attracted to one another, and that dating is the socially-accepted outcome of such attraction, most parents agonize over the whole dating experience and all the things that can go wrong.

While there's no magic way to make such parental worries disappear, there are steps you can take to make teen dating a better experience for you and your child.

Start by talking to your child early about dating. The junior high years, or even earlier, is not too soon to broach the subject, even though actual dating may be a few years off.

Develop, with your child, basic rules and expectations regarding dating. Talk about the appropriate age for couple or group dates. Discuss curfews and your expectations regarding driving, behavior and appropriate destinations. As the parent, you should take the lead, but include your child in the discussion and get his or her agreement that what you're proposing makes sense for both of you.

Have honest discussions about sex and morality. Share your own moral views and talk about AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases, pregnancy and the emotional issues related to sex. If you find such discussions difficult, try enlisting a counselor, physician or member of the clergy to help.

Prepare for emergencies, because they will happen. Does your child have a cell phone? Enough money to be able to take a cab home in case of an emergency? A backup person to call if you or your spouse isn't available? Talk about handling problem situations like an auto accident, a drunk or abusive date, or other potential dating disasters.

Let your teen know you'll be there for him or her. You don't want a teen in trouble too scared to call you. Your child should know that when there's a problem, you're ready to come to the rescue, wherever and whenever, with no questions asked.

Pay attention. Most teens won't share dating details, but will give clues when things aren't right. Look and listen for problems, from drinking to drugs to inappropriate relationships. Don't be paranoid, but respect your intuition. Ask questions and act swiftly when you sense something is wrong.

Yes, teen dating is a challenge for any teen, but the truth is that it's probably harder on the parents.

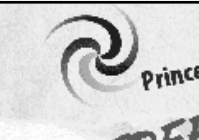
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EARTH TALK - Oil vs. Acrylic Paints

Dear EarthTalk:
At a meeting of a local art association, an artist who paints in acrylics said that doing so is more eco-friendly than painting in oils. I somehow doubt it. Aren't acrylics petroleum based? And aren't some oil paints made from natural materials?
-- Linda Reddington, via e-mail

Of course, there are no easy answers. There are environmental and health issues with both oil and acrylic art paints. The big downside of oil paints is the paint thinner required to clean them up. While some of the pigments in oil paint might be toxic or poisonous depending on color—reds, yellows, some blues and many whites are produced using potentially toxic heavy metals—the paint itself is typically made of food-grade linseed oil, which could hardly be more harmless to the environment (where it came from, after all). But oil paint is notoriously hard to clean up; getting those brushes, palettes and work areas clean requires the use of paint thinners, such as turpentine or mineral spirits, that are not only potentially toxic if used improperly but give off noxious odors and are highly flammable.

As for acrylic paints, they are water-based so clean-up is a breeze: Just wash it down the drain with some warm water, no paint thinner required. But acrylic paint is a petroleum-derived polymer, i.e. plastic. While cleaning it up might be easier than cleaning up oil paints, do we really want to be

rinsing plastic down our drains? How good could this be for surrounding ecosystems? The other negative, of course, is that just buying them contributes to our reliance on petroleum.

So what's a green painter to do? One option is to go for so-called water mixable oil paints that, according to manufacturers like Grumbacher, appear and behave in the same manner as traditional oil paints in every aspect except when it comes to clean-up—like acrylics, they thin and clean up with water instead of noxious chemicals. Water mixable oils are ideal for those sensitive to chemical fumes. Art supply chain Utrecht sells a wide variety of water mixable oil paints online and at its retail locations across the U.S.

If you must use traditional oil paints—many professional artists just prefer them for their thickness, color brilliance and other qualities—you can go with a brand that pays attention to the environmental impact of its products and operations. Oregon-based Gamblin Artists Colors Company uses only high-quality raw materials in its paints, avoiding preservatives that degrade the quality and release chemicals. Gamsol, the company's paint thinner, uses mineral spirits that evaporate much more slowly than turpentine, which has a reputation for irritating breathing passages and inducing nausea. Every spring the company cleans its machinery, and instead of throwing the filter dust out, it recycles it and gives away tubes of the resulting gray paint free

Puppies from A1

who convinced her to volunteer. They were former directors of Fidos for Freedom, and they knew the organization needed puppy raisers.

She had a dog growing up, a long-haired mutt. But he didn't know how to do anything. Raising a puppy to be an assistance dog -- even for a few months -- seemed daunting.

Before she agreed, she went to the Fidos training center one Saturday morning to see the dogs. She was amazed at how well-behaved the dogs were. They didn't pull on their leashes, jump up on tables or knock people down. They would even lay on the floor under a table full of food without whining.

Then she talked to the clients who rely on the dogs: People in wheelchairs who need a dog to bring the paper in every morning, to turn on the light and shut the door. People who can't hear someone calling their name, or the fire alarm screaming in the middle of the night. She saw how a dog can change someone's life.

"I had no idea what a dog could learn, how much you could trust a dog," Wilson said.

She took a deep breath and said yes.

The first puppy was 6 months old when she brought him home, already housebroken. He was an adorable black Labrador with the sweetest personality, who loved to rub up against her, climb up into her lap and snuggle.

But Wilson was terrified. She felt like a new mother again: She wanted to do everything right, but had no idea what "right" was.

The first few months were as much a learning process for Wilson as they were for the puppy. One day she was walking him on a long leash, trying to teach him to heel. He saw a squirrel or a bird and took off. But when he got to the end of the leash, he slipped and fell.



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There are environmental and health issues with both oil and acrylic art paints. Some greener and healthier options are now available, though, such as water-mixable oil paints that clean up with water instead of chemicals, and GLOB paints, made from food-grade botanical extracts, colored by real fruits, vegetables, flowers and spices, and free of chemicals, parabens, petroleum and synthetic preservatives.

to artists through retail locations, and hosts a contest for art created with the unique color.

Another way to go would be truly all-natural. Berkeley, California-based GLOB crafts its paints from food-grade botanical extracts, so it's even safe for kids aged three and older. Colored by real fruits, vegetables, flowers and spices, GLOB paints are all-natural, non-toxic, and free of chemicals, parabens, petroleum and synthetic preservatives. The palette is limited to just six colors, but creative artists should be able to mix to their heart's content. The paints can be mail ordered, and they come in a dry powdered format, which saves

weight, money and energy when shipped—users add water and start painting.

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Wilson wasn't so sure.

Still, she figured it was worth a try.

"Chase, fetch!" Wilson said.

The yellow puppy ambled over, picked up the cane and returned it.

Something clicked. Wilson realized she couldn't break these dogs after all. The puppies are born with the right abilities and the desire to please. She just needed to encourage the skills she wanted and discourage the behaviors she didn't.

Wilson's daughter was in fourth grade and her son in first when she took in that first puppy. Now her daughter has graduated from college and her son is a Marine.

There have been a lot of puppies since then, so many Wilson has lost count.

The current puppy is a 55-pound, 6-month old yellow Labrador named Cody. Two months ago, he was so round and white he resembled a seal cub. But he's growing -- and learning fast.

He isn't quite housebroken, though. Not long ago, when they were playing hide and seek, she jumped out of her hiding place and scared him. She greeted a dog and a puddle.

At first, he was easily distracted at training classes. But last week, they did a drill where the dogs are supposed to "stay" on one side of the room while the people walk to the other. One by one, the people call their dog's name. Cody stayed still until his name was called.

Joe Swetnam, executive director of Fidos for Freedom, calls Wilson "an absolute treasure."

"I try to get Joanne to talk to every potential puppy raiser who comes in here," Swetnam said. "When she shares what she does with people. ... It's hard for people to understand how you can give up a puppy, and she explains it very well. She is a gem."

Fidos is the only organization

in Maryland affiliated with Assistance Dogs International. They have graduated five or six assistance dogs a year for the past few years, Swetnam said.

"Everybody worries that they're going to do something wrong," Wilson said. "I convince them that won't happen. There's nothing that a well-meaning person can do to a dog that is so wrong or bad. ... And I just tell them it's a good way to have a dog in your life some of the time and then be free."

Of course, there is some frustration involved with raising all those puppies. Wilson said she sometimes wants to yell, "Do you think I'm stupid?" but mainly, she laughs it off.

One dog had a habit of digging around in the trash, so when she heard noises coming from the trash can, she went to check on him. He heard her coming and backed away. When she got there he was standing perfectly still, a few feet away from the can as though nothing had happened -- with a butter wrapper stuck to his nose.

"The one thing that hits me, I am constantly surprised at how much like human toddlers they are," she said.

It's too early to tell if Cody will make a good hearing or service dog. He's showing good progress. Sometimes he stops pushing his metal food bowl around the kitchen and picks it up to give to her. His attention span is getting longer and longer. And if Wilson leaves the room for too long, he comes looking for her.

After so many puppies, Wilson knows how good dependent Labradors can be for the ego. She knows she could learn to be a trainer, but she doesn't want to give up the fun of having a puppy in the house, no matter how many accidents she has to clean up. And she realizes it's not about being an expert. A few treats and a lot of love can go a long way.

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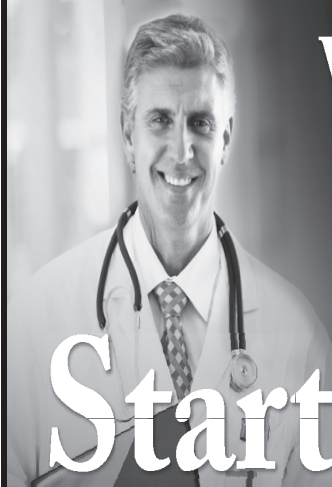
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