

The Greater Mondawmin Courier

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Dr. Seuss march 2, 1904—September 24, 1991

In honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday, march is designated as **National Reading Month**. The primary audience for Dr. Seuss' books is young children, but his writings have insight for adults, too. Other great reading materials include: Langston Hughes (Little Man, Little Man: A Story of Childhood), Toni Morrison (The Bluest Eye), James Baldwin (I, Too, Am America).

March is
Reading Month!





March 2020, President Courier Message

Greetings to our Greater Mondawmin friends and family and business members. We've been blessed with warm winter weather and scare snow for the current winter season. According to Punxsutawney Phil, we can expect an early spring. If this myth is true, we can expect to notice a number of beautification and gardening projects within the Greater Mondawmin community. Good Luck to you.

There has been a number of project meetings within the area and they were attended by members of the GMCC. Most recently was the meeting regarding the upgrade to the Druid Hill Park pool by Baltimore City Recreation and Parks (BCRP). Members of the New Auchentoroly Terrace Association and yours truly attended the meeting regarding uprooting the environment (grass and trees), to install a parking pad for seventy-nine parking spaces. BCRP informed the attendees that a bill has already been submitted to City Council; however, no decision was made by the council board because, there was no community input provided. The most recent meeting was supposed to receive community input; however, your solutions and ideas were to be written on a note card and placed in a box for review. My presumption to the meeting was that, plans had already been made. While walking around, yes, this was a meeting of individuals walking around to view the tag board illustrations and engage in conversations with the BCRP team members for answers to your questions. As many of you are aware, we use the park during the summer months to feel the breeze, walk through the grass, listen to the birds and enjoy the day without vehicle smog. There should be other meetings upcoming, please take time out of your busy schedule to attend when you see the date and time posted. With school closing soon and the pool opening, wouldn't it be wonderful to see a Shuttle bus to the park?

2020 Elections are upcoming. Please make an effort to attend and learn what each candidates stances are regarding improvements to Baltimore City. If possible take your children so that they can learn why one should vote and the value of voting if for no other reason than teach them how a vote can support their school.

The school year is coming to an end and there are a number of Delegate and Senatorial scholarships available for college. Reach out to your Delegates and Senators to learn of the available funds.

GMCC has been blessed with a three-thousand dollar donation from FootAction. Funds will be utilized to replace our former welcome to *Greater Mondawmin* sign at the triangle of Reisterstown Road, Monroe and Gwynns Falls Parkway. If you remember the original sign was implemented by former president Senator Ralph Hughes. Over time, due to reckless vehicular traffic the fence was broken and the sign was demolished. We also received a one-thousand dollar grant from LifeBridge Health, which will be used for a spring 2020 *Health and Plant* event, May 16th for the community. We are asking you to come out and volunteer for these events. Please contact the GMCC office and leave your contact information.

Sincerely, Adeline Hutchinson

President, GMCC

Christian Liberty Church

News and Outreach Updates

Mark Your Calendars

2020 Christian Liberty Church Events:

Sunday, April 12, 2020 @ 10:00 a.m.

Resurrection Sunday!

Sunday, May 17, 2020 @ 10:00 a.m.

Six Year Church Anniversary!

TBA: Move to *New* CLC Edifice!

2603 Baker Street

Ministry Center: 2401 Liberty Heights Ave,
Suite 1101, Baltimore, MD 21215
410-523-LOVE (5683)

Website: www.christianlibertychurch.org

Email: info@christianlibertychurch.org

Facebook: christianlibertychurch



The Imagine Me Leading Academy (IMLA)

The Imagine Me Leading Academy (IMLA), a component of Imagine Me Ministries, Inc. (IMM), is specifically tailored for high school preparation and youth leadership development to engage girls beginning in the 8th grade.

IMLA consists of tutoring, high school success, college and career exploration, and leadership preparatory workshops.

You may contact IMM at 410-523-5683 or go to: <https://www.imaginementor.org/what-we-do/>



IMM Group & Peer Mentoring



Finished Art from IMM After-School Session!



Fruit Tree Fair

HOWARD PETERS RAWLINGS CONSERVATORY

Saturday, 4/4
12pm-3pm
All ages • Free

Time to #getfiggywithit! Join the Baltimore City Recreation and Parks' Forestry team for a community open mic and family-friendly activities. Baltimore City residents, be sure to grab a free fruit tree and help grow Baltimore's tree canopy. For more information, contact: 410.925.0447 or ted.martello@baltimorecity.gov

Howard Peters Rawlings Conservatory
3100 Swann Dr., 21217

   | @RecNParks



**BRNI BOOST
PURCHASE ANYWHERE IN GREATER MONDAWMIN**

\$10K HOME BUYING INCENTIVE

LIMITED OFFER



**GET \$10K
TO ASSIST WITH
DOWNPAYMENT, CLOSING COST
OR PRINCIPAL REDUCTION**

Area Median Income (AMI) Limits
@100% Household Income
1 person \$70,700k, 2 people \$80,800k

Required Housing Counseling
Pre Approved by Lender

For more information contact
Vernice Turner
GMCC Healthy Neighborhoods
Coordinator
410 523-4556
vturner@nhsbaltimore.com



YouthWorks is Baltimore City's Summer Jobs Program, offering thousands of youth ages 14-21 five-week job experiences with non-profit, government, and private-sector employees.

The YouthWorks applications is open for youth, employers, and worksites.

You can apply from January 2, 2020 until March 1, 2020.

The YouthWorks job will take place between June 29, 2020—July 31, 2020.

Heart Smiles, Inc, Community Law in Action (CLIA), and Friends School of Baltimore
Present



Youth Mayoral Forum Series

January 30, 2020

February 13, 2020

March 10, 2020

January 30:

JHU Bloomberg
School of Public Health @ 6pm

February 13:

Green Street Academy @7pm
Co-Moderated by Andre
Hepkins of WBAL

March 10:

Friends School of Baltimore @ 6pm

****FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****

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**Maryland Department of Labor Awarding Nearly \$17 Million in Federal Funds to
Local Adult Education Providers**
Proposals Must Be Submitted by March 2

BALTIMORE (January 15, 2020) - Maryland Department of Labor (Labor) Secretary Tiffany Robinson today announced that Labor will be awarding nearly \$17 million in federal funds to local organizations that will help expand access to adult education opportunities for Marylanders. Labor is now accepting proposals for these grant funds to support local programs in adult basic and secondary education, English language acquisition, and civics education.

“Labor welcomes the opportunity to receive proposals from these local organizations that play such an important role in supporting adult learners while they achieve their personal and professional goals,” said Secretary Robinson. “By investing in and increasing access to adult education programs, we are helping Marylanders obtain the skills they need to build a better future for themselves, their families, and our state’s workforce.”

A wide range of organizations are eligible and encouraged to submit proposals for Labor’s adult education funding, including: local education agencies, community-based organizations, faith-based organizations, volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education, public, private, or nonprofit agencies, libraries, public housing authorities, and more.

This funding opportunity is part of Maryland’s implementation of the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), which serves both jobseekers and businesses. WIOA addresses the needs of jobseekers, including adult learners, by establishing a workforce system that helps them access education, training, and support services to gain employment and succeed in the labor market. Maryland’s implementation of WIOA supports employer needs by preparing the skilled workers they need to compete in the global economy.

To be eligible for this funding, completed applications must be submitted to Labor’s Adult Education Office by 4:00 p.m. on March 2, 2020. An Intent to Apply notice should be submitted by February 14, 2020. Award announcements will be made in May. To access application materials, please visit the [Adult Education and Literacy Services grant page](#).

Labor will be holding a Technical Assistance Webinar for interested applicants on January 31, 2020 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Chief of Adult Instructional Services Ellen Beattie by emailing ellen.beattie@maryland.gov or calling 410-767-0161.

Important Dates

In mid-March, homes across the country will begin receiving invitations to complete the 2020 Census. Once the invitation arrives, you should respond for your home in one of three ways: online, by phone, or by mail.

Baltimore City Board of Elections
417 E. Fayette St. Room 129
Baltimore, Maryland 21202
410-396-5570



GoVote
Participate!

Election Judges Needed

SPECIAL
Congressional District 7
ELECTION

Primary Election - February 4, 2020
***General Election - April 28, 2020**
**Combined with the Presidential Primary*

2020 Presidential & Mayoral Election



Primary Election Day - April 28, 2020
Early Voting - Thursday, April 16 - Thursday, April 23, 2020

General Election Day - November 3, 2020
Early Voting - Thursday, October 22 - Thursday, October 29, 2020



Armstead B. Crawley Jones, Sr., Election Director
Abigail Goldman, Deputy Director



East Courthouse Building to be Renamed Baltimore, Maryland Elijah E. Cummings Courthouse

Major Bernard C. “Jack” Young unveiled his plans for the renaming of the East Courthouse Building to Elijah E. Cummings Courthouse.

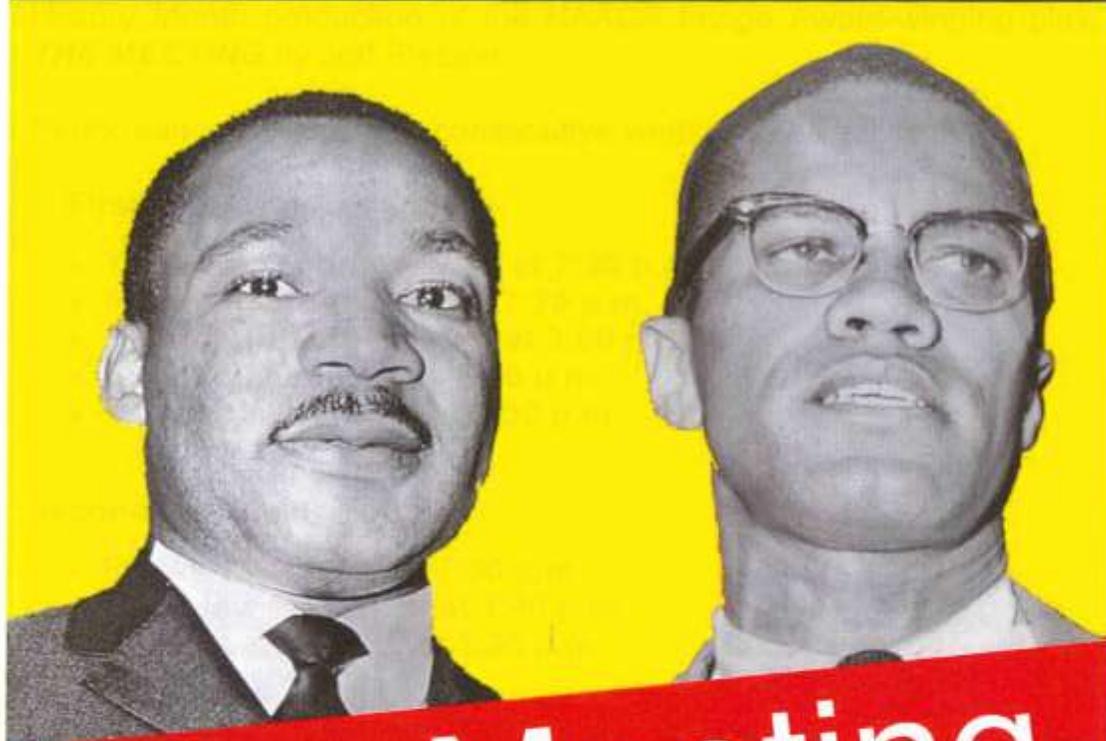
January 18th is proclaimed as Elijah E. Cummings Day in Baltimore City.

Elijah E. Cummings was born in West Baltimore, where he lived his entire life, January 18, 1951—October 17, 2019.

He established his law practice in Baltimore and appeared before the court in this building. He was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives for Maryland’s 7th District in 1996. The House of Delegates elected him to be the first African American Speaker, the second highest-ranking office.



Coppin Repertory Theatre Presents



The Meeting by Jeff Stetson

Live!

The Theatre Lab
Grace Jacobs,
Lower Level

What is the Price of Freedom?

Ticket Prices:

General Admission \$25

Senior/CSU Faculty & Staff/Non-CSU Student \$20

Coppin & BCCC Student (with ID) \$10

Cash at door or purchase online at:

<https://coppinthemeeting.brownpapertickets.com>

For more information or tickets call 410-951-3369

Feb 27 & 28 at 7:30

Feb 29 & Mar 1 at 3:00

Mar 2 & 6 at 7:30 Mar 7 & 8 at 3:00



2500 W. North Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21216



GIVE BACK INITIATIVE

Simply drop off your used prescription or non-prescription EYE glasses at Greater Mondawmin Coordinating Council in Mondawmin Mall or to your Neighborhood Association President through April 30th and we will deliver them to a LensCrafters location and they will gladly recycle and hand-deliver your used eyewear to those in need during a One Sight Global Clinic.



If your Computer operating system is currently Windows 7, please be careful when receiving messages to update your computer. This system is no longer supported by Microsoft Windows, individuals are being scammed for information and contact numbers. Contact the Better Business Bureau (BBB) for additional information.

The Better Business Bureau representative brought this to our attention via a Public Service information format, Wednesday, January 22, 2020 via on Fox Channel 45. Should receive such messages, please disregard and if you wish reach out to www.Microsoft.com also you are at liberty to.....

Contact Better Business Bureau (BBB) on 410-347-3990
502 South Sharp Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

GMCC NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS

Fulton Heights Community Association

Rev. Keith Bailey, President, 443-500-2149

Liberty Square Community Organization

Selwyn Shields, President, 410.728.5446

Mondawmin Neighborhood Improvement Association (MNIA)

Sandra Almond-Cooper, President, 410.383.0096

New Auchentoroly Terrace Association (NATA)

Barbara Anderson-Dandy, President, 410.669.0035

Panway Neighborhood Improvement Association

Dexter Hunt, President, 410.383.9532

Parkway Community

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Adeline Hutchinson, President, 410.669.0063

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Romaine Smallwood-Faison, General Manager 410.523.1534

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Dr. Frank Lance, President & CEO, 410.448.5663

COMMUNITY-AT-LARGE MEMBERS

Mario Chang

Daniel Hindman

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Dr. Linwood Robinson, Pastor, 410.225.0003

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New Shiloh Baptist Church

Dr. Harold A. Carter, Jr., Pastor, 410.523.5306

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Tyrone M. McNeill—Treasurer

Vernice Turner—Neighborhood Resource Coordinator

Clara Golden—Office Coordinator

April Newsletter submissions are due

March 19-23, 2020

Forward to: Office@greatermondawmin.org

Thank you.

TO:

BUSINESSES, INSTITUTIONS, AND NON-PROFITS



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