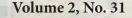
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Coping with Grief Session Set

"Going through Grief: A Guide to Understanding, Surviving and Supporting the Grief Process" will be presented by the Rev. Carl Malm of the Center for Loss, Grief and Change on April 19, 6:00-7:30 pm.

The April 19 session will feature "The Bridge: The Five Tasks of Grief." Cost: \$10/session.

The session will be held at Cornerstone Community Church, 8100 Whitesburg Drive (Corner of Lily Flagg and Whitesburg), Room 110.

CEU's are available for nurses and social workers through the Huntsville Association for Pastoral Care (ABN 1490, Eugenia Graves, RN, BS, FCN, Education Director). For more information or to reserve a place: malmcarl@hotmail.com or (256) 883-6539.

Ivy Center Sends RFP

The Ivy Center of Huntsville/Madison County Foundation, Incorporated is now accepting proposals from Non-Profit Organizations for 2016 funding in an amount not to exceed \$2,000. The project/program submitted must be related to education, health, science, technology, cultural awareness, and/or economics for disadvantaged youth and their families.

The RFP is now available to download at www.Ivycenterfoundationhsv.org. The deadline for submission is May 5, 2016 and should be submitted to the Ivy Center of Huntsville/Madison County Foundation, Incorporated, P.O. Box 17587, Huntsville, AL 35810. You will receive a letter notifying you whether your proposal was approved. If approved, funds will be distributed during our 10th Annual White Linen Brunch on June 25, 2016.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Sharon H. Butler at jnjserdshb@gmail.com.

VC Goes Baroque

The Valley Conservatory Lyceum Series presents its final concert of the season, "Mostly Baroque Mix and Match: A Chamber Music Concert of Early and Modern Instruments" at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, located at 12200 Baily Cove Road SE in Huntsville.

The event will take place,

Sunday, April 24th at 4 pm. The concert will feature instrumental and vocal works by Torelli, Telemann, Handel and Pepush.

The concert is free and open to the public. Information is available at valleyconservatory.com or 256-534-3131.

DELTA, Inc. Delves into Youth Initiatives

Diverse Educational Life Training Activities, Incorporated (DELTA, Inc.) will proudly recognize several programs that are making a difference in young people's lives and impacting our community during the 3rd Annual Dr. Elnora Clay Lanier Awards Breakfast Saturday, April 30, 10 a.m. at the Westin Hotel at Bridge Street. Tickets are \$40.

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DELTA, Inc. is a 501(c)(3)organization that is on a mission to improve the quality of life and promote the social welfare of residents in the North Alabama area. Money raised at the breakfast will go specifically toward programs that honor high school students' achievements, promote literacy, promote health awareness, and programs that empower the youth. Programs and activities receiving grants in 2015 will be recognized, along with the announcement of the 2016 Changing Lives award recipient. Breakfast attendees will also be treated to the smooth vocals of Mariah Washington, a local aspiring vocalist as well as an instrumental solo by Mr. Thornton Stanley, III an aspiring musician.

DELTA Inc.'s awards break-

fast is named for one of North Alabama's most respected and well-loved educators, Dr. Elnora Clay Lanier. Lanier, a native of Madison County, had a passion for education and was committed to improving the academic foundation of disadvantaged children for over 30 years. She also served as an educator and administrator with the Alabama A&M University Child Development Center, serving Madison, Jackson, and Limestone Counties.

Friday, April 15, 2016

For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Gladys Branch at 256-489-4910.

Earth Day Activity Urges Students to Join DAT Challenge

Each year Earth Day is held on April 22. It marks the annual birth of an idea by Gaylord Nelson in 1970, which led to the creation of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) whose mission is to protect human health and the environment.

Annually, millions of people take time to demonstrate ways to make their communities more sustainable and healthy. Huntsville is a progressive city that is teeming with inspiration, innovation, and technology, a perfect platform to continue the notion of healthy, equitable and sustainable living.

The vision is to create an annual Earth Day Celebration which highlights small steps that we as a community can take to save the planet and slow down the effects of climate change. As a result of a concept developed by a Graduate Research Assistant, Ms. Xantheia Watkins in 2014, the Department of Community & Regional Planning partnered with the City of Huntsville to celebrate Earth Day.

As part of bringing awareness to the issues of emissions and its impact on our planet, we have focused on increasing public transit ridership and using alternate transportation options to reduce air pollution.

For 2016, we have developed a Days of Alternative Transportation (DAT) challenge. DAT challenges students, faculty and staff of all local schools, universities and colleges to use alternative transportation such as public transit, bicycles, carpooling or walking to complete their tasks for the entire week of April 18 through 22. Individuals should then post their videos and pictures on the social media sites provided to represent their schools! With a valid ID you can ride the city transit system free of charge for that period. This is creating fun and exposing the younger generation to reducing single car emissions. Please join us in our DAT Challenge.

For more information, contact Ms. Xantheia Watkins, Project Coordinator at 256-322-1271 or xantheia.watkins@aamu.edu.

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PROJ	JECT/PROGRAM	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT	SUBRECIPIENT/PARTNER	HUD CATEGORY
8	New Construction Program	HOME		Family Services Center, Inc.	Decent Housing
		HOME	\$150,000.00	Habitat for Humanity	Decent Housing
	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)	HOME	\$147,019.90	Family Services Center, Inc.	Decent Housing
	Downpayment Assistance Program (DAP)	HOME	\$100,000.00	Family Services Center, Inc.	Decent Housing
NEIGHBORHOOD	Housing Counseling Program	HOME		Family Services Center, Inc.	Decent Housing
STABILIZATION PROJECT	Deferred Maintenance Home Repair Program (DMHRP)	CDBG		CASA, Inc. City of Huntsville DHMRP	Decent Housing
PROJECT	Code Enforcement Program	CDBG	\$450,000.00	City of Huntsville Code Enforcement	Suitable Living Environment
	Multi-Family Program	HOME	\$361,000.00	Neighborhood Concepts, Inc.	Decent Housing
	Public Park/Facilities Improvement Program	CDBG	N/A	City of Huntsville Parks & Recreation	Suitable Living Environment
	Special Economic Development Program	CDBG		Neighborhood Concepts, Inc.	Economic Opportunity
FAIR HOUSING PROJECT		CDBG	\$1,500.00	City of Huntsville Community Development	Decent Housing
PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT & CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PROJECT PUBLIC SERVICES PROJECT		CDBG	\$1,000.00	City of Huntsville Community Development	Suitable Living Environment
		CDBG	\$7,400.00	Alabama Non-Violent Offenders Organization(AANVO)	Public Services
		CDBG	\$165,000.00		Public Services
		CDBG		Harris Home for Children	Public Services
		CDBG		Village of Promise	Public Services
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CDBG

CITY OF HUNTSVILLE NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF 2016 ACTION PLAN

The City of Huntsville, Alabama is required to prepare a Consolidated Plan every five years, which is a detailed analysis of the City's housing and non-housing needs, available resources, and the plan used

The City of Huntsville is required to publish this summary of the Consolidated-Action Plan and make copies of the Plan available for public inspection at various locations in the City. You may review a draft version of the Plan at the following locations: Huntsville Public Library main branch-915 Monroe St., Richard Showers Center-4600 Blue Springs Rd., Huntsville Housing Authority Central Office-200 Washington Street, Alabama Institute for Deaf & Blind (AIDB)-600 St. Clair Ave. Bldg. 2, North Alabama Coalition for the Homeless (NACH)-1580 Sparkman Dr., Suite 111, and the Community Development office-120 E. Holmes Ave. A 30-day comment period, which will end on May 13, 2016, is required before the Action Plan can be submitted to HUD. Comments or suggestions concerning the 2016 Action Plan should be made in writing and mailed to: City of Huntsville, Attention: Michelle Gilliam Jordan-Planning Director, Community Development Department, P.O. Box 308, Huntsville, Alabama 35801. For more information please contact Turkessa Coleman Lacey at (256) 427-5400.

TOTAL

CIUDAD DE HUNTSVILLE NOTA DE PRESENTACIÓN DEL PLAN DE ACCIÓN DEL 2016

La ciudad de Huntsville, Alabama requiere preparar un Plan Consolidado cada cinco años, el cual es un análisis detallado de las necesidades de residencia o vivienda y no residenciales de la ciudad, recursos disponibles y el plan de utilización de esos recursos. El plan incluye un plan de estrategia de cinco años, un año de un Plan de Acción y las herramientas de implementación del Plan Consolidado para abordar algunas de las necesidades identificadas. Los fondos del Programa de Subsidios Globales para el Desarrollo Comunitario (CDBG, por su sigla en inglés) y los fondos del Programa de Asociación para Inversiones en Vivienda (HOME, por sus siglas en inglés) se reciben del Departamento de Viviendas y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estado Unidos. Huntsville ha desarrollado estrategias de viviendas que incluyen esfuerzos para aumentar el número de unidades de viviendas. La ciudad también ha abordado las necesidades la vivienda y de servicios de apoyo de grupo especiales como a las personas ancianas, de ingresos muy bajos, sin hogar, físicamente discapacitadas y enfermos mentales. Se han identificado fuentes anticipadas de financiamiento. Se proponen las siguientes actividades para los fondos de los programas CDBG y HOME en el Plan de Acción de Un Año para año fiscal 2016 (Julio-1-16 a Junio-30-17).

PROYECTO/PROGRAMA		FUENTE DE FINANCIAMIENT O	CANTIDAD	SUB-RECEPTOR/SOCIO	CATEGORÍA DE HUD
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ESTABILIZACIÓN DE BARRIO PROYECTO	Nuevo programa de construcción	INICIO	\$150,000.00	Hábitat para la humanidad	Vivienda digna
	Organización de desarrollo de vivienda comunitaria (CHDO)	PÁGINA DE INICIO	\$147,019.90	Family Services Center, Inc.	Vivienda digna
	Programa de asistencia de pago inicial (DAP)	PÁGINA DE INICIO	\$100,000.00	Family Services Center, Inc.	Vivienda digna
	Programa de asesoría de vivienda	PÁGINA DE INICIO	\$5.400,00	Family Services Center, Inc.	Vivienda digna
	Aplazado el programa de reparación de mantenimiento hogar (DMHRP)	CDBG	\$7.500,00	CASA, Inc.	Vivienda digna
			\$339,701.60	DHMRP de la ciudad de Huntsville	
	Programa de ejecución de código	CDBG	\$450,000.00	Cumplimiento del código de la ciudad de Huntsville	Ambiente de vida adecuado
	Programa Multifamiliar	PÁGINA DE INICIO	\$361,000.00	Barrio Concepts, Inc.	Vivienda digna
	Programa de mejoramiento de parque público/instalaciones	CDBG	N/A	Recreación y parques de la ciudad de Huntsville	Ambiente de vid adecuado
	Programa de desarrollo económico especial	CDBG	N/A	Barrio Concepts, Inc.	Oportunidades económicas
FERIA DE VIVIENDAS		CDBG	\$1.500,00	Desarrollo de la comunidad de la ciudad de Huntsville	Vivienda digna
PARTICIPACIÓN pública y el proyecto de participación ciudadana		CDBG	\$1.000,00	Desarrollo de la comunidad de la ciudad de Huntsville	Ambiente de vid adecuado
		CDBG	\$7.400,00	Organization(AANVO) de infractores no violentos de Alabama	Servicios público
PROYECTO DE SERVICIOS PÚBLICOS		CDBG	\$165,000.00	Club de muchachos y	Servicios público
		CDBG	\$7.400,00	Casa de Harris para niños	Servicios público
		CDBG	\$7.400,00	Pueblo de promesa	Servicios público
ADMINISTRACIÓN DEL PROGRAMA		PÁGINA DE INICIO	\$101,491.10	Desarrollo de la comunidad de la ciudad de Huntsville	Administración
		CDBG	\$243,600.40		
		TOTAL	\$2,415,413.00		

La Ciudad de Huntsville requiere publicar este resumen del Plan Consolidado y hacer disponible copias del Plan para inspección pública en varios lugares de la ciudad. Usted puede revisar una versión preliminar del Plan en las siguientes ubicaciones: Biblioteca Pública de Huntsville - 915 Monroe Street., Centro de Richard Shower - 4600 Blue Springs Road., Oficina Central de la Autoridad de Vivienda de Huntsville- 200 Washington Street, Instituto para Sordos y Ciegos de Alabama (AIDB, por sus siglas en Inglés) - 600 St. Clair Ave. Bldg. 2, Coalición de Alabama del norte para personas sin hogar (NACH, por sus siglas en Inglés)- 1580 Sparkman Dr., Suite 111, y la Oficina del Desarrollo de la Comunidad - 120 E. Holmes Ave. Un periodo de comentario de 30 días, el cual terminará el 13 de May, 2016, es requerido antes de que el Plan de Acción pueda ser enviado a HUD. Comentarios o sugerencias sobre el Plan de Acción del 2016 debe hacerse por escrito y enviarlo al: Departamento del Desarrollo Comunitario de la Ciudad de Huntsville, Atención: Michelle Gilliam Jordan-Planning Director, P.O. Box 308, Huntsville, Alabama 35801. Para más información por favor de comunicarse con Turkessa Coleman Lacey al (256) 427-5400.

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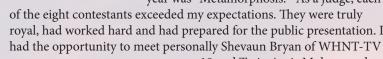
On Sunday, April 10, my great-niece, Justis McKinney, was initiated into the Alpha Psi Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha



Sorority, Incorporated (AKA). Founded in 1908 at Howard University, AKA is the oldest Sorority for professional, African-

American women. Congratulations to Justis. Her mother-Tanisha Rodgers, grandmother-Mary Hurt and I were there to congratulate her and celebrate this family legacy. Justis is a third-generation member of our beloved AKA!!

Later in the evening, I had the signal opportunity to serve as a judge for the 24th annual Oakwood University Pageant. The theme this year was "Metamorphosis." As a judge, each





19 and Tariq Amir Muhammad, Verizon Wireless' District Manager of Retail Sales for North Alabama. They were judges along with Diversity Leadership Colloquium graduate, Edwan O'Neal and me.

Congratulations to Khaleel Clarke and Courtney Buckhanon, who will reign as Mr. and Miss Oakwood University during 2016-2017. I have judged many pageants over the years. The setting at Trinity United Methodist Church, band, DanaMi Dance Company, exquisite decor, wonderful display of beauty and talent made for a long, but wonderful evening of refin-

ing the legacy. The goal of the pageant was to identify, develop and promote leadership within the Oakwood University community among Christian college-aged men and women. Mission accomplished!

Many have asked about the availability of the Volume 2 coffee table books highlighting the Rosetta James "Honoring Our Elders" honorees from 2013-16. This handsome volume is readily available, courtesy of our offices at TMT Group, Inc., 415A Church Street, or contact Ms. Linda Burruss at (256) 536-9717. Copies are \$100 each.

Now that the temperatures are beginning to stabilize, take out some time to find out about some of the numerous outdoor activities occurring thoughout the Tennessee Valley. Renew your pledge to physical fitness, or even discover some new, exciting, out-of-the-way place to dine with a friend or significant other.

Until next week ...







CANCER Your self expression, along with calculated risk, is encouraging romance, within your life.

LEO Knowing what you want is swiftly leading you toward the destination that you seek. Gear up!

CAPRICORN Your emotional expression is the added décor, in any speeches that you give, on topics close to your heart.

TAURUS Who says never mix business & pleasure? That advice is for the novice.

PISCES Fantastic ideas have you in a world all your own, oceans away from where you were- elevating your mood to cloud status.

SCORPIO The spotlight, of undivided attention, that you experience, will encourage you to share your newest opinions, openly, as your light bulb of intellect brightens.

LIBRA Your faith will allow you to speak stability over your life, making your mo-

by Melissa Wilson/Seloma

tive clear, & the actions that you're taking is a testimony, to others, that serious drive can produce obvious results.

ARIES Generally, you may sometimes view, "holding back," as a method of storing emotional reserve, your resourcefulness may take a backseat, right now- however, as you enjoy the intensity of an emotional connection.

AQUARIUS Letting down your guard, just a tad, is enabling you to ripen the crush, that is residing within your heart; which will, in turn, allow that particular person to join you- in exploring the joys of your life.

SAGITTARIUS Communication allows you to express the things that you aspire, and have people to understand what you fully expect, before they attempt to reciprocate.

VIRGO The way that you've been responding, is allowing others to more fully comprehend your previous actions, thereby, promoting growth, in relationships.



DAB! Four-star General Dennis Via, 18th Commander of the U.S. Army Materiel Command, served as the keynoter for the Military Ball held by ROTC Cadets at Alabama A&M University. Following the program, the General "commanded" the dance floor, as well. (Photo by Jerome Saintjones)

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Valley Deaths

Funeral services for Pastor Henry P. Lacy will be held at 12 Noon on Saturday, April 16, 2016 at St. Luke Christian Church with Reverend Reginald Johnson, officiating. Interment will be in Valley View Memorial Gardens. The remains of Pastor Lacy will be placed in the church one hour prior to funeral time.

Funeral services for Mr.Bobby Ditto Townsend of Chattanooga, TN were held Wednesday, April 13, at St. Mark Baptist Church with Reverend James Jones officiating. Interment was in Valley View Memorial Gardens.

Funeral arrangements for Ms. Catherine Graham are incomplete and will be announced later.

Funeral services for Mr. Richard M. Turner were held at 2 p.m. on Friday, April 8, 2016, at Douglas Tabernacle P. B. Church with Elder Robert Rogers, officiating. Interment was in Valley View Memorial Gardens.

Funeral services for Mr. Fleming G. Butler were held at 12 Noon on Saturday, April 9, 2016, at Nelms Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Earla S. Lockhart, officiating. Interment was in Valhalla Memory Gardens.

Funeral services for Mr. Horace Drake were held on Saturday, April 9, 2016, at St Rebecca P. B. Church with Pastor Curtis Strong, officiating. Interment was St. Ruth Cemetery.

Funeral service for Mr. Albert "Bull" Smith was held at 12 Noon on Saturday, April 9, 2016, at Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church with Reverend Lester Baker, officiating. Interment was in Pine Grove Cemetery.

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I was very intrigued by this product; maybe my dad being a scientist has something to do with my fascination to this invention. This product was created by people, like my father, who devote their time to science, chemistry, research, laboratories, medicine, and more. The invention industry is one of the most beneficial industries to our society. Inventions are ideas that have manifested. Entrepreneurs are inventors or ones that improve upon inventions.

When you start a business, you are inventing or introducing a solution for the marketplace. If you have trouble turning your ideas into inventions, just think like a scientist: your idea is your hypothesis; then you research your market through business plans and proposals; next, you find the formula that manifests the idea; once it's created then you must test it, and put it out there to the market; and always find a way to improve and better the outcomes.

by Amoi Savage



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Convention.



Your Washington Recap

Here are your top issues in Washington, D.C., this week:

1. The House and Senate are in session this week. The Senate will continue work on the Federal Aviation Administration reauthorization bill (on the bill last week, the Senate voted to double the number of bomb-sniffing dog teams in airports, increase security vetting for airport workers, require PreCheck checkpoints to be operational at most times of

Huntsville City Council Meetings

City Council regular meetings are held in the City Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on the 2nd and

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the day, and rejected minimum seat size and spacing for airline seats). The House, among other items, will take up legislation to prohibit the Federal Communications Commission from regulating the rates consumers pay for broadband access service. House Democrats oppose the bill because of concerns that the bill could adversely affect consumer protections from monopoly rates, anticompetitive interconnection charges, and even rural

broadband subsidies under the Universal Service Fund.

2. President Obama and Vice President Biden met with Federal Reserve Chair Janet Yellen to discuss the economy and Wall Street reform. The Washington Post reported that President Obama is considering becoming the first sitting U.S. President to visit Hiroshima when he visits Japan in May.

3. The Lumina Foundation held a panel discussion to release its "A Stronger Nation" 2016 report on postsecondary attainment at the National Press Club.

4. Last Thursday (April 7), Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley (R-IA) announced that he would not cave under pressure from the White House to hold a hearing for Supreme Court nominee Merrick Garland and that the White House was "wasting its time with strong-arm tactics." Seventeen

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(17) GOP Senators — including Sen. Grassley — have said that they would be willing to meet with Garland.

5. 2016 Presidential Watch. Bernie Sanders won Saturday's Wyoming caucuses (his 7th win in the last 8 contests), but he nonetheless will split the state's 14 delegates with Hillary Clinton. Also on Saturday, Ted Cruz won all 34 delegates at Colorado's GOP convention. Clinton and Trump lead by double digits in New York (April 19) and Pennsylvania (April 26). On Sunday, NBC's "Meet The Press" predicted that Trump will be short 72 delegates going into July's GOP

DELEGATE COUNT

(as of 4/10/16)

Hillary Clinton 1,756 (need 2,383) Bernie Sanders 1,068

Donald Trump 743 (need 1,237) Ted Cruz 545 John Kasich 143

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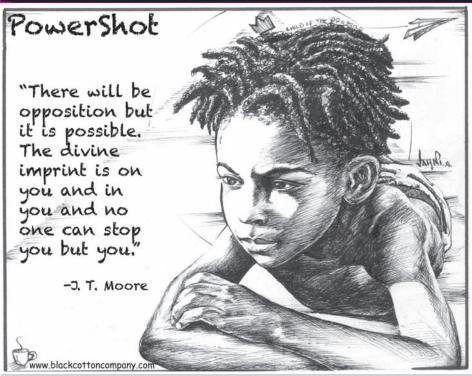
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"Lo, I beheld a time when the earth was made into strips that joined cities and diverse places. Metal and stone trees without life reached upwards to the heavens. The air above the firmament was thick. The sons of man had been said to burn into the higher heavens on ships.

And the cries of the suckling and the young went unheard. The elders dried up alone and in bundles. The land was filled with false light while the suns shuffled in gaited walks and heavy heads. Their bowels are locked with their own tears. Even so their souls' windows are boarded shut against the curse of the conquerors dream...

...And I will call them out to do my bidding; to impart life eternal, even to the temporal casting off of their own. And when their understanding has been caught up into the spirit then shall their souls wander no more. Neither shall their feet go down to places where voices are lifted up in hollow halls. Sounding brass and tingling symbols shall be silenced, and the souls shall rise up fully clothed in the spirit of righteousness. Then looking into the face of the still waters they will see God." - Excerpt from Johnny Wuz: An American Tragedy

Calendar of Events

April 15 HOT Coffee

(Free Networking Organization) Huntsville Chamber of Commerce Auditorium Contact: Vicki Morris at facetoface.vmorris@gmail.com, 7:45 a.m.

Star Gazers Pinot's Palette (\$35/Painter) 6-8 p.m.

April 17 46th Annual Earth Day Festival and Farmer's Market Monte Sano State Park Picnic Area 12-5 p.m.

April 22 Annual Black Tie Scholarship

Gala Alabama A&M University Von Braun Center North Hall Tickets: \$100 6 p.m.

April 23

2nd Annual My Cry in the Dark Mental Health Forum Sponsor: Huntsville Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Dr. Richard Showers Sr. Center 4600 Blue Spring Road, 1 p.m.

April 24

Art-N-Soul "Key Lime Affair" Bob Harrison Senior Center 6156 Pulaski Pike NW Doors Open: 6 p.m./Show: 7-9 p.m. Attire: Dressy Casual Colors: Lime, Lemon or Spring (No athletic wear or sneakers) Donation at the Door



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