Maryland Multicultural Coalition/NAME

February / March 2016

Voices



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Winter was upon us as we welcomed the new year with a record breaking blizzard. As we observe the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday in January and African American History Month in February, it is a time to reflect on the past and to learn from the past so that we may move forward into the future. As a former history major, that was one important lesson that I learned early on. We can learn from our elders and the generations that came before us. Their lives were hard. No matter the circumstances, life was hard. The freedoms we have today, we take lightly. But it was not the case with our ancestors. Whether your family originated from the Peoples of the First Nation, immigrated here from being oppressed in another country or brought here in chains on a slave ship, life has had its struggles.

Immigrants to this country today, have benefited from the struggles of the past, but their life is no less easier. They still struggle with language, religions intolerance, cultural differences and prejudices from those in their own communities.

What have we learned in the last 400 years of European exploration and settlement on this continent? How much do we value the past struggles of equity, acceptance, civil rights, and equality that our ancestors fought for by their words, by their blood or by civil disobedience?

So this year, make it a point to learn something new or share something with someone younger. Remind them of the struggles that each generation has faced. For one thing is for certain, if we do not study and learn from the past, be will surely repeat. Just watching the news each night should show us how much this is true.

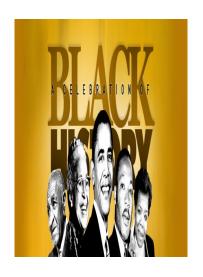
Debbie Misiag President, MMC 2015-2017





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TEACHING TOLERANCE

PERSPECTIVES for a DIVERSE AMERICA

Teaching Tolerance is a comprehensive project of the Southern Poverty Law Center. For 2016 it has instituted a k-12 anti-bias, literacy-based curriculum – *Perspectives for a Diverse America*.

Educators nationwide are integrating the framework into their instruction – across subject area and grade levels. The materials are free and include webinars and on-line ideas about using the program. *Perspectives* provides extensive materials about classroom resources, film kits, professional development, and the Teaching Tolerance Magazine.

An example of a resource is *Reading Diversity: A Tool for Selecting Diverse Texts.* Add tolerance@splcmail.org to your email and write with any questions or suggestions for the programs. Visit the *Teaching Tolerance* website and register to get the *Teaching Tolerance* Magazine and *Perspectives for a Diverse America* publications and program information.

"Success isn't about how much money you make, it's about the difference you make in people's lives." Michelle Obama

A TRIBUTE TO AVA MARIA WHITTEMORE

IT HAS BEEN FIVE MONTHS SINCE THE PASS-ING OF OUR DEAR FRIEND AVA MARIA WHITTEMORE.

MARIA SERVED FREDERICK COUNTY SCHOOLS FOR
OVER THIRTY YEARS. SHE
LOVED HER JOB. HER
SKILL AND KNOWLEDGE
IMPACTED A LOT PEOPLE
WHO ATTENDED OR
WORKED IN THAT SCHOOL
DISTRICT.

ALTHOUHG SHE IS NOT ON THIS EARTH, HER SPIRIT STILL LINGERS ON.

MARIA YOU ARE MISSED!

The African American Read-In

Marks 25 Years by Looking Forward

The African American Read-In (AARI), established by the Black Caucus of NCTE, is built on an ambitious yet confident premise: that a school and community reading event can be an effective way to promote diversity in children's literature, encourage young people to read, and shine a spotlight on African American authors. As we celebrate the 25th year since the event was created, it appears that it's not only made progress toward these goals, but will continue to be an inspiration to schools and communities for some time

JESSE OWENS

The daughters of Olympic legend Jesse Owens all retired and living in Chicago, delight in the fact that their input was so instrumental in shaping the narrative of "Race." The biopic is the feature film focused on the and field icon.

"We have worked cooperatively together for 5 years," says Marlene Owens Rankin, a 76 –year-old retired social worker and grandmother of two.

"So it's so exciting to see such wonderful finished product from this collaboration."

Owens is widely regarded as one of the greatest athletes of 20th Century. He won four gold medals at the 1936 Berlin Olympics, single-handedly refuting infamous Nazi leader Adolf Hitler's mythology of "Aryan" racial supremacy. Nearly a century later, he is still remembered around the globe for the feat.

"Race" spans the two years of Owens life leading up to and including those Olympics. The film focuses on Owen's friendship with Ohio State University coach Larry Snyder. It examines his relationship with his Minnie. The film also visits the US Olympic committee's deliberations over whether to pull out of the games in protest of Nazi Germany.

Owens' three daughters say they poured over the storyline and dialogue with the film's director, producer and screenwriters by phone and in person. He always noted that the rumor Hitler had refused to acknowledge him was untrue-and that he didn't endure American-style segregation in Germany. Even after the ticker-tape parades for Owens in New York City and Cleveland, President Franklin D. Roosevelt never publicly acknowledged his achievements or invited him to the White House.

Women's History Month Luncheon (WHML)

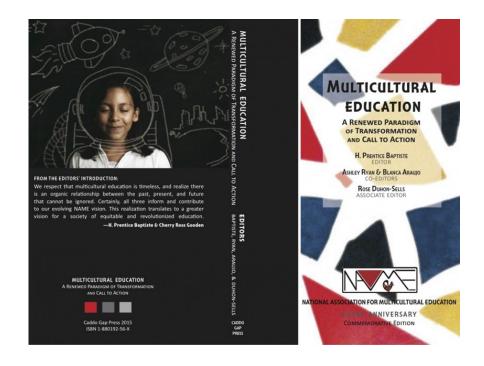
Martin's Crosswinds 7400 Greenway Ctr. Drive Greenbelt, MD

Wednesday, March 16th 12pm Featuring:

Noon Spellman Award Presentations
The Women in Gov't Award
Special Tribute
to the
Honorable Barbara Mikulski

United States Senator

Honoring our 25th Aniversary-NAME's new book



NAME is excited to announce the publication of this important

NAME book about Multicultural Education--

"Multicultural Education: A Renewed Paradigm of Transformation and Call to Action"

This commemorative book includes chapters by James A. Banks, Geneva Gay, Carl A. Grant, Sonia Nieto, Christine Sleeter, H. Prentice Baptiste, Bill Howe and others. These NAME and Multicultural Education giants address curriculum and instruction, critical examination of the politicization of education, high stakes testing, Intersectionality, Globalization of education, research trends, Multicultural Teacher preparation and much more.

Book list price: \$29.95

25th anniversary sale price: \$25.00

(Sale ends January 31, 2016)

Be sure to order your copy via the NAME online bookstore :

http://www.viethconsulting.com/members/store.php? orgcode=NAME



SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016 (8:30a-2p)

"In the aftermath of Freddie Gray"

What have we learned and where are we going?



Panel speakers will include community leaders, law enforcement, mental health advocates, and other experts who will discuss current challenges, lessons learned, new programs and best practices for the future of police and community relatio s in Maryland.

For more info visit www.mdcove.org or Ra'Mona Brown-Carter 443.608.9189



Location:

Sollers Point Multi-Purpose Center Dundalk, Maryland 21222

Sponsored by COVE, the Maryland Associatio of Human Rights Agencies (MAHRA), the National Associatio of Human Rights Agencies (NAHRA), and several local civil rights and human relatio s organizations.



Maryland Cultural Proficiency Conference

Equity and Cultural Responsiveness:

Confronting the Gap between Awareness and Action

March 22 - 23, 2016

Hosted by School of Education & Urban Studies – Morgan State University Call to Conference

Dear Colleagues:

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to attend the second annual Maryland Cultural Proficiency Conference, themed *Equity and Cultural Responsiveness:*Confronting the Gap between Awareness and Action. Last year, over 225 participants attended 19 concurrent sessions. We were joined by Dr. Etta Hollins, Professor Charles Ogletree, and Dr. Kmt Shockley.

This year's conference will be held March 22-23, 2016, at Morgan State University, 1700 East Coldspring Lane, Baltimore, Maryland 21251. We anticipate 300 attendees who will attend sessions relevant to building awareness and connections, knowledge, practice, and research as these relate to educational equity. We have confirmed Drs. Gloria Ladson-Billings, Etta Hollins, and Joyce King as keynote speakers.

There will be interactive, highly engaging sessions that will address four components (conference strands) essential to enhancing cultural competence through our schools and institutions of higher education: *Awareness and Connection, Knowledge, Practice, or Research.*

Registration is now open!

Please contact Danielle Tidline at dtidline@bcps.org or 443.809.9263 to learn more

about the conference.





MARYLAND MULTICULTURAL COALITION

ANNUAL STATEWIDE

MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE

Chapter of the National Association for Multicultural Education

Co-Sponsored by: Wicomico County Public School District

Celebrating the Beauty of Diversity:

Preparing for the Future

Includes: Keynote Address

Continental Breakfast and Lunch

Vendors/Exhibitors

Choice of more than 20 Breakout Sessions

Topic Areas:

- Strategies for Eliminating the Achievement Gaps
- Sustaining and Maintaining Positive Relationships
- Understanding Cultural Proficiency
- Parent/Community Involvement
- Addressing the Needs of Diverse Learners
- Accelerating Multileveled Student Progress and Achievement
- School Climate

Date: Saturday, April 23, 2016

Time: Late Registration 8:30A.M.-9:00 A.M.

Conference Begins 9:00 A.M.

Place: Wicomico Youth and Civic Center

500 Glen Avenue

Salisbury, MD 21804

For more information, contact: Dr. Judylynn Mitchell at 410-677-4401 or

email imitchell@wcboe.org.

2016 MAEC Annual Conference May 3, 2106 Linthicum Heights, MD

Approaching our 25th year, MAEC's Annual Conference draws on national and local experts to provide educators, policymakers, social justice advocates, and community members with current research and promising practices to meet the diverse needs of 21st Century learners. Join us for this excellent opportunity to engage in conversations and learn about successful strategies addressing these important topics:

Positive and safe school climates • Culturally responsive pedagogy & practice • Access to rigorous curriculum • Data-Driven decision-making to improve student achievement • High-impact family, school, and community engagement • Holistic approaches to youth development

New for 2016! We are pleased to offer Continuing Education Credits (CEUs) to conference participants through Anne Arundel Community College.



Working to Form a More Perfect Union Honoring Women in Public Service and Government

The Nation Women's History Month theme 2016 honors women who have shaped America's history and its future through their public service and government leadership. When honoring women in public service and government it is important to celebrate women's accomplishments but also recognize and understand the barriers and obstacle that women have had and continue, to overcome.

Women winning the vote in 1920 is a well know example, while many other rights were not won until the second half of the 20th century. Second wave feminists won women the right to equal pay in 1963, birth control in 1972, fair credit in 1973, and the last "head and master" marital property law was finally in 1981.

In 2016, the National Women's History Project honors 16 women leaders, trailblazers, and role models in the fields of public services. The tenacity of each honoree underlines the fact that women from all cultural backgrounds n all levels of public service and government are essential in the continuing work of forming a more perfect union.



2016 JACK EPSTEIN AWARD

FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION

The Maryland Multicultural Coalition/Chapter of NAME (MMC/NAME) presents an award each spring at its annual statewide conference. This year the conference will be held in Wicomico County on April 23, 2016.

The award will recognize exemplary commitment to Education that is Multicultural in Maryland. Nominees may be educators or others who are dedicated to creating educational environments in which all people are valued equally and where all are inspired to work together in schools and communities. Outstanding exam-ples of multicultural activities, programs or multiculturalism in an educational setting may also be nominated for recognition.

NAME CRITERIA

Nominees may include (but need no be limited to) teachers, support personnel, volunteers, counselors, administrators, specialists, coordinators, directors, and community activists. Nominees may work in public or private organizations and must live or work in Maryland. Members of the MMC/NAME Executive Board may not be nominated.

Only one nominator is required for each nomination. Anyone may make a nomination, whether the nominator is a NAME member or not. All nomination forms must bear the signature of the person making the nomination along with his/her home address, day and evening phone numbers, and email address.

Completed nomination forms and supporting documents are to be mailed to MMC/NAME, PO Box 738, Columbia, MD 21045. **Nominations must be postmarked or delivered no later than March 20, 2016.**

Each nomination must include as supporting documents:

One letter of support. (Additional letters of support may be included.)

A brief biographical sketch of the individual or overview of the program.

Materials from projects, newspaper clippings and other support material may be submitted. Support material should relate to the reasons the nominee is being nominated. The MMC/NAME Executive Board may solicit additional infor-mation if it is deemed necessary. The nomination form and support materials will become the property of MMC/NAME.

The final decision on awards to be presented will be made by the MMC/NAME Executive Board. The Executive Board may appoint a sub-committee to review nominations and make recommendations to the Board for a final decision.

The award will be in the form of a certificate from MMC/NAME, recognition at the MMC/NAME Spring Conference and in the pages of the MMC/NAME newsletter, *VOICES*.

Maryland Multicultural Coalition/State Chapter of NAME 2016 JACK EPSTEIN AWARD

FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION

NOMINATION FORM

This application and all support materials will become the property of Maryland Multi-cultural Coalition/NAME. To be considered, this application must be post-marked or delivered by March 20, 2016.

Please type or print clearly.

1. NAME OF NOMINEE/NOMINATED PROJECT:			
2. Business address:	stre	et apt. #	
city	state	zip	
4. Home phone:	Work p	hone:	
Email Address;			

PLEASE INCLUDE WITH THIS NOMINATION:

A letter of support explaining how the nominee meets the criteria (see attachment) for the award. (Additional letters of support may be included.)

A brief biographical sketch of the individual or overview of the program.

Materials from projects, newspaper clippings and other support material may be submitted. Support material should relate to the reasons the nominee is being nominated. Final decision on awards to be presented will be made by the MMC/NAME Executive Board. The Executive Board may solicit additional information if it is deemed necessary. The nomination form and support materials will become the property of MMC/NAME.

MAIL TO: Debbie Misiag, MMC/NAME President

PO Box 738

Columbia, MD 21045

deborah_misiag@hcpss.org

OR FAX TO: 410-313-7049

MMC/NAME Scholarship Application

Application Year: 2016

MMC/NAME is the Maryland Chapter of the National Association for Multicultural Education. The mission of MMC/NAME is to promote and support education that is multicultural as a means of achieving the full academic potential of every learner in Maryland by: sharing knowledge and resources, fostering appreciation of diversity, and advocating for educational equity. MMC/NAME brings together individuals and groups with an interest in multicultural education from all levels of education, from different academic disciplines and a variety of educational institutions. It is our pleasure to sponsor this **need based** award with the intent of encouraging graduates to teach in Maryland.

Application instructions:

- 1. Complete the attached application form. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.
- 2. Include application packet and supplemental documents.
- 3. Mail completed application packet in its entirety by *April 1, 2016* to:

MMC/NAME Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 738
Columbia, Maryland 21045

Important information for award recipients:

- 1. Award recipients will be notified in April, 2016.
- 2. Award recipients will be invited to attend the MMC/NAME Annual Conference Saturday, April 23, 2016 in Salisbury, MD.
- 3. Award recipients will be required to provide a copy of proof of college enrollment before funds will be disbursed.

Requirements for High School Applicant:

- Resident of Maryland
- 3.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Eligible to graduate in June 2016
- Proof of acceptance in a 2 or 4-year undergraduate program
- Intend to teach P-12 in Maryland upon completion of an undergraduate program
- Demonstrate financial need

Appl	ication	Packe	et:
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Completed application
Essay
Official high school transcript
Two letters of recommendation: One personal and one school related

Requirements for Undergraduate College Applicant:

- Resident of Maryland
- 3.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Majoring in an education related field
- Intend to teach P-12 in Maryland upon completion of an undergraduate program
- Demonstrate financial need

Application Packet:

Completed application
Essay
Official college transcript
Two letters of recommendation: One personal and one school related

Personal Information (please	<u>e print legibly)</u>	
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Essay Questions (answer each question in your essay, with a maximum 2 pages, double-spaced)

Share the experiences that have influenced your decision to pursue a career in education and how these experiences will help you in this career choice.
What are your thoughts on educating an increasingly diverse student population or explain your experience with or interest in promoting diversity and equity in schools?
Include your statement of need for this scholarship. Describe the hardship you are encountering along with funding gaps for tuition costs, and other expenses for your educational achievement.



ANNUAL STATEWIDE MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE

Co-Sponsored by: Wicomico County Public School District

Celebrating the Beauty of Diversity: Preparing for the Future

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Sustaining and Maintaining Positive Relationships

• Understanding Cultural Proficiency

Parent/Community Involvement

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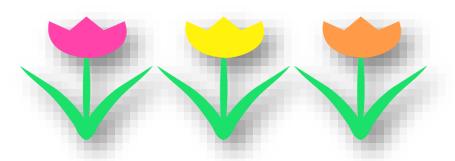
500 Glen Avenue Salisbury, MD 21804

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Maryland Multicultural Coalition

Chapter of the National Association for Multicultural Education

Call for Proposals



Celebrating the Beauty of Diversity: Preparing for the Future

Saturday, April 23, 2016 **Late Registration**- 8:30A.M. -9:00A.M.

Conference Begins 9:00A.M.

Annual Statewide Multicultural Education Conference

Hosted by: Wicomico County Public School District

Location: Wicomico Youth and Civic Center

500 Glen Avenue

Salisbury, Maryland 21804

For More Information Contact:

Wicomico County Public Schools District
Dr. Judylynn Mitchell
410-677-4401 ext. 4401or email jmitchel@wcboe.org

NAME is committed to an anti-discrimination policy in all of its programs and services. NAME is consciously and proactively inclusive of all areas of diversity including, but not limited to, race, ethnicity, color, national origin, ancestry, gender, sexual orientation, religion, age, socioeconomic status, language, disability, or immigration status.

Call for Proposals

January 11, 2016

Dear Colleague,

You are invited to submit a proposal for a presentation at the Annual Statewide Conference of the Maryland Multicultural Coalition/Chapter of the National Association of Multicultural Education (MMC/NAME) on Saturday, April 23, 2016. The conference will be held at the Wicomico Youth and Civic Center, 500 Glen Avenue, Salisbury, Maryland 21804. Breakout sessions will be one hour and a half. Educators and community members interested in student achievement, multicultural education, and equity will be represented at the elementary, middle, high, and post-secondary levels.

The theme of the conference is "Celebrating the Beauty of Diversity: Preparing for the Future." Participants will be able to choose breakout sessions from the following areas:

- Strategies for Eliminating the Achievement Gaps
- Sustaining and Maintaining Positive Relationships
- Understanding Cultural Proficiency
- Parent/Community Involvement
- Addressing the needs of Diverse Learners
- Accelerating Multileveled Student Progress and Achievement
- School Climate

Please fax or mail the attached/enclosed Description of Presentation Form (two pages) to Dr. Judylynn Mitchell at the address below by **February 12th.** You will be notified by email of the status of your proposal by February 19, 2016. Please note that all presenters are required to register (at a reduced rate-\$10.00) for the conference.

Thank you for your participation in the 2016 MMC/NAME Spring Conference. We look forward to receiving your proposal.

Sincerely,

Judylynn Mitchell, Ed.D.
Supervisor:
Instruction-K-12
Multicultural Education-(ETMA)-Pre-12
English Speakers Of Other Languages – (ESOL) K-12
410-677-4401 ext. 4401
410-677-4406 (fax)
jmitchel@wcboe.org

Description of Presentation

Use the format guide listed below. Title of Presentation_____ A. Abstract (Use 50 words or less. This information will also be used in the В. program booklet.) C. Outcomes____ D. Techniques E. Type of Session/Format (All presentations are scheduled for one hour and a half) F. Please check the appropriate format: **Lecture/ PowerPoint Presentation** Workshop- hands-on activities and practical application, including active involvement of participants.

Please fill out both sheets and send to:

Wicomico County Public School District Attn: Dr. Judylynn Mitchell, MMC/NAME Conference 2424 Northgate Suite 100 Salisbury, MD 21801 Fax: 410-677-4406

Email: jmitchel@wcboe.org

NOTE: Presenters are responsible for 50 handouts per session presented.

Presentation Title:		
Name of Presenter:		
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School/University/Organization		
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City:	State:	Zip code:
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Additional Presenters\ Co-Present	ers:	
Name of Presenter	Name of Presen	nter:
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Organization:		
Address:	Address:	
City:	City.	
State: Zip code:	State:	Zip code:
Telephone:	Telep hone:	
Email:	Email:	
B. Target Audience (please chec Teachers Administrators Students Teacher Education	High School K-12 K-16 k all that apply): Curriculum Specialis Community Activist Parents ESOL Teachers	Higher Education Adult Education Other (specify): State Education Personnel
Logistics: Will you be able to	present?	
AM session	PM session	Both sessions
C. Audiovisual Equipment Requ	est:	
Agreement to Present: Should this to present on the date of the conference		e named presenter(s) and I agree
Signature	Date	

Maryland Multicultural Coalition/NAME Annual Statewide Conference April 23, 2016

Presenter Registration Form

Name	
Phone	Email
Address	
Occupation/Title:	
School System/University/Organization	:
Includes Continent	al Breakfast and Lunch
Check here i	if you would like a vegetarian lunch
Presenter Fee - \$10.00	
Upon notification of Acceptance of	Proposal make check payable to:
Maryland Multicultural Coalition/ P.O. Box 738 Columbia, MD. 21045	/NAME
Email or mail registration form to:	Wicomico County Public School District Attn: Dr. Judylynn Mitchell 2424 Northgate Drive Suite 100 Salisbury, Maryland 21801 imitchel@wcboe.org

You must pre-register. Checks must be received by March 18, 2016. Space is limited.

For additional information or to request an accommodation because of disability, please call Dr. Judylynn Mitchell at 410-677-4401 ext. 4401 or email imitchel@wcboe.org.

Maryland Multicultural Coalition/NAME Annual Statewide Conference April 23, 2016

Student Registration Form

Name	
Phone	Email
Address	
Occupation/Title: STUDENT	
Includes Continen	tal Breakfast and Lunch re if you would like a vegetarian lunch
Please check one:	
Undergraduate Student - \$2 High School Student - \$10	
Make check payable to:	
Maryland Multicultural Coalition P.O. Box 738 Columbia, MD. 21045	/NAME
Email or mail registration form to:	Wicomico County Public School District Attn: Dr. Judylynn Mitchell 2424 Northgate Drive Suite 100 Salisbury, Maryland 21801 jmitchel@wcboe.org

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