

# NAACP BALTIMORE COUNTY NEWSLETTER

## MESSAGE FROM THE NEW PRESIDENT

### DR. DANITA TOLSON

Greetings Members,

We cannot seek achievement for ourselves and forget about progress and prosperity for our community... our ambitions must be broad enough to include the aspirations and needs of others. "It is possible to become discouraged about the injustice we see everywhere. But God did not promise us that the world would be humane and just. He gives us the gift of life and allows us to choose the way we will use our limited time on earth" (Cesar Chavez).



This is our opportunity for everyone to join together to end injustice, hatred, unequal opportunity and racial discrimination. The time is **Now**...We still have work to do! We are not done yet! For years we have seen injustice, economic inequality, police bullying, leadership hoarding with no positive movement, social determinants of health, unfair housing, unequal employment opportunities, unequal access to education and poor political leaders who do not stand for people of all racial spectrums.

The Baltimore County Branch will continue to uphold the NAACP vision that all people have equal political, educational, social, health care and economic rights. We want movement to end hatred and racial discrimination, injustice, unequal opportunity and will hold all people in positions accountable. As the newly elect president, I will continue to work to uphold the mission and vision of the NAACP, to reduce racial hatred and discrimination. My goal is to continue to work with the Baltimore County, State, and National NAACP officers to strengthen our goals. Publishing the goals is being transparent, allowing the community to see the progressing activities of the Baltimore County Branch. **Here are the goals:**

**Goal 1:** To recruit new membership and retain active members

**Goal 2:** To have our members active in a committee of interest;

**Goal 3:** To increase visibility in the community

**Goal 4:** Increase communication (orientation and education to the community)

**Goal 5:** To hold government officials and people they put in positions accountable for their actions.

The goal is to ask for timelines, goals, inclusion, diversity. We are not done yet! The time is now! Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you as the NAACP Baltimore County Branch President. Thank you to Mr. Tony Fugett for his years of service as the Baltimore County NAACP President. His dedication to the branch will always be appreciated. **The Time is Now! Will you join the movement?**

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# NAACP EVENTS

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE PRESENTS:**



[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88025566220?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88025566220?pwd=MEhtSEdiMENkVIFmM2k4eG92V3VwZz09)

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## **NEW MEMBERS ORIENTATION**

We are having a new members orientation on Wednesday, March 3rd at 7pm. All committees will be available to speak. Come and learn more about our branch and what we're doing.

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86998499758?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86998499758?pwd=a3hnS3ZYYUlloUHhLRnVWSWNJOS9TQT09)

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# COMMUNITY VOICES: BLACK HISTORY



In Turner Station, an apartment complex known as Lyon Homes was constructed by the federal government in 1942 when World War II created a need for more housing near Sparrows Point, has been the subject of a \$25 million upgrade. The apartments were home to Henrietta Lacks, whose cancer cells were famously and tragically harvested by Johns Hopkins Hospital in 1951 without her knowledge, a result that led to numerous scientific breakthroughs.

The architect who designed these homes in the 1940s was an African-American, by the name of Hilyard Robinson. He is known for designing Langston Terrace in Washington, D.C. and the Alabama airbase that was home to the Tuskegee Airmen.

On the community front , the Conservation Team Group is starting Phase II of their renovation of Lyon Homes apartments. They have already built a community meeting place with historic photos from life in Turner Station. The meeting center is named "**Henrietta Lacks Village**." We applaud the Turner Station Conservation Team for their incredible efforts in preserving this historical landmark and Henrietta's Lacks' legacy in Turner Station.



# BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENT



Join us for **Black**  
**History**  
**Month**



Brock Bridge Elementary School is looking for volunteers in the community to share a part of the Black experience to our students for Black History Month.

We're looking for individuals interested in sharing their contributions to Black History and/or share knowledge of influential African Americans, institutions or organizations in a video presentation. This gives students the opportunity to have a Black History experience within the virtual environment.

A community  
opportunity to  
connect and inspire  
our youth

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# CAREER OPPORTUNITY

## Community College of Baltimore County

CDL Training Starts  
**JANUARY 2021!**

Attend Tuition Free\*

SEE  
WHAT YOU  
CAN BE



We are pleased to announce the new  
**CCBC Transportation Training Center**  
in partnership with Tradepoint Atlantic.

There is a key need in the transportation industry for commercial drivers.  
Let CCBC start you on the road to a bright future with comprehensive  
CDL training that will make you job ready in less than 6 months.

For more information contact:

Stacy Igo at [sigo@ccbcmd.edu](mailto:sigo@ccbcmd.edu) or call **443-840-4878**

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**CCBC CDL — Rolling Toward the Future**

\*Call **443-840-4700** to see if you qualify

Various class schedules available  
Veterans and Covid-19 Bill funding sources

# Youth & Young Adults Corner

The **Herbert Lehman Scholarship** is a national, highly competitive scholarship that makes annual awards to qualified, outstanding undergraduate students.

Lehman Scholarships provide \$2,000 per year for four years. The deadline to apply is April 1st, 2021. For more information go to:

<https://www.naacpldf.org/about-us/scholarships/herbert-lehman-education-fund-scholarship>



The **Earl Warren Scholarship** is awarded annually to rising law students whose commitment to racial justice reveals outstanding potential for training as civil rights and public interest attorneys.

Eligible law students include those entering their first or second year of full-time legal study at an accredited law school. LDF's Earl Warren Scholarship awards are \$10,000 per year for three years. The deadline to apply is May 1st, 2021.

For more information go to:

<https://www.naacpldf.org/about-us/scholarships/earl-warren-scholarship/>

## JOIN US

Our General Body meetings are every first Wednesday at 7:00pm. For the zoom link, refer to our monthly emails or go to the events page by clicking on our website below.

[www.naacp-bcountymd.org](http://www.naacp-bcountymd.org)

## Join the NAACP on Social Media!

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If you need to file a complaint. Please send an email to Gerald Morrison, Labor and Industry Committee Chair, [geraldmorrison@gmail.com](mailto:geraldmorrison@gmail.com)

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