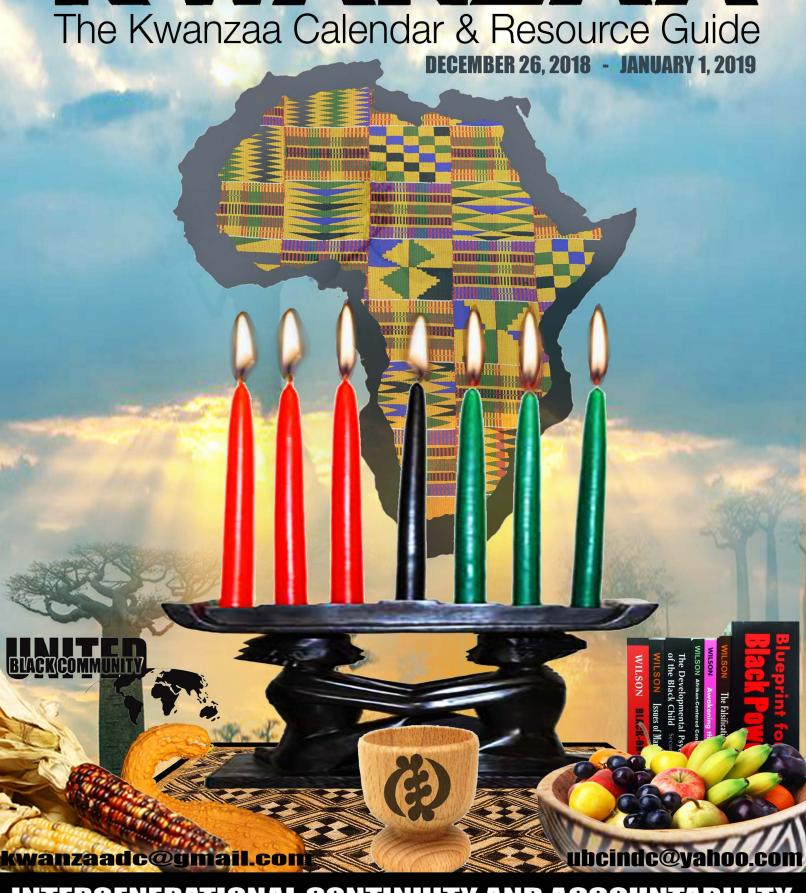
# KWANZAA



**INTERGENERATIONAL CONTINUITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY** 

# IN HONOR OF

# HASINATU CAMARA

### **AUGUST 16, 1944 - DECEMBER 13, 2017**

Thomascine Camara, affectionately known as Mama Hasinatu was a native Washingtonian who loved DC and had so many stories to tell about how it was when she was growing up in the city. Mama knew how to navigate through DC using her favorite mode of public transportation and biking. Mama Hasinatu attended Federal

City College (now UDC), majoring in Philosophy and later studied Library Science.

Mama was an African Centered educator who instilled the value of knowing thy-

self in her four biological children, as well as her students. Mama was a cultural artist, painter, mentor and librarian. She taught and encouraged her

students to express themselves through film, writing and performing. In her own words she used "media for liberation....film is the most important art because it includes all of the art forms."

Mama Hasinatu utilized film by transforming classrooms and

libraries into media centers. She is truly honored, respected and loved by hundreds of students that she taught and mento-

red. Mama Hasinatu was dedicated to the race redemption and Pan-Africanism, she truly loved her people! She and Kwame

Ture joined the All African Peoples Revolutionary Party (AARP)

in the late 1970's, and continued to be active in the organization throughout her life. She also joined the Universal Negro Impro-

vement Association African Communities League (UNIA-ACL), Woodson Banneker Jackson Bey Division 330, in May, 2017.

In 1994 the groundbreaking film "Sankofa" by Haile Gerima changed her life forever. Mama played the role of "Jumma" the field slave who put the gun on the slave master. She was so proud of her role in that movie! Mama Hasinatu traveled to many places in the world including Jamaica, Guinea, Senegal, Ghana, Brazil, Trinidad and Cuba. Mama Hasinatu leaves a legacy for so many to follow. Even as an Ancestor she continues to

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empower her people by shining her light as the true BLACK POWER

# **EDITORIAL**

### **Navigating Intergenerational Continuity and Responsibility**

A safrikan People, it is incumbent upon us to always manifest undying love, appreciation, and respect to the Creator, the deities, the orishas, our esteemed elders, parents, and teachers, to those who have courageously paved the way, made never-ending sacrifices and essentially been the guiding force, light and inspiration to propel us "Towards a Universal Pan-Afrikan Cultural Reality," as articulated in last year's 2017/2018 Kwanzaa Editorial. By the same token, it is equally important that our venerable Afrikan elders, our organizational and institutional leaders demonstrate the utmost appreciation, love and respect and very importantly confidence, trust, faith and assurance that the younger generation, their devoted students and mentees, those who have been groomed and prepared to at some point in their overall growth and development assume the reins of leadership and responsibility to realistically and forthrightly carry on the significant values, traditions and customs as espoused by their revered mentors. All movements, if they are to survive, must engineer the gradual and smooth intergenerational transition or transfer of power and accountability from one generation to the next; from the leaders to those next in line.

Throughout our community, we are now experiencing the subtle and oftentimes not so subtle reluctance or even resistance by some of our esteemed elders to facilitate/navigate the extremely necessary and natural transfer of leadership, responsibility and authority to the next-in-line generation, the same generation that they have mentored, threatening the survival of the very institutions they have devoted their lives to. It could possibly be an issue of ego, lack of trust, obstinance, inability to let go, stubbornness, fear, lack of confidence, lack of faith, or any number of psychological factors. The effect of this phenomenon is undermining the excellent potential of many of our budding young revolutionaries out of frustration, disappointment and disillusionment. They feel that perhaps the elders are out of touch with the changing times, stuck in their ways, not "hip" to the various nuances that the younger generation is now feeling and expressing as they develop and blossom into new beautiful bright flowers, astute shining visionaries on the cusp of revolutionary greatness, profound fortitude, unlimited potential and exciting intellectual depth. For the movement to survive, we absolutely cannot sell them short, stunt their creativity, or underestimate what they bring to the table, and their potential to positively transform the very nature of our global Afrikan existence now and into the sometimes uncertain future. It is indeed incumbent upon all of us -- elders, leaders, youth and the community -- to, hand in hand, address "Intergenerational Continuity, Accountability and Responsibility."

None of us can afford to be indispensable. As elders and leaders, if we spend our lives building institutions and become so indispensable to its future function, then we fail the very mission we have lived for; we must do the difficult work to intentionally, systematically and programmatically ensure the future of this movement. At the same time, the generation prepared to continue the work must be willing and able to develop the patience and understanding necessary to receive and utilize the wisdom gained over decades in the trenches doing this work. The most important role, however, is reserved for the community as a whole. We must be willing and have the courage to stand by the Seven Principles of the Nguzo Saba, to respectfully, but unequivocally, hold everyone, even our elders, accountable to these principles, especially when we witness this resistance to transition into the future. In the Spirit of Kwanzaa, we must navigate into the future with purpose, in Peace, Love, and Unity!!!

## WHAT IS KWANZAA?

Kwanzaa, a holiday (or Holy Day) based upon the African tradition of celebrating the harvesting of the first fruits, was created and introduced for Black People in the United States by Dr. Maulana Karenga in 1966.

Kwanzaa is the ingathering of the people, a special reverence for the Creator and creation, a commemoration of the past, a recommitment to our highest ideals, and a celebration of all that is good. It is a time of reflecting, reassessing, recommitting, rewarding, and rejoicing in an atmosphere of peace, love and unity. Kwanzaa is a cultural and political expression to reaffirm our African Heritage and organize our people for the struggle of total Black Liberation.

Kwanzaa is celebrated for seven days: December 26th through January 1st. The seven days are based upon the Nguzo Saba (The Seven Principles), with each day being symbolic of one of the principles.

- December 26th Umoja (Unity)
- December 27th Kujichagulia (Self-Determination)
- December 28th Ujima (Collective Work & Responsibility)
- December 29th Ujamaa (Cooperative Economics)
- December 30th Nia (Purpose)
- December 31st Kuumba (Creativity)
- January 1st Imani (Faith)



### THERE ARE SEVEN SYMBOLS OF KWANZAA

- · Mkeka (Straw Mat) tradition and history; the foundation on which all else rests
- · Kinara (Candle Holder) original stalk from which we come; our African ancestors
- Mishumaa Saba (7 Candles) Nguzo Saba; The Seven Principles firmly rooted in the traditions of our ancestors
- · Muhindi (Ears of Corn) represents children and all the hopes and challenges attached to them
- Kikombe cha Umoja (Unity Cup)
- · Mazao (Crops) the collective fruits of our labor; seeds sown by the children
- · Zawadi (Gifts) rewards for our achievements

### WHAT TO DO AND WHEN TO DO IT

### December 19th

Gather and arrange Kwanzaa symbols. Any other decorations (African carvings, straw baskets) should be in a red, black and green color scheme, symbolizing the bendera ya taifa (Flag of the Black Nation):

Red - the blood of our people

Black - the collective color of all Black people

Green - land, Mother Africa, life and our future (we build together)

### Arrange the symbols on a low table as follows:

- 1. Spread the Mkeka
- 2. Place the Kinara in the center of the Mkeka
- 3. Place the Muhindi on either side of the Kinara, one ear of corn for each child, or one as a symbol of prosperity
- 4. Creatively place the Zawadi, Kikombe, and a basket of Mazao on the Mkeka
- 5. Place 1 Black Mishumaa in the center of the Kinara, with 3 Green on the right, and 3 Red on the left.

### December 26th - January 1st

Greeting – greet each other in Kiswahili asking "Habari Gani?" (What's the news or what's happening?) Answer with the principle for that day. For example, on December 26th, respond with "Umoja."

**Economic Empowerment** — only shop at Black-owned businesses during the seven days of Kwanzaa. In the spirit of Kwanzaa and Ujamaa (Cooperative Economics) we as African people should support these same Black businesses, such as trade in the African marketplace in the calendar, all year round.

Fasting — fast from sunrise to sunset to help cleanse the body, discipline the mind, and uplift the spirit.

**Libation (Ancestral Communion)** — an elder or leader should pour libation, using water or juice, from the Kikombe into a bowl or potted plant, to honor our ancestors.

Candle Lighting Ceremony — light one Mishumaa each day for the principle of that day, beginning with the black candle, which represents the first principle Umoja. Each day thereafter, alternately light the red and then the green candles. After each lighting, discuss the principle of the day. The ceremony should be held at a time when all family members, especially children, can participate.

**Karamu (The Feast)** — the Karamu is held on the night of December 31st, and should be a festive occasion. When possible, observe traditional African practices, e.g., African music, dance and storytelling, sitting on the floor or on pillows, and eating with the hands (no utensils). Libation, Candlelighting and Harambee are conducted at the Karamu.

**Zawadi (Gift)** — (They should not be mandatory, expensive or excessive). It is suggested that Zawadi be given to the children in one or two ways:

- 1. One gift each day, reinforcing the principle of that day.
- 2. One or more gifts on January 1st, the last day of Kwanzaa.

Personally made gifts are strongly encouraged over commercial purchases. Regardless of what else is given, there are two strongly suggested items: a book and heritage symbol. These two items reinforce our commitment to education and the richness of our cultural heritage.

The essence of Kwanzaa is a true appreciation of ourselves as Black People, collectively coming together to reflect on and enjoy the infinite beauty of being in the same family, organization, and community, sharing the same values, interests and aspirations, engaging in and committing to the same struggle.

### **NGUZO SABA**

### (The Seven Principles)



### **UMOJA (Unity)**

To strive for and maintain unity in the family, community, nation and race.



### **KUJICHAGULIA (Self-Determination)**

To define ourselves, name ourselves, create for ourselves and speak for ourselves instead of being defined and spoken for by others.



#### UJIMA (Collective Work and Responsibility)

To build and maintain our community together and make our brothers' and sisters' problems our problems and solve them together.



### **UJAMAA** (Cooperative Economics)

To build and maintain our own stores, shops and other businesses and profit from them together.



### NIA (Purpose)

To make our collective vocation the building and developing of our community in order to restore our people to their traditional greatness.



### **KUUMBA** (Creativity)

To do always as much as we can, in the way that we can, in order to leave our community more beautiful and beneficial than we inherited it.



#### IMANI (Faith)

To believe with all our heart in our people, our parents, our teachers, our leaders and the righteousness and victory of our struggle.



# THE NGUZO SABA AND AFRICAN PROVERBS

Umoja - Unity - Brotherhood - Sisterhood - Familyhood - Love - Respect - Build Community - Pan-Afrikanism

"Two birds disputed about a kernel, when a third swooped down and carried it off." (Congo)

Kujichagulia - Self-determination - Agitate - Educate - Study - Teach - Strategize - Build

"Advise and counsel him; if he does not listen, let adversity teach him." (Ethiopia)

**Ujima –** Collective Work and Responsibility – Implement – Cooperate – Organize – Mobilize – Improve – Immerse – Self-reliance — Group Solidarity – 10-10-50.org

"The man on his feet carries off the share of the man sitting down" (Guinea)

"The day on which one starts out is not the time to start one's preparations." (Nigeria)

Ujamaa - Cooperative Economics - Group Economics - Cooperation - Buy Black - Leverage -

Cooperatives - Donate - Self-Sufficiency - Economics for Self-reliance - Powernomics

"Knowledge is like a garden: if it is not cultivated, it cannot be harvested." (Guinea)

Nia - Purpose - Elevate - Venerate - Accountable - Atone - Mbuntu ("I am because you are, you are because I am") - Good Character - Longevity - Purposeful - Punctual - Optimal Health

"A wise man who knows his proverbs can reconcile difficulties." (Niger)

**Kuumba** – Creativity – Knowledge - Wisdom – Understanding – Afrikan Centered Code of Conduct – Leadership – Critical Thinking – Healing – Prudence

"He who upsets a thing should know how to rearrange it." (Sierra Leone)

Imani - Faith - Devotion - Love - Perseverance - Spiritual (Spirit-U-All) - Value System - Peace - Cohesion - Trust - Fellowship - Humility

"When a king has good counselors, his reign is peaceful." (Ghana)

"A good deed is something one returns." (Guinea)



### Kwanzaa Events Calendar 2018/2019

### PRE-KWANZAA EVENTS

- Friday, December 14th Annual Ujamaa School Pre-Kwanzaa Celebration and Candle-Lighting Ceremony, 1554 8th St, NW WDC Call 202.232.2997 for info. Starts 7:00 pm.
- Friday, December 21st Wilson Baker Home School Collective's 7th Annual Pre-Kwanzaa Celebration & Marketplace. Location: Charles H. Flowers High School, 10001 Ardwick Ardmore Rd, Springdale, MD 20774. Join the talented and incredible scholars of Wilson Baker Academy for the most amazing Kwanzaa performance ever! You will be captivated by the singing, speaking, dancing, stepping, and drumming of these amazing young performers. Marketplace opens at 5pm, Showtime at 6:30pm.

### UMOJA (UNITY) WED. DEC. 26th

- The Annual Umoja Candle-lighting Ceremony and Umoja Celebration by LCPAN at Northeastern Presbyterian Church 2112 Varnum St, NE, WDC., Ujamaa Dancers & Drummers, Kuumba Kids, and more. Dinner Sales & African Marketplace sponsored by LCPAN. Free admission. Call 202.526.4039 or 202.529.3635. Parking available on lot in the back; enter through Eastern Ave. Starts at 6:00pm. Doors open at 5:30pm.
- Kwanzaa Celebration with the Ethiopian community. African Heritage Dancers & Drummers Annual Kwanzaa Program. Ethiopian community's celebration of GENA. Location: Thurgood Marshall Center 1816 12th St, NW, WDC. Free and open to the public. From 6:30pm 9pm.
- Union Temple Baptist Church: Join Union Temple Baptist Church in celebrating the 1st day of Kwanzaa, "Umoja" with a cultural presentation by Dr. C. R. Gibbs, cultural arts presentation of spoken word by Grandma Slam and drumming circle. Union Temple Baptist Church Kwanzaa Committee under the direction of Rev. Willie F. Wilson, Senior Pastor, Rev. Mary L. Wilson, Executive Pastor Emeritus, and Rev. Anika Wilson-Brown, Pastor. Location: Union Temple Baptist Church, 1225 W Street, SE WDC 20020. Admission: Free! For more information, call or visit: 202.678.8822 or visit: www.uniontemple.com. Starts at 7pm.

# **KUJICHAGULIA (SELF-DETERMINATION) THURS. DEC 27th**

- Kwanzaa Candle-lighting Celebration & Program by the Ausar Auset Society. Kujichagulia Night Theme: At What Point is There Too Much "G". This event will be held at the Northeastern Presbyterian Church, 2112 Varnum St, NE WDC. Children's activities, vending and food will be available. 202.723.5566. 6:30pm 9:00pm.
- Pan-African Federalism: A Key to Kujichagulia: How the political unification of Black African people will lead to our global self-determination. Fresh back from the 60th anniversary of the All African People's Conference in Ghana, presenters will show how this movement out of the Motherland places power in the hands of the people at We Act Radio, 1918 Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue SE, WDC. Doors open at 6pm.

(Union Temple Baptist Church has a Candle-Lighting service and program every night of Kwanzaa. For more info call 202.678.8822 or visit www.uniontemple.com)

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### Kwanzaa Events Calendar 2018/2019

### **KUJICHAGULIA (SELF-DETERMINATION) THURS. DEC 27th (Continued)**

• KUJICHAGULIA Kwanzaa Celebration @ Riverside Healthy Living Center, 5200 Foote St. NE, Washington, DC 20019. Sponsored by The CHI (Collective Health Initiative) & Ni Dembaya African Drum & Dance Collective. Features Kwanzaa intro, candle lighting, vendors, "Applying Kujichagulia", natural do-it-yourself health solutions by the CHI (Collective Health Initiative), performances including African drumming & dancing by Ni Dembaya, and community participation. \$5 donation requested (not mandatory). For more info, contact Dr. Yew 202.469.0264 / Email: dryew@ymail.com. 7 p.m. - 9 p.m

### UJIMA (COLLECTIVE WORK AND RESPONSIBILITY) FRI. DEC 28

- Kwanzaa Celebration with Harambee and LeSole Dance Project Celebrate Kwanzaa with the entire family enjoying energetic and interactive activities for Kwanzaa with Harambee and Baba C. Additionally there will be a rhythmic dance by LeSole Dance Project. Register online, www.anacostia.si.edu or call 202.633.4844. Location: THE ARC, 1901 Mississippi Ave, SE, WDC 20020. 11am 2pm
- Kwanzaa Program & Candle-lighting Service by House of Ra, Afi Soul and Friends. Hip-Hop, Go Go, Neo-Soul, Spoken Word and Dance Movement. Location: 15 Kennedy St, NW WDC. Free Admission. 424.533.2866 or ujimajoint@gmail.com for more info. 7pm
- **Ujima: A Kwanzaa Celebration** at St. Michael's Evangelical Lutheran Church. 700 Saint Michael's Drive, Mitchellville, MD. Call (301) 249-6222 for info. Starts at 7:30pm.

### UJAMAA (COOPERATIVE ECONOMICS) SAT. DEC. 29th

- 49th Annual Kwanzaa Children's Party For children ages 3-12 Sponsored by the H Street Community Development, Kwanzaa Children's Party Committee, Unitees and Afrikan Freedom Fund. Adults must accompany children. Featuring Kuumba Arts Korner, Mama Nia and Baba Ka'ba as MC. Mama Ayo-Kendi and Baba Ka'ba with Kwanzaa Story, Drumming/Dancing, Refreshments, Zawadi(gifts) for the watoto(children). Arts and Crafts 11am to 12 noon and 12 noon to 3pm celebration and food. Location: The Panorama Room 1600 Morris Road, SE WDC 20020. For info call 202.390.3164 or 202.270.3107. 11am to 3pm.
- 2nd Annual DMV Kwanzaa Celebration and Black Women Entrepreneurship Expo. Location: African American Civil War Museum, 1925 Vermont Ave, NW WDC. 202.753.9671 www.nationalunitedblackfront.net. 12 noon
- Rejuvenate your spirit for the New Year at an Ujamaa Celebration for the entire Black family! Join Positive Kemetic Visions (PKV) for its 27th Annual Kwanzaa Celebration event at the CHILD Center 202 Riggs Rd, NE, Washington, DC 20011, highlighting the principles of the Nguzo Saba, feature a DJ, a cultural market place, a prize raffle, Village Grub dinner sales and more, with Baba Lumumba of Umoja House. For more information, contact PKV at (202)207-7886 or info@pkvvillage.org 6:00 pm

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### Kwanzaa Events Calendar 2018/2019

### UJAMAA (COOPERATIVE ECONOMICS) SAT. DEC. 29th (Continued)

• The Annual Ujamaa Kwanzaa Candle-lighting Celebration & Program – Featuring a performance of the celebration of the Nguzo Saba performed by Ujamaa Shule students, performances by the Ujamaa Dancers & Drummers, vegan food & more. 8th & Q St. NW., WDC. Call 202.232.2997 for info. Starts 7pm.

### NIA (PURPOSE) SUN. DEC. 30th

- AWHA Inc. (African Wholistic Health Assoc), ADS Collective Mentee Group (The Acupuncture Detox Specialist Collective) & Communal Effect Herbals presents: African People's Health in America: Past, Present, and Future. Location: Boys & Girls Club of Greater Washington 4103 Benning Rd, NE WDC 20019. Wholistic Practitioners Health Vendors, Workshops & Presentations honoring the Father of Wholistic Medicine in DC, Dr. Gerald Douglass. Special Tribute to Dr. Sebi, Dr. Frances Cress Welsing, Baba Dick Gregory, Bro. Bey, Bro. Kweku and so many more. Video of Dr. Mutulu Shakur. RSVP: Wpkokayi1@yahoo.com or Facebook @The African Wholistic Health Ass. or Text 267.216.6896 or 202.412.4880. Free to public. Donations accepted. 3pm-7pm.
- The Woodson Banneker Jackson-Bey Division 330 UNIA-ACL Annual Kwanzaa Nia Celebration in partnership with the Heritage Gallery International and the Thurgood Marshall Center Trust. Featuring candle-lighting ceremony with Children's Village, free children books will be given away, spoken word, music, and presentation of the Marcus Mosiah Garvey Outstanding Community Service Award. A Pan-African Karamu/ Feast will be served. Location: Thurgood Marshall Center 1816 12th St, NW WDC. Admission is Free. For more info. Call 202.529.3935 or 301.802.4022. 5pm to 10pm.

# **KUUMBA (CREATIVITY) MON. DEC 31th**

• "Peace to Party" Celebration. Candle-lighting and Burning Bowl Ceremony, mastermind, visualization and meditation; all you can eat and dance 'til you pop. Perfect climax to Kwanzaa and ingress into the New Year. \$20 donation requested. At the Purple-Door-to-Peace Center on Bunker Hill Rd NE. For tickets, address and more information, register at www.idealacademy.org or call 202 269-3186. 9pm to (pre-dawn) Jan 1, 2019

# IMANI (FAITH) TUES. JAN. 1st

- Annual Free the Land Kwanzaa 3.1 5 Mile Fun Run/Walk/Bike at Lake Artemisia Park, Berwyn Rd. and 55th Ave., Greenbelt, MD. Make a healthy new start for the New Year! Bring the whole family! For more info. Contact: Baba Prince Kolani 202.520.4669 or prince.kolani@yahoo.com. 12 noon.
- Community Kwanzaa Imani Celebration and African Consciousness Award Presentation at Plymouth Congregational Church, 5301 N. Capitol St. NE, WDC Co-sponsored by The DC Pan-Afrikan Council of Elders who will be honoring outstanding members of the next generation of leaders, carrying the torch of freedom in this century. Performances by the Malcolm X Dancers & Drummers and the presentation of this year's African Consciousness Award to our illustrious educator warrior Dr. Bernida Thompson. Let's close out this year's Kwanzaa Celebration together on a positive note. Call 202.526.4039, 240.832.7203. Starts at 6pm.

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### **UBC's 2019 Call to Action Forums**

- Feb 22 Our Very Survival or Tragic Demise: Scientific and Technological Threats to African Liberation and Prosperity. This first in a series of UBC forums for the 2019 season will discuss real scientific and technological threats to the survivability and well-being of Africa and humanity. The ethical and philosophical dimensions/implications of emerging biological and mechanical sci-tech tools will be visited as well as using illustrations, case studies and the latest research examples. 7:30pm
- March 15 Back to Africa: We will present projects of note taking place on the continent of Africa that individuals or organizations started or worked with that we think are important and make a meaningful contribution to the advancement of Black people. 7:30pm
- April 19 Black Mental Health: This year we will continue to take a look at mental health issues in our community. We will attempt to provide a Black Liberation context to Black mental health problems by looking at how our Liberation Movement can foster better mental health in our community. 7:30pm
- May 18 Kuzaliwa: This is our annual tribute to our martyred hero Brother El Hajj Malik El Shabazz (Omowale Malcolm X). This day-long conference has consistently examined the political, social, cultural and historical significance of our "Shining Black Prince", in the context of the conditions and challenges facing Afrikan people globally. This year, in keeping with the theme of "Intergenerational Continuity," we will examine how Brother Malcolm's (among others) philosophy of protracted liberation struggle, in the face of historical racism/white supremacy and virulent hatred, still provides a comprehensive blueprint for Black Liberation/Power. 1pm until
- June 21 African Spirituality, Resistance and Empowerment: This forum will examine the role of African Spiritual formations and communities in our quest to be a free and self determining people. We will examine the role that African religion has played in the liberation struggles of the past, present and future. 7:30pm
- July 19 Saving the Black Family: Throughout our community we see examples of the degradation on the Black Family. Marriage rates continue to decrease, while divorce rates remain on the rise. In the meantime, the number of our children who grow up in two-parent families continues to fall, from approximately 78% in the fifties to nearly 25% now. All of these statistics signal a deepening crisis in the relationship between Black males and Black females. We will explore what we can all do to bring about resolution to this looming crisis. Presented by Dr. Jeff Menzies 7:30pm
- Aug 16 Grass Roots Development: This forum will be conducted by UBC, Appeal Inc. and LCPAN. We will identify and use strategic steps needed for economic and social development in our community. The discussion will center around the principles, practices and the use of crowd-funding and marketing that can be used to help organizations and empower our businesses and organizations that serve our community. Join us! 7:30pm
- Sep 20 An Analysis of the Development of Black Classical/Cultural Music (jazz) by way of a tribute to John Coltrane. This annual event features a look at Black Music and its impact on the Black Liberation Movement through a musical and poetic journey of one of its most influential practitioner, Brother John "Ohnedaruth" Coltrane. There will be live performances by local and regional Black musicians. This event will be held at Everlasting Life Vegan Restaurant, 9185 Central Ave Capitol Heights, MD. (cost TBD) 7:00 to 10:00pm

All forums are free (except September) and are held at UMOJA House 2015 Bunker Hill Rd NE (unless otherwise stated)

For more information, call 202-529-3635 or email is at ubcindc@yahoo.com or @unitedblackcommunity on Facebook

### **LCPAN Community Calendar of Major Events for 2019**

- **January 18** Roots PCS, Martin Luther King Birthday Celebration, 3132 Branch Avenue, Temple Hills, MD, Time TBA. For more information, contact (202) 270-3266.
- **February 2 -** UNIA-ACL Div. 330, 2nd Annual "Know Thyself" Black History Month Book Fair and Authors' Forum, Thurgood Marshall Center, 1816 12th Street NW, Washington, DC 20009. For more information, contact (202) 317-1616.
- **February 3** The African Traditional Spiritual Coalition (ATSC) invites you to join us as we celebrate a pillar in the unity of African people, Chief Iya N'Ifa Efunyale Ifarinoola (lovingly known as Mother Taylor, 1928-2017). We will have a remembrance celebration of her life, from 2pm-5:30pm, at Roots PCS, 15 Kennedy Street, NW, Washington, DC 20011. For more information, please call Akua Oparebea at (240) 355-6962.
- **February 17 -** Roots PCS Annual Fundraiser, Black Love Roller Skating Party, Skate Palace, 3132 Branch Avenue, Temple Hills, MD 11am-2pm. For more information, contact (202) 270-3266.
- **4th Friday of each month** March/July/September-October UNIA-ACL Div. 330, Friday Freedom Forums The Umoja House, 20215 Bunker Hill Road NE, Washington, DC, Open and Free to the Public, Time 7pm; For future updates and information please visit our website: www.uniadivision330.org. For more information, contact (301) 789-4784.
- April 5-7 Ankobea presents The 2019 Sankofa Conference. For more information, visit Ankobea.org.
- **April 28** Ujamaa School, 51st Anniversary Celebration, Silver Spring Civic Center, 1 Veterans Place, Silver Spring, MD, Time TBA. For more information, contact (202) 232-2997.
- May 25 Nation House Positive Action Center, Anniversary Dinner, Location and Time TBA. For more information, contact (202) 291-5600.
- **June 8 -** ADACI 27th Annual Ancestral Commemoration and Riverwalk. Location and time TBA. Visit www.ADACI.net. For more information, contact (301) 292-6822.
- July 13 The Second Annual D.C. Pan African Festival –Time and location TBA. Visit dcpanafricanfestival.org. For more information, email lcpanindc@gmail.com or call (202) 529-3635.
- **August 17-**The Birthright Annual Concert, Location and Time TBA. Visit www.theadinkragroup.com. For more information Contact (240) 490-2227.
- **August 18 -** UNIA-ACL Div. 330, Marcus Garvey Day Celebration, Thurgood Marshall Center, in remembrance, observance and celebration of the Honorable Marcus Mosiah Garvey and the UNIA-ACL, Time 3-7pm. For more information, contact (301) 789-4784 or (202) 529-3635.
- September 29 APPEAL Incorporated's Annual Founder's Day Celebration/Fundraiser, Location/Time TBA. Please visit Appealinc.org for more info, or contact us at info@appealinc.org or (800) 711-7851.
- **December 8 -** Temple of Nyame, Odwira Festival, Roots PCS, 15 Kennedy Street NW, Washington, DC, Time 2-6pm, For more information, contact (202) 725-8355.



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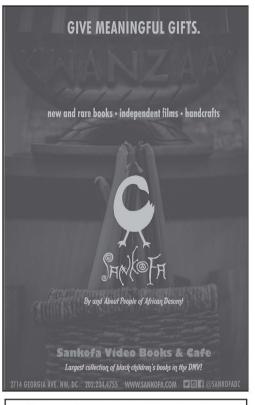


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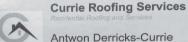
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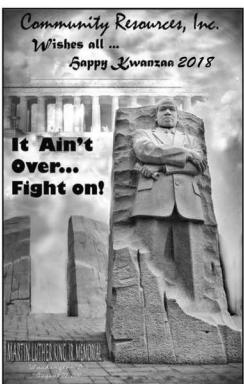


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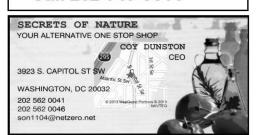








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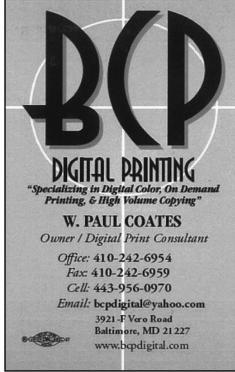
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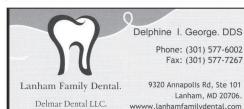
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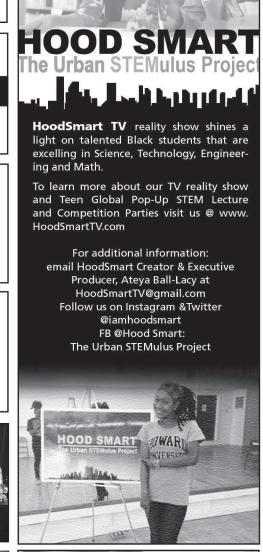
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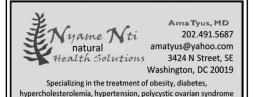
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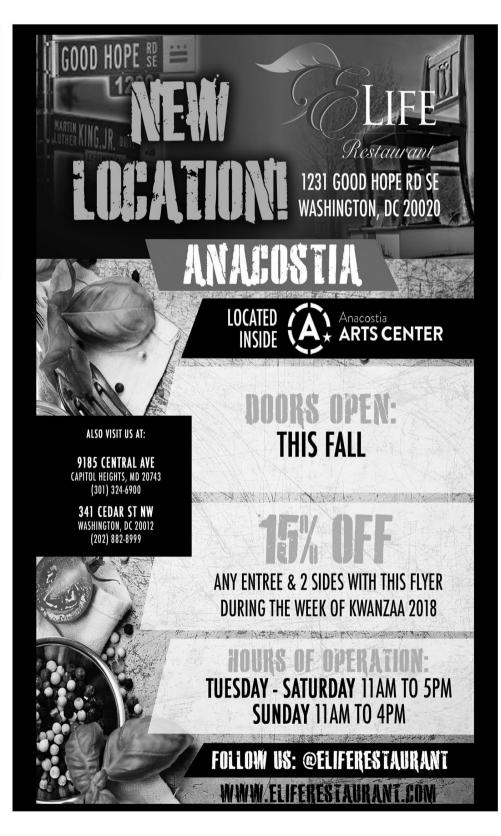
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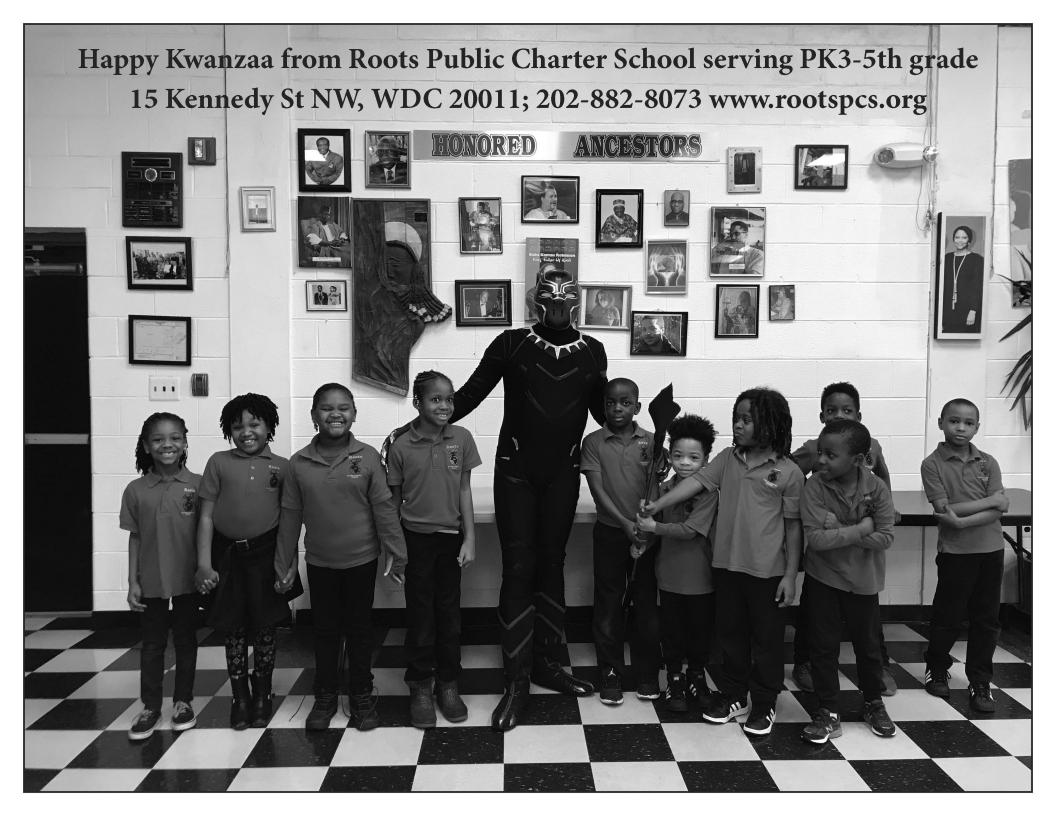
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