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New Museum Display, Video **Highlight Black History In MSP**

(PIKESVILLE, MD) — Maryland Superintendent Col. Woodrow W. State Police brought its past, present and future together last month with the unveiling of a new video and display to highlight the achievements of African-Americans in the department.

The unveiling at the MSP Museum included artifacts and personal interviews by active and retired personnel as part of the department's Black History Month Celebration.

"As we preserve and display the history of the Maryland State Police at our museum, I am committed to ensuring the careers and contributions of African Americans are well represented,"

Jones III said.

Among those interviewed for the video was retired Sgt. Gloria Wilson.

"I think a lot of people don't realize how far Blacks have come and the different positions they have held," Sgt. Wilson said. "We've come a long way. It's not always shown, but it's there. And this is an opportunity to strut our stuff."

To watch the video, click https:// youtu.be/mWbOCGft-14.

To learn about the museum, click https://mdsp.maryland.gov/Pages/ Maryland-State-Police-Museum.aspx.



PHOTOS: MSP Museum Black History Display













First Lady, Forensic Sciences Division Celebrate International Day Of Women And Girls In Science

(PIKESVILLE, Md.) -Maryland's First Lady Yumi Hogan joined members of the Maryland State Police Forensic Sciences Division on Feb. 11 to celebrate International Day of Women and Girls in Science.

Mrs. Hogan toured the Maryland State Police Forensic Sciences Division Laboratory in Pikesville before presenting Forensic Sciences Division Deputy Director Wanda Kuperus with a Governor's proclamation to commemorate the occasion.

"With today's celebration, we are empowering more women and girls to reach their full potential by fostering their interest in the sciences and STEM education" Mrs. Hogan said. "My husband and I appreciate your dedication to the citizens of Maryland through your valuable work and I want to personally thank you for serving as role models to future generations of women."

In order to achieve full and equal access to and participation in science for women and girls, and further achieve gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls, the United Nations General Assembly declared Feb. 11 as the International Day of Women and Girls in Science in 2015. The Forensic Sciences Division is a prime example of



accomplishing this goal, as approximately 80 percent of the division's scientific positions are held by women.

Also as part of the celebration, Mrs. Hogan presented separate Governor's citations to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Forensic Sciences Division and to recognize the late Rose Lanzetta, who in 1972, became the department's mission to assure first female forensic chemist hired at the department's newly opened crime laboratory. Mrs. Lanzetta's son and granddaughter were there to accept the citation.

"It's important to acknowledge Rose and other female scientists of an interest in pursuing an

for those who followed and serve today," Maryland State Police Criminal Investigation Bureau Chief Lt. Col. Norman Dofflemyer said.

"The Maryland State Police are very proud of its team of female scientists," Lt. Col. Dofflemyer continued. "The women not only play an important role in the Maryland is a safe place to work, live and visit, but through our internship and outreach programs as well as being active members in our communities they also serve as mentors and role models for all young women and girls who have her generation, who paved the way education and a career in science."



PHOTOS: Gov. Hogan Visits New Cumberland Barrack





During a tour of Western Maryland, Gov. Larry Hogan visited and toured the new MSP Cumberland Barrack. The barrack opened in July and was built on the site of the original building, which had worn out after 62 years of continuous work.









Helicopter Crew Rescues Kayaker In Caroline County

(DENTON, MD) – A kayaker stranded in a mud-laden portion of the Choptank River was rescued by a Maryland State Police Aviation Command (MSPAC) helicopter near here on Feb. 17.

The crew from Trooper 6, assigned to the Easton Section, responded to the area of the 10000 Fahrenheit, according to National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration – National Ocean Summoned to conduct the aerial rescue, after Caroline County emergency responders were called for the kayaker, who became stranded along the shallow, silt-filled area of the Choptank River near Chapel Creek.

Choptank River was approximately 44 degrees Fahrenheit, according to National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration – National Ocean Service data for the waterway.

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According to ground personnel, the unidentified adult male became stranded along the shoreline and was unable to return to navigable waters of the river. Caroline County Department of an empty rescue basket to the uninjured kayaker. As directed by rescuers and the trooper paramedics, the kayaker climbed inside the basket and was safely hoisted 75 feet to the hovering

Emergency Services (DES) contacted SYSCOM and requested the Maryland State Police Aviation Command to conduct the precarious rescue, noting fire company boats could not reach the kayaker. At the time, the water temperature for the Choptank River was approximately 44 degrees Fahrenheit, according to National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration – National Ocean Service data for the waterway.

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aircraft. The kayaker was delivered to awaiting emergency medical personnel at the river's edge. The kayaker refused medical attention, according to Caroline County DES.

The Maryland State Police Aviation Command has served Maryland citizens since 1970 and operates a fleet of 10 AW139 helicopters from seven bases throughout the State. Each aircraft provides coverage 24/7/365 to Maryland residents and visitors.

The MSPAC missions include medevac, law enforcement, search and rescue, homeland security, and disaster assessment. The success of the missions relies heavily on the cooperative efforts of local fire, rescue, EMS, law enforcement agencies, and our partners at the U.S. Coast Guard and the U.S. Park Police.



MSP Celebrates Healthcare Heroes Appreciation Week

Governor Larry Hogan encouraged all Marylanders to celebrate the state's frontline medical workers as he issued an official proclamation designating Feb. 7-13, 2022 as Healthcare Heroes Appreciation Week in Maryland.

Among those recognized during this week were the men and women of the Maryland State Police Aviation Command.

During the past nearly 52 years, the members of the Maryland State Police Aviation Command have completed more than 180,000 missions and transported over 150,000 patients. The Aviation Command currently has a fleet of 10 AgustaWestland AW 139 helicopters that are assigned to seven sections located in Allegany, Frederick, Baltimore,



Prince George's, St. Mary's, Talbot and Wicomico counties.

Dr. R Adams Cowley, the former U.S. Army surgeon known for being the father of the "Golden Hour" concept in trauma medicine, was the driving force behind this expansion into the area of medical evacuation



Dr. Cowley, the founder of the University of Maryland Shock Trauma Center in Baltimore, believed that medevac transportation of critically injured patients to Shock Trauma would save lives. He collaborated with Maryland State Police Pilot Robert Wolfe and other innovative Marylanders to close the most significant gap in trauma care.

Dr. Cowley was right. Since the early 1970's, the University of Maryland Shock Trauma Center and Maryland's integrated emergency medical services system grew into a network of trauma centers, specialty hospitals and medevac services that earned them a worldwide reputation as the leaders in trauma care.







Digital Safety Urged For All On Safer Internet Day

Investigators from the Maryland State Police Computer Crimes Unit are working to raise awareness of how parents and children, along with senior citizens and other vulnerable populations, can do more to protect themselves from potential dangers on the Internet.

The warnings came in conjunction with the annual Safer Internet Day, which took place on Feb. 8. Safer Internet Day is a global rally that aims to raise awareness of emerging online issues as people of all ages surround themselves with a myriad of digital devices.

Since the beginning of the pandemic, there has been a dramatic increase in our nation's youth online activities. The Computer Crimes Unit is seeing a rise in self-generated sexually explicit material by children. This material is also known as sexting, nudes or child sexual abuse material (child pornography).

With a generation of youth as

online content creators, it is important for parents to have open communication with their children about content sharing. With both boys and girls involved in sexting behaviors, parents need to have age appropriate conversations with their children, beginning as soon as they have access to any technological device.

Consider the following:

- One in six youths, ages 9-17, have admitted to sharing a nude image.
- Of those, 50% admitted that they didn't care if they knew the recipient in real life.
- Also, 41% of those youth who have shared a nude image also sent images to people they believed were adults.

One in four of sextortion cases were 13 or younger when they were threatened.

According to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC), cases of online enticement, which involve an individual communicating with someone believed to be a child via the internet with the intent to commit a sexual offense or abduction, surged since the start of the pandemic. In 2020, NCMEC recorded 37,872 cases of online enticement, compared to 19,174 in 2019. This represented a 97.5% increase year-over-year.

Safety on the Internet includes the use of any device that has access to online activity. Investigators from the Maryland State Police Computer Crimes Unit remind all ages to be vigilant as it relates to Internet safety. Children and senior citizens are often the target populations for online criminal activity.

Parents are encouraged to monitor their children's use of all digital devices and senior citizens are urged to use the Internet with caution, especially when asked to furnish personal information. Digital devices include laptops, tablets, desktop computers and 'smart' phones.



MCIN Announces Arrests, Prosecutions of Violent Criminals, Illegal Gun Manufacturers

(NORTH EAST, MD) — The Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services, the Cecil County Maryland Criminal Intelligence Network (MCIN) Task Force, and partner agencies, including Maryland State Police on Jan. 31 announced that nearly two dozen criminals in North East, Maryland were arrested in a recent operation.

Funded through Governor Larry Hogan's MCIN, this operation has already resulted in 23 arrests and 15 prosecutions, as well as the seizure of more than 75 illegal firearms, and nearly 60 pounds of illegal drugs, including 2,400 individual baggies of heroin and other seized items worth nearly \$200,000.

<u>Cecil County's MCIN</u> coalition, which includes the Cecil County's State's Attorney's Office, Maryland State Police, Cecil



County Sheriff's Office, Cecil County Division of Parole and Probation, and the Elkton Police Department – in partnership with the Office of the State's Attorney for Harford County – began this effort in 2021. The coalition task force represents the multi-agency and cross-jurisdictional collaboration that the MCIN program has fostered across Maryland since its inception.

"The success of this operation is rooted in the collaborative efforts and persistence demonstrated by a number of law enforcement agencies, all of which are to be commended for a job well done," said Maryland State Police Superintendent Colonel Woodrow W. Jones III.

Governor Hogan launched the Maryland Criminal Intelligence Network in 2017 with the goal of identifying, disrupting, and dismantling criminal networks across Maryland.

To date, MCIN coalition partners have received more than \$18 million in funding from the Hogan administration which has led to the disruption and dismantling of nearly 1,400 criminal organizations. MCIN Coalitions also work with Heroin Coordinators, funded by the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to address the opioid epidemic in vulnerable communities.





MSP Mourns Loss Of Two Trailblazing Troopers

The Maryland State Police is mourning the loss of two trailblazing members of our family.

Retired First Lieutenant David Allen Lauder, 99, of Hanover, PA, formerly of Westminster, passed away peacefully, on Jan. 27 at his daughter's home.

First Lt. Lauder was a U.S. Army veteran and served during World War II. After the war, he served as a state trooper for 28 years, retiring as a first lieutenant in 1976. In 1977, he went to work for the NSA security police force for 18 years and retired in 1993.

First Lt. Lauder enjoyed getting together with other retired state troopers as often as he could, including at graduation ceremonies, Fallen Heroes and the department's annual birthday celebration.



One of the oldest living retirees of the MSP for many years, First Lt. Lauder stated in a 2018 interview with The Baltimore Sun reflected on his time in the department. He said then if he could do it all again and join the force, he would be on patrol that afternoon.

Retired Lt. Col. Gary Moore passed away on Feb. 2, 2022 at his home in Annapolis. He was 82.

Lt. Col. Moore served with the

Maryland State Police from Jan. 4, 1965 to July 1, 1992. Lt. Col. Moore was a pioneer of the Maryland State Police Aviation Division.

On March 19, 1970, Maryland State Police "Helicopter 108," crewed by pilot Cpl. Moore and medic Trooper First Class Paul Benson, were summoned to the Baltimore Beltway and Falls Road for a patient involved in a motor vehicle crash. The two troopers flew the injured motorist to what is known today as the University of Maryland R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center.

In 1992, Lt. Col. Moore entered federal service with the Office of Emergency Preparedness, where he coordinated health and medical response operations during national emergencies and disasters including the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks.

In 2001, Lt. Col. Moore was presented the Secretary of HHS Heroism Award for leading the unprecedented health and medical response to the events of Sept. 11, 2001, at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and the crash site in Pennsylvania. In 2002, President George W Bush presented Lt. Col. Moore the Presidential Award thanking him for his contribution to events following the terrorist attack.

Both First Lt. Lauder and Lt. Col. Moore will be missed.

