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Scholarship & Transportation Fund-a-Need

DANCING

Music by Craig Gildner & The Blue Sky 5

EXHIBITIONS

Design in Clay 2018

Glen Echo Pottery's spring ceramics exhibition

Popcorn Gallery

A Fresh Palette: New Yellow Barn Faculty

featuring paintings, drawings, prints, and etchings

Stone Tower Gallery

FILM PREVIEW

Ain't No Back to a Merry-Go-Round

Glen Echo Amusement Park Documentary Project

Bumper Car Pavilion

CAROUSEL RIDES

at the historic

Glen Echo Park Dentzel Carousel

Jeffrey Z. Slavin, Honoree

A well-known supporter of the arts, Jeffrey Slavin is Co-Director of the Sanford & Doris Slavin Foundation and mayor of the Town of Somerset. He was elected as mayor in 2008, having previously served as a member of the Town Council from 2002 to 2008. Active in Montgomery County's philanthropic community and nonprofit sector, he has served on a variety of boards and commissions. He is a member of the Maryland Mayor's Association, has been elected to several terms on the Board of Directors of the Maryland Municipal League, and has served as a trustee of the Community Foundation for Montgomery County (CFMC). In 2011, he was named Philanthropist of the Year by CFMC.

Mr. Slavin has been a generous philanthropist in our community, supporting both Glen Echo Park as a whole and Adventure Theatre MTC, one of our award-winning resident programs. He is particularly adept at building connections and encouraging collaboration among organizations to leverage their strengths. He has been a champion of the Glen Echo Park Partnership, as well as many other local nonprofits.

Mr. Slavin is a licensed real estate broker, and for over 25 years had his own property management company. A graduate of Tufts University, Georgetown University Law Center, and the State and Local Government Program at Harvard's Kennedy School, he also has participated in numerous leadership programs, including Leadership Montgomery and Leadership Maryland.

Scholarship & Transportation Fund

Our goal this evening is to establish a Scholarship & Transportation Fund to enable underserved children to participate in Glen Echo Park's programs.

All contributions committed tonight to this new fund will be used to assist school-age children who cannot afford fees for classes or camps at Glen Echo Park. These funds will also be used to cover transportation costs for schools/camps to arrange field trips to the Park.

We wish to serve an unmet need for scholarships to allow school-age children to register for classes or camps at the Park who wish to participate but cannot afford the full tuition. In the past, we have had to turn away those who request a subsidy because we have not had funds available. The Park's camp programs are fee based and resident organizations have indicated that a resource such as a scholarship fund would enable a broader group of participants from the region, particularly underserved children, to benefit from our programs.

We also hope to address an unmet need for transportation of school-age groups to the Park from regional schools that do not have full funding available. This would enable more children to attend our theater, puppetry, and environmental education programs. Resident organizations at the Park that offer field trip opportunities include Adventure Theatre MTC, the Puppet Co., and the Glen Echo Park Aquarium. These organizations have cited a lack of budget for school busses to be a factor that has hindered groups from coming to the Park, and they have requested that we seek funding to assist with this challenge.

Your contribution this evening during the Fund-a-Need will enable us to launch this important initiative!

Documentary Film Project: *Ain't No Back to A Merry-Go-Round*

Preview excerpts on display in the Bumper Car Pavilion at 9:30pm

Directed by Ilana Trachtman, *Ain't No Back to a Merry-Go-Round* will be an 80-minute documentary film about the early days of the Civil Rights Movement. The film tells how, during the summer of 1960, two worlds joined on a picket line at whites-only Glen Echo Amusement Park: black college students from Howard University and white neighbors from Maryland's Bannockburn community. Together, this unique coalition took on the park owners, Jim Crow, the American Nazi Party, and the Supreme Court, and produced several of the 1961 Freedom Riders. Eight surviving protesters tell their stories, exploring how following this first impulse to activism transformed their lives. As America's race war continues, Glen Echo's model of cooperation and activism has lessons for today. Film production is currently underway and will extend through 2019. Distribution and outreach will begin with preview screenings at Glen Echo Park and with partner organizations, followed by a festival rollout, culminating in a national TV broadcast. Project funders include the National Endowment for the Arts, the Lucius and Eva Eastman Foundation, the Nathan Cummings Foundation, and the Sanford & Doris Slavin Foundation.

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About the Glen Echo Park Partnership

The Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture manages one of the most lively visual and performing arts sites in the Washington area. Each year, more than 375,000 people come together at Glen Echo Park to renew their creative spirit through arts classes, festivals, exhibitions, social dances, children's theater, music performances, environmental education programs, and more.

Established by Montgomery County in 2002, the Partnership is a nonprofit organization dedicated to managing Glen Echo Park's programs and facilities. Its mission is to present vibrant artistic, cultural, and educational offerings at the Park and to promote the Park as a unique destination for the region's diverse population.

In collaboration with Montgomery County and the National Park Service, the Partnership works with resident artists and organizations to develop distinctive arts programming. The Partnership also operates the historic Dentzel carousel, presents an extensive social dance program, produces festivals and special events, conducts fundraising and marketing, and manages and maintains the Park's facilities.

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Visual and Performing Arts Classes and Summer Camps – sculpture, clay animation, arts and crafts, book and paper arts, dance and movement, and other disciplines

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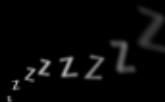
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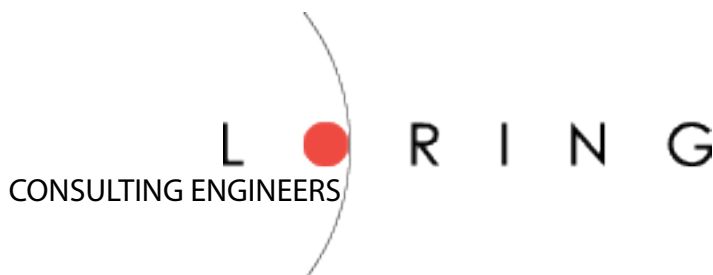
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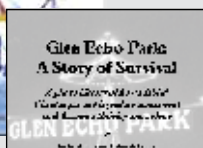
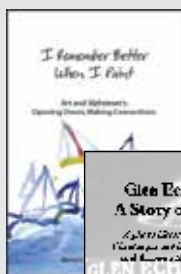
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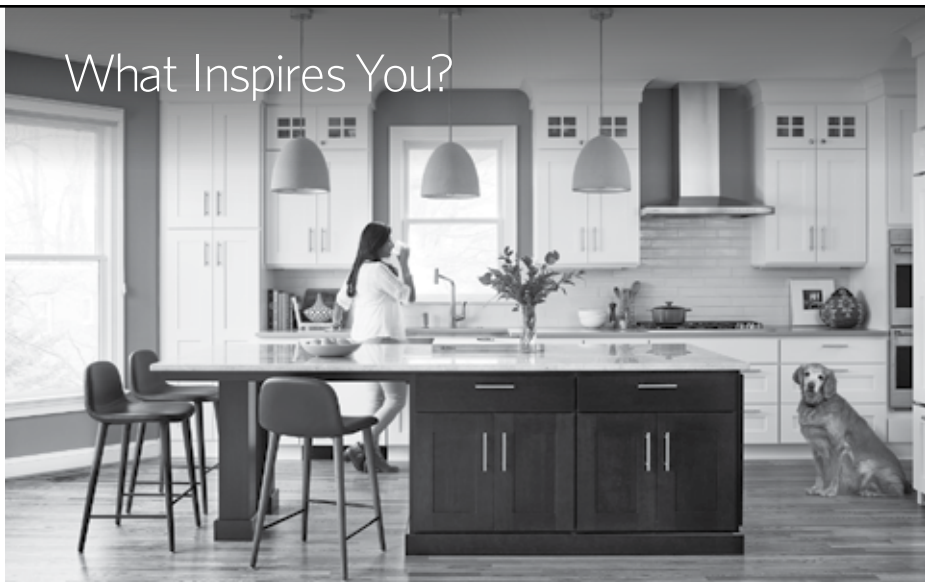
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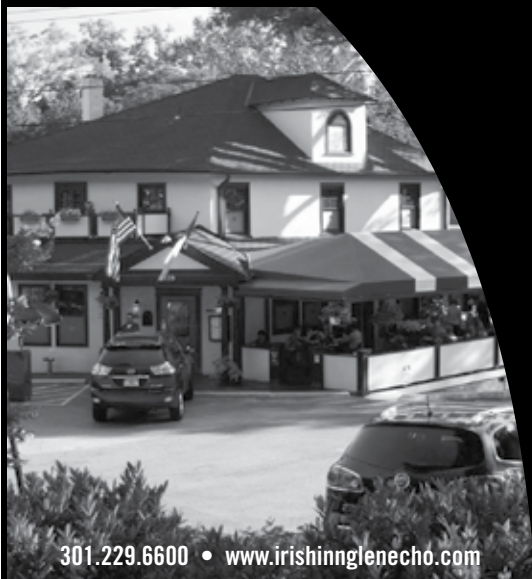
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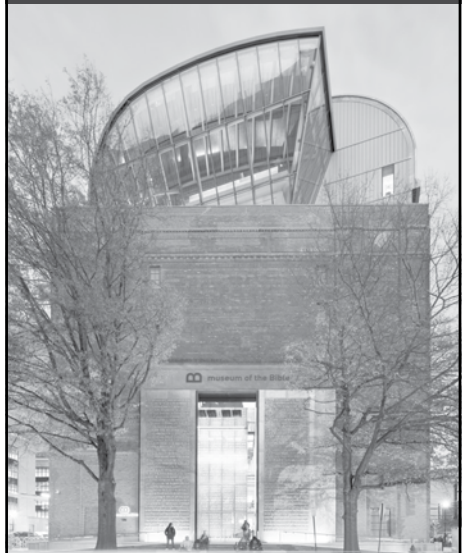
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