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Catching Up with ShopTalk

The Last Three Months in The Life of The Post

While things tend to slow down during the summer, the staff of The Post didn't. During the last three months, Post employees have stayed busy participating in community service, and earning recognitions and awards. Here are some highlights:

Hoops for the Homeless®

The Post sponsored the annual Freddie Mac Hoops for the Homeless®, three-on-three basketball tournament at the Verizon Center on Saturday, June 10. The tournament, which drew over 10,000 people

and raised \$900,000 for homeless children and families, featured a guest appearance by Magic Johnson. **Al Ford**, Circulation, coordinated The Post's participation and lead one of The Post's four teams: "We Deliver." "The Circulators" led by **Dwayne Harris**, a distributor and independent contractor for Circulation, came just short of winning the tournament. "The Newshounds" led by **Kerry Flagg**, Sports, and "Buy-A-Post" led by **Kevin Hicks**, Advertising, made up the rest of The Post teams.

The Komen National Race for the Cure®

The Komen National Race for the Cure® took place on the rainy and cold morning of Saturday, June 3. The Post is the community sponsor of the event and for the ninth consecutive year, a team made up of The Post employees and their family and friends participated in the 5K race, which raises funds geared at eradicating breast cancer as a life-threatening disease. The Post team had nearly 100 participants despite the poor



The Post columnist **Michael Wilbon** introduces **Magic Johnson** at the annual Hoops for the Homeless®.

weather conditions. A special thanks to The Post organizers **Gayle Giger**, **Milene Purdy-Kent** and **Carrie Morse**.

Improving Economic Disparity

Martha Lequeux, human resources director at The Post, was chosen as a finalist for the Community Service/Corporate Social Responsibility Award during the 2006 Human Resources Leadership Awards of Greater Washington. Apart from her five-year involvement with Workforce Organizations for Regional Collaboration—an organization that helps create employ-

A third of The Post's complete team as they gear up to participate in The Komen National Race for the Cure®.



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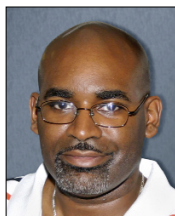
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New Faces



Marianna Burgess



Lawrence Dorsey

PHOTO - EMIL ROBINSON



Nellie Goddard



Marvin Harris



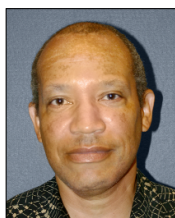
Peter Joseph



Jenn Perhacs



Alex Remington



Maurice Shirley



Alaina Stahl



Stoehr Sukachevin



Rob Whiteside



Brian Wohlert

MARIANNA BURGESS,

Advertising, is the new administrative assistant for the department. Before joining The Post, she worked as a programs admissions officer at Lado International College and as an administrative assistant at the Berlitz Language Centers in Michigan and D.C. Marianna graduated from Orenburg State Pedagogical University in Russia with a master's degree in teaching ESL (English as a Second Language). Apart from reading and traveling, she enjoys tutoring Russian.

LAWRENCE DORSEY, Information Technology, was hired as a computer technician for client support. Before The Post, Lawrence did IT desktop/network support at UNISYS Corporation's health and human services. Apart from staying in shape by working out and playing basketball, Lawrence enjoys spending quality time with his daughter.

NELLIE GODDARD, Human Resources, joined The Post full-time after temping as an administrative assistant for several months. She is also a confidential secretary. Before The Post, Nellie was a Peace Corps volunteer stationed in Bulgaria. Prior to her stint with the Peace Corps, she was an administrator and office manager for a non-profit organization that works with New York City public schools. Her BA is in fiction writing from Columbia College in Chicago. Understandably, her hobbies include traveling and "museum hopping."

MARVIN HARRIS, Information Technology, is a new computer technician for The Post. His previous job was as a computer specialist for the Internal Revenue Service. Much of Marvin's work experience and training in IT was gained through his time in the United States Air Force. For Marvin, there's only one thing better than playing basketball, and

that's watching "his" N.Y. Giants play football.

PETER JOSEPH, Training, was brought on as a Senior Organizational Development and Training consultant. Though his past work experience includes an ascension at US Airways from being a flight attendant to an in-flight training specialist, he was previously a senior instructional designer at Lowe's Companies, Inc. out of Mooresville, N.C. He earned a BA in mass communications from Towson University and an MA in organizational management from the University of Phoenix in Pittsburgh.

JENN PERHACS, Advertising, recently joined The Post's advertising team as an account coordinator. Though it's her first job in the "real world," she gained valuable experience as an advertising intern at The Scranton Times-Tribune. Not only did she earn her BA in advertising and public rela-

tions from Penn State University, but she also minored in Spanish and international studies. She likes to play tennis, read and cook.

ALEX REMINGTON, Editorial, joined The Post as an editorial assistant. He has a BA in political science and Russian from Yale University in New Haven, Conn.

MAURICE SHIRLEY, Information Technology, joined the team as a client services manager for the IT department. He was previously a program manager for APOGEN Technologies. He earned his BS and MIS from the University of the District of Columbia. Maurice enjoys traveling and photography.

ALAINA STAHL, Advertising, was recently hired by The Post as an account executive. She's coming from another *The Post*—a student-operated newspaper at Ohio University in Athens, Ohio. She also

worked as an account executive there while earning her BS in journalism and public relations. Alaina follows Cleveland sports and politics, but also enjoys running and traveling.

STOEHR SUKACHEVIN,

Information Technology, is a new senior developer of web solutions at The Post. Before his current position, he was a senior software engineer at a small IT company, Cincro Communications Corporation. Stoehr, who's parents are from Thailand, named him after a famous German doctor. He has a degree in electrical engineering from the University of Maryland. When he's not troubleshooting some complicated IT problem, he likes to spend time in the water—kayaking or jet skiing.

ROB WHITESIDE, Advertising, is a new classified automotive account manager. He held a similar position at Time Out New York magazine. At W.W. Norton publishing company, he also served as assistant editor. He holds a masters degree in Humanities from the University of Chicago and a BA in English from Washington University in St. Louis. Though cycling is his sport, finding a good bagel shop comes at a close second.

BRIAN WOHLERT, Marketing, recently joined The Post as a marketing analyst in the retail advertising unit. Previously, he was an assistant buyer for Hecht's and Strawbridge's. Brian's BA in government is from the University of Virginia. His hobbies include baseball, music, travel and fashion.

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ment opportunities and that also nominated her—she also worked on creating a web-based program that linked businesses and nonprofit organizations with unemployed people.

Opera Man

Tim Page, classical music critic and staff writer for The Post, was named one of the

"25 most powerful names in U.S. opera" by one of opera music's leading magazines, Opera News. The list is divided into various sub-categories including executives, conductors and the media.

Page, the Pulitzer Prize-winning critic, was the only individual listed under "media," alongside The New York Times and 60 Minutes.



PHOTO - PETER SCHULTE

Tim Page, *The Post's* classic music critic, smiles for the camera.



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The winners of the 2005-2006 Distinguished Educational Leadership Awards (Back row, left to right): Jerry Perlet (Montgomery County, Md.); Jack Robinson (Loudoun County, Va.); Diana Lambert-Aikens (Prince William, Va.); Jay Berno (Frederick, Md.); Helena Nobles-Jones (Prince George's County, Md.); David Steinberg (Montgomery County, Md.); Donald Cooke (Charles County, Md.) (Middle row, left to right): Perry Pope (Manassas, Va.); Jill Mills (St. Mary's County, Md.); Susan Webster (Howard County, Md.); Kim Austin (Stafford County, Va.); Stephen Hockett (Fairfax, Va.); Heath Morrison (Montgomery County, Md.) (Front row left to right): Cathy David (Alexandria, Va.); Deborah Thompson (Alexandria, Va.); Marty Tarr (Frederick County, Md.); Sharon Morrell (Anne Arundel County, Md.); Holly Hawthorne (Arlington, Va.); Kris Clark (Alexandria, Va.)

2006 Spanish Culture and Language Fellowships

The Post and The Embassy of Spain announced the winners of the 2006 Spanish Culture and Language Fellowships. Ten Washington metropolitan area teachers received the honor and attended educational programs in two of Spain's uni-

versities: La Universidad Complutense (Madrid) and La Universidad de Salamanca (Salamanca).

2005-2006 Distinguished Educational Leadership Award Winners

On July 26-31, The Post's public relations team headed by Director **Eric Grant** led 19 Washington metropolitan area principals and administrators to a crisis communications and media relations seminar in St. Thomas. Apart from the two and a half days of seminar, they also had the opportunity to network and unwind. The winners are selected by their school systems based on their ability to go beyond the call of duty in providing an exceptional learning environment for their students. This year's seminar speakers included **Bob McCartney**, Metro, and WJLA Emmy Award-winning anchor Horace Holmes. ■



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The winners of the 2006 Spanish Culture and Language Fellowships (Back row, left to right): Deborah Krawczyk (Osborn High School, Manassas, Va.); Julia Lopez (Hine Junior High School, Washington, D.C.); Natalie St. Louis (Bishop McNamara High School, Forestville, Md.); Aaron Seligman (Friendship Collegiate Academy, Washington, D.C.); Heather Lee (St. John's College High School, Washington, D.C.); Justin Miguel Coleman (John Adams Elementary School, Alexandria, Va.); Milagros Cancel-Howarth (Annapolis Senior High School, Annapolis, Md.); Maureen Anne Hunt (Annandale High School, Annandale, Va.) (Front row, left to right): Karen Wesley (H.D. Cooke Elementary School, Washington, D.C.); Elizabeth Levy (The Key School, Annapolis, Md.)

Happy to be Here!

Hello. My name's Mario I. Oña, the new ShopTalk editor. If I do this job right, I hope to meet most of you sooner than later. With this newsletter's rich history tracing back over 50 years, I shouldn't need to reinvent the wheel. Though, it may behoove me to peek at some old "wheels" from time to time.

As I get rolling, I hope to pick up where my predecessor, Lisa Connors, left off. But as time goes by and the needs of The Post evolve amidst this communication and information revolution, I hope to do all of you right and keep up with these times that are "a-changin,'" as Bob Dylan sang.

My last job was a short, 14-year stint in the Navy. I started off on submarines and then ended my career as an intelligence officer on an aircraft carrier. I've also done and continue to do some music journalism as a freelance writer.

I appreciate the opportunity to put YOUR newsletter together. Feel free to contact me with any leads, ideas or suggestions. Or if you just want to swing by and be bored to tears with some salty sea stories, my door's open.

—Mario I. Oña



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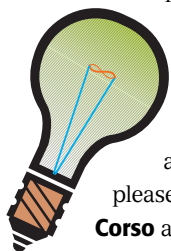
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The Post Goes Green

With the rising costs in fuel, The Post is taking steps to save energy. Several restrooms throughout the building already have time-sensors installed. After 30 minutes of inactivity, the lights will go out. To help with this initiative, please turn off the following electrical devices in your spaces:

- Personal radios
- Space heaters
- Desk lamps/cubicle lights
- Office lights
- Other electrical devices, equipment or appliances

IT is requesting that you leave computers, printers and monitors on. If you have any questions, please contact **Gary Corso** at x4-5258.



The Post would like to thank its summer interns

Kristen Arnold (Virginia Commonwealth University), Biyonko Banerjee (George Washington University), Donnisha Barnes (Urban Alliance/Eastern 500), Alexandra Blecki (Florida State University), Tyla Bodrick (West Virginia Wesleyan College), Charelle Bowser (Hofstra University), Jihad Bruce (University of Maryland), Marc Carig (University of Nevada at Reno), Lenore Cho (Smith College), Danielle Creek (Trinity College), Sandra Davis (Clark Atlanta University), Sara Dawes (Harvard University), Caitlin Doherty (George Washington University), Amanda Edwards (University of Nebraska at Lincoln), Garrett Graham (University of North Carolina), Jeffrey Ghassemi (University of California at Berkeley), Mark Gong (University of Maryland), Philip

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Marketplace

FOR SALE: Adjustable hospital bed that separates into two units. Used very little after surgery. Asking \$600 for set or \$300 for each unit. Call Jimmy at 301-881-0668.

FOR SALE: 1995 Volvo 850 white station wagon with grey interior. Well-maintained at 95,000 miles. Front and side airbags with CD player and seat warmers. Great car for new teenage driver. \$3500 or best offer. Call Amy at x4-7656 or 301-330-6479.

PLACE YOUR AD HERE: ShopTalk is back and so is your opportunity to place a free ad.

FOR SALE: INVACARE Wheelchair. Multi-position recliner, model #HTR5000. Like new! \$900 or best offer. Call Sandra at x4-5933 or 301-423-7547.

NEW MARKETPLACE DEADLINE: Noon **THURSDAYS**. Please include you name, extension and phone number. Ads are for The Post employees only. Send ads to ShopTalk, 7th floor, or call x4-6803. To send ads via fax dial x4-4963 or to email send to shoptalk@washpost.com or onom@washpost.com. Ads run for two issues unless otherwise requested. One ad per employee. ShopTalk reserves the right to edit or not run all ads.