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▲ **Washington, DC**—(Above L-R) Jarod Neal, Beleicia Bullock, Airrund Woolen, Nnedimma Ugochukwu Michael Wood, Alex Li, and Jonathan Legrant. Student finalists from the National Capital area High School Computer Competition (HSCC) team are interviewed for PTTV by Sharrarne Morton in Washington after successfully representing National BDPA's Washington, D.C. Chapter during the National HSCC Scholarship round. BDPA-DC's team finished fourth out of the top 17 teams qualifying for national HSCC competition. Rounding out the top five in 2013 year were (1) BDPA Southern Minnesota, (2) BDPA Los Angeles, (3) BDPA Atlanta, and (5) BDPA Cincinnati.

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ITSMF reconvenes for its 4th Quarter Symposium in the lovely enclave of Hollywood, FL. The events of the past year make this meeting especially important for "Leaders Transforming Leaders": recent Supreme Court decisions regarding affirmative action and voting rights, the verdict of the Trayvon Martin trial, and the

continued widening of gaps in economic and educational status are but a few of the societal issues we find ourselves confronted with as leaders. With this backdrop, we have chosen to assemble our ITSMF family for an important session on building personal, family and community legacies. Attendees will come away from this Symposium with renewed energy and determination to create a meaningful and lasting legacy for themselves, their families and ITSMF.

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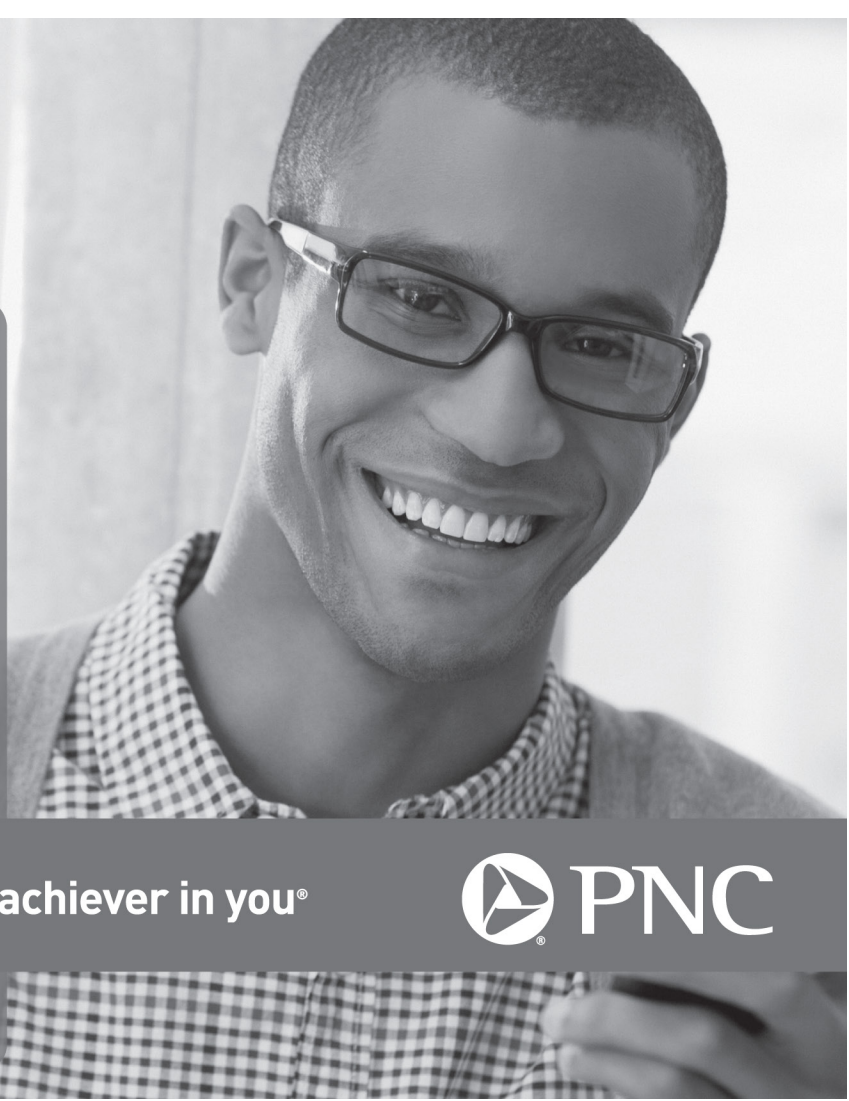


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REMARKS OF HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON
OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 2013

Ms. Norton. Mr. Speaker,

I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in congratulating the National Black Data Processing Associates (BDPA) on its 35th anniversary of service to the residents of the District of Columbia and, the national capital region and its 45 active chapters across the United States.

Founded in May 1975 by Earl Pace and the late David Wimberly, BDPA was formed out of a concern shared by both men that minorities were not adequately represented in the information technology industry. The first BDPA chapter was organized in Philadelphia, PA in 1977. A year later, the second chapter was organized in Washington, D.C., and shortly thereafter, the third chapter was organized in Cleveland, OH. In 1979, BDPA was restructured as a national organization.

As the oldest and largest African American information technology (IT) organization, comprised of over 2,000 African-American IT professionals as well as, science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) college students, BDPA's vision is to be a powerful advocate for their stakeholders' interests within the global, technology industry. Its mission is to be a global member-focused technology organization that delivers programs and services for the professional well-being of its stakeholders.

BPDA continues to promote professional growth and technical development for the young people and those entering into information and communication technology (ICT) in academia and corporate America. We also appreciate BDPA and its 45 chapters for continuing to provide ICT opportunities for STEM students and professionals.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to join me in celebrating the 35th anniversary of the National Black Data Processing Associates, in congratulating them on their outstanding accomplishments and commitment to the residents of the District of Columbia and around the country, and in welcoming those attending the BDPA Annual National Technology Conference and Career Fair titled "Diverse Opportunities In The Age of Convergence by Bringing Jobs Back to D.C.," on August 14-17, 2013, at the Washington Hilton Hotel.



Greetings

*National Black Data Processing Associates
35th Annual National Technology Conference and Career Fair*

August 14 - 17, 2013



As Mayor of the District of Columbia, it is my pleasure to extend greetings to the National Black Data Processing Associates (NBDPA) on the occasion of your 35th Annual National Technology Conference and Career Fair.



The theme for this year's conference is: "Diverse Opportunities In The Age of Convergence." NBDPA continues to promote technical development and growth in urban and underserved communities for individuals pursuing careers in the Information and Communication Technology (ICT) field. During this conference, I thank you for hosting a ribbon cutting ceremony to kick-off a Career Fair: Bring Back Jobs to D.C. As you gather to reflect and celebrate your accomplishments, may you have continued success.

On behalf of the District of Columbia, you have my best wishes for a productive and enjoyable event.



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▲ The United States Coast Guard (USCG) What Parents and Students Need to Know

Programs

The United States Coast Guard has Officer Programs available including College Student Pre-Commissioning Initiative (CSPI), Officer Candidate School (OCS), Direct Commissioning Programs, Selected Reserve Direct Commission Program (SRDC), the United States Coast Guard Academy, and the Wilks Flight Initiative for aviation. Speak with representatives during this year's local chapter awards ceremonies or visit <http://www.gocoastguard.com>.

Backgrounder

The U.S. Coast Guard is one of the five armed forces of the United States and the only military organization within the Department of Homeland Security. Since 1790 the Coast Guard has safeguarded our Nation's maritime interests and environment around the world. The Coast Guard is an adaptable, responsive military force of maritime professionals whose broad legal authorities, capable assets, geographic diversity and expansive partnerships provide a persistent presence along our rivers, in the ports, littoral regions and on the high seas. Coast Guard presence and impact is local, regional, national and international. These attributes make the Coast Guard a unique instrument of maritime safety, security and environmental stewardship.

Today's Military

Today's Military is an official Department of Defense website that aims to help those interested in joining the Military make an informed decision about serving. The parents' section of the site features multiple resources to help alleviate your concerns: watch fellow parents share stories, download fact sheets that separate misconceptions from reality, connect with support organizations.

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Backgrounder | About NBDPA

Founded in 1975, National BDPA (formerly, *Black Data Processing Associates*) is an internationally recognized organization of IT professionals whose goals include preparing young people who are interested in becoming the next generation of 'Information Technology Thought Leaders' in academia and corporate America. Regional and national High School Computer Competition (HSCC) championships are part of the BDPA science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) pipeline experience summarized in its motto, '*From the Classroom to the Boardroom*'.

At the national level, NBDPA hosts an IT Showcase and computer competitions during annual conferences where local BDPA chapters are invited to enroll five-member teams to compete. [ht](#)

Source: bdpa.org



▲ BDPA Student Member Titus Thomas (right) a junior at Bowie State University and HSCC Alumnus, will be one of National BDPA's first student members to receive XBOX One at the Microsoft Store on launch date later this month.

He is joined by Femi, one of the store's associates and presenters, after a recent monthly mixer with BDPA-DC and BDPA NoVA featuring an overview of XBOX One, detailing what Gamers and application developers can expect from one of industry's newest platforms. Check out "Events" at bdpadc.org. [ht](#)

BDPA CHAPTER NEWS & COMMUNITY EVENTS

Backgrounder | About BETF



BDPA Education and Technology Foundation (BETF or BDPA Foundation) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit charity, founded in 1992 to support the education and technical programs of BDPA, now formerly known as Black Data Processing Associates.

BETF recognizes that to close the gap of computer and technology literacy, minority youth must participate and compete in today's digital economy. The BDPA Foundation wants students from historically disadvantaged communities and HBCU/MIs to learn advanced computer science and community responsibility from any of the BDPA chapters located around the nation and forming abroad.

Recently, the BDPA Foundation created an Endowment fund with the intent of increasing the number and size of the scholarships awarded these students. The scholarships target our young people seeking a degree in Information Technology or related discipline at accredited colleges or universities.  Source: betf.org

Mentors and Volunteers. Join or renew association memberships with local Chapters.



▲ (L-R) Rear Admiral Willie Metts, NSA; Keith Scott, FireEye, Enoch Long, Splunk join BDPA Mentors during Father's Day weekend BDPA APBI at Bowie State University.


BDPA TECH Inclusion

Wilmington, DE—BDPA's Northern Delaware Chapter has been a long-time supporter and participant of National BDPA's IT Showcase (ITSC) at local and regional BDPA events. This year, the chapter co-sponsored four young people to travel to Washington, D.C. to participate in the 2013 National BDPA IT Showcase which included this year's High School Division champion, Jared Sherrod (center) of Delaware Academy of Public Safety and Security.



▲ BDPA Northern Delaware ITSC

L-R: **Avery Sherrod** (Delaware Technical and Community College), **Jessica Boardley** (University of Delaware), **Jared Sherrod**, **Karen Smith** (BDPA Northern Delaware chapter president) and **Alex Boardley** (Wilmington University) University.

High school and college students interested in applying for 2014 IT Showcase (ITSC) scholarships and student competition requirements should contact local BDPA Chapter officials during awards ceremonies or follow-up chapter requests for additional information with National BDPA. 



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Office of the National President

November 3, 2013

BDPA, Washington, D.C. Chapter
Perry Carter
Chapter President



Dear BDPA Members and Industry Partners:

As we celebrate this milestone and successful technology inclusion programs, I join with you today to congratulate each of you and our dedicated members of BDPA's Washington, D.C. Chapter on your 35th Anniversary. I also join in celebrating recent achievements of your chapter's increase in student memberships from area colleges and dedicated participation in BDPA's High School Computer Competition, IT Showcase, and Youth Technology Camps.

Thank you for hosting our 35th National BDPA Technology Conference, this year. It truly was one of the one of the best in our rich history! During the past three and a half decades, National BDPA remains very proud of your Chapter's support. BDPA-DC has helped us launch four new BDPA Chapters and nurture IT careers in Baltimore, Huntsville, Northern Virginia, and Richmond.

Your Chapter continues to promote "One BDPA" while exceeding its multimedia, news, and legislative objectives from our nation's capital. We remain very proud of our new corporate relationships and camaraderie that continue to grow between BDPA and industry organizations in our National Capital Region.

As your outgoing National President, my desire is continued success in advancing technical careers from the classroom to the boardroom. Congratulations, and I look forward to many more rewards from BDPA-DC next year at our national technology conference in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Sincerely,

Monique F. Berry,
National President



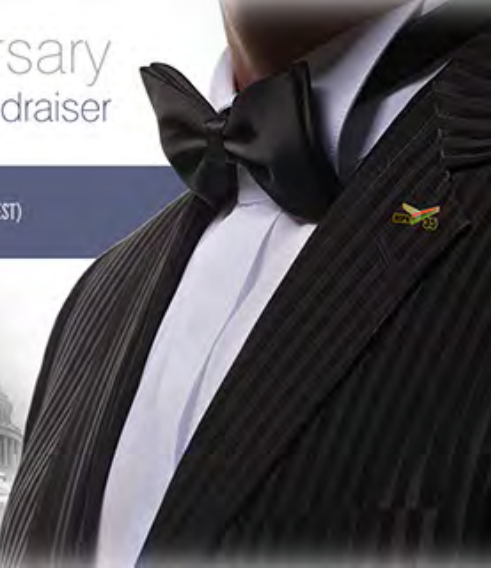
Industry Keynote
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35th Anniversary Awards Gala & Fundraiser

Sunday, November 3, 2013 from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM (EST)



When & Where
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BDPA-DC 35th Anniversary 2013 Individual Award Recipients

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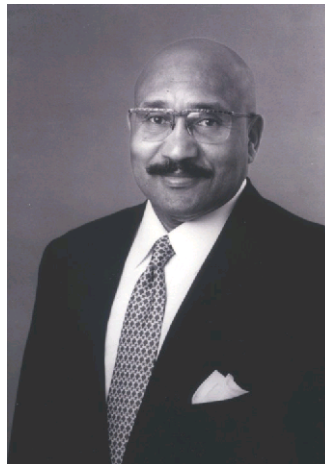
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NBDPA's updated site is user friendly with new registrations being quick and easy. Even the most passive job seeker may have an exciting job meeting their search criteria created by *My Job Search Agents*, then conveniently e-mailed to them or sent via RSS feed. The same person can "anonymously" post resumes and Recruiters can easily find them while sourcing resumes.

More active job seekers may want to utilize tools available to stay organized by tracking saved jobs and their job application history. The candidate dashboard is simple to navigate. There is even a function to add a photo to your profile if you wish!

Employers and IT professionals are successfully connecting and collaborating using **ITDiversityCareers**. It is a benefit of **BDPA Membership** shared with all technology professionals across all STEM domains. Login to create new accounts today. Collaborate directly with ICT industry executives and BDPA Members via bdpa.org.

Portia Westbrooks, BDPA-Chicago, contributed to this article. She and members of other National BDPA Chapters are expected to attend next year's National IT Career Fair when it returns to Washington, D.C. In addition to being a BDPA Member, Portia is a recruiting and diversity consultant. You may follow Portia on Twitter: @IT_Head_Hunter1 



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BDPA Sponsors and Exhibitors leverage opportunities to enhance their visibility across STEM, ICT, Cloud, Big Data, and Cybersecurity special interest groups (SIGs) to identify and recruit new hires directly from top talent pools available from national BDPA Chapter cities.

Our National High School Computer Competition (HSCC) and collegiate IT Showcase (ITSC) programs also provide opportunities for industry and academia to directly connect with students from local BDPA chapters, including qualified HSCC and ITSC student pipelines, to close digital divides and develop tomorrow's IT workforce. Whether you are in the job market or not, don't miss National BDPA's 36th Annual Technology Conference, Career Expo, reunions, and anniversary events in Indianapolis next August! **bt Source:** bdpa.org

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2013 BDPA Washington, D.C. Lifetime Achievement Award

Emmit J. McHenry is a founding Principal of Archura, LLC, holding the position of Chairman and CEO. Mr. McHenry founded several companies prior to Archura, LLC. They include NetCom Solutions International, Inc. and Network Solutions, Inc., the Internet domain name service provider. Mr. McHenry has held management positions with IBM, Connecticut General, Union Mutual, and Allstate Insurance Company, where he served in several positions including regional vice president for the five northwestern states (Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Alaska and Hawaii). He has held positions on the Executive Committee for the Council on Competitiveness and the Board of Directors for James Martin Government Intelligence and Global Technology, L.L.C. Mr. McHenry has a BA in Communications from the University of Denver, passed the qualifying exam for a PhD after receiving his MA in Communications from Northwestern, and holds an Honorary Ph.D. from Shaw University. Mr. McHenry is a Service Disabled Veteran, having served in the United States Marine Corps.



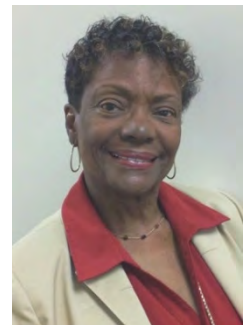
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Dr. Jesse L. Bemley is founder of BDPA's High School Computer Competition (HSCC) and IT Showcase (ITSC), Past President of BDPA-DC, and founder of the Joint Educational Facilities (JEF) program, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization in 1982, with the minimum of equipment in the basement of his home in southeast Washington, DC. Using his Computer Science expertise he conducted the program every Saturday, always with little funding. From those humble beginnings, he has built a program with a strong reputation for excellence in mentoring over 400 young people throughout the DC area and around the nation. He has accomplished much with the JEF program including introducing students to advance computational topics and high performance computing (HPC) concepts. Dr. Bemley has combined his many leadership skills with the courage and willingness to accept challenges and hurdles associated with mentoring inner-city youth.



2013 National BDPA Lifetime Member

Margaret "Midge" Johnson is an experienced Information Technology professional with over 50 years of professional experience in the information technology industry, 42 years of which were specialized. She is Founder and current President of a volunteer based charitable non-profit organization, Rainbow Production Ministries that has been in existence since 2000. Ms. Johnson was also the first Executive Director for a professional non-profit organization, National BDPA. She also was the local Washington, DC Chapter President for approximately 3 years where she secured the 501 (C)(3) Non-Profit status for the local chapter. She also secured financial support for the first Washington, DC Computer Competition team in 1986. Ms. Johnson is currently employed at GEICO as a Senior Systems Analyst and Lead for IBU Claims Release Management and retires later this year.



2013 BDPA-DC Member of the Year

Keith Scott is the Federal Account Executive at FireEye, Inc. for Special Programs. An experienced technology professional with proven success in consultative and solution sales to Defense and *Fortune 500* accounts with CA, Concord Communications, Getronics, and J.G. Van Dyke & Associates, Mr. Scott has attended several BDPA outreach events in our region from Annapolis, Baltimore, Central Maryland, the District of Columbia, to Northern Virginia to address unique opportunities and unprecedented challenges in cyber for IT and STEM professionals. A native of Baltimore and member of BDPA's Washington, D.C. Chapter, he owns a very wide range of operational experiences in all aspects of information technology and systems security in Defense, Telco, banking, insurance, healthcare and managed service provider industries.





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Students participate in this 2-day event held during the annual National BDPA Technology Conference. The focus of this event includes, but is not limited to, intelligent technologies (i.e., smart toys, machine learning, and genetic algorithms, etc.), wearable computing technologies, analytics, parallel computing technologies, computing curricula, and business intelligence.

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Raven 'Lisa' Stevenson ([left] with Dominique Geiger, Sami Patel; and standing in the foreground) was a member of her 2009 Greater Columbia, SC (BDPA-GC) local BDPA Chapter High School Computer Competition (HSCC) team. Stevenson had a 4.0 GPA in High School with a copy of her transcript in hand during the National BDPA Technology Conference in Raleigh, NC. Stevenson subsequently received a Naval ROTC (NROTC) scholarship to attend Duke University as a local BDPA Chapter HSCC finalist during the 2009 National HSCC Scholarship round. Student finalists answer industry trivia and technical questions, then develop and present to industry panels of judges their teams' applications designed to solve some of today's emerging "real-world" requirements. Today Raven is an Ensign in the United States Navy, continuing her professional education and training in support of Surface Navy requirements. She received her commission in May 2013 upon graduating from Duke University.



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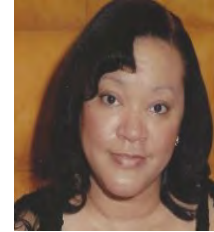
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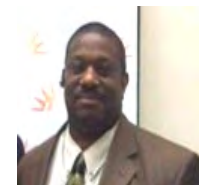
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#TechandMedia Backgrounder

In April 2012, local Washington D.C. Chapters of National BDPA (BDPA-DC) and the National Association of Black Journalists (WABJ) held a joint networking mixer and industry panel at the Washington Navy Yard Conference Center. The Topic was: *“Intersections—Mainstream and Social Media.”* The purpose of the event was to introduce both organizations to emerging and game-changing trends in mass communications and information and communications technology (ICT) industries that ultimately will alter career

headed by WABJ member, Sharrarne Morton (center), prepares settings with local BDPA Chapter co-sponsors for upcoming technology vignettes and *Popular Technology* TV programming. Roland S. Martin (NABJ member) was this year’s opening keynote speaker for National BDPA’s 35th annual technology conference and career exposition. **bt**

Sources: *NABJ Digital, BDPA-DC*



paths for members of both groups. The hash-tag: **#TechandMedia** was created by Claritza Jimenez, a WABJ member, to help publicize these events.

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Richard Tapia is a mathematician and professor in the Department of Computational and Applied Mathematics at Rice University in Houston, Texas. He is internationally known for his research in the computational and mathematical sciences and is a national leader in education and outreach. Tapia's current Rice positions are University Professor (only the sixth individual afforded this title in the 100-year history of Rice University), Maxfield-Oshman Professor in Engineering, Associate Director of Graduate Studies, and Director of the Center for Excellence and Equity in Education.

Tapia was born in Los Angeles to parents who separately emigrated from Mexico as young teenagers in search of educational opportunities for themselves and for future generations. The first in his family to attend college, Tapia went on to receive B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in mathematics from the University of California, Los Angeles. In 1967 he joined the Department of Mathematics at UCLA and then spent two years on the faculty at the University of Wisconsin. In 1970 he moved to Rice University where he was promoted to associate professor in 1972 and full professor in 1976. He chaired the department from 1978-1983. He is currently an adjunct faculty member of both Baylor College of Medicine and the University of Houston. Tapia has authored or co-authored two books and more than 100 mathematical research papers.

While at Rice, Tapia has directed or co-directed more underrepresented minority and women doctoral recipients in science and engineering than anyone in the country, and has led several programs that have brought recognition to the university's commitment to diversity. Since 1996, 60 underrepresented minority students have received Ph.D.s in science and engineering at Rice University. Tapia directs programs that are supported by the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, the National Science Foundation, and other organizations that are designed to increase the number of underrepresented minorities obtaining graduate degrees in science, technology, engineering and mathematics and enhance the

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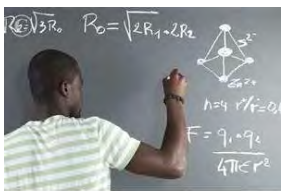


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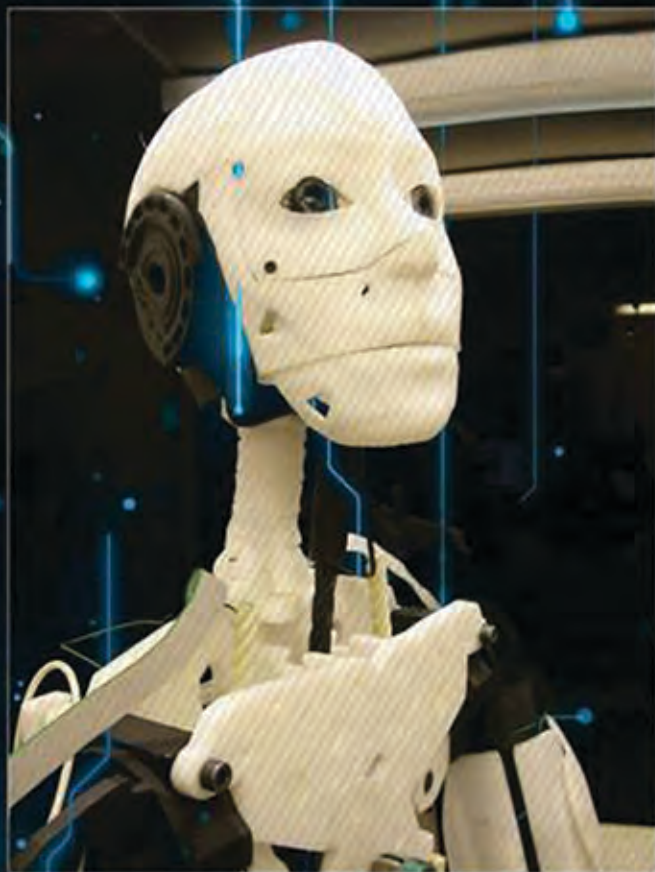
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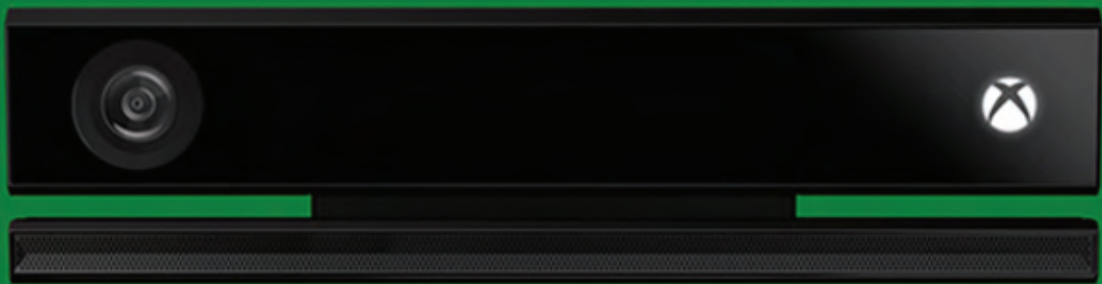


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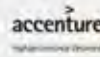
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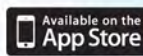
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