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Wilmington Police are continuing their search for 30 year old Ebonee Spears of Wilmington. The local Crimestoppers organization has joined with the Wilmington Police Department in offering a reward of up to $5,000 for information on Ebonee's whereabouts. If you know where Spears may be, call Wilmington Police at (910) 343-3600 or use Text-a-Tip.

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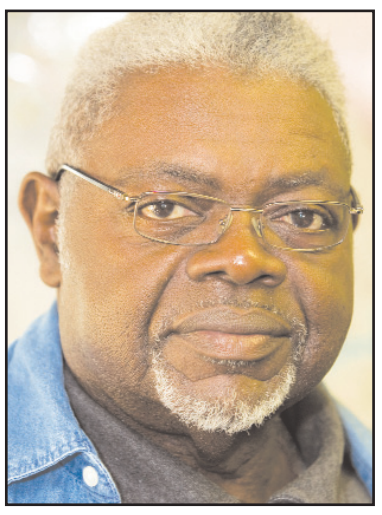

BERNEST HEWETT

VOTE, VOTE

BY BERNEST HEWETT

VOTE, VOTE, VOTE, VOTE!!

Bernest Hewett is President Emeritus of the Brunswick County Branch of the NAACP.

GOP DOING EVERYTHING TO STOP ANITA EARLS' CANDIDACY

BY CASH MICHAELS
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

Make no mistake, political observers say, North Carolina Republican legislative leaders have no intention of allowing another Democrat on the State Supreme Court again, without doing everything within their power to stop it.

The GOP is still kicking itself for the 2016 debacle that led to the election of Associate Justice Michael Morgan to the State's High Court in 2016, leading to 4-3 Democrat majority on the seven-member court when Justice Morgan replaced a Republican justice.

Now Republican Associate Justice Barbara Jackson is running for re-election in November against Democratic challenger, Anita Earls, a renowned civil rights attorney.

Fearing a much anticipated "blue wave" of Democrat votes November 6, the Republican led legislature passed a law which mandated that the Republican candidate's name appear first on vot-

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ANITA EARLS

BARBARA JACKSON

SOCIAL JUSTICE MOVEMENT CONTINUES

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DR. BARBER IS HONORED AT THE BLACK ACHIEVERS WALL IN ENGLAND.

Dr. Barber preparing for November battle

BY CASH MICHAELS
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

He may not be President of the NCNAACP anymore, but that doesn't mean The Reverend Dr. William Barber, II is far from the bedrock, grassroots freedom, fighting that has become his trademark.

Having completed his national 40-day "Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival," where his new organization, "Repairers of the Breach," picked up the mantle from The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s original 1968 Poor People's Campaign, highlighting the battle against poverty, racism, and militarism, Dr. Barber has made it clear that all efforts now must be directed toward empowering people, especially the poor, to be heard at the ballot box come Nov. 6 for the midterm elections.

"The electorate can be inspired and organized to vote for higher ground," Barber told Time Magazine last November. "Voting rights and voter suppression still must be challenged. Deeper organizing with intentional goals must be engaged in the Black and brown community to broaden the base. There must be an effort to organize in the so-called red counties around moral and justice agenda."

"However, above all, the nation's rampant poverty must be addressed," Dr. Barber continued, noting that the states with the highest poverty rates and working poor in the nation are in the South.

"As the original Poor People's Campaign proposed, the Reconstruction we need now must be the work of rejected stones, a fusion coalition of those directly impacted by racism, poverty, environmental degradation, and the war economy," Barber continued. "Only by linking up and asserting our moral authority as children of God can we shift the moral narrative in this nation and build a movement that will challenge whoever is in power to become the "more perfect union" we aspire to be.

Dr. Barber's leadership continues to be recognized, not just across the country, but around the world.

Last year, he was invited to Vatican City with other global social activists to meet the Pope.

In June of this year, Dr. Barber addressed 2000 trade union delegates from 130 nations at the UNI World Congress in Liverpool, England. During that visit, he was honored with a place on the International Slavery Museum's Black Achievers Wall.

Dr. Barber's portrait was placed alongside previous honorees, actor, Paul Robeson and author, James Baldwin.

Barber accepted the high honor on behalf of the social justice movement.

Coalition forms to support civil rights claims of death row inmates

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DURHAM, NC---Recently, an array of groups filed briefs in the N.C. Supreme Court to support the civil rights claims of four defendants of color, who argue they should not remain on death row due to documented evidence of racial bias in their cases. The defendants-Marcus Robinson, Quintel Augustine, Tilmon Golphin, and Christina Walters-were the first people to prove under the N.C. Racial Justice Act that racial discrimination helped secure their death sentences.

The groups supporting the prisoners' civil rights claims include a variety of state-based organizations: the NAACP of N.C., the N.C. Association of Black

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First day of year-round school for Douglass Academy

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Douglass Academy students returned to school on July 19th, 2018. Students arrived at school while teachers and volunteers stood outside greeting them. At 8:00 AM all students recited school pledge. This is the first year Douglass Academy is on a year-round schedule. Year-round schedules aid information retention while providing students with shorter periodic breaks during the year for rest.

Nikki Chaney, Headmaster of Douglass Academy, commented, "Everyone is so excited for this year. The new schedule will bring out the best in our student's abilities. Teachers are energized and ready to continue the Douglass Academy tradition of academic excellence. We have some great new things planned this year our students will love. It's going to be fun!"

Located in downtown Wilmington at 6th and Red Cross Streets, Douglass Academy is in its sixth year as a school of choice having a program of classical education for kindergarten through 5th grade. With parents in North Carolina having the freedom to choose - tuition free - where their children are educated, Douglass Academy is a public charter school that draws nearly 150 students from the greater Wilmington community.

Douglass Academy is one of four public charter schools managed by The Roger Bacon Academy, Inc. The schools include Charter Day School in Leland, Columbus Charter School in Whiteville, and South Brunswick Charter School in Southport. Douglass Academy is a tuition-free, public charter school that welcomes all students, regardless of income, ability, or address, and provides free transportation and meal services. To learn more or enroll online, please visit www.douglassacademy.net.

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Unemployment rate increased for Black men

BY FREDERICK H. LOWE

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(TriceEdneyWire.com) The nation's unemployment rate rose slightly in June so did the jobless rate for Black men 20 years old and older, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics has reported.

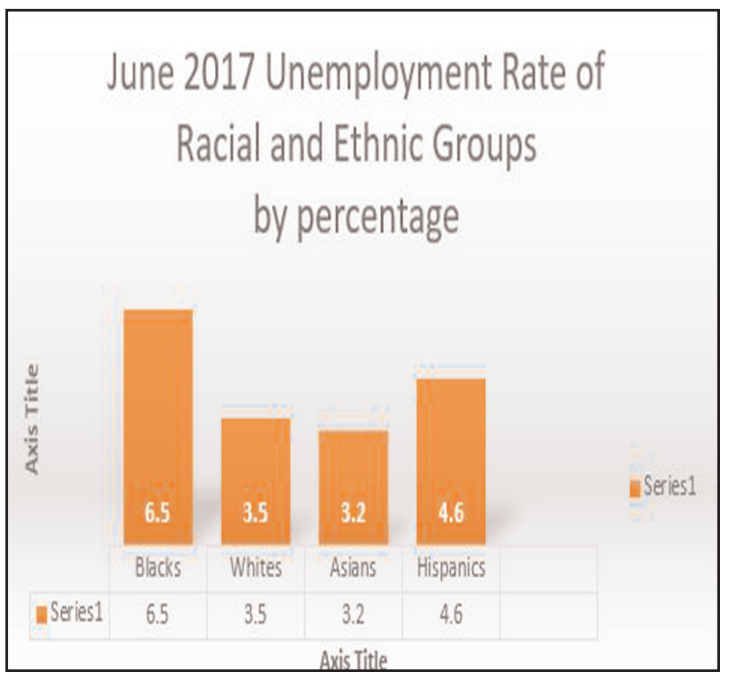
Nonfarm businesses added 213,000 jobs but the unemployment rate last month was 4 percent, an increase of a 0.2 percentage point, which added 499,000 persons to the jobless rolls. The total number of unemployed persons was 6.6 million, down from the same month a year earlier when it was 7.0 million, BLS reported. However, the civilian labor force grew by 601,000 in June. Elise Gould, senior economist at the Economic Policy Institute, attributed the increase in the jobless rate to more individuals being hopeful about job prospects.

The overall unemployment rate for Blacks in June was 6.5 percent, an increase from 5.9 percent in May but down compared to 7.2 percent in June 2017. The Black unemployment rate is much higher compared to Whites (3.5 percent), Hispanics (4.5 percent) and Asians (3.2 percent).

The jobless rate for Black men was 6.4 percent compared to 6.3 percent in May. Black men's labor participation rate, which is the number of people available for work as percentage of the total population, was 66.8 percent compared to 68.5 percent in May.

The unemployment rate for Black women 20 and over in June was 5.5 percent, an increase from 4.7 percent in May. The labor-participation rate for Black women was 63.0 percent in June compared to 62.0 percent in May.

The nation's nonfarm businesses added jobs in business services, manufacturing and health care. Retail, however, lost 22,000 jobs.



Congressman Ron Dellums - warrior and statesman - dies at 82

BY HAZEL TRICE EDNEY

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - Former Democratic Congressman and Oakland Mayor Ron Dellums is being remembered this week as a warrior for justice, a statesman, and an advocate for the poor.

"The contributions that Congressman Dellums made to our East Bay community, the nation, and the world are too innumerable to count," says California Congresswoman Barbara Lee, who succeeded Dellums when he left Congress in 1998 after 27 years. "I feel blessed to have called Congressman Dellums my dear friend, predecessor, and mentor. I will miss him tremendously, and I will hold dear to my heart the many lessons I learned from this great public servant…His legacy and spirit will be forever with us," Lee said in a statement.

Having served as a legislative assistant and chief of staff in his Washington, D. C. congressional office, Lee was elected to succeed Dellums upon his resignation in 1998. Dellums reportedly died of cancer in his Washington, D.C. home on Monday. Looking back this week, Lee described him as "a warrior and a statesman".

One of the 13 founding members of the Congressional Black Caucus, Dellums is perhaps best known for his fierce 14-year advocacy for the end of Apartheid in South Africa that included his sponsorship of legislation imposing sanctions against and divesting from the country in 1986. He served in Congress from 1971 to 1998 when he resigned, citing personal difficulties. His stent included the chairmanship of the Congre-ssional Black Caucus from 1989 to 1991.

Dellums also fought vehemently for civil rights, economic justice, health care, and social justice programs. He became known for his "alternative budgets" redirecting funds for jobs, education and anti-crime measures. As a member of Congress and as chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, he also advocated strongly against war.

He once said, "I have two things going for me. The first is the fidelity to my principles. And the other is my ability to show up for the fight every day. Period that."

Active in public service until too ill to do so, he served one term as Oakland, California's 45th mayor and third Black mayor from 2007 to 2011. As news of his July 30 death began to spread this week, public statements were issued from other civil rights giants.

"Mr. Dellums was a relentless advocate for communities of color, low-income communities, civil rights and social justice; who did not shy away from issues just because they seemed controversial. He worked with Rep. Bennie Thompson to end apartheid in South Africa. He also served as the chairman of the Armed Forces Committee although he was an anti-war critic," said NAACP Board Chairman Leon W. Russell. "Whether as an activist, Congressman or Mayor of Oakland, Ron Dellums created space for our voices to be heard. It is said that the current generation stands on the shoulders of giants, Ron was a giant who blazed a path to empowerment that we still walk on today."

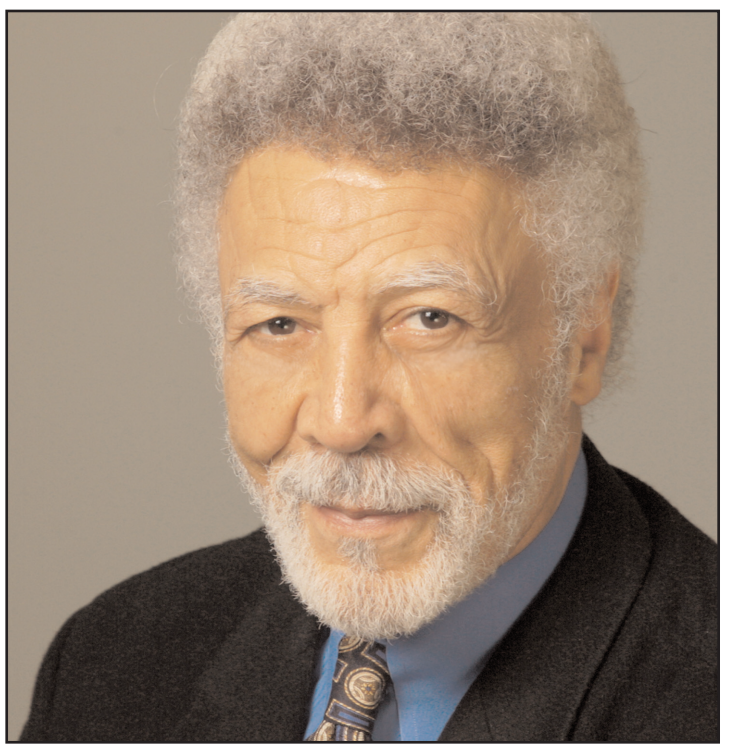
In his latter years, Dellums continued his advocacy often times on paper, especially on health disparities. His op/eds were often published in Black newspapers, including through the Trice Edney News Wire.

"Black History Month is an opportunity to reflect on how far America and the African American community has come, and how much more we have to accomplish. Consider the field of health care," he wrote in a 2013 op/ed for the Trice Edney News Wire. "As the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services' Office of Minority Health said last year, 'Although Black people have continued to make strides and shape the United States, health rates on average for chronic diseases, infections and death have taken a toll on the population.'"

Upon his death, the National Collaborative for Health Equity (NCHE) released a statement describing him as a "tireless advocate for the needs of people of color and low-income communities, often challenging status quo systems of repression and marginalization."

The NCHE also recalled that Dellums "called for the nation to embrace and value the lives of young people, and particularly young men of color who face persistent barriers to opportunity and inclusion. 'If being an advocate of peace, justice, and humanity toward all human beings is radical,'" the NCHE quoted Dellums said, "'then I'm glad to be called radical.'"

Information on the memorial service will be announced at a later time.



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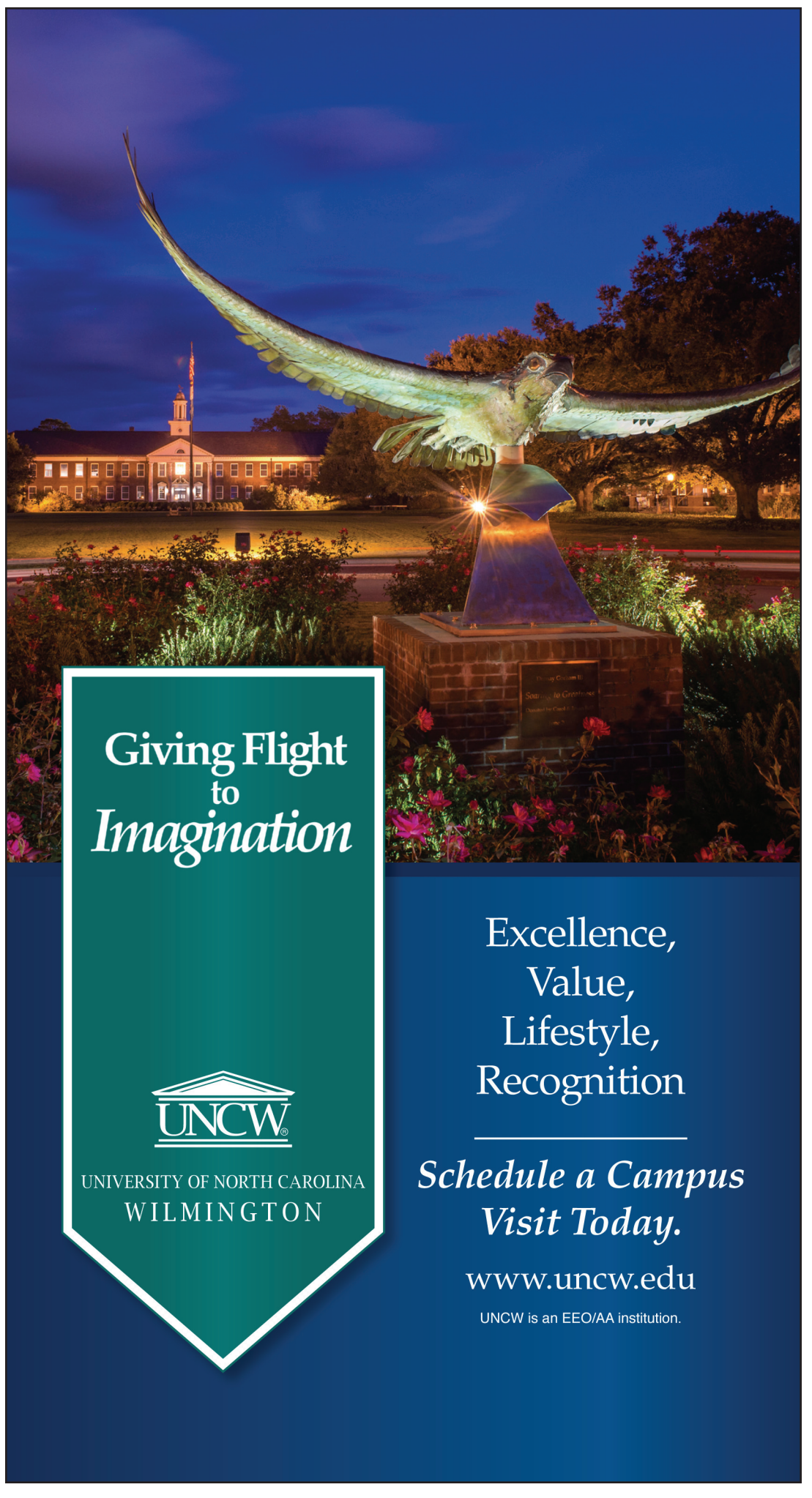

STATE BRIEFS

COMPILED
BY CASH MICHAELS

HIGH SCHOOL PROBING STUDENT ATHLETE'S RACIST VIDEO

[DURHAM] Officials with the Durham Public School System, and Jordan High School are investigating a student-athlete's racist video found online. Published reports say the unnamed student plays football and lacrosse at the school, and also is seen making sexist remarks about women, as well as uttering a racist slur. The student also makes references to President Trump. Students at Jordan High School are demanding that he not be allowed to play for the school's teams. Principal Susan Taylor assured those concerned that she is working to address the matter, and that intolerance is not something that will be allowed at Jordan High.

REPUBLICAN ON AMENDMENTS PANEL REFUSES TO PARTICIPATE

[RALEIGH] First Republican-legislative leaders called a surprise special session last week to two ensure that a Democrat-led commission was not allowed to alter any of the language of the six proposed constitutional amendments that they passed during the. Regular session that ended in June. Now, the sole Republican member of that panel, Paul Coble, the General Assembly's Legislative Services Director, sent a letter to Secretary of State Elaine Marshall, chair of the three-member Constitutional Amendment Commission, telling her that he would not attend any meetings with her or state Attorney General Josh Stein until after state lawmakers override Gov. Cooper's veto of their measure, which is apparently expected to take place on Saturday. A livid Secretary Marshall now accuses Coble of "politicizing" the situation, saying that he's now deliberately holding up their work.

WORK OF BLACK ARTIST ERNIE BARNES ON DISPLAY AT NC MUSEUM OF HISTORY

[RALEIGH]His most famous work of art, "The Sugar Shack" became famous when featured on the 1970's black sitcom, "Good Times," and a Marvin Gaye album cover. His name was Ernie Barnes, a Durham native who played NFL football for five seasons before retiring to pursue his first love - art. A collection of Barnes' work, artifacts and memorabilia are now on display at the NC Museum of History from now until March 3rd, 2019. Barnes died in 2009 at the age of 70, but many who grew up admiring his artistry agree that his legacy, through art, lives on.

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ers' ballots, apparently believing that most voters don't know who the judicial candidates are and will automatically choose the first name listed that they see.

This, in concert with ending the long held practice of making judicial races nonpartisan several years ago, so that "R" and "D" appear right after the candidates' respective names, gave the Republicans, they apparently felt, an advantage on Election Day.

Attorney Earls was not impressed.

"I think the games the General Assembly has been playing with the name order on the ballot …I don't think that's going to get them what they need," she said during a recent telephone interview. "I do think it's going to be so important for voters to be informed about the candidates."

However, about those "R's" and "D's" behind candidates names - GOP lawmakers became alarmed when a former Democrat switched political parties to run for the State Supreme Court as a Republican, thus possibly splitting the GOP vote and allowing Democrat Earls to win.

Determined that that could not be allowed, during the special session held just last week, the Republican majority passed a measure disallowing the second Republican candidate from being identified as a Republican on the ballot, saying that he changed party affiliation less than ninety days prior to the registration deadline.

So now, though Justice Jackson and Attorney Earls will be identified as Republican and Democrat, respectively, on the November ballot, the second Republican candidate, Chris Anglin, who insists he's not a Democratic plant in the Supreme Court race, will not be identified by party. Indeed, so suspicious of Anglin was the GOP that they openly called him "the enemy."

Justice Jackson denied knowing anything, or having anything to do with the Republican effort to help her win re-election, but Attorney Earls blasted yet another GOP attempt to thwart her candidacy.

"For over 30 years, I have worked in our legal system to ensure all voters fair representation and equal justice under the law," Earls said in a written statement. "The politicians in the legislature continue to attack the independence of our courts and try to rig the system so they can stay in power. North Carolinians deserve a fair election, free from partisan games and meddling.

However, there is one more card that Republican legislative leaders are rumored to be plotting to play.

The NC Constitution allows the legislature to expand the State Supreme Court from seven to nine seats, all serving eight year terms. Democrats currently hold four of those seats on the seven member court. However, if Justice Jackson should win her re-election over Democrat Earls, the GOP-led legislature, which has scheduled itself to return on November 27, after the November 6 election, could very easily add those two High Court seats. Then, if the public approves the constitutional amendment allowing lawmakers to take over the governor's judicial appointment powers, they could appoint two Republicans to the State Supreme Court, observers say. This would automatically give the GOP a 5-4 majority, thereby assuring a friendlier High Court when controversial partisan cases come before it.

Gov. Cooper can't veto this or any of the five other constitutional amendments on the fall ballot, but he did veto the law disallowing Chris Anglin's party affiliation on the ballot.

At press time, legislative Republicans were prepared to override that veto when they reconvene in First Extra Special Session Thursday morning.

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Lawyers, the N.C. Council of Churches, and the N.C. Advocates for Justice. National organizations have also announced their support: the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, the National Association of Public Defenders, and a coalition of former prosecutors.

"The fact that so many different organizations have come together to support the Racial Justice Act demonstrates how significant the civil rights issues in these cases are, on both a state and national level," said emeritus UNC Law Professor and longtime civil rights attorney Jack Boger, who has also filed a brief supporting the prisoners' claims.

Boger explained, "At the state level, the NAACP of N.C. and Black Lawyers Association are saying the Racial Justice Act is on par with other justice issues, like the fights to end mass incarceration and discriminatory voting laws. At the national level, an unlikely alliance between the NAACP Legal Defense Fund and a coalition of former prosecutors from across the country shows that people on both sides of the aisle are alarmed by the civil rights violations in these cases."

In 2012, a state Superior Court judge found in these death penalty cases that there was extensive discrimination by prosecutors against black jurors. The judge found that prosecutors had been trained on how remove black citizens from juries because of their race, but avoid detection. The judge also found notes by prosecutors that described black jurors in insulting terms, like "blk wino," "thug," and "black, high drug."

After the Superior Court judge made these findings under the Racial Justice Act, the legislature repealed the law in 2013. The N.C. Supreme Court will now decide whether the repeal of the Racial Justice Act means the four prisoners can be executed, despite the evidence of race discrimination in their cases. Now that the prisoners' briefs are filed, the prosecution will have at least 30 days to respond. Once all the briefs are in, the state Supreme Court will schedule oral arguments.

One of the prosecutors supporting the prisoners' civil rights claims is former Virginia Attorney General Mark Earley, who oversaw 36 executions during his tenure. Earley explained why the court should side with the prisoners. "There are some issues that should transcend the adversarial nature of the criminal justice system. Whatever one thinks of the death penalty, we should all agree that execution can never be an option when racial stereotypes are used to keep black citizens off capital juries. No civil right is more basic than this."

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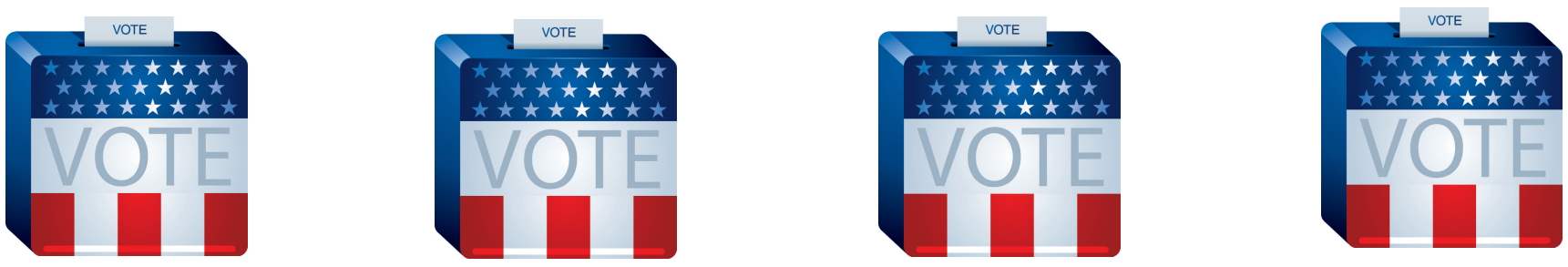

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GUEST EDITORIAL

A new generation of freedom fighters

Without being given much direction, Black youth have seemingly taken matters into their own hands, relative to their future here in America, by strategizing, organizing and mobilizing.

Jeffrey L. Boney

Whether on social media or through community activism in the streets, Black youth are proactively pushing the agenda forward and forcing society to no longer ignore many of the issues that have been impacting the Black community for decades. Many have decided to take an even greater step towards bringing about change, by getting involved with politics.

These bold efforts to express themselves in ways that are progressive and substantive have given Black youth a clearer vision for their future and an even greater sense of purpose that has given them an alternative to doing things that are detrimental to their future.

Because many of their Black predecessors dropped the ball and failed to effectively protect them from the many dangers and pitfalls they have had to face without adequate support, it forced this new generation of Black freedom fighters to become more knowledgeable about things.

Black youth have chosen to stand up and fight for themselves, in spite of the lack of collective support they have received from the Blacks who came before them who were beneficiaries of the civil rights struggle.

That is why the Black Lives Matter movement was birthed and gained so much traction.

Black Lives Matter was formed by a small remnant of Black youth who were sick and tired of being sick and tired. This energized group of young, African Americans wanted to do something about the issue of police brutality, as well as other critical issues that were negatively impacting the Black community, particularly Black youth.

Black Lives Matter isn't the first example of young, African Americans creating movements and platforms to allow their voices to be heard and making a difference. The hip-hop community was formed because many Black youth wanted to express themselves and needed an outlet to talk about the things they were dealing with in their respective communities and facing in this country. Just as it has been since inception, hip hop has become a steady tool used by Black youth to influence society and make a difference.

While there are a myriad of things currently impacting Blacks in America, the advent of social media has given Black youth the necessary access to news and information to keep them up-to-speed on everything they need to know.

Prior to social media, many young, Black people were disconnected from news and politics and had limited interest in things such as reading newspapers, watching news channels, listening to talk radio or keeping up with major current events and social issues online.

Now, through social media, Black youth have the ability to get this information in real time and in a way that is interactive and enlightening to them. This has caused many young, Black people to become more engaged in and educated about issues that truly impact their daily lives.

As America finds itself in the midst of a crucial midterm election, young, African Americans have chosen to get even more involved and are looking for more ways to make a difference, versus looking for leadership and assistance from older Blacks who many believe have abandoned them or from traditional mainstream Black institutions where they feel they don't belong. Black youth have found themselves searching for answers and looking for quality leadership to help them navigate through these tumultuous waters called life in America.

Getting involved in community activism and politics may be the tools that they need to make more of an impact. Black youth need direction.

This new generation of freedom fighters needs to be mentored and not ignored. This new generation of freedom fighters needs to be encouraged and not berated. This new generation of freedom fighters needs to be praised and not overly criticized. Many Black youth are tired of having to figure things out on their own, but have come to the realization that they are living in a country that does not seem to value their Black lives. They are fighting for their lives and seeking relevance the only way they know how-through using the tools and resources they have at their disposal and by getting engaged by any means necessary.

Since desegregation in the 1960s-and the election of President Barack Obama, decades later- some Blacks bought into the false pretense that America had transitioned to a post-racial society and that they would no longer be affected by the things their predecessors had to endure.

Fast forward to 2018, and we see that many of the Black youth who were never taught the realities of racism or never forced to experience the sting of segregation, are seeing a very different America than the one they grew up believing existed. In many ways, especially when looking at statistics and the current climate in America, Black people are facing many of the same issues they had to deal with during segregation. Sadly, in many cases, it has become far worse.

If Black youth are shown the importance of politics, the effectiveness of government and the impact of voting, they will do those things and be excited about being a part of them.

The National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA), which represents over 200 Black-owned media companies across the U.S., recognizes Black youth as an important part of the future of America. Through their efforts to register 5 million new, Black voters before the midterm elections in 2018, tapping into the energized spirit of Black youth in this country to accomplish that goal has been a primary focus of the group and one they believe will make a huge difference come November.

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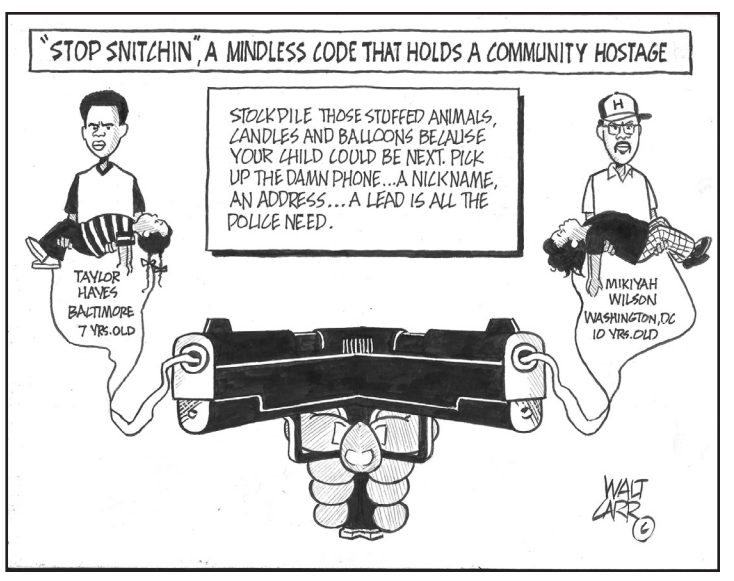

YOUR VOICE

REDEVELOPMENT OF CASTLE STREET

I was a paperboy for *The Wilmington Journal* and the *Wilmington Star-News.* I would ride my bike seemingly all over the city and I remember the various locations and the various shopping zones such as North Fourth Street with Lanes Drug Store being like a Mecca since folk came there with their prescriptions and the Ritz Theatre, then segregated was less than a block away. Other businesses that included Dr. Wheeler's office were on Fourth St. and the old ILA Hall was on the corner of Fourth and Harnett filled with longshoremen working on the ships that anchored in the port which were loaded or unloaded.

Other than barber shops and Brown's Cleaners there wasn't that much or that many businesses owned in a concentrated area on Fourth St. There were a few small businesses located on Nixon St. such as the store, the café and the body shop owned by the McGuire Brothers, all in one block. Folks talk about our Ancestors once having businesses on Front Street before the Wilmington Massacre of 1898 that went up in flames and was later reclaimed but not the original owners.

The history of our being disenfranchised as a people is no secret in New Hanover County including Wilmington. The process of gentrification of the communities that were once designated for African Americans based on Jim Crow and segregation is being occupied by many of the descendants of those that plotted the sinister and detrimental growth potential of those that originally lived in some of the homes now labeled as "Historic."

Castle Street with its once cobble stoned city blocks of long ago is the next area for redevelopment and there is a plan for inclusion that has the potential for changing the present paradigm of exclusion, the Castle Project. This project is headed by Lewis Hines, Jr., a former ILA official and property owner.

Hines has formed a group of citizens including business folks to redevelop what was once the City of Wilmington's bus garage and parking facility. The City seemed to have no visible plan and Hines presented his plan and it is a good plan. It would give residents an opportunity to become tax payers and not a tax burden. It would allow for the creation of a brewery, hiring and training of youth and create other businesses to include a cultural center. Hines has a key investor for this needed project, yet the City of Wilmington and those officially in the decision making process have avoided making concrete steps that would create a place on Castle Street that would and should become a testament for inclusion and needed opportunities for every citizen.

HAYWOOD FENNELL
Boston, MA

MATTERS OF OPINION

Sister power!

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

I cannot count the times I have heard that Black women don't support each other. I always thought that was wishful thinking for those who wanted to play down our unity and our work for our people that ultimately benefits all people without regard to race, creed, color, religion and all the other things that often divide us. In order to succeed, Black women have persisted for success against the greatest of odds.

We who are Black women know that all anybody has to do is tell us what we can't do, and the game is on! While we welcome the help of others who want to see the change we need to make our nation a more livable one for all of our people, others are slowly beginning to see that Black women are serious, and when we've got our eyes on the prize, nothing will stop us from doing our part to make a difference.

Dr. E. Faye Williams

Charlotte, North Carolina is named for Queen Charlotte who meets the "One Drop Rule"-meaning that if you have one drop of Black blood, you are Black! Since Charlotte was so successful as Queen of Britain and Ireland from 1761-1818 in which her mixed ancestry is convincingly revealed, there are still some who want to deny her Black blood and question the legitimacy of her race! Dr. Stephanie Myers recently wrote a well-researched book called "Invisible Queen" and she dispels any notion of Charlotte being anything other than a Sister! Charlotte married into the British Royal Family at the age of 17, and history tells us that Charlotte understood her obligation to protect our people. It was no secret that she worked against slavery. For anyone who does not accept her as our Sister should read Dr. Myers' book. (http://myerspublishing.com.) By the way, Charlottesville (VA) is named

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RAINBOW COALITION

As Trump distorts NFL players' messages, let's instead join together

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

As teams gear up for the NFL season, President Trump is reviving his destructive and diversionary attacks aimed at turning fans against players.

Rev. Jesse Jackson, Sr.

The league office stepped in it by unilaterally declaring that players who do not want to stand during the national anthem should stay in the locker room.

The NFL players association had little choice but to force negotiations over that insult. Jerry Jones, the owner of the Dallas Cowboys, is a decent guy. But he stuck his foot in it, too, recently announcing that the Cowboys had to stand for the anthem and couldn't stay in the locker room - or else.

The league wisely told him to zip it while the policy was under negotiation. So it goes. So much of this is a false narrative. Fake news. Trump dishonestly insists that the players are disrespecting the flag. In fact, the players kneeling during the anthem were expressing a silent protest not against the flag, but against police brutality and the reality of structural racial inequality. Kneeling before the flag in silent, nonviolent protest is not disrespectful to the Stars and Stripes. Just the opposite. It is a sign of deference and respect, a call to honor what the flag is truly supposed to represent. Burning the flag is constitutionally protected but is a desecration. Burning a cross is a desecration. It is violent. Kneeling before the cross, or during the anthem, on the other hand, isn't a desecration; it is a call for help.

Colin Kaepernick was and is concerned about Blacks being beaten and killed by police. He kneeled during the anthem to highlight how the values of the flag were being ignored on the streets. He wasn't disrespecting the flag; he was protesting those who trample its values. He was being a patriot.

Now Trump wants to light the dynamite again. His politics prey and thrive on division. He hopes to divide us one against the other while his administration rolls back protections of consumers, workers and the environment, allows corporate lobbyists to rig the rules, and lards more and more tax cuts and subsidies on entrenched interests and the wealthy.

So, he purposefully peddles the false narrative that the players are disrespecting the flag. Jones, who is a Trump supporter, isn't a bad man. Beyond the playing field, beyond contracts, he has been a decent guy. He paid for the funeral of Cowboy great Bob Hayes. But Jones has allowed himself to be turned into Trump's pawn in this diversion. The reality is that we would not have the Dallas Cowboys in Dallas were it not for those protesting for their rights.

The victory of the Civil Rights Movement opened the

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NNPA President and CEO Dr. Benjamin F. Chavis, Jr. says that he is encouraged today by the tenacity and courage of Black youth to challenge White supremacy, hatred and bigotry.

"The National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) takes note, with a sense of pride, in the renewed activism and self-determination of today's Black American youth leaders," Dr. Chavis said. "The struggle for freedom, justice and equality is intergenerational. Each generation is obligated to wage the next stage of the struggle with a relentless courage to win more victories and to improve the quality of life of our families and communities throughout the world.

Dr. Chavis continued: "As one of the seasoned elders of the Black Freedom Movement in the U.S. and throughout the African Diaspora, we want the world to know that Black Lives Matter is a welcomed youth-led movement for social change across America."

Encouraging Black youth to step up and get involved is an important step, but the role that Black parents and responsible adults in the Black community play in supporting Black youth is extremely critical and will help them effectively deal with the social ills and issues they are facing in America today. Until Black youth are shown that, however, it will fall on deaf ears.

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way to a New South. The nonviolent protests and resistance pulled down the old barriers and walls in the South, clearing the way for the Cowboys and the Spurs and the Rockets of the New South, where Blacks and Whites could play on the same team and wear the same colors, where fans root for the colors of their team, not the color of the players' skin.

Successful protests - at the cost of far too many lives - finally ended slavery and apartheid in this society. We should be honoring the protesters, not distorting their message. Kaepernick was right to protest what is going on in our streets. He has paid a heavy penalty for expressing his views in a nonviolent and dignified fashion. One of the best quarterbacks in the league, he has effectively been banned, a blatant conspiracy that ought to constitute a clear violation of anti-trust laws. Kaepernick stands among giants. Curt Flood in baseball and Muhammad Ali during the prime years of his boxing life were also banned, but in the process, they changed sports and the country for the better. There have always been politicians who profit by appealing to our fears. There have always been politicians who seek to divide us for political gain. We've come a long way, but we still have a long way to go to fulfill the flag's values of liberty and justice for all. The players expressing their views in nonviolent and dignified fashion aren't disgracing the flag, they are expressing its values. Let us turn against those who would divide us and join together to make America better.

Rev. Jesse Jackson is the founder of Rainbow Coalition.

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for Queen Charlotte and so are the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County in NC named in her honor, as are many cities across the country and around the world. This Sister used her Sister Power to do so many great things, despite the fact that she was only 17 years old when she became queen!

Let us look at my home state--Louisiana. I was speaking with Dr. Lue Russell, Chairperson of my organization in LA recently. She told me the number of Black women Mayors has risen since we celebrated19 a few months ago. Louisiana just added one more, so there are twenty Black women Mayors in the state now! This includes the three largest cities of New Orleans, Baton Rouge and Shreveport!

We're everywhere running things as Mayor. There's Charlotte (NC); Atlanta (GA); Baltimore (MD); San Francisco, Fontana and Compton (CA); Toledo (OH); Washington (DC); Rochester (NY); Tacoma (WA); Baton Rouge, Shreveport, New Orleans, Ville Platte, Boyce, Maringouin, et.al (LA); Flint (MI), Gary (IN) and the list goes on. These sisters are representing a lot of people of all backgrounds and we haven't heard a single uncouth word from any of them as we hear daily from the White House!

In Alabama, Sister power showed up and elected Senator Doug Jones. In Georgia, Sister Power played a big role in getting Stacey Abrams the Democratic nomination to become Governor of Georgia. Even the nomination is historic!

In the last Presidential election, Sister power voted 98% against this chaos we are now experiencing. Too bad more people didn't vote like Black women. If everybody voted like Black women, we would be well on the road to resolving so many problems for so many people. Let's pray that on November 6, 2018, more people will recognize Sister Power and follow our lead!

Dr. E. Faye Williams, Esq., President of the National Congress of Black Women, Inc. www.nationalcongressbw.org. 202/678-6788.) She's also host to WPFW-FM's radio program entitled "Wake Up and Stay Woke."

REALITY CHECK

Putin-Trump: Brothers from another mother

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

It is very revealing and often disgusting to witness the national press coverage of the bromance between Donald Trump and Vladimir Putin. They go on and on about Trump's refusal to condemn the Russian "meddling" in the 2016 presidential campaign.

They recite horror story after horror story about Putin's mortal sins when dealing with individuals and countries that do things he considers a threat to himself and Russia. Someone lacking a knowledge of history would be led to believe that the United States does not and has not ever committed such mortal sins.

A. Peter Bailey

Anyone with a knowledge of U.S. history is well aware that that this is a major fallacy. This country, which the press is covering in the Putin-Trump saga as though it's God's gift to righteousness, has done practically every single thing to carry out its agenda as Russia has done and is doing to carry out hers.

It has assassinated or attempted to assassinate leaders and other people who it considers a threat to its program; it has participated in the overthrow of governments who are not sufficiently obedient to its desires; it has invaded countries whose policies it opposed. The bastion of righteousness would react in the same way Russia acted on Ukraine if the countries on its borders, Canada and Mexico, attempted to sign a military pact with Russia or any other country.

The national press also doesn't deal with the reality that Putin and Trump share two very basic beliefs. The first is acquiring as much money as possible by any means necessary. The second is that both are white supremacists who strongly believe that white males should now and forever be the dominant force in the international arena.

Thus they believe that Russia and the United States are in the best position to maintain and advance their white supremacist goals.

This angle of the Trump-Putin connection needs to be explored by the national press rather than to continue weeping and wailing about what they consider Putin's evilness and Trump's ignorance. They both know exactly what they are doing.

A. Peter Bailey whose latest book is Witnessing Brother Malcolm X: The Master Teacher can be reached via email: apeterb@verizon.net.

Enough with the racism in the rooftop solar industry

Recently, news came out that the electronics retailer Best Buy, decided to reconsider their partnership with a company called Vivint. The partnership allowed Vivint employees to work inside Best Buy stores, to sell Best Buy customers products capable of reducing their home's energy usage. The potential decision by Best Buy is apparently just business, but it is a welcome piece of news because Vivint seemingly has a problem with African Americans.

Vivint isn't alone when it comes to struggling with race. There has always been bigotry in this country. In 2018, thanks to the leaders of the civil rights movement who risked their lives fighting for equality and justice, things are much improved. But these days some racists in this countryare feeling encouraged to express their ugly views in public or discriminate against people of color.

Recently, Vivint Solar -- one of the largest sellers of solar panels in this country -- was sued in California by a black employee who alleges his superiors likened him to a monkey, used a racial epithet against him and that his coworkers used cardboard boxes to build a fort around their desks that was marked as "white only." The complainant's lawyer provided pictures of this absurd and abhorrent cardboard façade to the media, and the Washington Post published its photo.

Dr. Julianne Malveaux

David Bywater, the top executive at Vivint Solar, told the media that he was "deeply disturbed" by these allegations and: "I want to firmly state that Vivint Solar has a zero-tolerance policy for racial discrimination and harassment in the workplace. Our company is built on the strength of diversity." This is precisely what a CEO is supposed to say, but a person of conscience would back them up with action. A deeper dive into Vivint's practices makes me question Bywater's sincerity.

In March, Hector Balderas, the Attorney General of New Mexico filed a 17-count civil complaint against Vivint Solar, accusing them of fraud, racketeering, and unfair business practices. Balderas says the company which sells rooftop solar panels employed "high-pressure sales techniques and procedures designed to mislead consumers" and lock their customers into contracts lasting 20 years, with rates that increase "by over 72 percent," as the agreement matures. Also, according to the Balderas' office: "The complaint also charges Vivint with filing improper notices in consumer real estate records that operate to cloud titles, and in some cases making it difficult for New Mexico consumers to sell their homes." There is some evidence that consumers of color and low-income consumers are targeted for these pressure tactics.

Vivint Solar is connected to Vivint Home Security, a company that also has had its run-ins with the law. Last year, Texas Attorney General Ken Paxson reached a settlement with the company for allegations the

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TO BE EQUAL

Congress must act to strengthen Election Security against foreign sabotage: Stop Russia!

"It's undeniable that the Russians are taking the lead on this. Basically, they are the ones that are trying to undermine our basic values, divide us with our allies. They are the ones that are trying to wreak havoc over our election process. We need to call them out on that. It's critical that we do so, and then take steps to make sure that they are not able to do this with an election coming up ... ." -- **Director of National Intelligence Daniel Coats, July 19, 2018.**

We don't yet know – and perhaps may never fully know – to what extent Russian efforts to sabotage American elections succeeded. What we do know is that, in addition to waging a massive disinformation campaign on social media, Kremlin-backed hackers:

accessed private email accounts, stole personal information on at least 500,000 voters from a state election website, visited other state websites to identify vulnerabilities, and infiltrated a voter registration software company and disseminated malicious software to Florida county election officials.

We also don't know to what extent any Americans cooperated with Russians in these crimes. We know that the Trump campaign was at least willing to consider accepting opposition research from people known to have ties to the Kremlin. We know a congressional candidate asked for and received damaging stolen information on his or her opponent.

Marc Morial

Most importantly, we know that Russia continues its efforts at sabotaging our democracy, and little or nothing is being done to stop it.

Protecting the integrity of our democratic process should be the top priority of our elected officials. Instead, the President openly contradicts the assessment of American intelligence and the House of Representatives eliminated new funding for states to strengthen election security. The arrest of Russian operative Maria Butina, who forged close alliances with the NRA, raises questions about whether Russian money was illegally funneled to political candidates through that organizations – and whether those candidates are Congress members who may have motive to thwart such an investigation.

Shortly after the inauguration of the current President, I noted that because his elevation to the office was by way of the anachronistic Electoral College – and not the will of a majority of voters -- he owed the American people an exceptional level of deference.

Instead, he repeatedly has shown deference to the architect of the sabotage, lending validity to Vladimir Putin's discredited denials and refusing to acknowledge the conclusion of the intelligence community that Russia has interfered and continues to do so.

In his farewell address, President George Washington warned "against the insidious wiles of foreign influence." He wasn't speaking in the abstract: France was actively trying to influence the American election in favor of Thomas Jefferson, who championed France in its conflict with Great Britain. France's attempts backfired, however, as voters viewed Jefferson's party as pawns of the French government. James Madison wrote to Jefferson just before the 1796 election, France's scheme was "working all the evil with which it is pregnant." Jefferson lost to John Adams, who supported France's rival Great Britain.

Almost as though he could forsee our present situation, Washington said in his address, "Real patriots who may resist the intrigues of the favorite are liable to become suspected and odious, while its tools and dupes

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CRAZY FAITH MINISTRIES

When neither truth nor the law matter

For a fair number of people, it may be safe to assume that their belief in the power of truth and the law is being sorely tested.

What is most troubling about all that is going on under this administration is that so many Americans - including those in the Congress - are more interested in bowing to a would-be dictator than in insisting on truth and adhering to the "rule of law.

It is laughable anymore to hear anyone in the administration say "this is a country of laws." For black people, the emptiness of that claim has long been apparent, but even with our cynicism about how "the law" is defined and on whom it is used, there was a general belief that some things were sacred - like protecting this country.

Rev. Susan K. Smith

Amazingly, this president and his administration lie with abandon - about nearly everything - and its "base" does not care. Conservative evangelicals have shown the thinness of their claim to morality and family values and a degree of hypocrisy that is surprising in its blatant lack of concern for how it appears. They claim that God brought this administration to power, an administration which is threatening the human and civil rights of so many people in this country. Their God is happy with what is going on, they say. The Rev. Franklin Graham, who was severely critical of Bill Clinton when his infidelity was revealed, has now proclaimed that the people should leave this president's infidelity alone - that it is not our business. (http://www.patheos.com/blogs/friendlyatheist/2018/05/05/franklin-graham-trumps-affair-with-stormy-daniels-is-nobodys-business/)

here isn't much need to complain about what this administration does and does not do, because it doesn't make any difference. With the current back-and-forth between the president and his former attorney Michael Cohen about whether the president knew about the meeting with the Russians during the campaign, the spirit of many is one of cynicism; even if it is true that the president knew and approved of the meeting, there is a lack of belief that anything will be done about it.

This president and his friends do whatever they want, three branches of government notwithstanding.

The question is what happens to this country as this scenario goes on. Will future American presidents be able to rebuild the trust from allies who are now being rebuffed and humiliated? If America gets into a war, will allies come to its assistance? Is Putin training the president on how to be a dictator and how to run an autocratic government? Will the Congress ever wake up and do its job? Has America lost its place as the most powerful and most wealthy nation in the world?

Minorities and other groups of people who have been treated unfairly by this government for generations will survive, but how will "the privileged" respond when they realize that not caring about truth or about the law will badly affect them? Reports about how people with a lot of money reacted during the Great Depression include stories of them jumping out of windows because the pain of struggle and loss was too great for them to bear. It feels like America is headed toward a very dark place, where there will be struggle and loss for a lot of people - including those who voted for and who believe in this administration. There is no safety valve for what is going on; the Congress is impotent and has put party over country - blindly following a man who would be a despot - and the judicial is too far right to even think about the consequences of ignoring truth and the law - which it is charged to uphold.

There is no reason to keep on watching cable news; we don't need people's opinions, stated over and over all day long. We need a government - a president and a Congress - which believes in truth and the law.

Right now, we have neither. © Susan K Smith

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usurp the applause and confidence of the people, to surrender their interests."

We will not surrender our interests.

For African-Americans, the right to vote is sacred. The men and women who died in the bloody battle for Black suffrage – heroes such as Rev. George Lee, Medgar Evers, Jimmy Lee Jackson, James Earl Chaney, Andrew Goodman, Mickey Schwerner and Viola Liuzzo – are nothing less than martyrs. Inaction in the face of election sabotage is an affront to their memory. It is sacrilege.

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company violated the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act. This, combined with the action by the New Mexico Attorney General, paints a picture of a company that is not treating customers fairly.

I've been interested in the solar industry because it is an expanding industry that increasingly provides new opportunities. However, there also seems to be additional opportunities to exploit consumers, especially minority consumers. I've written about my concerns about the ways the industry targets less sophisticated consumers, echoing concerns raised by several members of Congress in a letter to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau in early 2017. In response to my concerns, the Solar Energy Industry Association (SEIA) used a consultant to harass me and my staff. I received and accepted an apology from the CEO of SEIA. I hoped they were sincere in their stated concerns about consumer protection and also about diversity in their industry.

But Vivint Solar, with its "whites only" fort, is a member of SEIA. Vivint's actions seem inconsistent with SEIA's stated values. What must they do? I have some ideas:

First, SEIA should ask Vivint Solar to leave their trade association. If SEIA wants to represent rooftop solar makers that respect consumers and employees, then Vivint Solar is a wrong choice. If SEIA doesn't take action against Vivint Solar, there is no accountability, which only further erodes trust with minority communities.

Further, SEIA should back up their statement that "CEO, Abby Hopper, has established diversity of solar's workforce and customer base as among her top three priorities" and their "Diversity Best Practices Guide" by funding and hosting consumer education seminars around the country to better inform consumers – and minorities – about their rights when it comes to rooftop solar.

I have always been excited about the ways solar energy can reduce our dependence on fossil fuel as a power source. But the solar energy movement is crippled when companies like Vivint Solar both take advantage of customers and discriminate against minorities. It's not enough to have a "Diversity Best Practices Guide". SEIA needs to let best practices be their guide in their dealings with Vivint Solar. Silence is complicity. It is time for good people to stand up against racism. Best Buy, SEIA – what say you?

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New Hanover County

Lupus Foundation August Support Group – New Hanover County Lupus Foundation of America, North Carolina Chapter Monthly Support Group in New Hanover County will be held Saturday, August 18th, 2018 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the Northeast Regional Library-Oleander Room, 1241 Military Cutoff Rd.

Brunswick County

The Town of Belville is now accepting applications from town residents who are interested in an appointment to the Belville Board of Commissioners, to fill two vacancies. One appointee will serve the remainder of a four-year term that began in December of 2015 and one appointee will serve the remainder of a four-year term that began in December of 2017. Applications are available online at www.townofbelville.com under the Town Forms tab or at the Belville Town Hall, located at 63 River Road, Belville, NC. Office hours are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday – Friday. The submission deadline is Thursday, August 24, 2018 at 4:30 pm. For additional information regarding the vacancy, please contact Athina Williams, Town Clerk, at (910)371-2456.

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Congratulations Dr. Taurus A. Farrow

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DR. TAURUS A. FARROW

Congratulations to Dr. Taurus A. Farrow on completing his Pediatric Dental Specialty training program from the Eastman Institute for Oral Health, University of Rochester in New York. Dr. Farrow is a 2002 graduate of East Bladen High school and 2006 graduate of North Carolina Central University. In 2012 Dr. Farrow earned his Doctor of Dental Surgery from Howard University College of Dentistry.

Dr. Taurus Farrow is the proud son of Zebora L. Blanks and the Late Grant Farrow. Maternal grandparents are Harvey and Aundria Leemore and paternal grandparents the Late Delores "Nank" and Wilma Farrow.

Dr. Farrow's achievement is in honor of the Carver's Creek & Seabreeze community as well as the Westchester neighborhood from which he was born and raised.

Dr. Taurus Farrow would like to send a special "Thank you" to Jake Green, Harold Beatty, and Billy Blanks for their love and support.

HOMETOWN NEWS FROM BRUNSWICK COUNTY

A rainy day

Verniece Stanley

Rainy days are best for staying inside for various reasons. One may be that those who depend on others for transportation may not have transportation to work or elsewhere. We know that the rain is simply water condensed from atmospheric vapor, falling to earth in drops, but, be that as it may, we've had plenty of it lately. For example, there's been a lot of rain this week.

We have come to find various things to do in rainy weather. Parents may stay at home many times while they send the children to summer camp. Others take the opportunity to do other interesting things, such as go to the beach, museum, etc. Others take the opportunity to read or watch television. Others join in wih those in the neighborhood and participate in various other activities.

One of the biggest things that went on in Bolivia recently to keep folks occupied was the Vacation Bible School which took place at St. John Missionary Baptist Church July 23-27, 2018, from 6:00 -8:15 p. m. The Reverend Quan Stewart is the pastor. The theme was "I'm Rich 24/7." Van service was available for those who needed transportation. Those in attendance enjoyed Biblical teaching and various types of wholesome fun and excitement.

Tee shirts were a big and exciting item for the week. They were a different color for each evening (Monday - green, Tuesday - yellow, Wednesday - black, Thursday - purple, Friday - red). There all kinds of other events to enjoy each week.

This is a rainy season of the year. When we look at the dark gray clouds in the sky, we automatically think to ourselves or say to others, "It's going to rain." Sometimes, it may rain, but, at other times, the wind might move the clouds to other places, and we might escape the rain. Although the rainy weather may sometimes come as an inconvenience, we must not forget the benefits of a good rain. For example, when the earth is hot and dry, the cooling raindrops are needed to cool the atmosphere and earth. Furthermore all the plants and every living creature need water to survive. Except from the rain, where would we get it?

The old folks used to talk a great deal about the beautiful sound the raindrops made on tin roofs. Such a sound would lull one to sleep quicker than any lullaby. Lying in bed after a full day's work, what more effective sound than the sound of falling raindrops on a tin roof could one want to make him or her forget about the cares and upheavals of the day and aid one in drifting off to pleasant dreams?

Verniece E. Stanley is a native of Brunswick County. She grew up on a farm but wanted more excitement in life. She graduated from high school in Brunswick County in 1948 and graduated from Fayetteville State Teachers' College in 1952. She taught school in Brunswick County for nine years. She moved to Baltimore, Maryland, married, and taught school for twenty-five more years. She received her master's degree from Morgan State College in Baltimore City. She retired and moved back to Bolivia, N. C. where she enjoys writing articles for The Wilmington Journal and is an active member of the NAACP Board.

NHCS students may apply for credit by Demonstrated Mastery (CDM)

Students who want to accelerate their coursework to achieve their academic goals may apply for Credit by Demonstrated Mastery (CDM). The CDM process allows students to earn credit in a particular course by demonstrating proficiency in the subject without completing the classroom instruction. All North Carolina students in grades 9-12 are eligible to apply for Credit by Demonstrated Mastery in the available courses.

Credit by Demonstrated Mastery is a two-phase process:

Phase I: Establishes that a student has a strong foundational knowledge of a subject area, assessed through an End of Course test or exam. The student must achieve a Level 5 on the EOC/state assessment or 90% correct on the local exam, then the student may move on to Phase II.

Phase II: Establishes that a student can demonstrate and apply mastery knowledge of the course content. A student must provide an assigned artifact assessed by a school review team in order achieve credit for the course.

The timeline for applying for Credit by Demonstrated Mastery for the Fall of 2018:

August 13–31
Student Application window
By September 7
Test Coordinators submit tests requests
September 19
CDM Assessment at school sites
September 21 or 24
CDM make-up assessment dates
October 15
CDM phase I results reported to students and families
October 22
Artifact assigned to students going on to phase II
November 26
Artifact deadline (turned in to school CDM contact)
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CDM Review Panel disseminates results

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Note that before I get started on this article, there are a few exceptions to this but not many. A few lenders may not require the last few years tax returns. Some lenders may have special programs that will accept a non-traditional approach of verifying income. I have seen this in the marketplace and that will be for an article at another time.

However this week we will discuss what is more common, which is providing the last 2-3 years of tax returns when applying for a home loan. Whether a W-2 employee or 1099 self-employed, your returns will tell the lender a lot about your family's make-up and finances. Any document that your lender can get a hold of that provides a complete picture of your actual income will likely be asked for. Get prepared to hand over the returns especially if self-employed. If self-employed and you deduct any unreimbursed business expenses like dues, mileage, mobile phones, supplies, etc those things will be deducted from gross income to give a net income to calculate loan amount.

Brenda Dixon

What is the lender looking for on the returns? It will tell if you're claiming more or fewer dependents in your household than put on your application. This is important if trying for one of those special loans that give incentives based on of family size and income. It will show if you're reporting "less" income as self-employed than you put on your loan application. The more income, the higher qualifying loan amount to purchase a home. Some try to "inflate" income on application but those lean tax returns bust that balloon real quick. It will show if you're claiming "more" income than putting on the loan application. Some loan programs give extra perks and incentives to lower/moderate income brackets. The returns show if you owed money at the end of the tax years and the lender will require proof that those taxes were paid. If you have rental income and want to use it to qualify for a higher loan amount, those payments must be documented in a certain way to be counted. They look for any unreported annuity, pension or any type of income and assets on the returns that are not on the loan application. A trained underwriter's eyes look at those returns for all types of things. Therefore make sure the info you put on the loan application is the same info you reported on your tax returns or you will have a lot of explaining to do.

As always, the fewer questions you create for yourself, the better when it comes to applying for a home loan. Until next week, share this article with 3 people and reach out for your FREE personalized action plan to OWN in 18 mos or less.

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Receives Top Community-Based Program Honors for Kids Café After-School Program

STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE AWARD

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WRAAP GRADUATION 2018

BY DARYL DOCKERY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WRAAP

Recently, (WRAAP) Wilmington's Residential Adolescent Achievement Place received 2017-2018 Top "Community Based-Program Award" from the Food bank of Central and Eastern NC. The presentation took place here in Wilmington at the WRAAP Program site located at 1952 Dawson St. Freedom's Way Ministries.

Kids Cafe is an after-school program that offers tutoring, nutrition education, mentoring, and nutritious meals to children at risk of hunger. Kids Cafe provides a safe and positive environment for children ages 15 and under to gather after school. The Food Bank's Kids Cafe program began in 1999 with 5 Kids Cafe sites. The program currently supports 26 Kids Cafe programs at 32 sites in 34 counties serving approximately 1,692 children.

Each Kids Cafe site is operated in partnership with a respected community agency in order to provide the attention and accountability needed to ensure quality programs for children. Although the details and schedules vary by site, all sites are geared towards academic enrichment, mentoring, nutrition education, nutritious meals, physical activities and parental empowerment.

"We are grateful and honored to receive such an award". "Community Involvement and support is a key element to the "youth" organization's success in impacting the lives of at-risk children and families".

The WRAAP' after school enrichment academy program operates out of Freedom's Way Ministries. For more information on WRAAP please visit www.nc-wraap.com or call 910-392-6007.

Meet Elliott and Juanita Palmer: North Carolina Heritage Calendar August honorees

BY TRISTIAN REID

Building a new museum from the ground up demands an extraordinary commitment to education and an even greater commitment to preserving history and understanding the people who made it.

While not a typical second career or retirement project, it is exactly what Elliott and Juanita Palmer did in 1984 in founding the African-American Cultural Complex (AACC) in Raleigh.

Elliott B. Palmer grew up in Durham, the youngest of nine children. After high school, Palmer attended North Carolina Central University (NCCU), where he earned a bachelor's degree in social studies, with a minor in economics, and a master's degree in administrative education. He was awarded an honorary doctorate from St. Augustine's University in 1975.

He went on to work as a history and civics teacher at Little River High School and later became principal at Lakeview Elementary School, both in Durham County, NC.

In 1964, Palmer was hired as the executive director of the North Carolina Teachers Association (NCTA), the African-American teacher's organization. In 1970, he led the merger between the NCTA and the North Carolina Education Association (NCEA), the predominantly white teachers' organization. He became the associate executive director of the resulting integrated North Carolina Association of Educators (NCAE), a position he held until his retirement in 1982.

At the NCTA, and later at the NCAE, Palmer became a leader in the fight to protect the rights and jobs of African-American teachers as public schools in the south were desegregated. Working with civil rights attorney Julius Chambers, a Heritage Calendar honoree in 2016, Palmer gained a national reputation for fearlessness in initiating legal actions to defend and protect educators.

In 1971, Palmer and the NCAE successfully advocated for passage of the state's first "Career Status" law, giving public school teachers tenure protections that included notice of decisions, standards for dismissal or demotion and opportunity for a hearing by elected boards of education.

During his tenure at the NCAE, he also served in various capacities with the National Education Association (NEA), where he chaired the National Council of State Teachers Associations and the National Council of Educators for Human Rights.

Juanita Palmer also embraced an education career. Born on a South Carolina plantation that produced rice, tobacco, and cotton, she attended Morris College, in Sumter, SC, where she earned her bachelor's degree in elementary education. Later, she would earn her master's degree in elementary education at N.C. Central University.

She spent 36 years as an elementary school teacher, teaching grades K-6, and was the first African-American classroom teacher to integrate the Chapel Hill School System.

Education was not simply the Palmers' careers – it brought them together as a couple when they met at a teachers' conference. And it continued to be a central focus of their lives in retirement.

Originally called the Black Heritage Park, the AACC evolved from the Palmers' hobby of collecting artifacts and documents highlighting outstanding contributions made by African-Americans, which they used to supplement their classroom teaching when curriculum materials did not include such diversity. Incorporating both a museum and educational center, the AACC was designed to offer structured educational programs on African American history and culture.

The AACC took a grassroots approach to its museum, collecting memorabilia from the local state and national communities. For example, the law enforcement exhibit highlights the country's first African-American commander of a highway patrol, along with sheriffs from across North Carolina.

Currently, the AACC is seeking a new home after suffering storm-water damage at its previous site. But once in a new home, it will offer new and expanded programs, while continuing to showcase artifacts, documents and panels of African Americans from all walks of life.

The Palmers have received numerous awards during their careers. These include, in 1999, North Carolina's Order of the Long Leaf Pine, and in 2007, the Old North State Award for Outstanding Contributions in Education, in recognition of their work at the AACC, along with Elliott Palmer's history of helping to integrate North Carolina schools while preserving the jobs of black school teachers. In 2000, the AACC received the "Local Legacy of North Carolina" award from the Library of Congress.

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MR. ELLIOT AND MRS. JUANITA PALMER

Elliott Palmer, who served on various committees or commissions during the administrations of three U.S. presidents and seven N.C. governors, also received recognition from the United Nations-Education Committee, and the Lifetime Achievement Award in the Museum Field by the National Association of African American Museums. Ebony magazine also listed him among their "100 Most Influential Blacks in America."

All the awards hold a special place in the Palmers' hearts but each say they are proudest of their work during the civil rights movement.

The Palmers have four children: Elliot Jr, Douglas, Ruth, and Tonya.

About the North Carolina Heritage Calendar The North Carolina Heritage Calendar honors men and women of all races who have contributed significantly to the lives and experiences of African Americans in the State. In addition to monthly honorees, the calendar also highlights dates of significance in North Carolina and nationally. In these monthly newsletters, we are pleased to introduce our 2018 honorees.

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Faye Raye Bryant Sanders Mack

Faye was born September 25, 1935 in Southport, North Carolina as an only child to Marion Elizabeth Bryant Strayhorn and Ernest Brown. As a youth, she was an aspiring dancer and model. Faye graduated from Williston Senior High School in Wilmington, North Carolina and later completed college courses that would help launch her career.

Faye received Christ as her Lord and Savior, and was an active member of Mt Olive AME Church, Wilmington NC. She was a determined divorced single mother with strong work ethics taking measures to raise her children to the best of her ability. Following participation in a pilot Head Start program she successfully opened and operated a day care center serving as its Director; this was the first of its kind -- integrated and in a housing project to meet the needs of low-to-moderate income households; this program became a model for day care center openings that followed. Faye later went on to work in a management role at DuPont in Leland NC for a number of years.

In 1976, Faye remarried, eloping to Vancouver, Washington then moving from North Carolina to Oregon; her children soon followed. In Portland, she accepted a management role at Tektronix, Inc. in Beaverton Oregon until early retirement in 1990. Faye then worked part time for a number of years at Meier & Frank (Macys) where she frequently earned recognition and awards as top salesperson. Following full retirement from the workforce, Faye immediately treated herself to a two-week cruise.

Church was a vital part of Faye's life, and as a member of Bethel AME Church in Portland Oregon, she was honored to serve. She was very active in the Missionary Department, Trustee Board, Stewardship & Finance Commission, Pastor's Steward and for eight years was Treasurer at the AME Conference Level. What began as a hobby for Faye-learning to operate a computer-resulted in her producing church programs, bulletins, and other correspondence, including designing a personal line of greeting cards.

Faye went on to be with the Lord on July 5, 2018 and is preceded in death by her mother, father, and stepfather William "Bill" A. Strayhorn; eldest daughter Denise F Sanders Whitfield-Walker; eldest grandson Eric N Whitfield; and great-grandson Deondre J Cabine.

Faye is survived by four children: daughters Marion Sanders-Abraham and Vincynthia R. Shepard and sons Ricky L. Sanders and Wayne Highsmith (Yulinda), all of Portland Oregon; (12) grandchildren: Monique R Whitfield of Portland Oregon, Sabrina D Walker-Whitfield of Charlotte NC, Karen Y. Abraham of Charlotte NC, Andre A. Abraham (Leslie) of West Linn Oregon, Desmond Shepard of Portland Oregon, Terrence Shepard of Portland Oregon, Derico Faison of Wilmington NC, Tyrell Sanders of Las Vegas NV, Wayne M. Highsmith of Portland Oregon, Syreeta Grisby of Dallas TX, Joi Highsmith of Portland, Oregon, and Tyru Pryor of Beaverton, Oregon. Additionally, remaining to cherish her memory are 40 great-grandchildren, 7 great-great grandchildren, great aunt/uncles, cousins, and a host of extended family members and friends.

Cremation services by Oregon Cremation was followed by a private memorial on July 14, 2018 at The Friendly House, Portland Oregon officiated by Rev. Jimmie Hudson.

We love and miss her dearly.

Sarah V. Butts

Sarah V. Butts, age 83, of East Arcadia, passed away Wednesday, July 25, 2018. A celebration of Ms. Sarah's life was held on Saturday, July 28, 2018 at Pleasant Union Missionary Baptist Church. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

On October 9, 1934, William McKinley Butts and wife, Elvia Graham Butts welcomed a fourth girl into their family of three girls and three boys. They named this child Sarah Velease, but she soon became "See Bee" or "Seba". The family lived in East Arcadia at what she affectionately called the Trust Place. Having experienced declining health over the past several years, Sarah quietly answered the Master's call and went home to be with Jesus on Wednesday morning, July 25, 2018 at the New Hanover Regional Medical Center, Wilmington, NC. She was predeceased by siblings Leila Jacobs, Vanice King, Dorothy Edwards, Stacy Wade Butts, and James Thurman Butts.

Just a few years later, Sarah was no longer the baby; however, she and the new baby, Dorothy, grew up almost like twins, attending school and church together. They both moved to Brooklyn, New York, after graduating from the East Arcadia High School. She was employed by the Charm Craft Card Company for several years. When her parents' health began to fail, she moved home in 1974 to help care for them. In addition to her parents, she also opened her heart to a generation of grand nieces and nephews. At least, she did so when she and her sisters, Leila and Vanice, were not at the Cape Fear River or Topsail Beach enjoying their favorite pastime, fishing. She also cared for several other children in the community.

Additionally, she returned to her home church and to the East Arcadia Senior Citizens Organization. The Center became the center of her life until sister Pearlene came home and moved next door. The she, Pearlene and Dot became neighbors again and their homes became the family meeting place. She did; however, leave one other time to visit Los Angeles where her brother Thurman and his family lived.

Surviving to cherish the memories of their beloved sister, aunt, niece and cousin are one brother, William Douglas Butts; one sister, Pearlene Joseph; one aunt, Berline Graham; many nieces and nephews, and a host of first cousins and other extended family. *Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhomenc.com.*

Ms. Barbara Ann Greene

Ms. Barbara Ann Mitchell Greene, daughter of the late Allen Otto "Jack" Mitchell and Myrtle Shaw Mitchell was born on November 24, 1947 in Whiteville, North Carolina. In addition to her parents he was preceded in death by her only sibling, Michael Mitchell. On July 23, 2018, God sent His angel from heaven to New Hanover Regional Medical Center and she placed Barbara in the arms of Jesus Christ, her Savior. She is now reunited with her mom, dad, brother, and aunts and uncles who served surrogate parents and mentors, Douglas and Vivian Kennedy and Arthur and Pazavia Mitchell.

Throughout life, Barbara touched the hearts and lives of many people with an amazing sense of humor and an awesome attitude towards life. She loved God and family; always giving unselfishly of herself. Her purse was small but her heart was BIG! Her motto was "God Is Good". She would often modify that quote by saying "God Is The Best".

Barbara loved attending church and paying her "dues". She exhibited many Christian qualities among family, friends and her church community. She was a long-time member of St. Phillip AME Church where she remained a devoted member until her health and mobility declined.

All of her ministers - The Reverend Smith, The Reverend Parker, The Reverend Davis and The Reverend Richburg are members of the Barbara Greene's Fan Club; they all treated her like a celebrity, a Super Star. She felt the love.

Barbara was a member of the Williston Senior High School graduating Class of 1966. She believed in education and instilled its attainment in her daughter and granddaughters, encouraging them to achieve academic success.

In 1967, Barbara united in marriage with Irving Greene and from that union, a daughter, Ursula was born.

Barbara is survived by her daughter, Ursula; Ursula's father; three granddaughters, Ciearra McMillian, Kiearra Ashe and Tiearra Ashe; four great-grandchildren; devoted and special cousins, Dorothy Shaw Pridgen and Sarah Walker; one aunt, Mrs. Theodosia Shaw; sister-in-law, Diane Mitchell; her posse of devoted friends, Bettye Clayton-Stevens, Sabrina Clayton Nedabylek, Rosa Alford Fullwood, Theresa Hawkins Jordan, Shorty Boy Williams, Mrs. Ranada James, Delphine McKoy, Cynthia Smith Greene and Betty H. Simmons and a host of cousins, other relatives, friends, including her amazing church support group that provided transportation to and from church, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lundy, Sr., Mrs. Betty Polite Robinson and Mr. Columbus Pridgen and Judy Brown Hackett, a life-long friend and caregiver. *Arrangements by Adkins-Drain Funeral Service. Inc., 515 South Eighth Street, Wilmington, North Carolina 28401. Condolences may be shared at www.adkinsdrainfuneralservice.com.*

Eulandra Williams

Eulandra Williams died July 5, 2018. Memorial services were held Saturday, July 28, 2018 at Willie L. Shaw Jr. Memorial Chapel.

Eulandra Lenora "Nora" McDuffie was born November 27, 1959 in Wilmington, North Carolina to James McDuffie, Sr. and the late Peggy Devone McDuffie. She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Pearlie E. McDuffie, Elovine Devone and Frank Devone and brother, James McDuffie, Jr.

She attended New Hanover County public schools and graduated from John T. Hoggard High School in 1978. Eulandra was an easy going person and a devoted mother. As a child she attended Mt. Nebo Missionary Baptist church. Later in life she became a member of Faith Temple Church of God in Christ.

She leaves to cherish her memories; her son, Robert Lee Williams; father, James McDuffie, Sr; sister, Synetta McDuffie; nephew, Sean Pugh; special mother, Maxine McDuffie; uncles, Harry and Leon Devone; a host of cousins and friends, including a special friend, Mrs. Mary Burwell. *A Service of John H Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Linda Faye Davis

Linda Faye Davis died July 19, 2018. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, 25, 2018 at St. Andrew AME Zion Church. Burial followed in the Moores Cemetery.

Linda Faye Ray Davis, daughter of the late Nishie Bell Ray and Willie Skinner was born on April 9, 1960. She was preceded in death by her sister, Barbara Jean Ray.

Linda received her education in the New Hanover county Public School System. She had a career as a housekeeper. Linda Faye was a well-known member of the Hillcrest Community for many years.

She leaves to cherish her memory: two children, Tyree Davis and Tynise Davis; seven grandchildren, Mikhi Davis, Tydrese Davis, Kayden Davis, Mi'Siah Stukes, Roy'el Dais, Taylynn Davis and Ma'kel Mitchell; two siblings, Bruce Ray and Jacqueline Pearson; a special aunt, Mary Jamison; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends, including special friends, Sharon Parker "Ty", Daphene Bell "DeeDee" and Brenda Miller. *A Service of John H Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Reuben Irvin

Reuben Irvin died July 30, 2018. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, August 3, 2018 at Warner Temple AMEZ Church. Burial will follow in the Pollocks Cemetery, Scotts Hill Community. *A Service of John H Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Larry Murray

Larry Murray died July 27, 2018 in Ft. Washington, MD. Funeral services will be at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 4, 2018 in Willie L. Shaw Jr. Memorial Chapel. Burial will follow in Calvary Memorial Cemetery. *A Service of John H Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Capria Rouser

Capria Rouser died July 29, 2018. Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later by John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home. *A Service of John H Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Ruth Davis

Ruth Davis died August 1, 2018. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 4, 2018 at St. Phillip AME Church. Burial will follow in Calvary Memorial Cemetery. *A Service of John H Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

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Religious Briefs

New Hanover County

Antioch United Holy Church will hold the 20th Pastoral Anniversary and Retirement Celebration/Banquet honoring Elder Henrietta McGlenn on Saturday, August 25th at 5:00 p.m. at Union Missionary Baptist Church, 2711 Princess Place Dr. Tickets $30.00. Please contact Renetta McGlenn at 910-540-3017 or Dianne Artis at 910-471-1627.

The Better St. Phillip A.M.E. Zion Church, located at 2913 Acorn Branch Rd. In the Wrightsboro Community will hold their Annual 50 States Rally on Sunday August 5th at 4:00 p.m. The special guest will be The Reverend James R. Williams, the Pastor of. St. Mark Whiteville, N.C. Reverend Johnson will be accompanied by his choir and congregation of St. Mark. This program will benefit the church and dinner will be graciously served at 2:00 p.m. For more information, please call our Program Director Sis. Dentral Boykin at 910-200-4953 or 910-540-4406. Also on Sunday, August 19th the church will hold their Annual Home Coming Celebration at 3:00 p.m. The guest speaker for 2018 will be The Reverend Thomas O. Nixon, the Pastor of St. Stephen A.M.E. Church of Wilmington, N.C. along with his choir, ushers & congregation. Lunch will be served at 1:00 p.m. For additional information, please contact the program chair, Sister Ashley Hall at 910-540-4250 or the program director Sister Dentral Boykin at 910-200-4953.

Wilmington College of Theology, 3421 Wrightsville Ave., will begin its Fall semester August 14th at 6:00 p.m. Registration will be August 14th- 28th. For more information please call Dr. Lorraine King Cooper at 910-431-7714.

Brunswick County

Way of Life Ministries, 1490 Village Rd., will host Barry Smith and Company, "Men and Women of the Bible" service on Sunday, August 5th at 4:00 p.m. Speakers are Elder patricia Robinson Mack, Minister Robin Gantt, Sister Tomeka Sidbury, Evangelist Betty Burns, Pastor Kenneth Quince, Elder Myra Quince, Apostole Bryon McKoy and Brother Barry Smith. Music by Maretta Wilson of Gospel Harvest COGIC, Bolton, NC. For more information please call 910-262-5002 or 910-550-7475.

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TELL SOMEBODY

"Signs of His Coming"

"And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? What shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world? And Jesus answered, and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you." Matthew 24 1-6

Deception: A Sign of His Coming
Deceive: To mislead or trick by falsehood

Sylvia Hooper

With the occurrence of so many casualties and catastrophic tragedies becoming common place in the world, many in the Body of Christ may be wondering if the end of the world is near. Others who may or may not be disciples of Christ could also be pondering in their minds ," Are these the signs of the end of the world and also of the coming of Christ.?"

If one really wants to know what is going on, and what the future holds, then we must look to , the One who holds the future , the Lord himself. That is what the disciples did, both then, and now! When the disciples (followers of Christ) asked Jesus what would be the signs of His coming and of the end of the world, his first answer to them was, to take heed that no man deceive them. One of the first true signs of the coming of the Lord and the end of the word is the magnitude of deception. We see it in the world, and we see it also in the church! That is why Jesus said to his disciples, "Take Heed".

The first record of deception occurred in Genesis 3:1-4. When Satan seduced Adam and Eve to doubt God's Word….that is when sin and deception entered into the world. Doubt and unbelief are still among the greatest areas of deception to come upon the Body of Christ. To doubt means to be uncertain about something . Doubt also means to distrust the source of information. Unbelief is not accepting something said as truth. Doubt and unbelief entered their heart and mind, and caused them to disobey the Word of God. When we see doubt and unbelief affecting many in the Body of Christ, then we know that these are also signs of His coming!

Jesus told the disciples to take heed that no man deceive you. He said in Galatians 6:7-9, "And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." We have all heard for so long that Jesus is soon to come. Frankly, some of our brothers and sisters believe that, and some don't. The evident sign of doubt and unbelief is willful disobedience to God's Word. That is why we see throughout the bible, the words of warning and encouragement, "Be not deceived!" 'BE NOT DECEIVED; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting." Galatians 6:7-8. Deception is a definite sign of His coming!

"Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, nor thieves nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God." I Cor. 6:9-11

"Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners." I Cor. 15:33 "Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men." Proverbs 22:24 "Be not thou envious against evil men, neither desire to be with them. Proverbs 24:1 "Be not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? And what communion hath light with darkness? II Corinthians 6:14

God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? Or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?" Numbers 23:19 "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever." Hebrews 13:8 The Bible was not written for the world, it is written to the church, the Body of Christ. The spirit of deception brought in doubt and unbelief. The spirit of unbelief will spawn a spirit of disobedience. Unbelief is a sin with catastrophic consequences. Revelation 21:8

As disciples of Christ, we must take heed and prayerfully watch that we do not be deceived by others, neither should we deceive ourselves! "But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves." Book of James. So when we see and hear of a lot of things happening in the world and in the church, think it not strange, it is just another Sign of the Times.

"For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders; inso much that , if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect." Jesus told his disciples then, and he is yet saying to them, "Take heed that no man deceive you." Matthew 24:24 Deception: A Sign of His Coming.

Prayer: Father in the Name of Jesus, I pray that you will keep my heart and mind from being deceived in these last days. Help me to hold fast to my faith in your Word, for I know that your Word is true. Amen.

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She is the President of P.W.E. Pastors Wives Empowerment Conference, an annual event held in honor of Pastors and ministers Wives. This support group's focus is to Encourage, Embrace and Empower Elect Ladies to be all they can be in Christ Jesus, while providing support to their husbands, who are Gospel preachers and pastors. Her heart's desire is to please the Lord, rescue the perishing, comfort the dying, and live a life that gives God glory!

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Francis H. Gilbert,** deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **12th day of October, 2018,** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 12th day of July, 2018

Gerald M. Murrell, Executor
373 Friday Dr.
Wilmington, NC 28411

July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of **Diane McIntyre Skiba,** deceased, of New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **19th day of October, 2018,** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This 19th day of July, 2018.

James W. Skiba, Executor of the
Estate of Diane McIntyre Skiba
311 Friday Drive
Wilmington, NC 28411
MURCHISON, TAYLOR &
GIBSON, PLLC
16 North Fifth Avenue
Wilmington, NC 28401

July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of **Frances W. Taylor,** deceased, of New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **26th day of October, 2018,** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This 26th day of July, 2018.

Jeffrey B. Taylor, Executor of the
Estate of Frances W. Taylor
PO Box 182
Roseboro, NC 28382
MURCHISON, TAYLOR &
GIBSON, PLLC
16 North Fifth Avenue
Wilmington, NC 28401

July 26, Augst 2, 9, 16, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of **William J. Bordeaux,** deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **2nd day of November, 2018,** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 2nd day of July, 2018

Marsha Corbett, Administrator
4804 Otis Drive
Leland, NC 28451

August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the estate of **Thomas Lee Shepard, Jr.,** deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **2nd day of November, 2018,** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 2nd day of July, 2018

Teresa L. Shepard, Executrix
908 N. Madison Avenue
Goldsboro, NC 27530

August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Martha S. Harrelson,** deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **19th day of October, 2018,** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 19th day of July, 2018

Huber Grayson Register, Executor
233 Century Dr.
Cameron, NC 28326

July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of **Constance Jarvis Lancaster,** deceased, of New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **19th day of October, 2018,** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This 19th day of July, 2018.

Libby Lancaster Johnson,
Administrator of the Estate of
Constance Jarvis Lancaster 3817
Rounding Bend Lane
Wilmington, NC 28409
MURCHISON, TAYLOR &
GIBSON, PLLC
16 North Fifth Avenue
Wilmington, NC 28401

July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Aloma Gudger Hardison,** deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **26th day of October, 2018,** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 26th day of July, 2018

Albert Hardison, Executor
1471 Ness Drive
Castle Hayne, NC 28429

July 26, August 2, 9, 16, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTAE OF
EDNA E. LEWIS, DECEASED
FILE NO: 18 E 739

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of **Edna E. Lewis,** deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said decedent to exhibit same to Linwood F. Lewis, Administrator, at the address set out below, on or before October 25, 2018, or this notice will be pleaded in bar to recovery. All persons indebted to the decedent will please make payment to the undersigned at either address set out below.

This the 26th day of July, 2018

The Law Office of Erma L. Johnson, P.C.
2803 Market Street
PO Box 696
Wilmington, NC 28402

July 26, August 2, 9, 16, 2018

BID REQUEST

RPC Contracting is requesting bids from any interested NCDOT Certified MBE/WBE firms for Contract DA00431 in Bertie, Hyde, Martin, Tyrrell & Washington Co.'s bidding on 8/15/2018. There will be a pre-bid conference at 3:00 PM on Monday 8/6/18 at the office of RPC Contracting, 934 W. Kitty Hawk Road, Kitty Hawk, NC. Plans and specifications are available for review at the same location or may be downloaded from NCDOT'S Project Letting website at https://connect.ncdot.gov/letting/Pages/letting-List.aspx?letttype+1. For more information please call 252-261-3336, ask for Jay. RPC Contracting is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

August 2, 2018

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
JUVENILE SESSION
FILE NO. 17 JT 112

IN THE MATTER OF:
A.F.C. (DOB: 07/24/2015)
TO: RASHON ROBERTS

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows:

Termination of all parental rights you have to the above-captioned minor female child.

You are required to make defense to such pleading within forty (40) days following Thursday, July 26, 2018, which date is the date of first publication of this Notice. Upon your failure to do so, the party seeking relief against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. You have the right to attend this hearing, and you have the right to be represented by counsel.

You have been assigned Attorney Mark Ihnat. Attorney Ihnat may be contacted at (910) 632-0635.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A HEARING ON THE PETITION TO TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS is SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2018, AT 11:00 A.M., or upon a date and time set thereafter, at the Office of Juvenile Justice, 138 N 4th Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401.

This the 26th day of July, 2018.

Regina Floyd-Davis
Staff Attorney - New Hanover Co.
Dept. of Social Services
1650 Greenfield Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
(910) 798-3615 (phone)
(910) 798-3772 (fax)

July 26, August 2, 9, 2018

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
JUVENILE SESSION
FILE NO. 14 JT 4

IN THE MATTER OF:
J.M.J. (DOB: 02/20/2011)

TO: RESPONDENTS: KIYANA JOHNSON, BIOLOGICAL MOTHER OF THE ABOVE CAPTIONED MALE CHILD BORN IN ORLANDO, ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA TO KIYANA JOHNSON

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows:

Termination of all parental rights you have to the above-captioned minor child.

You are required to make defense to such pleading within forty (40) days following July 26, 2018, which date is the date of first publication of this Notice. Upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. You have the right to attend this hearing and you have the right to be represented by counsel and can apply for court appointed counsel.

Attorney Alexis Perkins has been appointed to represent Kiyana Johnson, and she can be reached at 320 Chestnut Street, Suite 201, Wilmington, North Carolina 28401 or (910) 343-5400.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A HEARING ON THE PETITION TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS IS SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 20, 2018, AT 9:30 A.M. or as soon thereafter as it may be heard, at the Office of Juvenile Justice, 138 N 4th Street, P.O. Box 2560, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401.

This the 28th day of June, 2018.

Karen F. Richards
Contract Attorney
New Hanover County Department
of Social Services
PO Box 81
Wilmington, NC 28402
(910) 632-0424

July 26, August 2, 9, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of **Gladys Trapp Jeffrey,** deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **19th day of October, 2018,** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 19th day of July, 2018

Renee M. Kelly, Administrator
7720 Highchair Lane
Jacksonville, FL 32210

July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of **Herbert T. Fisher,** deceased, of New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **19th day of October, 2018,** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This 19th day of July, 2018.

Sylvia W. Fisher, Executrix of the
Estate of Herbert T. Fisher
1608 Market Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
MURCHISON, TAYLOR &
GIBSON, PLLC
16 North Fifth Avenue
Wilmington, NC 28401

July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2018

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
NEW HANOVER COUNTY
THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
DISTRICT COURT DIVISION
18 CVD 2053

LISA COIL
v.
DENNIS SCOTT COIL
TO: DENNIS SCOTT COIL, DEFENDANT

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief as follows: Complaint for absolute divorce.

You are required to make defense to such pleading no later than forty(40) days after the first date of publication of this Notice, and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to this Court for the relief sought.

This the 13th day of July, 2018

Lisa Coil
2640 Oak Forest Rd.
Four Oaks, NC 27524

July 19, 26, August 2, 2018

BID REQUEST

RPC Contracting is requesting bids from any interested NCDOT Certified MBE/WBE firms for the Northeastern Regional Airport Fuel Farm Area paving Project in Edenton, NC bidding on 8/15/2018. There will be a pre-bid conference at 4:00 PM on Monday 8/6/18 at the office of RPC Contracting, 934 W. Kitty Hawk Road, Kitty Hawk, NC. Plans and specifications are available for review at the same location. For more information please call 252-261-3336, ask for Jay. RPC Contracting is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

August 2, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as Administrator CTA of the Estate of **Grace Walker (16-E-1547),** late of New Hanover County, Wilmington, North Carolina the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 701 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401 on or before **October 19, 2018** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 12th day of July, 2018

Charlotte Noel Fox
Administrator CTA of the Estate of
Grace Walker
c/o Craige & Fox, PLLC
701 Market Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
910-815-0085

July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of **Christopher Wells (18-E-805),** late of New Hanover County, Wilmington, North Carolina the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 701 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401 on or before **October 19, 2018** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 12th day of July, 2018

Charlotte Noel Fox
Administrator of the Estate of Grace
Walker
c/o Craige & Fox, PLLC
701 Market Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
910-815-0085

July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the estate of **Daine C. Parchuke,** deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **12th day of October, 2018,** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 12th day of July, 2018

Donna Maria Bryan, Executrix
7624 Mallow Rd
Wilmington, NC 28411

July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 2018

NOTICE TO DEBTORS
AND CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER
IN THE GENERAL
COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR
COURT DIVISION
BEFORE THE CLERK
18 E 841

The undersigned having duly qualified as Executor of the Estate of **RUPERT DANIEL WORTHINGTON,** late of Wilmington, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said Estate to exhibit them to the undersigned at Post Office Box 4, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28402, on or before the **19th day of October, 2018,** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 19th day of July, 2018.

Andrew Jackson Simmons,
Executor
Estate of Rupert Daniel
Worthington
Jeffrey P. Keeter
Block, Crouch, Keeter, Behm &
Sayed, L.L.P.
P.O. Box 4
Wilmington, NC 28402

July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of **Jack Warren, Jr. (18-E-490),** late of New Hanover County, Wilmington, North Carolina the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 701 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401 on or before **November 2, 2018** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 30th day of July, 2018

Charlotte Noel Fox
Administrator of the Estate of Jack
Warren, Jr.
c/o Craige & Fox, PLLC
701 Market Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
910-815-0085

August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Jacqueline Rubinstein (18-E-607), late of New Hanover County, Wilmington, North Carolina the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 701 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401 on or before November 2, 2018 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 30th day of July, 2018

Charlotte Noel Fox
Administrator of the Estate of
Jacqueline Rubinstein
c/o Craige & Fox, PLLC
701 Market Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
910-815-0085

August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of **James Lee (18-E-602),** late of New Hanover County, Wilmington, North Carolina the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 701 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401 on or before **November 2, 2018** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 30th day of July, 2018

Charlotte Noel Fox
Administrator of the Estate of
James Lee
c/o Craige & Fox, PLLC
701 Market Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
910-815-0085

August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of **Allen Blanchard, Jr., (18-E-786)**, late of New Hanover County, Wilmington, North Carolina the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 701 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401 on or before **November 2, 2018** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 30th day of July, 2018

Charlotte Noel Fox
Administrator of the Estate of Allen
Blanchard, Jr.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Lorena Breeze McBroom,** deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **2nd day of November, 2018,** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 2nd day of July, 2018

Randy E. McBroom, Executor
1218 Dotson Ct.
Wilmington, NC 28405

August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2018

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
NEW HANOVER COUNTY
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION
COURT FILE #: 18-CVS-2237

TO: JOHN DOE, (UNKNOWN DRIVER)

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action.

The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: to have and recover damages resulting from a motor vehicle accident occurring on or about June 26, 2015 at approximately 10:25 p.m. on Oleander Drive more fully described in the Complaint.

You are required to make defense to such pleading no later than August 30, 2018 and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This, the 30th day of July, 2018.

JOHN RICHARD FARROW,
By and Through His Attorney
Thomas C. Goolsby
Goolsby Law Firm, PLLC
212 Walnut Street
Suite 100
Wilmington, NC 28401
910-763-3339 (tel)
thom@goolsbylaw.com

August 2, 9, 16, 2018

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS
BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
NEW HANOVER COUNTY
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION
COURT FILE #: 18-CVS-2236

TO: JOHN DOE, (UNKNOWN DRIVER)

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action.

The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: to have and recover damages resulting from a motor vehicle accident occurring on or about June 26, 2015 at approximately 10:25 p.m. on Oleander Drive more fully described in the Complaint.

You are required to make defense to such pleading no later than August 30, 2018 and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This, the 30th day of July, 2018.

LINDA SUTTON KOPOTIC,
By and Through Her Attorney
Thomas C. Goolsby
Goolsby Law Firm, PLLC
212 Walnut Street
Suite 100
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August 2, 9, 16, 2018

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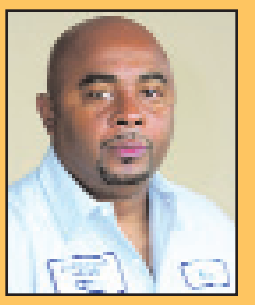

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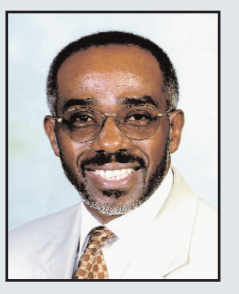

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leave mail at your home or business for the postal carrier to collect?
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