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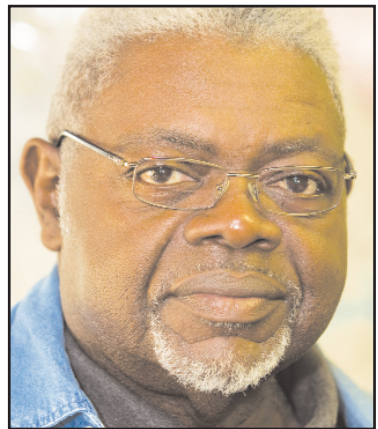
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BERNEST HEWETT

BRUNSWICK COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MEETING

BY BERNEST HEWETT
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Brunswick County, we are again facing a case of voter suppression. The board of elections is now trying to do away with name precincts and just have numbers. Each voter's precinct will be a number and not a name, as it has been all along. This system will totally confuse much of the public. Our elected officials know this and care more about getting elected than about the people whom they are supposed to be helping.

On August 20, 2019, at 2:00 p. m., at the David Sandford Building, on the campus of the Brunswick County Complex. There will be a meeting by the Brunswick County Board of Elections. Come out and have your opinion heard!

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

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GOVERNOR, CHIEF JUSTICE, ANNOUNCE SCHOOL JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM TO KEEP STUDENTS OUT OF JAIL

BY CASH MICHAELS
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

In an effort to keep troubled school students in the classroom and out of court and jail, Gov. Roy Cooper and Chief Justice Cheri Beasley were joined by local judges, law enforcement, teachers, school officials and district attorneys Monday in Gibsonville to announce the School Justice Partnership (SJP).

"School discipline has changed considerably in the last 20 years, and students today are more likely to be arrested and sent to court for misbehavior that used to be han-

dled with a trip to the principal's office," Chief Justice Beasley said in a prepared statement Monday.

"School Justice Partnerships create a space for teachers, principals and school resource officer to think differently about discipline and to redirect behavior so that these young people can see that they have a chance to be successful, to believe in themselves, and dream big for their futures."

Without this program, the prob-

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CHIEF JUSTICE BEASLEY ANNOUNCES SJP TOOL KIT



STACY ABRAMS

Stacey Abrams says she'd serve as vice president

BY STACY M. BROWN, NNPA NEWSWIRE
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The overcrowded Democratic presidential field has a record six women seeking the nomination.

But one prominent individual who isn't running for the top job has thrown her hat into the ring for vice president.

Former Georgia Gubernatorial Candidate Stacey Abrams said she would be delighted to serve under one of the 22 candidates.

"I would be honored to be considered by any nominee," Abrams told *The New York Times* on Wednesday, Aug. 14.

"I've just come to the decision that my best value add, the strongest contribution I can give to this primary, would be to make sure our nominee is coming

into an environment where there are strong voter protections in place," Abrams told the *Times*.

"I would not have publicly raised the possibility if it was not a legitimate thought," Abrams said.

She said the current field, which includes former Vice President Joe Biden; Calif. Sen. Kamala Harris; New Jersey Sen. Cory Booker; and Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders, is talented.

Earlier this year when Biden entered the race, he was reportedly considering Abrams as a running mate.

YAHOO! News reported that Abrams dismissed those rumors, noting that at the time, Abrams was considering a run for president.

Earlier this year, Booker said he believed that a woman should be on the ticket.

Another candidate, former Texas Rep. Beto O'Rourke, said he would find it "very difficult not to select a woman" as his running mate.



STATE REP. NASIF MAHEED

North Carolina hate crimes bill not getting traction

BY CASH MICHAELS
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

Amid two recent national tragedies - mass shootings where the majority of victims targeted were Hispanic and African American - along with racist letters, suggesting violence against two Black Charlotte County commissioners, and a Siler City restaurant, there's little question that the racial atmosphere across the country, and here in North Carolina, is getting more tense every day.

Many observers blame the harsh political rhetoric of President Donald

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Coalition pressuring Twitter to shut down White supremacist accounts

BY BARRINGTON M. SALMON

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - A coalition of racial justice and civil rights organizations, based in Charlottesville, Va., has launched a campaign to force Twitter to respond to widespread concerns that Twitter allows White supremacists to flourish on its platform.

The Change the Terms Coalition was deliberate in timing the launch on the eve of the second anniversary of the Unite the Right rally in Charlottesville that led to the murder of activist Heather Heyer on

August 12, 2017. The 32-year-old paralegal civil rights activist, was struck and killed by 22-year-old James Fields, a Neo-Nazi White supremacist who drove a car into a crowd of counter-protesters. Fields is serving a life sentence plus 419 years for the murder.

The announcement also comes on the heels of two mass shootings that killed at least 31 people in El Paso, Texas and Dayton, Ohio August 3rd and 4th respectively. The massacres have exacerbated the group's concerns about racially motivated attacks fueled by inflam-

matory online hate. They say President Donald Trump is fueling the violence and called for an uprising against it.

"Donald Trump has legitimized violence and it's time for people to stand up," said Jessica J. González, co-founder of Change the Terms and vice president of Strategy and Senior Counsel at Free Press.

The coalition, which held a press conference by phone August 7, is demanding that Twitter ban White

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WHITE HOUSE PHOTO
American flag at half staff over the White House last week in mourning for at least 31 massacre victims. As President Trump said he condemned White supremacy and racism, observers say he fuels it.

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lem is real. Forty percent of all juvenile justice system referrals come from schools. Suspensions and expulsions increase the likelihood that affected students will soon find themselves entangled with the law.

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Trump, noting his recent remarks calling the Black neighborhoods of Baltimore "infested" and inspiring a July 15 "Send her back" chant during a political rally in Greenville, that targeted Somali-born U. S. Congresswoman Ilhan Omar (D-MN).

However, even before these recent events, State Rep. Nasif Majeed, of Charlotte, filed a bill in the NC General Assembly, which would make hate

And it also increases the likelihood of a lifetime pattern of criminal activity, and arrests going into adulthood.

In addition, statistics show, students of color are 2.5 times likely to be referred to juvenile court and 1.5 times more likely than Whites to be placed in secure confinement. African Americans comprise 57 per-

cent of suspensions, even though they are 26 percent of the total student population.

"The SJP Toolkit, introduced Monday, can help local schools, law enforcement and judicial systems adequately address emerging student problems," Gov. Cooper told reporters.

"Our communities must engage with kids to help keep

crimes in North Carolina a felony, instead of the current misdemeanor.

House Bill 312, the Hate Crimes Prevention Act, filed back on March 11, of this year, has thus far been held in the House Judiciary Committee, with not much movement.

According to language from the measure, this is, "...an act to increase the scope and punishment of hate crimes; to require the State Bureau of Investigation to create and maintain a hate crimes statistics database; to require the NC Justice academy to

develop and provide law enforcement officers with training on identifying, responding to, and reporting hate crimes, and to require the Conference of District Attorneys of NC to develop and provide training to prosecutors on how to prosecute hate crimes."

The bill continues that "If any Class A1 or Class 1 misdemeanor offense is committed because of the victim's race, ethnicity, color, religion, nationality, country of origin, gender, gender identity, gender expression, disability, or sexual orientation, the offender shall be

we fuel white terrorism. We not only allow it to exist, we also allow it to thrive."

González, who moderated the August 7 conference call, said Twitter is a space that allows key White nationalist influencers to operate. Reportedly, there are at least 100,000 verified accounts of racists and White extremists who are sophisticated and organized.

"There are 173,000 tweets, 4,000 per white supremacist account and twitter has not removed them," González said. "Twitter talks a good game while vile, racist extremists continue to spew hate. Latinos have been targeted because of Donald Trump. People are scared to go to school, grocery store, other places because of the color of our skins."

González said Latino communities including where she lives have been profoundly affected by the shooting in El Paso on August 3. Patrick Crusius, a 21-year-old White man drove more than six hours from Dallas to El Paso "to kill Mexicans."

González said fear has increased exponentially among her friends, family and neighbors and in Latino communities since the killer, who admitted that he is an anti-immigrant white nationalist and Trump supporter, opened fire in a Walmart, killing 22 people and wounded dozens of others.

The coalition notes that a range of Unite the Right organizers and associated White-nationalist influencers continue to benefit from their presence on Twitter. This includes key rally organizers like Richard Spencer, Evan McLaren and Tony Hovater; so-called alt-right podcast-

them in school and out of jail. The Toolkit planned by the Judicial Branch can help build positive partnerships, and I have directed the Juvenile Justice Section of the Department of Public Safety to help with implementing School Justice Partnerships across North Carolina," the governor said.

Ultimately, state and local

guilty of a Class H felony."

The measure, if passed, would also allow either for the victim, or an immediate family member of the victim, to file a civil suit to "...obtain appropriate relief from the person who committed the offense..."

In published reports, Rep. Masjeed says that, given all that's going on in the nation and North Carolina, there is no better time than now to pass this legislation.

However, the Charlotte first-term Democrat is well aware that he's in the minority in the Republican-led State House. He's also aware

officials are looking for dramatic decreases in the number of school-based juvenile justice referrals made to the court system.

SJPs are already underway in 15 judicial districts, representing 35 counties across North Carolina, including Guilford, New Hanover, Brunswick, Mecklenburg, and Wayne

that Republican lawmakers - just like the ones in congress - traditionally have dragged their feet when it comes to any kind of hate crime laws or laws regarding gun safety or keeping high powered weapons out of the hands of those not qualified to have them.

Thus, Majeed's bill, though comprehensive, is not expected to go very far this year. And he doesn't see Pres. Trump's consistent negative rhetoric helping matters either.

"What he says certainly doesn't help and is fuel to the fire," Majeed notes.

lent extremist groups and violent threats on Twitter. We will always have more to do, and collaboration with outside researchers is critical to helping us effectively address issues like radicalization in all its forms."

But the coalition contends Twitter's response is nowhere near close enough.

"Twitter has some responsibility for that. Black and brown communities here and globally are under attack," said Don Gathers, co-founder of the Charlottesville chapter of Black Lives Matter. "The person who shall not be named has enabled others. It all spews from the same ideology. He has to stand up and speak forcefully. If he's not willing to do so, we must. As a social platform, Twitter has not taken responsibility. What they're allowing is not all speech is free, much of it is hate. Intimidation and bullying can't be allowed. They cannot be allowed to use the cloak and cover of anonymity. We're calling on Twitter to denounce that ... We just have to say enough."

Gathers, former Chair of Charlottesville's Blue Ribbon Commission on Race, Memorials, and Public Spaces, said Charlottesville is still reeling from march and rally's fallout.

"The deadly Unite the Right rally was planned on social media, and our community is still feeling the profound impact of that violence today," he said. "We're still reeling from [that] fateful day and fateful actions. Whole communities are still living in fear. It's time these companies used their terms of service to keep white supremacists off Twitter and reduce the hate that leads to tragedy."

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supremacists and adopt model corporate policies.

"White supremacists fundraise, recruit and normalize the murder of marginalized people," said González. "We've been working with Big Tech to accept our demands. But Twitter is slow to change. It's the only platform that has failed to commit to banning White supremacists. David Duke, a former grand wizard of the KKK, is one there as is Richard Spencer and key organizers."

Richard Spencer is a widely known neo-Nazi and president of the National Policy Institute, a White Supremacist Think Tank. Spencer was the leader of the torch-lit march in Charlottesville the evening before the death of Heather Heyer.

The Change the Terms Coalition includes more than 55 human-rights, civil-rights and digital-rights groups. They include Free Press, the Southern Poverty Law Center, the Center for American Progress, Color of Change, Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, MediaJustice, Muslim Advocates and the National Hispanic Media Coalition. It has called on Twitter and other online companies to develop more comprehensive policies to disrupt hate and racism on their platforms and has also urged these platforms to adopt the model corporate policies that Change the Terms has developed.

"When Twitter gives well-known White supremacists a platform, even after they have been deemed too extreme by Facebook and YouTube, their company becomes complicit in normalizing racism and the hateful acts inspired by it," said González, vice president of strategy and senior counsel at Free Press and co-founder of Change the Terms. "Twitter must tell White supremacists they cannot rely on the platform to espouse harmful rhetoric, intimidate, and plan more attacks."

Brandi Collins-Dexter, senior campaign director of Color of Change, agreed.

"From Charlottesville two years ago to El Paso this week, we've seen the tragic outcomes of White nationalism spreading on Twitter, made even more dangerous

every time Trump is allowed to tweet his bigoted rhetoric," she said. "White nationalists use Twitter every day to harass Black people and users from marginalized communities, to build power and organizational strength, and to amplify violent ideologies in this country. It's time for Jack Dorsey and Twitter's leadership to get over their fear of conservative backlash and fully stamp out discrimination on the platform. Our civil rights should not be negotiable."

Dr. Avis Jones-DeWeever, president of the diversity consultant firm, Incite Unlimited, cites statistics which illustrate the danger White extremism poses:

*** According to the most recent FBI data, the number of hate crimes in America has increased three years in a row, jumping about 17 percent in one year alone.

*** The number of White supremacist groups in America has soared 30 percent in the last four years.

*** White supremacists account for nearly three out of four murderous terrorist acts in the U.S.

*** Counties that hosted a Trump rally during his run for president in 2016 have subsequently experienced a 226 percent jump in hate crimes.

"It doesn't take a rocket scientist to see the correlation between the political rise of Trump (his campaign run in the primaries, the general election and his time in office), his specific policy negligence around white terrorism, the white supremacist language he infuses in his rhetoric on a daily basis, and the rise in white nationalist violence that has ensued," Jones-DeWeever said. "When we refuse to speak this truth,

ers and YouTubers who broadcast live from the rally like Faith Goldy and Mike Peinovich; and figureheads of hate like former KKK Grand Wizard David Duke, who attended and broadcast from the deadly rally, and continue to enjoy unfettered use of their Twitter accounts.

Twitter, for its part, released a statement last week saying that it is researching whether white supremacists should be banned or allowed to continue operating on its platform.

Vijaya Gadde, Twitter's head of trust and safety, legal and public policy said in published reports that the research aims to understand the effectiveness of both removing such individuals, as well as allowing them to remain online to be debated by others.

Gadde said in an interview with Motherboard that Twitter is working with academics to see if it can be confirmed that "counter-speech and conversation are a force for good" and "can act as a basis for de-radicalization," which is Twitter's current position. She also added that Twitter has seen evidence on other platforms that radical viewpoints can change through an exchange of ideas.

"We're working with them specifically on white nationalism and white supremacy and radicalization online and understanding the drivers of those things," Gadde said in the Motherboard interview. "What role can a platform like Twitter play in either making that worse or making that better?"

A Twitter spokesman wrote The Daily Dot saying: "We've made great strides in creating stronger policies against hateful conduct, vio-

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FACTS IN COLUMBUS
COUNTY SHERIFF'S RACE

[RALEIGH] A Wake County Superior Court judge is yet to hear arguments pertaining to the outcome of the Nov. 3rd,

2018 Columbus County sheriff's race between Democrat incumbent Lewis Hatcher and Republican challenger Jody Greene. Greene beat Hatcher by 37 votes, but his residency was challenged before both the county and state boards of elections. The county ruled against Greene, but the state Elections Board ruled for Greene that he was a resident. The Columbus County Democratic Party appealed

that decision to Wake Superior Court, claiming that Greene's RV should not legally qualify was a domicile under North Carolina. As of Tuesday, there was no update.

GOVERNOR APPOINTS
DAMON CIRCOSTA TO
SBOE

[RALEIGH] Gov. Roy Cooper has appointed former State Board of Elections member Damon

Circosta to serve on the current SBOE, replacing former Chairman Bob Cordle after he resigned last week in the aftermath of telling an off-color joke at a state conference. Upon his appointment, Circosta was immediately and unanimously voted the new chair of the SBOE. He has served as the executive director of the A. J. Fletcher Foundation since 2012.

SILER CITY RESTAURANT
TARGET OF HATE
LETTER

[SILER CITY] A new black-owned Siler City restaurant was the target of a racist hate letter last week that threatened the owners to leave town. The Chatham County Sheriff's Office is trying to determine who sent the letter to A & I's Chicken Shack, and owner Andre Chaney. The hate mis-

sive contained several racial slurs, and told Chaney to leave town "or we will help you." When word of the hate letter became public, the response was so overwhelming in terms of support, the store literally sold out of supplies by Sunday.

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BY CASH MICHAELS

A NATIONAL CRISIS: Surging hate crimes and White supremacists

BY CHARLENE CROWELL

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - A Saturday morning shooting rampage in El Paso, Texas on August 3 took the lives of 22 people, and seriously injured more than two dozen others. Reportedly, the alleged shooter wanted to kill as many Mexicans as he could. Armed with safety glasses, ear coverings and an assault-style rifle, the shooter entered a Walmart store during a back-to-school sale.

"Saturday's attack on El Paso was an attack on the Mexican heritage of millions of Americans - and also part of a history of white supremacist and nativist acts in Texas across three centuries," wrote Hector Tobar, in a recent New York Times op-ed. Tobar, an associate professor at the University of California at Irvine is also a published author.

Later that day during evening hours and nearly 1,600 miles away in Dayton, Ohio, another gunman's attack left 9 people dead and 27 injured in that city's Oregon district. Like the Texas shooter, Ohio's shooter was heavily armed but was shot by police before he could enter a nightclub where he could have killed far more. The victims of this shooting reflected the city's diversity and included Blacks, Latinos, and whites.

How in a span of only 24-hours, could two cities in different states and regions suffer mass shootings - one in a city only a few miles from the nation's southern border, and the other, a former Midwestern manufacturing hub?

Despite the shock of two unprovoked attacks, family and community members in both cities must somehow cope through their grief while preparing funeral arrangements. These two communities are also challenging governmental officials at both the state and federal levels to take actions to prevent further fatalities.

Nationally, a profusion of prayers and condolences from the nation together signaled that a tragic moment may yet be transformed into a groundswell movement that reckons with the American conscience. The profusion of assault weapons combined with easy access is a gripping issue that confronts us all.

In response to these and other tragedies, a diverse coalition of leaders held a noon rally on August 6 in the nation's capital. In a joint statement, the Leadership Conference for Civil and Human Rights was joined by key partners including but

not limited to the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, Voto Latino, the Center for Community Self-Help and the Center for Responsible Lending.

"None of this is acceptable," said the leaders in a written statement. "None of this is normal. Our organizations are united in saying that Members of Congress can no longer look away as communities of color are murdered with impunity. We must all unite and demand accountability."

The NAACP and the National Urban League additionally called for the passage of the bipartisan Background Checks Act of 2019. Passed on a bipartisan House vote of 240-190 on February 27, the bill has yet to be taken up by the Senate. It would address both background check requirements for firearms, and firearm transfers between private individuals.

Beyond congressional actions, however, other spheres of influence can also take an active role in curbing violence. For example, corporate leaders could publicly condemn efforts to demonize immigrants, people of color or other groups targeted for hate crimes and violence. In pulpits across the country, pastors should preach about the moral dilemma the nation faces and call upon congregants to live their faith every day. Community-based organizations can call upon state and local officials to also speak out against senseless acts of violence and white supremacists.

Now is also a time to remember that regardless of race or ethnicity, our history chronicles the range of hate crimes that have taken the lives of Latinos as well as Native Americans, Blacks, Jews, and the LGBTQ community. The terror now facing America's Latinos resurrects these horrors, particularly how Blacks encountered racial hatred for more than a century during Jim Crow era and later during the civil rights struggles of the 1950s and 1960s.

Too many times in recent years, our unique Black American experience we remain at risk as a people. In 1998 the body of James Byrd, a black, 49-year old Jasper, Texas man was ripped to pieces as it was drug over a mile and a half by whites driving a pick-up truck. Other and more recent heinous hate crimes remind us of Trayvon Martin, Michael Brown, Eric Garner, and Tamir Rice - just to name a few.

According to Rutgers University, Black men today

are 2.5 times more likely than white men to be victims of violence. From 2013 to 2017, 11,456 fatal encounters with police and members of the public were reported.

At the same time, the emergence of hate groups has been on the rise, according to the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC).

"The total number of hate groups rose to 1,020 in 2018, up about 7 percent from 2017," wrote Heidi Beirich, who leads SPLC's Intelligence Project and its award-winning publication, The

Intelligence Report.

Its report released this February found that white nationalist groups grew from 100 in 2017 to 148 the following year, 2018 - a 50% growth. Other hate groups - anti-Semitic, anti-LGBTQ, and anti-Muslim - also grew during these same years from 233 to 264. While the Ku Klux Klan dominated hate groups in the Jim Crow and civil rights eras, its presence across the country now appears to have been eclipsed by the growth of neo-Nazis, white nationalists, and skin

head organizations.

SPLC's Hate Map by State shows that the largest number of statewide hate groups are located in California (83), Florida (75), and Texas (73). At the local level, additional hate organizations currently operate in Dallas, Los Angeles, San Diego, and Tallahassee. Beyond these three states, hate groups can also be found in 45 other states and in more metropolitan areas such as Atlanta, Chicago, New York City, Sacramento, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.

Just as the assassination of

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. prompted the enactment of major civil rights legislation, now is another time for our nation to stand up to the many forms of domestic terrorism that plague the nation. People of conscience and principle have a duty to stand up, speak out for the fullness of our "inalienable rights".

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When will this end?

The Black community is not going unscathed by Donald Trump's concentrating on dehumanizing our Hispanic brothers and sisters. We care deeply about the people harmed in that horrific crime we have just witnessed in El Paso. Because our ancestors have gone through being uprooted from Africa, through the brutality of slavery, the harshness of Jim Crow, the inhumanity of lynching, and because the impact of these horrific white supremacy hate crimes are still with us, we're going through our own pain and the pain our Hispanic brothers and sisters are facing

Almost every politician who made a statement about El Paso, said what politicians too often say, "Our prayers are with the people of El Paso" and almost as a second thought, they add Dayton. How little these politicians care when they end their comments with prayer. Prayer is fine, but Fannie Lou Hamer said, "You can pray until you faint, but unless you get up and try to do something, God is not going to put it in your lap." When the people of Ohio showed up at Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine's meeting shouting, "Do something," I knew they understood what Fannie Lou said.

What's going on is about racial hate and the worship of guns. Haters' insecurities, along with the constant urging through his racist rhetoric, Trump has shown us he's the "Leader in Chief" of ignorance, hate, racism and meanness. On his unwelcomed trip to El Paso, he couldn't rise to being a consoler. Instead he chose to exploit racial tension.

Last week he was spewing his evil thoughts about Rep. Elijah Cummings for doing his job as Chairman of the House Oversight Committee. This week he's spewing hateful words about people who're already suffering from recent tragedies and stealing parents from their children. His lack of caring wouldn't allow people to grieve in peace.

What are we going to do with this mad man? Sixteen more months of this evil behavior coming out of the White House is intolerable. Everyday that he remains living free on our taxpayer dollars, he slices more decency from our nation. People outside our borders must think all Americans have gone mad to tolerate such madness from one man who is obviously shredding all the goodwill President Barack Obama built with people around the world.

To quote James Baldwin in "Fire Next Time," he said, "Please try to remember that what they believe, as well as what they do and cause you to endure does not testify to your inferiority—but to their inhumanity."

Our hearts bleed for our Hispanic brothers and sisters. While our hearts bleed, we aren't out of the woods either, and it's time for us to join hands to lead the change we need. Let's not accept the demonization of each other by anybody. Trump has no intention of bringing us together. That falls on us. 2020 may seem like a long way off, but it's our hope that more of us will see that all of us owe it to our ancestors to work and vote against evil.

Nothing should stand in the way of unity exercised for the causes we share. Beto O'Rourke has been a real champion on making us understand the beauty of the people of El Paso. He left the Presidential campaign to go home and speak with and on behalf of the people of El Paso. Trump's visit to El Paso was not welcomed. Rep. Veronica Escobar made that clear. We applaud her for her leadership. We, in the Black community, have suffered under racism for a very long time, and we, too, wonder when racism will end. Together, we can make the time shorter.

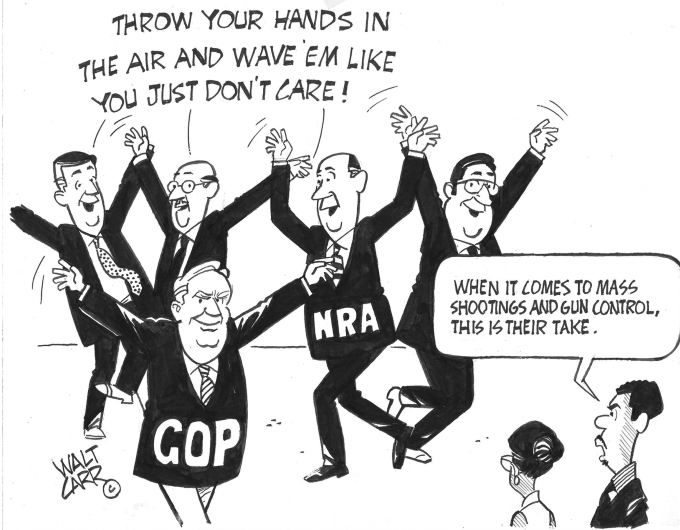
Dr. E. Faye Williams is National President of the National Congress of Black Women (www.nationalcongressbw.org) and host of "Wake Up and Stay Woke" on WPFW-FM 89.3.

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WRITE A LETTER TO THE EDITOR, TODAY!

Visual Voice



YOUR VOICE

BACK TO SCHOOL

SIX BACK TO SCHOOL TIPS FROM A RETIRED MASTER TEACHER.

1. Parents, you are your child's first and most important teacher, so you must meet all your children's other teachers at open house.
2. Buy only the school

clothes you can afford.

3. Mandate 60 minutes each school night for homework.

4. Have each child tell one thing they learned in each class while eating dinner together.

5. Start your home library with a copy of my book "What We Blacks Need To Do" and a one-year subscription to your

local Black newspaper (estimated cost around \$45).

6. Teach your children the alphabet, colors and how to spell their name before preschool. Learning how to count, save and handle money will lead to them making math one of their favorite subjects. P.S.

I hope your children are

much smarter than my cousin, Malcolm thinks he is. TEACHER: Malcolm, your composition on "My Dog" is exactly the same as your brother's. Did you copy his? Malcolm: No, sir, it's the same dog!

James J. Hankins
Wilmington, NC

MATTERS OF OPINION

TO BE EQUAL

Democrats' political gifts to number 45

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

After watching and reading about the highlights of the Democratic Party "debates," I am convinced that the Democrats, at least those on the debate stages, really don't believe that Number 45 (aka

Donald J. Trump) is a threat to vital interests of this country. If they truly believe what they consistently say and write, they wouldn't have provided

Number 45 and his Trumpettes with a basket full of political gifts to use against their eventual candidate for the presidency. Instead they came off, at least to me, as me, myself and I narcissists, striv-

ing for personal attention and future big-time positions in the corporate, academic or political arenas. There is also the possibility of book contracts or jobs as television commentators.

The belief of most of them seem to be that most voters in the country live in urban areas such as Washington, D.C., Manhattan, New York City, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Boston, Philadelphia etc. Number 45 knows better. He practically never campaigns in the large urban centers. Instead he focuses on the majority of the White population in the country who share his basic beliefs. Beliefs that white males have some kind of divine right to be the dominant force in national and international affairs, that the only immigrants who should be allowed to enter and become citizens of the U.S.

should be ones from places like Norway, that black folks should be grateful that they were rescued from "shithole" countries in Africa, that intelligent, strong-willed women are a pain in the you know what, that it would be blasphemous to put a photo of Harriet Tubman on the \$20 bill, and that Dr. Ben Carson is the ideal colored man. And on and on.

The 20 Democrats on those debate stages and most of the American print and broadcast media, progressive and conservative, consistently romanticize the white American voting public as being basically firm proponents of justice and equality for all citizens of the U.S. Again Number 45 knows better. He and those around him are well aware that throughout this country's history, millions of middle income and working class Whites have

voted for their racial biases over their economic interests.

Most of the debaters know damn well that they have absolutely no chance of being elected president of the U.S. in 2020 or any other year. Yet instead of using their time, energy and resources to defeat a con man who they insist is a dire threat to all that they believe in, they will probably continue playing their me, myself and I games. History will judge them harshly.

Finally, a serious Democratic Party would choose Joe Biden as its candidate if he makes a public oath to serve only one term as a transition to the next generation.

A. Peter Bailey, whose latest book is *Witnessing Brother Malcolm X, the Master Teacher*, can be reached at apeterb@verizon.net.

RAINBOW COALITION

End endless conflict and bring peace to Korea

The Korean War Memorial in Washington, D.C. Mvogel/Dreamstime.com.

July 27 marked the 66th anniversary of the signing of the Korean War armistice, which brought an end to hostilities that killed nearly five million people, including almost 40,000 U.S. service members.

The war ended in a temporary cease-fire, which is why the United States still maintains 28,500 troops in South Korea. Nuclear missiles ring the region and threaten the people living there. North and South remain divided, separating thousands of families.

To this day, a formal peace treaty has not been signed.

There has been no official end to the war.

As a servant of God for civil rights and economic justice at home, and peace and human rights abroad, I believe we must take the path to peace, reconciliation and eventual reunification of the Korean Peninsula.

Last year to commemorate the anniversary of the armistice, I led a prayer vigil near the Demilitarized Zone that cuts across the Korean

Peninsula. I prayed: "It is healing time — a time to turn our pain into power: A power to bring about family reunification.

A power to end this decades-long conflict and bring peace to Korea. It's due time to step away from the brink of war and talks of nuclear strikes and seize this opportunity to push for talk of peace.

The current peace process in Korea has both historic potential and challenges.

At first President Donald Trump threatened to unleash "fire and fury." This rhetoric has been replaced with dialogue between North Korean Chairman Kim Jong-Un and Trump, although fundamental differences persist and a permanent solution remains elusive.

Peace is a process, not a single act.

I believe it's time to turn the armistice into a formal, lasting peace agreement. This could be the catalyst to a phased approach to denuclearization whereby the

United States and North Korea take mutual steps to eliminate their nuclear weapons in and around the Korean Peninsula and move toward normalization.

Kim has halted nuclear weapons testing and offered to close the country's nuclear test site. Last summer, North Korea returned 55 boxes of remains believed to be of U.S. troops killed during the

Korean War.

In a resolution following his speech to the North Korean ruling party's Central Committee in April, Kim pledged North Korea would never "use nuclear weapons nor transfer nuclear weapons or nuclear technology under any circumstances unless there are nuclear threats and nuclear provocations against the DPRK."

It's appropriate and desirable, in honor of the Panmunjom Declaration signed by South Korean President Moon Jae-in and North Korean Chairman Kim Jong-un in 2018, to have, as the agreement states, "trilateral meetings involving the two Koreas and the United States, or quadrilateral meetings involving the two Koreas, the United States and China" to complete their unfinished business of "declaring an end to the War, turning the armistice into a peace treaty, and establishing a permanent and solid peace regime."

Many in South Korea, including President Moon, see this as the key to all other issues, including the complete denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula, normalization of relations and North-South reconciliation.

I believe the current process can lead to a fundamental resolution of the U.S.-North Korea conflict. It should not be thwarted by hawkish pundits who seek to

keep the Cold War hot.

Congressional leaders on both sides cast aspersions on the Trump-Kim summits and insist that North Korean denuclearization must be the first — if not the only — objective in U.S.-North Korean negotiations. Trump's national security adviser, John Bolton, a war hawk who has argued for "regime change" — has said North Korea should follow the "Libya model" in denuclearizing.

And we must be ever-mindful of Trump, whose meeting with Kim holds promise and possibility but who has a propensity for head-spinning reversals of direction.

Now the U.S.-South Korean military exercises scheduled for next month threaten to derail plans for working-level talks between the U.S. and North Korea. Last week, the North Korean Foreign Ministry warned that North Korea may resume nuclear and long-range missile testing if the United States goes ahead with the exercise.

By now, we should know there are no winners in war. Military exercises only increase the possibility of conflict and make progress toward peace more challenging. For the talks between the U.S. and North Korea to succeed, we must maintain the

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“freeze for freeze” — a halt to both North Korea’s nuclear and missile tests, as well as the U.S.-South Korea joint military exercises.

And declaring an end to the nearly 70-year-old Korean War should be a priority for

both sides.

According to James Laney, former U.S. ambassador to South Korea, “A Peace Treaty would provide a baseline for relationships, eliminating the question of the other’s legitimacy and its right to exist.”

A reconciled and reconnected Korea would represent a new hope in the world.

But it will require that we use all the tools at our disposal: moral persuasion, rational arguments, nonviolent direct action and protests, economic, political and diplomatic leverage, education and revival of hope among people of the world.

In the 66th year of the armistice, I renew my prayer for an end to the Korean War.

Let us have the courage, conviction and conscience to talk it out and not fight it out, and choose mutual co-existence over co-annihilation.

Let us reunite families.

Let us have peace, co-prosperity and a world without war.

Rev. Jesse Jackson, Sr., is the founder of Rainbow Coalition.

TO BE EQUAL

The passing of Toni Morrison:
A loss for the racial justice community as well as the literary world

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

"Oppressive language does more than represent violence; it is violence; does more than represent the limits of knowledge; it limits knowledge. Whether it is obscuring state language or the faux-language of mindless media; whether it is the proud but calcified language of the academy or the commodity driven language of science; whether it is the malign language of law-without-ethics, or language designed for the estrangement of minorities, hiding its racist plunder in its literary cheek – it must be rejected, altered and exposed. It is the language that drinks blood, laps vulnerabilities, tucks its fascist boots under crinolines of respectability and patriotism as it moves relentlessly toward the bottom line and the bottomed-out mind." **Toni Morrison, Nobel Lecture, 1993**

A few years after being awarded the Nobel Prize for literature, for a body of work known for centering the Black American experience, Toni Morrison was asked by a white reporter when she would “incorporate white lives” into her books “in a substantial way.”

“You can’t understand how powerfully racist that ques-

tion is, can you?” she asked. “You could never ask a white author, ‘When are you going to write about Black people?’ Whether he did or not, or she did or not. Even the inquiry comes from a position of being in the center.”

Morrison likened herself to a Russian author, writing in Russian, about Russia. “The fact that it gets translated and read by other people is a benefit, it’s a plus. but he’s not obliged to ever consider writing about French people, or Americans, or anybody.”

Morrison’s death this week, at the age of 88, is a loss not only to the literary world, but to the cause of racial justice and civil rights. And it comes at a time when her unique voice is especially relevant.

Shortly after the election of Donald Trump in 2016, she published an essay entitled “Make America White Again,” in which she argued that white America’s loss of “the conviction of their natural superiority” had led to its debasement. The slaughter of unarmed men and women of

color at the hands of police and racially-motivated mass murder, the bombing of Black churches - and white America’s apparent tolerance for all of it -- she asserted, were part of the death knell of white superiority.

“If it weren’t so ignorant and pitiful, one could mourn this collapse of dignity in service to an evil cause,” she wrote. It is telling that what the interviewer noticed most about Morrison’s work was the absence of white characters; white privilege can be like air or light, notable only when it is absent. And according to Morrison, white voters were beginning to feel it ebb away.

“Toni Morrison” may have been as much a creation as her novels; she said she regretted using the nickname, derived from her chosen confirmation name, Anthony, and always thought of as Chloe, her given name. She grew up in the integrated town of Lorain, Ohio, and was disillusioned by what she saw as rampant colorism when she arrived at Howard University in 1949. Unlike classmates who had grown up in the south, she experienced legal segregation for the first time in Washington, D.C., but could not believe it was real.

“I think it’s a theatrical

thing,” she told the New York Times. “I always felt that everything else was the theater. They didn’t really mean that. How could they? It was too stupid.”

When Morrison won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1993, it had been more than 30 years since an American-born author had won, but her status as the first Black woman honored overshadowed her Americanness.

And while she had complained that her work was more likely to be taught in women’s studies or African-American studies classes than in English classes, she hoped her work “fit first into African-American traditions and, second of all, this whole thing called literature.”

Today, even high-school students across the country are familiar with her work, reading her alongside Nathaniel Hawthorne and Mark Twain. She has staked out the African-American experience as part of the broader American experience.

As politicians seek to divide us and racial violence swirls around us, it is this lesson – that Black America is America, that we must keep firmly in our hearts.

“Marc Morial is President/CEO of the National Urban League.

CRAZY FAITH MINISTRIES

On Michael Brown and Toni Morrison

When I was a child, I would cry when I was called names. It didn’t seem like anyone else was getting the same treatment, but in victim mode, one seldom sees anyone else’s pain and misery but their own.

My mother would say that words could not hurt me, and would recite the little ditty that we all were probably told: “Sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me.”

It’s a nice jingle, but unfortunately, it is not true. Words matter; language matters, and while one’s words will not result in a broken nose or limb, those same words can result in a broken spirit which is worse, because it is not easily fixable.

Once a person’s spirit is broken, words that might have rolled off his or her back go nowhere, but stick to that spirit, seeping lingual venom into spirit-wounds that never healed. What might have been a casual exchange becomes a trigger for pain that was inflicted with words a very long time ago.

I think about the power of words and language on this, the fifth anniversary of the police-shooting and death of Michael Brown and the week in which beloved author Toni Morrison died. Morrison was a genius wordsmith. No matter how removed anyone was from the black community, reading her words brought that community to the reader; it was impossible to walk away from her work the same way one walked toward it.

She talked about words and their power. She said that words “have the capacity to liberate, empower, imagine and heal, but cruelly employed, can render the suffering of the millions mute.” She said that “oppressive language does more than represent violence. It is violence.”

That sentiment leads me back to the August day that Michael Brown was shot. An 18-year-old-kid is an entity unto itself; an 18-year-old who is getting ready to go to college is yet another component of that entity, but an 18-year-old black kid going to college in spite of all odds represents the crème de la crème of a segment of this population which has lived on the fringes of a society which has continually use language to remind him or her of their status in the world.

As a black male, college-bound Michael Brown might have been feeling one thing at the beginning of that morning: pride and a tad of arrogance. He had “made it through” high school and was going to be somebody. He may have done what he was accused of doing in the convenience store, but he knew he wouldn’t do anything more than that. He, again, had “made it through.” He wasn’t going to mess up his life.

But the language he’d heard used against him and others in his community, particularly from law enforcement officers, were in his spirit. He was most likely irritated that he was forced to even listen to police officers and “respect” them in spite of the way they talked to him and other of his friends and family.

We do not know what happened on that day; accounts differ - but what we do know is that that officer used language to rile Michael, language that was at once disrespectful and challenging, language designed to reinforce the reality that in this society, law enforcement officers, no matter how little they themselves may obey and respect the law, have the upper hand. The hearers of their words, which are tinged with callous disregard for their humanity and dignity, are supposed to just be quiet and take the language so that hopefully, they can move on.

That wouldn’t happen on that day five years ago. The officer said something in a way that got to the sore spot of Michael Brown’s soul, the part that was tired of being jerked around by arrogant white cops, and he decided, “not today.” It was the language that was the initial violence, the words that Michael heard, that made him shake inside. He had been through too much and had worked too hard to “make it through” to take this officer’s disrespect.

And so the words escalated into physical confrontation, resulting in Michael Brown being shot to death. The unspoken words, as police allowed Michael’s body to lie on the hot pavement for four hours while they worked to ...get more words, more language, to justify what had happened ...were a continuation of the violence than had begun between the officer and the young, unarmed, black man who was going to college.

When Michael Brown was killed, Morrison used language in a way only she could to describe the emotions felt by perhaps many. She said, “People keep saying, ‘We need to have a conversation about race.’ This is the conversation. I want to see a cop shoot a white unarmed teenager in the back. And I want to see a white man convicted for raping a black woman. Then when you ask me, ‘Is it over?’, I will say yes.”

Morrison’s language will keep us connected, will remind us who we are and what we endure as black people, and the tragedy of the murder of Michael Brown will ever remind us of how the violence called language can result in our being neutralized and extinguished by those who have little regard for people of color in this nation and in this world.

Rev. Dr. Susan K Smith is nearing completion of a book, “On the Shores of America: Two Nations, Two Gods” and in November, her book, “Rest for the Justice-Seeking Soul” will be released by Whitaker House Publishers. To inquire about booking her, contact cassady2euca@icloud.com.

Who cares about fair elections?

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

The US House of Representatives passed the Securing America’s Fair Elections (SAFE) Act in June by a nearly totally partisan vote of 225-184 in late June. Only one Republican voted for legislation that would mandate paper ballots, increase election security, and create safeguards to prevent foreign interference in our elections. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) opposes the legislation and won’t even allow it to be introduced or voted on in the Senate.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) was eloquently angry when she raised a series of questions, “I just would really like to know from my Republican friends, what’s wrong with replacing outdated, vulnerable voting equipment? What is wrong with requiring paper ballot voting systems to ensure the integrity of our elections? What is wrong with enacting strong cybersecurity requirements for elections technology vendors and voting systems? We must be relentless in the defense of our democracy, fighting on all fronts to keep America safe.”

Republicans don’t seem to want to defend democracy, though. They simply want to win. And McConnell, who behaves like the 45th President’s handmaiden, has abandoned his duty as Senate

leader in favor of partisan shenanigans. Former special counsel Robert Mueller III testified that Russian election interference was happening even as he testified, too many Republicans chose to ignore his warning because it does not serve them. McConnell is among those who seem to hope that Russian interference aids Republicans and perhaps ensures the reelection of the most odious human being ever to occupy the Oval Office.

Dr. Julianne Malveaux

Meanwhile, people are organizing and attempting to overcome interference by mobilizing the Democratic base of voters. Barbara Arnwine, who founded and leads the Transformative Justice Coalition (www.tjcoalition.org) gathered dozens of activists to participate in a day-long strategy session on voting rights on August 7, fifty-four years after the Voting Rights Act was passed in 1965. Arnwine’s organization is among the many planning to ensure both voter turnout and election fairness in the upcoming elections. With so many focused on the 2020 election, and appropriately so, it is essential to note that 2019 elections are also significant.

Kentucky, Louisiana, and Mississippi will elect governors, New Jersey, and Virginia are among those who will elect state legislators, and some cities will elect mayors.

Activists can use these elections to test our broken system, and as practice, perhaps for 2020. But activists must also be clear that Republicans don’t seem to want fair elections. If they did, McConnell would schedule a vote on the SAFE Act, which provides dollars for better, safer, voting technology.

Both houses of Congress are on recess this August month, and won’t reconvene until after Labor Day. Most members of Congress will say that they aren’t taking a six-week vacation because they are also working in their districts. Citizens need to meet with them, organize town hall meetings, and get input from those recalcitrant Republicans (all of the Democrats voted for the SAFE Act) on why they eschew fair elections.

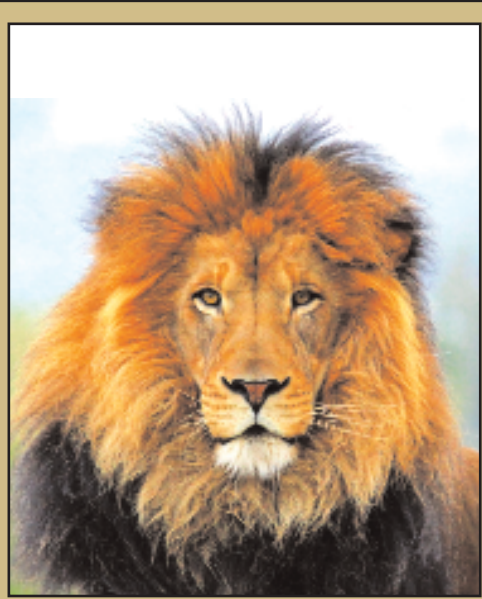
Some of them use a “state’s right” argument, suggesting that states can manage their own elections on their own terms. African Americans understand states’ rights all too well. States’ rights made it necessary for our nation to pass a Voting Rights Act, despite the guarantees included in the 13th, 14th, and 15th amendments. The question to ask is the questions

Speaker Pelosi asked when the legislation came up for a vote on June 27. What’s wrong with election fairness?

It is indisputable that Russia interfered in the 2016 elections to aid the 45th President. It is undeniable that millions of voters have been purged from the polls since 2016 with Secretaries of State eager to influence elections, as they did in both Georgia and Florida in 2018. It is indisputable that while Florida voters attempted to restore votes to former felons, the legislature undermined that vote by requiring people to pay all fines and fees before they are allowed to vote.

If the Congressional vote on the SAFE Act is any indication, Republicans don’t want election fairness. They want to win by whatever means necessary. We’ve invaded foreign countries to “ensure democracy,” but our Congress does not have the decency to ensure democracy at home. Since the government won’t do its work, civil society organizations will have to. Kudos to Barbara Arnwine and the Transformative Justice Coalition for their work on voter fairness!

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their own history, then
the hunters will get all
the credit.”
--AN AFRICAN
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New Hanover County

New Hanover County seeking applicants for boards and committees to provide opportunities for citizens to participate in county government, the New Hanover County Board of Commissioners is seeking interested citizens to apply for appointment to the following:



Community Briefs

New Hanover County Adult Care Community Advisory Committee
New Hanover County Board of Examiners of Electricians
Category: Independent Electrical Contractor
New Hanover County Board of Mechanical Examiners
Categories: Mechanical Contractor; NC Registered Mechanical Engineer
New Hanover County/ City of Wilmington Community Relations Advisory Committee
Categories: At-Large, Education Community
New Hanover County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council
Categories: At-Large Business Community, Faith Community, Under Age 18
New Hanover County Nursing Home Advisory Committee
New Hanover County Risk Management Advisory Committee
Parks Conservancy of New Hanover County, Inc. Board of Directors
New Hanover Regional Medical Center Board of Trustees
Applicants must reside in New Hanover County. Applications can be obtained at the Board of Commissioners Office, located at the New Hanover County Government Center, 230 Government Center Drive, Suite 175, by calling 910-798-7149, or on the county's boards & committees web page at Commissioners.NHCGov.com. Applications are due August 30, 2019 for consideration by the Board at the September 16, 2019 meeting.

The New Hanover NAACP monthly meeting is Thursday, August 22nd, 7:00 p.m. at St. Stephen AME Church, 501 Red Cross Street, Wilmington. Featured speaker will be Rae Hunter-Havens, Director of New Hanover Board of Elections. Information on the upcoming Candidate Forum in September and other important state and community issues will be on the agenda, as well as upcoming New Hanover NAACP branch events and activities. Members and friends are encouraged to attend. For more information, call 910-508-9414 or email nhcnaacp@gmail.com.

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In Loving Memory Of



Annie Marie Brinkley
Sunset- August 18, 2016

There was a woman who walked this earth with a stride that said, I have arrived, there was a woman who loved the people around her with a power that melted away life's troubles, there was a woman who laughed as easily as she breathed. I knew a woman of strength, faith and beauty. I watched her for years. That woman was my role model. That woman was my best friend, I want to be just like that woman.

Whenever life starts to get to me, I think of her strength and love and a warm sense of peace wraps around me. I am blessed because of her because her love has always blessed my life. Whatever she accomplished in life, she raised a grateful daughter, who will always love and honor her, there was a woman who walked this earth with pride and dignity that woman was my mother. She is and will always be the wind beneath my wings.

Love and miss her dearly,
Her daughter Gloria

St. Stephen African Methodist Episcopal Church

501 Red Cross Street

"Trusting In God and Standing on His Word"

2nd Annual Men of Destiny Conference

August 14th - 18th, 2019

Brother Larry Edwards, Chairperson



Henry Brown

Wednesday, August 14
6:00 p.m.

State Farm Presentations



Thursday, August 15
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

ONE Christian Network/Cape Fear Volunteer Center



Reverend Wanda Howell
Clapp's Chapel AME Church
Whitsett, NC

Family Worship Service Friday August 16, 7:00 p.m.



Shoulder Branch Men's Choir
Castle Hayne, NC



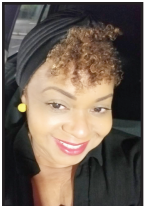
Gourmet Gents Cookoff
Saturday August 17
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.



Reverend Dr. James A. Forbes, Jr.
Men's Day Guest Speaker
Sunday, August 18, 2019, 10:00 a.m.

GET THAT DEED AND FLIP THOSE KEYS!

But what's really important?



Brenda Dixon

Often once all of the game planning, discipline and positioning financially is over and it's finally time to go house hunting, the excitement of it all can cause some to make not the best decisions.

What's most important to you? Is it the kitchen with an island, or a kitchen with a pantry to store all of the kid's snacks? Is it a jet tub in the master bath or a big enough shower so both spouses can fit in at the same time? Is it the size of a back yard, or a back yard that is fenced for the dogs and kids to run around in safely from day one? So many things to be evaluated for a final decision.

It would help greatly and so important to remember that the 1st homes are rarely the

dream house but it still beats the HECK out of renting any day! When the time to go out

looking, get Ready to draw the line in the sand! Draw a line down the middle of a piece of paper. On one side, have a list of your wants. On the other side, have a list of y o u r

needs/necessities. We will have a conversation and go over it. You need to know the differences. Trust me, it helps you in narrowing down what you say you want in a home versus what you really need. Bring that to the showings. It will help you to stay in your budget while making sure all

or most of necessities are gained. So let's shift gears a little and talk about location vs. features of the home. Is the location more important than the features? Is there a certain school district for academics or sports that are important? What about a fire/police station near home important? How about health-wise, are you close to doctors, hospitals more desirable? What about walkable neighborhoods where everything is convenient like a Mayfaire, etc where you can park your car at home and everything you need is within a 1/2 mile or less? What about if it's on a bus line? If work 3rd shift and bout to fall on the DIRT after every shift, does living only a few short blocks for the job means something to you? Yes indeed

once you have that pre-approval in hand, it's a very exciting time.

Wisdom is to be WISE and make the moves that will benefit the most right out the gate. PS. Be mindful that other desired features can be planned and come later. One thing that can't be changed is the location of the home unless you're calling a house moving company... Let that marinate, HAPPY HOUSE-HUNTING!

Until next week, please share this article with at least 3 people and tell them to also reach out for their Free personalized Action Plan to OWN in the next 18 months or less!

Brenda Dixon, Dixon Realty Since 1991, 27 yrs. F/T expertise. Brenda@ getthat-deed.com.

2019 ROCAME Regional Jamboree



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BRUNSWICK COUNTY STUDENTS AND ADVISERS WITH THE CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY

BY WILLIAM FLYTHE
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The 2019 ROCAME Regional Jamboree was held at UNC-Wilmington. Middle school and high school students from five school systems (Whiteville City, Brunswick, Columbus, New Hanover, and Pender counties) participated in the math and science events.

The winners of middle school events were as follows: Pentathlon - Daniel Mims, Amado Serrata, Jasmyne Mims, and LaTara Walker, Murray (M); first; Nick Rivera, David Lopez, Christian Hayes, and Ronaldo Ramirez-Garcia, West Pender (WP), second; Armando Tapia, R'Tasia

Bellamy, Allen Olmedo, and Lavar Sharp, Shallotte (S), third; Egg Drop - Arely Martinez and Kaitlyn Smith, Acme-Delco (AD), first; Sydney Brock and Davina Daley, Brunswick County (BC), second; Azariah Dixon and Janly Martinez, AD, third; Write It Do It -Damaris Soto and Jerico Florez, WP, first; Kylie Breland and Lexie Clark, Trask (T), second; Magali Avellaneda-Gonzalez and Azariah Dixon, AD, third; Free Expression - Zoe Stratman and Brook Robinson, Cedar Grove (CG), first; Teasha Hayes, Skyler Mitchell, and Lindsey Barnhill, WP, second; Robotics - Randy Vasquez and Savannah Roberts, T, first; Ava Cherland, Leland (L), second; Katelyn Smith and Jessica Salmeron-Palacios, AD, third; ElectroGames - Davina Daley and Aryanah Moore, South Brunswick (SB), first; Diamond Mahoney and Marclin Alas, L, second; Vince Murphy and Malachi Jacobs, WP, third; Mystery Architecture - Zoe Stratman and Brooke Robinson, CG, first; Jackson Saunder and Amado Serrata, M, second; Math Test - Josiah Johnson, Samantha Lindsay, and Allen Olmedo, Brunswick County (BC), first; Angel Tran and Eloy Serrata, New Hanover County (NHC), second;

Jerrico Flores, Ronaldo Ramirez-Garcia, and Jovahi Riera Hernandez, Pender County (PC), third; Oratory - Magali Avellareda, AD, first; Vince Murphy, WP, second; Heiess Felder, Williston (W), third; Science Clue - Aleysha Vazquez and Makayla Rivera, CG, first; Rose Green and Ty'asia Grant, CG, second; Skyler Mitchell and Lindsey Barnhill, WP, third; Quiz Bowl - Brunswick County, first; Pender County, second; New Hanover, third.

The winners of high school events were as follows: Pentathlon - Gerrie Beatty, Joshua West, Taiysa Faison, and Estrella Naumuh, Pender Early College (PEC), first; Abrien Batten, Jalen Faulk, Ruth Mardonado, and I'Reona Johnson, Whiteville City (WC), second; Kiaira Swinson, James Jones, and Kaylin Williams, Ashley (A), third; Egg Drop - Isabel Naumuk-segvia and Millie Verduco, PEC, first; Kiara Swinson and Malachi Chapman, A, second; Abrien Batten and Jaleen, WC, third; Write It Do It - Jordan Rascoe and Maya Bernecker, North Brunswick (NB), first; Malachi Chapman and Eric Hyhn, A, second; Millie Verduce and Isabel Neumeal-Segovia, PEC, third; Chemistry Clue - Julia Jaquez and Jlian Mendez, Pender High (P), first; Kaylyn

Brinson and Jennifer Lopez, PEC, second; Dulce Dominguez and Katherine Nguyen, West Brunswick (WB), third; Free Expression - Jordan Rascoe, NB, first; Robotics - Jennifer Lopez and Julian Mendez, PEC, first; Tylik Corbett and Travis Lowe, NB, second; Jaylan Graham, Zaria McKoy, and Brianna Martin, East Columbus (EC), third; ElectroGames - Armoni Moore and Michelle Simmons, NB, first; Graci Vega and Naveah Armstrong, PEC, second; Math Test - Veronda Blue, Katherine Nguyen, and Destiny Kinston, Brunswick County (BC), first; Tyjuan Moss and Indiya Williams, WC, second; Kaylyn Brison and Zion Hayes, Pender County, third; Oratory - Jayda Rascoe, NB, first; Maya Graham, WC, second; Quiz Bowl - Brunswick County, first; New Hanover County, second; Pender County, third.

The ROCAME scholarship winners were Jordyn Rascoe (NB) and Julia Jaquez (P). The student-of-the-Year winners were Veronda Blue (NB) and Teo Ruiz (CG) at the high school and middle school levels, respectively. Brunswick County won the overall championship. Pender County and New Hanover County were second and third, respectively.

NHCS to host live call-in show for parents

Get Answers for your Back to School Questions! New Hanover County Schools is hosting a "Back to School" call-in television program LIVE Tuesday, August 20th from 5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. on NHCS-TV, Spectrum Cable Channel 5. The show will also air online. During the show, parents will have the opportunity

to have all of their back-to-school related questions answered by our specialists. Staff members that will be on hand to answer questions include experts from Instruction, Child Nutrition, Transportation, and Safety.

Parents may also pre-submit questions prior to the day of the show by sending an email to

Michael.Mcguire@nhcs.net. We also encourage the public to reach out via social media on our NHCS and NHCS-TV Twitter accounts. To call in during the show, please dial (910) 530-6125.

New Hanover County Schools is excited to host the program and we look forward to an incredible 2019-2020 school year!

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Ms. Beverly Faye Pickett

The journey of Beverly Faye Pickett began on August 9, 1960 as the first born to A. Lucille and William Pickett, Sr. (both predeceased). Funeral services were held Saturday, August 10, 2019, at Adkins-Drain Funeral Service. Burial was in Calvary memorial Cemetery.

Beverly attended New Hanover High School (Go Wildcats), but graduated from "that other school" across town (i.e. Hoggard). Beverly worked briefly as a nursing assistant at a local nursing home. She was a member of Christian Community Church and a "pitch perfect" alto singing with the Pickett Family and the Pickett Family Singers. Beverly enjoyed listening to various Gospel Quartets and loved watching wrestling (especially John Cena).

Things were going well along Beverly's journey, then came MS. Beverly endured complications of this mysterious disease which eventually limited her physical abilities. She was confined to a wheel chair, but her vocal abilities remained intact and she continued to sing with her family. Beverly eventually became bedridden, but she did NOT allow this condition to dampen her beautiful and genuine spirit or that beautiful smile. She met no strangers and embraced people of all walks of life. (She got it from her daddy!) Beverly was described by others as sweet, caring, optimistic, joyful, nice, friendly, jovial, strong, kind, gifted and a gift.

Beverly was cared for at home with family until the fire of December 2014. Shortly thereafter, a local nursing facility became "home" for Bev. As her health transformed along her journey, Beverly endured soooo many trips to the hospital due to complications of MS. Although she was tired and many times weak, she NEVER complained. She was the epitome of strength and courage throughout her journey. She would always say "oh well" or "I'm Alright". On August 6, 2019, with her granddaughter (Jasmine) present, Beverly's journey, as we know it, transitioned toward a place of healing and peace. She's alright.

Along Beverly's journey were two daughters, Tinita L. Pickett and Artisha L. Pickett (both predeceased); grandchildren - Shatara Jenae' Pickett, Jasmine Sumpter, Makayla Pickett (predeceased), Deseree' Pickett, Jermaine Pickett (predeceased) and a great-granddaughter - Riyan Pickett (who made her smile when she didn't feel well). Earlier in the journey - her siblings: Barbara Leake, Barbara (Robert) Pridgen, William "Bill" Pickett, Tina Pickett, Pamela Pickett (pre-

deceased), and Robert Pickett. Bev's aunts - Cheryl Davis and Janice (Norva) Waddell; nieces and nephews - Caprina Wilson, Tori Pickett, Robert A. Pickett, Anfernee Pickett, Briana Pridgen, Kyra Pridgen, Anitra Pridgen, Frank Leak (Predeceased), Daphne Leake and her great-niece, Riana Wilson. Numerous cousins, family and friends were part of Beverly's journey and she appreciated them all. Also along Bev's journey was William Hines who ensured Tina could spend time with Beverly weekly for the last eight weeks. Arrangements by Adkins-Drain Funeral Service, Inc., 515 South Eighth Street, Wilmington, North Carolina 28401. Condolences may be shared at www.adkinsdrainfuneralservice.com.

Laura Ann Mosley

Born August 7, 1933 to the late Charles Halsey and Mary Harris Halsey entered into eternal rest on July 31, 2019 at 3:00 a.m. In addition to her parents, her son Michael Carter, and husband James M. Mosley preceded her in death.

After graduating from Williston Senior High School she obtained her Bachelor's Degree in Nursing from Lincoln School of Nursing. She soon returned home and began her career as a nurse at Community Hospital until it closed in 1967. Following its closure, she used her nursing skills at the newly built New Hanover Regional Medical Center, then later at the Davis Nursing Home from where she retired.

She raised her children in the church and attended several during her lifetime. However, in 2002, she joined Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church where she became a member of the Missionary Circle, Hospitality Committee and the church choir until her health began to fail.

During her retirement years she enjoyed spending time working in the church. Her favorite pastimes were solving crossword puzzles, seek and find and watching western movies on television.

Her love and memory will be cherished in the hearts of those she leaves behind which includes: two sons Kenneth Carter (Lillie), and Milton Mosley (Atiya) both of the city, one stepson Byron Carter of New York, one stepdaughter Doris Mosley of Arizona, four grandchildren Candra Carter, Michael Tyron Carter, Marquise Mosley and Tiona Mosley, four great grandchildren, K'Shawn, Tahj, Jayceon and Nevaeh, two nephews of the city James Alfred and David, two nieces Katrina of Indianapolis and Mae of Burgaw, NC and a host of family and friends.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, August 7, 2019 at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church. Burial followed in Greenlawn Memorial Park. Services entrusted to Adkins-Drain Funeral Service, 505 South Eighth Street, Wilmington, North Carolina 28401. Condolences may be shared at www.adkinsdrainfuneralservice.com.

Betty A. Zinnerman

On Friday, July 26, 2019, God almighty in His wise providence called from her labor here on earth, the soul of our mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, Betty Zinnerman. Funeral services were held on Saturday, August 10, 2019 at Davis Funeral Home. Interment was held at Auburndale Memorial Park Cemetery in Florida.

She was born March 28, 1936 to the late Reverend and Mrs. KC McKinnon.

Betty grew up in Lake City, Florida where she received her primary and secondary education. While in high school Betty was a majorette. After high school, she met, fell in love and married her high school sweetheart, Clarence Zinnerman, who preceded her in death. From this union four beautiful children were born, two boys and two girls.

Betty completed cosmetology school and worked in this field for many years. Later her journey led her to Flushing, New York and there she began her second career as a CNA. She retired from Booth Memorial Hospital.

In addition to her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by her son, Pedarro Zinnerman.

She leaves to cherish her beautiful memories: her children, Melondy Jones (Robert), Alva Burton (Dennis) and Alvin Zinnerman; four grandchildren, Monet Moore (Raymond), Janel Jones, Candace Burton and Glynis Burton; four great-grandchildren, Tamiya White, Dakarai Simpson, Cameron Moore and Cali Moore; one brother-in-law, Bernard Zinnerman; one sister-in-law, Jennifer Zinnerman; and a host of other relatives and friends. 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.

Bernadine Fulton

Bernardine King Fulton, passed away peacefully Tuesday, August 6, 2019 surrounded by family and loved ones. Funeral services were held on Saturday, August 10, 2019 at St. Mark's Episcopal Church.

She was the seventh of eight children born to the late

Junious Nathaniel and Rutha Mae Young King on March 1, 1962.

In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Fulton Sr. and one sister, LaSandra Baldwin.

At an early age, she joined Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church where she continued to support her church. After being joined in holy matrimony to late Robert Fulton Sr. on December 31, 1985, she untied with St. Mark's Episcopal Church where she served in a multitude of church commitments to include: Sunday School Superintended, Youth Ministry Committee, Senior/Junior Warden, and Episcopal Church Women Committee.

Bernardine graduated from the East Bladen High School, Elizabethtown, North Carolina in 1980. She furthered her education at Campbell University, Buies Creek, North Carolina, receiving a BS in Psychology in 1984.

Bernardine was the owner of Fulton's Carpet Service. She participated in various activist projects to include but not limited to: Wilmington Faith Against Gun Violence, Relay for Life, Hurricane Relief, and YWCA Stand Against Racism.

Besides her loving mother, Rutha M. King, she is survived by her three children. Tamaya Bradley (Benjamin), Robert Fulton Jr. and Dorcas Fulton, five sisters, one brother, four grandchildren, and numerous devoted nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and con-

dolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhomenc.com.

Collie Parker, Jr.

Collie Parker, Jr., age 84, of Brooklyn, NY (formerly of Wilmington), passed away Sunday, August 4, 2019. A celebration of Mr. Parker's was held on Tuesday, August 13, 2019 at ILA Union Hall Local 1426. Interment followed in Dark Branch Cemetery.

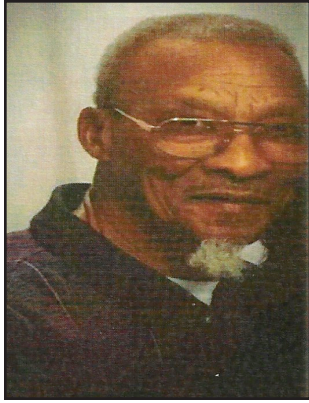
He is survived by his wife, Betty L. (Spicer) Parker; children, Collie Parker III (Gwendolyn) of Brooklyn, NY, Debra Parker Campbell (Neil) of Ruffin, SC, Kevin Parker (Vanessa) of Brooklyn, NY, Rafeeka Parker of Queens, NY and Larando Parker of Brooklyn, NY; siblings, Nathaniel Parker (Helen) of Brooklyn, NY, Rufus Parker (Patricia) of Wilmington, NC and Emily Swanson (Julius) of Cleveland, OH, 7 grandchildren, 1 great-grandchild and a host of other relatives and friends. 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.

LeMart E. Simpson

LeMart Everette Simpson (L.T.), age of passed away Friday, August 9, 2019. A celebration of Mr. Simpson's life will be conducted at 11:00 a.m., Friday, August 16, 2019 at New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, 701 S. 12th St., Wilmington, NC 28401. A visitation will be held one (1) hour prior to the service. Interment will follow in Greenlawn Memorial Park.

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.

Happy Birthday Tribute



Ernest Nixon

I think of the laughter and conversation we've shared I think of family stuff, tough times and everyday frustration we've somehow gotten through.

And of the good news happy moments and milestone days we've celebrated along the way. And even though it's hard for me to believe you are not here to celebrate your birthday. It's even harder for me to put into words just how much it's meant to have you by my side through it all I miss you so much!!! Happy Birthday

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Public Notice

The Trustee Board of St Phillip African Methodist Episcopal Church located at 815 North 8th Street, Wilmington Nc ,28401 is seeking sealed bids for their church restoration project.Sealed Bids should be sent to : Attention Board of Trustees, St. Phillip African Methodist Church, 815 North 8th Street ,Wilmington, NC 28401 by the closing date of August 31,2019. Bids post marked after this date will not be accepted. No non Post Mark Bids will be accepted.

August 8, 15, 22, 29, 2019

**NOTICE
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of **Daisy Lee Woodbury Currie**, 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 **1st day of November, 2019**, 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 1st day of August, 2019.

Neill A. Currie, II, Executor
of the Estate of Daisy Lee Woodbury Currie
500 Bay Drive
Vero Beach, FL 32963
MURCHISON, TAYLOR & GIBSON, PLLC
1979 Eastwood Rd, Suite 101
Wilmington, NC 28403

August 1, 8, 15, 22, 2019

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**

Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Robert J. Keenan (19-E-933), 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 30, 2019 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 under-signed.

This the 12th day of July, 2019

Anne K. Osborne, Executor
of the Estate of Robert J. Keenan
c/o Craig & Fox, PLLC
701 Market Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
910-815-0085

August 1, 8, 15, 22, 2019

**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
NEW HANOVER COUNTY
In the General Court of
Justice Superior Court
Division
File No.: 19 CVS 001065**

**TONI G. BANKS, Plaintiff
v.
CYNTHIA A. HAWBOLT,
Defendant**

To Cynthia A. Hawbolt: 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: damages arising from motor vehicle negligence. You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than forty (40) days from the running of this notice, exclusive of such date, which was August 8, 2019 and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This the 8th day of August, 2019.

D. Stuart Smith, Attorney for Plaintiff
David and Associates, PLLC
North Carolina State Bar No.: 28078
1516 Dawson Street,
Wilmington, North Carolina 28401
Telephone: (910) 251-8088
Facsimile: (910) 251-8430
Email: dsmith@davidandassociates.com

August 8, 15, 22, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES

**NOTICE OF SALE
NORTH CAROLINA
NEW HANOVER COUNTY
19 SP 000183**

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust executed by Thomas D. Hartsfield and wife, Debra K. Hartsfield, to Thurman E. Burnette, Trustee, dated April 13, 1992, and recorded in Book 1597, at Page 207, in the Office of the Register of Deeds of New Hanover County, North Carolina, and under and by virtue of the authority vested in the under-signed as Substitute Trustee by an instrument of writing dated May 11, 2018, and recorded in Book 6167, at Page 1396, in the Office of the Register of Deeds of New Hanover County, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and the said Deed of Trust being by the terms thereof subject to foreclosure, and the holder of the indebtedness thereby secured having demanded a foreclosure thereof for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness, and a hearing pursuant to G. S. Section 45-21.16(d) having been held before the Clerk of Court on the 9th day of July, 2019, and the Clerk of Court having authorized the Substitute Trustee to proceed under the instrument, the under-signed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the front door of the New Hanover County Courthouse, Wilmington, North Carolina at 12:00 o'clock Noon on Friday, August 23, 2019, the land conveyed in said Deed of Trust, the same being located at 7613 Sidbury Road, Wilmington, North Carolina, and lying and being located in the Township of Wilmington, County of New Hanover, State of North Carolina, and being more particularly described as follows:

Being all of Lot 27, Island Creek Estates, as the same appears on the map of Island Creek Estates, recorded in Map Book 23, at Pages 51 and 52 of the New Hanover County Registry, reference to which is hereby made for a more particular description.

The present owner of this property is Debra K. Knowles.

This sale is subject to all unpaid taxes, special assessments, unpaid City water rents, restrictions and/or easements of record, and prior and superior encumbrances, if any.

The highest and last bidder will be required to deposit in cash the greater of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid or \$750.00, and in the event the successful bidder fails to make such deposit the property will be immediately resold at the time and place aforesaid.

An order for possession of the property may be issued pursuant to G. S. Section 45-21.29 in favor of the purchaser and against the party or parties in possession by the Clerk of Superior Court of the county in which the property is sold. Any person who occupies the property pursuant to a rental agreement entered into or renewed on or after October 1, 2007, may, after receiving the Notice of Sale, terminate the rental agreement by providing written notice of termination to the landlord, to be effective on a date stated in the notice that is at least ten (10) days, but no more than ninety (90) days, after the sale date contained in the notice of sale, provided that the mortgagor has not cured the default at the time the tenant provides the notice of termination. Upon termination of a rental agreement, the tenant is liable for rent due under the rental agreement prorated to the effective date of the termination.

This the 9th day of July, 2019.

Durant M. Glover
Substitute Trustee
Frassinetti & Glover
221 Commerce Place, Suite A
P. O. Drawer 1799
Greensboro, NC 27402-1799
Telephone: (336) 273-9794

August 8, 15, 2019

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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 **Joseph A. Ciquera**, 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 **25th day of October, 2019**, 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 25th day of July, 2019

May-Anne Ciquera, Executor
2237 Wrightsville Ave.
Wilmington, NC 28403

July 25, August 1, 8, 15, 2019

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of **Joyce Christmas Baker (19-E-904)**, 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 506 Baytree Road, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28409 on or before **November 4, 2019** 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 1st day of August, 2019

Jeffrey R. Baker, Administrator and Personal Representative
of the Estate of
Joyce Christmas Baker
Jeffrey R. Baker Attorney at Law
506 Baytree Road
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August 1, 8, 15, 22, 2019

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Quotes must be received in our office by no later than 10:00 A.M. on August 20, 2019. These can be sent via email to dkgooden@laneconstruct.com or via fax to 678.762.1801. Phone quotes will be accepted at 770.274.1489. Documents can be reviewed at The Lane Construction Corporation Alpharetta office; Cape Fear Public Utility Authority, 235 Government Center Drive, Wilmington, NC, Dodge Global Network, and ISQFT project# 6250254

August 8, 15, 2019

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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S
SALE OF REAL ESTATE
NEW HANOVER COUNTY,
NORTH CAROLINA FILE NO.
19-SP-420:**

Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in that certain Deed of Trust executed and delivered by **GARY L. LEDFORD and wife, KATIE H. LEDFORD** and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the above County in Book RB 6048 at Page 1151 and because of default in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and failure to carry out or perform the stipulations and agreements therein contained, pursuant to the demand of the owner and holder of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust and pursuant to the Order of the Clerk of Superior Court entered in this foreclosure proceeding, the Substitute Trustee in this foreclosure proceeding, will expose for sale at public auction on August 27, 2019, at 11:00 o'clock A.M. at the entrance of the New Hanover County Courthouse, Wilmington, North Carolina, the following described real property (including any house and other improvements thereon):

SEE EXHIBIT "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein.

EXHIBIT A - LEGAL DESCRIPTION

BEING Unit 31, of PEMBROKE AT LANDFALL, Phase 8, a Condominium, as the same is described in the Declaration establishing a plan of condominium ownership of certain lands and improvements thereto in said County of New Hanover, said Declaration being dated July 22, 1992, and recorded in Book 1613 at Page 0962 of the Land Records of New Hanover County, North Carolina, and which said Unit is herewith conveyed in conformity with Chapter 47-C of the North Carolina General Statutes referred to as the "Condominium Act" of the State of North Carolina and the first through seventh amendments thereto, said Amendments being recorded in Book 1639 at Page 0587, Book 1641 at Page 0893, Book 1716 at Page 0920, Book 1716 at Page 0929, Book 1745 at Page 1193, Book 1807 at Page 0094, Book 1844 at Page 433, respectively, of the New Hanover County Registry and includes the fee in an undivided 4.1% interest in the common areas and common elements in **PEMBROKE AT LANDFALL**, a Condominium and the real property described in said Declaration.

As a further aid in this Description, reference is hereby made to a Unit Ownership Plat Book 10 at Pages 318 through 321 which is recorded in the land records of New Hanover County, NC and which contains the official recorded survey Map of **PEMBROKE AT LANDFALL, Phase 9**, a Condominium, as well as the floor plans for the Units.

This conveyance is made subject to the provisions of said Condominium Act of the State of North Carolina and any amendments thereto and to the conditions, restrictions, easements, covenants and agreements set forth in said Declaration of **PEMBROKE AT LANDFALL**, a Condominium, dated July 22,

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1992, and recorded in Book 1613 at Page 0962 of the Land Records of New Hanover County, North Carolina and the first through seventh amendments thereto, said Amendments being recorded in Book 1639 at Page 0587, Book 1641 at Page 0893, Book 1716 at Page 0920, Book 1716 at Page 0929, Book 1745 at Page 1193, Book 1807 at Page 0094, Book 1844 at Page 433, respectively, of the New Hanover County Registry and to the Bylaws of **PEMBROKE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.**, and any amendments thereto.

Also included herein is an easement to be used in common with other unit owners for the use of any common areas and common elements as set forth in the Declaration. This conveyance is made subject to an easement in common with other unit owners to use the common areas and common elements located within or appurtenant to PEMBROKE AT LANDFALL, all phases, a Condominium, as set forth in the Declaration.

Also included herein is an exclusive easement for the use and enjoyment of any limited common areas appurtenant to the unit conveyed herein as so designated in the Declaration or on the recorded map of the Condominium.

This conveyance is made subject to any easements now existing or hereafter created for the installation, use and maintenance of electric, water, utility or drainage lines, provided same do not interfere with the use or enjoyment of the Units.

This conveyance is made subject to zoning ordinances of the County of New Hanover and Statutes of the State of North Carolina and the United States of America affecting the use of the property.

Said property being believed, without representation or warranty, to be commonly known as **1702 Fontenay Place, Wilmington, NC 28405**. The record owner(s) of the above-described real property as reflected on the records of the County Register of Deeds not more than ten (10) days prior to the posting of this Notice are Gary L. Ledford and wife, Katie H. Ledford.

TERMS OF SALE:

Pursuant to NCGS § 45-21.10(b), and the terms of the Deed of Trust, any successful bidder, other than the secured lender, will be required to deposit with the Substitute Trustee immediately upon conclusion of the sale a deposit equal to five (5%) percent of the amount of the bid or \$750.00, whichever is greater. Any successful bidder is required to tender the full balance purchase price so bid at the time the Substitute Trustee tenders a deed for the property or attempts to tender such deed, and should said successful bidder fail to pay the full balance purchase price so bid at that time, the bidder shall remain liable on the bid as provided for in NCGS § 45-21.30(d) and (e). All payments to the Substitute Trustee (including any deposit and the purchase price) shall be by certified funds, official bank check, or the equivalent. Cash payments in excess of \$500.00 and person-

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Pursuant to NCGS § 45-21.16A(b), if the property being sold pursuant hereto is residential real property with less than 15 rental units: (1) an order for possession of the property may be issued pursuant to G.S. 45-21.29 in favor of the purchaser and against the party or parties in possession by the clerk of superior court of the county in which the property is sold; and (2) any person who occupies the property pursuant to a rental agreement entered into or renewed on or after October 1, 2007, may, after receiving the notice of sale, terminate the rental agreement by providing written notice of termination to the landlord, to be effective on a date stated in the notice that is at least 10 days, but no more than 90 days, after the sale date contained in the notice of sale, provided that the mortgagor has not cured the default at the time the tenant provides the notice of termination. Upon termination of a rental agreement, the tenant is liable for rent due under the rental agreement prorated to the effective date of the termination.

This sale will be held open ten (10) days for upset bids as required by law. If the Substitute Trustee is unable to convey title to this property for any reason, including, but without limitation, the filing of a bankruptcy petition, reinstatement of the loan by the lender without notice to the Substitute Trustee, challenge to the validity of the foreclosure sale, and/or necessity of resale due to any failure to comply with applicable procedures, the sole remedy of the purchaser is the return of the deposit.

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. THE PURPOSE OF THIS COMMUNICATION IS TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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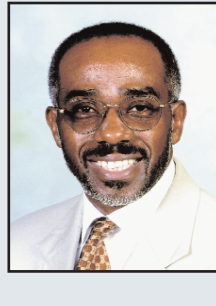
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