

**MISSING****EBONEY SPEARS**

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

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"America's greatest athletes are standing up, calling this country to change"

BY

**REV. JESSE JACKSON**  
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**BRUNSWICK COUNTY****BERNEST HEWETT****VOTE,  
VOTE, VOTE**

**BY BERNEST HEWETT**  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Men and women my age remember seeing the hardcore racism of those who live with us or in our communities and the horror they would bring on Black people and people of color. It was hard on my people, but they kept fighting for freedom for a better life in these United States of America. Their strength came through their strong belief that God almighty was going to bring them out of the turmoil of abusive unfair medical care, unfair wages, poor housing and education.

I remember being told about the worst times, doors being kicked down in the middle of the night, Black men and

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## Wilmington deals with dramatic change, turmoil and hope

BY CASH MICHAELS  
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From even before North Carolina native, George Floyd, was cold-bloodedly killed by a Minneapolis police officer with a knee to his neck, the coastal Port City of Wilmington, a place where raging White supremacists violently overthrew elected Black control in 1898, was dealing with extraordinary racism and clear evidence that Black lives really didn't matter.

However, few knew that, even in the midst of a deadly pandemic, that would dramatically have to change.

It was May 3, 2020, when an angry White mob, with guns, led by an off-duty New Hanover County sheriff's deputy, would

allegedly invade the home of a Black family, demanding entry in neighboring Pender County under the premise of searching for a missing girl. No one was hurt, but the incident deeply disturbed African-Americans, who felt threatened in a national atmosphere where angry Whites felt free to falsely and verbally attack Blacks for exercising their constitutional rights.

May 25 was the day that would rock the world, the day when George Floyd fatally fell victim to outrageous police abuse in a disturbing video, igniting massive protests and demonstrations in cities all over the nation, includ-

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**DR. CHARLES FOUST****CHIEF DONNY WILLIAMS**

### Rev. Murphy on Pender school board changing school name and n-word report

BY CASH MICHAELS  
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

Even though the Pender County Public School Board unanimously voted Tuesday to change the name of Burgaw Elementary back to C. F. Pope Elementary School, which is what it was during the days of segregation when it was named after a respected African-American Baptist minister, local principal and educator. The Reverend Dante Murphy, president of the Pender County NAACP, says there is more here to the name change than meets the eye.

"What should be stressed is the need to pay attention to the motives of public officials and why they make certain moves," Rev. Murphy told *The Journal* in a statement Wednesday. "For example, was the Pender County School Board's vote to change the name back to C. F. Pope made in the best interest of the community, or was it a continuation of plantation politics. My guess is that it was done in small portion for the benefit of the community and in large portion a continuation of plantation politics. We nevertheless celebrate the victory and champion those who have fought for some time to maintain their heritage."

However, the other decision of note that had

**REV. DANTE MURPHY**

Rev. Murphy's attention was the Pender School Board's vote Tuesday to finally release a long awaited report on the alleged use of the n-word by a teacher.

The report, completed by Blue LLP a month ago, confirmed that Karen McGowan, a Pender High School teacher, used the vile racial slur twice in front of students in clear violation of school system policy.

McGowan was issued a letter of official reprimand.

Two other Pender Schools employees were also found to have used the slur, but apparently not in violation of school system policy.

Prior to the report's being released Wednesday, Rev. Murphy, who had originally demanded an investigation into the matter, commented.

"I wish to apologize to the citizens of Pender County in that we were unsuccessful in preventing our school board from spending thousands of dollars on an unnecessary 'independent investigation' into the use of the 'N' word by a teacher," Rev. Murphy told *The Journal*. "The report that will be released to the public will be the handiwork of what attorneys are paid huge amounts of money to do, make problems go away. We will continue to dig deeper into the money spent on this investigation as well as the millions of dollars spent on other legal fees."

**DARRYL GADDY**

### Court says released felons owing fees, fines may vote

BY CASH MICHAELS  
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

Released felons on probation because they owe fees and fines may now be able to vote in North Carolina, ruled a divided three-judge Superior Court panel last week.

The decision will most likely be appealed.

Ordinarily, in North Carolina, voting rights are returned to convicted felons after they've served their sentences, unless they are delinquent in fines and fees or haven't

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## NC Black voters warned: "make sure your vote counts"

BY CASH MICHAELS  
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

Now that Labor Day has officially passed, the upcoming presidential debates, starting Sept. 29, and the Nov. 3 general election less

than two months away, Black voters are urged to pay particular attention to all aspects of the voting process to make sure that their ballot is properly counted on Election Day.

First, check your voter regis-

tration status to be sure you're registered to vote in the Nov. 3 election. One must be 18 years-old (or at least be 18 by Nov. 3) and must have had a North Carolina address for at least 30 days. You may register online at

<https://www.ncdot.gov/dmv/offices-services/online/Pages/voter-registration-application.aspx>, or visit either your local county

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ing Wilmington.

Police chiefs across the state joined demonstrators in decrying the death of Floyd, and, in some cases, as with then interim Wilmington Police Chief Donny Williams, marched with them.

Black Lives Matter protesters took to the streets, taking up the rallying cry heard all over to end police violence, remove confederate statues that honored White supremacists, and "defund the police," a cry to take funding from the local law enforcement budget and transfer it to more social service programs for the poor.

BLM protesters in Wilmington also demanded the establishment of a civilian police review board and the permanent appointment of Interim Chief Williams to head Wilmington law enforcement.

On the night of June 24, two confederate statues were removed from the downtown Wilmington area by order of city govern-

ment, per the demands of many in the African-American community who complained that they were reminders of past White racism and oppression that still plagued Black people in the Port City. That stunning news was immediately followed by the welcomed announcement that Interim Chief Williams had indeed been made permanent to lead the police department, becoming the first African-American ever to do so.

However, then the shocker came! On his first day as the permanent chief, Williams announced the termination of three veteran White Wilmington police officers who were unknowingly caught on a police vehicle recording using racial slurs to describe Black Lives Matter demonstrators, Black police officers, a Black magistrate, and even their new Black police chief. The officers were also caught using hate-filled speech, discussing starting a racial "civil war" to wipe Blacks off the f-g map."

New Hanover County District Attorney Ben David announced that, after reviewing the tapes, he couldn't find evidence of the officers' breaking any state law, but he did call for a federal Justice Department investigation. He also made sure the former officers could not serve as witnesses in any of the 70 cases in which they were involved.

Chief Williams ensured that they could never work for the City of Wilmington again and would be blackballed to ever work in any other North Carolina law enforcement agency. He also vowed that, as long as he was police chief in Wilmington, he would not tolerate racist attitudes among his officers on the force.

Recently it was reported that one of the former officers, James "Brian" Gilmore, is appealing his termination, claiming that the remarks for which he was fired, about Whites' "worshipping" Black protesters, were actually constitutionally "protected" religious speech, not racial.

Gilmore wants his job back.

Then on July 6, the NC Clergy Truth and

Reconciliation Mission filed a federal complaint against the ousted White officers with the Community Relations Service of the U.S. Justice Dept., seeking an investigation.

Finally, on Monday, July 13, the New Hanover County Board of Commissioners, by a 3-2 vote, passed a resolution that was simply unthinkable before the death of George Floyd, declaring racism a "public health crisis."

"Racism has formed the basis for a public health crisis affecting our entire County and should be treated with urgency," read the resolution in part. "This resolution calls upon legislators, health officials and others in our community to research and analyze data and make meaningful changes to dismantle systemic racism. New Hanover County will seek to promote racial equity...."

At that same meeting, the NHC Commission Board voted to change the name of Hugh McRae Park, originally named after a prominent White supremacist in Wilmington's past, to Long Leaf Park. The sign was

promptly dismantled the day after.

On August 18, after several weeks of explosive controversy, the Wilmington City Council voted 5-2 to adopt a one-year pilot project sponsoring a donated art installation in its downtown area that says, "BLACK LIVES DO MATTER - END RACISM NOW."

Days later, a New Hanover County judge ruled not to release video/audio recordings of three White former Wilmington police officers racially disparaging African-Americans and arming themselves for a race war.

In the span of just four months, Wilmington, given its torrid racial history, has seen the kind of transformative change no one could have imagined.

The question now, and for the future, is, can it last?

**EDITOR'S NOTE: LAST MONTH THE NEW HANOVER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION HIRED ITS FIRST AFRICAN AMERICAN SUPERINTENDENT, DR. CHARLES FOUST.**

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completed their probationary period. It's called the felony disenfranchisement law.

However, the lawsuit filed last fall by the NC NAACP and the Raleigh-based Community Success Initiative, a re-entry program for the formerly incarcerated, challenged

that status, stating that it violates the U.S. Constitution's prohibition against a "property quantification affecting one's right to vote."

The judicial panel further found that the law violates the Equal Protection Clause.

Only those ex-felons who have not had their voting rights restored because they still owe money are affected by the ruling.

Advocates seeking to restore the voting rights for the formerly incarcerated, like Dennis Gaddy, executive director of Community Success Initiative, were delighted.

This ruling is a major victory for the thousands of North Carolinians who have been denied access to the ballot due to an inability to pay financial obligations," Gaddy said. "We are thrilled that the judges took

this important step in the right direction in the continued fight for voting rights and equality in our state."

It didn't take long for Republicans to complain that the decision was another example of judges' writing law, instead of deciding law.

"Sure as hell nothing to celebrate here," tweeted Dallas Woodhouse, executive director of the NC

Republican Party. "Convicted felons who have NOT paid their debt to society and not concluded their sentences having their full rights restored."

However, advocates counter that the N.C. felony disenfranchisement law was the legal equivalent to a poll tax that otherwise prevented legal voters from carrying out their constitutional right to vote.

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Board of Elections office or local NC DMV office to do so.

You may also use same-day registration if you choose to one-stop early vote between Oct. 15 and Oct. 31.

If you believe that you are already registered to vote and feel you need to double check your status, just go to <https://www.ncsbe.gov>, click "Registering" to go to that page, scroll down to the box on the right that says "Checking Your Registration," click that to go to that page. Then, once there, scroll

down past "Related Content" to "Voter Search Tool."

Click that to go to the "Voter Search" page. Once there, follow the instructions to confirm you are properly registered to vote in North Carolina. If you are not, go to the proper page to correct or update your voter registration information.

Remember! You must be properly registered no later than Oct. 9, 2020.

Once you've confirmed that you are properly registered to vote, then you may decide on the several options you have to cast your ballot either before, or on, Nov. 3.

For instance, if you were

one of the over 643,000 North Carolinians who requested a mail-in ballot online, those ballots were sent out on Sept. 4. You should have received yours by now. If so, you officially have until Oct. 27 to mail your ballot back. However, to ensure that it is returned in plenty of time to be properly counted, most observers are urging you to fill it out, sign it in front of one witness, and then return it promptly (at least ten days before Nov. 3, Election Day). Just follow the instructions when you receive it in the mail.

Once you've properly filled it out and signed it, you may physically return your completed ballot to your local county Board of Elections no later than 5 p.m. on Election Day, Nov. 3rd.

If you want to return your completed ballot during the early voting period, you may do that by taking it to any early voting site between Oct. 15 and Oct. 31.

Beyond yourself, only a close relative may return your ballot for you.

If you mail it back, you may check the SBOE voter "Search Tool" online to be sure it was received and accepted.

If you choose not to vote

by absentee, or mail-in ballot, as indicated before, you

may "one stop early vote" between Oct. 15 and Oct. 31. Just check to see where the nearest early voting site is to where you live.

All early voting sites will open at 8 a.m. Monday through Friday, and at 12 noon on Saturdays and Sundays. They will close at 7:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 17 and Saturday, October 24, and on Sunday, Oct. 18 and Sunday, October 25.

On the final day of early voting, Saturday, October 31, polls will close at 3:00 p.m.

On Election Day, Tuesday, November 3, polls will open at 6:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m.

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women being beat up or killed, KKK marching in people's yards, burning crosses to scare them or even harm people, just because they wanted to.

I have seen these things change because people were strong enough to stand up for what is right and just! The people kept praying! People stood together and, with God on our side, things began to change. We now need to teach our younger generation from where we came and have them learn about the past and what it takes to go forward! We must first find ourselves with true faith. God will lead us. Then we must start work that will improve our communities and build the conscience of our elected officials.

We must not return to the past! We can use the past to live by, but not to live in. We must learn from our mistakes, move forward, and make the future better! VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!

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



**"If the lions do not write their own history,  
 then the hunters will get all the credit."  
 --AN AFRICAN PROVERB**



**STATE BRIEFS****JUDGE LIMITS RELEASE OF POLICE BODYCAM VIDEO**

[DURHAM] A Durham judge has released police body cam video of officers drawing guns on a group of black children playing tag

last month, but only to Durham City Council members and the attorney for the three police officers involved. One of the children was even handcuffed. Mayor Steve Schewel and the rest of the Durham Council are scheduled to view that video today. Then, the council is expected to request another court hearing to request that the video be released to the public. The police maintain that they got a report

of a man with a gun, which is why they had their weapons drawn. But the parents counter that their children - one as young as eight at the time - were just playing tag in the yard. No word on when that second hearing will be held.

**TRUMP WANTS STATE TO REOPEN AMID COVID-19**

[WINSTON-SALEM] Pres. Donald Trump, during his third visit to North

Carolina in just two weeks, told hundreds of supporters at a Winston-Salem airport Tuesday night that Gov. Roy Cooper "doesn't know what [he's] doing" when it comes to managing the COVID-19 pandemic in the state. Speaking before a crowd where an overwhelming majority of those attending were not wearing protective masks as required, Trump said the state would reopen after the election, and urged them to elect Lt.

Gov. Dan Forest as the new governor. Observers note that there was very little social distancing at the rally.

**NINA SIMONE'S HISTORIC N.C. HOME NOW PROTECTED FROM DEMOLITION**

[TRYON] The house where legendary singer Nina Simone grew up is now permanently protected from demolition by agreement with the

National Trust for Historic Preservation, Preservation North Carolina and World Monuments Fund. Simone was born Eunice Waymon in Tryon, NC in 1933. She taught herself how to play the piano when she was three, later growing up to become a world famous jazz singer and social activist. She died in France in 2003.

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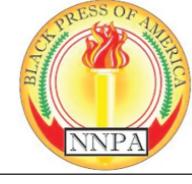
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## OUR VOICE

### RAINBOW COALITION

America's greatest athletes are standing up, calling this country to change

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

The greatest athletes in America are standing up for justice at a critical time. Despite unprecedented, multiracial demonstrations across the country protesting police violence against African Americans, the horrors keep on coming. Last week, Jacob Blake was shot seven times in the back by a policeman in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

As the anger has grown, some of the protests have been marred by vandalism and looting. Now armed right-wing militia groups are escalating the tensions. In Kenosha, two demonstrators were murdered and one wounded by a 17-year-old Trump supporter illegally wielding an assault weapon. It is into this cauldron that the professional basketball players of the NBA stood up, forcing a suspension of the playoffs, to support the call for justice. Their example was picked up by others — the WNBA, baseball players, tennis champions like Naomi Osaka and more.

Rev. Jesse Jackson, Sr.

This takes courage. Great athletes are taught to focus on their sport and to ignore their power in the culture. Owners, agents, managers and fans see them as entertainment, not as citizens or leaders. Yet the very God-given gifts, discipline and skills that make a great athlete contribute to their capacity for leadership. In the Old Testament, little David honed his skill with a sling. When an oppressive horde led by a giant named Goliath threatened the Hebrew people, David stepped up, hurling the stone that slew the giant and saved his people. Now America's greatest athletes are standing up, calling this country to change. They know that they will face criticism and abuse. They know that they could be risking their careers and livelihood. When LeBron James, Dwayne Wade, Chris Bosh and the Miami Heat players stood up in response to the death of Trayvon Martin, Americans across the country took notice. The same is true now as the current athletes focus on Breonna Taylor, George Floyd, Jacob Blake and the others they name.

They know the risks, but they also know that when they leave the court or playing field and return to their families, they are just another Black person to the police, and must worry about how to protect their sons and daughters, sisters and brothers, or even themselves. Both Sterling Brown of the Milwaukee Bucks and Thabo Sefolosha of the Houston Rockets were victims of police lawlessness. Here the example and leadership of LeBron James has been critical. Athletes across the world look up to him. When LeBron uses his platform to speak out — even in the face of insults from the president and others — he sets a tone and an example for others. In my opinion, he uses his gifts and platform so responsibly because it is his way of thanking God by serving others.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. used his gifts and platform to change the culture. Today, athletes are using their commitment to call this country to its senses. Great athletes have often been pacesetters. When Heavyweight Champion Jack Johnson stood up to racially biased and arbitrary social mores, he impacted the culture. When Joe Lewis defeated Max Schmeling, he pummeled the entire Nazi theory and racist ideology. When Jesse Owens became the world's fastest man at the Berlin Olympics, Adolf Hitler wouldn't shake his hand, but when Owens came home, he told me President Roosevelt wouldn't shake his hand either. Jackie Robinson broke the racial barrier in baseball and bore the physical and psychological scars from doing it. At the height of his career, Muhammad Ali, became a conscientious objector to the Vietnam War, and paid the price of years stolen from his career. Every athlete should be grateful to Curt Flood for ending the reserve clause and gaining athletes the right to free agency to negotiate the best deal they could. Colin Kaepernick launched his nonviolent campaign against police killing of Black people four years ago that has cost him his career.

The athletes had to stop business as usual to gain attention. They have been in intense meetings figuring out how they can most be effective. They understand that the murders can't go on; the system must change. They are calling on others to join them. They are putting their time and their resources on the line. They've now convinced NBA owners to turn their arenas into polling places where people might vote safely. Their actions have already had effect. It is too easy for cynical politicians and entrenched interests to turn attention from the injustice to the excesses that mar those protesting it. The players have forced our attention back to the injustice and to the core demand that Black Lives Matter. For that, they deserve our respect and our support.

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

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## YOUR VOICE

### AWOL INCUMBENTS

Based upon a Google search, AWOL is an acronym for "Absence With Out Leave" (permission). It is a military term that means to take unauthorized time off from work, school, and other duties. Brunswick County incumbents or politicians currently in office (District 3 Commissioner, NC House 17, and NC Senate 8) are current-

ly AWOL because they refuse to participate in a League of Women Voters' (LWV) Candidate Forum. Since they refused to participate, LWV guidelines prevent their opponents from participating.

This same "Run and Hide" strategy of running for office, getting elected, and then "hiding" from voters was also used in 2018. Voters are cheated because incumbents

do not have to defend their record on refusing to oppose offshore drilling, failing to expand healthcare coverage, and/or opposing NC COVID-19 guidelines that have been measured and science-based. Wouldn't you like to know how incumbents AND their opponents plan to deal with COVID-19 (schools and jobs) and climate change (hurricanes, tornadoes, and floods)?

What should happen if politicians go AWOL? After 30 days or more, soldiers face a dishonorable discharge. BC voters should render their verdict during the Early Voting period (October 15-31) and General Election Day (November 3) by discharging these incumbents without honor.

William Flythe  
Southport, NC

## MATTERS OF OPINION

### Is the economy rebounding?

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

On the Friday before Labor Day, the Bureau of Labor Statistics released its monthly report, The Employment Situation. It reported good news — the unemployment rate dropped to 8.4 percent, higher than in February before the pandemic hit. We added 1.4 million jobs

last month, the highest gain since the corona recession began. But while this is progress, it is no cause for celebration. The Black unemployment rate remains double-digit and has not dropped as rapidly as either the overall rate or the white rate, 7.3 percent. Eleven million fewer people held jobs in August than in March. And the "rebound" is not spread evenly across populations. The top 10 percent have already recovered. The bottom 40 or 50 percent are still struggling.

Dr. Julianne Malveaux

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

I read with interest that our neighbors directly to the south, in Virginia, were experiencing an uptick in the numbers and presence of coyotes. Although dog-like in appearance, these predators

threaten outside pets and other small wildlife. In rural areas, wild hogs destroy millions of dollars of commercial agriculture. Even normally non-threatening animals have become problems. Locally, Dulles Airport programs hunt for deer to reduce the potential for aircraft-deer collisions on runways! The expanding range of what's called "nuisance" animals has created increasing problems.

Except for programmed hunts, elimination of these nuisance animals is open to individual citizens. There're no limits or special requirements. A farmer experiencing crop damage may kill as many offending hogs as his judge-

Democratic Vice-Presidential nominee Senator Kamala Harris told CNN that "one in five mothers is describing her children as hungry." The lines at the food banks have not gone down, and in some communities, they are getting longer. Once thought to be relatively immune to the virus, small-town America is now being hit, and forcefully. The challenge is that there are fewer hospitals or health care facilities in rural areas. Economic recovery is dependent on the development of a COVID vaccine, which the current President says will be ready in October or November. More realistic, such as Dr. Anthony Fauci, say a vaccine might not be ready until next summer or even later.

The bottom line is that the macro indicators may show some progress, but a deeper dive is far less optimistic. Hundreds of thousands of small businesses, including 40 percent of Black-owned companies, have closed, resulting in permanent job loss. Some of the hardest-hit industries include the leisure industries -- travel, dining,

and more. Women, especially women of color, heavily populate some of these industries. While COVID hit women of color harder than others, recovery will not make these women whole.

The economy will not regain its position from early March. Indeed, the slight comeback in leisure industries has been partly a function of people enjoying safer, outdoor dining. The colder it gets, the more likely it is that people will choose to pass up dining out in favor of eating at home. People bought more groceries between March and August, not wanting to risk the possibility of contagion. Many have cautiously begun to eat out again, but restaurants lose money when they reduce seating because of social distancing.

By mid-September, we will know whether the Labor Day weekend will spark another COVID outbreak. And if there is another outbreak, count on the economy to slow again. Congress could at least prevent some of this if the Senate passed the HEROES (Health and Economic Recovery Omnibus Emergency Solutions) Act,

which would extend unemployment insurance, provide relief for cities and states, and provide money for schools. The HEROES legislation has been caught in partisan drama, with a bipartisan group of Congressional representatives passing it, but with Senate Majority leader Mitch McConnell failing to even put the legislation up to a vote. Some Republicans dispute the need for the HEROES Act because of the latest unemployment rate data. But many states and local jurisdictions will lay off public servants — teachers, police officers, sanitation workers, transportation workers, health care workers, and others, pushing the unemployment rate back up.

The August Employment Situation report has more good news than bad. It indicates that for the fourth month in a row, things are improving. But this improvement is not enough, and it could be much better if our legislators would offer some assistance, especially to those

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## Open season

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

I read with interest that our neighbors directly to the south, in Virginia, were experiencing an uptick in the numbers and presence of coyotes. Although dog-like in appearance, these predators

threaten outside pets and other small wildlife. In rural areas, wild hogs destroy millions of dollars of commercial agriculture. Even normally non-threatening animals have become problems. Locally, Dulles Airport programs hunt for deer to reduce the potential for aircraft-deer collisions on runways! The expanding range of what's called "nuisance" animals has created increasing problems.

Except for programmed hunts, elimination of these nuisance animals is open to individual citizens. There're no limits or special requirements. A farmer experiencing crop damage may kill as many offending hogs as his judge-

ment considers necessary. Unlike "game" animals, there are no closed seasons — it is ALWAYS open season for nuisance animals. Sadly, it appears as though many in this country have come to emotionally accept the fate of the nuisance animal as comparable with the fate of African Americans and other people of color.

The recurring murders of people of color demonstrate a callous disregard for the lives and humanity of the victims. This is not new! Further back than anyone living can remember, African Americans were brutalized and murdered without regard for their circumstance or humanity.

In memory there was no or little difference between law enforcement and the KKK. The badge you saw during the day was replaced by a hood at night. In Black communities, law enforcement's only mandate — "control the niggers!" This mandate gave complete license to law enforcement to be as brutally creative as they chose. The Black community was at the complete whim, mood or mercy of any law enforcement person they might meet.

The woes of Black folks were

increased by the activities of the "night riders," the Ku Klux Klan or similar organizations.

Their extra-legal activities gave a new dimension to controlling the Black community. Their activities are legendary. A Black person was fearful of looking at a white person in a manner that could be perceived as insolent or disrespectful. This was dramatically demonstrated by the fate of Emmitt Till. No wonder most Blacks cowered and looked down in the presence of a white person. The foundation of their control was fear.

Considering how far we've come in time, most would pray and think that we are long past those times. They would be wrong!

Michael Brown, Sandra Bland, Tamir Rice, Eric Garner, Laquan McDonald, George Floyd, Breonna Taylor and now, Jacob Blake are more notable names on a long list of victims of police violence. Neither age, gender, nor social status distinguishes one from another. Their common characteristic is their race. Whether a part of the culture of their agency or the result of an established personal bias, officers involved with those individu-

als have chosen "nigga control" above "serving and protecting."

In addition to the travesties of the police, we're now menaced by a new generation of "white supremacist vigilantes." The most recent example is given in the person of Kyle Rittenhouse. He is 17. He's a resident of Illinois and lived 21 miles from Kenosha, WI. His mother drove him and his AR-15 to Kenosha where he, according to an interview (with him), was there to do his "duty" to protect property and maintain order. This terrorist killed two and severely wounded a third. Right-wing analysts and #45 weigh in with the opinion Rittenhouse's activities were appropriate and his actions were taken in self-defense.

If this trend is called "Making America Great Again," I want no part of it and will VOTE to do my part toward eliminating the leadership which condones and encourages this type of violence.

Dr. E. Faye Williams is President of the National Congress of Black Women. She hosts "Wake Up and Stay Woke" on WPFW-FM-89.3 FM.

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at the bottom. Even though 45 has made the economy his issue, repeatedly proclaiming

that he created "the best economy in the world" until COVID, his inability to grasp the many ways that COVID will continue to plague the economy raises issues about

his sagacity and discernment. Don't celebrate the rebound yet. Don't stop the pressure either. The Senate must pass the HEROES Act or face the consequences. If

we want economic recovery AND economic justice, we must vote.

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**REALITY CHECK****Needed: All Black police officers in inner-city neighborhoods**

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

In a 1992 column written for the Richmond Free Press I wrote, "Someone should tell young black males who are killing each other with such deadly efficiency that they are being allowed to do so precisely because they are killing each other. The harsh reality is that there are many white people in this city who believe that it is cheaper to let them kill each other off than to educate them or to keep them in jail."

Two years later for the same newspaper I wrote, "I have a suggestion on how to more effectively combat street crime in black neighborhoods in Richmond which is to put all black police officers in our inner-city neighborhoods....This would eliminate race as a major factor in crime control by taking this cover

out of the hands of the minority of residents who indulge in criminal behavior mainly against their own people. Many black people, for legitimate historical reasons, don't trust white police officers. Black criminals are well aware of this situation and take advantage of it."

In a 2009 column distributed by the News Service of the National Newspaper Publishers Association, I noted that my all black police officer position "...was based on the premise that many, if not most, black officers either live in inner-city neighborhoods or have relatives or friends who live there. Thus, they have a much more vested

interest in safety in such neighborhoods than their white counterparts....I believe that black police officers have a better chance of sifting out information from people in the neighborhood than white cops most of whom don't give a you-know-what about inner-city neighborhoods. Their chief goal is to prevent inner-city street crime from spreading into other parts of the city. It must be admitted that they have been very successful in doing this; it doesn't take a rocket scientist to know that if black street criminals were killing or brutalizing Whites on any income level, from street bums to corporate executives, the way they kill and brutalize each other, they would be stopped by any means necessary....What the young street criminals fail to comprehend is that their destructive behavior towards each other and towards their

communities is allowed, sometimes encouraged, by a system which regards them as expendable. By their behavior the minority of young black people who disrupt their communities have, for all practical purposes, become allies of white supremacists/racists."

That is as true in 2020 as it was in 1992 when I first wrote about the subject.

There are organizations within inner-city communities throughout the country who are trying to deal with this unfortunate situation. They have earned and deserved support from all of us who really care about the present and future of black folks in this country.

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**CRAZY FAITH MINISTRIES****Burning Bibles and flags is not how Black folks protest**

When unrest erupted in Milwaukee after George Floyd was murdered by police, and then continued to erupt in other cities as example after example of state-sanctioned violence against black people continued to be exposed, the media focused on violence. The stories seemed to lean toward the belief that the violence was coming exclusively from black people, thereby feeding into the fear many white people in this country have of black people, and eroding trust and support for the goals of the Black Lives Matter movement.

But some of the violence that was flashed across television screens seemed suspicious, at least to me. In one video, a white man carrying an umbrella, was shown walking along a street, smashing windows. Dubbed "Umbrella Man," he was said to be a white supremacist working to incite violence. (<https://www.washingtonpost.com/nation/2020/07/29/umbrella-man-white-supremacist-minneapolis/>)

In another story, destruction in Richmond, VA, was said to have been wreaked by white supremacists. White supremacists, said the mayor of the city, were marching under the banner of Black Lives Matter. ([https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/virginia-politics/nearly-two-dozen-arrested-in-richmond-as-weeks-of-peaceful-protest-turned-violent-over-the-weekend/2020/07/27/45857f1a-d02a-11ea-8d32-1ebf4e9d8e0d\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/virginia-politics/nearly-two-dozen-arrested-in-richmond-as-weeks-of-peaceful-protest-turned-violent-over-the-weekend/2020/07/27/45857f1a-d02a-11ea-8d32-1ebf4e9d8e0d_story.html))

And recently, "rioters" were said to be burning Bibles and American flags. Although investigations revealed that only two Bibles had been burned, there was something about this story that rang totally false. It turns out that it was a story instigated by the Kremlin, in order to exacerbate white fear and opposition to the BLM movement, and support for this country's president. (<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/08/11/us/politics/russia-disinformation-election-meddling.html>)

What I knew was, even before the disinformation efforts of the Kremlin was reported, is that the violence described did not seem to fit the pattern of how black people in this country protest.

We are not going to burn anybody's Bible. Of that I am fairly certain. And it is unlikely that we have burned flags. When it comes to Bibles, all of us have grandparents and great-grandparents, long gone physically but still with us spiritually, who would tan our hides if we even thought about burning the Good Book.

And in our history, as angry as we have been (righteously so), the focus has not been to burn the American flag. The goal has been to alert this country as to how white supremacy has disrespected the flag by disrespecting and ignoring black people in the quest for freedom and full American citizenship.

When it comes to the Bible, black folks have revered and held onto God and God's word even when God has seemed to be absent; our theologians have looked for ways to teach us who God is and where God is as we have fought for liberty, and when it comes to the flag, black people have, as Doc Rivers said last week, "loved a country which has not loved us back."

Colin Kaepernick, remember, did not advocate the destruction of the flag. He knelt to show his respect for the ideals the flag represented.

The burning of the American flag reported this year was supposed spearheaded by a group called RevCom, short for the Revolutionary Communist Party, USA. It was founded in 1975 by a white man, Bob Avakian, and its goal is to overthrow America's capitalist system. Members of this and other anti-government groups have been present at BLM rallies.

Reports say that when RevCom began a flag burning exercise earlier this year in Chicago, other protesters rushed in to stop them. (<https://thehill.com/homenews/news/505891-pro-testers-burn-american-flag-outside-white-house-after-trump-july-fourth>)

Protests are American, but they are also cultural. The world knows about America's racism and Russia, which has a vested interest in seeing the current president win re-election, is using its knowledge of white fear of black people to push racist disinformation.

We can and will see much of that leading up to November 3rd.

But it is and will be important to remember who we are and Whose we are. We will do well to remember our Sunday School lessons and our grandmothers' words to us. They would not have tolerated us burning either a Bible or a flag.

The anti-fascists are doing the BLM a great disservice by showing up at BLM rallies, supposedly in support of what black people drawing attention to the disrespect and disregard of black lives in this country. We who listen and watch would do well to monitor stories like those featuring the burning of Bibles and American flags, and work to counter the disinformation being spread in order to dilute the strength and necessity of the BLM movement.

Our work and our struggle deserves that much.

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This week I really want to alert you on how making any changes to your credit after you get a home loan approval could hurt you.

Some things may seem harmless, but in the credit world, everything works in a precise sequence that at times makes no sense. Let me break it down further. When lenders pull the credit to evaluate if it is in good standing, they base the approval on what it is at that time. The credit report review is only good for a certain period. Depending on the lender, they will require it pulled every 60-90 days until

you close on a home. Some changes in your credit report are within your control, and some are not. Well, when you are dealing with new construction that takes months to complete, this gets a little hairy and nerve-racking. I have seen buyer's credit scores dip 60 points for no apparent reason when pulled but then, it was figured out. Did you know paying off a loan will drop

your score? Well it does and it did and it was a fight to recover those scores quickly so a family could close on their new home. They had no idea that paying an debt off early would jeopardize a home they had watched over 6 months being built from the ground up. They thought paying off the bill was a good thing because 1 less bill to pay before starting the new mortgage. I know it doesn't make sense that paying off debt would hurt you, but it's the scoring system the credit agencies use, and the more open accounts, the higher the score. Same with an accident

late payment on a credit account. Credit card debt payment is the one that seen most of the oversight in paying. That is because a credit card payment date is a drop-dead date. There is no grace period. If it's due on the 22nd and you pay it on the 23rd, it's not 1 day late, it's 30 days late. Yes, 30 days, and that will drop your scores. Then, what about new inquiries on your credit that was not there the 1st time the lender pulled credit. You really going to apply for new credit after you got a home loan approval and haven't closed on a home yet? Don't you know that will 1)

Alert the lender that you are trying to get into more debt, even if you didn't get the new account and 2) it may drop your scores as much as 50 points. If the lender sees other creditors pulling your credit, it will give them great pause because they gave you mortgage approval amount the 1st time based on what open credit you had. If you are seeking new credit, they may reduce the approval amount or worst, can't get the approval back because your scores dipped below the required numbers. As you can see, you just can't do anything different to your credit

file once approved. If there is something you really need to do or want to do, do not make a move until you check with your lender to ask if it will hurt your approval. Making all financial moves strategically will keep you from big-time regrets later. No matter how harmless it seems, please don't do it. Until next week, share this article with at least 3 people and tell them to reach out for a free game plan to own in the next 18 months or less.

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## Death of Chadwick Boseman puts focus on colon cancer and African Americans

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The death of actor Chadwick Boseman from colon cancer at age 43 has brought

new attention on the disease and how it disproportionately impacts African Americans.

Boseman was diagnosed with stage 3 colon cancer at 38. It later advanced to stage 4. Boseman was filming movies that included completing his

own stunts while undergoing cancer treatment that included chemotherapy. The actor died on August 30. His death caught many who worked closely with him by surprise.

Colorectal cancer is the third most common cancer in both men and women in America. It is the second most common cause of death related to the disease. African Americans are disproportionately impacted with a 20 percent greater rate than whites and an even greater degree of mortality.

Every year on average 140,000 Americans are diagnosed with colon cancer with about 50,000 succumbing to the disease. For African Americans the death rates are higher. Diets high in animal

fat and low in fiber are associated with the development of colon cancer. Cigarette smoking, obesity, lack of exercise and vitamins C and E deficiency are also contributing factors to colon cancer.

Dr. Wayne Frederick, who is the President of Howard University and a medical doctor, where Boseman graduated in 2000, commented on Boseman's trip to Howard University's commencement in 2018 as the featured graduation speaker. Frederick focused on the importance of knowing what one's family history is and knowing what close relatives died of. He instructed that if you're unclear how a close relative died you should investigate and find out.

"When I was in medical

school, we got screening guidelines that it should start at 50. What we are seeing now is individuals getting colon cancer now is much younger. It is something for us to watch," said Dr. Frederick on Roland Martin Unfiltered on August 31. Martin broadcast a two-hour tribute in honor of Boseman on his daily show.

"African Americans are much less likely to get the generic screening," he added. Dr. Frederick also mentioned that popular historian Dr. Ibram X. Kendi was diagnosed with colon cancer at 36.

In January 2018, Kendi learned he had colon cancer after a colonoscopy. Though the cancer spread to his liver, further tests revealed that Kendi was cancer free after six

months of chemotherapy and surgery. In January 2019, Kendi wrote "What I Learned From Cancer," in The Atlantic. Kendi was trying to complete another epic work "How to Be an Antiracist," as he was being treated for colon cancer.

"In the hours of each day when I managed to submerge myself inside the writing zone, the metastatic cancer was an afterthought. The symptoms from the six months of chemotherapy, from January to June last year, were an afterthought: my marathons of tiredness, the bubbling nausea, my hands and feet tingling and darkening and drying and blistering, making them unusable at times," Kendi wrote regarding this cancer battle.

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## As COVID-19 increases the digital divide, the Black community faces yet another threat to tech access

BY HAZEL TRICE EDNEY

As COVID-19 wreaks havoc on a digital and educational divide that has already severely impacted African-American and other children of color, yet another situation on the horizon could further increase disparities by hindering access to crucial technological tools, according to experts.

Two cases pending before the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) are being watched by educators and lawmakers who describe them as deeply troubling. Many big names in technology are under attack - including Amazon, Apple, Asus, Dell, HP, Lenovo, LG, Microsoft, Motorola, Samsung, and Sony - and tech experts say the outcomes of these cases are absolutely realistic threats to the ability to obtain certain mobile communication devices - an outcome that would increase the digital divide even further during this unprecedented time of online learning.

In a nutshell, Neodron, a company just recently created in Ireland, is seeking to block the import of more than 90 percent of mobile touchscreen devices, like smartphones, tablets and touchscreen laptops, that come into the United States. Neodron doesn't design or manufacture products within the U.S. Its business plan is to acquire patents and then sue for infringement.

The cases have caught the attention of members of Congress, and those in the tech world express major concern.

"When we talk about digital divide, you're talking primarily about the availability

of high speed internet and its distribution across our nation. The big problem with this patent infringement claim is that the vast majority of inner city schools still have barely sufficient internet connection," says Michael Russell, the lead instructor for information technology, security and forensics at the Pittsburgh Technical College since 2002.

Russell points out that "the majority of young people who access the internet today access the internet from their smartphones." Particularly low income children often use their smartphones in order to get on the Internet.

He believes the Neodron case could impact their educational lives.

Russell used the term "patent pirate" when describing the activities of companies like Neodron which acquires patents for the purpose of financial gain. Neodron recently obtained patents from Microchip Technologies, possibly with the motive of filing petitions asking the ITC to investigate and close the U.S. market to nearly all smartphones, tablets, and laptops. In short, Neodron is putting the devices that people rely on at risk amidst a season when they need them most.

According to a statement by the ITC, the complaint alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 in the importation into the United States and sale of certain touch-controlled mobile devices, computers, and components thereof that infringe patents asserted by the complainant. The complainant requests that the USITC issue a limited exclusion order and cease and desist orders."

Restricting the import of these devices into the United States would cause educational and personal hardships for people largely dependent on their smartphones and other affected devices.

The issue is so dire that two members of Congress formed a bipartisan partnership to deal with it. Suzan DelBene (D-Wash.) and David Schweikert (R-Ariz.) introduced the Advancing America's Interests Act to stop patent abuse through the ITC and to assure that the agency adheres to a high standard of public interest.

"The ITC was established to protect U.S. companies and consumers from unfair foreign competition, but in recent years, patent licensing entities have abused the ITC process for financial gain," said DelBene in a joint release. "This legislation addresses this problem and helps protect American businesses from unfair and unjustified claims."

Schweikert called the legislation "an important step in the right direction towards reforming the ITC's unfair imports process to ensure that American businesses have equitable access to protection for their ideas."

This potential impact of this case cannot be overlooked as African-Americans and other racial minorities have been so disproportionately impacted by COVID-19. As lives have become almost totally dependent upon access to the internet and remote services, the impact of an ITC exclusion order would have a broad reach.

Instead of rushing to get children out the door to catch the school bus and then driving into work, many parents

now struggle to manage their children's education as schools have shifted to remote learning and parents work from home. Government services of all types are now online, from job applications to business licenses to unemployment claims. And then there's access to health care. Throughout the pandemic, it has become clear that tele-health is surging and is a crucial resource that allows people to protect both their community as a whole and the healthcare workers providing their critical services.

According to a recent study, up to 42 million people may not have access to broadband, a figure that is disproportionately made up of African-Americans and other people of color. But without the devices necessary to even access the internet, the problem becomes worse and communities of color are at a great disadvantage.

A key concern is that since the COVID-19 pandemic, an already serious struggle for low income students of color, has been exacerbated.

The Greenlining Institute, a 27-year-old multi-racial organization in Oakland, Calif. that aims to end economic discrimination such as redlining, conducted a survey of Oakland and Fresno, Calif. residents before COVID-19. The findings were as gloomy as expected. But all of the common themes were "made more urgent by the pandemic", the Institute reports on its website.

Those common themes include "Internet access is not a luxury; Lack of access creates significant hurdles for everyday life; Smartphone access is insufficient; Internet plans designed for



**Michael Russell**, an instructor of information technology, security and forensics at the Pittsburgh Technical College, is among tech experts who say two pending cases before the ITC could seriously broaden the digital divide.

low-income families are inadequate; Lack of access is a barrier to academic success."

Russell says if Neodron prevails, these issues could expand and get even worse for more people across the nation.

"I'm not only talking about just young people," he said. "I'm talking about the elderly needing to monitor their health care, making appointments with the doctor and things of that nature. All of those things could be adversely impacted. Mostly inner city; mostly Black and Latino families would continue to have the largest impact."

As the issue spirals, even

more considerations will come into play.

"The educational, financial and personal need for the internet could lead to an even greater conflict than the inability to get online," says Russell, who also teaches regulatory compliance.

"I do believe that technology has a potential of being another form of warfare," he says. "I'm really concerned about that. Like economic warfare. We have a company located in another country filing a claim against American corporations that could adversely impact the way we live and do business. That's a real deal."

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James Clarence Scott, affectionately known as "Jimmy" by his family and "Two Shot" by close friends, was born April 24, 1944, to the late Bessie Scott Jones and the late Clarence Lee Scott. He departed this life on August 31, 2020. Graveside services were held on Saturday, September 5, 2020 at Pine Forest Cemetery.

At a young age, his mother married the late William Washington Jones, Sr., who became a very loving father to Jimmy and his siblings. He was preceded in death by his sister Patricia Scott McKoy.

Jimmy grew up on Wilmington's Northside and was educated in the New Hanover County School system. He attended that great school, Williston Senior High, where he played on the basketball team. William and Bessie moved their family to Jamaica, New York and Jimmy headed to Fort Dix, New Jersey where he enlisted in the United States Army. He served as a Military Police Officer in Okinawa, Japan, and Recruiting Officer in Buffalo, New York. He fought in the Vietnam War. He received the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Commendation Medal, and received the Good Conduct Medal (3) times. His last duty assignment was Niagara Falls, New York. James Clarence Scott was honorably discharged on May 16, 1977. He returned to Wilmington and worked various jobs as a construction worker.

Jimmy was a member of St. John AME Church in the Wrightsboro Community, Wilmington, NC, under the leadership of Reverend Wilma Hansley. He was an intricate part of St. John's Bread Ministry. He never failed to show up at the doors of those he loved with all kinds of goodies. Even if you did not want them, the smile on his face was one you could never turn away. He had the heart of a servant and showed the Jesus inside of him through his many acts of kindness.

Jimmy was a quiet man of few words. He loved to laugh and have a good time. He especially loved the company of young folk. He was also a great cook and gardener. He watched his garden closely and as soon as it was reaping time he would gather up the harvest, and hurry to give it all away. He enjoyed sharing what he had with others, especially Miss Earline and Miss Polly who would always get the first of the pickings. He was so proud of the work from his hands. When he became sick, so did his garden. He also loved to watch westerns and was a true Panthers Fan.

Jimmy will be missed by his family and friends. As the years linger and the flowers fade, the love for him will last forever.

He leaves to cherish his memories, wife, Esther J. Scott; children, Vickie Kellam (James) and Dennis Williams; sister, Catherine Scott Sanders; brother, William Washington Jones, Jr.; brother-in-law, George Williams (Annie); Granddaughter, Tamica Finch; five great grandchildren; nephews, Clarence Scott (Irene), Daryl Sanders, and Dwayne Sanders; nieces, Iva "Missy" Scott Joyner (Vinnie) and Tavone A. Sanders; special friends, Millie and JR, Rabbit, KC, Herb and Fish; and a host of other nieces, nephews, family members 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.

**Robert T. Moore, Sr.**

Deacon Robert Thomas Moore, Sr. of the Wrightsboro Community, Wilmington, North Carolina,

passed away on Wednesday, August 26, 2020 at Lower Cape Fear LifeCare Center. Graveside services were held on Wednesday, September 2, 2020 at Calvary Memorial Cemetery.

He was born on September 1, 1923 in New Hanover County, Wilmington, North Carolina. He was the second oldest of six children born to Walter and Lulu Moore.

Deacon Moore was united in holy matrimony to Synter McKoy for 66 years as of March 1, 1944. To this union three children were born; Albert, Diane and Robert, Jr.

Deacon Moore was educated in the New Hanover County School System, graduating in 1940 from Williston Industrial School at the age of 17.

He was employed at the Shipyard, as a custodian at the schools, the Housing Authority and at General Electric as a machinist.

Robert was a member of Mt. Holly Missionary Baptist Church in Wrightsboro, where he was a Deacon until his death. Even though he was at home, he still continued to attend Sunday School and morning worship service by telephone and the computer.

Cherishing his memories are: his sons, Albert of Valrico, FL and Robert, Jr. (Debra) of Burgaw, NC; his daughter, Diane Hampton of Wilmington, NC; four grandchildren, Kimber Gage (Jerome) of Tampa, FL, William Hampton, II (Stephie) of Wilmington, NC, Alan Moore (Tiffany) of Tampa, FL and Brendan Malloy of Burgaw, NC; six great-grandchildren, Tevin, Sydnee, Cameron and Isaiah of Tampa, FL, Kamila of Wilmington, NC and Jalisha of Fayetteville, NC; three great-great-grandchildren, Kamarie, Nymir and Bishop all of Wilmington, NC; one brother, Horace Moore of Tea Neck, NJ; three sisters, Catherine Candy of Far Rockaway, NY, Alcenia Holmes of Wilmington, NC and Shirley Harris of Manhattan, NY; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins 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.

**Audrey Gibbs**

Audrey D. Williams Gibbs, daughter of the late Bernice Williams and Henry Williams was born on December 2, 1955, in Wilmington, North Carolina. Her life came to a peaceful end on August 28, 2020. A celebration of Ms. Gibbs' life was held on Saturday, September 5, 2020 at Davis Funeral Home.

Audrey, affectionately known as "Dee" to some and "Granny" to others was educated in the public schools of New Hanover County, graduating from John T. Hoggard High School in the Class of 1971. She worked many years at Cape Fear Memorial Hospital, filling many hearts and stomachs of all she encountered. New Hanover Regional Medical Center was fortunate enough to be blessed with her for 31 years. She was a very active member in her church, Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, belonging to multiple ministries.

In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her husband, Willie Gibbs.

Audrey leaves to cherish very fond memories, daughter, Kendra Gibbs Sanders; grandchildren, Bryceson Age, Myron Sanders, Kayla Sanders and Quinton Sanders; great-grandchildren, Mario Rico, Noah Jennings and Mason Rico; siblings, Henry "Andre" Williams, Linda "Cheryll" Nixon, Wanda Williams, Christy Baham, Frederick Walker and Reginald Walker 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.

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**Warren C. Sanders, Jr.**

Warren Clark "Cowboy" Sanders, Jr., age 65, of Wilmington, passed away Tuesday, September 1, 2020.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 12, 2020 at Davis Funeral Home, 901 S 5th Ave., Wilmington, NC 28401.

His love and memories will remain in the heart of his daughter, Tiffany Vance (Eric) of New Orleans, LA; mother Geraldine Sanders of Wilmington; siblings, Darrell Sanders, Sr. (Denise) of Atlanta, GA, Marvin Sanders of Wilmington, Allan Sanders of Leland, Gerard Sanders (Tammy) of Columbia, SC and Stacey Sanders Washington of Wilmington, 2 grandchildren 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.

**Mary A. Davis**

Mary A. Davis, age 92, of Wilmington, NC, passed away on Wednesday, September 2, 2020.

Graveside services were held on Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at Calvary Memorial Cemetery.

She is survived by her children, David L. Davis of Victorville, CA, Fannie D. Mears and Deborah I. Davis both of Wilmington, 7 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, 6 great-great-grandchildren and a host of other family 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.

**Eliza Farrow**

Eliza Jane Merrick Farrow, age 84, of Charlotte, passed away Friday, September 4, 2020.

Public viewing will be held on Saturday, September 12, 2020 from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. at Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave., Wilmington, NC 28401.

A celebration of Ms. Farrow's life will be conducted at 1:00 PM on Sunday, September 13, 2020 at Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave., Wilmington, NC.

Interment will follow in Meares Cemetery. 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.

**Rudolph Wells, Jr.**

Rudolph Wells, Jr., "PUDDIN", "SLACK", "SLIM", died September 2, 2020. Funeral service was held on Saturday, September 5, 2020 at the home; 1077 Delco Prosper Road, Delco, NC. Burial followed in the Salem Cemetery.

Rudolph was born May 9, 1950 to the late Rudolph Wells, Sr. and Alma Louise Wells. Rudolph attended school in the Columbus County and later went to work for Wright Chemical. Slack, known mostly by his Delco fans, loved to DJ and play baseball. He joined Evergreen AME Zion Church on Sunday, July 8, 2001.

Rudy leaves to cherish: his wife, Koketha Fennel Wells; mother, Louise Wells; eight children, Elder Cornelius (Joyseptia) Wells; Sebastian Wells of Charlotte, NC, Shawntell (Kein) Fernandez of Minnesota, Tina Wells and Avery

Wells both of Wilmington, NC, Crystal Webb of Charlotte, NC, Wendy Pellom and Calvin Everett both of Wilmington, NC; sisters, Lonnie Jackson, Mary Marvin and Deniece Wells; aunts, Letha Knox, Ruth Brown, Annie Scott, Carrie Murphy and Alice Noel; and uncles, Raymond Bowens, Benjamin Bowens and Otto Bowens. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

**Michael Lewis "Smitty" Smith**

Michael "Smitty" Smith of Wilmington died in New York. Memorial service was held Saturday, September 5, 2020 at the Willie L. Shaw Jr. Memorial Chapel.

"Smitty" was born on October 15, 1952 in Community Hospital, Wilmington, NC to Peggy Black and the late William "Bill" Smith. He graduated from John T. Hoggard High School in the Class of 1970 and briefly attended Kirtrell College shortly after. He also proudly served in the United States Army Reserve for several years as well.

Michael had several talents and skills, but he was known throughout the city for being a great athlete, excelling the most in basketball. He

was one of a kind. He played basketball at Kirtrell College and was a very profile player during his tenure. Aside from sports, Michael was a bright, kind and gentle soul. He never met a stranger and was known for his friendliness and for being courteous. He worked for 20 years at Zip Zap Income Tax Services, where he assisted with daily duties around the store. He was known for being one of the first smiling faces the customers would see as they walked through the door. Everyone from the customers to the coworkers loved "Smitty".

Michael leaves behind to cherish his memory: his mother, Peggy Black of Bronx, NY; his son, Michael Bridges of Wilmington, NC; grandchildren, Michael, Maverick and Brody; several cousins and close friends. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

**Antwine Simmons**

Antwine Simmons died August 31, 2020.

Antwine Denise Simmons,

daughter of the late John H. Simmons and Geneva Robinson Simmons was born May 14, 1978. Antwine graduated from New Hanover High School in June 1997. She went to work in food services, management and finally, night filler before retiring. She was an accomplished artist and published poet. Antwine cherished God and family above all and we cherished her.

She loves to cherish her memory: two sisters, Trace Snead and Anastasia Simmons; one brother, John Hubert Simmons, III; nieces, Sydney Elisha Simmons and Lanessa Geneva Gause; nephews, Robert Tyree McKoy, Jr., Israel J.B. Jones and Isaiah J. Gause; five aunts; five uncles; and many loving cousins and friends. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

**Rev. Lee Vander Kennedy**

Rev. Lee Vander Kennedy died September 2, 2020. Graveside service was held on Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2020 at the Williams Cemetery, Leland, NC.

He was born December 9, 1940 to Rev. Lee Vander Kennedy, Sr. and Laura Clemons Kennedy. He grew up in Leland, NC, attended Lincoln High School and was a member of Johnson Chapel AME Zion Church. As a young adult, Lee held a variety of jobs. One of his passions was tinkering with cars. He enjoyed repairing and restoring them to like new. In the late 70's, he answered the call to go into the ministry. Rev. Kennedy was an avid reader of the Bible and a student of biblical materials and theology. He was always up for a thoughtful discussion on God and God's relationship to the world. Rev. Kennedy did his trial sermon at Zion Metropolitan Church in Wilmington, NC where Rev. Charles Reddick was pastor. He served the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church by assisting pastors and their congregations. Among the churches that he gave his assistance and support were: St. Mark, Savannah Temple, Blackwell Chapel, St. Paul, Point Caswell Missionary Baptist, Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist and Green Chapel. If it was Sunday, one could find Rev. Kennedy in God's house.

In addition to his parents, Lee was preceded in death by his sons, Antwine Simmons and Antwine Simmons died August 31, 2020.

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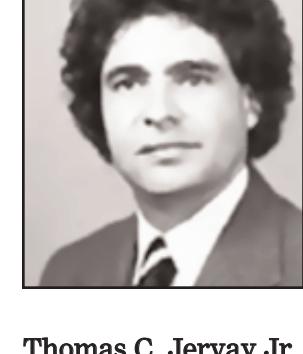
Lee Vander Kennedy, III and Derrick Avery Kennedy; siblings, Samuel Joseph Clemons and Winfred Curtwright Clemons, Sr., Carrie Elizabeth Person, Evangelist Virginia Thurman, Laura Loureva Powell and Emma Earl Clemons. Left to cherish fond memories are: daughters, Jacqueline Kennedy (Michael), stepdaughter, Calesta Ann Tyson all of Charlotte, NC; six grandchildren; one great-grandchild; sister; Mary Kennedy McKay of Leland, NC; brother, George William Clemons of Leland, NC; sister-in-law, Joyce Neal Clemons of Wilmington, NC; nieces, nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends. Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

**Brenda Lee Leonard**

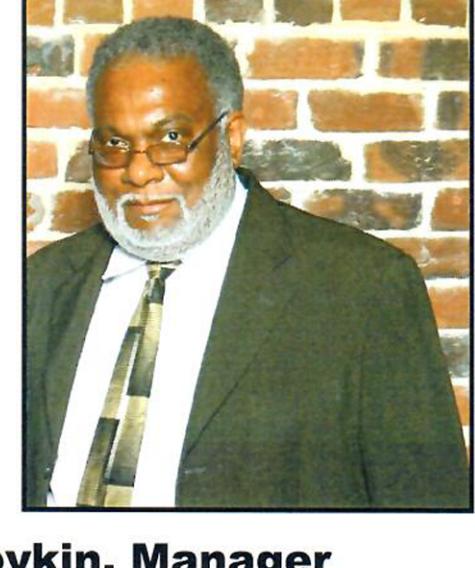
Brenda Lee Leonard died September 7, 2020. Graveside service will be held on Monday, September 14, 2020 at Calvary Memorial Cemetery. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

**Keith Baity**

Keith Baity died August 26, 2020. Memorial services will be held at a later date. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

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## TELL SOMEBODY

"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end." Jeremiah 29:11

**Economy:** Careful or thrifty management or use of Resources, income, materials, labor

**M**any Americans are still reeling from shock, surprise, awe, and dismay at the recent state of our national economy. The public is concerned not only about today's economy, but also that of tomorrow's. With our nation in so much debt, what kind of legacy are we leaving our children? The devastating effect of recent financial decisions, will trickle down and affect us all one way or another. This financial fiasco will have somewhat of a domino effect upon this nation. The billion dollar bailout, has helped only a hand few, who stand to profit millions at the taxpayers expense, while the common man is still struggling to pay his house note, rent, educate his children, or save his business. One may wonder, where

is God in the midst of this madness?

What is happening now, may come as a shock and surprise to many, but God is not shocked, God is not surprised, and God is not mocked! We as a nation can no longer stand on the "faith of our fathers". We need to stand in our own faith in Almighty God, and prepare our hearts to seek the Lord for ourselves and our children, till he rain down righteousness upon us! For, the bible says, "Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people." Proverbs 14:34.

The luxury of Living in the land of the free, and the home of the brave, has caused many of God's people to forget where their blessings came from! These jobs that we go to work in, are a means to an end, but these jobs are not our Source! God is our source, and we need to remember just how far the Lord has brought

us! When we cried unto the Lord, he heard us, and he delivered us from destruction. If we call him again, he will answer: "The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth." Psalm 145:18. We can count on his divine nearness, even until the end. Jesus said, in Matthew 28:20, "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you, always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." Where is God in the midst of this madness? He is just a prayer away! God is not a politician, who makes promises to get elected, and then forgets every promise he made. "God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? Or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?" Numbers 23:19

God's thoughts toward his people remain the same, no matter what the state of the American economy! "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and

my thoughts than your thoughts." Isaiah 55:8,9 God has his own economy, and he has a blessing plan that will not fail regardless of whether a Democrat or a Republican president is sitting in the oval office of the White House. Here are seven points to activate God's Economic Plan in your life, that will give you an expected end of peace and prosperity, in these economically uncertain times.

1. Honor the Lord (Proverbs 3:9)

"Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of All thine increase."

2. Show True Benevolence (Proverbs 25:21)

"If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be Thirsty, give him water to drink."

3. Be Charitable in your Giving (I Peter 4:8)

"And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves For charity shall cover the multitude of sins."

4. Be a Cheerful Giver (II Corinthians 9:7)

"Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, nor of necessity: for God loveth A cheerful giver."

5. Give in Good Measure (Luke 6:38)

"Give and it shall be given unto you; good measure, Pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, Shall men give into your bosom, for with the same Measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to You again."

6. Give Regularly (Corinthians 16:2)

"Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by Him in store, as God has prospered him, that there be No gathering when I come."

7. Bring Your Tithes into the Storehouse (Malachi 3:8-11)

Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be Meat in mine house and prove me herewith, saith the Lord of Hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour You out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to Receive it."

8. Become a Disciple of Christ (Matthew 16:25,26)

"For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever Will lose is life for my sake shall find it. For what is a man Profited if he shall gain the whole world, and

lose his own Soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"

May I close with the same words of comfort Jesus gave to His disciples, in John 14:1, "Let not your heart be troubled: Ye believe in God, believe also in me."

God will take care of you! Tell Somebody!

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## A WORD FROM THE LORD

## The invisible war, the church under seize is call spiritual warfare! Part 1

2Timothy 3:1-9 (KJV)"This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. 2For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholly, 3Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, 4Traitors, heady, high-minded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; 5Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. 6For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts, 7Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. 8Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith. 9But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all men, as theirs also was

"This is a picture of a future society-a terrible picture of what the last days of human history will be like. But note a shocking fact: it sounds very much like the society of today. We just do not think of our day as being so terrible; we seldom sit down and study the godless marks of society. But this is

exactly what this passage does: it discusses the godless marks of the last days, marks that come close to painting a picture of our day and time. This fact points to our day as being part of the last days. It is very possible that the Lord's return is at hand. One thing is sure, we must do just what Christ said: be prepared for His return, for He can return at any moment." (POSBC)

2 Corin. 11:14-15 (KJV)"And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. 15Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.

We must make war upon the powers of darkness to secure our victory that has already been won through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord."

Ephesians 6:10-18 (KJV)"Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. 11Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles

of the devil. 12For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. 13Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. 14Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; 15And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; 16Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. 17And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: 18Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;"

The devils has declared war on the church, while the church is sleep or ignorant of his devices or even his existence, which is one of his devices. The Bible, which is the word of God, declares that there is a devil who has a host of evil spirits to carry out his schemes upon the people of God. We shall examine God's Word on this subject to know our rights, position and author-

ity in and through Christ Jesus so that we can be prepared to meet and defeat every attack of the devil.

Hosea 4:6, "My people are destroyed for a lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children."

Romans 10:3, "For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God."

Ephe. 4:17-24 (KJV)"This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, 18Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: 19Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. 20But ye have not so learned Christ; 21If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus: 22That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceit-

ful lusts; 23And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; 24And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness."

John 8:31-32 (KJV) 31"Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; 32And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

"Truth of every kind makes us free, while lies bind up in bonds. Ignorance also binds up, because it gives ground to Satan. "Man's ignorance is a primary and essential condition for deception by evil spirits." The ignorance of the people of God concerning the powers of darkness, has made it easy for the devil to carry out his work of deceptions in the church and in the community.

The devil's great purpose, and for which he fights, is to keep the black church and community in ignorance of himself, his ways and his agents.

Col.2:4, "And this I say lest any man should beguile you with enticing words. V6-8, (Ampl.) 6As you have therefore received Christ, [even] Jesus the Lord, [so] walk (regulate your lives and conduct yourselves) in union with and conformity to Him. 7Have the roots [of your being] firmly and

deeply planted [in Him, fixed and founded in Him], being continually built up in Him, becoming increasingly more confirmed and established in the faith, just as you were taught, and abounding and overflowing in it with thanksgiving. See to it that no one carries you off as spoil or makes you yourselves captive by his so-called philosophy and intellectualism and vain deceit (idle fancies and plain nonsense), following human tradition (men's ideas of the material rather than the spiritual world), just crude notions following the rudimentary and elemental teachings of the universe and disregarding [the teachings of] Christ (the Messiah)".

Father, in the name of your Son Jesus Christ, I pray that the eyes of our understanding will be open to the strategy of the devil, who comes to steal, kill and to destroy. That we will only follow Jesus, who said, "I am the Way and the Truth and the Life; no one comes to the Father except by (through) Me."

*Reverend Naconiel Fullwood currently the pastor of MRDRC Ministries (Miracle Restoration, Deliverance, Revival Center Ministries Inc.) located in Wilmington, NC.*

## SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING

## It's not a secret I just gotta love you

love Him and you in kind. A so-called great philosopher once expounded, "I think therefore I am."

I believe I am, simply because God said so. I am because He is. You know, like when you were little and someone disputed your word and your only response was "Uh Huh! It's true because my mama or my daddy said so." That was it. Regardless of whatever other nonsense was spoken at you, the truth rested comfortably in your parents' word.

That word we would defend unconditionally, because we knew its foundation to be anchored in love for us.

So here we are, living and breathing creatures in the universe. I submit to you that God's word about us is pure. Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 says it simple enough. "Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. For God will bring every deed into judgment including every hidden thing, whether it is good or evil."

Okay, fear God and keep His commandments. Mom used to say, "Be home by eleven. Do what I tell you and

we'll get along just fine."

In many ways God tells us over and over again such simple truths. Yet, we continue to forget them, relying less on the concept of delayed (yet eternal) gratification and more in favor of instant 'I-want-it-now-pleasure.' The world offers finite fragile flesh, while the Lord delivers infinite and tangible spirituality. I don't know if I've heard a minister preach this or if it's my own notion that heaven is one big "now."

Existence in heaven knows no boundaries of time; no past, no future, just now. Time will be measured in eternity and not in minutes, hours or days. That revelation alone should shake many of us up. I

know it does me to recognize that even if I don't know or do not truly understand it all, it's got to be true because my Daddy said so.

Therefore, time as I know it will not exist upon my death. Consciousness as I know it will also not exist upon death. Existence as I know it will not be what I think it is but, "my eternity", "my oneness", "my amness" will be in direct relation to the Alpha and the Omega's love for me.

At times it's quite unimaginable to try to comprehend God, but Jesus on the other hand is Lord. He is Man. Jesus is me and I am Him. That's my reality and following God's commandments is

my map. Can you spell right relationship with God? Can you say I am because He said so?

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THE UNDERSIGNED, Lucy A. McCauley, having qualified on the 8th day of August, 2020, as Executor of the **Estate of Elizabeth K. McCauley (20-E-0869)**, deceased, is to notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against said Estate that they must present them to the undersigned at GRAVES MAY PLLC, C/O Attorney Rick Graves, 5700 Oleander Dr., Wilmington, North Carolina, 28403, on or before the **18th day of November, 2020**, or the claims will be forever barred thereafter, and this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All persons, firms, and corporations indebted to said Estate will please make prompt payment to the undersigned at the above address.

This 18th day of August, 2020.

Lucy A. McCauley  
Executor  
Estate of Elizabeth K. McCauley  
Rick Graves  
GRAVES MAY, PLLC  
5700 Oleander Dr.  
Wilmington, NC 28403

August 20, 27, September 3, 10, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administratrix of the estate of **Lemart E. Simpson**, 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 **18th day of November, 2020**, 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 13th day of August, 2020

Shirley B. Simpson,  
Administratrix  
9-6 Heather Heights  
Reading, PA 19606

August 20, 27, September 3, 10, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF JIMMIE LEE WILLIS, SR.  
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF  
JUSTICE  
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION  
FILE NO: 20E 0873

The undersigned qualified as the Administrator of the Estate of **Jimmie Lee Willis, Sr.**, deceased, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to Beverly Marshall, Administrator, at the address set out below, on or before **December 4, 2020**, or this notice will be pleaded as bar to recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the decedent will please make payment to the undersigned at either address set out below.

This the 3rd day of September, 2020.

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

September 3, 10, 17, 24, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as Administrator CTA of the Estate of **Vivian Anders (20-E-0957)**, late of New Hanover County, Wilmington, North Carolina the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 701 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401 on or before **November 27, 2020** 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 27th day of August, 2020.

Ricardo Boykins  
c/o Craige & Fox, PLLC  
701 Market Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401

August 27, September 3, 10, 17, 2020

## LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administratrix of the estate of **Frankie J. Morgan, Sr.**, 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 **27th day of November, 2020**, 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 27th day of August, 2020

Angela A. Morgan, Administratrix  
2307 MBA Ct.  
Concord, NC 28027

August 27, September 3, 10, 17, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Magdalene Roberts**, 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 **27th day of November, 2020**, 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 27th day of August, 2020

Veronica Roberts, Executor  
1410 S. 7th Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401

August 27, September 3, 10, 17, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Dorothy Louise Lewis**, 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 **27th day of November, 2020**, 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 27th day of August, 2020

Beth Lewis Passwaters, Executor  
9210 Slice Court  
Wilmington, NC 28412

August 27, September 3, 10, 17, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Bertha Ramsey Martin**, 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 **27th day of November, 2020**, 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 27th day of August, 2020

Troy T. Martin, Jr., Executor  
1310 Smith Bay Circle East  
Wilmington, NC 28405

August 27, September 3, 10, 17, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Marnell J. Gavins**, 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 **27th day of November, 2020**, 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 27th day of August, 2020

Ronald Lindell Parker, Executor  
1064 Mill Creek Loop  
Leland, NC 28451

August 27, September 3, 10, 17, 2020

## LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of **William Kinzy Hobbs, Jr.**, deceased, of New Hanover County, North Carolina, do hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **30th day of November, 2020**, 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 27th day of August, 2020.

Kinzy Hobbs Tippett, Executrix of the Estate of William Kinzy Hobbs, Jr.  
1323 Castle Hayne Rd  
Wilmington, NC 28401  
MURCHISON, TAYLOR &  
GIBSON, PLLC  
1979 Eastwood Road, Suite 101  
Wilmington, NC 28403

August 27, September 3, 10, 17, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Lisa Anne Wolak (20-E-540)**, late of New Hanover County, Wilmington, North Carolina the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned at 701 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401 on or before **November 27, 2020** 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 27th day of August, 2020.

Charlotte Noel Fox  
c/o Craige & Fox, PLLC  
701 Market Street  
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August 27, September 3, 10, 17, 2020

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF  
PROCESS BY PUBLICATION  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COLUMBUS COUNTY  
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF  
JUSTICE  
DISTRICT COURT DIVISION  
20-SP-69

**FOR THE ADOPTION OF:  
AMARIA TYLEE LEONARD-WADDELL  
BY: Norva Ornyx Waddell and  
Janice Davis Waddell**

**TO: UNKNOWN FATHER, Respondent**

TAKE NOTICE that a Petition for Adoption was filed by Norva Ornyx Waddell and Janice Davis Waddell on the 28 of August, 2020, with the Clerk of Superior Court for Columbus County, Whiteville, NC, in the above-entitled special proceeding. The Petition relates to a female child conceived in Wilmington, North Carolina, around MAY 2019 and born at eight months on January 22, 2020 in New Hanover Regional Medical Center, Wilmington, NC. The birth mother's name is Jamira Norvanna Waddell.

TAKE NOTICE that you are required to make defense to such pleading no later than forty (40) days after the date of the first publication of this notice, exclusive of such date. Upon your failure to do so, the Petitioners will apply to the Court for relief sought in the Petition. Any parental rights that you may have will be terminated upon the entry of the decree of adoption.

This the 4 day of September, 2020.

Santana S. Miller  
Law Office of Santana S. Miller,  
PLLC  
Attorney for Petitioners  
NC Bar #44621  
101 Courthouse Square  
Whiteville, NC 28472

September 10, 17, 24, 2020

## LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
NORTH CAROLINA  
NEW HANOVER COUNTY

THE UNDERSIGNED, Robert R. Frenson, having qualified on the 25th day of June, 2020, as Executor of the Estate of **Joan C. Frenson (20-E-660)**, deceased, does hereby notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against said Estate that they must present them to the undersigned at DAVID E. ANDERSON, PLLC, 9111 Market Street, Suite A, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28411, on or before the **8th day of December, 2020**, or the claims will be forever barred thereafter, and 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 3rd day of September 2020.

Robert R. Frenson  
Executor  
ESTATE OF JOAN C. FRENSON  
David Anderson  
Attorney at Law  
9111 Market St, Ste A  
Wilmington, NC 28411

September 3, 10, 17, 24, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of **John T. Marinaccio (20-E-833)**, 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 **December 3, 2020** 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 3rd day of September, 2020.

Carrie Marinda Marinaccio  
c/o Craige & Fox, PLLC  
701 Market Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401

September 3, 10, 17, 24, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Claude Wayne Murray**, 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 at 2107 Quiet Lane, Wilmington, NC 28409 on or before the **3rd day of December, 2020**, 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 the 3rd day of August, 2020.

Christopher James Murray, Executor  
2107 Quiet Lane  
Wilmington, NC 28409

September 3, 10, 17, 24, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Sandra Howard King**, 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 **10th day of December, 2020**, 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 the 10th day of September, 2020.

Shelly K. Blanchard, Executor  
806 Rolling Hills Cove  
Wilmington, NC 28403

September 10, 17, 24, October 1, 2020

## LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF  
PROCESS BY PUBLICATION  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF  
JUSTICE  
SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS  
DIVISION  
NEW HANOVER COUNTY  
FILE NO.: 20-SP-0087

ERMA LONG BORDEAUX, Petitioner, v. BARBARA ISLES, CHARLES ISLES, THOMAS C. CONTI, LUELLEN CONTI, BARRY S. CONTI, CAROL CONTI, GORDON EDWARDS, JAMES L. HILL, JOYE V. HILL, CLARETTA EMMA TALBERT, DAWN SMITH, ANDREA JOYE KUMAR, GIPSON JAY TALBERT, III, NATANIA DEVIDA JOYE PRIDGEN, DIANNE HENSON JOYE, MICHAEL JOYE, JR., ATHENA JOYE, ANTHONY GREEN, CHERYL GREEN, SHERRY TAYLOR, REVEREND WILMOT HAROLD TAYLOR, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF MARY LEE HILL, and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF LUCILLE JOYE MEEKINS COOPER, Respondents.

TO: Unknown Heirs of Mary Lee Hill and the Unknown Heirs of Lucille Joye Meekins Cooper

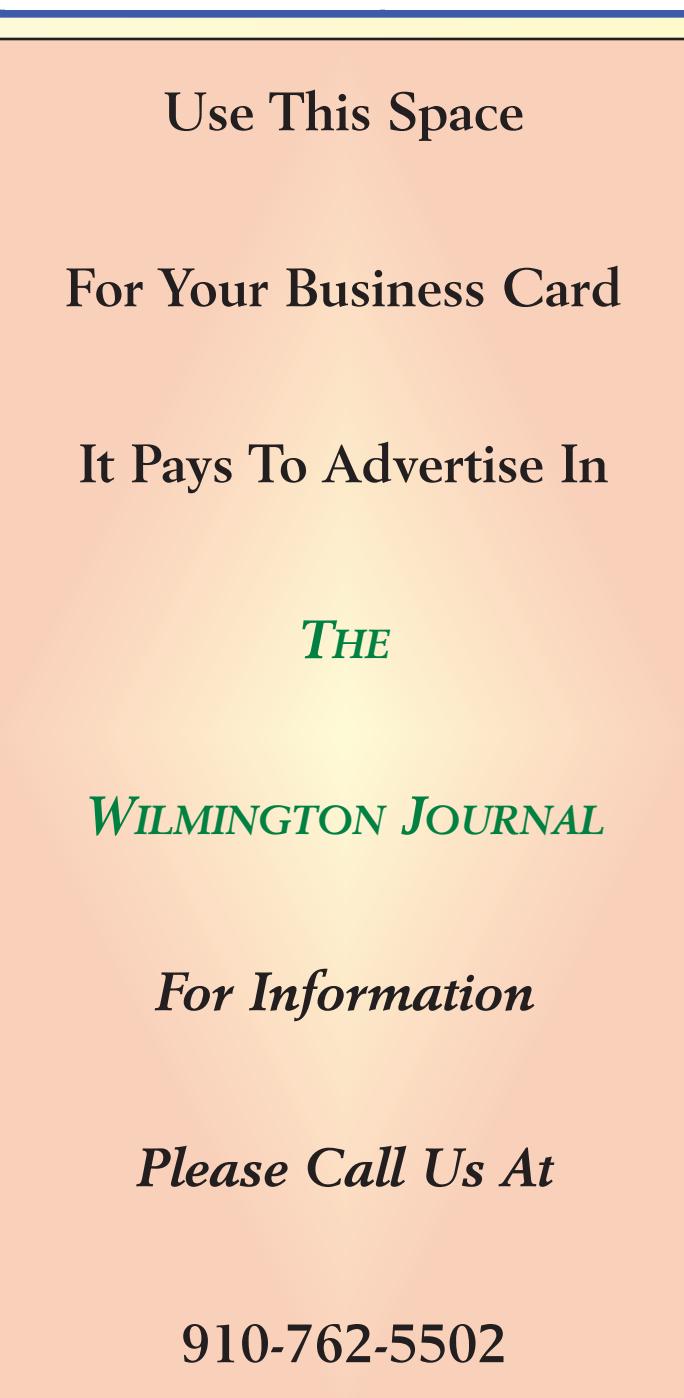
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That the Petitioner alleges that the Petitioner and the Respondents are tenants in common of two certain tracts of real property, both situated in Wilmington, New Hanover County, North Carolina, and being described in Exhibit "A" of this Notice and seeks to partition the property by sale.

EXHIBIT "A"  
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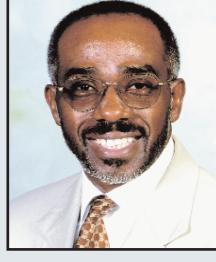
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