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EBONEE SPEARS

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

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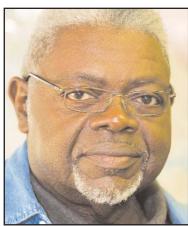
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BERNEST HEWETT

MOVE FORWARD

BY BERNEST HEWETT
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

This election year has made a real statement to people of color about your freedom here in the United States of America! People who claim to be Christian hearted and God fearing are not so clean. Their views on race and equality is only for themselves, not so much for Blacks and other people of color. These are people whom I thought were fair and were fighting the system every day to make this world a better place for all people, I find now that, with this governmental administration, this is not what they want. I was told that the system had to change because the Obama Administration was too far to the left with its ideas on freedom, border control, religious freedom, constitutional interpretation and men and women of moral standing, I was under the impression that these were some of the things this nation needs to move forward, I find, though, that

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READY TO VOICE NOTE ?!!

BY CASH MICHAELS

It seemed as if it would never get here, but this coming Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020, Election Day will finally arrive!

By all accounts, this will be the biggest, most important election in our lifetimes. Many observers say this is thanks to the contentious presidential race between incumbent Republican Pres. Donald J. Trump, and challenger, Democratic former Vice President Joe Biden.

According to the most recent polls, the presidential race in North Carolina is a virtual tossup. So, whoever wins, it will be by the thinnest of margins.

There is no question that the controversy generated by the Trump vs. Biden race is what's primarily driving the historic early absentee vote counts going into Election Day.

If you haven't voted yet, you still have time.

For One Stop Early Voting - Same Day Registration, you may still vote today and Friday from 8 a.m. to 7:30 p. m. and Saturday, Oct. 31 (the last day) 8 a. m. to 3 p. m..

As long as you are standing in the line when closing time comes, you will be allowed to vote.

You may early vote at 230 Government Center Dr., Suite 34, in Wilmington 28403. There are additional early voting sites available. Please go to https://elections.nhc-gov.com/voting-registration/one-stop/ for their locations, days and times.

Now, if you are one of those who insists on waiting until the actual Election Day to cast your ballot, in this case, Tuesday, Nov. 3, the first thing to know is that polls open at 6:30 a. m. and close at 7:30 p. m..

Unlike early voting, depending on where you live, you are already assigned a voting precinct at which to cast your ballot. Please check your voter registration card for that location, or, if you don't know, call the New Hanover County Board of Elections at 910-798-7330.

Given how early voting has been going thus far, expect long lines on Election Day at the polls. So give yourself plenty of time and remember, regardless of the polls closing at 7:30 p. m., as long as you are still on that line, legally you are to be allowed to vote.

If you still have a mail-in absentee ballot that you haven't sent in yet, get it done now! Just make sure it is postmarked no later than Tuesday, Nov. 3 if you're mailing it, or that it is dropped off no later than Tuesday, Nov. 3.

And before you return it, make sure you have signed it, and have one witness sign it, along with his or her address.

Who will be our next governor, senator, or even President? Hopefully, we'll find out on Nov. 3!

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Please continue to bear with us as we work to return to normalcy.

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Redistricting for the next ten years is on the ballot

BY CASH MICHAELS

OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

Of all of the vitally important elected offices and issues on which North Carolinians will be voting during the last days of early voting this weekend, or Election Day itself (Tuesday, Nov. 3), there is one about which few people talk. Yet it is extremely important to voters.

Who will redraw the congressional and legislative voting district lines for the next ten years?

Answer: Whichever political party wins the majority in the State House and Senate.

Thirty-one states, including North Carolina, mandate that their legislatures redraw the voting district lines, the construction of which are defined by the Constitutional mandate of "one person - one vote", and thus, all voting districts must equal one another in terms of citizenry.

However, again, the reason this process is so important is that the political party in power in the state legislature decides where and how those voting district lines are drawn, thus determining where substantial political power will be centralized for the next decade.

There are rules laid down by the state and federal courts that are supposed to guide law-makers in redrawing voting maps. Redistricting lines should not be racially gerry-mandered, meaning that African-American or Latino voters should not be "stacked and packed" into areas for the purpose of diluting their voting strength on an overall elec-

tion.

Yet North Carolina has repeatedly been dragged into either state or federal court in recent years, accused of both racial and partisan gerrymandering, both of which are ille-

Since 2011, when the Republicans won majorities in the N. C. General Assembly, they have been found repeatedly guilty of both constitutional violations. In recent years, the courts have forced Republicans to be more trans-

parent in how they devised their voting maps, thus forcing them to create more Democratic seats than before.

Bottomline is, if Democrats are able to win more legislative seats in the State Senate and House, they will be in control of redistricting for the next ten years, after being absent from control for the past ten.

Thus, legislative races in the 2020 campaign are very important because whichever party wins control wins the right to redraw North Carolina to its benefit.

EXCLUSIVE

Biden's Black childhood friend: "He'll be a great president"

BY CASH MICHAELS
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

You can think what you want about Joe Biden and his sometimes shaky relationship with African-Americans because

"Mouse" doesn't care. Richard "Mouse" Smith, currently the Delaware State NAACP president, knows the man. Indeed, grew up with Biden back in segregated Wilmington, Delaware when they were teens during the early 1960's. Whatever the once young handsome Irish Catholic Biden first learned about Black people back then, talking smack, not backing down from a challenge, learning how to communicate, Mouse helped him do it.

"He could "cuss" like crazy being around Black folk," Smith recalls.

Their long friendship has stood the test of time, not because of politics, but because of a special love a tough poor Black gang member developed for a tough working class White boy, drawn together because 19 year old Joe Biden needed a job, and, being lifeguard at the

Black neighborhood pool (which is now named after him) was a way to make a decent

Smith protected Biden from the wiles of the street and the straight razor carrying gangs who pushed him but ultimately learned that he could stand his ground, and, in return, Biden helped his Black friend manage the same embarrassing affliction he had, stuttering.

Smith later helped the young White Democrat get Black votes when he campaigned for a seat on the New Castle County Council in 1970, earning Biden the undesirable moniker "nigger-lover" from disgruntled Whites because he wanted to expand public housing.

However, Blacks in Wilmington had come to trust Joe Biden's advocacy by then, thanks to Mouse, especially when he marched with African-American picketers years earlier in front of a segregated downtown movie theater, or joined the local NAACP, or got elected to the U. S. Senate.

"Joe was one of us," Mouse Smith told *The Washington* *Post* in July 2019. "We helped make him who he was."

This week, before what many say is the most important presidential election of our lifetime, Smith is it again, helping to make his friend someone people can trust and respect, the next President of the United States

In an exclusive phone interview Monday, while on his way to North Carolina to campaign, the 72 year old civil rights leader talked about why the former Vice President, 78, is America's best choice to lead. ("I want [his critics] to think he's dumb 'cause he'll tear them down piece by piece"); what African-Americans must do to make sure their agenda is part of a "President" Biden's list of priorities once he takes office ("only thing Black folks need to do is stick together, put a platform together, and move with the platform..."), and why Biden almost didn't accept Pres. Obama's historic offer to serve as vp in 2008. " He told me, 'Mouse, I don't want to lose my freedom..., meaning he could go anywhere he wanted to without the Secret Service tagging along all the time, and he didn't want to give that up, but after his family talked Biden down, he gladly accepted the position, and he and Pres. Obama became close friends.'



BIDEN AND RICHARD "MOUSE" SMITH

And a number of Black people who worked directly for Vice President Biden have since done well in Delaware state politics.

Smith says, even though Sen. Kamala Harris was not his first choice to be Biden's running mate, he thinks the two work well together, but he cautions that she will need to be tough.

Smith also wants to see President Biden nominate former National Security Advisor Susan Rice to the U.S. Supreme Court.

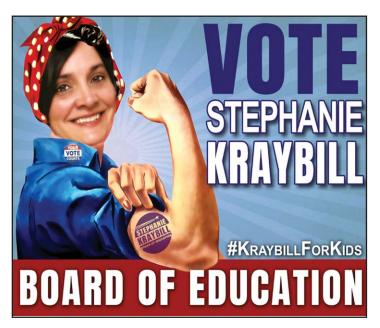
Given the brutal nature of presidential campaigns, Smith is not surprised by the false allegations made about Biden's health, mental acuity, or even his attitude towards race (his sponsorship of the 1994 Crime Bill, which many say was

directed at locking Black people up for longer prison sentences, was actually something that African-American leaders themselves pleaded for because of the pervasive violence of the crack cocaine wars on the streets).

President Joe Biden and the "real" Joe Biden will be one in the same.

As Smith told the PBS program "Frontline" last June," [He]was a person that was "a people person," who, once he got next to you, like I always say, once you get close to him, you talk to him, you see his passion, you will like him, and you will support him while he will become your friend forever."

"He will be a great President," Mouse Smith



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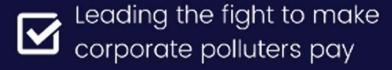
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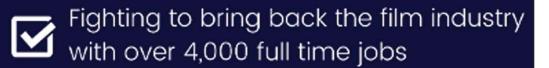
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EARLY VOTE DIDN'T VOTE IN 2016 [RALEIGH] As of this

week more than 3.3 million ultimately they're expecting charged with damage to perpeople in North Carolinians have cast an early absentee ballot for the Nov. 3rd elections. Of that number, approximately 24 percent not only didn't vote here in 2016, but weren't even registered to vote in North Carolina in 2016. Many are young people who just came of voting age. State election officials say

a record turnout.

WILMINGTON ACTIVIST ARRESTED, CHARGED WITH DAMAGE TO PARKING SIGNS, TRUMP 2020 POSTER

[WILMINGTON] Lily Nicole, leader of the lowercase leaders group, was arrested Oct. 24th

sonal property. This is in addition to being accused of vandalizing the Trump 2020 campaign billboard downtown on North Third Street on Oct. 8th.

> **COMPILED BY** CASH MICHAELS

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government doesn't present much of a moral standard today or in their very promotion of truth. We have Whites and Blacks who are preparing for unrest and troubled times. It is very upsetting when people go to gun stores time and

time again and are told that ammunition is out. People are stockpiling guns and as much ammo as they can find because people are marching and expressing ideas that are not what White America wants. The truth is the light and what the marching is about is truth. Then why is it wrong or unjust? Why is it so hard to accept that the past was not

always good or true?

Over one hundred years of free labor (slavery), unjust laws and prison time (Black men would spend 10 years in prison for looking at a White women) there is a trail that leads to today, and the gains to where God has allowed the Black man to come. Nothing was given to us. It came with hard work and determina-

tion, but now I see a society that seems to see no wrong in George Floyd's death and Breonna Taylor's death. Instead of seeing a problem that needs to be investigated and a change that needs to come about in order to solve these problems, some had rather bring in the Army or National Guard with orders to use the kind of force that will

problem of bigotry and racism that so prevalently exists. When people feel that there is no way out, there will be confrontation. almost to the point now, but we can change, vote, elect people who are willing to sit down at the table and talk and then go out in the community with an attitude of let's move America

do harm and yet not stop the forward Together for all peo-

Let's make some changes to the system that will make it better for all. We must stand together and move forward for the good of the nation and all its people!

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

'Through the roof' prescription drug prices hit communities of color the hardest

Grassroots advocates insist there's got to be a better way

BY HAZEL TRICE EDNEY

(TriceEdneyWire.com) Seventy-three-year-old Leonard L. Edloe, a pharmacist of 50 years and pastor of a predominately Black church in Middlesex County, Va., knows the personal and professional sides of heart disease, stroke, and diabetes well. He also knows the astronomical costs of prescription medications and the related financial struggles.

His father-also named Leonard L. Edloe-opened the first of their four familyowned pharmacies in 1948. But he was only 65 when he came home from work one day, sat down, had a sandwich and a beer and then died of a massive heart attack. It was a major emotional blow to lose his father and mentor that way. But then Edloe's sister died at 60 and his brother at 54 - also both of heart attacks.

"I had to get out," he said sternly, reflecting on his now determined self-care through exercise and healthy eating. "I'm 73 now."

For decades, Edloe has been a prominent household family

name in Richmond, Va. where his father's first pharmacy was established. Since his family was upper middle class, he acknowledged they had no problem paying for prescription medication. But given his father's legacy and his own community service through his profession and dedication to help people in need, he is known for being on the cutting edge of the struggle to establish health equity. That includes exploring ways to make prescription drugs more affordable and accessible to all.

"The pricing has gone through the roof," he said in an interview. "I mean, insulin - a month's supply for some people - is \$600." That's \$7,200 a year. "Even the generic pricing has gone up," he points out. "That has become worse because so many of the drugs are imported. Seventy-five percent of the drugs in the United States have an ingredient that's made in China, India or Germany."

Edloe explained "Because there's no control over pricing in the United States, they can basically

charge what they want to; whereas in other countries. the government decides."

As a former long-time member of Medicaid Virginia Premier Health Plan's board - Edloe pointed out that the drug used to treat Hepatitis C costs \$1,000 a pill. But in Egypt, it is \$1 a pill.

Edloe has expressed these concerns vehemently over the years in various leadership roles, including as chair of the Virginia Heart Association for the Mid-Atlantic Region; president of the American Pharmacists Association Foundation, and board memof the Virginia Commonwealth University Health Systems Authority.

"My blood pressure medicine for myself has tripled in price. I was paying \$15 for three months. Now it's \$45," he said. "Fortunately, that's with my insurance."

For people who lack health insurance, medicine for hypertension can cost upwards of \$300-\$600 a year, which, can be difficult to manage financially along with paying for other medications and bills. "So, it's real serious,"

Edloe concluded.

Community health workers and researchers around the country have long recognized the increasing costs of prescription drugs and the difficult choices some people must make to afford them.

An article in Harvard Medical School's Harvard Health Publishing, titled, "Millions of Adults Skip Medications Due to Their High Costs" highlights findings from a national survey conducted by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center for Health Statistics:

Eight percent of adult Americans don't take their medicines as prescribed because they can not afford them.

Among adults under 65, sixpercent who had private insurance still skipped medicines to save money. 10 percent of people

their medicines. Of those who are not insured, 14 percent skipped those under the age of 65 - has Hartfield, Va. As he personaltheir medications because of

who rely on Medicaid skipped

Among the nation's

poorest adults- those with incomes well below the federal poverty level - nearly 14 percent "did not take medications as prescribed to save money."

Those statistics get even worse when exploring prescription drug affordability in Black community. According to the National Center for Biotechnology Information, a division of the National Institute of Health, "Elderly black Medicare beneficiaries are more than twice as likely as white beneficiaries to not have supplemental insurance and to not fill pre-

Likewise, an AARP survey of 1,218 African-American voters last year found more than three in five (62 percent) said "prices of prescription drugs are unreasonable" and nearly half (46 percent) said they did not fill a prescription provided by their doctor, mainly because of cost.

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not afford them."

The inability to pay for prescription drugs - even for Fellowship Church in significantly impacted Blacks, Latinos and other people of color due to economic dispari-

"Though the Affordable Care Act (ACA) reduced the of uninsured number Americans, over 28 million remain without insurance." says PublicHealthPost.org. "More than half (55%) of uninsured Americans under the age of 65 are people of color. For those with no insurance, paying retail prices for medications is often financially impossible."

This is no secret to those who have been working in the trenches on critical health care issues daily for years.

Ruth Perot, executive director/CEO of the Summit Health Institute for Research and Education, Inc. (SHIRE), serves the 92 percent Black and largely low-income families of Washington, D.C.'s 6th, 7th and 8th Wards. She has been working on grassroots health equity isuses in communities of color for more than 23 years.

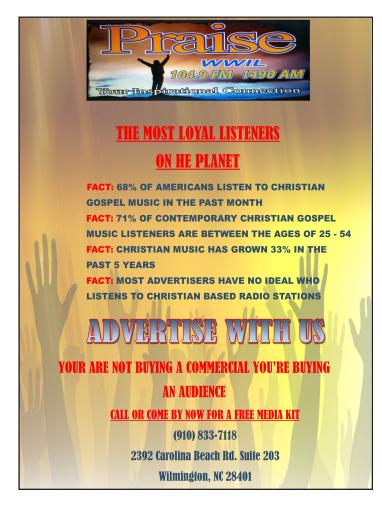
"I am certainly aware of the extent to which folks have to, of course make that choice between the cost of a prescription and the other

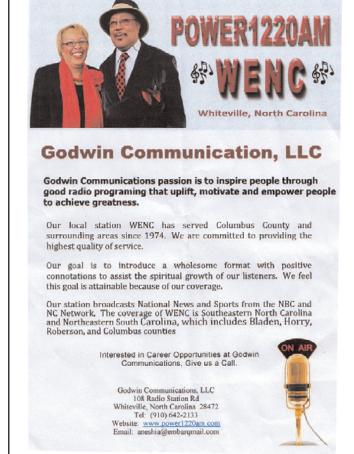
commitments that they have, whether it's rent or whether it's food on the table or something related to the education for their children," Perot said. "The cost of prescription drugs has always been out of control. It's been a major profit-motive driven industry. That's been true for some time. And so, whatever we see at the national level from a policy perspective still hasn't addressed the fundamental issue that the drug prescriptions cost much...I don't think the federal government has ever used its power as the principle buyer of drugs to get those prices down. So, it's been a persistent problem for many, many, many years if not decades.'

Edloe, having owned pharmacies in predominately Black communities, vehemently agrees. In addition to his medical career, he also interfaces with the community as pastor of the New Hope ly works to avoid his family's history with heart disease, he passes along health lessons to his congregation, and is intimately familiar with their struggles to pay for prescription drugs. Currently working with two groups involving health disparities and pharmaceuticals, he says he believes the answer to achieve equity will ultimately be "some form of universal health care."

But, there must also be a culture change, he said. "Because a lot of health care providers still are not trained and the materials are still not designed for diverse communities. So it's all about getting equity - not equality - but equity in health care. Because there's a big difference. If everybody stands beside the fence and the fence is six feet and you're 6 feet 5 inches tall, you can see over it, but other people can't. Equity means you might have to give them a stool to see."

This article is part of a series on the impact of high prescription drug costs on consumers made possible through the 2020 West Health and Families USA Media Fellowship.





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Every two years (general election and midterms). The Wilmington Journal has proudly shared with you, our readers and community, our opinions of, and endorsements for, some of those who wish to serve us in public office. This crucial election year is no different, as from now, until Saturday, Oct. 31, is our One-Stop Early Voting - Same Day Registration period, in addition to absentee mail-in ballots which must be properly filled out with the voter's name and the name. signature, and address of one witness BEFORE it is returned.

Then either send it back or drop it off at your New Hanover County Board of Elections office at 230 Government Center Drive, Suite 38, Wilmington, N. C. The phone Number is 910-798-7300. This must be done by 5 p.m on Nov. 3, Election Day. By mail, it must be postmarked by Nov. 3 (Election Day).

Remember! Whether you choose to vote by mail, early vote, or on Election Day, you may vote only ONCE! Go to https://northcarolina.ballottrax.net/voter/ to track your ballot once you send it back. It is against the law to attempt to vote twice in the same election in North Carolina.

OUR ENDORSEMENTS AND WHY WE CHOSE THEM

Our endorsements cover all federal, state and local contests on the ballot.

By law, North Carolinians have to vote for each candidate choice individually on the ballot. The names and offices here are exactly as printed on your ballots. When you vote, vote on BOTH sides of your ballot. All are Democrats.

Indeed, we're not always happy with the Democratic Party and the way it sometimes treats the African-American com-

However, compared to the Republican Party, both here in North Carolina and in Washington, D.C., which was, at best, racist, scheming, and deceitful BEFORE Donald Trump was dubiously elected, we cannot, in good conscience, recommend ANY Republican of whom we know today to serve in public

The Grand Old Party has, quite simply, allowed itself to be co-opted by one of the most racist, criminal and incompetent leaders of the 20th Century serving as President of the United States we've ever seen.

It is because of Donald Trump that over 213,000 Americans, a third of them Black and brown - are dead because of the coronavirus. It is because of him that racist police officers now feel free to kill any person of color they want.

Furtermore, it is because of Trump that this nation is more divided and hateful than it's ever been in its history.

No Republican who supports Donald Trump can escape those realities. In fact, they all share the blame that is royally his. So no, we're not totally pleased with the Democratic Party on a number of issues, but Lord knows, at least its slate of candidates possesses some degree of decency and competen-

The highest prioritiesy of this election are to remove Donald Trump as President and return the United States Congress and the North Carolina General Assembly to the Democrats.

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VISUAL VOICE



MATTERS OF OPINION

Don't be confused

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

was ready to be forgiving of people who hadn't decided for whom to vote this late, but no longer after hearing the latest news about foreign interference in our November election-and not hearing a mumbling word from the President of the **United States!**

This President has not shown any interest in protecting our democracy from foreign intervention in our election. He's already asked homeland terrorists to simply standby after the governor of Michigan and others have been threatened with kidnap and murder, he leads chants to lock up perfectly loyal Americans. I can't imagine a sane person who chooses Donald Trump over Joe Biden to be our President.

Isn't it obvious that Trump has shown no interest in helping or protecting anybody other than himself? I'm convinced he cares nothing about his family or his friends. I use the term "friends" loosely because he throws them

under the bus as soon as they don't agree with his dangerrequirements. He's already threatening to fire his FBI Director and has given warning to his Attorney General while rushing him to arrest political opponents for no reason. He's called Dr. Fauci a disaster for trying to

> provide health advice to stop killing people with COVID-19. We've heard more

> > than enough

of his angry,

vote him out

vulgar, Dr. E. Faye insulting, Williams rhetoric to

of the White House. No one else would be allowed over 20,000 lies and still hold such an important position. In a democracy, truth matters. Who are these people who enable him to continue holding such a powerful position without speaking out against such behavior? Who are these people who act like there's no difference in Joe

Biden and him when the differences are so obvious? Joe Biden is an honorable man who can admit, and has admitted, his mistakes and worked to overcome them.

It's so disappointing that Kanye West is lending his name to keeping the current President in office. I don't think he understands what he is doing in trying to take a few votes from Black men over to Trump.

On the other hand, I think Ice Cube, as he calls himself, seems to be pretty bright. He knows how much Black people are suffering under Trump who has no interest in doing anything to help our people. We risk losing the health benefits President Barack Obama and VP Joe Biden worked to get even for people with preexisting conditions. I have no problem with his Contract for Black America, but I haven't spoken to a single Black man who was asked what he wanted and do they want it so bad they're willing to not vote and deliver the Presidency to Trump.

I have no problem with the

contents of Ice Cube's Contract. My problem is with his timing and his approach to selling it that gives a few Black men an excuse for not voting without telling them not voting is a way of supporting Trump. Joe Biden has shown his ability and willingness to help our community. I think it's wrong to say both men are evil. Even if it is true, he knows one is more evil than the other. Such a time as this is reason for voting for the lesser of two evils. Any sensible person would take one mistake over 20,000

My plea to Ice Cube is to stop confusing people about the best person to vote for. Lord knows our community is owed a lot of help by a lot of politicians, but we risk too much to take another chance with a reality show man who hasn't a clue as to what the reality is on needs of our community.

lies any day.

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.

We know what we have to do - Beyond the 2020 Elections

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

o matter what the outcome of the 2020 election, there remains much work to do. Our economy is wrong-sided, and we have to right-side it. Our tax code rewards the wealthy and penalizes others. Our regulatory system protects corporations, not people. Almost a hundred environmental regulations from the Obama years have been reversed. Schools have fewer protections than they once had. Workers have fewer protections, and unions are under attack. And the Supreme Court has been stacked to favor oligarchs, not everyday people. The very right to vote has been compromised with rules that marginalize too many people.

It is my fervent hope that the Biden-Harris ticket will prevail in this election, but even if they win, there is still much work to do. First, the coronavirus needs to be controlled. Mark Meadows, the 45th President's chief of staff, says the administration will do nothing to contain the virus, and their wanton disregard of essential public health tenets (hand-washing, mask-wearing, social distancing) reflects their casual approach to the virus. A President Biden would tackle this issue, but he will need to be pushed to ensure that the

process is egalitarian and as a right, and it must be unithat those who have suffered disproportionally, like Black folks, will get more remediation than those who have not so suffered.

Economic recovery and economic expansion should be high on the agenda. Again, those who have suffered from covid and

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Dr. Julianne Malveaux

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unemployment rate differential, and systemic poverty. Some of the employment situation can be addressed through an infrastructure improvement program. The American Society of Civil Engineers consistently grades our roads, bridges, water quality, and public buildings with substandard grades. The appropriate investment of federal dollars would not only be good for employment but also for the

Our criminal justice system must be fixed, and federal initiatives to stop police brutality must be developed. Environmental issues must be vigorously addressed. Health care must be treated

versal. The "do" list is long, and it may include expanding the Supreme Court's size. It's not court-packing, as some would suggest; it's right-sizing something that has gone wrong. The point is that a Biden-Harris victory may be cause for celebration, but it is also an invitation for all of us to roll up our sleeves and get to work, not only at the federal level but also at the state and local level.

I can hear my conservative friends already asking what all this will cost. We know the 2017 tax cut cost the Treasury trillions of dollars. We seem only to be interested in cost when we are looking at people on the bottom. There appears to be much less conprograms about cern designed to benefit the wealthy. Then, some of the work we have to do is to transform our mindset, decide what kind of economy we want, and then work to create it. That may mean a very different approach to our predatory capitalist system, and it may mean restructuring the system to make it more people-focused. It is a possibility!

Now we know what it is like to live with a graft-centered leader who has thrown our nation under the bus for his selfish gains. We have the opportunity to learn what it is like to live with a more peo-

ple-centered leader. Still, we should be clear that Bidden-Harris leadership will be center-left predatory capitalism. They will need to be pushed, and we need to be prepared to push them. If we have learned nothing from the Obama years, we should have learned that a closed mouth won't get fed. Black folk were so happy to have a Black president that we were reluctant to push him and his administration very hard. Much as we may like Biden-Harris, we must be willing to push them.

When he accepted the Nobel Peace Prize in 1963, Dr. Martin Luther King said, "I have the audacity to believe that peoples everywhere can have three meals a day for their bodies, education and culture for their minds, and dignity, equality, and freedom for their spirits. I believe that what self-centered men have torn down, men other-centered can build up." Biden-Harris will move us closer to King's dream, but they won't take us all the way there. Not unless we push. We know what we have to do.

For more information please visit www.julianne malveaux. com or email booking@juliannemalveaux.com.

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First UNCW Alumni Association Distinguished Diversity Award to be presented at Homecoming 2021

WILMINGTON -- A new award has been added to the UNCW Alumni Association's Distinguished Alumni awards, which are presented each during year Homecoming. The Distinguished Diversity Award will be presented to an

individual who has made er of the university's strateexceptional contributions in the areas of diversity, equity, access, inclusion and social justice.

"This award was established by the UNCW Alumni Association Board Directors, as a lead supportgic vision, to help strengthen the university's commitment to diversity and inclusion," said Lindsay LeRoy, executive director of the Alumni Association.

Diversity and inclusion are key components of

UNCW's Strategic Plan, and the Alumni Association wanted to add an award that celebrates individuals who embody those values. Visit https://alumni.uncw.edu/a wards-scholarships to nominate someone for the new award.

to nominate someone for the Distinguished first Diversity Award, as well as Distinguished Alumnus/a, Young Alumnus/a and Distinguished Citizen of the Year. More information can

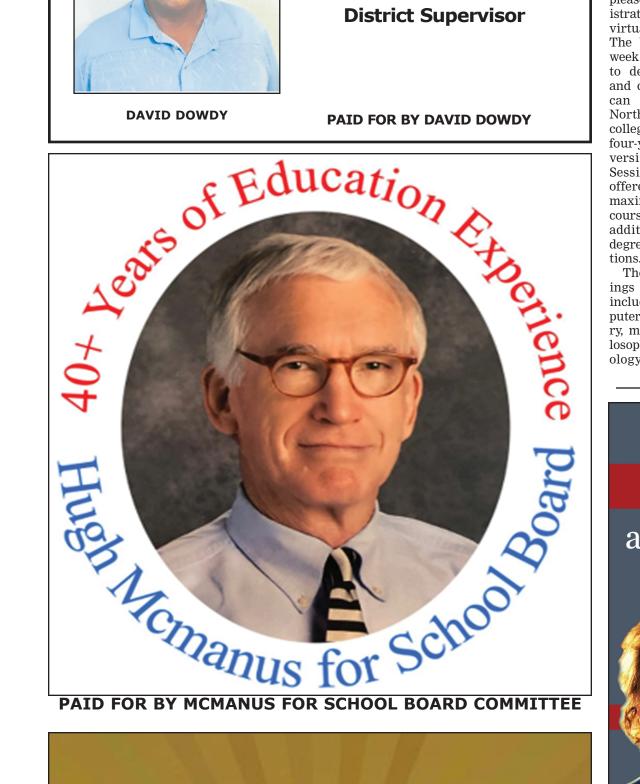
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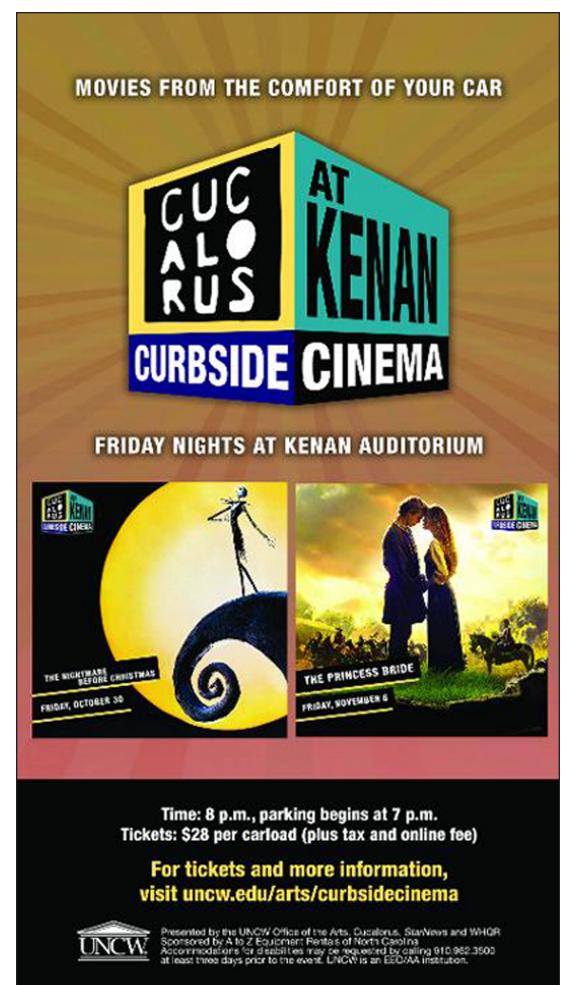
The Alumni Association's annual awards recognize UNCW alumni and friends for outstanding achievements and service to the university and the commu-



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CFCC Winter Session offers students a way to get ahead on their degrees WILMINGTON, NC - Cape Universal General Education a great and affordable way

Fear Community College is pleased to announce that registration is now open for the virtual 2020 Winter Session. The Winter Session is a 4week term that offers classes to degree-seeking students and consists of classes that can be transferred to all North Carolina community colleges, as well as most NC four-year colleges and universities. CFCC's Winter Session courses will be offered online in order to maximize student access to courses and help them make additional progress on degrees at their home institu-

The Winter Session offerings for the 2020 session include courses in art, computer science, English, history, mathematics, music, philosophy, psychology, and sociology, all of which are Transfer Components courses. These classes have been universally approved for transfer to most degreegranting four-year colleges and universities in North Carolina. In order to simplify the process for students, a list of the current offerings is available online cfcc.edu/winter, with full course descriptions - along with UNC System school equivalent course numbers. which correlate to courses at their home institutions.

"We realize that both Cape Fear Community College students and university students from around the state may want to use the winter break to progress with their studies," said CFCC Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Jason Chaffin. "While rigorous, these accelerated, short-term classes are

for students to reduce their spring term class-loads.'

Current and recent CFCC students can access registration for the Winter Session through their student portals, while new students should follow the new student enrollment steps prior to registration. Specific details on the process for both new and existing students can be found at cfcc.edu/winter. Courses in the Winter Session are accelerated and time-intensive: CFCC suggests that students take only one course per Winter Session.

Those with questions about enrolling in the Winter Session or those interested in taking other courses at CFCC should contact Admissions Office cfcc.edu/admissions or by calling 910-362-7000.







Natacha Buchanan applauds ONG industry's outreach to minorities

BY STACY M. BROWN NNPA NEWSWIRE SENIOR

NATIONAL CORRESPONDENT

Natacha Buchanan personifies all that the oil and natural gas industry projects for the future of its well-paying work-

She's a woman who identifies as half-Black and half-Hispanic – a paradigm shift for an industry that previously hadn't demonstrated such diversity.

Buchanan, the Director of Inclusion & Diversity at Phillips 66, manages and executes the global enterprise inclusion and diversity strategy and supports its strategy implementation.

She noted that the lack of diversity wasn't necessarily because the industry practiced any discrimination.

"It wasn't something I was interested in as an industry," Buchanan recalled. "I came into the industry by happenstance. I was recruited out of college at a career fair and by an incredibly approachable recruiter."

Perhaps like many others when it comes to the oil and gas industry, Buchanan only knew about gas stations and that oil was found in the ground.

"I didn't want anything to do with working at a gas station. I went to college," Buchanan exclaimed.

"But I was ill-informed and got the opportunity to interview and learn about the organization and the industry."

Originally from Junction Kansas, in 2002, Buchanan earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from Kansas State University, where she's currently serving as a member of the Finance Advisory Board and College of Business Diversity Advisory Council.

Buchanan began her career more than 18 years ago as an intern at Phillips 66, where she said she realized how much oil and gas plays a part in everyday life.

Buchanan's love of the industry has only increased.

"I think that I have such a passion for this industry, but I don't think we as an industry has done a great job in telling our story," she remarked. 'What we do in protecting the environment ... we get a bad rap."

Buchanan acknowledges that, as currently constituted, the oil and natural gas industry must do a better job in diversity and inclusion.

"It pains me that our industry doesn't better reflect our nation from gender and ethnic

standpoint," she determined. However, industry projections show greater participation lies ahead.

An analysis from the American Petroleum Institute (API) revealed a mostly positive outlook for African Americans and Hispanics in the oil and natural gas industry. The 2019 study noted that, with the right policies, African Americans and Hispanics could hold 166,000 of the new oil and natural gas jobs created by this year. That represents 31 percent of the projected 525,000 new job opportunities.

Further, API's analysis noted that by 2030, the number could jump to more than 285,000, or 35 percent of the projected 811,000 new job opportunities.

More than 50 percent of all jobs created would be highpaying skilled and semiskilled blue-color jobs with a significant range of opportunities at the scientific/managerial level - including petroleum engineers.

"I'm excited that we are going to be very deliberate and say, for whatever reason, we haven't been successful in attracting a specific demographic," Buchanan said.

"The talent is there, and our industry acknowledges that there is talent that we are not getting and we need. We need the best talent, and that the best talent looks like all sorts of different things. Our

Rising through the ranks, look internally, and realize that we are so underrepresented that we are not leveraging that robust talent out

> "So, I'm really excited about the opportunity to bring in demographics that maybe have not [previously] considered our industry."

> Buchanan makes it clear that being a woman and an ethnic minority hasn't hindered her career.

> "When I joined, there wasn't a lot of physical, racial, and ethnic diversity," she recalled. "We still have a long way to go, but I'm proud of the industry. I have really enjoyed the people I've worked with, and I don't feel like my gender or my race has hindered my career.'

> Buchanan encourages all particularly those who might aspire to a career in the industry – to brush up on their knowledge of oil and natural gas.

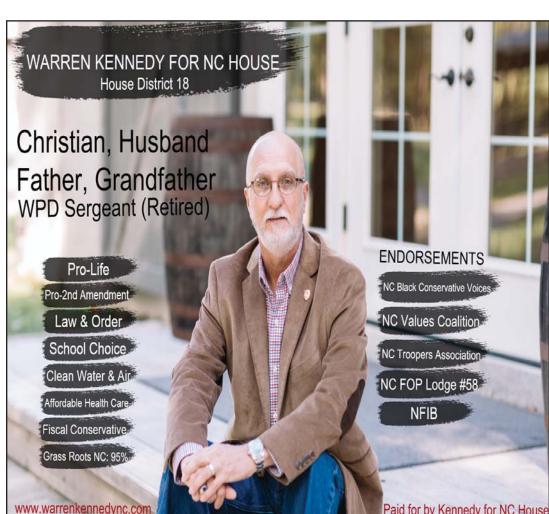
> "There's a lot of organizations like API where you can go and get their newsletter and read up on or sign up for them," Buchanan stated.

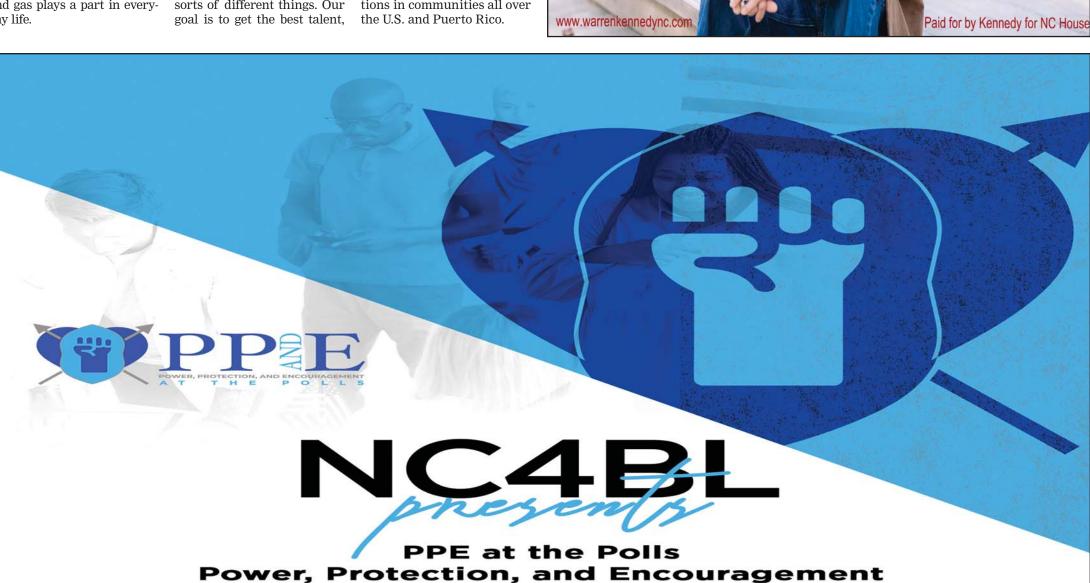
"The cultures might be different in the various companies in the industry, but all are part of an industry that continues to evolve, so connect with someone who works in the industry and learn about it."

In addition to newsletters, there exists the Community Energy (http://www.communityenergycenter.org/), which is a project of the NNPA (National Newspaper Publishers Association), a non-partisan trade association of the more than 230 American-owned African newspapers and media companies from across the United States, and the National Association of Hispanic Publications Media LLC,(NAHP Media LLC), a Hispanic Publishing media advocacy organization representing over 170 leading Spanish language publications in communities all over



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The power of protest and the power of our ballots

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n a year defined by distress and tragedy, no one has felt that chaos more painfully than the Black community; We've seen the coronavirus pandemic tear through our neighborhoods at a devastating rate. Job losses have surged, evictions are looming, and economic damage has mounted. And the deaths of Breonna Taylor and George Floyd and the shooting of Jacob Blake have brought the crisis of police violence into stark, horrifying relief for the broad American public.

Yet at the same time, we have also seen a nearly unprecedented explosion of protests in virtually every American city. In the face of militarized, mobilized opposition, we have seen our community take to the streets and demand justice for victims and reform of broken systems.

As Election Day nears and tens of millions of Black votcle to overcome: voter intimidation.

Our community has been forced to deal with legal (and illegal) hurdles on our path to the ballot box since the very moment we won the right to vote. No matter what it said



Kristen Clarke

never been guaran-This

should expect to see desperate 11th hour attempts to stifle silence our voices. The reason

is simple: Our votes matter and they can make the difference in races all across America. The power of our collective ballots is just as strong as the power of our collective protests.

Those are the tools that -together -- will bring about the change and transformation we want to see.

our community. But, so too will countless down-ballot races. On November 3, we will elect District Attorneys who will make decisions about how to enforce laws in our communities. We will elect sheriffs who run jails and make decisions about policies like solitary confinement and how to treat those who are incarcerated. We will elect mayors who will choose who leads our police departments. We will elect City Councilors who determine the budget size for local police departments. We will elect local and state judges in some states who help determine who are charged with ensuring equal justice under law. Simply put, the ballot is an important vehicle to promoting accountability and addressing demands criminal justice reform that have been at the heart of this

Just as we saw during the Civil Rights Movement, our movement today must be fought on the streets, in the

year's historic protests.

tion, Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, leads the Election Protection protoday. Election Protection is the nations largest and longest-running, non-partisan voter protection program, anchored by the 866-OUR-VOTE hotline. And, given the extraordinary challenges that we face during the pandemic, it's why we have more than quadrupled the number of legal volunteers supporting that hotline to 23,000 legal volunteers, seven days a week.

Since the pandemic, we have mounted nearly 3 dozen voting rights lawsuits to ensure that Black voters and all voters will be able to vote this season. We have successfully sued to defeat restrictions such as notary and witness requirements for absentee voters, we have fought to ensure that voters will receive notice and an opportunity to cure any issue that might arise with an absentee ballot and we have fought to ensure that absentee ballots would be available to all votefforts of operatives who are trying to limit access to drop boxes and more.

Since July 1, we've received more than 100,000 calls from voters seeking help with vote by mail, those wondering whether the rhetorical claims that vote by mail is not safe or secure are true, and voters seeking information on drop box options for returning ballots and more. We've also requested some reports of voter intimidation and voter suppression, which are not uncommon during the 11th hour of an election season and which are, far too often, targeted at Black voters and voters of color. Robocalls seeking to frighten voters, social media posts imparting false information, and disinformation campaigns targeting Black voters with inaccurate information about vote by mail. We see these thinly veiled schemes for what they are -- attempts to deny Black people voice in our democracy. They haven't stopped us in the past and should not stop us now. We are here to help.

This election is one of the

most consequential elections of our lifetime. It is a capstone to a year marked by historic protests and an unprecedented pandemic -two events that raise profound questions regarding systemic racism, and the health, safety and quality of lives of Black people in our country. As this year comes to a close, the power of our ballots will prove to be a critical tool in our arsenal as we seek to ensure that Black Lives Matter and achieve those goals aimed at elevating the standing of Black people in our democracy. The collective might of Black protests and Black votes are forces to be reckoned with.

With just several days remaining in this election season, let's use the ballot to underscore, in no uncertain terms, that Black Lives Matter.

Kristen Clarke is president and executive director of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, which leads Election Protection, a non-partisan voter protection program anchored by the 866-OUR-VOTE hotline.



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Racism leaves America vulnerable to foreign manipulation and exploitation of the threat of violent voter intimidation

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

"We have to accept that foreign powers seize upon these divisions because they are real - because racism remains the United States' Achilles' heel. Indeed, it is, and always has been, a national security vulnerability - a fundamental and easily exploitable reality American life that belies the image and narrative of equality and justice we project and export around the world." --Sherrilyn Ifill, President and Director-Counsel, NAACP Defense Legal **Educational Fund**

7 oters in Florida and Alaska woke up to a chilling message in their email this week.

"We are in possession of all your information. You will vote for Trump on Election Day or we will come after you."

The messages seemed to be coming from the far-right white supremacist group, Proud Boys.

It was a terrifying reminder of America's long history of white supremacist terrorist tactics used to keep Homeland Black Americans from exercising their right to vote. Intelligence officials have

determined the messages were the work of Iranian operatives and that more of this kind of interference could be in store from Russia. Russian interference in the

2016 election is well-documented - and the largest parts of their efforts were aimed at suppressing the Black vote.

Exploitation of American racism by both Russia and Iran extends back through the decades. In the 1960s, KGB and Soviet influence operations were aimed at discrediting Martin Luther King Jr. During the Iranian hostage crisis that began in 1979, the hostage-takers declared a unified stance with "oppressed minorities" in the United States, and released all Black and woman hostages in an attempt to use American racial tensions as a wedge issue. In the 1980s the Soviet Union stoked racial tensions ahead of the 1984 Olympics.

The simple truth is American racism - which is very real -- makes us vulnerable to foreign adversaries intent on weakening our democracy.

contained in the emails sent by Iran appears to be voters do not appear to have been singled out in this

operation.

But the threat of electionrelated violence from white supremacist terrorists is real, not an invention of Iran or Russia. In the last presidential election, Neo-Nazis and groups related to the Ku Klux Klan - threat-

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Marc Morial

painted the "Vote Trump."

Devin Burghart, executive director of the Institute for Research and Education on Human Rights, told WBUR, "We are seeing a high level of activity from militia-type groups and other far right organizations discussing the possibility of interfering in the electoral process, either on Election Day or after the ballots are cast."

The Department of Security's October Threat Assessment warned that violent extremists might target events related to the 2020 Presidential campaigns, the election itself, election results, or the post-election period. "Among [Domestic Violent Extremists], racially and ethnically motivated violent extremists-specifically white supremacist extremists (WSEs)-will remain the most persistent and lethal threat in the Homeland."

In the same document, the Department also warned that Russian actors would exploit "perceived grievances within minority communities, especially among African Americans" and "engage in efforts to discourage voter turnout and to suppress votes" in the 2020 election just as they did in the 2016 election.

The fact that both foreign and domestic actors have focused their efforts on Black Americans is proof of the power of the Black vote. If your vote didn't matter, they wouldn't fight so hard to block it.

We won't be intimidated, and we won't be fooled. The threat of violence Please make a plan to vote, early if possible.

"Marc Morial an empty one. And Black President/CEO of the National Urban League.



Jonnie Harrison

At 11:00 am on October 5, 1950, Jonnie Harrison was born to the late James Douglas Harrison and the late Dorothy Corene Pellom Harrison. On September 28, 2020, God in His infinite wisdom called our beloved father, brother, and grandfather, uncle and friend home. Graveside services were conducted on Sunday, October 4, 2020, at New Hope Freewill Baptist Church Cemetery.

Jonnie was preceded in death by his siblings, Jerry Harrison, Gladys Mosley and Linda Green. At an early age, Jonnie accepted Jesus as his personal Savior and was baptized and joined New Hope Freewill Baptist Church. At New Hope. Jonnie was a member of the Male Chorus. He remained a member at New Hope until his untimely demise.

Jonnie received his education in the Brunswick County School System and graduated in 1968 from Lincoln High School. After high school, Jonnie begin working at Sutton Council until he became self employed and started Harrison Flooring. During this time, he also drove a school bus for Brunswick County Schools. Jonnie made a lasting impression on his students. Some thought he was mean, because he would leave you if you were not at the bus stop and did not wait on you. Many life lessons were given to his bus students that are understood and appreciated to this day. Jonnie was also into sports that his children and grandchildren participated in over the years, and he played until he couldn't play any longer.

Left to cherish his memories are the mother of his children: Mother Mary Harrison; children: John Anthony (Tony) Harrison (Devonia), Alice Renee Harrison, Ella Teresa Harrison and Connie Rozina Harrison; 10 grandchildren, Antoine, Sr. (Tasheka) Quinton, Sr. Briana, LaTesha, Deonta, Antoinette, Keon, Devyn, Teonna and Mya; great grandchildren, Jadamis, Eleysia, Antoine, Jr., Nashyra, Quinton, Jr., Zy'Mir, Azarion, Xavier, Avanni, Zmyria, Shamir and Heaven: siblings Sharrieff (Jalaika) Abdullah, Gail Harrison and Brenda Cole (Kelvin); aunts and uncles, Ernest Harrison, Jr, Della Morris, Franklin Harrison (Laura) and Pastor Victoria Evans (Thomas), numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends, especially his personal mechanic and lunch buddy, Michael Hill (Dinah). 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

Wilbur L. Graham

Wilbur L. Graham, age 52, of Frederick, MD (formerly of Wilmington), passed away Saturday, October 10, 2020. A graveside service was held on Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at Pine Forest Cemetery.

His love and memories will remain in the heart of his wife, Portia Brown Graham of the home; daughter, Ashley King of Raleigh; mother, Belinda Graham of Wilmington; sisters, Lateda Bryant of Lima, OH, Latonia Green and Schana Graham both 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 www.davisfuneralhomenc.com.

Michael L. Sheridan, Sr.

Michael L. Sheridan, Sr. was born in Wilmington, NC on August 28, 1948 to Robert L. and Theodosia (Streets)

Michael was a member of the Mount Olive AME Church and a proud Williston graduate of the class of 1966. It was during his time at Williston that he affectionately became known as "Daffy." At Williston, he was a member of the Aristocrats, and the Tri-High Y Club and was instrumental in giving out Thanksgiving turkeys to families in need. Thereafter, he attended Lane College in Jackson, Tennessee. He ultimately moved back to Wilmington where he worked various jobs.

Preceding him in death were his parents and siblings, brother, William L. Streets and sister, Dorothy M. DeShields.

He is survived by his son, The Honorable Michael L. Sheridan, Jr. (Kim); grand-daughters, Leah and Sheridan; brother, Robert Sheridan, Jr. (Linda) of San Angelo, TX and a very special friend, Val Avery. He also leaves behind a host of nieces, nephews and cousins in his Streets, Sheridan and DeShields family who he loved dearly.

A graveside service was held Thursday October 29, 2020, at Pine

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be made in Michael Sheridan's name to the following organization: Williston Alumni Association, P.O. Box 2, Wilmington, NC, 28402. Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the www. davis funeral homenc. com.

Dorothy M. Hankins

Dorothy M. Hankins, age 91, of Bolivia, passed away Monday, October

A graveside service was held on Sunday, October 25, 2020 at Clay Branch

Her love and memories will remain in the hearts of her children, Rev. Carlton A. Bryant (Daphne) of Bolivia, Ramona Davis of the home and Cynthia Smith of Valdosta, GA, 5 grandchildren, 9 great-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.davisfuneralhome-

Deborah A. Franks

Deborah Ann Galley was born on September 22, 1954, in Wilmington, NC, to the late Samuel Galley and Leola Keith Galley. She entered into eternal rest on Friday, October 23, 2020, at New Hanover Regional Medical Center, Wilmington, North Carolina. A celebration of Ms. Franks life was held on Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at Davis

Deborah loved to travel and carried an ear and love for music. She enjoyed spending time and playing with her grandchildren. At an early age she joined St. Luke AME Zion Church, in Wilmington, North Carolina, where she was a faithful member until her body tired and she was unable to participate in normal church services.

Deborah graduated from Hoggard High School, in Wilmington, North Carolina. She went on to attend A&T University and later Cape Fear Community College, where she graduated with a degree in Business Administration. She went on to work at her family's business where she enjoyed being the Assistant Manager.

Deborah leaves to cherish memories: One son Rolando (Ebony) Franks (Wilmington, NC); five grandchildren, Andrew, Andre, Maxwell, Jae'Dyn and De'Vonte; her best friends, Constance Evans and Elaine DeShields and a host of extended 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.davis-

Andrew "Lefty" Jones

Andrew "Lefty" Jones died October 15, 2020. Graveside service was held Friday, October 23, 2020 at Oak Grove Cemetery.

Andrew was born on February 12, 1947 to the late Emphrey Jones, Jr. and Albertine Delores Evans Flowers in New Hanover County. He was raised by his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Christina Loftin Jones. Andrew was educated in the New Hanover County System, graduating from Williston Senior High School in the Class of 1965. He served in the United States Army. Upon returning to Wilmington, he played baseball for the Seabreeze Panthers. Andrew was an avid baseball player. He was a great pitcher for the team. His nickname was "Lefty". Andrew was drafted by the Los Angeles Dodgers as a left-handed pitcher. Andrew later moved to Chicago, Illinois and gained employment with the Oscar Mayer Company. He was loved for dedication and respect by his co-workers. Andrew was also a mentor, coach and umpire for at risk youth teams in the City of Chicago. Following retirement from Oscar Mayer, Andrew returned to Wilmington, North Carolina in 2009 to help take care of his aunt,

In addition to his parents, Andrew was preceded in death by two brothers, William Mitchell and Michael Mitchell and his aunt, Esther Olivia Jones Hardy He is survived by: children: Andrea' D. Jones of Atlanta, GA, Anthony D. Prentice (Demetria) of Wilmington, NC,

Oliva.

Tonya L. Trumpet of Stafford, VA, Calandra U. Holmes of Wilmington, NC, Chaneka L. Hyles and Olivia Williams both of Chicago, IL; sisters, Casandra Conner and Deborah Starks (Roosevelt) of Florence, SC; sister-in-law, Mitchell; and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Tracy "TK" Keels

Tracy "TK" Keels died on October 14, 2020. Graveside service was held on Saturday, October 24th at Calvary Memorial Cemetery.

Tracy, son of the late Thomas and Patricia Murphy Keels was born on Christmas day, December 25, 1965, in Wilmington, North Carolina. Tracy was a gift of love to his family. "TK" as he was known to his family and friends was fun loving, down to earth, charming, protective and loyal. He never met anyone that was not a friend. He lived and enjoyed life on his terms and loved everyone in his wide circle. He made friends easily and maintained many lifelong friendships. "TK" was educated in the New Hanover County School System, graduating from John T. Hoggard High School in the Class of 1985. He attended North Carolina A&T State University in Greensboro, NC. "TK" lived and worked in Greensboro, North Carolina and Durham, North Carolina for many years before returning to Wilmington, North

He leaves to cherish his memory: one son, Kajuan Redd (Shaquita); six grandchildren, Kajuan, Ky'heim, Kylie and Karter Redd, Naveah Hankins and Tavion Williams; three aunts, Cynthia Middleton (Frank), Wanda Howard and Doris Skipper (Darren); five uncles, William Howard (Arlene), Kenneth Howard, James Howard, Raymond Keels and Leverne Keels; 2 childhood 'brothers' and a host of cousins and other relatives and friends. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Sarah Margaret Tindal Glaspie

Sarah Margaret Tindal Glaspie died October 15, 2020. Funeral service was held on Saturday, Oct. 24, 2020 at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church; 4925 New Centre Drive.

Sarah was born to the late Susan Brailford Tindal and Russell Tindal on October 7, 1931 in Paxville, SC. She was educated in Claredo County, SC prior to moving to Wilmington, NC in 1947 where she met the love of her life, Percy Glaspie. They were married on March 28, 1948, which gave them 72 years together at the time of her death. She worked at Climate Control for 20+ years until they closed the plant. Her later years were spent as a caregiver and companion for the elderly. Sarah was an activist, in the 70's she served as Chairperson of the East Wilmington Community CDC. She played an integral part in getting paved streets and street lights in the community. Additionally, she was a member of the Eastern Star. Shortly after moving to Wilmington, Sarah joined Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church where she served in many capacities including the Usher Board, the Gospel Choir and as a member of the Daughter's of Zion. Besides being a pillar in the community, Sarah was a very good cook. Her macaroni and cheese and coconut pineapple cakes were absolutely delicious. She loved to share her food but not her recipes. Everyone in East Wilmington knew that you were always welcome to meal at Grandma Sarah's house on Sunday. She was a people person and never met a stranger. She was a talker, who was naturally funny, had a quick wit and loved to make people laugh; she was always the life of the party!

She will be missed by all who knew her. She was preceded in death by her sons, Stephen Glaspie and Brian Glaspie and her son-in-law, Joseph Bradley. Her loved ones who will cherish her memory are: her loving husband of 72 years, Percy Glaspie, Jr.; her children, Rosalyn Wallace (Gilbert), Luzzetta Bradley, Regenia Glaspie (Anthony Waddell), Percy "Chuck" Glaspie (Judy Parker); daughter-in-law, Victoria Glaspie; her

siblings, Gracie Davis, Marjorie Witherspoon of Manning, SC, Ella Jean Felder of Sumter, SC, Stuart Tindal (Lois) of Queens, NY, Woodrow Tindal (Maize) and John Tindal all of Manning, SC; sister-in-law, Evelyn Stevens; 24 grandchildren; 48 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, many honorary grandchildren, many special friends, including a dedicated friend, Acquanetta McNeil. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

OBITUARY

Pearl Nixon

Pearl Nixon died October 18, 2020. Memorial service was held on Saturday, October 24, 2020 at the Willie L. Shaw Jr Memorial Chapel.

She was born in Wilmington, North Carolina on February 22, 1956. Her early years were spent living in Tuskegee, Alabama. Pearl later returned to Wilmington where she graduated from New Hanover High School in 1974. She furthered her education at Cape Fear Technical Institute where she became a Licensed Practical Nurse. Pearl also served in the United States Army. Pearl loved swimming, reading, listening to music, sisters' annual vacations, the out-

doors and gardening. She was preceded by her father, Sammy Nixon and her adopted mother and father Katy and Galloway Dixon. Her cherished family members include: her mother and stepfather, Thelma and Robert Cade of Wilmington, NC: brothers, Charles Faison (Catherine) of Castle Hayne, NC and Larry Faison of Wilmington, NC; sisters, Barbette Pollock of Wilmington, NC, Tarita Brown (Michael) of Charlotte, NC, Carol Moton (Anthony) of Jacksonville, NC, and Rosalind Cade of Wilmington, NC; a special daughter, Nina McNeil and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Nora Reddrick

Nora Reddrick died September 18, 2020. Graveside service was held on Saturday, October 24, 2020 at the Pollock Cemetery. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Shamia Stokes Greene

Shamia Stokes Greene passed on October 16, 2020. Memorial service was held on Sunday, October 25, 2020 at Love Grove Park.

Shamia was born in Wilmington, North Carolina on February 7, 2001 to Shameeka Greene and Anthony Stokes. Mia grew up in Wilmington, NC and was educated in the New Hanover County School System. Mia was a very adventurous, fearless, and extremely funny young lady. She never met a stranger; actually many called her he life of the party. She was a very outspoken young lady; she was a go getter and always had a plan. She loved rapping and her mother would tell everyone she was a "Fire Cracker."

Mia leaves to cherish her fond memories: her loving son, Kyrin Stokes; mother, Shameeka Greene; father, Anthony Stokes; twin sister, Shamya Stokes, Malaysia Greene; brother, Demarius Kelly; maternal grandmother, Janice Greene; maternal grandfather, Larry Jacobs; paternal grandmother, Norma Williams; paternal grandfather, Leonard Stokes, Jr.; 9 aunts; 5 uncles; and a host of other relatives and friends. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Carolyn McKoy Hammonds

Carolyn McKoy Hammonds died October 17, 2020. Graveside service was held Sunday, October 25, 2020 at St. Thomas Cemetery, Leland, NC.

She was born August 3, 1957 in

Wilmington, North Carolina to Lois McKoy and Nelson Bellamy. Carolyn accepted Christ at an early age at Providence Missionary Baptist Church where she was a very active member until her very last days. She served on the Usher Board and would often be found singing in the choir that we all came to love, "The Voices of Praise." Carolyn would often joke with the grandchildren and say, "I'm making my debut this Sunday." She was educated in the Brunswick County System, graduating from North Brunswick High School in the Class of 1976. On May 21, 1976 Carolyn gave birth to her one and only son Michael and she was devoted to him her entire life. She had a special bond with her son. Carolyn tried to give him the world. She would work endless hours to make sure Michael had everything he needed. She took him on many vacations and created memories he will have forever. However, this was just the beginning. Carolyn would not stop there with Michael she would keep the journey going with his family. She was the best grandmother and mother-n-law anyone could have. She loved his family just like she loved him. Carolyn furthered her education at Cape Fear Community College and around 1987 she began her career as a Certified Nursing Assistant at Britthaven Wrightsville Beach Nursing Home. At Britthaven she was the 2003 CNA of the Year. She was a devoted employee who worked tirelessly until the facility closed. Then, she transferred to a sister facility, Britthaven Northchase where she committed a total of 32 loyal years to the company. It was reported that she was a hard worker, never late, and never missed a day. Carolyn was dedicated to her career and assisted many with achieving to become a Certified Nursing Assistant. It was her love for nursing and encouragement that she continued to champion others in following her footsteps. Carolyn was the consummate caregiver whether personally or professionally. She embraced her career and had a special gift for working with the elderly. She would often say "Everyone cannot be a nurse, because who would do what I do?" In 2019, Carolyn retired from her nursing career and she and the love of her life, Richard enjoyed spending time traveling. Not long after Carolyn gave birth to Michael, she met the person that would change her life forever. The love of her life Richard Hammonds Jr. "Nickel". They dated for twenty years and married on June 21, 1997. They have been on 18 cruises. Jamaica, Mexico, and Belize are just a few. She enjoyed going to sporting events with him, especially if he was the referee. Carolyn and Richard grew up together. They were like peas and carrots. Two people who got along well together, looked well together, and were suited well together. They were and always will be the love of one another's life. Richard and Carolyn recently celebrated their 23rd wedding anniversary.

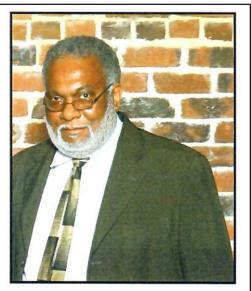
Carolyn will be remembered for her giving, gregarious nature, her love and devotion for her family. She will be greatly missed. Carolyn is survived by: her husband, Richard Hammonds, Jr. of the home; her son, Michael McKoy (Nickysha) of Mooresville, NC; stepson, Andrew Rosemond of Durham, NC; grandchildren, Jessica Powell and Michael McKoy, Jr.; mother, Lois McKoy of Leland, NC; father, Nelson Bellamy, Jr. of Winnabow, NC; her siblings, Daisey Quincy, Katrina McKoy, Bobby McKoy, Richard McKoy, Saddiyal (Abdul) Shaheed, Minnie Daniel, Arlene Bellamy, Tonya Bellamy, Laurie Petterson, Richard Bellamy, Carl Bellamy, Ben (Loretta) Bellamy, Darrell (Teresa) Bellamy, James E. Bellamy, Willie Bellamy, Eric Sims and Jeff Bell; two sisters-in-law, Wanda Murphy and Marietta Hammonds both of Wilmington, NC; two aunts, Sarah Bishop of Landsfield, OH and Velva Jenkins (Ronnie) of Leland, NC; goddaughter, Shereca Murphy; other relatives and friends. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Gloria Hankins

Gloria Hankins died October 19, 2020. Graveside service was held on Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at the Northwood Cemetery, Southport, NC. Visitation will be 30 minutes prior to the service. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

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TELL SOMEBODY

"Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him." Acts 10:34-35

Racism is defined as a belief or doctrine that inherent differences among human racial groups determine cultural or individual achievement: usually involving the idea that one race is superior and has the right to dominate others, or that a particular racial group is inferior to another. Systemized racism is when policy, system of government,

trineleads to discrimination Racism - Hatred or intolerance of another race Sin - All unrighteousness:

based on fostering this doc-

"And now, Israel, what doth the Lord thy God require of thee, but to fear the Lord thy God, to walk in all his ways,

Disobedience to God

and to love him, and to serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul.' Deuteronomy 10:12

"For the Lord your God is God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward: He doth execute the judgement of the fatherless and widow, and loveth the stranger, in giving him food and raiment. Love ye therefore the stranger: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt." Deu. 10: 17 -19

Thou shalt neither vex a stranger, nor oppress him: for ye were strangers in the Land of Egypt. Ye shall not afflict any widow, or fatherless child. If thou afflict them or in any wise, and they cry at all unto me, I will surely hear their cry;" Exodus 22:21-23

he bible has wisdom that we all need to If we are hear. Christians, we cannot practice racism with God's permission.

The sin of racism

It can be hurtful to know that even though God accepts you, there are men professing Christ, who reject you. Nevertheless, God is love.

"Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and everyone that loveth is



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born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God: for God is love. this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent

his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through

Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. No man has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us. Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit." I John 4: 7-13

"There was a man of the Pharisees, Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him.

Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, how can a man be born when he is old? Can be enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?

Jesus answered. Verily, verily (really, in truth) I say unto thee, except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is

of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, ye must be born again." John 3:1 - 7.

One of the jobs of the Holy Spirit is to convict. John 16:8, "And when he is come, he will reprove (convict) the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgement."

The sin of racism is a reproach (discredit) to any people. Proverbs 14:34 says,

"Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people."

Prayer of Intercession: Father, we as a nation have We have sinned sinned. against you. We have sinned against one another. Please forgive us for the sin of racism and all other forms of unrighteousness. please heal our nation. Our land is sick. We need healing in our land. Help us to repent. Show us how to change/ turn from our wicked ways. Help us to forgive others as we pray for forgiveness for ourselves. Let

flesh; and that which is born your people embrace II Chronicles 7:14 - 15 Deliver us from the Sin of Racism. In Jesus' Name, Amen SOMEBODY!

Tell Somebody!

"Mrs. Sylvia B. Hooper is a native Wilmingtonian, married to Pastor Johnson A. Hooper, First Lady of Faith Outreach COGIC. Jacksonville, N.C. She is a mother of three wonderful children and a proud grandmother! She is a Licensed Evangelist with COGIC, International. She is the President of P.W.E. Pastors Wives Empowerment Conference, an annual event held in honor of Pastors and ministers Wives. This support group's focus is to Encourage, Embrace and Empower Elect Ladies to be all they can be in Christ Jesus, while providing support to their husbands, who are Gospel preachers and pastors. Her heart's desire is to please the Lord, rescue the perishing, comfort the dying, and live a life that gives God glory!

A WORD FROM THE LORD

hat is Biblical faith? Faith is a spiritual principle or law that governs the kingdom of God: the word principle is defined as a basic truth, law, or assumption. A fixed or predetermined policy or mode of action. A basic or essential quality or element determining intrinsic nature or characteristic behavior. Intrinsic is defined as of or about the essential nature of a thing; inherent. (the power of the king) faith is the currency of the kingdom.

What is the kingdom? "A kingdom is the governing influence of a king over a territory, impacting that territory with his will, his purpose, and his intent, producing a culture and a moral standard for his citizens." We must have a kingdom mentality to function in the kingdom: "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus.' "And be ye transform by the renewing of your mind."

We must learn the native language of the Kingdom of God: and faith is that language, it is the language of our heavenly Father, it is the have not believed? And how

of His Son Jesus Christ, it is the language of the Holy Spirit, It was the language of the apostles and it is the written language of the word of God and it is of necessity our language today.

Notice how Roman 10:8-14, describes faith and how it works, let's read it: 8 But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach;9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth, confession is made unto salvation.11 For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.12 For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him.13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.14 How then shall they call on him in whom they

shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? V. 17, So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

> Romans 15:4a, for whatsoevthings were written aforetime were written for our learning. Let's look at

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and examine the History of faith (read), in Hebrews 11:4-14, gives the hero's of faith, lets read it from the Amplified: Let me make this statement first, there is only one faith: Eph.4:4-6, 4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your

The power of Faith is activated by speaking faith-filled words or acting on the word of God. 2Corin. 4:13, (KJV) 13 We

Summers

October 25, 2020. Graveside

service will be held 2:00 p.m. on

Saturday, October 31, 2020 at

Calvary Memorial Cemetery.

Visitation is 3:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

PM on Friday. A Service of

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died

Mary

Home.

calling;5 One Lord, one faith,

one baptism,6 One God and

Father of all, who is above all,

and through all, and in you

having the same spirit of faith, according to as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe and therefore speak;

What is Biblical faith?

Let's examine in the Word God of those who believed and acted on the word of God: Matt.8:2-3, 2 And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.3 And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed.

Matt. 5:5-10, 13, 5 And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, beseeching him,6 And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented.7 And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal centurion him.8 The answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed.9 For I am a man 12 Take heed, brethren, lest under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to heart of unbelief, in departthis man, Go, and he goeth; ing from the living God.13

and to another, Come, and he But exhort one another daily, cometh: and to my servant. Do this, and he doeth it.10 When Jesus heard it, he marveled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel. V.13, 13 And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour.

Therefore faith is spirit and belongs to our inner man born again spirit. 1Cornin. 4:18, (KJV) 18 while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eter-

Unbelief is evil because it is anti-God and of the devil: Romans 14:23, 23 and he that doubteth is damned if he eats, because he eateth not of faith: for whatsoever is not of faith is sin. Hebrews 3:12-14, there be in any of you an evil

while it is called Today; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.14 For we are made partakers of Christ if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast unto the end; chapter 11:6, 6 But without faith, it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him. Faith activates (save, healing, deliverance) the power of God in His Word to bring to pass what He has promised in His Word. 2Cor. 1:20 for all the promises of God in him are yea and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us. Father, in the name Jesus, let there be a manifestation of your power in the lives of those persons who read this article and believe and receive it to the glory of God. Amen.

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

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Idella Davis

Idella Davis died October 22, 2020. Funeral service will be held 1:00 p.m. on Friday, October 30, 2020 at Macedonia

Missionary Baptist Church, 3701 Princess Place Drive. Burial will follow in the Bethel Church Cemetery. Visitation is 5:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. on Thursday. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Mary Summers

Marguerite Burnett

Marguerite Burnett died October 23, 2020. Graveside service will be held 12:00 Noon on Saturday, October 31, 2020 at Calvary Memorial Cemetery. Visitation is 5-8 PM on Friday. A Service of John H. Shaw's

Donielle Durant

Donielle Durant died October 26, 2020. Graveside service will be held 12 Noon on Sunday, November 1, 2020. Visitation 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. on Saturday. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Jeffery White

Jeffery White died October 26, 2020 at Novant Health in Matthews, NC. Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later by John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home. A Service of John H.



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The undersigned, having qualified as Administratrix of the estate of **Audrey Dean Williams Gibbs**, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **2nd day of January, 2021**, 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 1st day of October, 2020

Kendra Lashonda Sanders AKA Kendra Lashonda Gibbs, Administratrix 4015 Bluefield Court Leland, NC 28451

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Kenneth Scott Cornwall**, 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 **8th day of January**, **2021**, 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 8th day of October, 2020

Gregory Colin Vlahos, Executor 10908 Arvind Oaks Ct. Charlotte, NC 28277

October 8, 15, 22, 29, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of John P. Lilly (20-E-1190), 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 January 18, 2021 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 15th day of October, 2020.

William J. Lilly, Executor c/o Craige & Fox, PLLC 701 Market Street Wilmington, NC 28401

October 15, 22, 29, November 5, 2020

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA NEW HANOVER COUNTY THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION 20 CV 000046

SHERRY LYNNE VALENTINE, Plaintiff

CARA LYNNE BAIRD AND UNKNOWN FATHER, Defendants
TO: CARA LYNNE BAIRD AND UNKNOWN FATHER

TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is for child custody.

You are summoned and notified to answer the complaint, which has been filed regarding child custody for the listed Plaintiff. You are to file this with the Clerk of Superior Court of the county named above a written answer within forty days after the first date of publication. You must also serve a copy of your Answer upon the Plaintiff. You are required to make a defense to such pleading not later than the 11th day of December, 2020 which is 40 days after the first publication of this notice and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This the 15th day of October, 2020

Sherry Lynne Valentine 6351 Greenville Loop Rd. Wilmington, North Carolina 28409

October 15, 22, 29, 2020

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of Cammie Bernice Westbrook Norris, 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 8th day of January, 2021, 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 8th day of October, 2020

Cammie Johnson, Executor 7850 Willard Rd. Willard, NC 28478

October 8, 15, 22, 29, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having qualified as Executor of the ESTATE OF GARLAND B. GARRETT, JR., deceased of Wilmington, New Hanover County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against said Estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 11th day of January, 2021 or this Notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate, please make immediate payment. Claims should be presented or paid on behalf of the undersigned at 5228 Woodscape Drive, Wilmington, NC 28409.

This the 15th day of October, 2020.

GREGORY BRYAN GARRETT, EXECU-

TOR
ESTATE OF GARLAND B. GARRETT, JR.
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October 15, 22, 29, November 5, 2020

NOTICE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of Estelle J. Caporale, deceased, of New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 8th day of January 2021, 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 8th day of October, 2020.

Janet I. Smith, Executrix of the Estate of Estelle J. Caporale 1395 Rosemary Drive Castle Rock, CO 80109 MURCHISON, TAYLOR & GIBSON, PLLC 1979 Eastwood Road, Suite 101 Wilmington, NC 28403

October 8, 15, 22, 29, 2020

NOTICE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Elaine M. Lathrop, 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 22nd day of January, 2021, 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 22nd day of October, 2020.

Carey Franklin Lathrop, Executor of the Estate of Elaine M. Lathrop 15 Leonard Street, Apt. 4
New York, NY 10013
MURCHISON, TAYLOR & GIBSON, PLLC
1979 Eastwood Road, Suite 101
Wilmington, NC 28403

October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2020

Notice to Creditors

Having qualified as Administrator CTA of the Estate of Francis P. Martonick (20-E-1170 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 January 22, 2021 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 22nd day of October, 2020.

Charlotte Noel Fox Craige & Fox, PLLC 701 Market Street Wilmington, NC 28401

October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2020

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of **Steven F. Maynard**, 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 **8th day of January**, **2021**, 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 8th day of October, 2020

Brenton T. Maynard, Administrator 1015 Fugate St. Houston, TX 77009

October 8, 15, 22, 29, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Miriam A. Howe (20-E-1183), 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 January 18, 2021 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 15th day of October, 2020.

Daniel C. Howe, Executor c/o Craige & Fox, PLLC 701 Market Street Wilmington, NC 28401

October 15, 22, 29, November 5, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Randolph Johnson, 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 January, 2021, 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 15th day of October, 2020 Aileen Price, Administrator 229 Wallington Rd. Wilmington, NC 28409

October 15, 22, 29, November 5,

NOTICE OF SALE

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Owner: ARTHUR OBEL OKELLO
Place: Kirby's Garage Inc.
1513 Castle Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
Date: 11-18-2020
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Telephone: 910-762-3159

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NOTICE OF SALE

2010 NISSAN
VIN: 1N4AL2AP5AN525519
Owner: JAMES VAUGHN
Place: Kirby's Garage Inc.
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Date: 11-18-2020
Time: 10:00 a.m.
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October 29, November 5, 12, 2020

BID REQUEST

RPC Contracting is requesting bids from any interested HUB Certified minority business firms for the Town of Nags Head Islington Street Beach Access Project bidding on 11/12/20. There will be a pre-bid conference at 3:00 PM on Monday 11/2/20 at the office of RPC Contracting, 934 W. Kitty Hawk Rd., Kitty Hawk, NC 27949. Plans and specifications are available for review at the same location or may be downloaded from Town of Nags Head website at http://www.nagsheadnc.gov/bid s.aspx. For more information please call 252-261-3336, ask for Jay. RPC Contracting is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

October 29, 2020

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of William Cecil Jones, New Hanover County File No. 20 E 1238) late of 5315 Andover Road, Wilmington, New Hanover County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to serve them on the undersigned at 201 N. Front Street 408, Wilmington, NC 28401, on or before the 27th day of January, 2021, 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 26thday of October, 2020.

CASON CRUMMIE LAW FIRM, PLLC Attorney for Jenny Jones 201 N. Front Street Suite 408 Wilmington, NC 28401

October 29, November 5, 12, 19, 2020

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION PROCESS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, NEW HANOVER COUNTY In the General Court of Justice, Superior Court Division 20 SP 355

Mary Z. David; and Mary Z. David, Trustee, Petitioners v. Ivan David, Respondent

To: All persons having or claiming any interest or estate in the property described below

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Petition has been filed in the above-referenced special proceeding. The Petition seeks a new owner's certificate of title to be issued to Mary Z. David pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 43 - 17 to establish that Mary Z. David is the fee simple owner of the following property, which is part of the Torrens system: 5810 Woodland Trace Wilmington, 28409 ("Property"). The New Hanover County tax parcel identification number for the Property is R06200-003-056-001. The title for the Property is recorded in the New Hanover County Registry Torrens Books under Certificate 7D in Registration of Title Book RT-1 and Registered Estate Number 2. A further description of the Property is set forth in the Transfer instrument recorded with the New Hanover County Registry on October 9, 2002 at Book 3468,

Page 579.

All persons having or claiming any interest or estate in the Property shall appear before the New Hanover County Clerk of Superior Court on November 30, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. to show cause, if any exists, as to why the relief prayed for in the above-referenced Petition should not be granted.

This 26th day of October, 2020.

Christopher M. Theriault Theriault Law, P.C. P.O. Box 16589 Wilmington, NC 28408 Phone: 910.769.6304 Fax: 910.769-3722

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