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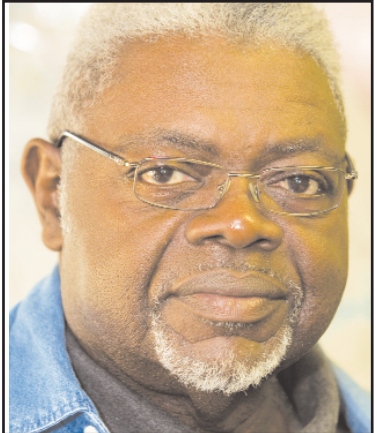
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TWO GREAT LEADERS

BY BERNEST HEWETT CONTRIBUTING WRITER

We, here in Brunswick County, got so involved in the elections for President of the United States, when we really should have more year round involvement in the political process, for politics has so much power over our lives. We tend to go home and get settled when we win one battle. I want to bring to the attention of Brunswick County the fact that, at the General Baptist Association this year Brunswick County had two church leaders to be recognized for over fifty years of service! The Reverend Dr. Freeman Gause, who pastored one church for a great number of years, is a leader. After he retired from the Brunswick County School System, he served as

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Kamala Devi Harris becomes the highest-ranking female U.S. official in the country's 244-year history PHOTO: Adam Schultz / Biden for President via Howard University News Service

Howard University Alumna Kamala Harris makes history as First Female Vice President of the United States

SPECIAL TO THE TRICE EDNEY NEWS WIRE FROM THE HOWARD UNIVERSITY NEWS SERVICE

BY ALEXIS MCCOWAN

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - Today is a day of firsts as Kamala Devi Harris becomes the highest-ranking female U.S. official in the country's 244-year history, after Joe Biden was projected to win the 2020 election. Harris is also the first African American woman to become vice president of the United States.

In a post on Twitter which included her only remarks so far about the victory, it showed her calling President-elect Joe Biden and saying, "We did it Joe, we did it".

The California Senator is no stranger to making history as she did when she became the first African American woman, first Asian American woman and first daughter of two immigrants to be a major party's vice presidential nominee, when Joe Biden announced her as his running mate in August 2020. She is the fourth woman to be on a major party ticket.

Kamala Harris was born in Oakland, California, to two immigrant parents: an Indian-born mother and Jamaican-born father.

Harris is also the first graduate of a historically Black college and university - or HBCU - to become a vice presidential candidate and now vice president.

For four years she attended Howard University, one of the nation's preeminent historically Black colleges and universities, which she has described as among the most formative experiences of her life. During her time at Howard she became a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, A Black women's organization founded in 1908. She graduated from Howard with a degree in political science and economics.

Harris earned her law degree at the University of California. In 2003, she became the district attorney for San Francisco, before being elected the first woman and the first African American person to serve as California's attorney general, the top lawyer and law enforcement official in

America's most populous state. In 2017, she was elected to serve as the junior senator of California.

Harris made a victory speech that emphasized the importance of unity in a time of division amongst the American people.

"I know times have been challenging, especially the last several months. The grief, sorrow, and pain. The worries and the struggles. But we've also witnessed your courage, your resilience, and the generosity of your spirit. For 4 years, you marched and organized for equality and justice, for our lives, and for our planet. And then, you voted. You delivered a clear message."

You chose hope, unity, decency, science, and, yes, truth," said Harris.

Ashley Tucker is a recapitalization specialist with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. She is also a graduate of HBCU, Winston-Salem State University and also a member of AKA sorority.

Tucker said, "Since I became an AKA, it's been such an integral part of my identity and as a Black woman it's a win to see a Black woman on a national stage. Biden is the president but as VP she [Kamala] will have a vital role in pushing things forward."

Tucker continued, "Generations coming behind us have never seen anything like this. They see a lot more representation than we did. It would be gratifying and go a long way towards boosting the morale of young black women and girls in the nation."

Harris talked about the importance of various women in history.

"Tonight, I reflect on their struggle, their determination and the strength of their vision - to see what can be unburdened by what has been - I stand on their shoulders. And what a testament it is to Joe's character that he had the audacity to break one of the most substantial barriers that exists in our country and select a woman as his Vice President. But while I may be the first woman in this office, I won't be the last,"

said Harris.

She continued, "Because every little girl watching tonight sees that this is a country of possibilities."

Howard University political science professor, Dr. JoVon McCalester talked about the importance of Harris' win to the African-American community and HBCU education.

"Now we have someone who is vice president who didn't descend from this ivy league education. She comes from a traditional HBCU," she said.

"Their victories are important to us because blackness is not relegated just to one experience in the United States; blackness is experienced in multiple ways and all of those ways are valid, important, and a part of what blackness is."

McCalester looks forward to the Biden administration using their power to create change and make tough but pivotal decisions on prominent issues.

"At this point worrying about being ethically or morally superior is affecting the real tangible everyday lives of people. If you believe that women's bodies are their choices then you do what it takes to solidify that. If that means adding seats to the Supreme Court then you add seats," McCalester continued.

"I want for the administration to sit down and really consider the long-term effects of not actually engaging in policy that are beneficial to people."

Harris ended her speech with a promise to the American people.

Said Harris, "Now is when the real work begins. The Hard work. The Necessary work. The Good work. The essential work to save lives and beat this pandemic. To rebuild our economy so it works for working people. To root out systemic racism in our justice system and society. To combat the climate crisis. To unite our country and heal the soul of our nation. The road ahead will not be easy. But America is ready. And so are Joe and I."

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Joyner says celebrate quick 'cause much remains to be done

BY CASH MICHAELS
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

A veteran political analyst says, while African-Americans have much to celebrate in the electoral defeat of Donald Trump, there is still much to be accomplished.

"After we have concluded our celebrations of the election of [Democrats] Joe Biden and Kamala Harris, African-Americans should pay some serious attention to the political position in which we find ourselves," says Professor Irving Joyner, of the North Carolina Central University School of Law. "The Biden-Harris election was monumental and offers a promise for legal protections and support at the national level, but we cannot forget that the same people who controlled the US Senate are

still in place in Washington and are poised to continue to legislate in the same manner in which they did in the past. This reality must be impressed on the minds of everyone."

Last Saturday, former Vice Pres. Joe Biden clinched the 270 Electoral College threshold, and with it, his tentative claim to become the 46th President-elect of the United States, defeating Republican incumbent, President Donald Trump.

The victory made history when Biden's running mate, Sen. Kamala Harris (D-CA), became the Vice President-elect.

However, as Prof. Joyner noted, Democratic victories elsewhere were few and far between. Democrats barely held on to their majority in the US House, and the final count in the US Senate has

to wait for two Jan. 5 runoff.

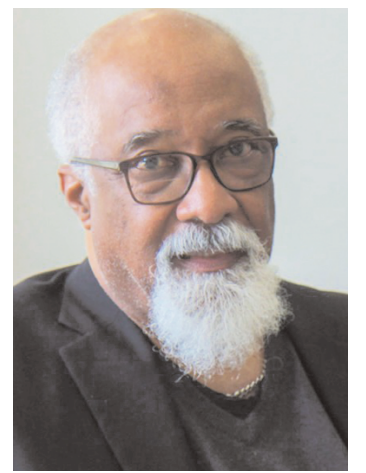
"In addition, in North Carolina, the same legislative leaders, who sought to suppress the African American vote and deny us some equities in the provision of governmental benefits, are still in control," Joyner added, referring to how Republicans maintained their dominance in both houses of the NC General Assembly.

"Of major concern is that this right-wing leadership cadre will be in charge of redistricting of the General Assembly, which will likely mean another series of protracted legal battles to protect our voting rights. This means that efforts to expand Medicaid, to improve the

quality and availability of education, to increase in the minimum wage, to expand opportunities for low-cost housing and to address other needs which seek to improve the quality of life for African Americans will be ignored or limited."

"We also lost important judicial positions in the NC Supreme Court and Court of Appeals and missed out on critical opportunities to add African Americans to the Council of State," Joyner added.

"So, while it is great to celebrate whatever we can," Joyner continued, "we must have a realistic understanding of the present political 'tea-leaves' and develop coordinated strategies to counter the continuing



ATTY. IRVING JOYNER

attacks and apathy, which will be directed toward the African American community during the coming years."

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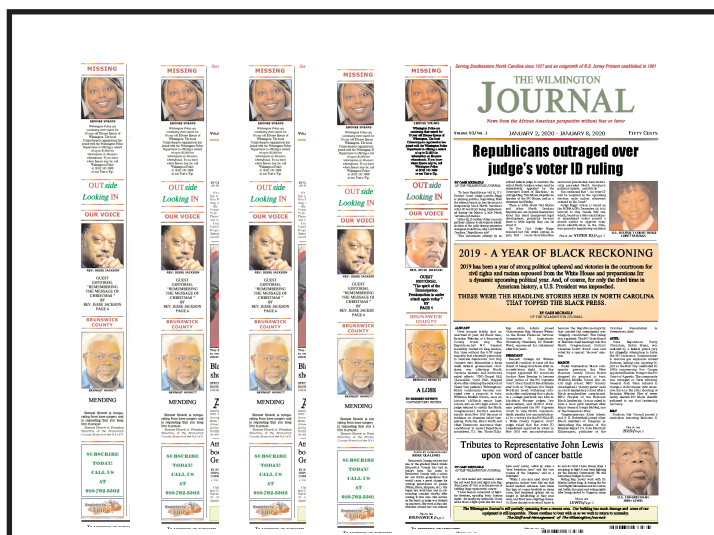
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Moderator of Ocean View Association and still works in the community. The Reverend Moses Herring, who has been the pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church for fifty-three years or more and is a leader in Brunswick County. He is a Mason, a member of the NAACP, a member of the Board of Directors for Brunswick County, and a funeral director.

These two pastors are leaders and examples of Black leadership. They came from the restraints of Jim Crow to today's time with faith in God and have prayed for man that a change will come. We need to give these two men their just dues and hands of joy and be proud of their wisdom in our community.

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



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STATE BRIEFS



122ND ANNIVERSARY OF 1898 COMMEMORATED

[WILMINGTON] On Nov. 10th - one week after the contentious 2020 elections, the port city commemorated the 122nd anniversary of the event that will forever define Wilmington - the 1898 race massacre, the only

recorded coup d'état in American history. It was just after Election Day 122 years ago that armed white supremacists began slaughtering African-Americans throughout the city, chasing out of their homes and businesses, confiscating property. White supremacists then took over Wilmington City government at gunpoint. This past week, a series of events and commemorations took place to note that important

date in the community's history. There are many who wonder, given the current uncertain atmosphere in the nation, whether the 1898 race massacre could happen again, this time with followers of Donald Trump, angry with his losing the election? And if it could be more widespread.

SIX STATEWIDE RACES TO BE CALLED WITH FINAL COUNTS [RALEIGH] Today was the

last day that all 100 North Carolina county boards of elections and to collect mail-in absentee ballots postmarked by or before Nov. 3rd to finalize the totals per race. Per last counts, there were 27, 500 absentee ballots accepted after Election Day, and 23, 091 provisional ballots that have qualified to be counted. The race margins from Nov. 3rd are expected to tighten for several races, especially the tight contest

for NC Supreme Court Chief Justice. On Tuesday, Democratic challenger Cal Cunningham formally conceded his race to incumbent Senator Thomas Tillis after those numbers were clarified.

REPUBLICANS DEMANDING TO KNOW NUMBER OF OUTSTANDING ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUESTS [RALEIGH] The GOP is

demanding that the state Board of Election release data on how many people requested an absentee ballot that actually voted in person. County boards of election are slow to respond because they are required by law to monitor the process cautiously. Certifying election results begin Nov. 13th.

COMPILED BY CASH MICHAELS

AN ANALYSIS

What NC Democrats did wrong the GOP did right in Election 2020

BY CASH MICHAELS OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

If the final numbers hold up after they're counted and certified on Friday, Pres. Donald Trump should still enjoy a slim but sturdy election victory in North Carolina over now projected President-elect Joe Biden, no doubt, due to the numerous campaign visits Trump made to the Tar Heel state as late as the night before Election Day. Trump and his campaign surrogates flooded North Carolina in the weeks leading up to the big day, and he was rewarded with strong voter support in the 75 mostly rural counties, giving him an edge over Biden's dominance in just 25 mostly urban North Carolina counties, analysis shows.

Ultimately, Trump won 58 counties with between 1,000 and 20,000 votes. What put the icing on the cake for the Republican President and the rest of his down ballot candidates was the GOP turn-out-the-vote campaign, where volunteers, despite the COVID-19 pandemic, canvassed neighborhoods, knocking door to door, asking voters to show at the polls for their candidates. Fearing COVID-19, Democrats didn't do that until very late in the campaign. Dems did push, especially in communities of color, mail-in absentee ballots, but African-Americans were unfamiliar with them, and many ballots that were not legally complete in terms of required signatures from voters and witnesses were returned, thus spoiling and eliminating

them from predominating counts. When the smoke cleared nationally for Democrat Biden, he benefitted from a strong Black vote (especially from women) and strong support from new voters. Mail-in ballots proved to be a blessing in battleground states like Pennsylvania,

which put Biden over the top electorally. However, Democrats nationally also lost seats in Congress and did not take back the Senate as promised (a Jan. 5, 2021 duel runoff in Georgia is expected to decide the Senate majority.) Here in North Carolina,

however, Democrats did not take back the General Assembly as hoped for, did poorly in the Council of State and judicial races and are waiting to see if they've held on to the State Supreme Court chief justice's seat and lost the Lt. governor's seat that seemed all but assured.

In addition, Republicans, not Democrats, will once again be in charge of redrawing the voting districts for the next ten years. There are many lessons to be learned from Election 2020 for Democrats. The question is, can they meet the challenge?

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OUR VOICE

TO BE EQUAL

Black lives, and Black livelihoods were at stake in this election. Black votes have determined its outcome

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

"You know what, they don't have enough voter suppression tactics to stop this movement." – Keith Mayes, professor of African American studies and African American history at the University of Minnesota.

As grief and despair over the racially-disproportionate impact of the COVID pandemic and police brutality erupted in unrest across America's cities this summer, the National Urban League mobilized to channel the protests in the streets into power at the polls.

If anyone had any doubt that Black votes matter, this week's presidential election put those doubts to rest

Massive voter turnout in cities with large Black populations was key to a shift in four states that determined the outcome of the election. Voters in Philadelphia and Atlanta appear to have turned out in even greater numbers than in 2008, when Barack Obama was swept into office, while voters in Milwaukee and Detroit turned out in higher numbers than any election since then.



Marc Morial

This turnout is all the more remarkable considering the tsunami of voter suppression measures directed at Black Americans in the years since then. As the National Urban League's State of Black America report last year made distressingly clear, Black voting rights have been attacked over the last decade at a level not seen since passage of the Voting Rights Act in 1965.

President Trump's campaign seems determined to continue the unconscionable trend, as it has throughout the entire election season. He has initiated legal action to invalidate ballots in at least three of the four states where Black voters made the difference -- Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Georgia -- and in Nevada, where Latinos make up almost 30% of the population.

These swing-state cities with large Black populations are also where the U.S. Postal System failed to deliver a significant percentage of ballots on time. In Pennsylvania, the Trump campaign is specifically trying to throw out absentee ballots that were not delivered by Election Day. Only about two-thirds of absentee ballots in Philadelphia were delivered by Election Day -- one of the lowest levels in the country. A federal judge has threatened to hold Postmaster General Louis DeJoy in contempt of court.

It's outrageous that any campaign would try to throw out any citizens' votes. But to focus these efforts on Black Americans -- who have paid in blood for the right to vote -- is abhorrent.

Telling people, "Your votes should not be counted" is an especially brutal way of saying "You're not considered a full citizen. You are not equal in the eyes of the law." It gives validation to white supremacists and extremists threatening violence over the election.

Casting a ballot -- and having that ballot counted -- is the fullest expression of citizenship in America. It is the only way Americans can determine our future, protect our rights, seek equal treatment in economic and social life -- and hold our leaders accountable.

We should not lose sight of the fact that the day after the election, the country set a record for reported cases of coronavirus, with more than 107,000 new cases recorded on Wednesday. More than 232,000 people have died, with Black Americans dying at twice the rate of whites.

Six of every ten Black households are facing serious financial problems since the pandemic began. Almost a third can't pay their rent or mortgage. Federal relief is nowhere in sight.

Black lives, and Black livelihoods were at stake in this election. Black votes have determined its outcome.

During an interview on CNBC Wednesday night, Shepard Smith asked me how the nation can come together and unite after this divisive election. Part of my answer was, we need leadership at the top. But these efforts by the Trump campaign to invalidate our votes will only drive us further apart.

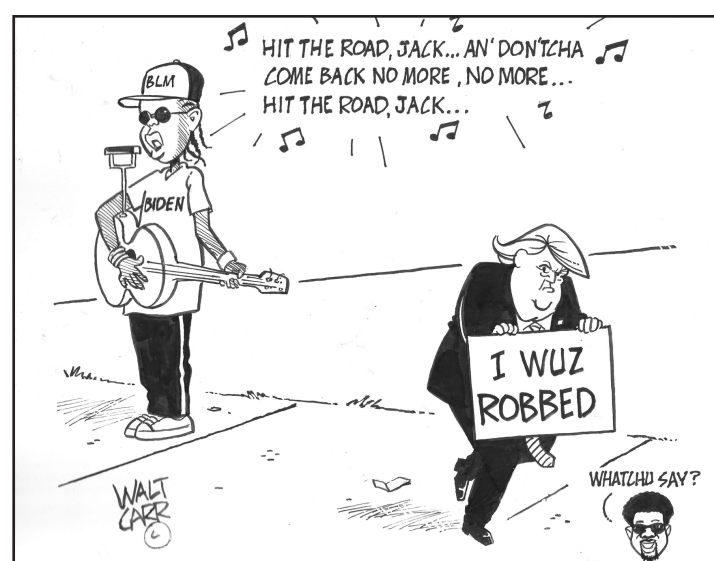
I'm proud of the National Urban League's historic efforts to register, educate and engage voters through our campaign, Reclaim Your Vote. Protest To Power, and our partnerships with other initiatives like Oprah Winfrey's Own Your Vote and Michelle Obama's When We All Vote. I'm proud of the way we fought back against the sabotage of the U.S. Postal Service that slowed delivery of ballots. Most of all, I'm proud of the nation's Black voters, who responded adversity and suppression with patriotism and determination.

As efforts to stop vote counting, invalidate votes, or cast doubt on the votes of Black and Brown citizens, continue, the National Urban League will continue to defend our most sacred right.

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

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MATTERS OF OPINION

Exhale. inhale. Roll your sleeves up

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

It took five days for the 2020 election to be called for former Vice President Joe Biden. Five days with me peeled to the television and the internet. Five days holding my breath. Five days, meditating and praying for strength. I could not imagine four more years of Trump. I actually started going through my belongings, trying to decide which one would make the cut for my move to Ghana (yes, if the Chump had won, I was seriously considering a transcontinental move).

At 11:34 on Saturday morning, the good news trickled down. Biden won. Kamala Harris is Madame Vice President (MVP). People were sending funny and smart text messages. From one friend -- "ladies keep your shoes on, there is glass on the floor. Exhale. Savor the feeling. Kamala's win is a "dancing in the street" victory for Black women, for all women, for our nation.

From Psalm 30:5, "Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes in the morning." Well, on November 7 joy came

in the morning, the afternoon, the evening. All around the country, people celebrated. Some of us were buoyed by the celebrations, especially their intergenerational, multicultural, masked participation. But as horns honked, people hollered, and people hoisted "you're fired" signs outside the White House, some of us wondered how much change, exactly, we could expect from Biden-Harris.

Inhale. Inhale the fact that Donald John Trump was an extreme symptom, but not the cause, of the structural inequities that plague our nation. Inhale the fact that all the executive orders in the world can't fix the racism that is baked in the cake we call the United States. Inhale their names, the disturbing roll of Black folks killed by white so-called "law enforcement" officers. Inhale the macro and micro aggressions that impact our lives.



Dr. Julianne Malveaux

I will not be pessimistic in this optimistic moment, nor will I ignore the amazing history we experienced in this election. I will simply say, as I often do, that voting is not the most, but the least we can do. This election reminds us that Black Votes Matter; that Turnout matters, that, in the words of Rev. Jesse Jackson, "the hands that picked peaches can pick presidents." There was no blue wave, this was a scrappy contest, with margin, in some cases, less than one percent. There was no takeover of the Senate (yet), and Democrats lost seats in the House of Representatives. And more than 70 million people affirmed Donald Trump, which reveals the stark division in our nation.

Exhale (relief). Inhale (recognition). And then just roll your sleeves up and get to work. Yes, there is much work to do. There are elections for Senate seats in Georgia. They'll be decided on January 5, and if Democrats can pull both off, President-elect Biden will have the Senate he needs to make policy changes. Meanwhile, 45 has seventy

days to wreak havoc on our nation. He can randomly fire folks, mismanage agencies (more so than he already has), develop harmful executive orders. As of this writing he has yet to concede the election, even though he has no possible chance of winning. His refusal to smell the coffee slows the transition process, but since this s about him, not about our nation, he really doesn't care. Yes, we have work to do. We need to roll up our sleeves and get to it. Civic engagement is not a seasonal thing, it's an all the time thing. We get the government that we choose to participate in.

So kudos to the folks like Melanie Campbell (National Coalition of Black Civic Participation), LaTosha Brown (Black Voters Matter), Stacey Abram (Fair Fight) and the many others who raised awareness, got the vote out, and then protected it. Inhale. Exhale. Get to Work!

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RAINBOW COALITION

A White House that once again calls on our better angels

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

"The people of this nation have spoken. They have delivered us a clear victory. ... We have won with the most votes ever cast for a presidential ticket in the history of this nation... I pledge to be a president who seeks not to divide, but to unify. ... Let this grim era of demonization in America begin to end here and now."

With these words, the president-elect, Joe Biden, set a new tone and a new mood in Washington. No longer will the bully pulpit of the White House be used to spew lies and insults or to fan division and hatred. The White House will once again call on the "better angels" of Americans and not our "darkest impulses."

With the new tone, Biden offered new priorities and action. He listed the staggering challenges that face the country and its new president: the battle to control the coronavirus, to build prosperity, to secure health care, to "achieve racial justice and root out systemic racism," to save the cli-

mate. The most urgent, of course, is the pandemic, with the virus now peaking once more in states across the country. Gone is the magical thinking that it would soon disappear. Gone is the illusion that the economy could be rebuilt while the pandemic raged. "We cannot repair the economy, restore our vitality, or relish life's most precious moments -- hugging a grandchild, birthdays, weddings, graduations, all the moments that matter most to us -- until we get this virus under control," said Biden.



Rev. Jesse Jackson, Sr.

Common sense, perhaps, but something that has been missing for too long. Biden announced that he was ready to act, putting together a task force of leading scientists and experts to detail how to go forward. When he is sworn in on Jan. 20, he will hit the ground

running. At the same time, he will push strongly for the passage of a rescue package in the coming lame-duck session of Congress -- with aid for the millions still unemployed, action to avoid a blizzard of evictions and foreclosures, resources to get the disease back under control, aid to states and localities whose budgets have been savaged by the virus and economic recession and more. Without this, as the Trump appointed head of the Federal Reserve has been warning, the economy will be driven into a new downturn. A new mood. A new plan of action. Once more, hope is reborn. I harbor no illusions.

This country is deeply divided. Trump is howling at the moon about the election, but he will spread his poison to millions. Republican Senate Leader Mitch McConnell has shown in the past that he is willing to obstruct everything in order to bring down a Democratic president. Biden's faith and good will is already being tested. Biden owes his election to the growing citizen move-

ments that demanded change -- from Black Lives Matter; to #MeToo, to the growing climate movement and more. His campaign was aided by thousands of community organizers who worked tirelessly to make that change happen. He graciously acknowledged his debt to the African-American voters who saved his candidacy and helped propel his victory.

Those movements and organizers now must redouble their efforts. The last great reform period in America came when Dr. Martin Luther King and the civil rights movement joined with a president, Lyndon Johnson, to move this country closer to equal justice for all. That same energy and more will be needed to meet the challenges of this day. It is always darkest before the dawn. And now, with this election, the first rays of a new day begin to shine. Now is the time to come together, to build, and to keep hope alive.

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



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

Carnac I'm not

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

More chronologically advanced late-night television viewers are familiar with Johnny Carson and his character, "Carnac the Magnificent." Carnac's claim to fame was his ability to prognosticate and "predict the future." Writing "in front" of major events always makes me feel like Carnac. As I write this, I am clueless as to whom the label, President of the United States, applies, but I most certainly have my preference.

VOTING is the ultimate exercise of mimicking Carnac and his predictive abilities – we may not know, with accuracy, what the future holds, but we understand what we want and who/what we feel will serve our best interests. YES! I have expectations for what I would like to happen and who I would like to see "deliver the goods."

Although some consider the Constitution as an imperfect document and history has shown many of its more glaring faults, as a source of law and guidance, it is greatly preferable to the whims

and mood-swings of a would-be dictator (#45). In its origins, it was written to protect the interests of "white men," but, with the aging of the nation and the resulting cultural evolution, the application of hypocrisies in the law have become increasingly intolerable.



Dr. E. Faye Williams

"To establish a more perfect union" is testament to the founders' understanding that improvements could be made (I'm sure that most of them would be rolling in their graves with the changes thus far realized.) and that responsibility for improvement was left to the inspired judgment of elected officials. For most of the current Federal leadership (Executive, Legislative and Judicial), I see financial self-interest and partisanship informing the, so-called, inspired judgment. I don't predict but hope that the 2020 election has provided us with electees who more closely adhere to the principles of

true democracy.

COVID-19 has given us reason to believe the empirical data provided by the scientific community. The almost quarter of a million US deaths (so far) informs us that a politically motivated response to a disease is never a substitute for scientific research and study. I don't predict but hope that the 2020 election provides us with electees who have genuine concern for the health and welfare of ALL citizens.

The history of humankind is replete with the lessons of truth vs. lies in national leadership. Fact-checkers estimate that as of 9 July 2020 #45 has told about 25K lies. Forbes magazine estimates his lie output at 23.5 per day. Lies from leadership have never been predictors of successful government. Our own three-plus-years' experience suggests the same. I don't predict but hope that the 2020 election provides us with electees who will be truthful, at least more truthful than #45.

One of my greatest hopes is that the 2020 election has provided a President who rejects the politics of hate and who is dedicated to the

goal of national unification. That goal is considered by many as impractical. Our original sin of racism and our intolerance of gender, gender identity, religion and ethnicity are deeply woven into the fabric of our culture – some believe too deeply to overcome. I don't predict but hope that the 2020 election provides us with a President-elect who will lead us away from past efforts to exploit differences and toward the realization that we have more in common.

While "character" is a nebulous description, the 2020 election post-script I most desire is the election of leaders with character. Character has been described as "what you do when you think no one is looking." I reject a leader who has questionable loyalties and indebtedness to unknown sources. His decisions cannot be trusted.

I don't predict but pray and believe that my 2020 vote served to support these "Hopes!"

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

CRAZY FAITH MINISTRIES

America's underbelly exposed in full sight

We all knew that if Donald J. Trump did not win his bid for re-election that there would be drama and danger.

And as of Friday, there has been both.

In Detroit, Trump supporters, some armed, showed up at the TCF Center, demanding that the counting of ballot stop, demanding that the "steal" be stopped. Police were called when some of the protesters refused to let those who were counting inside or outside of the building. Protests happened in other cities as well. (<https://www.radio.com/wjnewsradio/news/local/trump-supporters-descend-on-downtown-detroit-for-protest>) (<https://apnews.com/article/trump-backs-converge-michigan-arizona-0b5711044a94703045953fe7833d6aa>).



Rev. Susan K. Smith

The president, who is fond of talking about how he loves "our country" is supporting anarchy, seemingly supporting the racist anger that he has stoked ever since he took office in 2017.

News pundits keep saying that "this is not who we are." But they are wrong. This is exactly who or what America is and has been since her inception.

Not even the Founders of this country wanted everyone to vote; we all know that. They wanted certain people to be put in power and to stay in power and they knew that that desire would not be realized if everybody voted. While they called their government a democracy, or more accurately, a democratic republic, it was always more of an oligarchy than a democracy.

That the president has catered to angry white people (years ago, the dilemma of the "angry white man") is not disputable. That he is still catering to them, encouraging not only their anger but their violence is likewise, not disputable. He likes the chaos he sees in the streets as angry white mobs fight to protect him. (<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/made-by-history/wp/2017/08/29/why-are-so-many-white-men-so-angry/>) (<https://www.theatlantic.com/ideas/archive/2018/10/brett-kavanaugh-and-white-male-rage-thesis/572440/>) (<https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/social-climates/201904/angry-white-men>)

This president sits in the rotted core of this country, a man of privilege who believes in the rightness of his superiority as much as he believes that "law and order" means that police officers can do whatever they want when dealing with angry black people who have been sorely demonized, criminalized, and oppressed by this country.

What is disturbing is that this president is sanctioning the violent behavior of his supporters, even as he says he is the "law and order" president. He defended the young man who murdered two people during a protest in Kenosha, Wisconsin, (<https://www.politico.com/news/2020/08/31/trump-defends-kenosha-gunman-406377>) and felt totally justified in sending men with guns to Portland, Oregon to quell violent outbursts there by exercising what looked like actions the secret police of Nazi Germany employed. (<https://www.insider.com/trump-defended-portland-oregon-law-enforcement-2020-7>)

What is more disturbing than the president's behavior is that of Republicans, all of whom are violating their oath to protect the United States - and there is the evidence of how America's rotten core has spread its poison to the populace. These white men in governance, though they will not admit it, are as racist, sexist, Xenophobic, homophobic and prone to violent behavior to protect their own interests as is he. There is no push, no effort being made to reel this president in for the sake of this country and all of its citizens. And there will not be.

The one bad apple of American history has spread and caused principles of decency, morality, fairness, lawfulness, and respect of the government and its constitution to go bad as well.

The prayer is that at the end of this election cycle, there will be enough people left standing who believe in democracy and who have seen what a demagogue and his sycophants have done here, and will work to scrub the rot out of America's core that has put her very survival in danger.

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

A huge victory – and more work to do

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

After four exhausting years of President Donald Trump and four excruciating days of vote counting, the election was called for President-elect Joe Biden and Vice President-elect Kamala Harris on Saturday, Hallelujah!

Those days of counting felt agonizingly slow to many of us, but the momentum was always on our side: Democratic voters—mostly Black voters—in and around Philadelphia, Detroit, Milwaukee and Atlanta delivered the battleground state votes needed to deny Trump a second term. In Nevada and Arizona, Latino and Native American voters provided crucial votes.

News that Pennsylvania put Biden over the top sparked dancing in the streets and tears of joy in many households. So did the sight of Kamala Harris making her historic appearance as our next vice president—the first woman, first Black woman, first South Asian woman, to be elected to the White House.

In his speech Saturday night, Joe Biden made it clear that he understands how much he owes to Black folks. "The African American community stood up again for

me," he said. "They always have my back, and I'll have yours."

We will all need to help Biden make good on that commitment with policies that address our communities' needs.

There's a lot to do.

We need a more effective response to COVID-19 pandemic and its particularly hard impact on the health and economic well-being of people of color.



Ben Jealous

We need a vision and a plan for an economy that does not leave Black communities behind, an economy where opportunity is widely available and prosperity is widely shared—not one that strips wealth out of middle-class and lower-income families and funnels it to the richest people in the world.

We need to eliminate voter suppression strategies—and resist ongoing efforts by Trump and his allies to delegitimize and overturn his decisive defeat.

We need to confront the systemic racism that leads to police killings of Black men, women, and children—

killings for which justice far too often is delayed and denied.

We need to address the corruption of our federal court system by Trump and Senate Republicans and the hard-right judges they have spent four years packing into our federal courts, which we can no longer count on to uphold our constitutional and civil rights.

All those jobs will be made so much harder if Republicans maintain control of the Senate. The unprincipled obstructionist Republican leader Mitch McConnell has turned that half of Congress into a graveyard for legislation the American people need to advance the vision of a more just society for which we just voted.

So, we have work to do, right now, in Georgia, where two U.S. Senate races are headed for runoffs in early January. Both races feature corrupt, Trump-enabling Republicans who represent the worst kind of politician. Both are being challenged by smart, progressive Democrats who will help Biden and Harris achieve good things for the American people.

Those victories in Georgia are achievable, largely in part to the brilliant organizing work of my dear friend Stacey

Abrams. She responded to her own unjust defeat in Georgia's race for governor in 2018 by leading a coalition that registered hundreds of thousands of new voters and turned the state blue this year. She believes Democrats can absolutely win the Senate runoffs, and that the outcome of those races will help determine whether we have access to health care and access to justice in the U.S. The excellent Democratic candidates, Rev. Raphael Warnock and Jon Ossoff, need and deserve all the support we can give them.

Defeating Trump and electing Joe Biden and Kamala Harris was a huge victory. Let's celebrate, get a good night's sleep or a long nap, and get back to work.

Ben Jealous serves as president of People For the American Way and People For the American Way Foundation. Jealous has decades of experience as a leader, coalition builder, campaigner for social justice and seasoned nonprofit executive. In 2008, he was chosen as the youngest-ever president and CEO of the NAACP. He is a graduate of Columbia University and Oxford, where he was a Rhodes Scholar, and he has taught at Princeton and the University of Pennsylvania.

Could America learn a COVID-19 lesson from Rwanda?

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

A month ago I shared with a member of Greater Mt. Nebo African Methodist Episcopal (A.M.E.) Church, the church I'm privileged to pastor, that I would be leaving soon for a two-week visit to Rwanda, to visit friends and pastoral colleagues. To me it should have elicited no surprise as she knew that I had led groups to Rwanda since 2012, a country described as "The Land of a Thousand Hills," owing to its incredible natural beauty.

However, what I received was a rather horrified look and a quick, "I will be praying for you!" Her subsequent comments noted the ongoing corona virus pandemic and her assumption that I was placing myself at great risk. It was bad enough, she felt, that I would be on two flights to get there, totaling 16 hours in the sky, with a four hour layover in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia after leaving The United States. But she assumed that Rwanda would be a place where the pandemic was running rampant and therefore was placing myself at considerable danger. After sharing with her news reports which detailed Rwanda's commitment to combatting the virus, her anxiousness dissipated but she ended our conversation by saying, "Well, I'm still praying for you."

I left two days after my



With masks in tow, Dr. Jonathan Weaver (center) stands in Rwanda with Edouard Ndayisaba, CEO, DGrid Energy (left) and Dr. Jean Mfizi, an epidemiologist and deputy vice chancellor for Public Affairs, Adventist University of Central Africa.

encounter with the member, confident that all would be well. My assurance was not unfounded over the course of my trip. Rwanda, through its leadership and the many people I met, displayed a resilience and determination to protect its population from this dreaded virus, and consequently obliterated the disparaging term used by some elected officials to describe African nations. My experience was not unusual. The requirements for my entry into Rwanda are required for everyone arriving

into the country since the international airport in Kigali, the capital city, re-opened at the beginning of August.

Ethiopian Airlines, my airlines of choice when travelling to Africa, currently requires that all passengers must have a recent negative SARS-CoV-2 RT-PCR test result in order to board their flights from The United States. Upon exiting my flight in Rwanda, on the tarmac, before even entering the terminal building, Rwanda government officials met all passengers to determine

whether we had the required certification. Once we entered the building, we were greeted by Ministry of Health officials who administered a temperature check. After passing through Passport Control, I proceeded to the baggage claim area when I heard "someone" state in a clear voice, "Welcome to Kigali International Airport. While in Rwanda, please remember to wash your hands

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frequently, engage in social distancing, and wear a mask." That "someone" turned out to be a robot, who repeated that friendly, yet firm message several times before I exited the baggage claim area.

From there I proceeded to a government-approved hotel where I would spend the night. Upon my arrival at the hotel but before I checked in, I was required to take another COVID-19-related test. I was then quarantined in my hotel room until the next morning, when upon receiving my negative test result, I was then free to move throughout the country. During my 14-day visit, travelling to three major cities and parts of the rural countryside, everyone wore masks, from the youngest children to elderly people, with virtually no exception. Temperature checks were performed at restaurants, office buildings and stores. Social distancing was enforced at churches.

It became abundantly clear that Rwanda took very seriously its mission to protect its citizens from this dreaded virus. The result, as of October 28, in a country of just over twelve million people, they have experienced only 35 deaths from the corona virus! The country implemented the key preventive measures almost immediately after the first case was reported on March 13. No hesitancy or uncertainty on the

part of the national government and no squabbling among the people as far as I could tell based upon my conversations with many people. Despite the inconvenience imposed upon the populace, and yes, the economic challenges they faced, the many people I spoke to were gratified with the measures implemented since it spared the nation from countless more cases and deaths from COVID-19.

Yet here is the contradiction: after a very satisfying, safe visit to one of Africa's jewels of a nation, upon my return to The United States at Dulles International Airport, no government official asked me any COVID-19-related questions! No one inquired as to whether I had been sick while out of the country. There were no temperature checks administered. No official asked for a recent COVID-19 test result. In fact I was subjected to the same procedures that occurred in January after my last visit to Rwanda. So many safeguards were implemented by Rwanda to protect its citizens from the potential threat of travelers entering its territory. Was my experience upon my return to America another indication of the cavalier approach and reaction to the pandemic still raging in The United States? Perhaps we could benefit from securing advice from an African nation that has achieved remarkable success in fighting this pandemic.

Written by Dr. Jonathan Weaver.

GET THAT DEED AND FLIP THOSE KEYS!

FOUR POTS of MONEY

FACTS: When buying a home, there are 4 pots of money you need to prepare for. Also, you must make sure all monies you plan to use for the purchase, that it can be tracked as to where it came from.



Brenda Dixon

Do not put random cash in the accounts, unless you can prove where it came from with a paper trail. That includes gift funds from family. They must show bank statements for 60 days showing they had money in the account to give. Proving, tracking where the money came from is called "Sourcing Funds." So, start keeping good deposit habits because the lender will require the last 60 days of bank statements. Any monies in there prior to 60 days will not be questioned. Let me

break this down a bit more so you can get yourself prepared. When purchasing a home there are 4 pots of monies you will need, and the bank wants to know if you have enough money to complete the purchase. These monies can be either come from your bank account, 401k account, gift funds from family, Organization, or Non-profits.

1) DOWNPAYMENT: Depending on the loan program you are applying for, you may or may not have a down payment. There are several 100% financing options out

here so definitely see if you can qualify for one of them. Otherwise, the next most popular for 1st-time buyers is an FHA loan with a 3.5% down payment or a Conventional 3% down payment.

2) PREPAIDS: Is a collection of fees like Earnest deposit/Due diligence fees(upfront monies paid to take home you like off the market so no one else will get it). NOTE: There is no set amount in NC what those fees should be, it's negotiable but lately I'm seeing about \$1000+... Then home/pest inspections to make sure home doesn't have any major problems, that's \$400-450, and bank appraisal, this gives the bank a certified report from an appraiser certifying the home is worth the amount of

money you are asking the bank to lend for it, that's \$550-600.

3)CLOSING COST: The closing cost will be paid at the end of the transaction at the closing table. These fees are a buyer's responsibility but can get help at times from the seller, just case by case. These fees are lender fees, Attorney fees, 1-yr insurance paid upfront, the start of the tax/insurance escrow account, etc. The closing cost varies depending on the loan, price of the house, etc but typically they can range between \$5000-7000. The good news is that a Realtor can try to negotiate for the seller to pay some of this but when a home is very popular and have multiples offers coming in, the less you ask the seller to pay, the stronger your chances are

of outbidding your competition.

4)RESERVES: are funds that will be left in your account after the down payment, prepaid and closing cost are out of it. The bank wants to know that you have at least 2-3 months of the new mortgage amount left in case you can't work for some reason. All they care about is if they give you this money, will they get paid, afterward. Now I know this is a lot of funds to come up with but here is where pre-planning and budgeting will come in. As stated, if you have a 401K or other assets that could be sold to get funds you need to purchase, all these things will help you. Your other option is gift funds. Lenders will allow for immediate family members to give

you funds for any of these pots of money, but those relatives must be willing to prove that they had the money in their bank accounts for at least 60 days prior to giving you the funds. Relatives must also sign a statement saying the funds are indeed a gift and you are not expected to pay them back. Sit down, strategize, and get your monies up and then go ahead and Get That Deed.

Until next week, bless 3 people with the knowledge you gained from this article and tell them to reach out for their personalized game plan to own in the next 18 months or less.

Brenda Dixon, Dixon Realty Since 1991, 27 yrs. F/T expertise. Brenda@getthatdeed.com.

CFCC student veterans receive \$5,000 from MOAA

WILMINGTON, NC – The Southeastern Chapter (SENCLAD) of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) — the nation's largest military officers' association— recently awarded \$5,000 to nine Cape Fear Community College student veterans.

The mission of the SENCLAD Chapter is to benefit members of the uniformed services, their families, and survivors and to advocate for a strong national defense while providing needed support to the community and its members.

Among the recipients of the MOAA scholarship awards were Timothy Fogle, Marine Corps veteran; Kelly Ramos, U.S. Air Force veteran; Amber Taylor, Marine Corps veteran; Dustin McLean, Navy veteran; Isidro Moreno Vega, Marine Corps veter-

an; Todd Matthews, U.S. Navy and Army veteran; Thomas Chaffin, U.S. Marine Corps veteran; Regina Grant, U.S. Army veteran; Matthew Thompson, Marine Corps veteran.

"With these funds, I will be able to rest easy and continue to pursue my goals of acquiring a unique educational experience," said scholar recipient Dustin McLean. "Bolstering myself with knowledge, I plan to help make our world the better place we have always wanted it to become."

"We cannot thank SENCLAD enough for their continued support of our veteran students," said Shane Fernando, CFCC Vice President of Advancement and the Arts. "To have this level of support during these difficult times makes all the difference to our stu-

dents."

"We have been blessed to be able to offer this financial help and will work hard next year to maintain and hopefully increase our ability to help local veteran students continue and complete their degrees and begin the next chapter of their lives," said Jim Carper, MOAA SENCLAD Chapter President.

SENCLAD is composed of 300 currently serving or retired officers in New Hanover, Brunswick, Pender, and Onslow counties. These members represent the seven uniformed services and aim to assist other members of the uniformed services, their families, and survivors.

Student veterans make up a large portion of CFCC's student body. To learn more about veterans at CFCC, visit cfcc.edu/veterans.

SSG George Nixon, Jr. Military award certificate and photos. The certificate is for the Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross. Below the certificate are three medals: The Silver Star, The Purple Heart, and The Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross.

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Jeffery Martin White

Jeffery Martin White died October 26, 2020 at Novant Health in Matthews, NC. Graveside service was held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at Calvary Memorial Cemetery.

Jeffery was born in Wilmington, NC to the late Horace and Elnora White. He graduated from New Hanover County Public Schools and went on to become a very well-known chef. Jeffery retired in 2008, but went back to work at Claiborne's Bar in Charlotte, NC. He worked there for five years until he became ill.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Horace White, Jr. and brother-in-law, Jerome Clay.

Jeffery is survived by his estranged wife of 20 years, Bernadette White and will forever be cherished by his children, Ashanta Scot of Charlotte, NC, Arillia Scott of Castle Hayne, NC, Jeffery White, Jr. and Jennifer White both of Wilmington, NC; nine grandchildren, Derricka, Octavia, Yasjaia, Nariah, Malik, Mirrikle, Sniyah, Layla and Tyrell; brother, Harold White of Charlotte, NC; sisters, Barbara White-McGee, George of Wilmington, NC, Tracy White of Charlotte, NC; uncle, Andrew Brown if Detroit, MI special family members, David Jennings, Ron and Terrie Miller, Cressie Mears and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Ricky Patrick

Ricky Patrick died October 28, 2020. Graveside service was held on Wednesday, November 4, 2020 at the Freeman Cemetery, Bolton, NC.

Ricky Wendell Patrick was the son of the late Willie Dossie "Pete" Patrick and late Bertha Selena Patrick, Ricky was born in Cleveland, Ohio on April 11, 1959. He was one of five siblings; Vanessa preceded him in death. He departed this life on October 28, 2020 at his home in Wilmington, NC. At an early age, Ricky joined First Baptist Missionary Baptist Church under the pastorate of the former Reverend Boykin. He graduated from Acme Delco High School-Class of 1976, where he played sports and after graduation, enlisted in the United States Air Force. After serving, he received an honorable discharge. He later married the late Kathryn Buie Patrick and from this union, they had three daughters. He was employed with Federal Paper. Later, he became employed at Duke Nuclear Plant (formally Progress Energy) as a Nuclear Mechanical Craftsman for 34 years where he was highly respected and received special recognition for his contributions to the company. He relocated to Wilmington, NC and was joined into Holy Matrimony to Sonya Jackson Bennetone-Patrick of Wilmington, NC in 2011, who was his loving and faithful wife until his passing. Ricky also made many contributions to the community and was a member of several social justice organizations. Ricky served on the Board of Directors of the National Black Leadership Caucus. Ricky loved racing and was a skilled auto mechanic. He was a loving husband, brother, father stepfather, uncle, friend, grandfather and more. He had a heart of gold and an inspiration to all who knew him. Ricky's light did so shine before others that his good deeds and humble heart glorified Our Father in Heaven. Your wings were ready, but our hearts were not.

He leaves to cherish his memory: wife, Sonya Jackson Bennetone-Patrick, Wilmington NC; daughters, Nikki Patrick and Tequanna Patrick, Riegelwood, NC and Kayla Patrick, Wilmington, NC; stepdaughters, Rhonda Sekhmet Ra, Wilmington NC and Jackie Bennetone, Wilmington, NC; stepson, Josiah Bennetone III (Shalonda), Wilmington, NC; siblings, William Patrick (Renee), Riegelwood, NC, Borenzo Patrick, Wilmington, NC and Jacquetta Taylor, Riegelwood, NC; mother in-law, Mrs. Mary Jackson, Wilmington, NC; sisters-in-

law/brothers-in-law, Jackie Conyers (Kever) Rincon, GA and David Jackson (Kathy) Harrells, NC; best friend, Andre Herring (Suecilia), Shallotte, NC; family in love, Mr. and Mrs. Levanda Buie, Riegelwood, NC, Michael and Linda Buie, Raleigh, NC and Sheila Patrick, Riegelwood, NC; uncles and aunts, James Moore Sr., (Marie) Riegelwood, NC, Ernest Moore, Trevoise, PA, Marie Andrews, Rose Keith (James), and Lessie Smith, Riegelwood, NC and Martha Sutton (Rev. A.B. Sr.) Birmingham, AL; 5 grandchildren; 8 step-grandchildren, 7 godchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Lakwaneisha Bryant

Lakwaneisha Bryant died October 28, 2020. Graveside service was held on Thursday, November 5, 2020 at Spring Green Church Cemetery, Riegelwood, NC. Lakwaneisha, daughter of Christine Deloris Nixon and the late Fred Rogers Bryant was born on May 7, 1987.

She was also preceded in death by her brother, Gary Leon Bryant and sister Natalie Bryant. Lakwaneisha was educated in the Brunswick County School System, graduating in the Class of 2005. She attended Spring Green Missionary Baptist Church. Lakwaneisha was full of life and loved many people. She was so strong and touched many lives.

Lakwaneisha leaves to cherish her memory: her daughters, LaMaya Windham, Razia Simpson and A'nyah Bryant; her mother, Christine D. Nixon; her sisters, Sharell Bryant, Kimberly Brown, Clarise Bryant, Lisa Bryant and Cynthia Bryant; one brother, Fred Rogers Bryant, Jr.; a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, other relatives and many friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Frosty Nixon

Frosty Nixon died October 29, 2020. Graveside service was held on Thursday, November 5, 2020 at Calvary Memorial Cemetery.

Frosty was born August 11, 1933 to the late Sandy Daniels and Lula Mae Spears Daniels. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Owen Nixon, Jr.; and three brothers, Johnny Daniels, Ollie Daniels and James Daniels. Frosty always was about her family who she always put first in her life. You didn't mess with any of her family, cause, if you did, you would have to deal with her. Frosty was raised by her grandparents Will and Dolly Spears in Hallsboro, North Carolina. She was baptized at an early age at New Light Baptist Church. Frosty attended Artesia High School in Hallsboro, North Carolina where she graduated and proceeded to North Carolina A&T College in Greensboro, North Carolina. After graduating from A&T she moved to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania where she lived with her husband until his passing. Afterwards, she moved back to Wilmington, North Carolina.

Frosty leaves to cherish her memories: one son, Owen K. Daniels; a granddaughter; Lakesha A. Daniels; a grandson, Kristopher O. Daniels; three great-grandchildren, Kevanni, Zion and Egypt Daniels; loving sisters and brothers, Edith Dowe, Betty McAllister, Jimmy (Janie) Daniels and Johanna (Gilbert) Bryant; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home*

Clara Harrison

Clara Harrison died October 30, 2020. Graveside service was held on Wednesday, November 4, 2020 at Calvary Memorial Cemetery. Clara was born on December 24, 1929 to Reverend Dewey and Cora Covington in Rockingham, NC. She was preceded in death by her husband, Hubert Harrison and son-in-law, Johnny Smith. Clara spent most of her young

adult life in Washington, DC and returned to her roots in North Carolina. She settled in Wilmington to be closer to relatives and attended the family church, Mt. Nebo Missionary Baptist Church. After many years of dedicated employment, she retired from Coastal Dry Cleaners. Clara could be referred to as a grand diva who never saw herself as old but rather young in spirit and full of energy. She had a zest for living life to the fullest.

She will be missed dearly by her family and friends. She is survived by her daughter, Priscilla Covington-Smith; three grandchildren, James L. Evans III (Pam), Andrea Clinkscates (Hudie) and Cory Smith; three great-grandchildren, Fanisha, Jalysia and Ethan; one niece, Fozer Kelly; a great-niece, Meisha Covington; and a host of cousins in Rockingham, NC. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Evon JacQueline. Dixon

Evon JacQueline. Dixon died November 1, 2020. Funeral service was held 1:00 PM. on Saturday, November 5, 2020 at New Beginning Christian Church; 3120 Alex Trask Drive.

Evon, daughter of Carrie Tyler (Sammy) and Timrod Lee, Jr. was born November 27, 1969 in Orangeburg, SC. She attended Wilkinson High School in Orangeburg, SC. He graduated from Cape Fear Community College in Wilmington, NC with a certificate as a Nursing Assistant. She was also a faithful member of New Beginning Christian Church Transportation Ministry, where she made everybody's trips special. She was a devoted employee at the local Walmart, where everybody knew her. Evon was a woman of love, courage, and understanding. She loved to laugh and to give big hugs. Evon loved to encourage others and made any and every-one feel important. The faith of Eon leaped from her mouth and her belly.

Evon leaves to cherish her precious memories: her husband, James T. Dixon; children, Jermaine Thompson (his child, Jaleah "JTT"), Calvin Thompson (his children, JaNaz, JaZiyah, Adrianna and Ezra), Tiffany Thompson (her son, Kaden), and Quiten Thompson; father, Calvin Thompson; siblings, Marilyn Williams of Columbia, SC, Pernell Rutledge (Duane) of Augusta, GA, Michael Thompson (Tanta) of Orangeburg, SC, Carrie McKoy (Reginald) of Columbus, GA, Jonathan Thompson of Orangeburg, SC, Janice Jamison (Matthew, Jr.) of Orangeburg, SC, Lovarn Lee , Tim Roy Lee, Jr., and John Simon all of Orangeburg, SC; special cousins, Tammy Brown (Philip), Darlene Holmes, Pearl Johnson all of Orangeburg, SC, Donald Glover of Hawaii; a special friend, Patricia Hill; a host of special family and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Jasmine Nicole James

Jasmine Nicole James died November 1, 2020. Graveside service was held Saturday, November 7, 2020 at the Willie L. Shaw Jr. Memorial Chapel.

Jasmine, daughter of Am'mie Patrick and James Mack was born on March 15, 1975. Jasmine was educated in the New Hanover County School System and attended New Hanover High School. She enjoyed cooking and spending time with her family and many friends. Jasmine was a magic of love. Who ever met her, loved her. Friendship meant a lot to her. To Jasmine friendship was a priceless gift that could not be bought or sold. Jasmine was a reflection of Matthew 25:35 kjv: "For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in:"

She was a loving mother; daughter, sister and friend who will be greatly missed. Jasmine leaves to cherish fond memories: her loving daughter,

Amy James; mother, Am'mie Patrick; father, James Mack; two sisters, Wanda Gardner and Chanta Brown; brother, Burne "Guy" James; a special friend, Eddie Southerland; her loving aunts, Gayle and Faye; a host of cousins, other relatives and friends, including, Chico Bean, Shena Franks, Shantae Middleton, Chrisma Herd and Larry Herd. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Jarrett Ray

Jarrett Ray died November 1, 2020. Memorial services will be held at a later date. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Malik Laceywell

Malik Laceywell died November 4, 2020. Graveside service was held on Wednesday, November 11, 2020 at Pine Forest Cemetery. Visitation is from 6-8 PM on Tuesday. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Dan Junior Galloway

Dan Junior Galloway died November 7, 2020. Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m., on Saturday, November 14, 2020 at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church; 4925 New Centre Drive. Visitation will be from 3:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.. on Friday. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Lee Marshall Johnson

Lee Marshall Johnson died November 7, 2020. Graveside service will be held 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 14, 2020 at Greenlawn Memorial Park. Visitation is from 5:30 p.m.-8 p.m.. on Friday. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Mr. Daryl Jerome Mapson

Mr. Daryl Jerome Mapson, the youngest of four children of the late Rev. Walter Mapson & Mrs. Helen Mapson, was born March 15, 1955. Hearing Daryl's plea, "I'm ready to go," God granted his request when he transitioned into heavenly rest on Thursday, October 29th, 2020 at his residence in Raleigh, NC. Funeral services were held on Friday, November 6, at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church. Interment followed in at Johnson Chapel AME Zion Church Cemetery.

In addition to his parents, Daryl was preceded in death by his brother

Julius L. Mapson.

A proud graduate of North Brunswick High School, Daryl was a member of the class of 1973. After graduation, he went to work at E.I. DuPont and was employed for 28 years. Upon moving to Raleigh in 2002, Daryl was employed by the Wake County Public School System. He retired from Wake County on June 19th, 2020. Shortly after retiring, his health failed.

He was a member of Grace AME Zion Church where he sang with the male choir. A naturally talented "Jack of All Trades," Daryl could build or repair in the area of carpentry and he could repair many types of engines, electrical or plumbing challenges.

During his illness, he fought a good fight, never complaining and always calling on Jesus. His humorous personality continued to prevail throughout his illness and his constant refrain was "I'm doing fine."

Those left to cherish his memories: His loving wife, Deborah Mapson, his son Daryl Tyree; His siblings, Marva Robinson, Walter Mapson (Sadie), Terry McKoy; Five Brothers-in-Law, Rev. Dr. O.E. Pelham (Orine), Samuel Pellom (Sharon), Richard Pellom (Carol), Van Pellom, George Cooper; Two Sisters-in-Law, Brenda Thomas, Anita Blackwell; And a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, other relatives and special 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.com.*

Etta L. Williams

Etta L. Williams, age 93, of Wilmington, passed away Friday, October 30, 2020. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Her love and memories will remain in the hearts of her nieces; Connie V. Davis of Charlotte and Beatrice L. Davis Fletcher of Queens, NY; nephews, Nicholas L. Davis of San Diego, CA and Wayne Davis of Brooklyn, NY 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.com.*

James W. Davis

James W. Davis, age 81, of

Leland, passed away, Saturday, October 31, 2020. Funeral services were held on Saturday, November 7, 2020 at Davis Funeral Home.

His love and memories will remain in the heart of his wife, Doris Davis of the home; children, Alton Davis of Leland, Wanda Adams of Little Rock, AR, Harwyn Davis, Jerry Davis (Tennille), Derek Davis (Darlean) and LeRoyce Davis all of Leland; siblings, Carolyn Fields of Manassas, VA, Ruth Davis of Epes, AL, Kenneth Davis of Washington, DC, Lucinda Davis of Epes, AL and Linda Brooks of Las Vegas, NV, 11 grandchildren, 15 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.com.*

Russell W. Davis

Russell W. Davis, age 67, of Hampstead, passed away Friday, October 30, 2020. A celebration of Mr. Davis' life will be conducted at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, November 13, 2020 at Davis Funeral Home, 901 S 5th Ave., Wilmington, NC 28401. A viewing will be held one (1) hour prior to the service. Interment will follow at John Chapel Cemetery. *Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhome.com.*

Rudolph DeLoach

Rudolph DeLoach, age 88, of Wilmington, passed away Monday, November 2, 2020.

A celebration of Mr. DeLoach's life was held on Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, 3701 Princess Place Dr., Wilmington, NC 28405. Interment followed at Greenlawn Memorial Park.

His love and memories will remain in the hearts of his children, Gralyn Knox of Baltimore, MD, Roosevelt A. Davis (Renee) of Waldorf, MD and Larissa DeLoach of Wilmington, 6 grandchildren, 5 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.com.*



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TELL SOMEBODY

"Let the Words of My Mouth"

"Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight. O Lord, my strength, and my redeemer." Psalm 19:14

Once a word is spoken, it can never be retrieved, therefore, we should be ever so careful to watch the words that come from our mouths!

David, the great Psalmist, prayed for grace (unmerited favor) as he sought to live a life that was pleasing in the sight of the Lord. He prayed for God to give him an understanding of his errors, for he genuinely wanted to know what it was that he was doing wrong. David was referred to as, "A man after God's own heart", because after he would sin, he would humble himself and repent (be Godly sorry) for his sins, and sincerely seek to be restored in the sight of the Lord. (Psalm 51)

David even asked to be

cleansed from secret faults. He admitted that there were things in his heart that only God could see. His earnest and honest attitude toward God was often met with mercy, because he truly meant what he said. He truly wanted to be saved, and he truly wanted to be delivered from himself.



Sylvia Hooper

"Who can understand his errors? Cleanse thou me from secret faults. Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have

dominion over me; then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression. Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my redeemer." Psalm 19:12-14

The words of our mouths as Christian Believers should be filled with wisdom. This wisdom of words works harmoniously with wisdom of thought and mind. "I thought on my ways, and turned my feet unto thy testimonies." Psalm 119:59

Ecclesiastes 5:2 says, "Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty (in a hurry) to utter anything before God: for God is in heaven, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy word be few." If we were to

limit ourselves to saying only the things that we know to be fact and not what we hear from second hand smoke, our words indeed would be few!

Proverbs 18:21a says, "Death and life are in the power of the tongue." The words of our mouths should be carefully spoken and righteously weighed, for our speech reveals our true character. Jesus said that we will be accountable for the words we speak!

Matthew 12:36, "But I say unto you, that every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the Day of Judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned."

Through the wisdom of the Word of God, we are told

repeatedly to put restraint on our tongue. "Keep thy tongue from evil and thy lips from speaking guile." Psalm 34:13 "Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles." Proverbs 21:33 "Thou art snared with the words of thy mouth; thou art taken with the words of thy mouth." Proverbs 6:2

Prayer: Heavenly Father, "Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer."

Psalm 19:14 In Jesus' Name, Amen. 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

I will trust in the Lord

I will trust in the Lord forever, for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength

1Chron. 29:11-13, For thine, O LORD is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heaven and the earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all.12 Both riches and honor come of thee, and thou reigns overall, and in thine hand is power and might, and in thine hand, it is to make great and to give strength unto all.13 Now, therefore, our God, we thank thee and praise thy glorious name.

The changing of the guard ("any situation in which an individual or group charged with a task or responsibilities in an organization is replaced by another individual or group").

"The United States' Declaration of Independence proclaims that God has

endowed all men with the "unalienable Rights" of "Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." Sadly, the pursuit of happiness is the futile quest of far too many of us. We squander our precious time and resources, make poor choices, and often ruin our lives-and others' lives-searching for the treasure of happiness in all the wrong places.

Rev. Naconiel Fullwood

Where can happiness be found? The simple yet powerful truth of God's Word is that true happiness is a gift of God, one of His very special blessings. This wonderful gift is ours if we are rightly related to Him and if we walk in obedience to His commands."

Many commentators

believe that this psalm was purposely written as the introduction to the entire inspired collection. Note the following about this hymn of instruction:

•It teaches us how to experience God's blessing.

•It emphasizes God's Word-His holy law (Torah).

•It paints a picture of two men who follow sharply different ways of life, men with distinctly different futures. Bible teacher and commentator Warren Wiersbe explains:

"The psalm presents two ways-the way of blessing and the way of judgment-which was the choice Israel had to make (De. 30:15, 19). Jesus used a similar image (Mt. 7:13-14). Bible history seems to be built around the concept of "two men": the "first Adam" and the "last Adam" (Ro. 5; 1 Cor. 15:45)-Cain and Abel, Ishmael and Isaac, Esau and Jacob, David and Saul, and Bible history culminates in Christ and Antichrist. Two

men, two ways, two destinies. This contrast is fully explained in the book of Proverbs. Proverbs thoroughly discuss the two ways, the two men, and the eternal importance of living by the instruction of God's Word. Many terms that are frequently discussed in Proverbs appear in this psalm. A word search and study of these words in Proverbs provides us with a deeper understanding of this psalm. These words include a walk, counsel, way, scorners, law, and righteous."

Psalm 1 is the major passage way into the rest of the psalms. Outstanding commentator Derek Kidner declares that "it stands here as a faithful doorkeeper, confronting those who would be in the congregation of the righteous" (v. 5) with the basic choice that alone gives reality to worship." At the very beginning of Psalms, the Jewish hymnal, a vital truth

is proclaimed: we can only truly worship God if we have chosen to walk in His way and the light of His Word.

"The Holy Scripture is central to all worship. God has revealed Himself, His glorious plan of salvation, and His will for every one of us in His inspired Word. Only if we delight in His Holy Word (law) can we truly enter His presence? Only if we have chosen the path of righteousness can we have an audience with Him? Only if we meditate on His Word can we fully understand the ways of God and worship Him in truth. Anyone can be inspired and comforted by reading the psalms, but we can only experience an intimate relationship with Him if we love Him and obey His life-giving instruction (Jn. 14:21; 15:10, 14). Such a relationship gives us the liberty to pour out our hearts to God." (PoSB-C)

In conclusion: Neither the Democratic Party nor the

Republican Party have the true answer for what American needs. The true answer is only found in the Creator of the universe, the Bible which is the word of God is perfect. God's word is conclusive and definitive; Conclusive is defined as serving to put an end to doubt, question, or uncertainty; decisive. Definitive is defined as precisely defining or outlining; explicit; authoritative and complete. Explicit means expressed with clarity and precision; clearly defined. John 14:6, (KJV)6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. "My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness." Amen.

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

REALITY CHECK

COVID-19 defeats Donald J. Trump

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

First, I must admit that my prediction of a Donald J. Trump victory in the 2020 presidential election was wrong. I strongly believed that Joe Biden's selection of Senator Kamala Harris as his vice-presidential candidate would be the major factor in a Trump victory. This was based on my position

that there was no way white women would support a woman of color achieving that historical first. What I didn't count on was the extent of Trump's mishandling of the COVID-19 public health crisis. I didn't expect him to be so dense as to host a celebration of the appointment of Amy Coney Barrett to the Supreme Court, an event that led to numerous prominent attendees including him, his wife, and his young son, to later test positively for COVID-19. I am convinced that along with Bob Woodward's revelation in his

book, "Rage," that Trump, as early as February 9, 2020, was well aware of the public health danger of the coronavirus. That was the major factor in his defeat.

Despite these two concrete examples and the fact that some 7 million Whites throughout the country had tested positive for the virus by Election Day, Trump kept downplaying its seriousness. That, I strongly believe, is what finally convinced a majority of suburban white women and some white men that it was very crucial to have someone in the White House who was committed to doing whatever is necessary to combat COVID-19. So, while probably holding their noses, they voted for Biden and his woman of color running mate, who became the first woman to become vice-president elect of the United States.

Before slapping too many high fives, shouting too many hallelujahs, and dancing too long in the streets, it is extremely important for us as Black folks to note that despite Trump's massive character flaws, his tax evasion charges, his being seen and heard on television to saying that it's cool to grope a woman, his

ongoing connection with President Vladimir Putin of Russia, his me, myself and I narcissism, his obvious misogynistic reaction when dealing with female journalists and politicians, his flagrant disdain for immigrants to this country who are not of European descent, his lack of candor about COVID-19 threat etc., over 70 million people in this country voted for him. This convinces me that had it not been for the virus he would have been reelected.

Trump may have been voted out of office but Trumpism is very much alive and well. We had better be united and ready to promote and protect our economic, cultural and political interests. I suggest that one thing serious black people need to do is to study and act on chapters 14 (Organizing a Race for Action) and 15 (The Shape of Things to Come: A Master Plan) in Chancellor William's book "The Destruction of Black Civilization: Great Issues of a Race from 4500 B.C. to 2000 A.D."

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

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This the 22nd day of October, 2020.

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October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2020

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 26th day of October, 2020.

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Attorney for Jenny Jones
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October 29, November 5, 12, 19, 2020

Notice to Creditors

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November 5, 12, 19, 26, 2020

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November 5, 12, 19, 26, 2020

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This the 12th day of November, 2020.

Debra P. Smith
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November 12, 19, 26, December 3, 2020

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NOTICE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

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This 22nd day of October, 2020.

Carey Franklin Lathrop, Executor of the Estate of Elaine M. Lathrop
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NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER IN THE DISTRICT COURT JUVENILE SESSION FILE NO. 20 JT 20

IN THE MATTER OF: C.L.J. (dob: 14 January 2020)

TO: AMBER DAWN BASS, CLIFTON NICHOLAS JENKINS, ANDREW BECK AND ANY UNKNOWN FATHER OF C.L.J.

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

Termination of all parental rights you have to C.L.J.

You are required to make defense to such pleading within forty (40) days following Thursday, November 12, 2020, which date is the date of first publication of this Notice. Upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. You have the right to attend this hearing and you have the right to be represented by counsel.

Amber Dawn Bass has been assigned Attorney Lyana Hunter. Counsel may be contacted at (910) 343-5423, 320 Chestnut Street, Suite 201, Wilmington, NC 28401.

Clifton Nicholas Jenkins has been assigned Attorney Mark Inhat. Counsel may be contacted at (910) 769-6884, 314 Walnut Street, Suite 100, Wilmington, NC 28401.

Andrew Beck has been assigned Attorney Garron Michael. Counsel may be contacted at (910) 769-7339, 902 Market Street, Wilmington, NC 28401.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A HEARING ON THE PETITION TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS IS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2021, AT 9:30 A.M., or upon a date and time set thereafter, at the New Hanover County Courthouse located at 316 Princess Street, Courtroom 400, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401.

This the 12th day of November, 2020.

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November 12, 19, 26, 2020

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October 29, November 5, 12, 2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having qualified on the 14th day of October, 2020, as Executor of the Estate of **TERRY TURNER WELLS**, Deceased, late of New Hanover County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the decedent to exhibit them to the Executor, Gail M. Wells, at 153 Spring Creek Lane - Wilmington, NC 28411, on or before the **3rd day of February, 2021**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the estate should make immediate payment.

This 19th day of October, 2020.

/s/GAIL M. WELLS, Executor
Attorney for the Estate:
J. Wesley Casteen, Esq., CPA
Carolina Legal Counsel
P.O. Box 12028
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November 5, 12, 19, 26, 2020.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having qualified on the 27th day of October, 2020, as Executor of the Estate of **JACK R. ELLIS**, Deceased, late of New Hanover County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the decedent to exhibit them to the Executor, Antony R. "Tony" Ellis, at 14609 Snapdragon Circle - North Potomac, MD 20896, on or before the **3rd day of February, 2021**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the estate should make immediate payment.

This 29th day of October, 2020.

/s/Antony R. "Tony" Ellis, Executor
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November 5, 12, 19, 26, 2020

MEETING NOTICE

A meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area MPO Board will be held on **Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 3pm.** As a precaution during the COVID-19 pandemic and pursuant to Sec. 4.31 of SB 704 (S.L. 2020 3), the meeting will be conducted remotely from the 6th floor conference room at 320 Chestnut Street in Wilmington, NC. The meeting will be simultaneously streamed live online at the following URL: www.zoom.us/join or dial-in by phone to listen to the meeting by calling 312 626 6799 and entering meeting ID 984 7693 2128 and passcode 893393. Public comments may be submitted in advance by emailing wmpo@wilmingtonnc.gov or by leaving a message at (910) 341-3258 before 5pm on November 17th. Public comments will be played or read aloud by staff during the meeting. Per the adopted Public Participation Plan, public comments shall be limited to 3 minutes each.

Mike Kozlosky
Executive Director
Wilmington Urban Area
Metropolitan Planning
Organization

November 12, 2020

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION 20 CVD 3378

MONTREE IVORY STEWART, Plaintiff,
ALEXIS STEWART, OCTAVIA STUKES, MICHAEL L. MILLER, JR., Defendants.

TO: MICHAEL L. MILLER, JR.

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: Complaint for Child Custody.

You are required to make defense to this pleading not later than (40) days after November 9, 2020, the first date of publication, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This is the 9th day of November 2020.

David odwin
Attorney for Plaintiff
8 Sou 6 th Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
(910) 762-0410
NC State Bar No.: 15867

November 12, 19, 26, 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

Take notice that a 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, NC 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
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Phone: 910.769.6304
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October 29, November 5, 12, 19, 2020

LEGAL NOTICES

Notice of Filing a Permit Application with the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) for the Proposed Class Three Landfill for the Disposal of Coal Combustion Residue

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (Duke Energy) owns and operates the W.S. Lee Combined Cycle Plant (W.S. Lee) located in Anderson County, near Belton, South Carolina. W.S. Lee's legacy coal facilities include a former three-unit, 370-megawatt coal-fired plant, the Primary Ash Basin located northwest of the retired plant and north of the Saluda River, the former Secondary Ash Basin, which was closed by excavation and was located west of the Primary Ash Basin, and an ash storage area (Interim Ash Fill) located south of the Primary and Secondary Ash Basins. Two other ash management units, the Inactive Ash Basin and Ash Fill Area, have been excavated and are in the process of final closure. These units are located east of the former coal-fired plant. In the industry, coal ash is referred to as coal combustion residuals (CCR). CCR generated during the coal combustion process were placed in the 48-acre Primary Ash Basin beginning in 1974. In 1978, with the construction of a divider dike between the Primary and Secondary Ash Basins, CCR wastewater was conveyed from the Primary Ash Basin to the 37-acre Secondary Ash Basin for polishing before permitted discharge to the Saluda River. The Primary Ash Basin and Secondary Ash Basin ceased treating CCR in September 2014. A Conceptual Closure Plan for the Primary Ash Basin, Secondary Ash Basin, and Interim Ash Fill was submitted to and conditionally approved by SCDHEC on December 15, 2015, and March 10, 2016, respectively. The ash was removed from the Secondary Ash Basin and determination of ash excavation completeness was received from SCDHEC on March 23, 2020. Duke Energy intends to excavate the CCR from the Primary Ash Basin and Interim Ash Fill areas and place the CCR in an on-site, double-lined, Class Three Landfill with a leachate collection and removal system planned to be located primarily within the excavated footprint of the Secondary Ash Basin. The proposed Class Three Landfill will be located entirely within Duke Energy's W.S. Lee property boundaries. Public notice of this proposed Landfill is being made pursuant to S.C. Code Regulation 61-107.19, Part 1, Subpart 0.2.c.(1) & (2).

- a) Applicant name and address: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC
500 South Tryon Street
Charlotte, NC 28202
- b) Location of the proposed activity: The proposed landfill will be wholly located on Duke Energy property in Anderson County near the town of Belton, South Carolina, at 205 Lee Steam Plant Road. Below is a location map.



- c) Nature of the proposed activity: Duke Energy intends to construct an on-site, double-lined, Class Three Landfill with a leachate collection and removal system, then excavate the CCR from the Primary Ash Basin and the Interim Ash Fill and place the CCR in the Class Three Landfill. Once all CCR from the Primary Ash Basin and the Interim Ash Fill have been placed in the Class Three Landfill, the Class Three Landfill will be closed in accordance with applicable South Carolina laws and regulations.
- d) Description of the proposed site: The proposed site for the Class Three Landfill is primarily within the footprint of the former excavated Secondary Ash Basin, which is currently vegetated with scattered grasses and various overgrowth.
- e) Explanation of the type(s) of waste that will be accepted: The type(s) of waste the proposed landfill would accept include CCR from the Primary Ash Basin and Interim Ash Fill, as well as inert debris that is currently within the Primary Ash Basin and the Interim Ash Fill areas. The Class Three Landfill is not proposed to be a commercial landfill; therefore, no off-site waste will be accepted.
- f) Department locations where a copy of the permit application or draft permit can be viewed during normal working hours: South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control Bureau of Land and Waste Management Solid Waste Permitting 2600 Bull Street Columbia, SC 29201 SCDHEC Anderson Office 220 McCre Road Anderson, SC 29625 (864) 260-5585 Fax: (864) 222-3923
- g) Department's address and contact name for submission of comments and inquiries: Sheila Watts, PE Solid Waste Permitting and Monitoring Section Division of Mining and Solid Waste Management Bureau of Land and Waste Management 2600 Bull Street Columbia, SC 29201 (803) 998-3432
- h) Approximate tonnage/year expected for disposal at the landfill: Duke Energy anticipates placing CCR in the proposed landfill at a rate of approximately 1,214,000 tons/year (equivalent to approximately 1,000,000 cubic yards/year).
- i) Proposed life of the landfill: Placement of CCR is anticipated to take approximately 3 years.

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