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

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BERNEST HEWETT

**LET'S
MOVE FORWARD**

BY BERNEST HEWETT
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Brunswick County is now on the move again! There is building going on everywhere in the County! It is mostly housing. The County is growing with people who are relocating here to live and work. I would like to see industrial growth that would bring good paying jobs that would build our tax base and make it easier for workers to get to work without the long commute to Wilmington or Myrtle Beach. We need industry that moves with our population explosion to better our way to care financially for our families. We need money for better

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ANDREW BROWN, JR.



ATTY. SELLERS



D.A. WOMBLE

Brown family attorney disputes district attorney in Andrew Brown, Jr. police shooting; no deputies charged

BY CASH MICHAELS
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An attorney for the family of police shooting victim, Andrew Brown, Jr., disputes the version of events presented by Pasquotank County, district attorney, Andrew Womble, Tuesday and hinted at a civil lawsuit down the road since no deputies will be criminally charged.

Atty. Bakari Sellers tweeted Tuesday that, contrary to assertions by Womble, Brown, 42, was not using his car as a weapon in his getaway attempt from seven deputies serving him with arrest warrants for alleged drug dealing at his home on April 21, 2021.

"Andrew Brown was not using his vehicle as a weapon," Sellers tweeted. "The 'contact' was minimal at best and initiated by officers."

"No officers will be criminally charged," declared Womble, during the Tuesday press conference in Elizabeth City Tuesday. He added that North Carolina law governing the actions of law enforcement officers in the process of serving warrants justified their using their weapons the moment Brown got behind the wheel of his car and decided to drive off.

"[Brown] was beyond law enforcement when multiple shots were fired, including kill shot to the back of the head.," tweeted Sellers.

Police bodycam video played by Womble at the press conference showed several armed officers surrounding Brown in his vehicle, demanding that he get out immediately. Brown backed his vehicle up. One of the officers grabbed for the driver's side door handle as Brown began to pull off.

As Brown drove away, shots were fired at his vehicle.

"The decision to flee, which Brown made on his own, quickly escalated the situation from a show of force to an employment of force," Womble said. "That he drove recklessly and endangered the officers is not uncertain. Therefore, I find that Brown's actions and conduct were indeed dangerous by the time of the shooting."

Several reporters during the televised news conference noted that it looked as if Brown was more intent on getting away than trying to hit any of the armed officers, but Womble insisted that the car could have been stationary, and yet three of the seven armed officers present were legally justified in firing fourteen shots at the car in an attempt to stop Brown. Attorney Sellers disagreed. "Four officers didn't shoot, didn't feel life was in danger," he tweeted.

The tragic incident concluded when Brown, fatally shot in the back of his head, crashed his vehicle across a lot into a tree.

D. A. Womble justified the use of firepower, saying that Brown had a history of resisting arrest. Womble's presentation Tuesday was based on the

investigation done by the State Bureau of Investigation, as is required in the event of a police shooting in North Carolina. The SBI confirms that Andrew Brown, Jr. was not carrying a weapon, but was in possession of drugs.

The April 21 encounter took all of 44 seconds. Brown was already sitting in his car when the seven sheriff's deputies pulled up in a truck, ordering him to get out of the vehicle. Womble claims that Brown struck a deputy twice with his vehicle in his escape attempt, thus justifying actions of law enforcement that followed.

rotesters could be heard from outside, denouncing Womble's decision even before the press conference concluded. Elizabeth City has been the scene of angry yet peaceful protests ever since the killing of Andrew Brown, Jr.

Attorney Sellers told WRAL-TV that a civil suit will be filed expeditiously.

Though Womble "displayed" clips from five of the police bodycams present, he insisted that he could not technically give the family nor the media any of it because of North Carolina law mandating that only the custodian of the videos, in this case the Pasquotank Sheriff's Department, may petition the court to do so.

A judge has ruled that he may release the police videos after completion of the SBI investigation. The FBI is conducting a probe for possible civil rights violations.

Two falsely convicted brothers awarded \$75 million by federal jury in Raleigh

BY CASH MICHAELS
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

A federal jury in Raleigh May 14 awarded \$75 million to two African-American half brothers who were falsely convicted of a 1983 rape and murder of an 11 year old girl in Red Springs.

Henry McCollum and Leon Brown, both reportedly intellectually disabled, were awarded \$31 mil-

lion each in compensatory damages and \$13 million in punitive damages.

Both had originally been sentenced to death row after the conclusion of their first trial.

The Robeson County Sheriff's Dept. settled its part of the damages earlier in the day for \$9 million.

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New wave of Racial Justice Act litigation begins in North Carolina
Johnston County case signals start of renewed statewide effort to present evidence of racism in capital cases

[RALEIGH, NC]-- On Thursday, May 20, North Carolina will hold the first hearing under the Racial Justice Act since the state Supreme Court decided in June that people on North Carolina's death row are entitled to present evidence of racism in their trials despite the legislature's repeal of the RJA.

Hassan Bacote, one of 137 death row prisoners in North Carolina, will have a hearing in Wake County Superior Court at 10 a.m. Friday. His case is from Johnston County. The hearing will center around his requests for the state's jury selection notes, training records and other documents. The state has also requested information about

the statistical analyses Bacote relied on.

In other cases, these records have shown that prosecutors wrote disparaging notes about jurors of color like "blk wino" or "blk, high drug" and that they attended training sessions designed to help them evade laws prohibiting race discrimination in jury selection. At these sessions, prosecutors were taught to give vague excuses for their exclusion of Black jurors, including body language or failure to make eye contact.

Bacote has already submitted evidence that Johnston County prosecutors at his 2010 trial excluded qualified Black jurors at more than three times the rate of white jurors.

Statewide, a study found that Black jurors are struck at twice the rate of whites, meaning the discrimination in Bacote's case was even more pronounced than the state average.

"Hassan Bacote is a Black man who was sentenced to death for a crime he committed as a teenager in a county known for Ku Klux Klan activity," said Gretchen M. Engel, executive director of the Center for Death Penalty Litigation. "We already know that the state made a great effort to keep Black people off his jury. We look forward to digging even deeper into the evidence to see how racism affected this case."

Bacote's case could set a precedent for how Racial

Justice Act cases are handled going forward. The 2009 law allowed death-sentenced people to present evidence of race discrimination and, if they proved that race affected their sentences, be resentenced to life without parole. However, the RJA was repealed in 2013 after the first four death row prisoners won their cases. In the years since, all claims were on hold while the courts determined whether they were still valid after the repeal.

In June, the N.C. Supreme Court forcefully affirmed that all existing Racial Justice Act claims should be heard in court. Justice Anita Earls wrote that racial discrimination in criminal cases "undermines the

integrity of our judicial system and extends to society as a whole."

"We are thrilled that this litigation is beginning to move forward," Engel said. "It's critical that our courts examine the striking evidence of discrimination in death penalty trials, and that no one is executed based on a judgment tainted by racism."

The hearing will be held at 10:00 am at the Wake County Courthouse, Courtroom 704, the Honorable Wayland J. Sermons Jr. presiding.

CDPL is a non-profit law firm based in Durham, N.C., that represents people on death row and is part of the team litigating North Carolina's Racial Justice Act.

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That agency falsely arrested and charged the brothers when they were teenagers for the crimes. DNA evidence eventually proved McCollum and Brown were not guilty 31 years later. They were freed from prison in 2014 when a judge overturned their convictions.

Shortly after, both had received full pardons of innocence from then Gov. Pat McCrory.

The McCollum and Brown case is noteworthy, not only because of the large sum in damages awarded to them after so many years, but for why it was so large. Multiple law enforcement agencies pinned the ghastly crime on them based on shoddy evidence, the record shows.

According to attorneys for the pair, the civil rights of McCollum and Brown were violated by the Red Springs Police Dept., the Robeson County Sheriff's Dept., and the State Bureau of Investigation when the brothers were forced to give coerced false confessions, exculpatory evidence was suppressed, and due process was violated.

Defense attorneys for two SBI agents involved in the case tried to argue to the jury

during closing arguments Friday that McCollum and Brown were "rapists and murderers," but presiding U.S. District Judge Terrence Boyle shut them down, noting to the jury that the brothers had already been determined innocent of the crimes.

Over the years, defense attorneys even tried to argue that, despite overwhelming evidence to the contrary, law enforcement did nothing wrong but to no avail.

The jury took just five hours Friday to determine that McCollum and Brown were then victims of gross injustice.

Now that the brothers are not only free, but properly compensated for their years of anguish and false imprisonment, they will have their finances properly managed by guardians. Their first civil suit attorney, Patrick Megaro of Florida, was found to have stolen a good deal of the \$750,000 each in state restitution they had received after they were granted pardons of innocence. That attorney was ordered off of their case in 2018 and made to return \$500,000 that he took.

One of the brothers, Leon Brown, resides in a group home for the mentally impaired because of his over three decades in prison.

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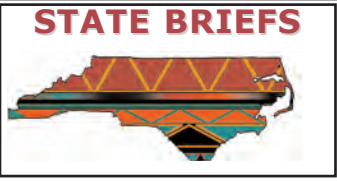
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TRUMP TO ATTEND NC GOP CONVENTION
 [GREENVILLE] For those North Carolinians who have not had enough of him, former President Donald

Trump will be returning to North Carolina on June 6th to speak at the NC Republican State Convention in Greenville. Observers note that his North Carolina appearance may be part of his expected plan to run for a third time for president in 2024, after losing the 2020 election. However, Trump faces numerous criminal investigations currently, and may be

unavailable for that run.

ELIZABETH CITY COUNCILMAN SAYS VIDEO SHOWS DEPUTIES URINATING ON HIS BUSINESS PROPERTY

[ELIZABETH CITY] Gabriel Adkins, an Elizabeth City city councilman, says that he has video, via security camera, of a Pasquotank County sheriff's deputy urinating on his funeral home property, and believes it's in retaliation for Adkins' protest against the sheriff's department after the shooting death of Anthony Brown, Jr. on April 21st. Adkins says his security camera caught at least one deputy both last Friday and Saturday nights. He has posted the video on his Facebook page.

Warren has filed charges against Judge Tyson, charging him with assault with a deadly weapon. Fayetteville police are investigating the incident. Judge Tyson has only said that protesters were in the road while he was driving through.

NC APPELLATE COURT JUDGE ACCUSED OF TRYING TO HIT PROTESTERS WITH HIS SUV

[FAYETTEVILLE] A Black Lives Matter protester alleges that North Carolina Court of Appeals Judge John Tyson tried to hit her and other protesters on the street right outside the Market Place with his SUV on May 7th. Myah

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GOP lawmakers pass law against teaching about nation's racist past

BY CASH MICHAELS
 OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

If Republican-led legislatures indeed have a lot in common, then what happens elsewhere can be expected to also happen in North Carolina.

In the Texas House of Representatives, House Bill 4509 will mandate that "...K-12 school districts and open-enrollment charter schools [would be required to] teach "informed American patriotism" through the founding documents of the United States...[and] promote understanding of the 'fundamental moral principles' of the nation."

Here in North Carolina Republican lawmakers pretty much want the same, but they're going about it a different way.

They want to ban the teaching of anything else but "American patriotism."

Enter House Bill 324, a measure if passed into law, "...would prohibit public schools from promoting the idea that one race or sex is inherently superior to another; an individual is racist, sexist, or oppressive based solely on their own race or sex (consciously or unconsciously); an individual should receive special treatment solely because of his or her race or sex; moral character is determined by race or sex or based solely on race or sex; an individual bears responsibility for actions taken in the past by members of that same race or sex," reports the Carolina Journal, the online magazine of the conservative John Locke Foundation.

Indeed, in the aftermath of Republican Lt. Gov. Mark Robinson's campaign against North Carolina public schools' upgrading their social studies curricula to reflect the realities of this state and nation's racist past, comes legislation to prevent students from learning more about the 1898 Wilmington Race Massacre, the destruction of Native-American tribes, and the marginalization of the Asian-American community, among other injustices by many Whites.

"North Carolina's school children should be taught how to



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think, not what to think," said Lt. Gov. Robinson in a statement after HB 324 was passed. Radical leftists complain that this legislation is 'white-washing history' and 'academic apartheid.' Students should absolutely learn the horrific facts associated with slavery, Jim Crow, and other dark times in our nation's history. They should not, however, be subjected to pseudo-science social justice initiatives like the

'1619 Project' and 'Critical Race Theory,' which seek to divide us along racial lines and teach that the systems of our Republic and the history of our great American experiment are shameful."

Robinson continued, "Our children, regardless of their background, should know that it is their shared and diverse experiences that make America great, and learning about those experiences should bring them together, not drive them apart," Robinson added. "This legislation ensures that our students will be taught that we all have value, regardless of who we are or who our ancestors were."

During tense debate, however, Democrats countered that North Carolina teachers will be prohibited from dealing with racism and the fact that America was built on it.

"This is an anti-American history bill," charged Rep. James Gailliard, Black Democratic representative from Nash County.

And it's not just in the State's middle and high schools where Republicans and conservatives' racism is erased off the social studies blackboard.

The recent announcement that UNC-Chapel Hill hired alumna and Pulitzer Prize winning investigative journalist Nikole Hannah-Jones, author of the esteemed "1619 Project," the heralded New York Times series that documented how slavery was so crucial to the founding of the United States, to occupy UNC's Knight Chair in Race and Investigative Journalism, was greeted by right wing with disdain.

"...Hannah-Jones' hiring "signals a degradation of journalistic standards," wrote Shannon Watkins for the James G. Martin Center for Academic Renewal (formally known as the conservative Pope Foundation), "which should deter any serious student from applying to the journalism school."

There can be no doubt that the GOP culture wars are in full effect here in North Carolina, where former President Donald Trump is expected to attend the N. C. Republican State Convention in Greenville next month, and across the country.

What Democrats do to counter this GOP section to losing the November 2020 election remains to be seen.



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GUEST EDITORIAL

Angry Old White Civil Rights Lawyer Not Tired Yet

Questions for ambitious District Attorney, Andrew Womble, running for judge in the 5-county district where Andrew Brown was killed

On May 18, three weeks after seven deputies conducted a military-styled assault on Elizabeth City resident Andrew Brown while driving from his home, DA Andrew Womble announced his death was "justified." The DA said he did not have enough evidenceto prove the 14 shots in 44 seconds were not fired in self-defense, and therefore the driveway homicide was "justified."

DA Womble told his internationally televised News Conference that the 14 shots did so much damage to Mr. Brown that he would not release the photos of the body. In 1955, a year after the NAACP dismantled the legal superstructure of Jim Crow and kicked off its county-by-county efforts to dismantle Old Jim's Grip on social relations in the South,



Al McSurely

Lessons from Mamie Till, and new internet film, Underground Railroad

Mamie Till, Emmett Till's mother, demanded an open casket in Chicago for her murdered son's mangled body. Her courage let the Black Press show photos of the depths of hatred to which the insecure Mississippi white murderers had sunk to the whole world. I recommend the new internet film, Underground Railroad,

to everyone who watches the ten episodes as an old teacher. It could have the same effect Alex Haley's Roots had when it was shown every night by ABC in 1977. Underground Railroad's subtext is how crazy insecure white men can be.

I Would Ask DA Andrew Womble Several Questions, Including:

1. Will you produce the "Best Evidence" of plans for the 7-Person Assault Team before the state asked the Judge to sign the warrants that it was serving on Mr. Brown?

2. Will you produce all radio traffic when the commander of the Assault Team became aware that Mr. Brown was walking to his vehicle to leave his home?

3. Will you block the NAACP, the Black Press, and the Moral Fusion Clergy for Truth in the Andrew Brown Case from our combined efforts to obtain copies of all radio and video recordings relating to the Assault Team's actions within the curtilage of Andrew Brown's Home in Elizabeth City?

4. Will you, in light of the 'notoriety' of the case, withdraw from your Judge Campaign, to give your full attention to work with the civil rights and religious leaders who have pledged their support to follow the Road of "Truth" for your troubled judicial district?

5. Will you release he names of contributors to your Campaign for Judge?

6. How did you secure the alleged crime scene, as you decided whether all members of the Assault Team were acting in self-defense from Mr. Brown's vehicle, including the location and markings on the Teams' weapons, vests, spent, and unspent rounds?

7. What did he you do during this critical decision period for you, to segregate all actors and witnesses from each other, to prevent their colluding on their sworn statements?

The expected cover-up of the Execution of Andrew Brown Continues.

We need the help of the United States Department of Justice to gain access to this evidence. First Truth! Then Reconciliation.

Att. McSurely worked in the Civil Rights Movement from 1960 to 1968, when his family's home was dynamited in Eastern Kentucky. Margaret Herring and he were charged with overthrowing the Government of Kentucky by building moral fusion alliances with Appalachian coal miners and Black voters. He became a lawyer after 15 years of apprenticeship to Bill Kunstler, Arthur Kinoy, and Morton Stavis while they fought off charges of sedition and contempt. He earned his law degree from NCCU Law School and has been suing racist institutions ever since. He has worked closely with his friend, Bishop William J. Barber II. Five years ago, he married O'Linda Watkins, President of Moore County NAACP Branch.

VISUAL VOICE



MATTERS OF OPINION

What's Going On?

(TriceEdneyWire.com)

Recently, I had the opportunity to again listen to Marvin Gaye's What's Going On album. His scores are soul-stirring, and his lyrics touch the highs and lows of the human experience. What is more, there's no debate that Marvin was, and through his music, IS a modern prophet.

Listening to What's Going On, and including Mercy Me (The Ecology) and Inner-City Blues, one wonders if Marvin had a crystal ball or whether humankind is so deeply entrenched in dysfunction that there's no end to it. Although his music reflects the 70's, his lyrics outline our current dysfunction.

"What's Going On?" is a question that needs to be asked often. It questions our own conduct and motivations, and those of others. We need it to ascertain whether the conduct we engage in or the conduct of others is consistent with rational behavior.

The rise in official misconduct which can only be classified as "rogue policing" causes one to wonder "What's Going On?" A

series of "murders by police" and aggressive police-civilian confrontations seem to be the answer following the conviction of Derik Chauvin. One only wonders how these rogue cops rationalize their actions in the face of growing scrutiny to the propriety of their official conduct.

Those with a historical perspective understand that the design of modern policing is the care and protection of whites, and control and management of persons of color. The We/They perception by police of those they encounter

determines whether they are treated with courtesy and receive a measured response or whether they are automatically determined to be adversarial and treated with overwhelming force. These are the determinations that saw Dillon Roof (white) receive a fast-food meal after murdering nine people while Andrew Brown (Black) received a bullet to the back

of the head during a so-called warrant service.

When police officers, military members, teachers, and politicians attempted to convince their respective audiences that the January 6th Insurrection wasn't what they saw with their own eyes, we need to ask, "What's Going On?" I was shocked when I heard a sitting Congressman describe that insurrection as nothing more than an average day of tourism or another suggest that a law enforcement official tasked with the protection of the members of our highest legislature used inappropriate lethal force against an assailant attempting to breach the security of the Senate Chambers. Maybe these two Congressmen, and others, reject maintaining the democracy we have been able to "squeeze out of the tube," but I and millions like me prefer what we have over the autocracy promoted by #45 and those who follow him blindly.

I'm disappointed in my President who blithely justified the killing of Palestinian women and children by saying that the Israelis had the right to defend themselves in the current Middle East con-

flict. I'm quite familiar with the generational conflict between Jews and Palestinians. For those who've not made the connection, Palestinians are the Philistines you may remember reading about in the Bible. Their conflict has been long held, but the conventions of modern warfare are specific. The indiscriminate use of lethal force against non-combatants (women and children) is strictly forbidden. I ask of him, "What's Going On?" Could it be that the current violence is being used as cover for Netanyahu's political problems? I hate war by or against anybody and I would never so callously choose the side that's killing women and children.

The question, "What's Going On?" serves to bring balance to our judgment and gives pause to evaluate how closely to TRUTH our motives are planted. We must demand REAL answers to that question and not reject the answers out of a sense of discomfort. The TRUTH will prevail!

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

Why does the U. S. support the murder of Palestinians?

As of this writing, more than 200 Palestinians and 10 Israelis have been killed in the conflict in Gaza. A few days before the conflict began, the Biden Administration approved a \$735 million weapons sale to Israel. With this power waning, Israel's scandal-plagued prime minister is likely to say that Israel needs weapons to defend itself against Hamas. But the imbalance in the casualties suggests that Israel is more likely to have been the aggressor than the victim.

Israeli people will say that Hamas started the conflict, but the conflict has its roots in the establishment of Israel in 1948 and the Israeli occupation of Palestinian lands. There will be no peace in the Middle East until the land question is settled, with Palestinians getting justice and respect. But Israel has a lock on US foreign policy, and too many Jewish people say that criticism of Israel makes you anti-Semitic. There is no anti-Semitism in wanting justice for Palestinian people, but some, fearful of being called anti-Semitic, are silent in the face of injustice.

Of course, there should be a cease-fire, and of course,

the United Nations, President Biden, and our State Department should call for a cease-fire. That's just a short-term solution, though. There has been conflict in the Middle East since Israel was established, and there will likely be conflict until Palestinians feel they have justice.

There seems no interest in justice for Palestinians, no interest, even in peaceful co-existence. The discrimination against Palestinian people in Israel is extreme, and even though Israeli Arabs are a significant

portion of Israel's medical workers, saving Israeli lives, they still face discrimination. According to the New York Times columnist



Dr. Julianne Malveaux

Thomas Friedman, "Israeli Arab medical workers were essential for enabling Israel's Jewish citizens to survive the coronavirus. According to official figures, 17 percent of Israel's physicians, 24 percent of its nurses, and 47 percent of its pharmacists are Arabs." But they can't get

justice.

Of course, the previous President didn't help matters at all, sending his rookie son-in-law to "negotiate" peace and unilaterally deciding the disposition of Jerusalem. The two-state solution, which many embrace, has also been rejected. The previous and his administration were so blatantly pro-Israel that they were adding fuel to any burning fire in the Middle East.

The arms sale to Israel is the least of the matter. Israel gets more foreign aid than almost any other country in the world. What could be done with that money to address domestic ills? And are human rights violations in the Middle East egregious enough that President Biden might be tempted to get us involved in some military action?

Will we be trading our presence in Afghanistan for that in the Middle East? And what do voters think about this?

The good news is that while the political establishment, including President Biden, has tended to embrace Israel, younger Democrats are questioning how our country is so indifferent to Palestinian rights. On May 13, for example, Massachusetts Congress-

woman Ayanna Pressley, a member of "The Squad,"

"We can't stand idly by when the United States government sends \$3.8 billion of military aid to Israel that is used to demolish Palestinian homes, imprison Palestinian children and displace Palestinian families." Too bad more members of Congress don't share her views. Instead, while Congress can object to the proposed weapons sale, they won't. They'd rather sit idly by and implicitly approve the killing of Palestinian people and Israel's gradual annexation of Palestinian lands. The United States was founded by the annexation of Native American lands and built with the exploitation of enslaved people's labor.

No wonder we have not objected forcefully to what is happening in the Middle East. In some ways, Israel has taken a page from the US playbook in exploiting Palestinians. No wonder so many are silent in the face of these most recent indignities. There will be no peace in the Middle East until there is justice for Palestinians.

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BLACK PRESS: USE It or LOSE It!

SOLVING THE RACE ISSUE IN AMERICA

The destruction of Black Wall Street (Part 1)

The present initiative by Republican legislatures across the nation to restrict the teaching of race issues - particularly black American history - is a blatant attempt to rewrite history.

This attempt to rewrite history is an initiative by certain Americans to avoid responsibility for pain, suffering, and damage done to black Americans through slavery and government authorized segregation, discrimination, and systemic racism.

The fact that this assault on the true history of race in America is a coordinated effort by Republican controlled state legislatures is extremely troubling. This thinly veiled attempt to rewrite history is a slap in the face of truth, justice, and equality.

A deeper understanding of the motives of these state legislatures is revealed in the below excerpt from pages 73 - 76 of "Solving The Race Issue In America" by H. J. Harris. (www.solvingtheraceissue.com)

"Many white Americans in power have always wanted to return to the old days of slav-

ery, where black Americans were a second-class powerless race, relegated to serve and obey white people.

As the good minister (in 1898) implied, in America it is always about maintaining the white mans' domination over all black people.

The coup of 1898 in Wilmington North Carolina was the opening gambit of a racist game that would again put black Americans under the rule and complete domination of white Americans.

Each time black Americans made significant progress toward realizing the American dream for themselves, certain white Americans did all in their power to undermine and destroy that progress and kill their dreams.

Black Wall Street In 1921 white men destroyed a thriving black American community in

Tulsa Oklahoma known as Black Wall Street.

At the turn of the century, African (black) Americans in Tulsa, Oklahoma built the most successful Black Community and Business District in the history of the United States.... Black Wall Street. At this particular time in history, racial hatred, lynchings, Jim Crow Laws, segregation and discrimination were at an all-time high. A unique community of ambitious and fearless blacks built a thriving business district in a 36-square block section of North Tulsa Oklahoma.

This small town was originally called "Greenwood" and "Little Africa," but soon earned the nickname, Black Wall Street by the New York Financial District.

The community was comprised of successful black doctors, lawyers, scientists, schoolteachers, oilmen, business owners and entrepreneurs. There were hotels, churches, a hospital, schools, a bus line, private cab companies, general stores, feed and grain stores, a bowling alley, real estate offices, hair salons, restaurants, nights

clubs, two movie theaters (one a 700-seater), over six hundred booming businesses.

There were at least ten black millionaires in Black Wall Street. Six had private airplanes in 1921. Recent research indicates a Paper trail where blacks were financing businesses on New York's Wall Street

Several successful entrepreneurs in Black Wall Street were in the oil business with Third World Countries during this time. The black dollar recycled and circulated throughout the black community. Many white businessmen from South Tulsa would come over to Black Wall Street to borrow money from wealthy blacks. At that time, black Americans could not deposit their money in white banks. Essentially, they were cash rich, but power poor.

On May 31, 1921, the worst Race War in United States history erupted in the streets of Tulsa Oklahoma. After hours of bloody fighting, Black Wall Street was bombed from the air and

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CRAZY FAITH MINISTRIES

The cost and danger of denying America's racist history

It is becoming increasingly popular for members of the GOP to downplay the January 6 insurrection and blame what happened on everyone but those who were actually at fault.

Remarkably, some in the GOP are saying that there was no insurrection at all, that what we all saw with our own eyes was nothing but patriotic Americans taking a tour of the Capitol building. (https://apnews.com/article/politics-michael-pence-donald-trump-election-2020-capitol-siege-549829098c84b9b8de3012673a104a4c) Some of the most offensive statements were issued by Rep. Andrew Clyde, who said that the people we saw ravaging the Capitol were "people walking in an orderly fashion, taking pictures ..."

(https://www.cnn.com/2021/05/13/politics/andrew-clyde-january-6-riot/index.html) All this as many White people are decrying the 1619 Project as "revisionist history," written to make America "look bad," and prohibiting government agencies from teaching Critical Race Theory because, they say, it "teaches people to hate America," that it is unpatriotic, and that it teaches "anti-whiteness."

(https://nymag.com/intelligencer/2019/08/the-1619-project-isnt-unpatriotic-its-just-anti-whiteness.html) The value of seeing people, right before our eyes change the story about what happened on January 6, and who was responsible for it, is that we get to see how America's history as pertains to race has been altered and changed from the beginning of time to protect the image of White America. What has seemed distasteful, or, worse, things that have happened that even the revisionists knew was wrong, were simply eliminated from America's historical narrative, or altered, to make white supremacist violence seem less toxic and deadly than it actually was.

White Americans, it seems, have a need to live in "gated" historical, racial, and sociological communities. There has been a concerted effort to protect them and all Americans from America's racist past, and the result is that not a few White Americans feel like nothing bad was done by them - and that nothing so purely racist can be done by them. In their decision to ignore what they do know about America's past, and to avoid knowing anything more about America's past, they allow themselves to sit in these gated historical communities.

But the problem is that gates do not keep out truth, just as gates do not prevent rapes, murders, child molestation, domestic violence and worse from happening in white communities. Truth has a strange and powerful way of pushing through the thickest barriers put up to keep it out. The barriers work for a time, but eventually, truth wins out.

I shared with a friend with whom I was talking about this that I don't think white people can live with the truth of what has been done in the name of white supremacy. I don't think they have learned to stand on their feet and own what they have done wrong because this country and this world has made it too easy for them to avoid responsibility and accountability for their actions. It is far easier for them to hold onto the myth of their superiority - including moral and racial - than to admit that their whiteness has not made either them or this country "exceptional." In fact, governments and democracies all over the world - including the Nazis - looked to and borrowed from America's race laws to construct their own racist governments. America has taught the world how to disdain and ostracize people of African descent, completely ignoring how America's actions toward Black people have caused a plethora of social ills that get worse as white American denial continues.

For the record, January 6 was not caused or carried out by Black Lives Matter or Antifa, whatever that is. For the record, white people trafficked Africans after the slave trade was ended, so as to increase the source of Black labor needed to make America the economic behemoth it became. For the record, white Americans committed genocide, killing off Native Americans much like Israelis are killing off Palestinians, because they thought this land was given to them by God and, that being the case, they had a moral imperative and a right to eliminate the native peoples whose land they eventually stole.

Denial doesn't work. Ask someone who has tried to deny who he or she is, or a family which has tried to deny its dysfunction how that all worked out. It doesn't. It's better to see the truth, own the truth, and then deal with the truth than to kill one's soul - or country, in this case - by continuing to spin a story that cannot hold up forever.

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burned to the ground. All black Americans were rounded up and taken to Internment (concentration-type) Camps. Possibly, thousands of black men, women, and children were slaughtered. Dead bodies were dumped in the Arkansas River. Others were buried in mass graves around Tulsa. The actual death count is unknown, and to this day, remains a mystery."

The causes and impact of the destruction of Black Wall Street must be studied and understood so that this type of violence and destruction can never happen again.

It is important that all Americans - black and white - be a part of the upcoming Centennial Anniversary of the Destruction of Black Wall Street.

There are many major initiatives to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Destruction of Black Wall Street. Among these are the Centennial Tulsa Pilgrimage 2021 and the four-day Commemoration & Celebration sponsored by the WORLD CONFERENCE OF MAYORS, INC. and the HISTORIC BLACK TOWNS AND SETTLEMENTS ALLIANCE. More information about this historic conference is available at: https://www.world-conferenceofmayors.org/

Denial of systemic racism and attempting to rewrite the history of race in America will not resolve the issue. It will only perpetuate the issue of systemic racism through ignorance and mistrust.

In the words of Winston Churchill, "those who fail to learn from history are condemned to repeat it."

Black Americans do not want to re-live the pain, suffering and injustices of the past. White Americans who believe in the golden rule should not want a new generation of black Americans to experience this pain, suffering and injustice.

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Ted Cruz's wildly dishonest defense of voter suppression

(TriceEdneyWire.com)

Sen. Ted Cruz is a shameless liar. And he isn't even a very good one. Witness his latest dishonest defense of Georgia's new voter suppression law.

Cruz published a column in the Wall Street Journal attacking business leaders who have criticized the anti-voting law. He claimed that critics were hurting the reputations of "patriotic leaders protecting our elections and expanding the right to vote."

Expanding the right to vote? As I said, he is shameless.

First, let's remember where this new law came from. Georgia Republicans pushed it through after President Joe Biden and Sens. Raphael Warnock and Jon Ossoff won their elections. The law has one purpose: to prevent future victories by Democrats by making it harder for particular groups of people—Black people, working people, women, people with disabilities, and younger and older people—to vote.

The first draft of the law made this racist intention clear by banning early voting on Sundays, when many Black churches encourage people to vote through Souls to the Polls events.

The racism behind that piece of the law was so obvious that even Republicans had to

water it down in the final bill. But we will not forget what motivated it, or that the rest of the law is designed to achieve the same purpose.

In his column, Cruz mentioned a few pieces of the law to try to make it sound reasonable. But it isn't.

It includes new limits on early voting hours, big reductions in the amount of time people have to request an absentee ballot, and sharp decreases in the availability of drop boxes that make it easier for voters to turn in their ballots.

My friend Stacey Abrams, the voting-rights activist who knows the system in Georgia better than anyone else, schooled Cruz and his Republican colleague, Sen. John Kennedy, when they tried to challenge her criticism of the law. She identified such a long list of problems with the law that Kennedy finally asked her to stop.

The problem goes way beyond Georgia. Similar laws have been passed in Florida and Arizona and other states controlled by Republicans are getting ready to pass laws that purge eligible voters off regis-

tration lists and put up other roadblocks to the ballot box.

In his op ed, Cruz issued a threat to business leaders who have dared to speak out in defense of voting rights. He suggested that Republicans would stop helping them out on taxes or regulations.

But that was just more distraction. In fact, the Center for Media and Democracy recently exposed the real truth. The American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC), a group that helps big business and right-wing groups get their policies passed into laws at the state level, has been pushing legislators to pass voter suppression bills so they can keep corporation-friendly Republicans in power.

These laws are attacks on voting rights and democracy, just like the Jim Crow laws that some states used to keep Black people from registering and voting. And they are designed to prevent passage of progressive policies like raising the minimum wage and expanding access to health care.

We must respond as a nation to protect the right to vote. The U.S. House of Representatives has already passed the For the People Act, which includes voting rights protections that would overrule the states' new attacks on

voting.

And guess what? Ted Cruz is telling shameless lies about the For the People Act. He claimed that Democrats "want illegal aliens and non-citizens to be automatically registered to vote." Not true. He even said this voting rights law would be "Jim Crow 2.0." Really, Ted? That's a stretch even for you.

Ted Cruz is not the only Republican calling good evil and evil good when it comes to voter suppression. Other members of Congress, state Republican leaders, and right-wing media are all trying to hang onto political power by denying other people the right to earn it at the ballot box. Democrats can't let them get away with it. We can't let them get away with it.

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Rev. Jesse Jackson, Sr.

RAINBOW COALITION

COVID-19 is still a global threat to humanity — and requires a global response

(TriceEdneyWire.com)

COVID-19 knows no national boundaries. It does not discriminate by race or religion or ideology. The pandemic poses a threat to humanity, not to any one country. Our response must be as encompassing as the threat: we cannot end the threat here without ending it everywhere. Today, India is suffering a brutal second wave of the disease.

A staggering 400,000 new cases are counted a day; the actual number is surely higher. Medical facilities run out of oxygen, ventilators, and beds. Thousands die a day, increasing numbers from oxygen shortages. The crematoriums are overwhelmed. In some cities, the dead are burned overnight in parking lots; the sun dawns on the ashes left behind. Across the global South, the pandemic rages.

South Africa is the epicenter in Africa, with 1.6 million infected and only 500,000 fully vaccinated. Brazil is second only to the U.S. in diseases, but unlike the U.S. where 70 percent will have at least one shot of vaccine by July 4, in Brazil less than 8 percent have been fully vaccinated. With the U.S. well on the way to beating the pan-

demic at home, we must lift our sights to join in combating it across the world. Public Citizen estimates that for \$25 billion, we could buy 8 billion doses of vaccine, enough to vaccinate one-half of the planet.

For far less, we could help countries build manufacturing facilities and enable them to manufacture the vaccine themselves. Is our vision expansive enough to meet the challenge posed by COVID-19? Our vision was big enough to help save Europe after World War II with the Marshall Plan. Is it big enough to help save the global South — and ourselves today?

On the evening of April 15 in Indianapolis, a gunman opened fire in a FedEx facility where he had worked. He knew it was overwhelmingly staffed by Sikhs, Indian Americans. Four of the eight people killed were Sikhs. He specifically targeted Sikh employees, with one employee reporting that the gunman "told a white woman running toward him

to get out of the way, after having just shot a Sikh man in the face."

The massacre took place just a month after the targeting of Asian American spas in Atlanta which left eight people dead, including six Asian women. Violence against Sikhs and against Asian Americans spiked after 9/11, and now it is spiking again in the wake of the pandemic, which originated in China. Today, a generation after 9/11, Sikhs are five times more likely to be targets of hate than they were before 9/11.

With COVID-19 we do not have the luxury of hate. We need to rise above our divisions to join to defeat the pandemic. It is long past time for the U.S. to help mobilize a far bolder global initiative to ensure the rapid vaccination — and the adequate supplies for treatment — across the world. We need to help save Indians and South Africans and Brazilians to help save ourselves. We need to join with China and Russia and our allies to address the needs, not compete with them as if this were a fight over markets or influence.

Dr. Martin Luther King taught that all of us are "caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in

a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly." The pandemic — and future pandemics — demonstrate the truth of his words. We need a bigger vision. We can find it in many faith traditions. In the wake of the massacre in Indianapolis, Valarie Kaur, a Sikh-American civil rights leader, hailed the multiracial vigil that took place to mourn those who were lost, noting, "We need a shift in consciousness and culture. Sound government is necessary but not sufficient to create an America where you see my children as your own."

We need educators, community leaders, faith leaders, parents and students everywhere to rebuild and re-imagine our nation where they are. We can find inspiration in the vision of Guru Nanak, the first teacher in the Sikh faith: See no stranger. Anti-racism is the bridge: love is the destination." We need this consciousness to bring Americans together across boundaries of race and religion. And now we need this heartfelt vision for our own security in dealing with a pandemic that threatens all.

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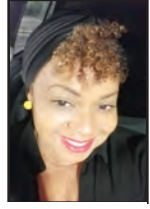
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Environmental racism is real, destructive and deadly

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For many, Earth Day stands as a reminder of everyone's role as stewards of the planet.

It's a time to reflect and to plan ahead for a cleaner and healthier environment.

Still, for many others, it's also a stark reminder about how African Americans and other minorities are often forgotten when it comes to the protection of their communities.

A March 2019 study published in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS) found that Whites experience 17 percent less pollution caused by their consumption of goods and services.

On the other hand, Blacks and Hispanics experience 56 percent and 63 percent, respectively, more pollution than their consumption would generate.

Whites experience a "pollution advantage" while Blacks and Hispanics experience a "pollution burden."

On his global issues blog, Dr. Robert Bullard said the study builds on a growing body of environmental justice literature showing racial and ethnic disparities in air pollution exposure.

It shows that particulate matter exposure in the U.S. is disproportionately caused by consumption patterns of Whites and inhaled by people of color minority, said Bullard, the former dean of the Barbara Jordan-Mickey Leland School of Public Affairs at Texas Southern University and the founding director of the Environmental Justice Resource Center at Clark Atlanta University.

Known as the father of Environmental Justice, Dr. Bullard currently serves as a Distinguished Professor of Urban Planning and Environmental Policy at Texas Southern University.

"Our Environmental Justice movement has been trying to change this and related environmental inequities for the past four decades," Bullard said.

While the study takes a somewhat different approach in examining disparities in air pollution exposure by examining consumption of goods and services, "its findings once again reveal blacks and Hispanics bear a disproportionate 'pollution burden' or costs, while Whites experience 'pollution advantage' or benefits," Dr. Bullard said.

"There is a clear disparity between the pollution White people cause and the pollution to which they are exposed," he said.

The study concludes that "pollution inequity is driven by differences among racial-ethnic groups in both exposure and the consumption that leads to the exposure."

There's a name for this inequity, Dr. Bullard said. "It's called environmental racism," he said, noting a term coined by NNPA President and CEO Dr. Benjamin F. Chavis, Jr.

Chavis, who is also known as the "Godfather of the Environmental Justice Movement," first coined and defined the term environmental racism in his 1983 work, "Toxic Wastes and Race in the United States."

Chavis said environmental racism is racial discrimination in the deliberate targeting of communities of color for toxic waste facilities, the official sanctioning of the presence of

life-threatening poisons and pollutants near communities of color and the history of excluding people of color from leadership of the environmental movement.

The civil rights leader also noted that there are different forms of racism, "yet environmental racism is a particularly insidious and intentional form of racism that negatively affects millions of Black, Native Americans, Hispanics and Asian Americans, as well as people of color around the world."

"Environmental justice is the corrective antidote to the reality and prevalence of environmental racism," Chavis said.

While studies like the one performed by PNAS continue to reveal that race is a major predictor of exposure to goods and services to air pollution, conditions aren't helped when politics come into play.

Particularly, the NEPA Act has come into the cross hairs of the president.

The NEPA ACT requires review of federal projects before they proceed – among other things to assess environmental, human health and socioeconomic impacts on communities.

Properly implemented, it gives every person a voice in decisions affecting the well-being of their local community, from providing comments on project design to pointing out how a project could harm clean air and water, according to Earth Justice.

It's far more than an obscure environmental statute: The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe made use of the law to fight back against the Dakota Access Pipeline project in 2017.



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Advocates are charging that the Trump administration violated core NEPA protections in its quest to build its border wall.

Simply put, NEPA is one of the most effective tools in the fight against environmental racism.

It is essential to ensuring that communities of color, who so often bear a disproportionate pollution burden, get a say in the decision-making processes that are most likely to affect their health, resiliency, and vitality, environmental experts said.

And without robust NEPA requirements, policymakers are left to make decisions that will have real impacts without a full understanding of the consequences.

"The underlying message of environmentally racist tactics and strategies is that certain neighborhoods and certain people matter less than others, and that geographical vulnerability is inevitable when in fact it is socially constructed to be this way," said Dr. Deborah J. Cohan, an associate professor of Sociology in the Department of Social Sciences at the University of South Carolina Beaufort.

"The problem with racism and society's response to it is that we have failed to see this most basic thing: that in order to do that much damage to a community, one must so thoroughly objectify and dehumanize the people in it that they become things that

can be discarded and forgotten about," Cohan said.

"People's ability to thrive under these hostile conditions is greatly compromised," she said.

Extensive data show that low-income communities of color still breathe the worst air and have excessive rates of pollution-related illnesses like asthma and other respiratory problems, Bruce Mirken a spokesman for The Greenlining Institute, said in an earlier interview.

"As we move away from oil, coal and gas to fight climate change, we must consciously bring clean energy resources and investment into communities that were for too long used as toxic dumping grounds," Mirken said.

NAACP launches 'COVID. KNOW MORE,'

An innovative, timely new initiative empowering Black Americans with the latest information, resources and updates on COVID-19

BALTIMORE — With the country showing increasing signs of reopening each day, the tendency exists among some to forget the most devastating impacts of COVID-19. In many of our most vulnerable communities, the battle against the disease continues to rage on as Americans contend with not just high infection rates, but also the pandemic's long term health implications and unprecedented economic setbacks.

The NAACP, the nation's largest and most pre-eminent civil rights organization, in seeking to ensure that our communities continue to stay informed and get the facts they need to make best decisions for their families and communities, today announced the creation and launch of an essential and

exciting new national initiative, 'COVID. KNOW MORE.' The campaign, which kicked-off this morning, has been conceived with the intent of providing to Black Americans the most comprehensive suite of relevant information and resources on COVID-19 available, curated specifically for them.

The mainstay of the NAACP's 'COVID. KNOW MORE' effort is a now live, multifaceted online information hub housing a broad array of features designed to empower African Americans' decision making as they navigate the pandemic—at their own convenience. The hub, which can be accessed at naacp.org/covidknowmore, stands as one user-friendly, central place for individuals, community groups, partners and NAACP branches alike to

find the latest news and information, research, resources, science-based guidance and updates from medical experts. The platform further reinforces the NAACP as the most visible and trusted resource for African Americans on the health crisis.

"The NAACP is continuing its work to help our most vulnerable citizens and communities safely navigate back to normalcy while countering the ongoing devastation of COVID-19," said Derrick Johnson, NAACP president and CEO. Through our pioneering 'COVID Unmasked' virtual town hall series, local mask distributions and other COVID education efforts, the NAACP has been dedicated to fighting this pandemic from the outset. COVID. KNOW MORE is the natural evolution to continue to expand not only the information provided to our communities, but also to address the long-term implications and impacts of the pandemic and systemic disparities."

The NAACP has commissioned proprietary research, which will be featured and updated bi-monthly, taking a

consistent pulse of Black America's status and progress as we collectively progress toward full recovery. African Americans surveyed have expressed ongoing concerns about the vaccines, the rise of COVID-19 variants, public adherence to guidelines, jobs availability, safely returning to work and other factors affecting their daily lives. The key learnings from this exclusive polling will serve to fill in the information gaps, and further strengthen our communities as they build back given the expressed need for reliable updates on the factors impacting their daily lives over the coming year.

Other specific highlights to be found on the branded site are a running news feed, infographics illustrating proprietary NAACP COVID-19 research, an information-rich video series, public service announcements and testimonials plus a customizable messaging toolkit which partners, NAACP branches and units can use to pique awareness of the 'COVID. KNOW MORE' initiative in the organization's key regions across the country.

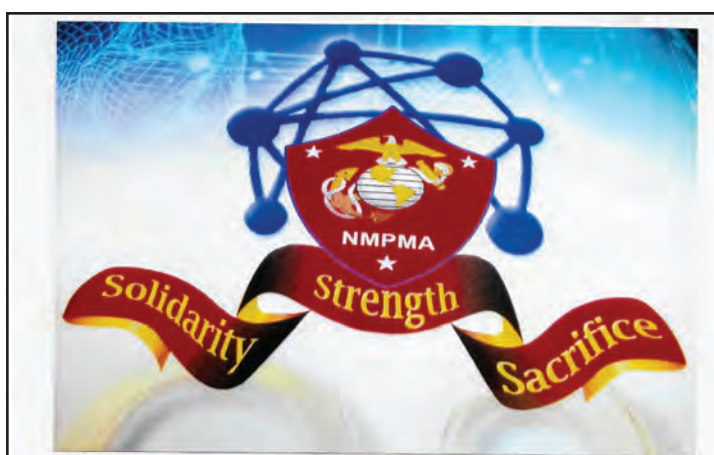


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Among the partners who will be engaged in facilitating the rollout of the national campaign are J.P. Morgan Chase and international rideshare operator Lyft.

Lyft has launched a Universal Vaccine Access initiative in partnership with the NAACP with the goal of

providing a total of 60M rides to help get people vaccinated. Lyft users can easily secure transportation to and from their vaccine appointments by requesting a promo code, and then adding that code to the Rewards section of their Lyft app before requesting a ride to the location.



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Melanie Thompson

Melanie Thompson, age 30, of Wilmington, passed away Wednesday, May 5, 2021.

Her love and memories will remain in the heart of her son, Donovan (Donnie) Thompson of the home; mother, Ivory Everett of Wilmington; father, Bill Thompson of Durham and a host of other relatives and friends. *Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhomenc.com.*

Marilyn G. Jenkins

Marilyn G. Jenkins, age 78, of Wilmington, passed away Thursday, May 6, 2021. A graveside service was held on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at Greenlawn Memorial Park, 1311 Shipyard Blvd.

Her love and memories will remain in the heart of her son, Frank M. Moss of Staten Island, NY; siblings, Rev. Timothy Moss (Barbara) of Leland, Dayle Moss (Julia) of Wilmington, Rev. Dr. H. Chuck Moss (Yvonne) of Lumberton, Emanuel Moss (Retha) of Wilmington, Rev. Douglas Moss (Carolyn) of Carolina Shores, Daniel Moss of Wilmington, Sam H. Moss, Jr. of Whiteville, Dr. Charles E. Moss (Millicent) of Fuquay-Varina and Carolyn Diaz (Flavio) of Wilmington, 6 grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends. *Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhomenc.com.*

George H. Frink, Sr.

George Harrison Frink, Sr., age 67, of Concord (formerly of Southport) passed away, Thursday, May 6, 2021. A celebration of Mr. Frink's life was held on Thursday, May 13, 2021 at Davis Funeral Home - Bolivia. Interment followed at John Smith Cemetery.

His love and memories will remain in the heart of his wife, Carolyn M. Frink of the home; daughter, Selena Renee Frink (Daniel) of Concord; son, George Harrison Frink, Jr. (TiQuasha) of Charlotte; mother, Alclaytese Frink of Southport; sisters, Harriett Frink Davis of Greensboro, Audris Frink of Charlotte and Patrice Frink of Southport; brothers, Curtis Frink (Jwantana) and Thomas Frink both of Southport, 5 grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends. *Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhomenc.com.*

Nehemiah Holliday

Nehemiah "Pat" Holliday was born on March 19th, 1939 in Sumter, South Carolina to the late Spencer and Beatrice Holliday. He passed at New Hanover Regional Medical Center on Friday, May 7, 2021 after living a life of hard work, love, and dedication to Christ and his family. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at Davis Funeral Home.

Pat or Doc as some called him lived a good life. He was hard working and was skilled with his hands. He was a dedicated member of Hoopers' Chapel Missionary Baptist Church of Leland, NC where he served in many capacities.

Pat leaves his children to cherish his memories, Patricia Davis of Mullins, SC, Charles A. Holliday, Sr. (Lorraine) of McDonough, Georgia, Brenda Holliday-Williams (Melvin) of Charlotte, NC, Annette Holliday-Mosley (William) of Raleigh, NC, Charlene Holliday-Hines (Herbert) of Riegelwood, NC, Nehemiah Patrick Holliday, Jr. of Charlotte, NC, Edwin Leverne Holliday of

Wilmington, NC, and Shawanda Hooper of Wilmington, NC. Pat has one remaining sibling, Doretha Powell of Leland, NC. *Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhomenc.com.*

Brenda F. McMillian

Brenda F. McMillian, age 67, of Leland (Snowfield Community), passed away Wednesday, May 12, 2021. A celebration of Ms. McMillian's life will be conducted at 12:00 PM on Friday, May 21, 2021 at Holy Covenant United Holy Church, 219 Snowfield Rd SE, Leland, NC 28451. A viewing will be held one (1) hour prior to the service. Interment will follow in church cemetery. Her love and memories will remain in the hearts of her children, Patrice Simmons of Atlanta, GA and Tork Simmons of Leland; brother, Leonard McMillian (Kathy) of Richmond, VA, 2 grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends. *Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhomenc.com.*

Bernard Jones, Sr.

Bernard Jones, Sr., age 72, of Wilmington, passed away, Wednesday, May 12, 2021. Public viewing 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave., Wilmington, NC 28401. Graveside services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 20, 2021 at Greenlawn Memorial Park, 1311 Shipyard Blvd, Wilmington, NC 28412.

His love and memories will remain in the heart of his children, Ivy J. Jones of Morrisville and Bernard Jones, Jr. of Cary; brothers, Ocie Jones (Lena) of Whiteville and Bobby L. Jones of Roanoke, VA, 4 grandchildren, 4 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.davisfuneralhomenc.com.*

Richard Dueringer

Richard Dueringer, age 78, of Winnabow, passed away on Thursday, May 13, 2021.

His love and memories will remain in the hearts of his children, Catherine McCarthy (Kevin) of Winnabow, Paul Dueringer (Lisa) of San Antonio, TX, Michael Dueringer (Susan) Augusta, GA; sister, Patricia Lawrence (Randy) of Buffalo, NY, 4 grandchildren, 2 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.davisfuneralhomenc.com.*

Shawon L. Adams

Shawon Lamonte Adams, age 51, of Leland, passed away Friday, May 14, 2021.

His love and memories will remain in the hearts of his mother, Pamela Adams of Orlando, FL; father, Bernell Brown of Orlando, FL, and a host of brothers and sisters. *Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhomenc.com.*

Vivian Howard

Vivian Howard died May 10, 2021. Graveside service was held on Sunday, May 16, 2021 at the Pollock Cemetery.

Vivian E. Howard, better known

as "Viv" was born on August 11, 1951 to the late Ophes and Gladys Hines Howard. Viv received her education through the New Hanover County School System. At a young age she gave her life to Christ where she attended First Baptist Church of Scots Hill. In her spare time, she loved to shop, spend time with her family and friends and also enjoyed going to her favorite eating spot "Golden Corral". But most of all she enjoyed reading her word faithfully and praising the Lord.

In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by her infant son, Victor Howard. She leaves to cherish her memory; her son, Gregory Howard; daughter, Diana Howard; two grandsons, Donell Howard and Kahim Howard; two sisters, Carolyn Howard and Wilhelmina Martin; three nieces, Stacy Hoard, Micelle Martin and Lynette Wilson; three nephews Cory Howard, Derrick Martin and Lynn Martin; two great-nephews and two great-nieces; one aunt, Mary Morrison; one uncle, Nathaniel McMillian; her heart and stone, Victor "DaDa" Nixon; a very special cousin, Sandra "Pat" Corbett; and a host of other relatives and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Mildred Drakeford

Mildred Drakeford died May 9, 2021. Graveside service was held on Saturday, May 15, 2021 at Calvary Memorial Cemetery.

Mildred Drakeford McGraw, daughter of the late Mr. Jesse James Drakeford and Mrs. Lucille Drakeford, was born on July 8, 1952 and was the fourth child born to this union of seven. Mildred worked at the Wilmington Hilton at Riverside for 15 years. She was a housekeeper who was a hard worker, very jolly and always smiling. Mildred was a loving and caring mother who was always there to listen to whatever problem we had. She had a servant heart to do and help others. Mildred took care of many people. Mildred met Lonnie McGraw in 1997 while working at the Hilton. They were married on September 26, 1998 in Dillon, South Carolina. She was a faithful and dedicated wife to her husband who preceded her in death.

In addition to her parents and her husband, Mildred was also preceded in death by her daughter, Melinda Southerland; her brother, Jesse Drakeford, Jr. and her sister, Bertha Fisher. Mildred leaves to cherish many memories: one son, Genell Drakeford (Jacqueline); two daughters, Yolander Drakeford and Traci Drakeford; son-in-law, Roger Southerland; grandchildren, Keith, Laticia, Daquah, Alquah, Rasheaquan, Quazae, Nehemiah, Simone, Terrica and Terrell; great-grandchildren, M'Kayla, Keashya, Demerion, J'shyn, Marcus, Jalaia, Jayla, Jaylyn, Gary Jr., Myson, Marshaun and Kymir; three sisters, Shirley Drakeford of Wedgefield, SC, Ruth Lofton (Jerome) of Rocky Point, NC and Dorothy Drakeford of Wilmington, NC; one brother, Earl Drakeford of Sumter, SC; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Thomas Evans

Thomas Evans died May 8, 2021. Funeral service was held on Saturday, May 15, 2021 at the Willie L. Shaw Jr. Memorial Chapel.

Thomas George Evans I, fondly referred to as "Big Tommy" was born on February 5, 1958 in Cook County, Illinois to his late mother, Nettie Hatcher and father Henry Evans. "Big Tommy" served in the US Marines. He later worked at Parks and Recreation in Wilmington, North Carolina and also attended Cape Fear College to get his GED. He started working for Southeastern Dialysis Center that is now Davita Center where he worked for over 30 years. He loved to sit on

the back porch listening to music, cooking on the grill and have family over. His favorite pastime was playing spades with family after every event. He also did his prayer walks every morning until he couldn't. "Big Tommy" just loved his family. He was a beloved child of God and had his own personal relationship.

In addition to his mother; he was also preceded in death by his mother and father-in-law, Mary and Harry Andrews; sister, Eunice; brother, Delord Evans; sister-in-law, Deborah Jackson and brothers-in-law, Henry Batts and James O. Bragg. He will be greatly missed from his loving family and friends. "Big Tommy" leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Vera Evans; daughter, Shawan (Kevin) Robinson; son, Thomas Evans II; grandson, Malik Robinson (Gabrielle); sisters-in-law, Nora Batts, Mayola Johnson, Judy Davis, Priscilla Bragg, Ruth (Tony) Cook, Linda Andrews, Anita Bragg and Jean Bragg; brothers-in-law, David Jackson, Jessie Bragg, George Bragg, and Terry (Cressie) Andrews; aunts, Georgia Dowdell of Trenton, NJ and Esther Brown of Wilmington, NC. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Ernestine Washington

Ernestine Washington died May 6, 2021. Graveside service was held on Thursday, May 13, 2021 at the Moore's Creek Baptist Church Cemetery, Currie, NC.

Mother Evangelist Ernestine Marshall Washington, "Big MaMa" as we call her, was born on May 24, 1949 to the late Ernest and Mary Marshall in New Hanover County. She was educated in the New Hanover County School System and attended Williston Industrial High School in Wilmington, North Carolina. On December 2, 2000, she married the love of her life, George ashington and they were happily married for three years. Ernestine held many titles, including, minister, but the title most remembered was that she was a loving and caring soul. She will be missed by all those who knew her.

Ernestine also served as:
•Precinct W25 Chairperson
•Vice chairperson of the New Hanover Chapter of National Black Leadership Caucus
•Democratic Women of NC Region 9 Nominating Committee Representative
•African American Caucus

Congressional 7th District Representative

•Black Lives Matter of Wilmington, NC C-Organizer
Ernestine was a faithful member of Ministry of Deliverance and held many positions under the leadership of Pastor Willie Rhames. She was also a member of Union Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor James Nixon and First Lady Catherine Nixon. Whatever church she attended she was always willing to give a helping hand. Ernestine raised three children, grands and great-grands. Her Home Day Care was called "Big Mama Day Care. Plus, she took care of other children.

In addition to her parents, Ernestine was also preceded in death by: her husband, George Washington; granddaughter, Dominique Grady and a niece Antoinette Saunders that she raised as a daughter. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Willie Lewis McLean

Willie Lewis McLean died May 4, 2021. A memorial service was held on Saturday, May 15, 2021 at the Willie L. Shaw Jr. Memorial Chapel. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Patrice Myers

Patrice Myers died May 1, 2021. Funeral service was held on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at the Willie L. Shaw Jr. Memorial Chapel.

Born June 4, 1984 to Patricia Ann Myers in Wilmington, NC, Patrice was the second of two children. She attended E.A. Laney High School in Wilmington, NC. Patrice was a resident of Wilmington until 2018, when she relocated to Charlotte, NC, where she resided at the time of her death.

Patrice was preceded in death by her mother and her grandmother, Nora Myers. She leaves behind to cherish her memory; her loving and devoted children, Jayda Patryce Spears, JaVon Alton Spears, Jah'Noria King and Jatavia Myers; her brother, Damone Chales (Harisa) Myers; god-sister, Rhonda Pollack; 2 nieces, Aaliyah Murphy and Patricia Myers; one nephew, Rico Myers; a host of family ad friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Brenda Ann Bradley

Brenda Ann Bradley died May 13, 2021. Funeral service was held on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at the Willie L. Shaw Jr. Memorial Chapel.

Brenda, the daughter of Alice Baldwin Stevens and William McDuffie (both deceased), was born, raised and resided in Wilmington, North Carolina. Her journey consisted of educational accomplishments in the New Hanover County School District and Cape Fear Community College, receiving multiple diplomas and awards. Professional attributes, to name a few includes, employment in the family business, "The 602", Librarian's Assistant for Cape Fear Community College and Ward Clerk for New Hanover Regional Medical Center. Her love of beautiful things and attention to detail bought much joy to family and friends. From her ability to cultivate and grow lovely plants and flowers, to her natural-born talent as a seamstress, creating original outfits, hemming pants, or mending shirts, a true talent! As a loving, caring, and kind mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt, sister and friend, Brenda's door and heart were open to loved ones in need of a little loving and tender care.

Immediate family members resting in peace include: her sister, Shirley Brown and her brothers, Charles Baldwin and William McDuffie, Jr. Forever cherishing her precious memories are: two enduring sons, Terence L. Baldwin and Marcus D. Baldwin; twelve grandchildren, Michael, Whitney, Jabril, Brenda, NaQuesha, Terryka, NaDiyjha, Jacques, Kennedy, Corey, Darius and Marcus; five great-grandchildren, Brycen, Jordan, Zaya, Zion, and Denaria; sisters, Catherine Gale Stevens, Juanita McDuffie and Janie Mae McDuffie; brothers, Steven Foster Stevens, Carl Lee Baldwin and James Freddie McDuffie; a host of special nieces, nephews, cousins and friends, including special friends, Jettette Patterson and Betty Hunter. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Paul M. Williams

Paul M. Williams died May 16, 2021. Funeral service will be held at 12:00 noon on Saturday, May 22, 2021 at the Willie L. Shaw Jr. Memorial Chapel. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*




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TELL SOMEBODY

"The Pentecostal Promise of the Father"

"And when the Day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:1-4

memorate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples Disciple - Follower, Believer

The Holy Ghost / Holy Spirit is the Promise of the Father to the disciples of his Son, Jesus Christ. God cannot lie. Therefore, every promise that he has made is a possibility for every believer! Numbers 23:19 says, "God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the Son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? Or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?"

The Promise of the Father; is expressed several times in the Word of God in both the old and the new testament. In Isaiah 43:3, he promised, "For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour my

spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thy offspring."

The Promise of the Father, in Joel 2:26-28 is . "And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, that hath dealt wondrously with you: and my people shall never be ashamed. And ye shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I am the Lord your God, and none else: and my people shall never be ashamed. And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your



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sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions." The Promise of the Father in John 14:16 is, "And I will pray the Father; and he shall give you another comforter, that he may abide with you forever." The Promise of the Father in John 14:26, is , "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you."

The Promise of the Father in John 15:26, "But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me: The Promise of the Father in John 16:7 is, "Nevertheless I tell you the truth; it is expedient that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you."

tify of me:

The Promise of the Father in Acts 1:4-5 is, "And being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father: For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence."

The Promise of the Father in Acts 1:8 is, "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." When God makes a promise, you can believe it, and should expect to receive it. If God is your father, you have been made a promise that cannot fail. Have you received the Promise of the Father since you first believed? If so, praise the Lord, and don't forget to Tell Somebody!!!

"Mrs. Sylvia B. Hooper is a native Wilmingtonian, married to Pastor Johnson A. Hooper. Pastor of Faith Outreach COGIC, Jacksonville, N.C. She has a heart for women's ministry, starting with young women and girls ages 12 - 18, and also branching out to women of all ages. Her life's mission includes the desire to rescue the perishing, comfort the dying, and save the lost all in the name of Jesus to the glory of God the Father.

A WORD FROM THE LORD

The Vocational Prayer Clinic (Part 2)

Remember, Prayer is our vocation or livelihood it's our regular occupation or profession (prayer), especially one for which a person (Christian) is especially suited or qualified through training. Livelihood refers to that which provides the necessities of the church. In the third prayer session, Jesus uses a relationship between father and son. It is of a higher form than just being friends because a son is the product of the father. Let's listen as Jesus describes prayer as a relationship function: Luke 11:11-13. (AMPC)What father among you, if his son asks for a loaf of bread, will give him a stone; or if he asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent? Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, evil as you are, know how to give good gifts [gifts that are to their advantage] to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask and continue to ask Him!

Prayer is a principle or a spiritual law: Eph 6:18 (KJV) 18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; Prayer is a relationship function, it is something closely related to another thing (faith) and depends on it for its value and significance: Romans 10:17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. For clarity, I say it this way: Faith cometh by processing and processing by the Word of God in our innermost being E.M. Bounds said in the book, the reality of prayer: "We must, by all the fastenings we can find, cable ourselves to prayer. To be loose in time and place is to open the door to Satan. To be exact, prompt, unswerving, and careful in even the little things, is to buttress ourselves against the Evil One. Prayer is a privilege, a sacred, princely privilege. Prayer is a duty, an obligation most binding, and most imperative, which should hold us to it. But prayer is more than a privilege, more than a duty. It is a means, an instrument, a condition. Not to pray is to lose much more than to fail in the exercise and enjoyment of a high, or sweet privilege. Prayer is the appointed condition of getting God's aid. This aid is as manifold and illim-

itable as God's ability, and as varied and exhaustless is this aid as man's need."

Now faith is the assurance (the confirmation, the title deed) of the things [we] hope for, being the proof of things [we] do not see and the conviction of their reality [faith perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the sense (Hebrews 11:1).



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When there is no evidence in the natural realm that God has answered our prayers, that in itself is evidence. "What I want is already, definitely, actually, and completely mine in the spirit. It is a fact in spirit, firmly and joyfully established. Therefore I do not worry, I do not doubt, I do not question the "how and wherefore." I simply know that my deep desire is now fulfilled. I will relax and give thanks, in quiet expectation of its miraculous appearance in the here and now". (Author unknown)

Jesus the essence of my faith, Jesus is the one who makes faith what it is and He is necessary, basic, or indispensable.

I want you to repeat this, Jesus is the essence of my faith, Jesus is the one who makes my faith what it is. I want to make some statements of fact from previous lessons. Faith is the spiritual language of the people of God! I will never be the same, we will never be the same, we are speaking the new language:

It is the language of our heavenly Father, it is the language of His Son Jesus Christ, it is the language of the Holy Spirit, it is the written language of the Word of God, it was the language of the early Church, and it is of necessity our language today. Rom.10:8-11. But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is the word of faith, which we preach.

That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart, man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth, confes-

sion is made unto salvation.

These verses of Scripture give to us the principles whereby faith operates (principles are laws that do not change), not just in our acceptance of Jesus as Savior and Lord but in whatsoever or in all other things. You must believe in your heart and say (confess) it with your mouth. (It's so simple we are missing it).

The simplicity of faith is the product of the simplicity of the Gospel, which means that the simplicity of prayer is the product of both. The Word of God, faith, and prayer are interrelated, interdependent, reciprocal, or mutual; having the same relationship each to the other: I like thinking of prayer as the by-product which is produced in the making of faith through the hearing of the Word of God. The by-product is defined as something produced (prayer) in the making of something else (faith): this is describing a relationship function, which is something closely related to another thing, and depends on it for its existents, value, and significance. Let's examine this word simplicity again. It means singleness; the state or quali-

ty of being unmixed or uncompounded. Simplicity comes from the root word simple, having or consisting of only one part, feature, or substance. Easy to do, solve, or understand as a task; without additions or qualifications; mere (nothing more or other than); solely; only (as said to be), unmixed, pure, unqualified, absolute; for this and no other purpose.

Having the faith of God or the God-kind of faith which is a product of the Word of God only as defined in the definition of simplicity and as describes in Romans 10:17. So then faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God. Faith has only one part the Word of God, which produces faith by hearing. The apostle Paul describes it also as: the word of faith, which we preach." God's Words are faith-filled Words that produce in the heart, the human spirit, or the innermost being of a person the desires of the heart, in the Name of Jesus. Amen.

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

Meet Jimmy Crow, insurrectionist and suppressor, heir to Jim and James Crow, Esquire

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

"The lie of massive, rampant voter fraud is serving the same function today as it did during the rise of Jim Crow. It stokes fear in a segment of the population that democracy is in peril, and thus provides cover for laws that target Black voters with race-neutral language in the 21st century." - Sherrilyn Ifill, president and director-counsel, NAACP Legal Defense Fund

Meet Jimmy Crow. You may remember Jimmy's grandfather, Jim Crow. Jim sometimes wore a hood and a robe, and sometimes a sheriff's badge. He administered incomprehensible "literacy tests" to Black citizens trying to register to vote. He clubbed John Lewis nearly to death on the Edmund Pettus Bridge. The n-word flowed freely from Jim's lips.

You may remember Jimmy's father, James Crow,

Esquire. James wore a suit and a tie instead of a robe and hood. He drew gerrymandered congressional and legislative districts to dilute the power of the Black vote. James would never utter the n-word - at least not in public. Instead, he would winkingly refer to "states' rights" and "welfare queens."

Jimmy Crow wears a golf shirt and khaki pants. He carries a tiki torch in place of a burning cross. Jimmy's not content with suppressing and diluting the Black vote; he wants the power to ignore election results altogether if he doesn't like the outcome. He fiercely guards the symbols of white supremacy his grandfather erected on town squares and courthouse grounds to intimidate Black Americans. He rants about "replacement theory" and "the purity of the ballot box."

Like his grandfather, Jimmy Crow is not just willing but eager to use violence to enforce his white supremacist ideology. After neo-Nazi

sympathizer James Alex Fields, Jr., killed counter-protestor Heather Heyer by driving his car into a crowd at the 2017 "Unite the Right Rally" at least six states proposed laws to protect drivers who m u l a t e Fields. In a s i n g l e month last year, at least 72 drivers r a m m e d their cars into protesters in 52 different cities.



Marc Morial

Insurrectionists who stormed the U.S. Capitol on January 6 assaulted about 140 police officers, bashing their heads, shoving them down stairs, stabbing them with metal poles, and blasting them with pepper spray.

Jimmy Crow is unrepentant for this revolting brutality, or for the racist lies that provoked it. Just hours after

their colleagues' lives were threatened and rioters openly called for Vice President Pence to be hanged, 147 members of Congress voted to overturn the results of a free and fair Presidential election.

Jimmy Crow doesn't hide his conviction that the votes of Black and Brown Americans should not necessarily be counted. Dozens of lawsuits challenging the election results sought to invalidate votes in communities of color, particularly African American communities. In Michigan, the challenges focused on in Detroit, where nearly 80% of the population is Black. In Wisconsin, it was Milwaukee County, home to the state's largest percentage of voters of color. Philadelphia, another target, is 58% Black and Latino.

If Jimmy Crow doesn't succeed in cancelling the Black and Brown votes, he thinks he should be able to disregard the results of an election entirely. An Arizona

state lawmaker has proposed that the Legislature to decide who wins the state's electoral votes, regardless of the popular vote.

In 1964 and 1965, the nation triumphed over Jim Crow by enacting the Civil Rights Act and the Voting Rights Act. We dealt a blow to James Crow, Esq., in the 2008 presidential election, when the Black voting rate exceeded the white rate for the first time in U.S. history - and repeated the feat in 2012.

To fight their descendant Jimmy Crow, Congress must pass, and President Biden must sign the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act and The For the People Act. The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act would restore Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act, struck down in 2013 by the U.S. Supreme Court in Shelby v. Holder, that required federal approval for any changes to voting laws in jurisdictions with a history of voter suppression. Among the For The

People Act's sweeping provisions, it eliminates racially-motivated voter suppression tactics like cumbersome voter registration requirements, strict I.D. requirements, limited voting hours and restrictions on voting by mail. It bans deceptive practices and voter intimidation. And it bans the partisan gerrymandering that dilutes the political influence of communities of color.

As former U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder testified to a Senate Committee in support of the bill, "Now is the time for Congress to exercise its constitutional authority to protect the structure of our representative democracy. Otherwise, we will slip deeper into a system in which self-interested politicians use the tools of governance to keep themselves in power with no regard for the desires of the people they are supposed to represent."

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

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ConocoPhillips heads diversity and inclusion efforts in the oil and gas industry



SHAWN GREEN



MAALIKA MOORE-THOMAS

BY STACY M. BROWN
NNPA NEWSWIRE SENIOR
NATIONAL
CORRESPONDENT

With projections that half of its workforce will consist of minorities by 2040, the oil and gas industry has continued to recruit individuals of color, women, veterans, and groups that have been mainly underrepresented.

At ConocoPhillips, Shawn Green and Maalika Moore-Thomas each take an optimistic approach to recruiting some of the best minority talent and minds.

Green, the manager of global services and technology, and Moore-Thomas, the senior supplier diversity coordinator, also keep a steady eye on diversity and inclusion with ConocoPhillips' contractors and suppliers.

"My day-to-day is basically working with our diverse suppliers from various backgrounds - minorities, LGBTQ community, and veterans - to ensure that our supplier base is well-rounded and to make sure that we have those diverse suppliers that we contract within our oil and gas specific jobs, as well as our

professional services jobs," Moore-Thomas asserted.

Green's role is "to set the supply chain approach and strategy for automation, data analytics, and merchant technology," he stated.

"I'm ultimately accountable for the development approach for those programs that are under my purview."

Moore-Thomas added that ConocoPhillips and the industry continue to work toward a more inclusive environment that reflects different backgrounds, interests, and perspectives.

Green concurred.

"One of our major initiatives is ensuring we have suppliers for the variety of categories and sourcing opportunities we have," Green remarked.

"It's really about making sure that we have a line of sight to those opportunities and a pipeline to diverse suppliers."

Added Moore-Thomas, "The importance of diversity is not just talking points or conversation. We believe each person is accountable for creating and sustaining an inclusive work environment. It's important to have diversity in backgrounds, but

it's important to have diversity in thought and perspective at each table where decision making takes place."

Raised in a single-family home in Tampa, Florida, Moore-Thomas later attended The Ohio State University and earned two degrees in psychology and criminology.

While working as a buyer for a small company, Moore-Thomas received a message from a ConocoPhillips manager that intrigued her enough to relocate to Houston eventually.

"I became very interested in oil and gas through learning about how much this industry truly influences the way we work and live," Moore-Thomas said.

"I applied for the position and never looked back."

Green grew up in Houston, where he lived with his grandparents.

He said his primary focus was acquiring an education.

Green attended a magnet high school where engineers from Exxon often mentored him and other students.

Green attended Tulane University, where he majored in chemical engineering, and he later received an MBA with finance and manage-

ment concentrations.

Both Green and Moore-Thomas have pitched the industry to students at historically Black colleges and universities, and they continue to encourage all minorities about oil and gas.

"I have worked in this industry for 24 years, but my first exposure was in high school," Green recalled.

"Over the years, I think we've made steady strides in energizing folks to understand the industry more. I know we have more work to do in having that awareness and outreach (regarding diversity and inclusion)."

Moore-Thomas said "all hands are on deck" in creating a more diverse and inclusive industry.

"[We are] figuring out how we can better task force, or diversify, the space," she added.

Green concluded that the industry is keen on developing programs and strategies to increase diversity in the workforce.

"It's a great time to be in the industry," he exclaimed.

"It's a great time to be at the forefront of change. There will be a lot of opportunities."

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the estate of **Wendy A. Peterson**, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **20th day of August, 2021**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 20th day of May, 2021

June A. Clarke, Executrix
4228 Providence Dr.
Wilmington, NC 28405

May 20, 27, June 3, 10, 2021

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having qualified as Administrator of the **Estate of Berneatha Holmes (21-E-543)**, late of New Hanover County, North Carolina the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 701 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401 on or before **August 20, 2021** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 20th day of May, 2021.

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

May 20, 27, June 3, 10, 2021

MEETING NOTICE

A meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area MPO Board will be held on Wednesday May 26, 2021 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 Wilmington Convention Center, 10 Convention Center Drive, in Wilmington, NC. The public can access the live meeting online at <https://www.zoom.us/join> or by phone by dialing 646-876-9923 and entering meeting ID 854 4904 2235. Public comments may be submitted in advance by emailing wmpo@wilmington-nc.gov or by leaving a message at (910) 341-3258 before 5pm on May 25th. 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

May 20, 2021

INVITATION FOR BIDS SOLICITATION NO.: RFY19.01

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF
THE CITY OF WILMINGTON
NORTH CAROLINA

SECURITY GUARD SERVICES AT SOLOMON TOWERS BUILDING

Sealed bids will be accepted at the Housing Authority of the City of Wilmington North Carolina (WHA Central Office), until date and time noted below. Bids will be publicly opened and recorded immediately thereafter at the Central Office, 1524 South 16th Street, Wilmington, NC 28401.

•Pre-Bid Conference and Site Tour will be held: **Wednesday, May 26, 2021** at 10:00 a.m., beginning at the Central Office.
•Bid Opening: **Thursday, June 10, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.**

•Specifications/Plans will be available for pickup beginning Monday, May 17th at the Central Office.
•Fee; non-refundable charge of \$15.00 or
•Download Project Manual from our WHA website at www.wha.net
•Questions; E-mail to Ms. Burns no later than **Monday, May 31, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. to cburns@wha.net**
•Point of contact Ms. Chauntrell Burns

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WHA reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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RE-BID INVITATION FOR
BIDS (IFB)
SOLICITATION NO: CFP19.4

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE
CITY OF WILMINGTON
NORTH CAROLINA

Floor Repairs For 11 First Floor Units at Eastbrook Apts.
Proposals will be accepted at the Housing Authority of the City of Wilmington North Carolina (WHA Central Office), until date and time noted below.

•Project Information will be available for pickup on **Monday, May 17, 2021** at the Central Office for a non-refundable charge of \$15.00 for project manual. Pick up, or Download Project Manual from our website at www.wha.net, click on Business Opportunities then IFB- no charge

•Pre-Bid Conference/Site Tour: Central Office on **Thursday, May 27, 2021 10:00 AM**

•Questions; E-mail to cburns@wha.net no later than **May 31, 2021 by 2:00 PM**

•Bid Opening: **Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 10:00 AM.**

The WHA does not discriminate based on race, sex, age, color, national origin, religion, or disability in its employment opportunities, programs, services, or activities.

WHA reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive informalities and or award to multiple vendors.

May 20, 27, 2021

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 63

IN THE MATTER OF:
B.R.T. (DOB: 11/06/2019)

TO:
RESPONDENTS: **JESSYCA THOMPSON, BIOLOGICAL MOTHER AND ANY UNKNOWN FATHER OF THE ABOVE CAPTIONED FEMALE CHILD BORN IN WILMINGTON, NEW HANOVER COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA TO JESSYCA THOMPSON**

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

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

You are required to make defense to such pleading within forty (40) days following May 13, 2021, which date is the date of first publication of this Notice. Upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. You have the right to attend this hearing and you have the right to be represented by counsel and can apply for court appointed counsel.

Attorney Brian Moore, was previously appointed to represent Jessyca Thompson, and he can be reached at 705 North 4th Street, Wilmington, NC 28401 or (910) 362-1100.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A HEARING ON THE PETITION TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS IS SCHEDULED FOR **June 14, 2021**, AT 9:30 A.M. or as soon thereafter as it may be heard, at the Office of Juvenile Justice, 138 N 4th Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401. This hearing will be held virtually, by WEB-EX.

This the 13th day of May, 2021.

Karen F. Richards
Attorney - New Hanover County
Department of Social
Services
1650 Greenfield Street
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of John William Strawcutter, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 29th day of July, 2021, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 29th day of April, 2021

Grant Mills Strawcutter, Executor 22 Manchester Dr. Asheville, NC 28805

April 29, May 6, 13, 20, 2021

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the estate of Gladys Irene Hall, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 13th day of August, 2021, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 13th day of May, 2021

Susan Annette Hall, Executor 1509 Village Drive Apt 6 Wilmington, NC 28401

May 13, 20, 27, June 3, 2021

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA NEW HANOVER COUNTY In the Superior Court Before the Clerk New Hanover County File Number: 21-SP-118

In the Matter of the Estate of Alejandro Santiago Lopez, deceased (New Hanover County File No.: 20-E-016)

To: Unknown Descendants of Alejandro Santiago Lopez:

Take notice that a special proceeding has been filed in New Hanover County to determine the descendants of Alejandro Santiago Lopez. Alejandro Santiago Lopez ("Decedent") died on August 16, 2019 in New Hanover County, North Carolina leaving a will. The two named Beneficiaries of the Last Will and Testament of Alejandro S. Lopez dated August 7, 2002 (the "Will") predeceased the Decedent.

All Descendants of Alejandro Santiago Lopez are asked to contact the Administrator CTA of the Estate, Charlotte Noel Fox, 701 Market Street, Wilmington NC 28401.

You are required to file a written response no later than Tuesday, June 15, 2021, and upon your failure to do so any order entered by the Court shall be binding as if you were personally before the Court and any payment or distribution made by the Administrator CTA under orders of the Court shall have the effect of fully discharging such personal representative and any sureties on the personal representative's official bond to the full extent of such payment or distribution as ordered.

This, the 6th day of May, 2021.

ESTATE OF ALEJANDRO SANTIAGO LOPEZ Charlotte Noel Fox Administrator CTA of the Estate of Alejandro Santiago Lopez Craig & Fox, PLLC 701 Market Street Wilmington, NC 28401 Phone: (910) 815-0085 Fax: (910) 815-1095

May 6, 13, 20, 2021

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of Darlene H. Marlowe, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 29th day of July, 2021, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 29th day of April, 2021

Catherine Marlowe O'Quinn, Executor PO Box 1364 Wrightsville Beach, NC 28480

April 29, May 6, 13, 20, 2021

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Edna Barrier Harrington (21-E-605), late of New Hanover County, North Carolina the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 701 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401 on or before July 29, 2021 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 29th day of April, 2021.

Edward Maurice Harrington c/o Craig & Fox, PLLC 701 Market Street Wilmington, NC 28401

April 29, May 6, 13, 20, 2021

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Jeremy Revell (21-E-524), late of New Hanover County, North Carolina the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 701 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401 on or before July 29, 2021 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 29th day of April, 2021.

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

April 29, May 6, 13, 20, 2021

ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE SHANNON MICHAEL LONGINOTTI STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION BEFORE THE CLERK FILE NO. 21 E 0242

Having qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of Shannon Michael Longinotti of New Hanover County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said Shannon Michael Longinotti to present them to the undersigned on or before July 30, 2021, that being three (3) months from the first date of publication of this Notice or same shall be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 29th day of April, 2021.

Evelyn Longinotti, Administratrix of the Estate of Shannon Michael Loginotti c/o Stephen E. Culbreth CULBRETH LAW FIRM P.O. Box 446 Wilmington, N. C. 28402

April 29, May 6, 13, 20, 2021

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the estate of Myrtle Patricia Amann, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 6th day of August, 2021, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 6th day of April, 2021

Debra M. Kellum, Executrix 116 Mishoe Road Castle Hayne, NC 28429

May 6, 13, 20, 27, 2021

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE: Ricky Wendell Patrick, Deceased In The General Court of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File No: 20 E 1392

The undersigned, having qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of Ricky Wendell Patrick, deceased, late of New Hanover, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to present such claims to the undersigned Administratrix at 1611 Gander Drive, Wilmington, North Carolina 28411 on or before the 29th day of August, 2021, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This 26th day of April, 2021.

Sonya J. Patrick 1611 Gander Dr. Wilmington, NC 28411 Peter Grear Attorney for the Estate PO Box 2279 Wilmington, NC 28402-2279 Ph. 910-763-4671 State Bar Number: 7134

April 29, May 6, 13, 20, 2021

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the estate of Richard Levoy Johnson, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 20th day of August, 2021, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 20th day of May, 2021

Phyllis Dianne Tharrington Cox aka Phyllis Tharrington Johnson, Executrix 1911 Mason Reed Drive Wilmington, NC 28403

May 20, 27, June 3, 10, 2021

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Gary Jones Collins AKA Gary Geyer AKA Gary Jones Geyer, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 20th day of August, 2021, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 20th day of May, 2021

Gary Jones Collins, II, Administrator 812 S 14th Street Wilmington, NC 28401

May 13, 20, 27, June 3, 2021

Request for Qualifications (RFQ) SOLICITATION NO: RFQ 0001.21 HOUSING AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES INC. (HEO)

DEVELOPMENT PARTNER Proposals will be accepted at the Housing Authority of the City of Wilmington, North Carolina (WHA Central Office), until date and time noted below.

- Project Information will be available for pickup on Thursday, May 6, 2021 at the Central Office, located at 1524 S. 16th Street for a non-refundable charge of \$15.00 for project manual.
•Submission Date: Wednesday, June 2, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.
•Questions regarding the interpretation of this RFQ, should be emailed to cburns@wha.net by Friday, May 21, 2021 by 3:00 p.m.
•An optional Pre-Response Conference is scheduled for Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 2:30 p.m.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administratrix of the estate of Sandy Lee, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 29th day of July, 2021, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 29th day of April, 2021

Elexa Lee, Administratrix 709 Ivey Circle Wilmington, NC 28401

April 29, May 6, 13, 20, 2021

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of Anne Greene Hinson, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 29th day of July, 2021, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 29th day of April, 2021

Philip King, III, Executor 2207 Villamar Dr. Leland, NC 28451

April 29, May 6, 13, 20, 2021

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Co-Executors of the estate of Rita E. Ackert, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 29th day of July, 2021, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 29th day of April, 2021

Lauren Ackert, Co-Executor 2974 Magnolia Ave Long Beach, NC 90806

Alison Ackert, Co-Executor 156 Biddle Rd. Lincoln, VT 05443

April 29, May 6, 13, 20, 2021

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate Crystal Tracy, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 6th day of August, 2021, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 6th day of April, 2021

Samantha Settlemeyer, Administrator 14224 Careme Court Wake Forest, NC 27587

May 6, 13, 20, 27, 2021

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, Amy W. Hennessy, having qualified on the 4th day of May, 2021, as Personal Representative of the estate of David F. Walker (21-E-700), deceased, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said that they must present them to the undersigned at Graves May PLLC, c/o Attorney Kevin T. May, 5700 Oleander Dr., Wilmington, North Carolina, 28403, on or before the 9th day of August, 2021, or the claims will be forever barred thereafter, and this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery.

This the 10th day of May, 2021

Amy W. Hennessy, Personal Representative Estate of David F. Walker Kevin T. May GRAVES MAY PLLC 5700 Oleander DR. Wilmington, NC 28403

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Co-Executors of the estate of Shirley Moore Cayton, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 13th day of August, 2021, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 13th day of May, 2021

Vickie Cayton Atkinson, Co-Executor 2501 Oakley Rd. Castle Hayne, NC 28429 Clifton Leon Cayton, Co-Executor 3615 Northeast Ave. Castle Hayne, NC 28429

May 13, 20, 27, June 3, 2021

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Ellen Marie Kluepfel, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 20th day of August, 2021, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 20th day of May, 2021

Douglas Francis Kluepfel, Administrator 118 Heather Lane Kure Beach, NC 28440

May 20, 27, June 3, 10, 2021

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 106

IN THE MATTER OF: K.R.P. (dob: 14 June 2020)

RESPONDENT: UNKNOWN FATHER OF MALE JUVENILE BORN ON JUNE 14, 2020, IN NEW HANOVER COUNTY, WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA TO SHAWNA PORNARAS PERSON

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 K.R.P. You are required to make defense to such pleading within forty (40) days following Thursday, May 6, 2021, which date is the date of first publication of this Notice.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A HEARING ON THE PETITION TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS IS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2021, AT 9:30 A.M., or upon a date and time set thereafter via Webex or 138 N. 4th Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401.

This the 6TH day of May, 2021.

Jill Cairo Staff Attorney New Hanover Co. Dept. of Social Services 1650 Greenfield Street Wilmington, NC 28401 (910) 798-3511 (910) 798-7833 * fax

May 6, 13, 20, 2021

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Margaret Hazel Brown, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 13th day of August, 2021, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 13th day of May, 2021

Suzanne E. Brown, Administrator 3101 Scarborough Dr. Wilmington, NC 28409

May 13, 20, 27, June 3, 2021

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Robert Reid Hooks, Sr., deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 13th day of August, 2021, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 13th day of May, 2021

Terri Johnson, Administrator 2106 Dexter St. Wilmington, NC 28409

May 13, 20, 27, June 3, 2021

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER IN THE DISTRICT COURT JUVENILE SESSION FILE NO. 21 JT 30

IN THE MATTER OF: L.M.L. (DOB: 02-19-2021)

TO: ANY UNKNOWN BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF THE ABOVE CAPTIONED FEMALE, CHILD BORN IN WILMINGTON, NEW HANOVER COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

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

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

You are required to make defense to such pleading within thirty (30) days following JUNE 7, 2021 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 ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A HEARING ON THE PETITION TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS IS SCHEDULED FOR JULY 20, 2021, AT 9:30 A.M. or as soon thereafter as it may be heard, in courtroom 100 of the New Hanover County Courthouse, 316 Princess Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401.

This the 13th day May, 2021.

LeeAnne Quattrucci Attorney for the Petitioner 401 Chestnut Street, Suite J Wilmington, NC 28401 Tel. #: (910) 795-0230 Fax #: (910) 401-1485

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