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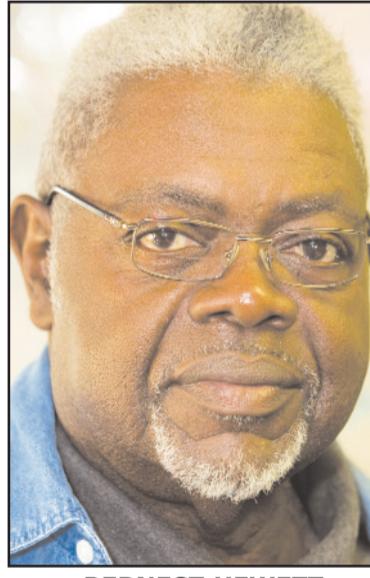


SICKLED LIFE

Sickled Life was created locally in Wilmington, by a sickle cell patient, Bryan Ballard. He started working on this as his senior project in high school.

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**BRUNSWICK
COUNTY UPDATE**



BERNEST HEWETT

**Election time
again**

BY BERNEST HEWETT
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

It is again the time for the election of town/city officials, and we find ourselves face to face with people who have new ideas which they want to bring to the table to help make things better or worse. Also, we have the ones who have already served. Some have served well, and some have served badly. We need to face these people with the truth, not false smiles. We do not need to let one or two dollars cause us to vote for these people again.

We are a people who have

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Early voting begins today

BY CASH MICHAELS
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

One-stop early voting begins today, Oct. 22nd in New Hanover County for the Nov. 3rd elections, and ends on Saturday, Oct. 31st at 1 p.m. Early voting for the 2015 municipal elections are being held in Suite 39 in the New Hanover County Government Center, 230 Government Drive in Wilmington.

Hours of operation today and Friday, Oct. 23rd are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. No voting this weekend.

On Monday through Friday, Oct. 26-30th, voting hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Saturday, Oct. 31st, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

If you are voting for the very first time during the early period, you must bring a current and valid photo identification, or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, or other government document showing both your valid name and

address.

You will also be required to complete and sign an absentee request application prior to voting. Afterward, you will be directed to the voting machine to cast your ballot. Once you have submitted your application and executed the process of voting, the county board of elections will review your application and either approve or deny the submission.

On the ballot for the 2015 municipal elections, for Wilmington mayor, voters can check either incumbent Bill Saffo, or write-in their choice. Saffo has no opponent.

For Wilmington City Council, voters may choose three from among eight candidates, which include Neil Anderson, Hollis B. Briggs, Jr., Margaret Haynes, Deb Hays, Paul Lawler, Frank J. Madonna, John Presswood and Alvin Rogers.

Voters may also write-in candidates for the three open City Council seats.

The period for mail-in absentee ballots to be counted ended in early October.

NEW MARCH, 15, 2016 PRIMARY DATE

In September, the NC General Assembly passed, and Gov. Pat McCrory soon signed, a law changing the presidential primary date from May in North Carolina to March 15, 2016, for the purposes of influencing the presidential primaries earlier in the process.

That means that all primaries for state and other offices, including the US Senate, US House, governor and NC Legislature that normally fall in May in previous years will now be held in March.

There was concern that shortening the period by two months would favor

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JOHN DAVIS PHOTO

Voters will elect 3 city council members and mayor of Wilmington.

ARSON



PHOTO BY WILEY PRICE/ST. LOUIS AMERICAN

Crew of the St. Louis Fire Department Engine Co. 27 checked the premises of the New Life Missionary Baptist Church on Tuesday, October 20. A fire was reported at the church around 4 a.m. on Saturday Oct. 17, one of six arsons at Black churches within a three-mile radius since October 8.

Six Black churches set afire near Ferguson

BY SANDRA JORDAN
OF THE ST. LOUIS AMERICAN

A total of \$9,000 in reward money is being offered for information leading to an arrest and conviction in the string of arson fires at six churches located in north St. Louis city and county.

Crimestoppers; the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; the St. Louis Fire Department; the Missouri Division of Fire Safety; and the St. Louis Police Officers Association have all pledged reward money.

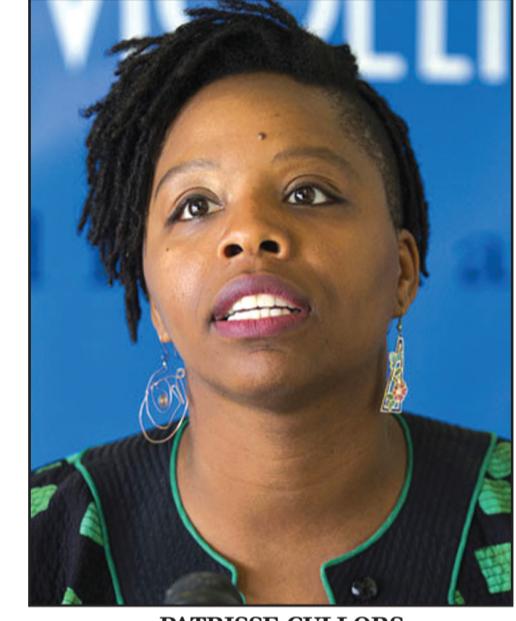
The churches are of different denominations and were unoccupied at the time of the fires.

Investigators said the fires originated at front exterior doors.

The first two fires took place in Jennings - on October 8 at Bethel Non-Denominational Church and on October 10 at New Northside Missionary Baptist Church. The next four fires took place in St. Louis - October 14 at St. Augustine Catholic Church; October 15 at New Testament Church of Christ; and at New Life Missionary Baptist Church and Ebenezer Lutheran Church on October 17.

"It's within a three-mile radius that these things are occurring," said Captain Garon Mosby, spokesman for the St. Louis Fire Department.

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PATRISSE CULLORS

**Movement
co-founder to
speak on the
evolution of
"Black Lives
Matter"**

DURHAM, N.C. -- Patrisse Cullors, co-founder of the #BlackLivesMatter movement, will speak Wednesday, Oct. 28, in Page Auditorium at Duke University.

The 7 p.m. event is free and open to the public, but tickets are required. Tickets will be available from the Page Auditorium box office beginning Oct. 14 for members of the Duke community and starting Oct. 21 for the general public.

Cullors is a Los Angeles-based artist and activist. She co-founded #BlackLivesMatter in 2013 together with Alicia Garza and Opal Tometi in response to the killing of Trayvon Martin, a Florida African-American teenager, and the acquittal of shooter George Zimmerman.

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Well-loved educator, civic and church leader passes at 83

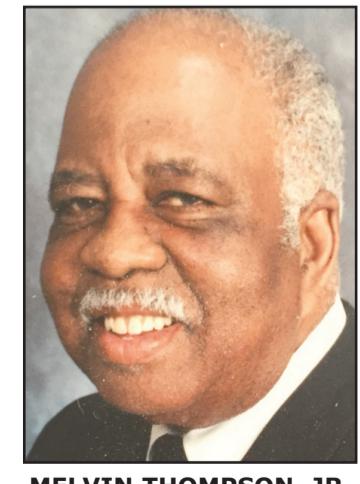
THE OBITUARY

Melvin Thompson Jr. was born in Wilmington, North Carolina to the late Melvin and Etta S. Thompson Sr. on September 10, 1932. He was preceded in death by his special mother, Annie Turner. He attended Peabody School and graduated from Williston Industrial High School, where he was president of the class of 1952. Later he graduated from Williston College Center in 1954, with an Associate Arts Degree. Melvin Thompson Jr. entered Fayetteville State Teachers College in 1958, as a junior and in 1960 received his Bachelor of Science

degree in Elementary Education. Melvin Thompson Jr. married the love of his life, Lela Mae Pierce. Funeral services for Melvin Thompson Jr. were held Sunday, October 18, 2015, at 1:00 pm at Saint Stephen African Methodist Episcopal Church in Wilmington, NC. Interment followed in Pine Forest Cemetery.

Melvin Thompson Jr. completed study at Virginia State University, University of North Carolina at Wilmington and

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had to fight for everything we have, free speech, freedom to live where we want to live, freedom to attend any church we want to attend, work without being harassed, and many more rights given us by the Constitution of the United States. Let's not forget this as we vote. We should make these people who are running for office remember our journey and that we are not mad, but we are still fighting for a free and just world.

If man believes he is free, he must fight to keep his freedom! There is no freedom without a struggle! There is no struggle without a movement!

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

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What began as a social media hashtag on Twitter quickly became a broader movement, inspiring protests in response to a series of deaths of African-Americans in police custody. In particular, the movement gained visibility

following the fatal shooting of Michael Brown by a policeman in Ferguson, Missouri

A former Fulbright Scholarship recipient, Cullors has also co-authored recent reports on the high rates of mental illness among black prison inmates.

The event is presented by Baldwin Scholars and DUU Speakers and Stage, a member

group of the Duke University Union. DUU Speakers and Stage chair Gabrielle Sawyer, a 2015 graduate of Duke, said she hopes the event encourages open dialogue on campus.

"Our group's goal is to unify the Duke community through a diverse array of programming," Sawyer said. "Topics such as police brutality, systematic oppression and racial

segregation must be discussed with the entirety of the Duke community."

Event co-sponsors include Baldwin Scholars, the Office of Undergraduate Education, Student Affairs, the Women's Center, the Mary Lou Williams Center for Black Culture, the Center for Arts, Digital Culture, and Entrepreneurship, the African and African

American Studies department, DukeEngage, the Office of Civic Engagement, Trinity College of Arts and Sciences, the Office of the Provost, the Center for Multicultural Affairs, the Office of Institutional Equity, the Black Student Alliance, Gates Millennium Scholars, DESTA and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

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East Carolina University. He taught school in Luray, Virginia for two years before going back to Wilmington, North Carolina to teach 4th grade students at Peabody School. Mr. Thompson taught for twenty years and was appointed as attendance counselor; now called school social worker, in charge for attendance for the New Hanover County school system. His professional associations included the following: NCAE, NEA, North Carolina School Social Worker's Association and the National Association of School Social Workers.

Melvin Thompson Jr. was an active lifelong member of the Historic Saint Stephen African Methodist Episcopal Church in

Wilmington, North Carolina. Melvin Thompson Jr. was active with the following: Habib Temple # 159, The Wilmington Consistory # 63, Grand Inspector General 33rd Degree, Hanover Lodge # 14b and Delta Nu Sigma Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc. He was former treasurer of the Board of Directors of the Community Boys Club, founder and first president of the Lower Cape Fear Alumni Chapter of Fayetteville State University in Wilmington, one of the original organizers of the Williston Alumni Association, active member, president and publicity chairman for the Willis Richardson Players, officer in the National Alumni Association of Fayetteville State University, lifetime member of the NAACP, and previous

chairman of the Barclay Hills Homeowners Group.

As a life member of Historic Saint Stephen African Methodist Episcopal Church, he has served as Sunday school Superintendent, Assistant Sunday School Superintendent, Adult Sunday School Teacher, Director of Vacation Bible School, Men's Choir, Senior Choir, Celebration Choir, Steward Board, Trustee Board, Lay Organization, Boy Scout Troop Leader, and Senior Usher Board.

Melvin Thompson Jr. was dedicated to Fayetteville State University. Each year he faithfully attended the homecoming celebrations which became a family tradition. The mantra of Fayetteville State University is "Res mon verba," which is Latin for "Deeds not words"...he epitomized this phrase reaching many hearts. In 2002, Mr. Thompson received the Waymon W. Williams award from Fayetteville State University. Melvin was recently honored by the Lower Cape Fear Fayetteville State University Alumni Association for 50 years of service in 2013, and by the Willis Richardson Players the life time achievement award for outstanding leadership, perseverance, and service. To his family he was affectionately known as "Gaga."

Melvin Thompson Jr. leaves to cherish, the love of his life, spouse of 61 wonderful years Mrs. Lela P. Thompson, five loving children Blance Beverly Thompson Moore (Clarkton), James Micheal Thompson (Veronica), Melvin Thompson III, Cynthia Louise Wiggs (Derrick) and Brian Eric Thompson. He leaves eight dedicated grandchildren, Tamesha Moore Munce (Chalres) Angel Moore Major (Jermaine), Sean A. Thompson, Clarkton Moore Jr., Shannon C. Thompson, Courtney E. Moore, Candice L. Wiggs, and Brian Eric Ross Thompson, six great grandchildren Ronnasia Gittens, Charles Munce Jr., Clarkton Marc Munce, Anaya Mae Major; Jermaine Major Jr. and Aidden Major. His sister Thobe Batts, devoted brother-in-law Robert Harrison (Louise), a host of cousins, nieces, nephews and special friends.

Arrangements by Adkins-Drain Funeral Service, 515 South Eighth Street Condominiums may be shared at www.adkinsdrainfuneralservice.com.

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Rev. David Triggs, pastor at New Life Missionary Baptist Church, said detectives canvassed the neighborhood and he is confident they will find out who is setting the fires. Although his church has no video security, Triggs said, "There is a camera located on highway 70 that fits to the rear of the building," and he is "hoping they caught someone walking or driving off."

Mosby said that particular church sustained the most damage because of its wood frame and vinyl siding.

"I'm actually amazed," Mosby said. "Had it gotten into that void just above the door, it would have ripped through the church very quickly."

Triggs and his congregation held last week's 11 a.m. Sunday service on the lawn and will do so again this week.

"We can't hide in fear, and this is the doctrine we preach Sunday in and Sunday out," Triggs told *The American*. "And when heat comes to us, we can't back down. You can burn down the building but you can't burn down the body."

Triggs said the congregation is seeking an outdoor tent donation in case of inclement weather.

Rev. Rodrick K. Burton, pastor at New Northside Missionary Baptist Church in Jennings, invited the entire faith community to gather and pray and in solidarity during its weekly noonday prayer and Bible study service on Wednesday.

In attendance were a diverse group of faith leaders of many denominations, several area politicians, St. Louis city and county police officers, and the president of Saint Louis University.

Burton noted the historical significance of faith leaders coming together, undeterred.

"So often we hear, 'St. Louis is divided,'" Burton said. "I am very grateful that, despite what happened in the negative at our door and other doors, that this could be an opportunity for the faith community to be intentional about bridging the divide that's hampering this city and this region from coming together for hundreds of years."

Several ministers offered prayers: for an end to the fires, for racial harmony, an end to apathy, forgiveness of the perpetrator, and a vision to turn prayers into action.

The Very Rev. Mike Kinman of Christ Church Cathedral said, "This person set fires, believing he would destroy, and instead he has ignited your fire inside us that cannot be quenched and cannot be contained. And as much as he believed his fire will destroy, this fire will create bonds among us."

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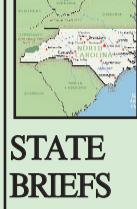
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UNC SYSTEM BOARD OF GOVERNORS TO CHOOSE NEW PRESIDENT FRIDAY

[CHAPEL HILL]

Amid controversy, the UNC System Board of Governors is scheduled to convene Friday to choose a new system president for its 17 campuses statewide. Last week a search committee of the board met reportedly to approve the



hiring of Margaret Spellings, a former Bush Administration official and US Education Secretary. Current UNC System Pres. Tom Ross is being forced to step down this January after five years. Critics say the move is political by the 32-member all-Republican board.

ROWAN COUNTY ELECTIONS OFFICIAL REMOVED FOR RACIAL REMARKS

[RALEIGH] The State Board of Elections last week voted 3-2 to remove a Rowan County

Elections Board official because of a continuous pattern of racial and intolerant remarks he made on both Facebook and Twitter. Malcolm Butner was found to have made "intemperate" remarks about blacks, immigrants and gay people. The remarks date back to before Butner was appointed to the Rowan Board. The State BOE Chairman Joshua Howard, a Republican, voted with the state board's two Democrats to remove Butner. The state board's remaining two

Republicans voted to keep Butner.

POLICE SAY BEATEN NC A&T STUDENT WAS ALSO AN AGGRESSOR

[GREENSBORO] Police say 21-year-old Thomas Bynum, a NC A&T University student badly beaten and hospitalized after an incident Saturday night, was an instigator of the fight that ultimately involved upward of 30 people. Greensboro police say it was a "mutual affray" between Bynum and another

person at a party at the apartment complex where the violence occurred. Soon other people got involved, and Bynum was severely injured. Police say they can't charge Bynum because they didn't see the incident. A complaint would have to be filed.

NCCU CHANCELLOR BATTLING KIDNEY CANCER

[DURHAM] Though she's reportedly been receiving treatment since last May, news that North Carolina

Central University Chancellor Debra Saunders-White has been battling cancer broke just last week, surprising all. Chancellor Saunders-White thanked students, faculty and other well-wishers for their prayers during a breast cancer awareness program on campus. She was appointed as chancellor in 2013 after stints with the US Dept. of Education and UNC-Wilmington.

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incumbents and penalize challengers in terms of fundraising and campaigning.

Filing for office will now begin on Dec. 1st.

NEW DEADLINES FOR THE MARCH 15, 2016 PRIMARIES

Dec. 1, 2015 - 20-day candidate filing period begins

Dec. 16, 2015 - list of eligible presidential candidates for primaries submitted by parties

Dec. 21, 2015 - candidate filing period ends

Jan. 5, 2016 - State Elections Board finalizes presidential ballots

Jan. 25, 2016 - absentee ballots completed

Feb. 19, 2016 - last day to register to vote in March 15 primary

March 3, 2016 - early voting begins

March 12, 2016 - early voting ends

March 15, 2016 - NC Primary Day (polls open at 6:30 a.m., close at 7:30 p.m.)

May 3, 2016 - primary runoff for state and local races only if needed

May 24, 2016 - primary runoff for federal races only if needed

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Additionally, Christ Church Cathedral's Rebuild the Churches Fund is going to assist in addressing the damages to the churches. The fund is an interfaith collaboration raised more than \$700,000 for black churches torched after the massacre at Mother Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, South Carolina.

While investigators are not commenting on what may be behind the string of arsons, an ACLU leader put them into historical context.

Jeffrey A. Mittman, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of

Missouri, stated, "Those who commit this violence seek to instill fear. This is why arson against predominantly black churches has been a frequent tool of white supremacy."

Burton does not agree that race is a factor.

"There's been no evidence that this has been racial. I've been to every single location, and I don't believe that someone coming outside our community would have the type of knowledge to go as deep in where these different places were."

All of the fires are under investigation by the St. Louis Fire Department investigative unit, the ATF and the St. Louis Regional Bomb and Arson Unit, which is made of both city and county bomb and arson detectives. County

police are patrolling churches during night hours and City firefighters began canvassing neighborhoods handing out handbills Wednesday afternoon, seeking information on the fires.

Mosby asked for the public's assistance.

"The individual or individuals involved are going to make a mistake," Mosby said. "Someone is going to be walking along and see something. Know what's in your neighborhood, and keep an eye out. If you see something out of place, call us."

Anyone with information on the church fires is urged to call Crimestoppers at 866-371-TIPS (8477), the Arson hotline at 1-800-39-ARSON, or submit your tip online at <http://bit.ly/1jQYlkB>.



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CURRY'S COMMENTS

Grading the Democratic debate

(George Curry Media)

The first debate among Democrats seeking to succeed Barack Obama as president may have been the first time a group of national politicians bragged on television about getting a failing grade.

Speaking in the third person, Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders began the show-and-tell by saying in reply to a question from moderator Anderson Cooper regarding his record on guns, "Let's begin, Anderson, by understanding that Bernie Sanders has a D-minus voting rating from the NRA."

Former Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley, directing his remarks to Sanders, said, "And I have an F from the NRA."

Former Rhode Island Gov. Lincoln Chafee didn't have to brag about his grade when it was his turn. Anderson Cooper did it for him: "Gov. Chafee, you have an F-rating from the NRA..."

Cooper also said, "Let me bring in somebody who has a different viewpoint. Senator Webb, your rating from the NRA, you once had an A-rating from the NRA..."

One of the problems with the debate was there was so much back-and-forth on how the National Rifle Association graded the presidential candidates and zero emphasis on the grades they received on issues of primary importance to Blacks.

The NAACP has been compiling legislative report cards since 1914. It explains, "The NAACP Civil Rights Legislative Report Card demonstrates how every Member of Congress voted on the bread and butter civil rights issues and priorities important to the NAACP."

Sanders, the only Democratic candidate running for president who is still serving in Congress, consistently earned an A, voting with the NAACP's position on legislative bills 100 percent of the time in each of the four grading periods he has been in the U.S. Senate.

Former First Lady Hillary Clinton, who served as a senator from New York from 2001-2009, also earned straight-As from the NAACP in each full term in the Senate. She voted with the NAACP 100 percent of the time during the 110th Congress, her last before being appointed Secretary of State by President Obama, 96 percent in the 109th Congress, 100 percent in the 108th and 97 percent in the 107th Congress, her first full term.

Former Rhode Island Gov. Lincoln Chafee - who has been a Republican, an Independent and now a Democrat - has been at the opposite end of the spectrum. Serving in the Senate at roughly the same time as Clinton, he earned Fs in every complete session except the 109th Congress when he received a C. He typically voted with the NAACP only 42 to 51 percent of the time.

In the debate, Anderson Cooper reminded Jim Webb, who served as Assistant Secretary of Defense and Secretary of the Navy under Ronald Reagan: "...in 2006, you called affirmative action 'state-sponsored racism.' In 2010, you wrote an op-ed saying it discriminated against Whites. Given that nearly half of the Democratic Party is non-White, aren't you out of step with where the Democratic Party is now?"

Webb tried to defend his remark by saying, "I have always supported affirmative action for African Americans. That's the way the program was originally designed because of their unique history in this country, with slavery and the Jim Crow laws that followed."

Webb is the most conservative Democrat running for president. NAACP report cards for the period he served in Congress were not immediately available.

When O'Malley was reminded by Sanders that he hadn't served in Congress, O'Malley retorted, "Well, maybe that's a healthy thing."

CNN gets an unhealthy F when graded on including diverse voices in the questioning of the candidates. For the most part, it was left up to Don Lemon, the Black guy, to raise the "Black question," though he asked a couple of others, and the Latino guy, Juan Carlos Lopez, to raise the immigration questions.

Fielding questions from thousands of viewers via Facebook, the first question Lemon allowed to be asked was perhaps the most feeble of the night: "My question for the candidates is, do Black lives matter, or do all lives matter?"

Was that the best questioner Lemon could find?

When he got his turn, Juan Carlos Lopez's questioning was pointed: "Senator Sanders, in 2013, you voted for immigration reform. But in 2007, when Democrats controlled Congress and the Bush White House was onboard, you voted against it. Why should Latino voters trust you when you left them at the alter at the moment when reform was very close?"

It is evident that when it comes to the media - and these presidential debates in particular - Black questions matter.

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Visual Voice



Your Voice

The last school bell for Mr. Melvin Thompson

In the 1970s, my wife Faye

Bellamy, Mr. Thompson and I taught together at Williston Middle School. He was a dedicated teacher and loved working with his community.

est teacher to walk this earth. Peace be with you my long-time friend!!!

James Hankins

Wilmington, NC

Matters of Opinion

BLACKONOMICS

Democrats' debate indifferent to Blacks

(George Curry Media)

The Democrat debate was nothing short of embarrassing, insulting, and dismissive of Black people. While the men did not wear the traditional red and blue ties, thank God, the two and a half hour rhetorical exercise was an insult to Black voters. How much more proof do we need to make us understand that we are totally excluded from the political process? Are we ignored and dismissed because we don't vote in primaries, or do we not vote in primaries because we are ignored?

The Republican debate was an inside game of name-calling, accusations, and innuendo with no mention of Black folks. The Dems stage show deferred to Black people only once, and that was in an obligatory and patronizing way.

Why are we so accepting of such displays of indifference and condescension from politicians? Other groups were mentioned and supported in their causes, but Black folks were reduced to one issue - a negative one at that - and given such short shrift that if you turned away for a second or two you would have missed it.

CHILDWATCH

Learning through loss to beat the odds

(George Curry Media)

"Suffering is inevitable, but how you deal with it is not fixed in stone. That can change. You can develop a way to face it."

You might expect wise words like these to come after a lifetime's worth of experiences, but Elijah Iqbal-Scott has seen a lot of sadness and sorrow in his 17 years.

When Elijah was born, his mother, a young college student, was chronically ill with sickle cell anemia. "I don't really have too many memories of her outside of her being sick," he said. "One time when I was little, I think we had driven by the hospital and I said something like, 'Oh, look. It's Mommy's second home.'" Though she was in and out of the hospital and frequently unable to take care of Elijah, he knew she loved him and he had the benefit of being surrounded by her close-knit family.

"When I was little, there were six of us, myself included: my grandmother, grandpa,

except to cite a few statistics on poverty and crime, the only things it seems we are noted for in their minds. They never offer their support of our specific issues, the way they do when it comes to women, Jewish, and LGBT issues. We get what we accept though, right?

The impact of millions of union members and their lobbyists, along with other groups like the National Rifle Association (NRA), causes candidates to genuflect and kowtow to their desires. Of course their campaign contributions are a great incentive. Black folks have opted for 501(c)3 organizations that cannot give money or endorse candidates the way unions can. Our largest organization, the NAACP, cannot lobby or endorse particular candidates. Although we know the NAACP is an adjunct surrogacy component of the Democrat Party and gets significant funding from unions, which are also overwhelmingly Democrat, that organization has little or no influence in the Democrat Party. Isn't that obvious?

Our inclusion in the Democrat debate was reduced to a one minute discussion on whether our lives matter. What were they supposed to say, "No, they don't matter?" And because the question was framed as a choice between Black lives and all lives, it devalues Black people even more. Do candidates really need to answer that question, Mr. Lemon? Will the question of whether our lives matter or not be reflective of the role Black folks will play in the upcoming election? If so, the candidates on both sides will love that.

It is so frustrating to see Black people continue to be treated like a bunch of children who only get a pat on their heads, a pacifier in their mouths, and then be relegated to the back of the room by disingenuous politicians. Black commentators on "Views Shows" hardly ever discuss Black-specific issues, unless they are crime-related. Candidates have debates and never mention Black people,

and the NRA were mentioned, but the NAACP was not. Candidates seek the endorsements from associations because of the number of members they have and the contributions they make. What would make us think that our millions of votes alone, especially since we give virtually all of them to the Dems, will bring about any acknowledgment or reciprocity, much less any power in the public policy inner circle?

Where are our lobbyists and our Super PACs? Although we now vote as a bloc in favor of the Dems, our voting bloc must be independent, leveraged, and never taken for granted.

As I said before, Black voters give all of our quid but get no quo in return. We have allowed our political interests to be reduced to a protracted fight for voting rights and one silly question: "Do Black lives matter?" Politicians merely need to say "I support your right to vote" and "Yes, Black lives do matter;" and they are off the hook for any other deliverable. We give so much but settle for so little.

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During the debate, unions

Marian Wright Edelman

my mom, my Auntie Gladys, my Uncle Herbert . . . We were definitely happy most of the time, and I remember, especially with my uncle, he was always kind of like an older brother to me."

Elijah's grandparents were immigrants from Sierra Leone, and their full Maryland home was a warm haven.

But then the family losses began. When Elijah 7, his mother died. His grandmother remembers how the family tried to encircle him even more closely: "When his mom passed away, my son was like a father figure, played with him like big brother-type. My husband was also like a father figure, and Gladys, like a mother. We chipped in to raise him."

For Elijah the time with his uncle was especially important: "We would just do regular things, you know, play video games together and eat pizza . . . I do remember having more good feelings and good memories than bad, and he was definitely a part of that."

But before Elijah entered middle school his beloved uncle suffered a brain hemorrhage and was in a coma for 10 months before passing away at age 22. When Elijah was a freshman in high school, his grandfather - who he thought of

as the "village elder" - died suddenly, too: "It was like the oldest tree in the world was cut down when he passed away."

These losses might have been unbearable for many children and his grandmother remembers her fears: "There was a time when I was worried that by the time he got to the teenage years it might begin to manifest [as] anger - and there was nothing like that." She adds: "This young man, you cannot understand his tenacity. He doesn't let any obstacles keep him down."

Elijah says he learned from all his losses how to keep moving forward. Throughout it all, the honors student never stopped excelling in school. He is one of the five inspiring high school seniors the Children's Defense Fund will honor at its 25th annual Beat the Odds® celebration in Washington, D.C. on Nov. 5. Each will receive a \$10,000 college scholarship, a computer, guidance through the college admissions process, and an invitation to join CDF's servant leadership training programs.

Elijah is an inspiring example to other young people - and all of us - of resilience, grace, and the ability to beat the odds.

Marian Wright Edelman is president of the Children's Defense Fund whose Leave No Child Behind® mission is to ensure every child a Healthy Start, a Head Start, a Fair Start, a Safe Start and a Moral Start in life and successful passage to adulthood with the help of caring families and communities. For more information go to www.childrensdefense.org.

America's cherished 'White Space'

O(George Curry Media) ne weekend, in 1966, I was traveling with some Marine buddies from Eastern North Carolina to Myrtle Beach, S.C. After night fell, we began to see roadside signs advertising a "Fish Fry" taking place that evening near the South Carolina border. It was late, we had not eaten dinner; and fried fish sounded like a pretty good idea. We followed the signs that led down a dark country road to a point where cars were turning into an open field.

We fell into the long line of cars and pickup trucks and inched forward until we could see a man directing the vehicles to parking spots. Then, we realized that we had a big prob-

RAINBOW COALITION

Gun lobby can be defeated

E(George Curry Media) ach Monday in Chicago, we gird ourselves for the most recent score. Not on how well the Bears, Bulls or Blackhawks, Cubs or White Sox have fared, but on how many new victims of guns have been racked up. Two weekends ago, three were killed with 17 other shooting victims, according to CBS News.

Victims of gun shootings are spiking in Chicago and in cities across the country. From 2014 to 2015 to date, the murder rate in Milwaukee is up 76 percent. In St. Louis, it's up 60 percent, in Baltimore up 56 percent, and in the nation's capital, up 44 percent. Chicago is up "only" 20 percent, but the numbers are staggering - from 244 to 294 to date.

Someone in Chicago has been shot every 2.84 hours this year, a total of 2,349 shootings from January 1 to October 6, according to the Chicago Tribune tally. Over five years, Chicago police report 12,814 shootings and 2,583 murders, according to a chart provided me by the Chicago Police Department. We lost nearly as many people in Chicago alone

as we lost on 9/11.

Nearly nine of 10 murders (89 percent) are from gunshots. Eight of 10 victims are African-American males. The guns are not made in Chicago. The Chicago police recover about 7,000 illegal guns annually - more than any other city.

What we have here is a national security emergency. There is national mourning for the victims of the mass killing at Umpqua Community College in Oregon. But Chicago is experiencing an Umpqua almost every week.

Too many illegal guns are in circulation, from handguns to military assault rifles. These guns are powerful enough not only to shoot up churches and schools but to bring down airplanes. Too many legal guns are in the wrong hands. Too many young men use guns rather than reason to settle disputes, bullets rather than accomplishment to establish their manhood.

President Obama has spoken out forcefully against gun violence, but his proposed reforms have been dead on arrival in the Congress, unable even to come to a vote.

His most recent comments have despaired that yet another slaughter brings no action.

It is time to increase both the heat and the light. President Obama should convene a White House Conference on Gun Violence.

That commission should detail reforms needed to begin to address the epidemic of gun violence, and call the nation to action. The reforms can't be limited to closing gun show loopholes or other gun law reforms. The Department of Homeland Security should be there, detailing the threat posed by the spread of guns designed for the military, not for hunters.

We need to crack down on illegal gun ownership, with harsh penalties for repeat offenders. We should be jailing those who traffic in illegal guns, while reducing sentences for nonviolent drug offenders. There should be a push to revive the ban on assault weapons once more. It is ridiculous that weapons designed for war are spread across American streets.

But the murder spike represents more than simply too many guns. The violence stems from the growing misery of too few jobs, too many guns and too little hope. Any sensible plan against the spike in murders and shootings will include jobs for the young, increases in the minimum wage, guaranteed paid family leave days and more. The culture of drugs and guns has to be challenged with an economy of jobs and opportunity.

The Black Lives Matter Movement has raised awareness of the violence in our cities, focusing on the horror

of African-Americans threatened by the very police who are charged with protecting them. But the spike of murders and shootings comes not from the actions of the police but from the actions of residents.

Citizens in many cities want a crackdown on the trafficking and carrying of guns. But many cities find themselves preempted by state legislatures. The gun lobby has systematically pushed to get state legislatures to block municipal reforms. That has to be exposed and challenged.

It is too easy to be cynical, to suggest that the gun lobby always wins, or to dismiss gun control as inadequate. As the spike in murders continues, we witness a true national security crisis. Change will meet fierce resistance. Reform may be blocked and sabotaged again and again. But that is only reason to keep pushing. Make the case for fundamental reform at the local, state and national level. Lay out a comprehensive strategy. Challenge citizens to demand the changes that we need. No civilized country can allow this level of violence to continue without mobilizing in response.

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GOP: The wrecking ball party

I(George Curry Media) n late September, John Boehner, the Republican Speaker of the House, after years of battling Republican extremists in Congress, stunned the political world by announcing he was giving up that position and leaving Congress altogether at the end of October.

A substantial segment of GOP office-holders in Congress and their echo chamber in the conservative movement publicly rejoiced.

Then early this month, Boehner's deputy, Kevin McCarthy, the House Majority Whip who had seemingly been the odds-on favorite to succeed Boehner, suddenly announced - pushed by some conservatives leaking rumors of a longtime affair with a female member of Congress - that he wouldn't seek the post. Again, a substantial number of conservatives inside and outside the House cheered.

Amid the uproar, the name of Wisconsin Republican Paul Ryan floated to the top of candidates for the Speaker's post as a respected conservative who could end the embarrassing internal disarray. But almost immediately, Republican radicals and the conservative extremist echo chamber began deriding Ryan - the party's 2012 nominee for vice president - as "too liberal."

As of this writing, the House Republican majority has yet to choose a candidate for the position that constitutionally stands third in line to the presidency - even as crises loom over a potential breach of the debt ceiling and the GOP's threatening another government shutdown.

One question this vicious infighting brings to the forefront is this: In years to come will scholars mark these last few weeks with the equivalent of an historian's tombstone: "Here lies the Republican Party, 1856-2015?"

It's a fair question given that the holier-than-thou battles within the party about who's a "real" conservative are being fully reflected out on the political hustings: The GOP presidential primary has thus far seen the majority of Republican voters vault to the top of the polls three candidates who've never held elective or appointive office and who make the looniest fact-free claims.

The signs indicating the fracturing of the Republican Party have long been evident. In 2012, Thomas Mann and Norman Ornstein, two veteran scholars of American politics, published a book, *It's Even Worse Than It Looks*, describing how the GOP had adopted the tactic of polarization and Congressional gridlock for its own gain.

"The Republican Party," they wrote, "has become an insurgent outlier - ideologically extreme; contemptuous of the [nation's] inherited social and economic regime; scornful of compromise; unpersuaded

by conventional understanding of facts, evidence and science; and dismissive of the legitimacy of its political opposition."

This month's intra-party explosion should make several things even clearer: One is that the GOP is showing us how a real regime of "political correctness" operates. That those dirty words aren't being applied to GOP internal squabbles, its policy positions and its legislative actions proves they're just used to bash the progressive movement.

Secondly, it's also entirely clear that the GOP has become a party that can't govern honestly, as we've seen in state legislature after state legislature where Republicans are in the majority, or effectively, as we see to a pitiable extent with the Republican majority in the Congress.

Last week in an interview on BloombergView.com, Mann and Ornstein said, referencing their 2012 book, that "In most respects," the political crisis gripping Congress now "is worse, which was, sadly, not unpredictable."

There are numerous reasons why the GOP has devolved from a "party" to a "cabal" that's deliberately fostered a poisonous polarization and political gridlock. But the major cause is race - more specifically the rise of the Black vote as a crucial factor in American politics generally and especially in determining the outcome of presidential elections.

We're a long way from the 2000 Bush-Gore election, whose outcome had some predicting the Black vote's importance at the national level was at an

end. Instead, in voting terms, it has come to be the foundation on which the ballot-box edifice of the Democratic Party stands (and the harbinger, too, of the increasing importance of the Hispanic- and Asian-American vote).

In 2012, the Black voter turnout percentage of 66 percent eclipsed that of Whites for the first time in presidential voting. And the GOP well knows that extraordinary performance didn't simply stem from a desire to save Barack Obama's presidency. It showed an increasing commitment among Blacks to participate in the political process - as well as being a deliberate response to GOP's continuing campaign to suppress the Black vote.

That determination is why the GOP and its operatives on the Supreme Court's conservative bloc are intent on reconstructing in new ways the old Jim Crow barriers to the ballot box - this time for the entire Democratic Party coalition.

That's just one of the political challenges those Americans who don't support the GOP's wrecking-ball war must confront with all the political discipline and pragmatism they can muster.

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TO BE EQUAL

Black Lives Matter: A rallying cry for our times

"This is not a moment, but a movement."
- Black Lives Matter Organization

While it is obvious to many of us that all lives matter, it is not so obvious that in our great nation founded on the principles of equality and justice that Black lives matter.

Young Black men are at 21 times greater risk than young White men of being shot dead by police officers, according to a ProPublica analysis of available federal data. New laws guided by the old strategies of voter suppression are aimed at reducing Black turnout at the polls. Sixty years after the groundbreaking Brown vs. Board of Education ruling that put an end to legal segregation in American public schools, the practice is greater now than it was then.

And along with the resurgence of segregation comes an ever-widening achievement gap between White students and students of color. In our separate schools and classrooms, we find separate and unequal levels of achievement, and the separate and unequal distribution of resources necessary to narrow or eliminate the achievement gap. Despite our nation's most sustained period of job creation since the devastation of the Great Recession, the Black unemployment rate is consistently twice that of Whites.

When we say "Black lives matter," we acknowledge that while our nation has made significant and important strides its journey to create a more perfect union - the scales of equality and justice are still not balanced for all.

The Black Lives Matter Movement was created after the acquittal of George Zimmerman for the tragic and avoidable death of Trayvon Martin in Sanford, Fla. Since its creation, many more unarmed Black and Brown men and women have been killed at the hands of vigilantes and police officers. And, more often than not, their murderers are not held accountable.

If police tactics were the sparks that set off firestorms of outcry, protest and demands for change from New York to Missouri, and beyond, we know that seemingly intractable poverty, long-term joblessness and the pollution of hopelessness were the tinder. In our fight to save our cities, The National Urban League has - and will - continue to respond and shed light on the problems and inequities around education, jobs and justice, as well as offer what is needed most: solutions.

On the justice front, we presented our 10-Point Plan for Justice and Police Accountability to President Obama's taskforce on 21st century policing. We are committed to being an active part of the solutions that move our nation to deliver on its promise of fair treatment by law enforcement for every American.

We have also added our voice and proverbial muscle to the call that Congress hold hearings on the Voting Rights Advancement Act and commit itself to protecting all of our nation's citizens against voter suppression.

When it comes to jobs, we single-handedly put 16,000 people to work through our job-training programs. We also successfully advocated for key provisions that were ultimately included in the federal government's Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. Those provisions do the real work of training our workforce for 21st century jobs and connecting those employees with jobs that pay living wages.

On the education front, we continued to battle for equity in educational outcomes and resources. Our multimedia campaign, "Put Our Children First," strengthened our continued support for Common Core state standards. We are also advocating along with a variety of civil rights, social justice groups and business leaders to get Congress to re-authorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. Fifty years ago, President Lyndon B. Johnson recognized that eliminating racial and economic disparities in education would play a critical role in building a more just society. Fifty years later, we are still fighting towards that goal.

If we, as a nation, are serious about our claim that all lives matter, it is paramount that we not only acknowledge the mounting disparities, but we begin to implement the solutions that open up opportunity and justice to marginalized communities - only then will all lives truly matter. The cry that "Black lives matter" doesn't mean that those are the only lives that matter in our country, it means Black lives matter, too. Our nation's citizens must be offered equal access and opportunity to quality education, jobs with living wages and fair treatment under our nation's system of justice for all lives to truly matter.

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fight. The camp also instituted a new policy of requiring prospective campers to submit a photograph along with their applications.

Four years after my Vermont camping experience, a progressive Episcopal priest invited my family to join all-White Bruton Parish Church in Williamsburg, Va. Prior to our becoming this time, there were no KKK robes, but several individuals made it abundantly clear that they were not happy with our presence. One prominent member of the congregation even suggested that Blacks and Whites did not go to the same heaven, not that he would know.

There are many manifestations of White privilege today, and White space is just one of them. And a Black presence in a White space is unwelcome because it contradicts the notions of White meritocracy upon which White privilege is ultimately justified.

When African American students complain of not being made to feel welcome at Ivy League schools, it is because they are perceived by some Whites to have trespassed into White space. When Black professionals occupying corporate suites get the "stink eye" from their White counterparts, it's because executive proficiency and expertise is believed to be the domain of White people. In the minds of many Whites the only space available to Black folk is at the back of the bus, on the bottom rung of the economic ladder or in those human warehouses, called "prisons." To some Whites, all of America is White space, and people of color are intruders or mere inconveniences whose presence are only allowed with permission.

White space is where White Americans expect to enjoy "the good life" and the bounty of this country. But as with an exclusive country club, most people of color need not apply.

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New Hanover County

Haso Ministries will sponsor Feed The Needy every 1st Saturday of each month at 5-Star Café, 604 Redcross Street at 11:00 a.m. For more information contact Ramona at 910-264-4530.



Community Briefs

Narconon reminds families that abuse of addictive pharmaceutical drugs is on the rise. Learn to recognize the signs of drug abuse and get your loved ones help if they are at risk. Call Narconon for a free brochure on the signs of addiction for all types of drugs. Narconon also offers free screenings and referrals. 800-431-1754 or Prescription-abuse.org. Narconon can help you take steps to overcome addiction in your family. Call today for free screenings or referrals. 800-431-1754.

The New Hanover County Schools' (NHCS) Early Childhood Education Program will hold two informational meetings on the NC Pre-Kindergarten Program for all DCDEE licensed 4 and 5 star child care facilities in New Hanover County. The meeting will cover the NC Pre-Kindergarten Standardized Site Selection Process including all eligibility and funding requirements and the availability of being an NC Pre-K classroom. Two meetings will be held in the Boardroom at the Dale K. Spencer Building located at 1802 S. 15th Street in Wilmington, NC. The meeting dates are Tuesday, October 27th at 6:30 pm and Wednesday, October 28th at 10:30 am. Sites interested in applying must attend ONE of the informational sessions in order to submit an application. There is no need to RSVP for the meeting. You may contact Angie Casha at angela.casha@nhcs.net with questions. For additional information on the NC Division of Child Development and Early Education, please visit http://ncchildcare.nc.gov/general/mb_ncprek.asp.

Williston Senior High Class of '61 will hold its fourth quarter meeting on Sunday, October 25th at Mt. Olive AME Church Fellowship Hall, 1001 S. 7th St. at 4:00 p.m. Topics to be addressed at the meeting include: planning for 55th class reunion 2016 and providing support for the Williston Alumni Association's Annual Scholarship Program. All graduates and those who were "on track" at Williston but graduated from somewhere else to participate in the meeting. Also out of town classmates who are in Wilmington on the 25th.

The New Hanover County Chapter of the North Carolina Black Leadership Caucus will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 27th at 6:30 p.m. at Robert Taylor Senior Homes Dining Room. Please park in the Visitor Parking Lot or by the dining room. For more information please call 910-274-7067.

The Wilmington Prostate Cancer Support Group meets at 6:00 p.m. the first Thursday monthly in the SEAHEC Auditorium at New Hanover Regional Medical Center, 17th Street, Wilmington, NC. Invited are men-and their partners-who are newly diagnosed and researching treatments, those previously treated, those who are experiencing a recurrence, and those who are undergoing advanced treatment for prostate cancer. Support is available from those previously treated and formal programs and literature supply information about all stages of prostate cancer and recovery.

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HOMETOWN NEWS FROM BRUNSWICK COUNTY

A very cold winter

This year, we could have a very cold winter. Hopefully, people working outside will wear enough clothes to keep their bodies warm and gloves for their hands, etc. Men using machines may be a little warmer than those wearing boots outside in very cold weather.

We need to support families in need when it's very cold. Some have no heat inside. We need to think about others, for example, the homeless and hungry, whether they are nearby or far away. In the cold winter there are people struggling to pay bills and keep their children in school.

Some arrangements can be made in school for a hungry

child. I feel that a hungry child can't learn reading skills as readily as a child who has been blessed with a healthful breakfast. Every child needs a healthful breakfast before going to school every day.

It can be hard at times for a single parent on a tight budget. The parent worries about having enough food for their children when they get home from school. These children need enough nutritious food to help them develop into healthy individuals.

Poor people will always be living in this land of plenty. How can we look at a hungry child in our neighborhoods and not be moved to help? These children would be thankful for a piece of bread and a glass of milk. I wish I could ask the very rich American Republican presidential candidates, "Will you do more to help the poor people?" They are not given the help they need from people in

authority, and much of our tax money is being spent on erosion on beaches. It happens over and over again when there is a hurricane, etc. In North Carolina, 1 in 5 families with children are threatened by hunger. We need to help make sure America's hungry children are not forgotten! These children could be great leaders one day.

Many families are challenged with all their food's being gone by the last week of the month. You can help with these children, whether they be Black or White. Think about the times when parents skip meals to make sure their children have something to eat. Food and essential clothing, such as coats, sweaters, and other winter clothes are greatly needed, and we who are more fortunate can help provide such necessities. It will make a difference on a cold day when the ground is covered with snow. Groceries

can be taken to homes for these people in need.

Also we need a nationwide program to help families of officers killed in the line of duty. A poor person can help another poor person! What about you?

Verniece E. Stanley is a native of Brunswick County. She grew up on a farm but wanted more excitement in life. She graduated from high school in Brunswick County in 1948 and graduated from Fayetteville State Teachers' College in 1952. She taught school in Brunswick County for nine years. She moved to Baltimore, Maryland, married, and taught school for twenty-five more years. She received her master's degree from Morgan State College in Baltimore City. She retired and moved back to Bolivia, N.C. where she enjoys writing articles for The Wilmington Journal and is an active member of the NAACP Board.

Sickled Life

BY BRYAN BALLARD
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Sickled Life was created locally in Wilmington, North Carolina by a sickle cell patient, Bryan Ballard. He started working on this as his senior project in high school. He organized a blood drive with the Red Cross as part of the project with the hope of forming a sickle cell awareness organization.

Sickled Life is an awareness group seeking to help the world be informed on Sickle Cell. Sickle Cell around the world is not known as much as other diseases. Sickled Life was designed to inform, and support anybody in need of help. No matter if you are the Sickle Cell patient or you know someone with Sickle Cell, we are here to help in any way.

Bryan has been through so

many different struggles in his life dealing with sickle cell. One being he didn't make it to his senior project blood drive previously mentioned because he was hospitalized dealing with sickle cell complications. Other struggles have included missing time out of school, in and out of the hospital, spleen and gallbladder removed, blood transfusions, and not to mention plenty of pain throughout my life from my head to toes. One of the scariest struggles with Sickle Cell was WALKING into the hospital with a hemoglobin of 2.7, and being told by the doctor that he shouldn't have been able to WALK into the hospital. Normally his hemoglobin is a 7.5 to 8, walking with a 2.7 has really showed Bryan how blessed he is. The doctor stated "That is the lowest hemoglobin that he has ever seen walk into the hospital." He called it "A hospital record" and I called it "A Blessing!"

"Sickled Life" will eventually be so big that grocery stores, restaurants, and even convenient stores will be asking "would you like to donate a dollar to the Sickled Life Foundation to help Sickle Cell patients?" At this point Bryan is just starting off slow by creating the website, an Instagram page, a Twitter page, and a Facebook page. I strongly encourage everyone reading this to spread the word about Sickle Cell and every single one of the pages.

Sickle cell is most common in African Americans, but not just African Americans can get it anymore. Sickle cell should be taken very seriously. Please help and support. Get tested by your local doctor today.

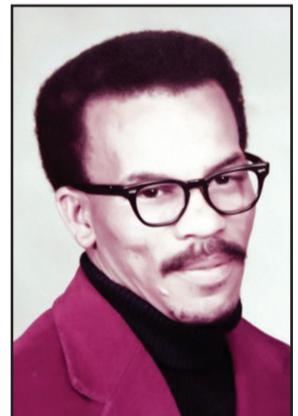


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1st Annual Sickled Life Walk at Smith Creek Park on September 12, 2015.

We cannot do this alone though so we need you to go out and spread the word about Sickled Life, and our organization. Tell your friends, family, family friends, neighbors, whoever we just ask that you spread the word in some way.

For more information visit our website at: <http://sickledlife.wix.com/sickledlife>. Also stay in touch or ask questions via: Facebook: Sickled Life; Twitter: @SickledLife; Instagram: sickledlife or Email: sickledlife@gmail.com.

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Mr. Terah Carlton Mitchell

Terah Carlton Mitchell was born on February 12, 1946 in Wilmington, North Carolina a blessing bestowed to Alvin and Rebecca Mitchell. Terah departed this life on October 6th and is resting comfortably and safely in our saviors loving arms. He was an only child and enjoyed the love and care that his parents so generously provided. He was raised in the Maco community of Brunswick County making Christian Hope his church home. The funeral service was held Tuesday, October 13, 2015 at Scottish Rite Temple. Burial was held at Pellow Cemetery.

He attended the public schools in Brunswick County and graduated from Lincoln High School in 1964.

He enlisted in the United States Army on December 2, 1965, and served very honorably until his discharge on December 31, 1985.

On February 16, 1966, he married the love of his life, Shirley Mae Collins, and within a few years, God blessed them with seven children; Terah Carlton Mitchell Jr of Wilmington NC, Gregory Eugene Evans of Stone Mountain GA, Gwendolyn Pellow of Brunswick County, Teresa Carlotta Lewis (Olin) of Whigham GA, Charles Alvin Mitchell, Regina Renae Mitchell of Wilmington NC and Wayne Cornelius Mitchell. A very dear friend, almost like a brother, Johnathan Pellow and a very special niece, Rosa Lee Jackson, along with nephews, Wilbert Earl Jackson and Tracy Lamont Jackson. Terah leaves behind three sisters; Elanor Jacobs of Snellville GA, Gloria McClammy (Jimmie) of Wilmington NC, Donna Boney (Aaron) of Wilmington NC and one

brother, Mike Evans of Wilmington NC, one uncle Harlee Evans of Wilmington NC and one aunt, Ann Ballard of Wilmington NC. Pastor Marshall Collins, a very loving and kind brother-in-law, who has stood by our daddy in times of cries and joy, always coming to comfort and pray in times of need.

A devoted husband and loving father, his family was his pride and joy. Terah is the proud grandfather of twenty and great grandfather of eight along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and multitude of friends. Terah was known by many names. Some knew him as Sarge, Brick, Mitch, even the Cadillac man and it never mattered which name you called, he always answered.

He found pleasure in fishing and in playing cards. He enjoyed working outside in his family's garden and was always ready to lend a helping hand. Whenever he felt down and was missing family that has passed on, you could hear him playing his favorite gospel song: I Stood on the Banks of Jordan.

Although gone from our physical presence, we will carry him in hearts and memory each and every day, knowing that our daddy, granddaddy, uncle and cousin loved us unconditionally. *Arrangements by Adkins-Drain Funeral Service, 515 South Eighth Street, Wilmington, North Carolina 28401. Condolences may be shared at www.adkinsdrain-funeralservice.com.*

Jimmy Lewis

Jimmy Lewis died Friday, October 9, 2015 at LCFH. Funeral services were held Friday, October 16, 2015 at St. Stephen AME Church.

Jimmy was born in Wilmington, NC on July 5, 1940, to the late William and

Ernestine Lewis, Sr. Educated in Wilmington, NC, Jimmy graduated in the Class of 1958 from Williston Senior High School. Following graduation, Jimmy entered the US Army where he served his country proudly. After his military service, because his dad William was a great brick mason, Jimmy enjoyed it so much he became skilled and did so until his health failed. Jimmy and his father's famous masonry work is still shining bright in Wilmington. Aside from working on his craft, Jimmy loved to be among family and friends. Throughout his lifetime he could assure you he had adopted several of his children's friends. He would walk tall and smooth with his famous toothpick in his mouth. His love for his family was amazing and he would just laugh because they all were fun to be around. The love of his life for 57 years was Shirley Baldwin better known as "SL". They were blessed with 5 children.

In addition to the parents he was preceded in death by his brothers, William Lewis, Jr, Edward Wayne Lewis and James Brown; mother-in-law, Violet point; brother-in-law, Bert Baldwin and very dear friends, Willie Sidbury and Mickie Brooks. *A Service of John H. Shaw Son's Funeral Home.*

Mattie Pearl Carr Streets

Mattie Pearl Carr Streets died Sunday, October 11th at NHRMC. Funeral services were held on Saturday, October 17, 2015 at Willie L. Shaw Jr. Memorial Chapel.

Mattie, the daughter of the late Isaac McCrae and Margaret E. Carr Berry was born January 27, 1945. "Miss Mattie" as she was affectionately known by her friends and co-workers loved life and

life loved her. Mattie was the eldest of her siblings. She attended New Hanover County Schools and after graduation, left Wilmington and moved to Hartford, Connecticut. While in Hartford, she obtained a Secretarial Science Degree and before moving back to Wilmington in 1976, she worked for the Hartford Insurance Group. When Mattie arrived back in Wilmington, she became employed with the New Hanover Regional Medical Center as a certified unit clerk. She retired after 30 years f service. Her spiritual relationship and service was an important part of her daily life. She was a dutiful member of the Supreme Council of the House of Jacob of the United States of America, Inc.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Ronald Berry and sister, Telia Stewart.

Surviving to cherish her legacy are: her husband of forty-three years, Earl Streets; son, Gregory D.

White, Sr.; daughter, Kimberly (Anthony) Walker; two adopted children, Katie (Sam) Saunders and Michael Coe; nine brothers, Robert (Mary) Berry, Waddell (Helen) Berry, James (Lisa) Berry, Michael Berry, Donald (Devonia) Berry, Thaddeus McCrae, Jacques McCrae, Michael McCrae; four sisters, Barbara pegues, Carrie Corley, Marion (Harold) Morant, Renee (Len) Henderson; 14 grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw Son's Funeral Home.*

CNA Nurse at Manor Care and worked until her health failed. In 1957, she met the love of her life, Mr. Jerry Beatty; they were blessed with one son, Mr. Clifton Beatty and a daughter-in-law, Ruth Beatty, who preceded her in death.

She leaves to cherish her loving memories: one son, Mr. Clifton Beatty, Sr.; daughter-in-law, Carolyn Beatty; a very special grandson, Mr. Clifton Beatty, Jr. "Peanut" who played a very special role in her heart. There was nothing she would not do for her "Peanut"; eleven grandchildren; twenty-seven great-grandchildren; sister, Alenta Delts of Duquesne, PS; brother-in-law, Mr. Leroy Beatty (Shirley) of Wilmington, NC; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends including one special friend until death did them part, Mrs. Doris Kelly. *A Service of John H. Shaw Son's Funeral Home.*

and a host of other relatives and friends, including, Miguel Simpson, Omar McIntyre, Antonio Regus, Jerzy Thomas, Mitchel Love and Megan. *A Service of John H. Shaw Son's Funeral Home.*

James "Jimmy" Wade

James "Jimmy" Wade died Tuesday, October 13th at Lower Cape Fear Hospice. Funeral services were held Monday, October 19th at Myrtle Grove First Born Holiness Church. Burial followed in Oak Grove Cemetery.

Mr. James Lewis Wade, son of the late Lewis Wade and Lydia Wade Wilson, was born April 29, 1944, in Lumberton, North Carolina. "Jimmy" as he was affectionately called, was employed with the International Longshoremen's Association Local 1426, Wilmington, North Carolina, from which he retired.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his beloved wife, Ernestine Wade; his daughter, Renee Wade Humphries (Howard); three grandchildren, Jaymes, Marckus and Marquia; his mother, Lydia Wilson; brother, Eddie D. Wilson, thought of as a son; many more brothers, sisters, other relatives and special friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw Son's Funeral Home.*

Jerome Cromartie

Jerome Cromartie died Sunday, October 11th died Sunday at NHRMC. Funeral services were held on Saturday, October 17, 2015 at St. Phillip AME Church. Burial followed in Calvary Memorial Cemetery.

Jerome was born on October 11, 1988 to Fredericka Hines and Xavier Bradley, at New Hanover Regional Medical Center, Wilmington, North Carolina. He entered his eternal rest on October 11, 2015. He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Rosa-Lee Bradley; grandfather, Jerome Cromartie; step-brother, Alquon Flowers and his niece, Angel Robinson.

Jerome attended New Hanover High School and furthered his education at Cape Fear Community College. During his younger days, Jerome accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior. He loved to attend Apostolic Tabernacle and his passion was to teach and preach the word of God. Jerome was a young man who loved life and lived life to the fullest. He always had a loving spirit with a warm heart, always greeting you with a smile. Although he always put family first, his friends were dear to his heart.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his mother, Fredericka Hines (Gary) and father, Xavier Bradley; six sisters, Xavier Cromartie and Marie Bradley; thre special aunts, Adrienda Cromartie, Teka Bradley and Dyshawna Bradley; a special uncle, Jimmy Hicks, Sr.; five nieces, Ma'Kynze Nelson, Jaziya Locke, Saige Travis-Hines, Ca'Mile Thomas-Hines and KwaNae Hines-Ramos; five nephews, Maurice Zion Hines, Zavion Hines, Ja'Tayvian Hanible and Damerion Green; a special cousin, Tyreke Joye; a best friend, Desmond Mawrrow

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kindness
And shared with us her love.
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life
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together
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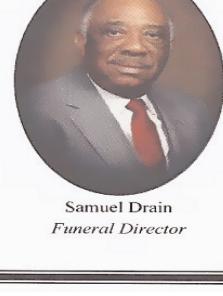
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New Hanover County

Central Missionary Baptist Church, 702 Red Cross St., will hold a 3 day revival at 7:00 p.m. nightly. Wednesday, November 4th- the guest pastor will be Rev. Richard Smith along with the choir, ushers and congregation of Mt. Nebo Missionary Baptist Church. Thursday, November 5th-the guest pastor will be Rev. Timothy Davis with the choir, ushers and congregation of New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church. Friday, November 6th- the guest pastor will be Elder Kevin Hooper with the choir, ushers and congregation of Agape Love Church. On Sunday, November 8th the church will celebrate Family & Friends Day at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Richard Robinson, pastor delivering the morning message and at 3:00 p.m. the guest pastor will be Rev. Carl McIntyre with the choir, ushers and congregation of New Hope Missionary Baptist Church.



Religious Briefs

First Baptist Church Scotts Hill, 8800 Market St., will hold their fall revival from Wednesday, October 21st- Friday, October 23rd. Reverend Bennt Battle of Reform Shiloh Church, New Bern, NC will be the speaker.

Ministry of Deliverance, 2162 Wrightsville Ave., will hold "The Abraham Anointing School of the Prophets" from Thursday, October 22nd - Saturday, October 24th. Morning session at 8:30 a.m. and evening session at 7:30 p.m. The speaker will be Apostle Ken Cox of Durham, NC. For more information please contact Apostle Ken Cox at 919-695-3375

New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, 701 S. 12th St., will be celebrating their Gospel Choir Anniversary on Saturday, October 24th at 4:00 p.m. There will be choirs and singers from the surrounding areas.

The Traveling Shoes Ministry will celebrate their anniversary at Bethel Holiness Church, Market St. on October 25th at 3:30 p.m.. There will be Praise Dancing and Old time Gospel singing.

Brunswick County

Holy Covenant United Holy Church, 237 Snowfield Rd., will celebrate their annual homecoming on Sunday, November 8th at 3:30 p.m. The guest will be Elder Russell Rogers, choir and congregation of Pentecostal United Holy Church, Lumberton, NC. For further information contact Reverend Sandra Bullard at 910-338-7264.

Walk Into Your Inheritance Outreach Ministries is accepting clothing donations at 1757 Stanley Rd., Supply, NC. For more information contact Elder Utrillia Bryant at 910-508-6861.

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OBITUARIES

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Ida Mae Fambrough

Ida Mae Fambrough, 86, of Wilmington, died Wednesday, October 14, 2015 at Lower Cape Fear Hospice Care Center. Funeral services will be held 12:30 p.m. Saturday, October 24, 2015 at Davis Funeral Home. Burial will follow in the Greenlawn Memorial Garden. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. A Davis Funeral

Home service.

Barbara Ann Evans

Barbara Ann Evans, 43, of Bolivia, died Saturday, October 17, 2015 at New Hanover Regional Medical Center. Funeral services will be held 12:00 noon Friday, October 23, 2015 at St. John Missionary Baptist Church, Bolivia. Burial will follow in the Evans Family Cemetery. Viewing will be one hour prior to the service. A Davis Funeral

In Loving Memory Of Our Parents



Rueall Bennerman, Sr.
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Sunset: November 26, 1990

Velma Nixon Bennerman
Sunrise: November 14, 1922
Sunset: June 29, 1999

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Dear Dad and Mom,
We will always cherish sweet memories of you.
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great grand children, other relatives and friends

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SENIOR MOMENTS

My Fellow Seniors:

As I sat down to write this article, I saw that my pen had gone dry. I kept scratching, but it was no use. That's when I realized I had nothing to say. I looked over a few of my previous articles, and the truth is that I have been repeating myself. My ink has run out in more ways than one.

My major concern has been neighborhood improvement. I thought that, if we could do something in this community, we would set an

The last "Senior Moment"

example for others to follow and then, step by step, we could make this world a better place. No government can do that, but the church can.

I see the church as the center of the community, a place where we could come together and discuss whatever problems we might have. Of course, Bible study has always been

our main purpose, but I had the notion that we could add something more. If we widen the doors of the church, we could deal with anything from AIDS to Alzheimers. A united Christian community could come up with a plan that would close the educational gap in our educational system. We also need an affordable group home for at-risk seniors who are living alone and afraid of falling.

In our present economy, it's hard to get ahead. Many young couples can barely make it from one pay check

to the next. The high cost of rent is just money down the drain. Yet, many senior citizens are living in what is known as an empty nest.

If we would share our homes for just a short while, many of our young people would soon move from poor to middle class, but you have heard all of this before. If you can use any of it, be my guest. Since I have nothing new to say, I hope someone else can use this space.

Mrs. Ruth Johnson is a First Baptist Church Ministry Worker.

SENIOR CITIZENS' FELLOWSHIP

"A proud country girl's perspective of a family"

BY FANNIE ALLEN
AND SHELIA ROSS
CONTRIBUTING WRITERS

Oh what a beautiful morning! O what a beautiful day! The Senior Citizens' Fellowship met at our usual time and place, and, as usual, we were all glad to be here one more time. The meeting was called to order by President Eloise Purdie. She said, "It is a great day!" She then asked Mr. George Hill and the choir to come Mr. Hill said, "This is a great day!" We opened by singing "I Am on the Battlefield." We had a great, and much needed, prayer, led by Mrs. Ethel Hamilton. Our next song was, "Where Could I Go But to the Lord?" Minister Doris McQuillian came and said that God has spared us to come out one more time. She said, "We had to put on more clothes, but, thank God, we are here.

Our speaker was Ms.

Frances Burney Matthews. Her topic was "A Proud Country Girl's Perspective of a Family." She said, "A wise person once said, 'It takes a village to raise a child.'" She said that she grew up in Roseboro, N. C. and was very lucky to live in a town where so many people cared. Without the support of those in our lives who have played a significant role, we would not be where we are in life now. Our families have inspired us to live up to our potential. They have supported us in many ways, financially, emotionally, and spiritually. They have gotten up early and stayed up late to make sure we were safe. She said, "It's not about blood. It's about love. It is about Christ in our actions and deeds. It's about family." She said that too many "Days of our Lives" are spent at the "Edge of Night" and in "General Hospital." It's time for us to be "Bold and

Beautiful" and act "Young and Restless" in our "Search for Tomorrow" because "As the World Turns" we have "One Life to Live," and, with it, we must be the "Guiding Light" in the struggle to build "Another World." That is where the emphasis, the need, and the value are ever present in us and in "All our Children." Everyone enjoyed her.

Matt Terro, a representative from Seashore Drugs, was also a great speaker today. He spoke to us on vaccines for seniors. It is important to get vaccinated for different diseases. Medicare should pay for most or your insurance. Check and see who is accountable. Stay on top of your medical needs, such as flu shots. Take your medicines, it is very important! You should have a medicine/pill container or box. Know how your medicines may react to other medicines,

foods, and drugs. Please dispose of any expired medicines at proper medical drop offs. Do not just throw them out for animals to get or in the drains and sewage pipes. Thank you so much, Matt for coming out to be a blessing with such valuable information.

The messages today were enjoyed by all and were given a round of applause. Mrs. Purdie thanked everyone for their participation so far. The meeting was turned over to Vice President Gladys Taylor. She asked the secretary to give us our minutes. We then had roll call. Caller reports were given. The winner was Gladys Taylor, with eleven. The Sick Report was given by Mrs. Annie Haskins.

Our circle was formed. Prayer was given by Minister Doris McQuillian. There were forty-seven present.

TELL SOMEBODY

"A Sinner's Friend"

"For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23

Friend - One attached to another by respect or affection

What is a friend? A friend is someone who knows everything about you, and loves you anyway. What exactly is a sinner's friend? One might ask. Is it someone who accompanies the sinner in his sin? Is it someone who is a co-conspirator? Is it someone who profits from the sin that is committed? What, or shall we ask who, is a Sinner's Friend"? Where does a sinner go to find a friend? How does a sinner recognize a true friend? What does a sinner have to do to gain a friend? Who is willing

to be a sinner's Friend? "And there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother." Proverbs 18:24 "And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin." I John 3:5

The questions apply to everyone in the whole world, because, we all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. Romans 3:23 We were born in sin and shaped in iniquity. If everyone is born in sin, what is the HOPE of a sinner? Jesus answered this question when he told Nicodemus, "That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, ye must be born again." John 3:6-7 "Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered." Psalm 32:1

The bible defines time and time again, the true measure of a friend, and shows us who our True Friend actually is, without a shadow of a doubt! "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." John 1:29b "But

God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8 "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." John 15:13

"A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity." Proverbs 17:17

"For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be the righteousness of God in him." II Cor. 5:21

"A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother." Proverbs 18:24

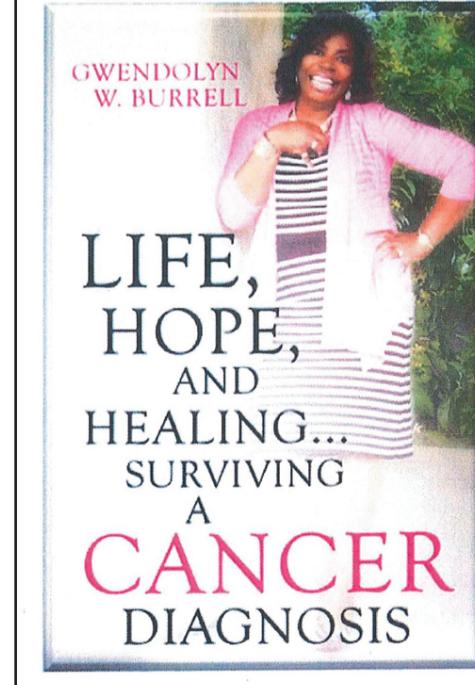
"I Timothy 1:15, "This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief."

"For I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." Matthew 9:13 B "Surely he hath borne our grief, and carried our (3)

sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God and afflicted." Isaiah 53:4

What a friend, we have in JESUS, all our sins and griefs to bear. What a privilege it is to carry everything to God in prayer. It is good to know we have at least one friend in this world, that we all can count on. Thank God for Jesus! Tell Somebody!

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



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The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Pamela Smith Walton, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 8th day of January, 2016, 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 8th day of October, 2015
Alice G. Walton, Administratrix
220 Cabrini Blvd. Apt. 6H
New York, NY 10033

October 8, 15, 22, 29, 2015

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER
In the Matter of the Estate of
Joan Lorraine Posey, Deceased

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Joan Lorraine Posey, deceased, of New Hanover County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before January 15, 2015, or this Notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All persons indebted to the said decedent or estate shall please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 14th day of October, 2015.

Thomas L. Posey, Jr.
Executor of the Estate
of Joan Lorraine Posey
c/o Anthony L. Register
Alley, Register & McClellan
701 North 4th Street
Wilmington, NC 28401

October 15, 22, 29, November 5, 2015

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Katharine S. Medlock**, 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 **22nd day of January, 2016**, 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 22nd day of October, 2015

William N. Medlock, Executor of the Estate of Katharine S. Medlock
201 Oval Park Place
Chapel Hill, NC 27517
Murchison, Taylor & Gibson, PLLC
16 North Fifth Avenue
Wilmington, NC 28401

October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2015

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as Executive of the Estate of **Celeste James** late of Wilmington, NC, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **22nd day of January, 2016**, 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 22nd of October, 2015

Charlene Sidberry, Executrix
4420 Jay Bird Circle 104
Wilmington, NC 28412

October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2015

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER
In the Matter of the Estate of
Ethel R. Farmer

The undersigned having qualified as Personal Representative of the Estate of **Ethel R. Farmer**, deceased, late of New Hanover County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the estate to present such claims to the undersigned C/O Terry B. Richardson, Attorney at Law, 209 Princess Street, Wilmington, NC 28401 on or before the **27th day of January, 2016**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of your recovery. All persons indebted to the estate will please make immediate payment.

This 16th of October, 2015

Lucille Waddell, Personal Representative
Terry B. Richardson
Attorney for the Estate
209 Princess Street
Wilmington, NC 28401

October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2015

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COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of **Doris Riggs Smith**, 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 **4th day of January, 2016**, 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 1st day of October, 2015
James G. Smith, Administrator
5426 Andover Road
Wilmington, NC 28403

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 2015

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, David E. Anderson, Esq., having qualified on the 25th day of September, 2015, as Administrator of the Estate of **Michael R. Rosella, Jr.**, deceased, this is to notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the Estate that they must present them to the undersigned at GRAVES MAY PLLC, c/o Attorney David Anderson, 5700 Oleander Dr., Wilmington, North Carolina, 28403, on or before the **1st day of January, 2016**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of your recovery. All persons indebted to the estate will please make immediate payment.

This 28th of September, 2015.

David E. Anderson, Esq.
Administrator
ESTATE OF MICHAEL R. ROSELLA,
JR.
David Anderson
GRAVES MAY, PLLC
5700 Oleander Dr.
Wilmington, NC 28403

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 2015

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned having qualified as Executor of the Estate of **Beatrice Fullwood Roberts** late of Wilmington, NC, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **22nd day of January, 2016**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This 22nd of October, 2015.

Alford C. Messick, Jr., Executor
4505 Myers Park Dr.
Durham, NC 27705

October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2015

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned having qualified as Executor of the Estate of **Robert A. Thomas**, deceased, are notified to present the same to the personal representative listed below on or before **January 20, 2016** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All debtors of the said estate are asked to make immediate payment.

This the 22nd day of October, 2015.

Andrew Olsen, Attorney
Elder Law Firm of Andrew Olsen
6781 Parker Farm Drive, Suite 210
Wilmington, NC 28405

October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2015

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned having qualified as Personal Representative of the Estate of **Jimmy Robinson**, deceased, late of New Hanover County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the estate to present such claims to the undersigned C/O Terry B. Richardson, Attorney at Law, 209 Princess Street, Wilmington, NC 28401 on or before the **5th day of January, 2016**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of your recovery. All persons indebted to the estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 24th of September, 2015.

Alexander D. Jackson, Executor
Terry B. Richardson
Attorney for the Estate
209 Princess Street
Wilmington, NC 28401

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 2015

MEETING NOTICE

A meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) of the Wilmington Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) will be held on Wednesday, October 28, 2015 at 3:00pm in the Lord Spencer Compton Conference Room (1st Floor), City Hall, 102 N. 3rd Street, Wilmington, NC.

The TAC is comprised of elected officials from local governments in the Wilmington area and the North Carolina Board of Transportation. The TAC sets the priorities for regional transportation planning and State and Federal transportation infrastructure investments in the Wilmington area.

A 15-minute public comment period will be available at the beginning of the meeting.

Please contact Penny Bray at 341-3258, in advance if possible, if you plan to speak during the public comment period.

This 22nd of October, 2015.

Mike Kozlosky
Executive Director
Wilmington Urban Area
Metropolitan Planning
Organization

October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2015

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the estate of **Eugene E. Murphy**, 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 **4th day of January, 2016**, 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 1st day of October, 2015
Jeanne N. Murphy, Executrix
Of the Estate of Eugene E.
Murphy

7407 Alestone Drive
Wilmington, NC 28411
Murchison, Taylor &
Gibson, PLLC

16 North Fifth Avenue
Wilmington, NC 28401

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 2015

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of **Beatrice Fullwood Roberts** late of Wilmington, NC, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **22nd day of January, 2016**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This 22nd of October, 2015.

Alford C. Messick, Jr., Executor
4505 Myers Park Dr.
Durham, NC 27705

October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2015

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned having qualified as Personal Representative of the Estate of **Robert A. Thomas**, deceased, are notified to present the same to the personal representative listed below on or before **January 20, 2016** or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All debtors of the said estate are asked to make immediate payment.

This the 22nd day of October, 2015.

Andrew Olsen, Attorney
Elder Law Firm of Andrew Olsen
6781 Parker Farm Drive, Suite 210
Wilmington, NC 28405

October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2015

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned having qualified as Personal Representative of the Estate of **Jimmy Robinson**, deceased, late of New Hanover County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the estate to present such claims to the undersigned C/O Terry B. Richardson, Attorney at Law, 209 Princess Street, Wilmington, NC 28401 on or before the **5th day of January, 2016**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of your recovery. All persons indebted to the said estate will please make payment to the undersigned at either address set out below.

This 22nd of October, 2015.

The Law Office of Erma L. Johnson, P.C.

2803 Market Street
Po Box 696

Wilmington, NC 28402

October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2015

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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 **Alda Beaman Stokes**, late of 5725 Carolina Beach Road, Wilmington, 28412, New Hanover County, North Carolina, the undersigned 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 January, 2016**, 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 October, 2015.

Susan Latour
Administrator of the Estate of Alda Beaman Stokes
CLARK, NEWTON & EVANS PA
509 Princess Street
Wilmington, NC 28401

October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2015

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
NEW HANOVER COUNTY

In the District Court
Case No. 13CV003859

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vs.
Alejandra Ruiz Bautista
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To: Alejandra Ruiz Bautista

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This, the 15th day of October, 2015

Margaret Jennings
Attorney for Eloy Gonzalez Hernandez
1501 South Third Street
Wilmington, NC 28401

October 15, 22, 29, 2015

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