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with the truth?"**

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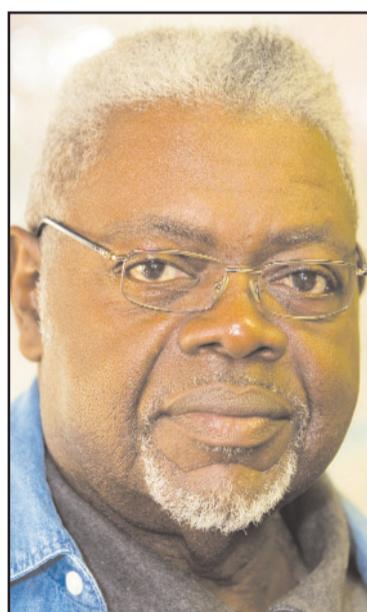
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**NC Hand Car  
Wash opens  
in Shallotte**

BY BERNEST HEWETT  
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Last week I had the pleasure of talking with a young Black man, Willie Frink, III. He is the son of Willie M. Frink and Ruby G. Frink and the grandson of The Reverend Willie Frink of Ash (Little Prong), here in Brunswick County. He is a graduate of West Brunswick High School, Class of 2000. He made a living as a merchant seaman, chief steward, and now he has purchased, and operates, the NC Hand Car Wash, Main Street, Shallotte, N.C. He

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## President Obama backs 'Band the Box' to help former prisoners get jobs

BY HAZEL TRICE EDNEY  
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(TriceEdneyWire.com) - President Barack Obama, who this week enacted the largest release of prisoners at one time in 30 years, has announced that he is "taking action to 'ban the box' for the most competitive jobs at federal agencies."

That means he is pushing to remove all job application questions about a person's prior criminal record in order to make it easier for the former inmates to get jobs. Those questions have often ended

with rejection slips; especially for convicted felons.

"Now, the federal government is a big employer, as you know, and like a lot of big employers, on many job applications there's a box that asks if you have a criminal record. If you answer yes, then a lot of times you're not getting a call back," the President told the audience during a criminal justice forum at Rutgers University in Newark, N.J. "We're going to do our part in changing this. The federal government, I believe, should not use criminal history to screen out applicants

before we even look at their qualifications. We can't dismiss people out of hand simply because of a mistake that they made in the past."

Obama's announcement quickly won resounding applause from civil rights, criminal justice and labor groups.

"Unfortunately, too many hard-working and highly qualified men and women are finding their path to success blocked by a system that is rigged against them," said Richard

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**PRESIDENT  
BARACK OBAMA**

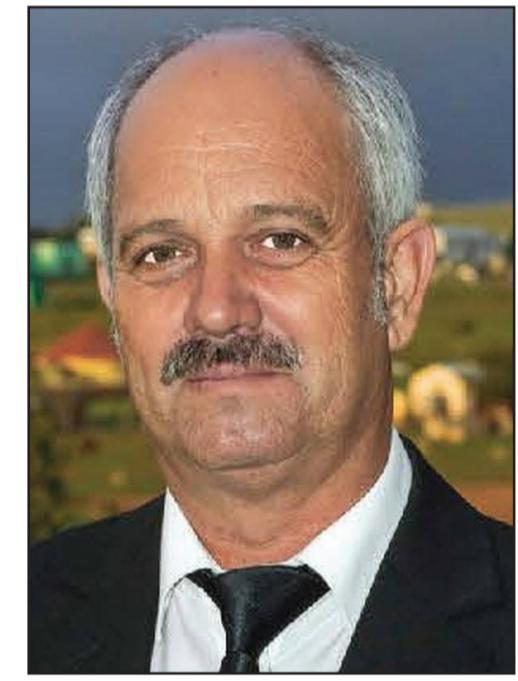
The book cover features a black and white photograph of Gwendolyn W. Burrell, a woman with dark hair, smiling and wearing a pink cardigan over a striped top. The title 'LIFE, HOPE, AND HEALING... SURVIVING A CANCER DIAGNOSIS' is printed in large, bold, serif capital letters. The author's name, 'GWENDOLYN W. BURRELL', is at the top. Below the photo, the text reads 'Visit [www.gwenburrell.com](http://www.gwenburrell.com)'.

## Gwendolyn W. Burrell: Author of *Life, Hope, and Healing... Surviving A Cancer Diagnosis*

**G**wendolyn Burrell is the daughter of Richard Waddell, Jr. and the late Vivian White Waddell. She is a 1980 graduate of New Hanover High School, a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the North Carolina Central University School of Law. She practiced law in the private sector for seven years before accepting a position as an Assistant Attorney General with the North Carolina Attorney General's Office. As an

Assistant Attorney General, she represented the Division of Motor Vehicles in Employment Law cases. While at the Attorney General's Office, Ms. Burrell was later appointed to the position of Inspector General for the State of North Carolina, the office that investigated public assistance fraud. Gwendolyn also worked in the Victims and

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**COURTESY PHOTO  
CHRISTO BRAND**

## Nelson Mandela's former prison guard and friend to speak at UNCW

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Christo Brand, Nelson Mandela's former prison guard and friend, will share memories about the former South African president at the University of North Carolina Wilmington on Nov. 13. Brand, the author of *Mandela: My Prisoner, My Friend*, will speak at 2 p.m. at the Cameron School of Business, room 105 and at 6 p.m. in Morton Hall, room 100. Both talks are free and open to the public.

Brand was Mandela's prison guard on South Africa's infamous Robben Island,

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## Blue Ribbon Commission on the Prevention of Youth Violence resumes the Turnaround Suspension Program

A check presentation took place at the Hemenway Center on Tuesday, to launch the BRC's Turnaround Suspension Program. The Turnaround Suspension Program was piloted in the spring of 2015 as a collaborative effort between the BRC, CIS, Community Boys and Girls Club, and D.C. Virgo in an effort to decrease the recidivism rate of D.C. Virgo students within the Youth Enrichment Zone (Y.E.Z.) who received short-term suspensions by providing a safe and supportive environment to

address their behavior while keeping students on track academically.

"This program began last year after discovering an unmet need among our Virgo students in the Y.E.Z. and we made it happen by working collaboratively to pull all of our resources together to get it off the ground, but we did not have the funding in our budget to continue the program again this school year even though the need was still very much there" said BRC Executive Director Jana Jones Halls.

"When some of our students are suspended we know that sending them home is not the best solution when their home situations are often the root of their behavioral issues at school, so this program helps us work with the students on addressing the behaviors, developing strategies for improving behaviors, and preparing them to return to school while the BRC also addresses the needs within the home and connects the family to resources and services to help improve their situations" said D.C.

Virgo Principal Eric Irizarry After listening to the needs expressed by BRC Executive Director Jana Jones Halls and D.C. Virgo Principal Eric Irizarry, District Court Judge Jay Corpener and District Attorney Ben David made a call to action, which resulted in the financial support of several donors including:

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Citizens Services Section where she was instrumental in establishing an Elder Abuse Task Force and represented the Attorney General's Office at speaking engagements.

In 2003 Gwendolyn accepted employment with the Department of Crime

Control and Public Safety as Deputy Director of the Governor's Crime Commission. In 2009 she was appointed Director of the Governor's Crime Commission where she worked during the consolidation of the Department of Public Safety. Gwendolyn currently works with the Department of Public Safety as the Director of the Equal Employment Opportunity

Office. She is also a Certified Mediator, Licensed Real Estate Broker, and Consultant.

Gwendolyn's latest accomplishment is that of author. She has just written and published her first book entitled, *Life Hope and Healing .... Surviving A Cancer Diagnosis*. This work captures Gwendolyn's journey from being diagnosed with a rare stage 4 cancer to

researching the disease and treatments, listening to and being obedient to the voice of God, and being healed! This book will inspire and encourage you along your path of dealing with unexpected illness or other circumstances as you see the power of God at work.

Gwendolyn is married to Retired Captain, Gary Burrell and is the mother of two incredible sons, Jordan and

Gordan. She has three sisters, Patricia, Eleanor and Carolyn and one brother, Richard, here in Wilmington.

Gwendolyn will be in Wilmington for a book signing reception on Saturday, November 21st. The book signing will take place at the Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church Employment Center, 2929 Princess Place Drive, Wilmington, NC 28405 from 12:00 pm until 2:00 pm.

## THE BOX

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L. Trumka, president of the AFL-CIO. "Measures such as Ban the Box are the right approach to ease the job hunt for working people with prior convictions."

"President Obama's move to ban the box will benefit everyone: families, employers, communities, and of course people with records. The facts are clear: returning citizens who find jobs are far more likely to stay out of prison," said Kevin

Gay, CEO of Operation New Hope and creator of Ready4Work, a nationally recognized reentry program for the formerly incarcerated. "And we can't rebuild families and communities destroyed by incarceration if people who leave prison end up right back behind bars when they are released. Banning the box is an essential step to reducing incarceration rates in the United States."

Civil rights groups have long called for the removal of such questions from job applications.

In July, Wade Henderson, president/CEO of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, called for President Obama to "take the next step in helping the formerly incarcerated reintegrate by issuing an executive order to ban the box and implement fair chance hiring practices for federal jobs and contractors. The 700,000 people released from American prisons every year are met with innumerable obstacles to successfully re-entering their communities."

The President's push for a better life for former prisoners comes as the Justice Department releases about 6,000 inmates early from prison. The prisoners, released between Oct. 30 and Nov. 2 account for the largest mass release of prisoners in three decades - in order to reduce overcrowding and give fair treatment to non-violent drug offenders who received sentences that were too long.

While some were released to halfway houses or home confinement, some are on supervised release and most will need jobs.

In his speech on Monday, the President stopped short of saying he will use executive order to establish the Ban the Box measure. So far, he has called on Congress to pass legislation to establish the policy.

The announcement came after a year of meetings between President Obama and stakeholders in criminal justice; including prisoner advocates; inmates; police and correctional officers among others.

"I've met with prisoners, corrections officers. I've met with families of fallen police officers and families of children who were killed by gun violence," he recalled. "I've met with men and women battling drug abuse, and rehab coaches, and folks working on new solutions for treatment."

He's also spent hours talking with former Newark Mayor Corey Booker, now a U.S. senator, who was in the Rutgers audience, as well as

The point is to develop ways to "break the cycle that has young children somehow on that pipeline where they end up incarcerated," he said.

The White House has issued a fact sheet to outline the main steps the President is taking to deal with the criminal justice system as well as reintegrating former prisoners back into society. Among them are:

- Called on Congress to pass criminal justice reform that reduce recidivism for those who are reentering society. They include the Sentencing Reform and Corrections Act of 2015, which recently received a strong bipartisan vote in the Senate Judiciary Committee. That Act would reduce extreme sentences for nonviolent drug offenses, provide additional resources for reentry services, help for mental illness and addictions as well as for state and local law enforcement.

- The Department of Education will award up to \$8 million (over 3 years) to at least nine communities to support educational programs and the reentry success for individuals.

- Expanding technology training and jobs for individuals with criminal records. As a part of President Obama's TechHire initiative,

over 30 communities are taking action - working with each other and national employers - to expand access to tech jobs for more Americans with fast track training like coding boot camps and new recruitment and placement strategies.

Obama has assured that criminal justice will remain a priority during his final year in office.

"Now, right now, there are 2.2 million Americans behind bars...We incarcerate people at a rate that is unequaled around the world. We account for 5 percent of the world's population, 25 percent of its inmates. They are disproportionately black and Latino," he said. "More than 600,000 inmates are released each year. Around 70 million Americans have some sort of criminal record - 70 million. That's almost one in five of us. Almost one in three Americans of working age... It's bad for the communities that desperately need more role models who are gainfully employed. So we've got to make sure Americans who've paid their debt to society can earn their second chance."

## BRAND

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and later at Pollsmoor and Victor Verster prisons for 12 years. Mandela and other members of the anti-apartheid African National Congress had faced a death sentence for their activities to end apartheid rule in South Africa. As a result of Mandela's speech denouncing apartheid at their trial, he and the others received life imprisonment.

Brand, an Afrikaner, and Mandela developed a friendship that endured beyond Mandela's release and subsequent election as South Africa's first African president. Brand did favors for Mandela, including smuggling him bread and bringing him messages. He also broke the rules to allow Mandela to hold his infant grandson.

In an interview with PBS's *Frontline* for the piece "The Long Walk of Nelson Mandela: An Intimate Portrait of one of the 20th

Century's Greatest Leaders," Brand described how their relationship evolved.

"While he was in prison on Robben Island, I treated him like I treated all the other prisoners ... But when you were alone, you would maybe listen more to him, and respect him more for his views and what he discussed," Brand stated. "But after '85, ... I was thinking that he will be the leader of the people outside - not, say, my leader. But I listened to him. I would never say I

agreed with him, I would never say not agreed with him. But after he came to Victor Verster [Prison] and then was released, I respected him as a leader for South African people. And later he became my leader. And I was very proud that one of my prisoners, which I looked after, became my leader."

Mandela was released in 1990 after 27 years in prison. Four years later, he became the first black president of South Africa, leading the post-apartheid nation for five

years. He died at his home in Johannesburg on Dec. 5, 2013. Brand still works on Robben Island, now a United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) World Heritage Site.

The presentation is sponsored by UNCW's Office of International Programs, Office of Institutional Diversity and Inclusion, Honors College, Department of Geography & Geology, Department of International Studies and LINC, Inc.

## TURN AROUND

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Attorney George Rountree, III and wife Sylvia Rountree, the United Way of the Cape Fear Area, and several other private individual donors who came together to provide the BRC with \$10,000. This funding will allow the BRC to hire a part-time program coordinator for the Turnaround Suspension Program and run the program at the BRC's new facility at the city-owned Hemenway Center for the remainder of the school year.

## About the Turnaround Suspension Program

The Turnaround Program is open to D.C. Virgo students that are suspended for

10 days or less and provides academic support as well as anger management, self-efficacy, gang prevention, and mental health supports. The program aims to keep students in a safe and structured environment in order to keep them on track academically while suspended, provide one on one counseling, and provide meals each day that they may miss while not in school. The goal is to create a long-term solution to at-risk behaviors by addressing mental health and environmental factors experienced by students living in a high-crime, high poverty community. Students who are suspended multiple times are much more likely to drop out of high school and be involved

in the criminal justice system. This program intends to begin the process of interrupting that cycle so that students are not falling behind academically. After piloting the program at D.C. Virgo for 3 months at the

end of last school year, the Turnaround Program demonstrated an improvement in the behavior of participants as indicated by teacher and school administration feedback. According to the teachers, 18 of the 20

students demonstrated improved classroom behavior 3 weeks after attending the program. Out of the 20 students that participated in the pilot program, only 5 students returned a second time.

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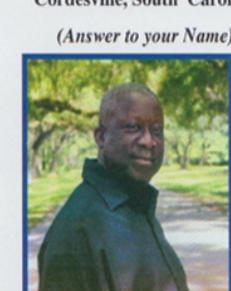
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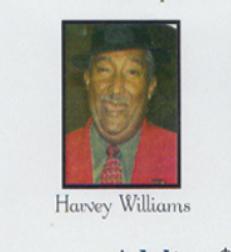
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[KANSAS CITY, MO.] North Carolina white supremacist F. Glenn Miller has been sentenced to death for the murder of three people at Kansas City Jewish sites in April 2014. Miller was convicted in August. Ironically, even though Miller set out to kill Jews, all three of his victims were Christians. Before leaving North Carolina several years ago, Miller founded the Carolina Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in his native Johnston County, and also headed up the White Patriots Party in the late 1980s.

**THREE WHITE SUPREMacists CAUGHT IN PLOT TO TARGET BLACK CHURCHES**

[RICHMOND, VA] The FBI has charged three self-identified white supremacists with allegedly plotting to attack black churches and Jewish synagogues in this region in order to start a race war, authorities say, using bombs and firearms. Court documents say the trio were even planning to kill a gun store owner in Oklahoma. Two of the suspects began meeting with undercover FBI agents last October to purchase the weapons to begin stockpiling for the planned racial conflict.

**REV. BARBER, PRESIDENT OF NC NAACP, TO RECEIVE \$100,000 PRIZE**

[GOLDSBORO] The president of the North Carolina chapter of the NAACP will receive an annual \$100,000 prize for creative citizenship. The Nation Institute said Tuesday the Rev. William Barber will receive the annual Puffin/Nation Prize, which honors people who challenge the status quo. Rev. Barber is the minister at Greenleaf Christian Church in Goldsboro, and he created the Forward Together Moral Monday movement. The award will be presented Dec. 8 in New York City. He will write an annual report for The Nation magazine, with the first essay appearing in January. According to the Associated Press, the magazine published similar essays by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. from 1961 to 1966.

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**PANELISTS:**

- Dr. Trevy McDonald, assistant professor, UNC School of Media and Journalism
- Cash Michaels, editor, *The Carolinian Newspaper*
- Scott Nunn, opinion pages editor and local history columnist, *StarNews*
- Mary Alice Jervay Thatch, editor, *The Wilmington Journal*

This program is held in conjunction with *For All the World to See*.

For All the World to See was co-organized by The Center for Art, Design, and Visual Culture and the National Museum of African-American History and Culture, Smithsonian Institution. For All the World to See has been made possible through NEH on the Road, a special initiative of the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).

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opened it on August 1, 2015. Cars are hand washed and hand waxed. They clean your car, truck, or any other vehicle that you bring in.

Willie has donated help to host a cancer bike ride and to the Pleasant Grove Baptist

Church Walk of Faith. He works with Habitat for Humanity, whose president is Marlene Jackson. He also works with West Brunswick High School's Work-Based Learning Program, which places students in a workplace environment, for which they receive school credits for their hands-on work.

Mr. Frink has a dream of building this business and hiring young people in order to

show them that one can succeed, even though he or she might come from a low income home or poor community. There is a way made if you work hard and make good decisions. He says that his family taught him how to work at an early age. His father worked for his grandfather on the farm and on commercial fishing boats in order to make a living. Then his father worked hard and taught him

about the value of hard work. He believes that today's youth need role models that will show them how, and push them, to do the right thing with a whole lot of prayer and love so that it is effective.

Willie Frink, III says, "Come by and see us! We will clean you up! That's a promise!"

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



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### GUEST EDITORIAL

#### What's wrong with the truth?

A ward-winning film director Quentin Tarantino gets high props for stepping up to tell some truth about the many murders of African Americans at the hands of misbehaving police officers. How, after all, can you justify the killing of a baby boy, Tamir Rice? Or the illegal choking of Eric Garner? Michael Brown stole some cigarillos. Does that deserve the death penalty? We can call the roll and then we can describe a murder. That's all Tarantino did.

Here's what Tarantino said - "I'm a human being with a conscience, and if you believe there's murder going on then you need to rise up and stand up against it. I'm here to say I'm on the side of the murdered."

Tarantino isn't a "cop hater." He is, as he said, a human being with a conscience. Too bad we can't say the same thing about Patrick Lynch (ironic last name), the president of the New York City Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, who called for a boycott for the Tarantino film "The Hateful Eight," scheduled for release in December. I'm not a huge Tarantino fan, but if the police are going to boycott his film, I will see it at least twice (or buy tickets for somebody) just to have his back.

What is wrong with the truth? Quentin Tarantino didn't say that every police officer is a murderer. He called out those who are and said that he stood with those killed - the Eric Garners, Michael Browns, Tamir Rices of the world. Patrick Lynch and those who share his opinion have so embraced the "thin blue line" that they refuse to decry unacceptable police behavior or even express remorse for the unnecessary killings of citizens. There is an attempt to justify every killing, an attempt to say it is all right to use a chokehold, deemed an illegal maneuver; to massacre a soon to be married Sean Bell; to turn 41 bullets on an unarmed Amadou Diallo (19 of the bullets hit him), to sodomize Abner Louima. In the Louima case, several "officers of the peace" were tried and convicted, but they are among the very few who pay the price for their rough activities.

Any human being ought to shudder at these extreme police killings. Too many human beings, too many police officers, seem to think this behavior should not be decried. The police officers that I know speak among themselves about rogue police officers and their unacceptable behavior, but they don't speak up. So, there are police officers that choose to rape some of the women they stop for traffic violations. There are police officers that coerce delinquent young girls into prostitution. There are police officers that take the drugs confiscated in drug busts for their own use or to sell. There is silence from police unions regarding these actions.

Police unions with integrity would uplift good officers and criticize bad ones. They'd assert, and then enforce, a code of conduct. They'd say there is zero tolerance to illegal police behavior, and then they'd enforce it. Unions are supposed to defend their members, and that makes sense. Even as they defend those that are unjustly accused, they must also be quite clear that they oppose illegal behavior.

Officer Randolph Holder, a Guyana native, whose application to the police academy included an essay that said he wanted to be a role model, was killed in late October by a criminal who was fleeing him. His death was a tragedy. His family, by the community, and by his fellow officers, mourns him. We who are human must mourn him. We who depend on law enforcement officers to maintain order in our communities must condemn the culture of violence that led to his death. And we who are human and object to violence must also object to the police violence that left Eric Garner dead. We must also criticize the grand jury that decided that his murderer, "Officer" Daniel Pantaleo, did nothing wrong. We must decry the folks who said that Garner was complicit in his own death because he was overweight.

There is nothing wrong with the truth. Quentin Tarantino spoke it. The rabid Patrick Lynch opposes truth and calls for boycotts on a Tarantino film to punish him. Where are the police officers that will cross the thin blue line to hold fellow officers accountable? Why are so many silent in the face of police brutality, murder, and injustice?

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##### THE POLITICIANS' PLAN OF ACTION:

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They first search the board of election books to see if you are registered. Is your party affiliation Democrat, Republican or Independent? How many times did you vote in the last five elections? Did you vote early or on Election Day? What schools do your children attend? Do you go to church? Have you ever donated money or volunteered to work in a political campaign? Did you finish high school or attend college? What type of job do you have and how long have you worked there? What is your race, religion and marital status? Are you from here or did you move here from New York? Do you have a criminal record? Are you a leader or follower? Are you well known in your community? How old are you? Are you rich, middle class or poor? Do you watch a lot of TV or spend hours on social media (Facebook)...? Do you use email? Are you into sports, if yes college or professional? What type of vehicle do you drive? Do you rent or own your home? Do you drink beer, liquor or wine? Do you buy groceries at Piggly Wiggly, Harris-Teeter or some store in between? Do you subscribe to newspapers or magazines? Do you have a library card? Do you eat out in restaurants or fast food? How do you spend your leisure time?

##### WE VOTERS MUST KEEP TWO EYES ON THE POLITICIANS AS THEY:

Run ads on TV, radio, all social media and especially Facebook. Send e-mails, mail flyers, go door to door and talk to or leave campaign literature on our porch. Make their mandatory election year visit to Black churches. Attend funerals of popular

people they have spoken to at least once. Have supporters host southern style family pig pickin' or fish fries including hot dogs, fries, cake and ice cream for our children. They present million dollar grants at media covered events especially for green space preservation, bike paths, soccer fields, golf courses, tennis courts and downtown redevelopment. They then cross the railroad tracks and present thousand dollar grants to special outreach programs and new backboards, rims and nets for midnight basketball.

Their traveling entourage has to be diverse. It must include at least one white female, one Black male, one Hispanic, one minister and one local politician or want-be. Their driver has to be a wounded veteran proudly wearing his or her decorated hat. The combat hero ribbons and metals can be from any war except Vietnam.

We the poor, unemployed, underemployed, underpaid, least respected and middle class suffer the most in this country. We are the "majority" and have in our hands the "power" to change this country. We can and will take control of our future when we all register and vote in record numbers in 2016.

The politicians researched us and have a clear picture of our hole card. We must look at their hole card on at least three issues that are important to us. What is their voting record or proposed positions on these issues?

Our trusted research reference is our local Black Newspaper.

Are we going to be played again or become a player by unleashing our voting power in 2016?

2 Timothy 1:17 (Paraphrased) - For GOD gave us a spirit not of fear, but of power, love and self-control.

*James J. Hankins is a graduate of Williston Senior high school, Army veteran, A&T State University alumni, retired vocational education teacher, past president of the New Hanover County NAACP, member friends of Abraham Galloway, author of the book "What We Blacks Need To Do". To comment or buy his book - e-mail him [jhan606@gmail.com](mailto:jhan606@gmail.com).*

##### CURRY'S COMMENTS

#### Fake 'Hero' cop proves white lies matter

(George Curry Media)

**W**rting under the headline, "Police lives matter too," Chicago Tribune Columnist John Kass summed up the sentiment -- and mass hysteria -- surrounding the supposed September 1 murder

of a police officer in a bedroom community 50 miles north of Chicago:

The killing of Fox Lake police Lt. Charles Joseph Gliniewicz had nothing to do with our hashtag politics about which lives matter.

Gliniewicz, whose body was found in a marshy area near Fox Lake, was just a cop who'd been doing his job.

And he was killed for it, left stripped of his gear.

We have since learned that it was all a hoax or, as the chief investigator put it, "a carefully staged suicide" by the man known as G.I. Joe as he was about to be exposed as a thief who had been stealing funds intended to mentor young people interested in becoming police officers to pay his mortgage, a gym membership, travel and a pornographic website.

Kass' assertion notwithstanding, it was about hashtag politics - it was about denouncing the Black Lives Matter Movement and anyone else interested in holding police accountable for killing unarmed citizens.

Even though the number of cops losing their lives in the line of duty by firearms is

down this year, cops and conservatives have sought to project a different picture in the aftermath of the August 28 murder of Harris County, Texas Deputy Sheriff Darren H. Goforth, who was repeatedly shot in the back of the head at a service station in Cypress, Texas, a Houston suburb.

At an Aug. 30 news conference, Harris County Sheriff Ron Hickman said, "We've heard Black lives matter, all lives matter. Well, cops' lives matter, too. So, how about we drop the qualifier and just say lives matter?"

Just days later, more than 1,000 miles away, the death of Lt. Joseph Gliniewicz in Illinois brought about increased attacks on the Black Lives Matter Movement and President Obama.

Now we know that Gliniewicz was lying when he radioed in that he was in pursuit of three suspects - and African American and two Whites - after he was supposedly shot by them. The resulting manhunt cost more than \$300,000.

Though Obama had strongly denounced attacks on police, his critics pretended he had never said a word. Media Matters, the watchdog group, noted in a headline: "Fox Figures Demand Obama Make Remarks Condemning Violence Against Police Days After He Did Just That."

O'Reilly Factor producer Jesse Watters said, "There is a war on cops in this country. It's funny, the liberals care more when a lion is killed as opposed to a cop...I think Democrats have created a monster in this Black Lives Matter situation."

Sean Hannity of Fox said:

"The president spoke out in the Trayvon Martin case. Spoke out in the Cambridge police case. Spoke out in the Michael Brown case. Mr. constitutional attorney spoke out without evidence presented in all three of those cases and was wrong in all three. My question is, why, after these incidents of assassinations of cops, why doesn't he speak out publicly about that and take a strong stand?"

Frequent Fox guest Milwaukee County Sheriff David A. Clarke said, "I think the president of the United States - because he weighed into this days after Ferguson with some inflammatory rhetoric, and where he breathed life into this anti-cop sentiment that now exists in the United States."

As *Media Matters* pointed out, the myth of the Ferguson Effect - the idea crime has increased because cops are more restrained because of increased scrutiny in the aftermath of episodes of police brutality - has been thoroughly discredited.

Even so, Fox co-host Kimberly Guilfoyle said, "cops 'don't want to be arrested or persecuted for just putting on the blue every morning.'

But Radley Balko of the *Washington Post* destroyed such faulty reasoning.

"It is true that we're seeing an awful surge in murders in St. Louis and Baltimore right now. [Heather Mac Donald of the Manhattan Institute] blames this on police reform activists by claiming their rhetoric both emboldens criminals and makes cops either afraid or unwilling to do their jobs," he wrote on his blog. "On the first point, the implication seems to

be that people should just keep quiet in the face of what they perceive to be brutality and injustice, lest it embolden violence against the police...

"The second point is more alarming. If police in Baltimore and St. Louis are letting protesters and critics make them too afraid or spiteful to do their jobs, essentially turning their backs to allow people to be robbed and killed, that isn't a problem with protester or social justice culture, it's a problem with police culture..."

The real problem is that the crew at Fox TV and other conservatives, some running for president, took the easy and popular way out by rallying around police, even when attacks on them are down, all the facts were not yet in and, in the case of Lt. Joe Gliniewicz in Illinois, he was plotting to have a hit put on a city official because he feared she was on to his trail.

All of them owe President Obama and the Black Lives Matter Movement an apology. But, like Donald Trump, they are incapable of admitting they are wrong.

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# OBITUARY

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## Ms. Barbara Ann Batts Elder

Barbara Ann Batts Elder or "Bob" as she was affectionately known was born on September 21, 1941 to the late Jesse Batts Sr. and Clara Batts in Wilmington, North Carolina. She entered into eternal rest on November 1, 2015 at her daughter's residence surrounded by family and friends. Barbara Ann Batts Elder funeral was held Friday, November 6, 2015 at Adkins-Drain Funeral Service Chapel in Wilmington, NC.

Bob was educated in New Hanover County School System. She resided in New Haven, CT for many years before returning to Wilmington, NC in 1977.

She was also preceded in death by three sisters Jeanette Sweat, Kathleen Batts, Elaine Ellis; one brother George Batts; and her longtime companion, her dog, "Missy."

Bob leaves to cherish her memories, her daughter Brenda (Mike) Barnhill of Wilmington, NC; two brothers, Jesse Jr. of Wilmington, NC Carl (Baby Boy) of Baton Rouge, LA; three sisters, Dorothy Jean Batts of Charlotte, NC, Ruth Brown of New York, NY, and Mildred (Freddie) Tisdale of Wilmington, NC; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends, including her special friends Walter Elder and Margaret "Mickey" Nixon. *Arrangements by Adkins-Drain Funeral Service, 515 South Eighth Street, Wilmington, North Carolina 28401. Condolences may be shared at www.adkinsdrainfuneralservice.com.*

## Mrs. Delores Annette Walker Wells

Delores Annette Walker Wells was born September 20, 1939 in Wilmington, North Carolina. She was the daughter of the late James A. Walker and Geneva Walker. Delores Annette Walker Wells funeral was held Saturday, November 7, 2015 at Adkins-Drain Funeral Service Chapel in Wilmington, NC.

She slept quietly away on October 31st at 9:15pm at Dr. Robert M. Fales Hospice Pavilion with family members at her side.

Prior to being placed in Hospice care, she was a residence of Sherwood Manor, where she received excellent care. Delores spent many years living in Ivanhoe, North Carolina at the McKoy Rest Home. There she had many close and dear friends.

In addition to her parents, Delores was preceded in death by her grandson Franklin O'Neal Wells; two brothers James Alfred Walker and David Lee Walker; two sister, Jean Bernice W. McCary and Carolyn Ann W. Shephard; and nephew Alphonso Morris.

She leaves to cherish her memory husband Willie Lee Wells Sr. of Philadelphia, PA; two daughters, Shirline Wells (Arthur) LeBoo of Wilmington, NC and Mary Wells Parker of Philadelphia, PA; one son,

Willie Lee Wells Jr. of Wilmington, NC; four grandchildren, Demond Antonio Wells, Prince Amin Parker, Rasheem Ali Parker and Princess Clarissa Parker; several great grandchildren, additionally she leaves sisters, Patricia Faison of Columbus, OH; Pauline Matthews of Asbury Park, NJ; God-daughter, Sylvia Temple of Philadelphia, PA; numerous nieces and nephews and a host of relatives and friends. *Arrangements by Adkins-Drain Funeral Service, 515 South Eighth Street, Wilmington, North Carolina 28401. Condolences may be shared at www.adkinsdrainfuneralservice.com.*

## Mr. William Edward McNeal

William Edward "Bo" McNeal was born on August 7, 1954 to the late Edward and Carrie B. McNeal. William, which everyone called him, "Bo Lightning" departed this life on October 31, 2015 after a short illness. William Edward "Bo" McNeal funeral was held Saturday, November 7, 2015 at St. Stephen AME Church in Wilmington, NC.

William was a New Hanover High School graduate. He ran track and everyone would say he was like a bolt of lightning each time he ran. That's how he got the nick name "Bo Lightning." Bo attended Cape Fear Community College where he studied General Contracting. When he would leave home for class, his sister, Doris would say, Ok Edward, don't bring home no less than a "B," he always brought home a "B" or above! He was very smart. He loved to travel, especially driving from place to place, in or out of town. He also really enjoyed driving the airport van.

Even though Bo was very sick, you never heard him complain. He always had a smile for you when you saw him. We will miss him.

Bo leaves to cherish his memories, his sister Doris Ballard of the home; his uncle, Eric W. Wilder (Thelma) of Alexandria, VA, his aunts; Edna McNeal and Doris McNeal of Wilmington, NC; special families in Raleigh, NC, Bill and Dinah Pitts, Stanley and Audrey Green, Barry and Janice Porter; his godchildren, Xzyalinah Nelle, LaTanya and Kevin Harris; his beloved companion, Brenda Miller-Barnhill; special friends, Bryan Walker "Steady B," Ernest Galloway "Bo," and Vanessa Harris as well as a host of other cousins, relatives and friends.

Elder Jackson preached his own eulogy by the life he lived and the unselfish love he gave to many; he leaves to cherish his memory: daughter, Erla Maria Age (Wayne); grandchildren, Andrea Age, Wesley Age, Abraham Levine and Debbie Levine; sibling, Apostle Willie Rhames; sisters-in-law, Bessie Graham and Mary Ida Jackson; special caregiver and niece, Detra Rhames; a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

## Clifford Joseph Aikman

Clifford Joseph Aikman died Thursday, October 29, 2015 at Lower Cape Fear Hospice Care Center. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, November 3, 2015 at Basilica Shrine of Saint Mary.

Clifford was born to Eunice Aikman and Clifford Collins on October 16, 1935, in New York, New York. He was the life of the party. If there was a family function, you could count on him being present. He would attend church on most Sundays, dressed in his best

suits. Clifford was an avid swimmer and he loved music.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Catherine Aikman and his granddaughter, Anika Aikman. He is remembered by his son, Kevin Aikman; daughter-in-law, Tawanna Davis; sisters, Thelma Dickey and Sonia Stewart; brother, Derrick Rhedrick; granddaughters, Kiara Aikman, Taiasia Aikman, Tabitha Aikman and Taylor Aikman; a host of cousins, nieces, nephews and his loving pets, Princess and Lily. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

## David Lee "Pep" Jenkins

David Lee "Pep" Jenkins died Thursday, October 29, 2015 at New Hanover Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, November 7th at Mt. Calvary AME Church, Navassa.

Ellen better known as "Taytay," was born January 20, 1932, to the late Willie and Ellen Walker. Ellen joined Mount Calvary African Methodist Episcopal Church early in life.

She remained at Mount Calvary until she moved away. She was educated in the Brunswick County Public School System.

David was born to the late Dester and Nellie Jenkins on May 18, 1936, in Brunswick County. At an early age he became a member of St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church. He attended Brunswick County Schools and served as a utility worker for several years at ANCO Utilities where he retired.

In addition to his parents, David was preceded in death by one brother, James E. Jenkins; two sisters, Sophia Bryant Dukes and Shirley Jenkins and stepbrother, Leroy Bryant. He leaves to cherish his memory: children, Michael Buck, David Jenkins, Jr. (Mary), Daniel Jenkins, Conell Jenkins (Catheline), Marjorie Hansley (Curtis), LaWanda Granger (Willie) and Boniea Jenkins, all of Brunswick County; daughter-in-law, Carnethia Jenkins; grandkids, Carnesha Jenkins, Kenyatta Buck (Felicia), Catrel Holmes (Virgil), Veronica Price (Carlton), David Jenkins, III, Antoine Jenkins, Jasmine Jenkins, Kimaya Bryant, Brittany Jenkins, Jaleel Bryant, Maranda Hanesley,

Anitra Jenkins, Keywhawn Jenkins, Zy'Ada Hansley, Kiara Granger and Curtis Hansley, Jr.; Great-grands, Cyiree Randolph (Myisha), VyHeem Holmes, Tiasia Hardy, Naomi Balcomb, Qu'ran Holmes, Arielle Price, Jahsir Jenkins, Sani Jenkins, Trinity Jenkins and Ameliana Price; sisters, Carrie M. Pugh and Elizabeth Sharpless (Lester); brother, Dester Jenkins, Jr. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

## Ellen Elizabeth Walker Batts

Ellen Elizabeth Walker Batts died Sunday, November 1, 2015 at home. Funeral services were held Saturday, November 7th at Mt. Calvary AME Church, Navassa.

Ellen better known as "Taytay," was born January 20, 1932, to the late Willie and Ellen Walker. Ellen joined Mount Calvary African Methodist Episcopal Church early in life.

She remained at Mount Calvary until she moved away. She was educated in the Brunswick County Public School System.

Ellen was married to Bailey Batts, who preceded her in death. In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her daughter, Deloris Small; five brothers: Gaston, Alton, Willie, Lawrence and Thomas Walker, and two sisters, Lula M. Walker and Josephine Green. Ellen leaves to cherish his memory: one grandson, Lamar Maurice Walker; two great-grandchildren, Zaniya and Karan Walker; one brother, James Walker; two sisters, Maggie L. Roger (Brown) and Shirley M. Hooper (Ellis); two sisters-in-law, Jessie L. Walker and Lucille Walker; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

May the work I've done speak for me. When I'm resting in my grave, there's nothing more to be said; may the work I've done speak for me!

Freddie and Mary McClammy

## In Loving Memory Of



Ernestine Donaldson James

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We love you and we miss you.

Your children,  
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May the work I've done speak for me. When I'm resting in my grave, there's nothing more to be said; may the work I've done speak for me!

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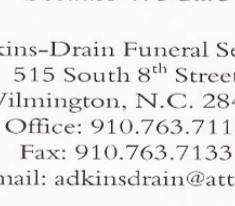
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## New Hanover County

**Alpha Psi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.** with Phillips 3 Ministries will be sponsoring a clothing and food drive November 2nd - November 20th. Items needed are non-perishable meal items (rice, pasta, sauce, veggies, instant potatoes, etc.) men's big and tall clothing and professional men and women's clothing. The drop off location is Jo Ann Carter Harrelson Building, 20 North 4th Street Suite 100, Wilmington, Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Contact Lauren Williams at 910-343-8469 or lauren@phoenixhometownhires.org for more information.

**Haso Ministries Feed The Needy Operations** will sponsor Feed Me Devil, a full Thanksgiving Dinner on Saturday, November 21st at Union Missionary Baptist Church Fellowship Hall at 11:00 a.m. For more information or transportation contact Ramona Ragin at 910-264-4530.

**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 Lupus Foundation Support Group** meets on the third Tuesday of each month from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00pm in Classroom D, Service Level. The November meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 17th. There is no charge to attend the meeting, and drop-ins are welcome. Contact the LFANC at info@lupusnc.org or at 877-849-8271, ext. 1. For more information, visit www.lupusnc.org.

**The Democratic Women of New Hanover County** will meet on the 2nd Thursday, November 12th at McAllister's Deli, 740 S. College Rd. A social period, "eat and meet" will be from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. followed by the meeting. The main mission will be to honor our veterans for their service to our country. The program will briefly address the kinds of counseling provided at the local VA Clinic that includes Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) Military Sexual Trauma (MST) and substance abuse. We will also have an update on the water supply contract for our VA Clinic as well as the difficulties in getting effective legislation passed in D.C. All Democratic men and women are welcome. If any questions, please call 910-305-4502. There will not be a DW meeting in December. Happy holidays to all.

**The Saint Augustine's University (College) Alumni** meeting will be held on Saturday, November 21st at 2:00 p.m. at the Covil Farm Road Clubhouse at 7300 Covil Farm Road in Wilmington. All graduates, persons who attended and friends of St. Augustine's University are invited to attend. Call Angie at 910-620-7978 for more information.

**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

## Brunswick County Retired School Personnel

**T**he meeting of the Brunswick County Retired School Personnel was held at the Brunswick County Electric Conference Center in Supply, NC on October 19, 2015. Tom Simmons is president of the organization. Richard Meek is vice-president and the assistant is Janis Simmons. There is always a get acquainted time. We honored new members. It brings a feeling of comfort to think of what we have accomplished in life as retired school teachers. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Verniece Stanley

Richard Meek. Tom Simmons was attending a special meeting for financial reasons. More money is needed in special education for handicapped children. "The Pledge of Allegiance" was recited in unison by all in attendance. Invocation was given, and Bertha Bell gave an inspirational presentation of "Smile and Others Will Smile with You." The minutes were read by the secretary, Ollie Hickman. Kathleen Thompson gave the treasurer's report and the proposed budget for 2015-2016, projected income, and the total projected expenses. The new business was given on plans to assist local units in recruiting and retaining members in North Carolina Retired School Personnel. Committee reports were given by the most outstanding people in

Brunswick County Retired School Personnel. The membership report was given by Virginia Winfree. More reports were given. The Community Participation Report was given by Ethel Gore. The Legislative Report was given by Edna Gause. The Scholarship Report was given by Bertha Bell and the Activity Report was given by Hazel Marlow.

We are a growing membership, and we get involved in helping the community as much as possible. We are concerned about the wellness in health, food, clothes, and shelter for the very poor people in Brunswick County. We want to cooperate with other organizations in the community on issues of common concern. We want to know more about testing. A possibility of too much testing is a

great concern. This could be harmful in more than one way. We want to show the kind of love toward our students that is everlasting.

*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.*

## Precinct W29: An Amalgam of history and celebration



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CHAIR E.B. DAVIS, SR. AND

KEYNOTE SPEAKER LINDA COLEMAN

BY J.P. SINCLAIR, PHD  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

With dignity and praise, over 100 guests joined officers and members of NHC Democratic Precinct W29 this past Saturday to honor its long and glorious history.

Widely known as "The People's Precinct," W29's theme, "Fifty Two Years Plus of Celebration," clearly caught the collective spirit, celebrating the progress of this multicultural community and affirming yet again the value throughout history of the American political precinct.

And what a rich history it has. Historically the smallest designated governmental entity of electoral life, the American precinct from its first days quickly became the conduit through which the humanization of fast-growing institutional politics occurred.

The precinct was, in fact, a place to address and overcome America's nascent tendencies to promote the rich at the expense of the poor. Here in Wilmington, this phenomenon took on great significance as a struggling city fought to survive the horrors of its own economic and social history.

And for years, under a precinct-guided system, community life blossomed, not only here but across America. Neighborhood leaders knew and supported their constituents, who in turn knew and supported them, all retaining a strong sense of belonging and connectedness.

But with time and the

advance of technology, in far too many areas politicians and pundits began to disregard the precinct's powerful effect, opting instead for what many see as faceless, heartless machine that knows no person or family, and has no knowledge of the value of community life.

"Most people just don't feel a part of the political process anymore," E. B. Davis, Sr., Chair of W29 explained, "and that is one of the main reasons for our alarmingly low voter turnout. And that is why we work so hard here."

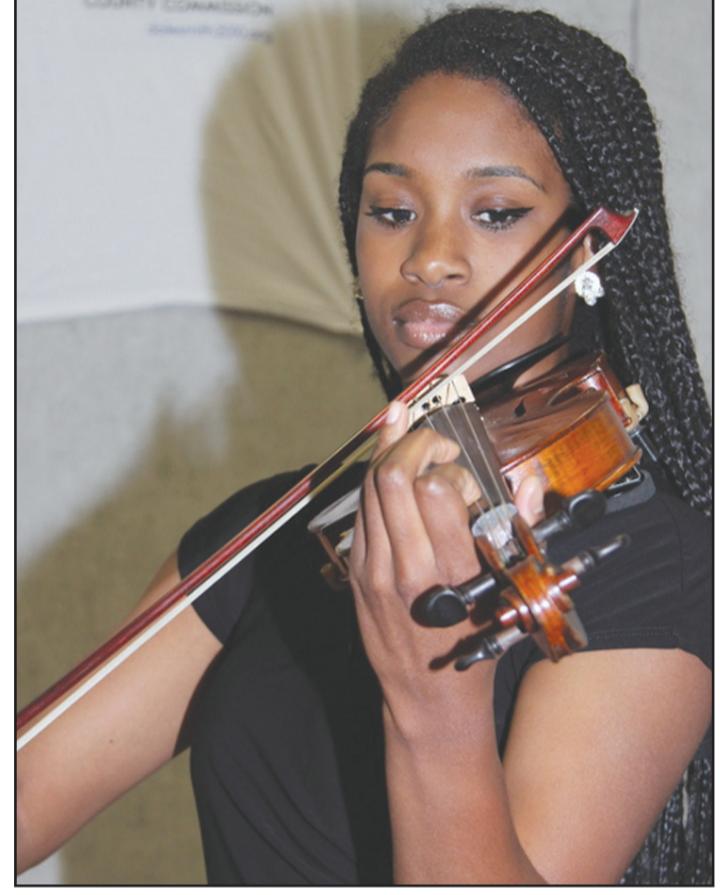
And for over 50 years Mr. Davis has worked hard to keep his precinct viable. As a result W29 is recognized not only locally but across our country as a prototype of good citizenship and political participation.

Davis believes in what he is doing: "Precinct work is the number one job in American politics. Without question, precinct workers are the real movers in any political organization and are responsible for getting out the vote."

And how does precinct work compare to the new automation and technologically media-ized politics?

"All the billboards, all the speeches, all the radio, television appearances, all the press releases, and all newspaper and television ads on behalf of your candidates won't succeed," Davis declares, "unless they are built on a strong base - the well organized and committed work of the grass-root precinct."

As to how Davis views his



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VIOINIST CRYSTAL FAISON

own precinct: "We appreciate our members and our leadership. We are active in each other's lives and activities both at home and in the community. That is why Precinct W29 celebrates its 52+ years work of the grass root workers, and will continue to do so."

His ideas were evident in the organization and production of this year's event, held at the Coastline Conference and Event Center, and dedicated to the memory of three great Democrats: Dr. Johnny L. Cook, Ms. Myrna Wexler, and James H. Faison, Jr., widely known for their precinct work.

A variety of entertainment by violinist Crystal Faison and "The Sanctuary Band," under the direction of Pastor Muron El, complimented the catered buffet provided by Angie's of Chris Restaurant, and set the mood for inspiring words.

Keynote speaker and former N.C. House member, Linda Coleman, candidate for Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina, carefully outlined the role and responsibilities of Lieutenant Governor, the second highest elected office in the U.S. State of North Carolina.

Charles Meeker, former Mayor of Raleigh, and candidate for NC Commissioner of Labor, commented on the role of Commissioner of Labor, citing its direct impact on the need for educational reform, and the support and implementation of vocational education for job security.

The Honorable Judge James H. Faison, III, District Court

Judge, and pastor of Byrd's Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Rose Hill, NC, spoke on criminal justice and penal system reform, highlighting the inequities for minor vs. major offenses.

Dr. Donyell Roseboro, Associate Professor at UNCW, reviewed the need for vocational education and economic reform, and the changing family structure where grandparents now parent their children's offspring.

And Senior Pastor Daniel Cook, Pastor of The Sanctuary Church in Wilmington, NC, talked about the effect of community churches on social and economic structures, citing the value of interconnection at the deepest human level.

"What a fine group of speakers we had. We are so pleased with the turnout and the event this year," Davis declared. "And you know it was good - guests stayed until the very end, including our own Mayor Bill Saffo."

Well, who could resist one minute of this important affair, lavish with spirit and celebration? And who could leave a roomful of happy, involved attendees, grateful not only for the ambiance and entertainment, but also for the chance to feel once more that great and exciting feeling of political participation?

*Journalist and social scientist, Dr. Sinclair is widely published, writing often on American life and the political process. A resident of Wilmington and active political worker, she can be reached at drjudgethpsinclair@gmail.com.*

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## New Hanover County

Judah the House of Praise, 3241-F Princess Place Dr., will celebrate their 3rd church and pastor anniversary on Sunday, November 22nd. The morning speaker will be Pastor Patricia Mattison of House of Integrity at 11:15 a.m. Pastor Carolyn Lewis of Bowens Chapel will be the 4:00 speaker.



## Religious Briefs

Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, 719 Walnut St., will present Soup for the Soul on Friday, November 13th. Doors open at 5:45 p.m. and program begins at 6:30 p.m. The program will include a theatrical play, "Something about the name Jesus," Saxophonist Darryl Murrill and a variety of soups.

For further information call 910-228-7178 or 910-520-5827.

St. Andrew AMEZ Church will have a Thanksgiving dinner on Saturday, November 21st from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. for the community. They are asking for volunteers to serve and donations of rolls, cakes, pies, sodas and water.

St. Matthew AME Church, 6809 Wrightsville Ave., will hold their annual Missionary program on Sunday, November 22nd at 3:00 p.m. Doctor Jacki London of pillar of Fire Church in Warsaw, NC will deliver the message. There will be spiritual praise by Shaubaugh Praise Team and musical selections by Barry Smith and Company. For further information and/or directions please call Rev. R.E. Davis at 910-352-4794.

The Sons of God will celebrate their 5th Anniversary on Saturday, November 21st at 5:00 p.m. at the International Longshoreman Hall, 211 W. 10th Street, Southport, NC 28461. Doors open at 4:00 p.m. Also appearing on the program will be Brian McIntosh and Ministry of Lexington, NC, PC & Perfect Praise of Wilmington, NC, Rachel & Joy of Wilmington, NC and Barry Smith & Company of Wilmington, NC. For more information or to purchase tickets, call Tarasus Deas at 910-398-2570 or Keon Harrison at 910-508-1809.

## Brunswick County

By His Grace Ministries, 5585 Waccamaw School Rd., Ash, NC, will hold the Initial Sermon of (MIT) Sheeline Price on Saturday, November 21st at 4:00 p.m. The minister of music will be Torey Bessent.

Myrtle Grove AME Church, 216 Old Fayetteville Rd., will celebrate Men's Day on Sunday, November 15th at 3:00 p.m. with a musical program.

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A Welcome Service will be held on Sunday, November 15th at 3:00 p.m. at Brown's Chapel AME Church, 745 Jabbertown Road, Southport, NC, welcoming the newly appointed Pastor, Reverend Avery McAllister Reverend Patricia Smith, Pastor of St. James AMEZ Church of the City will deliver the message. The public is invited. On Sunday, November 22nd at 3:00 p.m. a Thanksgiving Service will be held at Browns' Chapel and Minister Annette Clemmons will deliver the message.

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

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**Compiled By Wilmington Journal Staff**

## OBITUARIES

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## Calvin Thomas Jones, Sr.

Calvin Thomas Jones, Sr., died Monday, November 2, 2015 at Wilmington health and Rehabilitation Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, November 7, 2015 at St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church, Winnabow, NC.

Calvin, son of James Calvin Jones and Fannie Bell Jones was born October 5, 1939. He was a kind spirited man who despite hard work, loved to share a good laugh to lighten his spirits. He enjoyed spending his time working outside. He was always able to make tools to make his task a little easier. After retiring he could be found sitting outside listening to his music under the car port. After losing his father at a young age, Thomas took on the responsibility of the man of the house which included running the farm to provide for the family. By the grace of God, Thomas remained faithful until the end and confessed Christ as his Lord and Savior. In addition to his parents,

Thomas was preceded in death by his wife of 40 years, Ellouise Sharpless Jones; two brothers, James Edward Bell, Sr. and John Washington Jones; three sisters, Mary Kelly Jones, Mattie Jones and Thelma Lee Jones. He is survived by two sons, Calvin Thomas Jones, Jr. (Becky) and Daronly Carnell Jones; grandchildren, Tyson Jones, Trent Jones and Devon Jones; sisters, Frances Odell Saunders and Bertha Wilson; two very special nephews, Carl Lee Jones and Rev. David Kelly; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

## Cynthia Smith

Cynthia Smith died Monday, November 2nd at New Hanover Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held on Monday, November 9th at Warner Temple AMEZ.

Cynthia Laverne Smith daughter of the late George Patrick and Bernice Adams was born October 5, 1947. Cynthia was educated in the New Hanover County School System. She surrendered her life to the Lord and joined Warner Temple AME Zion Church where she dedicated her time and services, greeting everyone with a warm smile. "MA-ME" as she was

affectionately called by all that knew her. She was a loving and devoted mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and sister. You could always visit her hungry but when you leave your belly was FULL! She would always say, "Hey CUZ, I Love You!"

In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by a dear friend, Lorenzo Bowens. She leaves to cherish her memories: Her loving daughter, Sondra Chamberlin (Harold) of Wilmington, NC; two grandchildren, Shayla Vereen (Anthony) and James Chamberlin, all of Wilmington, NC; six great-grandchildren, JuWuan, Rashawn, Dashawn, Makayla, Makaya, and Zion, all of Wilmington, NC; three brothers, Lewis Adams of New Bern, NC and Dennis Adams and Bernard Adams, both of Wilmington, NC; one sister, Diane Adams, Wilmington, NC; Special Daughters She Loved As Her Own, Lisa Black and Tonya Stephens; Special Cousin: Gloria McDuffie. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

## Juanita Shaw

Juanita Shaw died Thursday, November 5th at her residence. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, November 10th at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

## Odell Fulton

Odell Fulton died Friday, November 6th at LCFH. Funeral services will be 1:00 p.m. Thursday, November 12th at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church. John H. Shaw's Son. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

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## Annie Boney

Annie Boney died Friday, November 6th at Liberty Commons. Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m. Thursday, November 12th at Gregory Congregational. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

## Callie Bell Wrice

Callie Bell Wrice died Friday, November 6th at her residence. Funeral services will be 12 Noon Friday, November 13th at Union MB Church. John H. Shaw's Son. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

## SENIOR MOMENTS

## ABC'S for senior citizens

## My Fellow Seniors:

Let's take a look at the ABC's for senior citizens. A is for the people in your church who are already retired. They want to get out of the fast lane and live a quiet life in a secluded area. So they hire a contractor to

build a circle of private homes in a rural community. These seniors would not require any form of assistance. They would be completely independent, but they would agree to give up

## SENIOR CITIZENS' FELLOWSHIP

## "Bearing Fruit"

BY FANNIE ALLEN AND SHELIA ROSS  
CONTRIBUTING WRITERS

It is a great day to be in the presence of God and Christians. We had rain earlier, but the Son always shines on the inside. We were greeted by our president, Mrs. Eloise Purdie. She expressed how grateful she was to be present. She asked Mr. George Hill and the choir to come and get us started. Mr. Hill said, "It is a great day." We opened by singing, "Count Your Blessings." We had a very warm and fervent prayer by Ms. Delma Brown. We then sang, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." Minister Doris McQuillan then came and said, "Praise God. We should always praise God because God is good." She reminded us of a song, "He Thought We Were Worth Saving." She said, "That is enough to lift us up!"

Staying focused is a center of interest or attention. Spiritually, it is also hard to stay focused. Satan can cause you to fail.

Staying fixed, means to be firmly placed, not movable. This thought comes from

one third of their monthly income to live in the new houses.

Step B might be called a halfway house of a group home. These people would have private bedrooms and a common living room. They would have all the help they would need, but it would be free to come and go at will. They would give up half of their income to cover the cost of living.

Group C would go to a nursing home. They would have no money and freedom, but they would have highly skilled nursing care around the clock. That's the place we want to avoid if at all possible. No one wants

to spend his last days surrounded by strangers if he can stay with family or a few close friends.

However, some of us are able to remember when nursing homes were needed but not available. Seniors did not get the help they needed. In those days, farmers and domestic workers did not pay into Social Security. So they were not entitled to SSI or any form of old age pensions. Today, we live in a better world, but it's far from perfect. So we still need to walk together and support one another in any way we can.

Christianity is not confined to a church building.

We take it into our hearts and carry it wherever we go. It is the pulse of our community and the blood that flows from heart to heart.

If you would like to make this world a better place, stay in church. Read The Wilmington Journal and other publications that keep us informed about the hills and valleys we are bound to encounter.

Take the Bible with you everywhere you go. Then do for others what you would want done for you. That is the faith of our Father and our hope for tomorrow.

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

## TELL SOMEBODY

## "Thank God for Grace"

*"But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound." Romans 5:20b*

Grace - Unmerited love and favor of God

Amazing - To confound with sudden surprise and wonder

Sin - Willful departure from a custom prescribed by divine law

Abound - To be filled to capacity

**T**he thing about grace that is so amazing is the length, width, height and depth of the love of God! Even though sin separates us from God, His Grace is greater than our sin! God loves this world so much that he made provisions for the salvation of every soul upon the face of the earth. He made a way for every soul to escape the penalty of sin.

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23

Each one of us will have an opportunity to be saved, set free, healed and delivered, no matter how great the depth and depravity of our sin. "For God so loved the world, that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16

Where sin abounded, grace much more abounds!

## OBITUARIES

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## Rashida Ramilla Barbour Johnson

Rashida Ramilla Barbour Johnson, 37, of Wilmington, died Monday, October 26th at home. Funeral services were held Tuesday, November 3rd at Piney Grove Freewill Baptist Church, Bolivia. Burial followed in Piney Grove Cemetery. Online condolences may be made at www.frenchidavisfuneralhome.net. A Davis Funeral Home service.

28th at home. Funeral services were held Monday, November 2nd at Price Cathedral AMEZ, Wilmington. Burial followed in Greenlawn Memorial Park. Online condolences may be made at www.frenchidavisfuneralhome.net. A Davis Funeral Home service.

Hilda Price Conte

Hilda Price Conte, 79, of Wilmington, died November 8th at NHRMC. Memorial services will be held 4:00 p.m. Thursday, November 12th at Federal Point Pentecostal Church, Wilmington. Online condolences may be made at www.frenchidavisfuneralhome.net. A Davis Funeral Home service.

## Hattie Odessa Terry

Hattie Odessa Terry, 85, of Wilmington died October

## Queen Ester Parks-Walker

Queen Ester Parks-Walker, 63, of Houston, TX, formerly of Wilmington, died November 3rd in Houston TX. Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Saturday, November 14th at Davis Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in Calvary Memorial Cemetery. Online condolences may be made at www.frenchidavisfuneralhome.net. A Davis Funeral Home service.

## Rev. Debra Elaine Benbow

Rev. Debra Elaine Benbow, 57, of Wilmington, died November 8th at NHRMC. Funeral services will be held

Friday, November 13th at St. Phillip AME Church, Wilmington. Burial will follow in Greenlawn Memorial Park. Online condolences may be made at www.frenchidavisfuneralhome.net. A Davis Funeral Home service.

## Henry Woodberry

Henry Woodberry, 67, of Wilmington, died November 7th at home. Funeral services will be held 1:00 p.m. Saturday, November 14th at New Covenant Holiness Church, Wilmington. Burial will follow in Greenlawn Memorial Park. Online condolences may be made at www.frenchidavisfuneralhome.net. A Davis Funeral Home service.

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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 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 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**  
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All persons, firms and corporations having claims against 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**  
**IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE**

Before the Clerk of Superior Court  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF**  
**ROBERT E. JOHNSON, SR.**  
**FILE NO.: 15E 1311**

The undersigned having qualified as Personal Representative of the Estate of **Robert E. Johnson, Sr.**, deceased, late of New Hanover County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit the same to Fletcher D. Thomas, III, Personal Representative, at the address set out below no later than (90) days from the first publication date of this Notice. This notice will be pleaded in bar of any payment or recovery of same which is not given prior to the 18th day of January 2016. All persons indebted to the decedent will please make payment to the undersigned at either addresses 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

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
**COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HATTIE TERRY**

The undersigned having qualified as Executrix of the **Hattie Terry**, 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 **17th day of February, 2016**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of your recovery. All persons indebted to the estate will please make immediate payment.

This 9th of November, 2015.

Geneva P. Clark, Executrix  
Terry B. Richardson  
Attorney for the Estate  
209 Princess Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401

November 12, 19, 26, December 3, 2015

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Having qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of **Yawanda Felicia Doe** 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 **17th day of February, 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 undersigned.

This 12th of November, 2015

Yvonne Doe, Administratrix  
2912 Spaulding Dr.  
Wilmington, NC 28405

November 12, 19, 26, December 3, 2015

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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

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**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
**COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**

Having qualified as Executrix 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 undersigned.

This 21st of October, 2015.

Laurie L. Jacobs, Administrator  
ESTATE OF PATTI M. TORP, JR.  
David Anderson, Esq.  
GRAVES MAY, PLLC  
5700 Oleander Dr.  
Wilmington, NC 28403

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**COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**

The undersigned, **Laurie I. Jacobs**, having qualified on the 12th day of October, 2015, as Administrator of the Estate of Patti M. Torp, 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 February, 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 the 22nd day of October, 2015.

Susan Latour  
Administratrix 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 PROCESS BY PUBLICATION**  
**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
**COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**

Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of **Louise Mary Parisi** 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 **5th day of February, 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 undersigned.

This 5th of November, 2015

John M. Parisi, Executor  
260 Sumac Drive  
Green Bay, WI 54313

November 5, 12, 19, 26, 2015

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**COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**

Having qualified as the 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 of said decedent to serve them on the undersigned at 509 Princess Street, Wilmington, NC 28401, 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.

Phyllis Reynolds Kosicki, Executrix  
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November 12, 19, 26, December 3, 2015

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Having qualified as of the Estate of **James Andrew Kosicki**, 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 **17th day of February, 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 undersigned.

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Phyllis Reynolds Kosicki, Executrix  
7808 Marymont Dr.  
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November 12, 19, 26, December 3, 2015

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November 12, 2015

## LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE  
SALE OF REAL PROPERTY  
File No. 15-SP-628  
New Hanover County,  
North Carolina

Under and by virtue of the Declaration recorded in Declaration in Book 1345 at Page 867 and Book 1364 at Page 1331, New Hanover County Register of Deeds, and the provisions of Chapter 47C of the North Carolina General Statutes, and because of the Respondent's failure to pay assessments duly assessed by Oakmont Condominium Owners Association, Inc. ("Association") as shown by the Claim of Lien for Assessments filed on July 21, 2015, File No. 15-M-900, in the Office of the New Hanover County Clerk of Superior Court, and pursuant to an Order Allowing Foreclosure of Claim of Lien for Assessments entered by the New Hanover County Clerk of Court on October 21, 2015, the Trustee will expose for public sale at auction, to the highest bidder for cash, on November 23, 2015 at 11:00 am, at the usual place of sale in the New Hanover County Judicial Building in Wilmington, North Carolina, the following property (including any improvements thereon) located in New Hanover County, North Carolina:

Being known and designated as Unit 5, Phase I-B, of Oakmont Condominium, as the same is shown and described on a map therefore recorded in Condominium Plat Book 8, Pages 5 through 10, in the office of the Register of Deeds of New Hanover County, North Carolina.

To the best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the current owner(s) of the property is/are Irene Millman.

The above-described property will be sold "AS IS, WHERE IS," and is subject to any and all superior mortgages, deeds of trust, liens, unpaid taxes, easements, conditions, restrictions, and other matters of record. There are no representations of warranty relating to the title or any physical, environmental, health or safety conditions existing in, on, at or relating to the property being offered for sale.

The successful bidder will be required to deposit with the Trustee immediately upon the conclusion of the sale a cash deposit of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid or Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00), whichever is greater. Following the expiration of the statutory upset bid period, all the remaining amounts are immediately due and owing. If for any reason the Trustee does not tender a deed for the property, the successful bidder's sole remedy shall be a return of the deposit.

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## Leaving husband

Hi Alma,  
I'm divorcing my husband of 24 years (The ink is just about dry). We have been apart for the last three years. I'm new to dating again. I've been with my new guy for two years. We met on eHarmony. He's amazing inside & out and I love him. I'm 47. My guy is 46. He is divorced. He has been divorced for 2.5 years. He was apart from his ex for three years before the divorce was final. So he's been single for 5.5 years. I believe in marriage and I do want to get married again. How long should I date him? What's enough time to give a man to pop the question?

**Elizabeth**

**Hi EB,**  
Not quite set free! Until the ink dries, you're still legally married, pretty woman.

TBT you have yet to join the squad of single sisterhood and trust me when I say, there are huge differences between each stage of marriage, separation and divorce. All three phases has its own umbrella of uncertainties.

Like me, you married young. You've spent a large part of your life with one fella, exercising the commonality of compromise. This explains your comfort in cohabitation, longing for togetherness, and an extended view for two. Ain't nothing wrong

With that - but wait, for goodness sake, and let's pull up for a minute to reevaluate.

What if you take more time to center and focus on you? Figure out your likes and dislikes independently, without the consideration of another. Have you taken a vacation alone? Sign up for a class you've always wanted to try or learn a new language. Use this time to be good to yourself. Your first marriage ended in divorce, that doesn't mean you're lacking, unlovable or incomplete.

Ok, you've met a new guy, that's cool. Allow him to come to the conclusion of marriage on his own, not meet a demand or ultimatum. I understand it's been two years, but there's no set limit to how long a great relationship should last before marriage; that's a personal choice.

You and I both know that marriage doesn't make a relationship better nor does it complete who you are as a woman. You've had 25 years of practicing to be a good wife, live and love yourself unmarried for a few more years to come. You said dating's still new to you, and if that's the case, this isn't the time to remarry. If, and, or when that time rolls around, you won't need to Ask Alma, you and he will know that you know that you know. And oh what a joy it will be.

**Alma**  
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## ENTERTAINMENT

Reel-ality  
TV Talk  
By  
Marquesa  
LaDawn

The ladies of Real Housewives of Atlanta are back. Yeah! Yeah! Yeah! But, I'm worried. Why? Bravo was so concerned about their #1 RH franchise that they paid Nene Leakes an obscene amount of money to show up mid season.

It seems that actresses of the past, the mini-icons, want to be relevant again and see the Real Housewives franchise as the opportunity. I get it. As a businesswoman, it's a smart move. But as an ardent fan of the show and the franchise, I'm irked.

The message is clear: Kim Fields and company, please do not join the show. Nene: After doing little to no homework, act surprised based on the climate of the ladies. Be yourself with a bit of edge. I call it being real. However you respond to situations in your personal life, do the same in this space.

As you'll recall, they summoned Lisa Rinna from RHOBH. She joined the franchise last season and was shocked by what she experienced and what she put out there. At the end of the day, she's relevant. She did not act messy, she responded organically.

I'm not too worried. It looks like Porsha and Cynthia are still not getting along. And, Kenya, well, she's always great TV. I saw her last week on an old Martin episode and realized she was playing herself. Who knew that Ms. USA would be so complicated in real life?

I must mention that Cynthia had some drama over the summer that drew a lot of attention - marriage issues. It will be interesting to see what's happening there.

Kandi is pregnant. Yeah! It will be refreshing to see happiness with this couple. I'm dying to see how Mama Joyce is taking the news.

Porsha, fresh from a breakup, is in a mood to say the least. Sheree Whitfield is back and this time, it looks like a man may be part of her storyline. Really? It would be wonderful to see this lady date and let go of all that pain around her ex-husband. Maybe Iyanla Vanzant's fix was successful. I hear that she and Kenya, although equally gorgeous, do not get along.

And last but not least, Phaedra, is settling into her single mom role. It was debatable if she planned to divorce her imprisoned hubby. Looks like she's still a smart woman, knowing that her pissed off hubby, at least based on last season, would shout from the rooftops all of her secrets if she divorced him. Some of that could get her in trouble legally; I just hope she's visiting the prison for her children's sake.

We are excited ladies and we know Queen Bee of reality TV, Nene Leakes, could not stay away too long, but she must bring it!

On the other Housewives front, there are rumors that my girl, Skinny Girl creator Bethenny Frankel is joining the Real Housewives of Beverly Hills franchise. Why? She's anti-Beverly Hills; it makes no sense. I hope this is only a rumor.

Also, recently convicted (although no prison time) Kim Richards was seen filming with the RHOBH cast mates. See you ladies soon, after I get my dose of RHOA.

Have you heard, RHONJ Teresa checked in, experienced low ratings and the execs are worried that viewers are no longer interested. Wrong! We are interested in Teresa and ready to see her. I hope she's evolved. What I got from the mini-show is she misses her family and it's difficult for her to allow people to visit her in this state. Makes sense.

Guess what? Supposedly the plan is for her to get pregnant, which would give her a great storyline as a single mother with her hubby in prison. One more thing, the Manzos are feeling themselves a bit and throwing shade per an episode on "WWHL" with Andy Cohen. But they got checked quickly from the Twitter world.

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While there it was decided that it was best to schedule an invasive heart procedure to determine if I had any blockages in the valves to my heart, which could cause even more serious strokes, if not a heart attack.

So literally a month later, I had heart surgery to remove two blockages in my valves and have stents implanted. Medically, I had congestive heart failure, and I spent another week in the hospital recovering from that. Needless to say, last holiday season was not too festive for yours truly.

I couldn't work (neither of my bosses would allow me to write a thing, even though my brain and cognitive skills were as sharp as ever), so staying home, walking with a cane and a walker, and depending on others to accomplish what normally would be simple things, was torture. Most of my time, when not at the doctor's office, was spent in bed.

And yet, through the blessings of GOD, and the love and devotion of family, friends, my bosses and the prayers and support of good people like you, my readers, when folks see me now, a year later, they literally ask, "What stroke? I don't see it." My arm completely healed months ago.

My left leg is as strong as ever, and I have at least 98 percent control of it now. I have changed my diet because of diabetes, I have been working out because I was (and still am) overweight, and I have been getting my rest and taking my meds, all the while still working hard at the things I love to do best.

In a roundabout way, they were telling me I may have had a stroke, and the more time I left it untreated, the more serious damage it could do. I personally already knew that from when my mother suffered a debilitating stroke on Mother's Day 1989. The only thing, besides GOD, that saved her life was my calling her from North Carolina early to wish her in Brooklyn, NY a Happy Mother's Day.

It is because I heard her shockingly slurred speech, and knew that my mother, even though she lived alone, did not drink, that something was wrong, and that something had to be a stroke. I remember seeing an episode of "A Man Called Hawk" where a woman collapsed at a dinner party, and while she laid on the ground, someone asked her to make a fist. When she couldn't do it, they called the stroke in.

I remember asking my mother to make a fist while I was on the phone with her, and when she told me she couldn't do it I knew what she was dealing with. I called my relatives there in Brooklyn, had them rush right over, and they got her to the hospital.

So I had some history with stroke, but never personally that I knew of. I say that because after I called 911 (I had sent my wife off to work and youngest daughter off to school, convincing them that if my "back problem" didn't get better, I'd get myself to the hospital), and the first responders and then the ambulance came to get me, it was later determined at the hospital that I had actually had a series of smaller strokes over time leading up to that fatal day, but just didn't know it.

Essentially, the right side of your brain controls your left side, and vice versa. But when that connection dies, which is what happened to me, then the brain can't send appropriate signals to the corresponding limb for movement or reaction.

For the next week, I stayed in the hospital.

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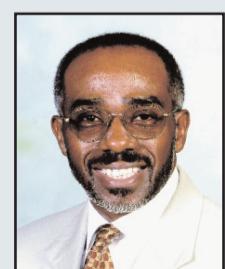
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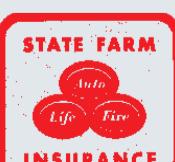
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