

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



LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD

The N. C. Department of Natural and Cultural Resources requests public input as it plan the state's first Capitol Grounds commissioned monument to honor African-Americans. Members of the N.C. Historical Commission and the N.C. African-American Historical Commission will review suggestions during the next few months. Individuals or groups wishing to voice opinions regarding preferred topics, images, or captions for the design and development of a permanent monument for the southeast corner of the Raleigh Capitol should visit www.nc.dcr.gov/monuments-feedback, or telephone (919) 807-7388 for more details or questions.

BRUNSWICK COUNTY UPDATE



BERNEST HEWETT

TIME FOR JUNETEENTH DINNER

BY BERNEST HEWETT
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Brunswick County, it's time for the Juneteenth Dinner. It is sponsored by the North Carolina State Black Caucus. This dinner honors two of North Carolina's most outstanding citizens for their work that promotes social, economic, and political empowerment toward his or her fellowman or woman.

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DEMS FILE "EQUALITY FOR ALL ACT"

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State Democratic lawmakers have filed the "Equality for All Act", which counters the controversial House Bill 2 legislation, which currently is law. House Bill DRH10522-mma-153B is reportedly an "act to protect all North Carolinians against discrimination in all walks of life."

Guilford County Representative Chris Sgro along with three other Democratic lawmakers sponsored the bill. Representative Sgro, who

is Executive Director of Equality NC, has been a constant critic of House Bill 2, which was passed by North Carolina's Republican lawmakers in response to a Charlotte city non-discrimination ordinance.

The "Equality for All Act" makes discriminatory housing practices unlawful, but also calls for "Proof of Violation." There are also exemptions to the unlawful discriminatory housing practices section, which include rental

of housing accommodation, rental of rooms, and religious institutions.

Under the employment section of the bill it states that the public policy of this State is to protect and safeguard the right and opportunity of all persons to seek, obtain and hold employment without discrimination or abridgement on account of race, religion, color, national origin, age, disability, marital status, familial status, sex, sexual orientation, gender

identity, military or veteran status, genetic information, or handicap by employers which regularly employ more than one employee.

However, when it comes to addressing instances of discrimination in employment the bill offers up a Human Relations Commission in the Department of Administration as the agency to "effect an amicable resolution of the charges of discrimination." But the legislation is unclear as to just

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Wilmington Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority will present 2016 Delta Jabberwock



Miss Dramatic Gabrielle Despaigne
Parents: P. Rodney and Jamaye Despaigne



Miss Extraordinary Chyna Doughty
Parents: Lawrence Doughty and Leshia Murphy



Miss Ambitious Tiaina Doughty
Parents: Carl Bowen Sr. and Carol Doughty; Janice Brown



Miss Persistent Jonaysha Douglas
Parent: Consuella Douglas

BY KAREN GRAHAM AND MARVA ROBINSON
CONTRIBUTING WRITERS

The Wilmington Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated will host its 67th Jabberwock Scholarship Pageant on Sunday, May 22, 2016, 5:00 p.m. at Ebenezer Empowerment Center, 2019 Princess Place Drive in Wilmington. The theme for this year's extravaganza is "Imagine Me: Motivated and Enlightened....My Future Journey." Seven high school seniors are vying for the title of Miss



Miss Vibrant Annaca Jackson
Parents: Lorenza and Roberta Jackson



Miss Resilient Micah McDaniel
Parents: Vance and Robbin Williams



Miss Radiant Makelee Roland
Parents: Michael Fulton and LaTonya Roland

Who's Who. The competition consists of business interview, grade point average, and career journal. A team of judge score each con-

testant in these areas and the results are announced on Sunday evening.

Ian Davis, a singer and musician will

appear as a guest artist. Ian, a multi-talented

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In unusually candid speech: President Obama tells Howard grads, "Be confident in your blackness"

BY HAZEL TRICE EDNEY

(TriceEdneyWire.com)--President Barack Obama, in his final seven months as America's first Black president, has advised Howard University graduates on how to excel and impact change as Black people in America.

"First of all - and this should not be a problem for this group - be confident in your heritage. Be confident in your Blackness," the President told the audience of graduates and others who responded with rousing applause May 7. "One of the great changes that's occurred in our country since I was your age is the realization there's no one way to be Black."

President Obama's speech to Howard had been a long time coming - at the end of his tenure. He hinted that this culmination was intentional and appropriate. The historic Black university, often called "the Mecca" because of its history and reputation as a bastion of Black intellectualism, has, of itself produced leaders that changed the nation.

"It is that spirit that's made Howard a centerpiece of African-American intellectual life and a central part of our larger American story," Obama said. "This institution has been the home of many firsts: The first Black Nobel Peace Prize winner. The first Black Supreme Court justice. But its mission has been to ensure those firsts were not the last.

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Nottingham, Davis inspire others through work

BY VENITA JENKINS
OFFICE OF UNIVERSITY RELATIONS
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA WILMINGTON

WILMINGTON -- Joanne Nottingham and Harry Davis '79 may have very different careers, but a common thread to inspire others weaves intricately through each one's work.

Nottingham is the faculty coordinator of Leadership Studies and lecturer in the Department of Educational Leadership in the Watson College of Education. Davis, her husband, is an award-winning Wilmington artist.

As a child, Nottingham wanted to teach. She began her career as an elementary and special education

teacher in Atlanta, but switched careers and worked for Delta Airlines in marketing and public relations.

"Teaching and sales are exactly the same thing because salespeople teach about a product and get people excited about it, and that's exactly what education is," said Nottingham.

After more than a decade with Delta, Nottingham said she became bored, and had a desire to return to teaching.

"I still didn't intend on becoming a college professor," she said. "I thought I was going to teach Spanish because I pick up on languages quickly. Back then, I

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JOANNE NOTTINGHAM AND HARRY DAVIS

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**President Obama, flanked by Howard University President
Wayne A. I. Frederick on his right and Howard trustee Vernon
Jordan on the left.**

OBAMA

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Countless scholars, professionals, artists, and leaders from every field received their training here. The generations of men and women who walked through this yard helped reform our government, cure disease, grow a Black middle class, advance civil rights, shape our culture. The seeds of change - for all Americans - were sown here."

The speech - which focused largely on how to build on the racial progress indicated by his elections - wowed the enthusiastic crowd and even impressed some of his strongest critics. After more than seven years in office, the President appeared to have turned a corner, becoming remarkably more candid and relaxed on the issues of race and racism.

"He was conscious of the historical backdrop against which he offered his oration. He was unapologetically rooted in his own racial and ethnic identity," said Michael Eric Dyson as he left the graduation. "In fact he encouraged the students and graduates and others to be proud of their ethnic heritage without being narrow and limited, but to embrace the broad variety of Blacknesses that were marinated under our own struggle."

Dyson, author of *The Black Presidency: Barack Obama and the Politics of Race in America*, specifically pointed out that President Obama's style was not scolding as it has occasionally been in the past as he spoke to Black audiences. Obama's 2013 speech to Morehouse graduates was heavily scrutinized by some who thought his talk about work ethics and social responsibility were condescending. Some also criticized the 2011 speech in which he told the Congressional Black Caucus, "Take off your bedroom slippers, put on your marching shoes. Shake it off. Stop complaining, stop grumbling,

stop crying."

At Howard, Dyson observed, "He wasn't damning as he has been in the past. In the past he has been condescending and tone deaf to African-American culture and people. But this speech was resilient, was ebullient and edifying in a way that it should be and was a beautiful, beautiful send off."

Morehouse graduate Perry Clemons agreed. "He was giving good advice," says Clemons, a New York elementary school teacher, who especially appreciated Obama's encouragement to embrace Blackness. "I feel like he's coming out and he saying all these things...I don't think he would have said any of that stuff in his first term... And he's not saying that to the country. He's saying it to Black people. He's never talked directly like that."

Obama also encouraged the crowd to listen to others with whom they may disagree and to vote as a part of their plan to lead.

"It is absolutely true that 50 years after the Voting Rights Act, there are still too many barriers in this country to vote," he said. But, he added, "Even if we dismantled every barrier to voting, that alone would not change the fact that America has some of the lowest voting rates in the free world."

While he was clear on the racism that remain, Obama encouraged the class to also realize the importance of the strides that have been made.

"I am not saying gaps do not persist. Obviously, they do. Racism persists. Inequality persists," he said. But, "If you had to choose a time to be, in the words of Lorraine Hansberry, 'young, gifted, and black' in America, you would choose right now."

Obama pointed to the youth movement, "Black Lives Matter" as being among those who comprehend the need to go beyond awareness to actions similar to those taken by activists in the 1960s.

"I'm so proud of the new guard of Black civil rights



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**Howard University Class of 2016 responds to President Obama's
greeting, "HU!"**

leaders who understand this. It's thanks in large part to the activism of young people like many of you, from Black Twitter to Black Lives Matter; that America's eyes have been opened - White, Black, Democrat, Republican - to the real problems, for example, in our criminal justice system."

Listing the many racial and civil rights accomplishments since the 1960s and even since his 1973 college graduation, Obama conclud-

ed, "I tell you this not to lull you into complacency, but to spur you into action - because there's still so much more work to do, so many more miles to travel. And America needs you to gladly, happily take up that work. You all have some work to do. So enjoy the party, because you're going to be busy."

The crowd remained exuberant throughout the speech, going from chants of "Obama! Obama!" to laughter,

applause and a rousing ovation at the end.

"Everything that he said was very relevant," said Shaquille Vaughn of Philadelphia, graduating with a Master of Business Administration. "You can tell. He wasn't holding anything back. He was being very direct and straight forward on not just the country as a whole; but on how to make African-Americans progress."

Sgt. Major Steve Sutton, Jr.
March 18, 1943-
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Former Wilmingtonian and Vietnam Veteran Sgt. Major Steve Sutton, Jr. will be interred in ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia on Friday, May 20, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. He was a 1961 graduate of Williston Senior High School and the son of the late Steve Sutton, Sr. and Queenie Williams Brimage Sutton.

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This year, the North Carolina Black Caucus honors Mr. Don Hughes and Mr. Frank Hewitt, both from Brunswick County.

Mr. Don Hughes, who was raised and educated here in Brunswick County, worked his way up through the ranks of Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation. Now he has worked his way up to CEO of BEMC. He is known for his ability to deal with all people and different problems. He still manages to keep his composure as he makes sound discussions which are good for man and BEMC. A proud son of Brunswick County, he now runs one of Brunswick County's largest companies and does it very well!

Mr. Frank Hewitt was born here in Brunswick County in December 1946. He was educated at Brunswick County Training School. He then joined the U. S. Army as a Special Forces soldier in the 173rd Airborne Infantry. During his tour in Vietnam, he received a Purple Heart and was recommended for the Medal of Honor after four years of service. He returned home to marry Ms. Gennette Evans, and together they raised a family in Brunswick County.

He then began to work with young men and women, teaching them to strive to improve themselves so that their opportunities for better jobs would be greater. He also came back to where he began, the farm life. He now oversees one of the largest Black Farm Operations on the east coast. It covers over 800 acres.

It is here where he and his nephews employ several people at times. He has been a model for many young men who came up poor. He has inspired many to keep working, and never give up their dreams.

The Juneteenth Dinner will be held on June 4, 2016, in the town of Saint James, N. C., at Saint James Community Center, 4136 Southport/Supply Road. The affair starts at 5:00 p. m. The Honorable Wanda Bryant will be the speaker for the occasion.

Tickets are on sale now. For tickets, call Ms. Deloris Warren (910-278-7245), Mr. Charles Warren (559-304-5999), or Bernest Hewett (910 540-1761). The cost per ticket is \$50.00

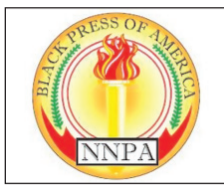
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BLACKONOMICS

Power Talk III

(Via George Curry Media)

Veteran radio talk show host Carl Nelson will present his third Power Talk event June 17-19 at Union Temple Baptist Church in Washington, D.C. The event has featured the likes of Tony Browder, Ashra Kwesi, the late Frances Cress-Welsing, Pastor Willie Wilson, Claud Anderson, and Patricia Newton, among many others. The speakers are called "Power Talkers" and rightly so because they are most knowledgeable in their particular fields of endeavor. They are unapologetically Black, and they impart their wisdom to a Black audience in an effort to create what I will call, "Power Doers."



James Clingman

But no matter who is doing the talking, if there is no subsequent follow through, quite frankly, what's the point? Do we talk merely so that Black people can have more information, or is it merely to repeat the information we already have? Or, is information just a "booster shot," a reinforcement of sorts to keep us from being so discouraged that we give up on ourselves? If we do not respond appropriately to what we hear, specifically by executing strategies to eliminate some of the problems we discuss at these kinds of events, then we have relegated ourselves to mere cheerleaders for those who share their information with us. We do that so well ("Ase!" "Amen!" "That's right!" "Teach!" "Tell it!"), but then we leave our haven of knowledge, go back into the real world, and do absolutely nothing except wait for Power Talk Four.

Our events should have legacies that we can celebrate and share when we meet again. We should have victories as a result of thousands of us coming together at an event, especially at a Power Talk event that showcases some of our top brothers and sisters. They are not the run-of-the-mill, milquetoast, talking-head Blacks who earn a great living discussing mundane issues and offering meaningless solutions to Black problems. Not only should we hear their words; we should act upon them.

At this year's Power Talk Three, there should be something that has taken place over the past year as a result of the information and instructions discussed at last year's event. Doesn't that make sense? I was one of the Power Talkers last year and have been invited to come back this year; as many of you know, I am a "doer" even more so than a talker. So, during my speech last year I noted 16 things Black folks can do in response to my words.

I posited that some of our people are waiting for the world to end; some are waiting to be put into FEMA camps; some are waiting for racism to end; some are waiting for reparations; some are waiting for political fairness; some are waiting for equality; some are waiting to be rescued by who knows whom; and some of us are just waiting to be exterminated by the powers-that-be. My question was: "What are we doing while we wait?" As Red said in the movie, *Shawshank Redemption*, we had better "Get busy livin' or get busy dyin'." Thus, I offered the following things to do while we wait:

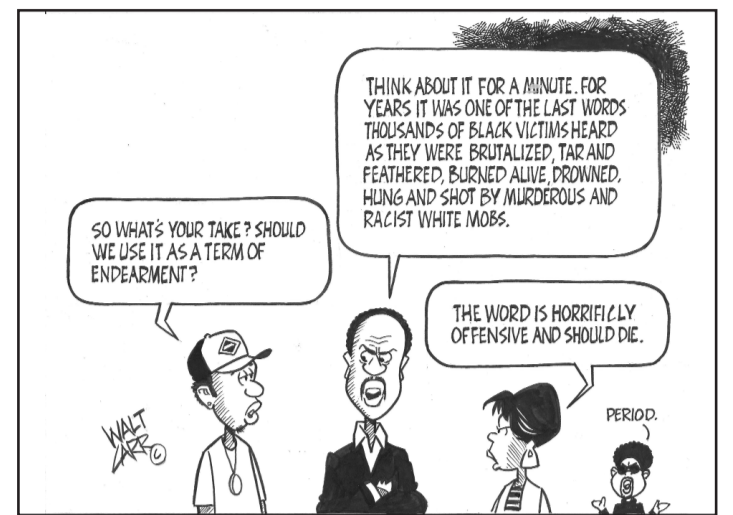
- Work to raise our consciousness to a level of "unconscious competency;"
- Leverage our collective dollars against injustice and inequity by withdrawing them;
- Use our collective consumer dollars to create conscious Black millionaires;
- Leverage our collective votes against "politricksters;"
- Establish more viable, professional, well-managed businesses, and support them;
- Establish Black-owned and controlled trusts, equity funds, revolving loan programs, legal "offense" funds, and endowments;
- Form strategic alliances and partnerships that can take on larger projects;
- Scale our businesses to the point of being able to hire our own people-our own youth;
- Teach our youth the history of Black business, even before we were brought here;
- Teach entrepreneurship and entrepreneurial thinking to our young people;
- Make our demands on politicians from a position of economic strength;
- Vote as a bloc for those who publicly state and commit in writing their support for our interests;
- Withhold our votes from anyone and any party that does not support our interests;
- Hold ourselves accountable for our own freedom;
- Organize ourselves around practical economic and political solutions that benefit us; and
- Commit some of our time, talent, and treasure to the uplift of our people, while we wait!

I will add one more: Join the One Million Conscious Black Voters and Contributors at www.iamoneofthemillion.com

To the attendees of Power Talk Three, commit to being "Power Doers" when you leave. That way, when it returns next year, we will have much to celebrate. And to the Power Talkers, as my colleague, Amefika Geuka has proposed, commit to joining the Harvest Institute Think Tank, and use your collective talents to help us actually solve our problems.

Jim Clingman, founder of the Greater Cincinnati African American Chamber of Commerce, is the nation's most prolific writer on economic empowerment for Black people. He can be reached through his website, blackonomics.com. He is the author of *Black Dollars Matter: Teach Your Dollars How to Make More Sense, which is available through his website; professionalpublishinghouse.com and Amazon Kindle eBooks.*

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Too Hot to Handle!

Wikipedia describes a 19th century experiment in which a frog was supposedly cooked alive when water at room temperature was slowly heated to the boiling point. Evidently, politicians in Raleigh heard this story because a similar tactic is being used in their so-called "tax reform" package. There was a 2015 "rollout" of

new taxes on services or entertainment such as concerts. The sales tax base in 2016 expanded to include "RMI" services (repair, maintenance, and installation) on a variety of things. Is this any way to protect citizens and small businesses? Although an overall decrease in income taxes for middle income taxpayers in NC never materialized, there were automatic reductions-- 6.9% to

6% in 2014, 5% in 2015, and 4% in 2016-- for large, wealthy corporations.

There is a rumor that a tax proposal will be submitted in the "short" legislative session for developers to avoid taxes on "finished" homes until they are sold-next year or even five years from now. On the other hand, the average citizen often receives a tax bill on their vehicle before the "new car" smell

has disappeared. It is time that citizens of this county and state let their local politicians and state legislators know that they will be in hot water if fair, common-sense tax laws are not supported or passed this year. If they can't take the heat, we will gladly move them out of the kitchen!

William Flythe
Southport, NC

Matters of Opinion

Trump's first 100 days

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

It's human nature to develop methods of personal survival or providing for self-protection. They're not the same for everyone, but many are common.



Dr. E. Faye Williams

Among those known to me, one predictable survival standard is that one should believe that a person will attempt to do that which she or he promises to do.

Routinely, a person keeping a promise isn't necessarily a bad thing. In most circles, keeping one's word is an admirable quality. In politics the kept promise of a politician is often unwelcome. It usually means that some people will consider themselves the target of undesirable consequence. One positive in politics is that we can counteract promises we don't like with a simple tool -- the VOTE.

Recently, we've heard that Republican candidate Donald Trump has moved to "Presumptive Nominee."

Barring unforeseen circumstance, Donald Trump will be the standard bearer for the Republican effort to regain the White House. Given the unpredictable nature of people and circumstance, Trump has a "theoretical possibility" of becoming President.

The shock of that possibility should be followed with the requirement for all Americans to explore the goals of a President Trump. We should want to know his most important policy initiatives and what they would mean to our country. For information, Trump has promised to pursue four goals in his first 100 days in office which provide insight into what to expect.

The first 100 days of a Trump presidency are expected to foreshadow the tone and quality of his administration. To clarify, the day after Ted Cruz suspended his candidacy, Trump announced four main objectives of his first 100 days as President. They are:

1. Completing the design of his wall on the US - Mexican Border.
2. Stopping Muslim immigration.
3. Auditing the Federal Reserve.
4. Repealing the Affordable

Care Act.

One can only wonder about the completion of Trump's "Great Wall." His cost estimate of \$10 Billion for construction is far exceeded by the \$25 Billion construction estimate, not including maintenance, by many experts. The question is who will pay for it? Mexican officials have already negated any possibility of payment, but Trump has offered options as varied as forced recompense from the \$58 Billion trade deficit to increasing fees on travel costs from Mexico to the US or impounding remittance payments (monies) sent home by undocumented Mexicans working in the US. These monetary remedies seem as realistic as Trump's objective to deport 12 million undocumented persons currently residing in the US.

Trump has doubled-down on his promise to stop Muslim immigration. Our nation has never used religion as a criteria for entry or immigration - temporary or permanent, but Trump proposes both. The obvious historical comparison is in the Nazi treatment of the Jews.

While some critics of the Federal Reserve state that audits will bring that body

more in line with the principles of democracy, Trump's motivation seems clear. According to Libertarian Alex Jones, Trump wants a Fed audit to prove that interest rates are being held artificially low to stabilize the economy during the final months of the Obama Presidency.

How much more can be said about the proposed repeal of the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare). Trump's goals and Republican efforts to do so border on the ridiculous and demonstrate their desire to put Americans back "under the thumb" of insurance companies. It's that simple.

More than promises, these are threats to many. If you agree with these First 100 Day objectives, you should vote for Trump or sit twiddling your thumbs on November 8, 2016. If you don't agree, then it's time to commit to using the voting tool mentioned earlier AND to inspire like-minded friends and neighbors to commit to using theirs to vote FOR different principles.

Dr. E. Faye Williams is National President of the National Congress of Black Women. www.nationalcongressbw.org.

Malia Obama got into Harvard and Fox News fans called her a "little monkey"

(Via NNPA)

Malia Obama deserves congratulations. Admitted to Harvard University, she has decided to take a gap year, a mature choice that many students make when they want a break between intense and competitive studies and college.



Dr. Julianne Malveaux

This is a great time for her to take a gap year. After these eight years in the White House as a "First Daughter", she now has a chance to enjoy life and pursue some of her non-academic interests. She speaks fluent Spanish, so perhaps she'll take some time to travel to Mexico, Cuba, or Spain. She is interested in television and film, so perhaps she'll work as a production assistant (or even a commentator) on a television program. She may be interested enough in politics to volunteer for some down-ticket candidate. Imagine the boost she could give to California Attorney General Kamala Harris in her Senate race this fall! It is going to be interesting to see how this young woman's life unfolds.

In reaction to Malia's good news, the racists are out in full

force. According to the website AddictingInfo.org, the Fox crew was so vitriolic that Fox had to close down a page due to the volume and negative comments regarding her announcement. The content of the messages hardly deserves reprint, but it is no surprise that the beautiful young lady was called a "monkey," not to mention the "N-word" and worse. She was admitted because of affirmative action, several wrote. Every stereotype one can imagine was heaped on this young woman.

Come on people! Malia Obama won't be 18 until July 4. She's a kid. Dislike President Obama and his wife, Michelle, if you want to. Call them names -- I am sure that by now, ugly name-calling affects them as much as water rolling off a duck's back. But it is especially vile for racist haters to direct such ire to a young woman, who is really just a girl. Perhaps some feel she has no right to innocence because she lives in the White House. But it's heartbreaking to bear witness to the venom this young lady has attracted.

While it is heart breaking it is hardly surprising. Hatred seems to be the winning ticket in our nation. That Donald Trump is the presumptive Republican nominee for President is frightening. He won by dominating a large and crowded field, winning primaries and delegates when some

thought he had little chance and even less organization. He's thrown more than \$30 million of his own money into this race, so far, and is likely to spend millions more even as he begins to stump for contributions. His winning platform has been to insult any and everyone, from Mexicans ("rapists"), Muslims (moratorium on entering the country), his opponents (Lying' Ted, Little Marco, and more), Hillary Clinton (Crooked Hillary, "screeching" Hillary, playing the "woman card"), to all the women he has insulted (taking swipes on everything from their looks to their bodily functions). The "Stop Trump" movement was too little, too late. Apparently, the plurality (not majority) of primary voters want a blustering, bullying, braggart to lead our nation. And judging from the abhorrent comments Malia Obama's success has garnered, there are many who would emulate Mr. Trump with his vile meanness.

How has meanness and racial resentment become the order of the day? Whatever happened to civility? What happened to the adage that if you have nothing kind to say, say nothing? What happened with being glad for a young person who has been admitted to college? What happened to disagreeing about issues, but not about personalize. Why does the size of one's genitalia become a debate point in a

presidential election? People are now talking about ways the Republican Party might heal. How does our nation heal?

Republicans don't own a monopoly on meanness. I was appalled that Secretary Hillary Clinton and Senator Bernie Sanders went after each other like mortal enemies, shouting over each other, bandying hostile accusation, and generally behaving as if they were auditioning to lead the Republican party in style, if not content, when they last debated. They've both calmed down, perhaps realizing that they have much more in common than not. Indeed, Hillary Clinton owes Bernie Sanders a "thank you." His candidacy has appropriately pushed her to the left, especially on issues of economic justice, and made her a much better candidate.

I don't ever, ever, ever want to hear the word "post-racial" again. Comments directed toward Malia Obama suggest that our nation is pre-civilized, not post anything. The hate directed at a young woman, and the hateful rhetoric that has characterized the Trump campaign are two sides of the same coin. Where do we go from here?

Julianne Malveaux is an author and economist based in Washington D.C. Her latest book, "Are We Better Off? Race, Obama and Public Policy" is available at Amazon.com and www.juliannealveaux.com.

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New Hanover County

Citywide Youth Day, "Families United", will be held on Saturday, May 14th from 12:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. at Portia Hines Park/10th St. Park. Free food, drinks, games, live music, dancers and fun activities. For more information call or text Cynthia at 910-202-7733 or Liz at 910-218-6373.

Community Briefs

Community Services Block Grant Program at Eastern Carolina Human Services Agency, Inc. is now accepting applications for Onslow, Duplin and New Hanover Counties, Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Onslow County call 910-347-2151, Duplin County call 910-285-5331 and New Hanover County call 910-762-0010.

DC Virgo Alumni will hold a Sock Hop on Friday, May 13th from 7:00 p.m.- 11:00 p.m. at DC Virgo Preparatory Academy, 813 Nixon St. The DJ will be DJ Neal Disco. Tickets available at Pat's Wings, 614 S. 17th St. For more information visit the website at 10techgirl.wix.com/dcvirgoalumni or email at virgoalumn i2016@gmail.com.

The League of Women Voters Lower Cape Fear will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, May 23rd at McAlister's Deli on Monday, May 23rd. Guest speaker, Barbara Burrell, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus at Northern Illinois University, is one of our Brunswick County League members. She will share her current research on how the 2016 election is shaping up for women candidates running for the U.S. House and other non-presidential offices. Come for lunch at 11:30 a.m.; the meeting will be from noon-1:00 p.m. As always, members are encouraged to bring guests and the public is invited.

The New Hanover County Lupus Foundation Support Group meets on the third Thursday of each month from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00pm in Classroom D, Service Level, NHRMC. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 19th. There is no charge to attend the meeting, and drop-ins are welcome. Contact the LFANC at info@lupus-nc.org or at 877-849-8271, ext. 1. For more information, visit www.lupusnc.org.

The New Hanover NAACP monthly meeting is Thursday, May 26th at 7:00 p.m., at St. Stephen AME Church, 501 Red Cross Street, Wilmington. Members and friends are encouraged to attend. For more information, call 910-765-0102 or email nhnaacp@gmail.com.

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.

Brunswick County

Hands Only Community CPR Day will be held May 17th in the aerobics room of the Dinah E. Gore Fitness Center at Brunswick Community College. The class is FREE for anyone in the community, and will teach CPR and how to use an Automated External Defibrillator. Classes will start at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. The Dinah E. Gore Fitness Center is located at 210 College Road NE in Bolivia. For more information, contact Rich Burns at rich.burns@brunswickcountync.gov or call (910) 846-2348.

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HOMETOWN NEWS FROM BRUNSWICK COUNTY

Happiness is a part of life

Happiness is a part of your life every day. It can appear in many different ways day and night. It can appear on your way to work or going home from work. What I have accomplished today may be beneficial to my family and neighbors.

What are you looking forward to most this summer? I will help Democrats protect the progress we've made from attacks by radical Tea Party Republicans. There is a need for positive change by

putting more Democrats in the U. S. Congress and a Democratic President to the White House.

I think the federal government should provide more assistance to Americans who want to continue their education beyond high school. Our courageous Democratic candidates are fighting day and night for hard working middle class families and families trying to climb into the middle class. We are leading Democrats in our community and you cannot stop our opinions because they are vitally important. The extreme Congressional Republicans are a threat to everything we African Americans care about. We will fight harder now by electing a strong

Democratic majority in Congress.

The lack of insurance for senior citizens and the high cost of prescription drugs is an important issue. I do support the full implementation of the historic health care reform act signed into law by President Obama. Many dislike President Obama because of the color of his skin.

I've been so focused on the weather this summer. Storms in Bolivia or Brunswick County could make many people homeless. It happened in other states, and they can be destructive here. This summer, we will celebrate many happy experiences with relatives and friends, but we can still

expect violent storms.

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.



Verniece Stanley

St. Andrew AMEZ holds Gertrude Daniels "Crowns Fit for Royalty" Hat Parade



PHOTOS BY JUS PHOTOGRAPHY WINNERS OF HAT PARADE



HAT PARADE CAPTAINS

BY JOHNSIE DAVIS CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The program opened with introduction of Mistress of Ceremony, by Sister Evoria Daniels. Sister Swandella Nixon brought a spiritual energy, as she served as Mistress of Ceremony. Sister Nannie Mapson provided a warm and inviting welcome to everyone. An uplifting Invocation was delivered by Rev. Dorothy Gibbs. Tamika Bierline, granddaughter of Gertrude Daniels read a special memorial tribute for her grandmother, on behalf of the

family. There was entertainment provided throughout the program. Sister Faye Grady read a poem with sassiness, "No One Can Wear a Hat Like a Black Woman". Sister Janetta Nixon performed a solo, that got everyone clapping. Sister Marsha Graham-Ali performed a soul stirring solo.

Sister Joselia Davis fashionably, introduced the Galleria of Hats for the Parade. She announced the virtue of each hat color, as the participants marched around, in front of the congregation and judges. The ten Captains led their

group in sassy struts, with dips and choreographed steps to the music. The ten Captains were Mary Armwood, Ernestine Bennett, Johnsie Davis, Barbara Desereaux, Arnetta Farrington, Lynda Harrison, Nannie Mapson, Mary Scott, Shirley Sidberry and Marjorie Williamson.

The Kings, Queens, Princes and Princesses marched in style and proudly wore hats of every color, size and style.

The judges, Sister Delma Jones, Sister Brenda Fong and Sister Sandra Walker worked hard to determine our 4th, 3rd, 2nd and Grand

Prize Winner from the 10 runners ups. Gifts were presented and door prizes were distributed. This was a fun filled annual family event. A reception followed the Hat Parade with good food, vendors, and photography, to capture the event.

The Life Members Department of St. Andrew AME Zion Church, Rev. Henry Gregory III, Pastor, are sponsors of this annual program. The Life Members awarded four scholarships to adults returning back to school, from last year's event. Thank you for making this year's Hat Parade a success.

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Dr. Joe L. Jackson, Ed.D.

Professor Emeritus Joe Lewis Jackson, Ed.D., entered eternal rest on Wednesday, April 20, 2016. Most often, friends and colleagues referred to him simply as Joe Jackson. Joe was born at Charity Hospital in Savannah, Georgia on April 5, 1935 to Elijah L. Jackson and Mary Lou Maynor and was the only child of this union. His mother passed while Joe was still a toddler whereupon his paternal grandparents, John Wesley and Maggie Jackson, assumed the parental role because his father Elijah's work required him to travel frequently. Family lore has it that Joe was a 'handful' and made youthful mischief which resulted in a little southern discipline from "Ms. Maggie", which was needed for a young black boy growing up in the segregated south. Her influence was felt throughout Joe's life, as he developed a passion for cooking Southern specialties which including recipes for sweet potato pie, pound cake and gumbo.

Joe attended public schools in his native Savannah, Georgia graduating from Beach High School and later earned an undergraduate degree from North Carolina A&T University in Greensboro, North Carolina. A devoted Aggie, he was a familiar figure at its annual homecoming festivities. He was awarded a Master's degree in Social Work from Adelphi University and a doctorate degree in Educational Psychology at University of Massachusetts. Joe valued education and encouraged a legion of young black men and women to remain and do well in school.

One of his first jobs in New York was with Harlem Youth Opportunities Associated Community Teams, HARYOU ACT, a social activism organization, counseling low-income youth. Continuing a career focused on youth and education, Joe was hired by the Mamaroneck School District to foster integration within the schools; subsequently he became a family counselor for the federally funded Head Start program. Ever increasing professional positions led him to Lehman College where he occasionally taught classes in Black Studies and was a counselor in the SEEK program (Search for Education, Elevation and Knowledge) remaining in the position until his retirement in 1996. After retirement from Lehman College, Joe established Jackson Consulting whose services were highly regarded and sought both locally and nationally.

Among his many passions, Joe loved family, church, travel, attending homecoming and fishing. Family and church represented the substance of his life. He joined Abyssinian Baptist Church in 1980 and engaged in ministries and organizations including the Leon E. Thompson Men's Chorus, Blue Nile Rites of Passage, Abyssinian Development Corporation, the Abyssinian Golf Club and numerous others. He reverently served as a church Deacon for almost 30 years. He was a proud member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and served as president of Eta Chi Lambda Chapter. During his presidency he was instrumental in helping to have a monument honoring Thurgood Marshall erected at the Hillburn School in the Ramapo School District. Also, he belonged to the Association of Black Social Workers and was a brother in the Prince Hall Mason, Boyer Lodge, No. 1. In his private life, Joe was a trendsetter who always looked good and dressed smartly whether attired in a tailored suit or wearing flowing African garb. His sense of fashion was nurtured when he owned and operated a clothing store, Mr. J's

Boutique. Joe's sense of adventure and interest in different cultures fueled his passion for travel. He traveled extensively in the United States, the Caribbean and countries in Africa, especially Ghana. It was in Ghana that he met Ayikailey Adamafo the beautiful and gentle Ghanaian woman who was to become his wife. He and Ayi, were married for thirty-six years. He considered her one of the biggest blessings of his life.

Joe Jackson's accomplishments were many and will be remembered not only by family, friends and colleagues but also by individuals whose lives he touched in church and in the community. He believed in helping others and was responsible for numerous students obtaining scholarships; he inspired others to stay in school and was a role model wherever he was. In the latter part of his life, after being diagnosed with cancer again, he became an advocate for men's health and is credited with getting other men to have regular check-ups, particularly screening for prostate cancer. Joe often avowed, "Cancer teaches you how to live;" and he lived a full life. He joined clinical trials in hopes of extending his life but also to help advance research and treatment for prostate cancer in Black men. He lived a full life, had a strong will to live and fought hard but, is now at peace. He believed in God, loved his wife and children, celebrated his cultural heritage and was a devoted friend.

He leaves to cherish his memories his wife Ayikailey; sons Chet Jackson and Dwayne Guerra; daughters Lora Jackson, Caroline Jackson-Guerra and Jasmyn Jackson. He is mourned by Goddaughters April Pope and Jada Harper; Godson Benjamin Bennetone; his nieces and nephews, in-laws (in Ghana, London and the US), a myriad of cousins, friends, "adopted" children, and mentees. We will all miss him.

Lerlene Jones

Lerlene Jones died Monday,

April 25, 2016, at her residence. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 4, 2016 at Willie L. Shaw Jr. Memorial Chapel. Burial followed in Pine Forest Cemetery.

Mrs. Lerlene Brown-Jones, daughter of the late Inez Mills Brown and Amos Brown, was born on January 26, 1925, in Wilmington, North Carolina. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Jones, Sr., and her only sister, Doris Hamilton.

She was the vice president of the graduating class of Williston Industrial High School, in Wilmington, North Carolina, in 1944. After relocating to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, she went on to complete her formal education, graduating from The Berean Manual Training and Industrial School in 1946. On May 25, 1947, she married Robert Jones, Sr.; from their union two children were born. Lerlene was a very social person. While living in Philadelphia she made a host of friends with whom she loved to chat for hours. Her favorite song was, "Me and Mrs. Jones". She was the type of person who would speak her mind and would strike up a conversation with people everywhere she went. She was a loving and charitable person who would always take time to help the less fortunate. Lerlene was affectionately called "Gerry" by her closest friends. She loved to play bingo at the New Hanover County Senior Resource Center; and brag about her winnings. Reading her bible daily; Lerlene was a woman of strong faith. She loved the Lord and she loved her family.

Surviving to cherish her memory are her two children: Deborah Dill (Juwana) of Philadelphia, PA and Robert Jones, Jr. of the city; one granddaughter, Yvette Pate; two great-grandsons, Kairi and Kharon; one great-great-granddaughter, Aniyah Iri; her uncle, Richard Lundy (Elizabeth) of the city; three nieces, a nephew, and a host of cousins, and other relatives. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Anthony Leroy Johnson

Anthony Leroy Johnson died Thursday, April 28, 2016 at New Hanover Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 7, 2016 at New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church; 504 S 6th Street, Wilmington, NC.

Anthony, son of the late Mary Johnson Winfield and Leroy Percy, was born January 13, 1952, in Wilmington, North Carolina. He was preceded in death by his wife, Sharon Johnson and two sisters, Rosetta Baker and Debora Johnson.

Anthony was educated in the New Hanover County School System and graduated from Cape Fear Community College with an Associate Degree in Culinary Arts.

He leaves to cherish his memories: two daughters, Felicia Harris (Sam) and Shika Johnson of Wilmington, NC; two sons, Gerald Michael Washington of Charlotte, NC and Frank Batts (Katrina) of Wilmington, NC; grandchild-

dren, David Johnson, Naudia Harris, Cedric Cobbs, Ti'Yona Cobbs, Asja Washington, Michael Washington, Jr.; grand-grand, Ayden Johnson; sisters, Wilhelmina Johnson and Mary Sanders (Sammie Jr.) of Wilmington, NC, Annette Winfield of Queens, New York, Elitha Winfield of Chicago, IL and Sandra Winfield of Wilmington, NC; brothers, Eddie Johnson (Patty) of Stanford, VA and James Johnson of Wilmington, NC; aunts, Anita Johnson and Brenda White; a host of special nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Roy Lee Hill, Jr

Roy Lee Hill, Jr. died Friday, April 29, 2016 in Narrowsburg, New Jersey. Funeral services were held 3:00 p.m. Wednesday at St. Andrew AME Zion Church. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Frances Bellamy

Frances Bellamy died Saturday, April 30, 2016 at Brunswick Cove. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 5, 2016 at St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church, Winnabow, NC. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Miss Frances Bellamy, daughter of the late Essie and Joe Bellamy, Sr., was born on January 19, 1941. Frances, a very sweet person with a good heart, was a member of St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church. She loved her family and her church. Frances did

In Loving Memory Of

Retha Barnhill
Sunrise: January 10, 1908

My mother,
As times moves on,
I am missing you more and more, everything about you, our joyous times together; our conversations, the secrets we shared, our meaningless arguments.
Truly "there's no me without you."

The way you left this world has devastated my existence. Everyday was Mother's Day to me, only one like you.
A unique kinship.
I never looked at your grave that day.
In Heartache,
Your daughter, Brenda
and your son Arnold,
who proceeded you.

Proverbs: Chapter 1: *The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge verse 7 so are the ways of every one that is greedy of gain; verse 19 which taketh away the life of the owners (even their own mothers)*

not hesitate to stand and tell anyone about the goodness of the Lord. She loved going to the Brunswick Center and working with many crafts. She did a great job and enjoyed every one. Frances also enjoyed going grocery shopping with her caregiver. As her health

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In Loving Memory Of

Vivian White-Waddell
August 21, 1932 -
May 15, 2006

The strongest limb has fallen from our family tree. We keep hearing her sweet voice that says, "Grieve not for me. Remember the best times, the laughter; the song. Remember the good life I lived with you, while I was strong. Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you. Keep smiling and surely the sun will shine through. My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest.

Remembering all of you and how I truly was blessed. Please continue our traditions, no matter how small. I'll be watching all of you, from the heavens up above. So take good care of each other and carry all my love. Go on with your life, don't worry about falls. I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin. Until the day comes that we're together again."

It's been so very hard these nine years without you. But we're glad that Jesus knows.

He knows just, just how much we can bear.

We are still holding on and we're looking up, giving you a smile,
Remembering what you always said,
"There's a Bright Side Somewhere".

We Miss You
and Love You Always,

Husband:

Richard Waddell, Jr.
Children: Patricia A. Waddell, Eleanor M. Waddell, Richard B. Waddell, III, Carolyn Waddell-Mack, Atty. Gwendolyn Waddell-Burrell (Gary)

Grandchildren: Reginald E. Waddell, Rodney L. Waddell, Richard Waddell, IV, Samuel T. Waddell, Jillian N. Waddell, E. Michelle Waddell, Jordan C. Waddell (Megan), Krystal L. Mack, Gordan E. Burrell

Great-Grandchildren: Rodja, Ja'Mez, Ja'Qurion, Zoei, Za'Tori and Kailynn

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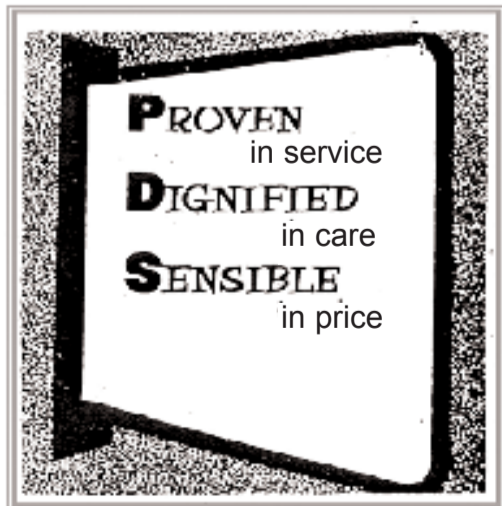
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(L-R) Robert "Butch" Brunson, Karen Davis Brunson, Sadie Davis Graham, Jennifer A. Terrell and Javoke S. Terrell

LEGAL NOTICES

THIRD AMENDED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION BEFORE THE CLERK 15-SP-204

IN THE MATTER OF THE FORECLOSURE OF DEED OF TRUST AND SECURITY AGREEMENT EXECUTED BY CENTRO INDEPENDENCE LLC DATED OCTOBER 26, 2006 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 5104 AT PAGE 2256 OF THE NEW HANOVER COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS BY ANDREW K. MCVEY, SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE

Pursuant to an Order of the New Hanover County Clerk of Superior Court and under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in that Deed of Trust and Security Agreement dated as of October 26, 2006, executed by Centro Independence LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Borrower or Debtor") to Lawyers Title Insurance Corporation ("Original Trustee"), recorded in Book 5104 at Page 2256, New Hanover County Register of Deeds ("Deed of Trust"), for the benefit of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., a New York banking corporation ("Original Lender").

Original Lender assigned all of its rights, title and interest in the Deed of Trust to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee, for the registered holders of J.P. Morgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Trust 2006-CIBC17, Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-CIBC17 ("Interim Noteholder"), as evidenced by that certain Assignment of Deed of Trust and Security Agreement and Assignment of Assignment of Leases and Rents dated effective as of November 28, 2006 and recorded in Book 5180 at Page 1886, with the New Hanover County Register of Deeds.

Interim Noteholder assigned all of its rights, title and interest in the Original Deed of Trust to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, successor-in-interest to Bank of America, N.A., as Trustee, successor by merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee, for the registered holders of J.P. Morgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Trust 2006-CIBC17, Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-CIBC17 ("Noteholder"), as evidenced by that certain Assignment of Deed of Trust and Security Agreement dated December 2, 2014 and filed for record December 3, 2014 in Book 5854 at Page 2797, New Hanover County Register of Deeds.

Because of default in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and failure to carry out and perform the stipulations and agreements therein contained and, pursuant to demand of Noteholder, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will expose for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the New Hanover County Courthouse, Wilmington, North Carolina on May 25, 2016 at 11:00 A.M. all the following described real and personal property (including any improvements thereon) particularly described in the Deed of Trust, which property is being more particularly described on Exhibit A attached hereto (the "Property and/or Premises").

The Property shall be sold "AS IS, WHERE IS". Neither the Substitute Trustee nor the holder of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust make any representations or warranties relating to the title or any physical, environmental, health or safety condition existing in, on, at or relating to the Property, and any and all responsibilities or liabilities arising out of or in any way relating to any such condition are disclaimed. The sale will be made subject to all deeds of trust, liens and encumbrances, unpaid taxes, restrictions, easements, assessments, leases and other matters, if any, which, as a matter of law, survive the foreclosure of the Deed of Trust. Notwithstanding the prior sentence, no written leases for occupancy of the Property are being foreclosed and are expressly not subject to the foreclosure sale. The record owner of the Property not more than ten days prior to the date hereof is the Borrower.

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 45-21.1(b) and 25-9-604, any successful bidder may be required to deposit immediately upon the conclusion of the sale a cash deposit not to exceed the greater of five percent (5%) of the amount bid or Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00). Any successful bidder shall be required to tender the full balance of the purchase price so bid in cash or certified check at the time the Substitute Trustee tenders to him a deed for the interest to the Property or attempts to tender such deed and said bidder shall remain liable on the bid as provided for in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 45-21.30(d) and (e). The purchaser of the Property shall pay for the revenue stamps on the Substitute Trustee's Deed and the Clerk's Commissions in the amount of \$.45 per \$100.00 of the purchase price (up to the maximum amount of \$500.00) required by N.C. Gen. Stat. §7A-308(a)(1). The owner and holder of the indebtedness secured by the Deed of Trust may make a credit bid. This sale will be held open for ten (10) days for upset bids as required by law.

EXHIBIT A The Property

PARCEL 1 Being two parcels of land containing 39.29 acres of land known as Independence Mall, located in Wilmington, New Hanover County, North Carolina.

Tract 1

Beginning at a point in the southern line of Oleander Drive (62.0 feet from its centerline) said point located South 57 degrees 18 minutes 00 seconds East a distance of 175.00 feet, South 32 degrees 42 minutes 00 seconds West a distance of 12.00 feet, South 57 degrees 18 minutes 00 seconds East a distance of 632.00 feet from its intersection with the eastern line of Independence Boulevard (100' right of way), said beginning point being the eastern most corner of the Belk Tract, running thence from said beginning from said southern line of Oleander Drive South 57 degrees 19 minutes 26 seconds East a distance of 208.36 feet to a point; thence South 01 degrees 49 minutes 10 seconds East a distance of 197.92 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence South 57 degrees 14 minutes 58 seconds East a distance of 119.56 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence South 32 degrees 44 minutes 41 seconds West a distance of 55.00 feet to an existing iron pipe, thence North 57 degrees 15 minutes 20 seconds West a distance of 230.21 feet to an "X" marking in the curb and gutter, thence South 32 degrees 45 minutes 37 seconds West a distance of 304.50 feet to a PK nail, thence South 87 degrees 16 minutes 23 seconds East a distance of 18.80 feet to a PK nail, thence South 02 degrees 43 minutes 37 seconds West a distance of 520.00 feet to a PK nail, thence South 42 degrees 46 minutes 44 seconds West a distance of 22.89 feet to a PK nail, thence South 27 degrees 15 minutes 59 seconds East a distance of 309.00 feet to an existing nail, thence North 62 degrees 44 minutes 08 seconds East a distance of 122.43 feet to a PK nail, thence North 32 degrees 44 minutes 05 seconds East a distance of 84.98 feet to an "X" marked in the curb and gutter, thence South 57 degrees 15 minutes 06 seconds East a distance of 70.00 feet to a point (note property corner falls inside an existing tree), thence with the western line of Lincoln Forest Section C as shown on map recorded at Map Book 11, Page 07 of the New Hanover County Registry, South 32 degrees 42 minutes 26 seconds West a distance of 343.37 feet to the northwest corner of Lot 118, thence along the western line of Lot 118 and 119 South 39 degrees 31 minutes 20 seconds West a distance of 165.16 feet to an existing iron pipe, thence South 39 degrees 59 minutes 00 seconds West a distance of 148.60 feet to an existing iron pipe, thence South 39 degrees 45 minutes 57 seconds West a distance of 191.09 feet to an existing iron pipe, thence with said southern line South 46 degrees 51 minutes 57 seconds East a distance of 179.25 feet to an existing iron pipe in the western line of Fordham Road, thence with said western line South 45 degrees 56 minutes 11 seconds West a distance of 230.25 feet to an existing iron pipe at the intersection of the western line of said Fordham Road with the extension of the northern line of Gillette Drive (60' right of way), thence North 46 degrees 48 minutes 26 seconds West a distance of 284.64 feet to the point of curvature of a curve having a radius of 602.96 feet to an arc of 402.88 feet, curve to the left, thence North 65 degrees 55 minutes 18 seconds West a chord distance of 395.43 feet to an existing iron pipe, thence North 85 degrees 05 minutes 00 seconds West a distance of 299.52 feet to an existing iron pipe in the eastern line of Independence Boulevard (100' right of way); thence with said eastern line North 04 degrees 54 minutes 32 seconds East a distance of 1105.85 feet to a PK nail, thence with the line of said Belk Tract the following courses and distances: South 84 degrees 21 minutes 59 seconds East a distance of 200.00 feet, North 02 degrees 45 minutes 00 feet, South 87 degrees 14 minutes 44 seconds East a distance of 186.65 feet, North 27 degrees 15 minutes 30 seconds West a distance of 190.85 feet, North 62 degrees 45 minutes 01 seconds East a distance of 414.04 feet, South 27 degrees 14 minutes 59 seconds East a distance of 190.84 feet, North 32 degrees 45 minutes 01 seconds East a distance of 606.66 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 38.27 acres, more or less.

Tract 2 Beginning at the intersection of the southern line of Oleander Drive (100' right of way) with the western line of Fordham Road (60' right of way) running thence from said being, along the western line of Fordham Road South 32 degrees 43 minutes 13 seconds West a distance of 195.00 feet to an existing iron pipe, the eastern most corner of the Sears Tract, thence with the northern line of said tract North 57 degrees 16 minutes 47 seconds West a distance of 228.00 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence with the eastern line of said tract North 32 degrees 43 minutes 13 seconds East a distance of 195.00 feet to an existing iron pipe in the southern line of Oleander Drive, thence with said southern line South 57 degrees 16 minutes 47 seconds East a distance of 228.00 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 1.02 acres, more or less.

Further, together with all rights, title and interest in that certain

Two-Party Construction, Operation and Reciprocal Agreement between Independence Mall Associates and Belk-Berry Co. of Wilmington, NC, Inc. recorded in Book 1123, Page 1506, New Hanover County Registry. First Amendment to Two-Party Construction, Operation and Reciprocal Agreement recorded in Book 1129, Page 645.

PARCEL 2 Commence at an existing concrete monument located in the centerline of Fordham Road at its intersection with the centerline of Sweetbriar Road; thence along and with the centerline of Fordham Road South 43 degrees 14 minutes 22 seconds West a distance of 30.00 feet to point, thence North 46 degrees 45 minutes 38 seconds West a distance of 30.00 feet to an existing iron pipe, the Point of Beginning, thence along and with the south line at a 30' drainage and utility easement, as the same is shown on Map 11 Page 07 of the New Hanover County Registry, with a curve to the left (arc=317.70 feet, radius=475.43 feet) North 65 degrees 56 minutes 32 seconds West a chord distance of 312.00 feet to an iron pipe, thence North 85 degrees 05 minutes 00 seconds West a distance of 277.89 feet to an iron pipe in the east right of way of Independence Boulevard (100' public right of way), thence along and with the east right of way line of Independence Boulevard North 04 degrees 54 minutes 32 seconds East a distance of 610.69 feet to an existing iron pipe, thence along and with the south line of the Independence Mall Tract (Map Book 18 Page 58) South 85 degrees 05 minutes 00 seconds East a distance of 299.52 feet to an existing iron pipe, thence along and with the south right of way line of the Independence Mall Tract with a curve to the right (arc=402.88 feet, radius=602.96 feet) South 65 degrees 55 minutes 18 seconds East a chord distance of 395.43 feet to an existing iron pipe, thence along and with the south line of the Independence Mall Tract South 46 degrees 48 minutes 26 seconds East a distance of 284.64 feet to an existing iron pipe in the west right of way line of Fordham Road, thence along and with the west right of way line of Fordham Road South 45 degrees 01 minutes 18 seconds West a distance of 60.08 to a point on a power pole, thence along and with the north line of Lot 119-A, Lincoln Forest Extension (Map Book 11, Page 07) North 46 degrees 45 minutes 38 seconds West a distance of 175.00 feet to an existing iron pipe, thence along and with the west line of Lincoln Forest Extension (Map Book 11, Page 07) South 43 degrees 14 minutes 22 seconds West a distance of 322.50 feet to an existing iron pipe, thence along and with the west line of Lincoln Forest Extension (Map Book 11, Page 07) South 31 degrees 11 minutes 13 seconds West a distance of 131.81 feet to an existing iron pipe, thence along and with the South line of Lincoln Forest Extension (Map Book 11, Page 07) and the north line of a 30' drainage and utility easement (Map Book 11 Page 07) with a curve to the right (arc=150.04 feet, radius 505.43 feet) South 54 degrees 59 minutes 38 seconds East a chord distance of 148.98 feet to an existing iron pipe, thence along and with the west right of way line of Fordham Road South 42 degrees 52 minutes 20 seconds West a distance of 29.85 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 8.83 acres, more or less.

SAVE AND EXCEPT THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING 2.87 ACRES +/- and shown as Tract A-1 on that map dated July, 2000, entitled "INDEPENDENCE MALL", by Michael Underwood and Associates, PA and recorded in Map Book 40, Page 19, New Hanover County Registry.

Together with all rights, title and interest in that certain Restrictions, reservation of easements and conditions contained in instrument recorded in Book 3022, Page 450, New Hanover County Registry.

Together with all rights, title and interest in that certain Multi-Party Development and Operation and Reciprocal Easement Agreement between Independence Mall Associates and Belk-Berry Co., of Wilmington, NC, Inc. recorded in Book 1123, Page 1491, New Hanover County Registry. Amendment recorded in Book 1129, Page 634.

Further, together with all rights, title and interest in that certain Two-Party Construction Operation and Reciprocal Agreement between Independence Mall Associates and Belk-Berry Co. Wilmington, NC, Inc. recorded in Book 1123, Page 1506, New Hanover County Registry. First Amendment to Two-Party Construction, Operation and Reciprocal Agreement recorded in Book 1129, Page 645.

TOGETHER WITH the Improvements, Equipment, Fixtures, Real Property, Personal Property, and any and all other personal property or other Property of every kind and nature owned by Borrower, now or hereafter acquired, as may be described as security for Noteholder in the Deed of Trust. The Personal Property may be inspected on May 18, 2016 at 10:30 am at the mall management office at 3500 Oleander Drive, Wilmington, NC. Capitalized terms used herein, but not otherwise defined herein, shall have the meaning as set forth in the Deed of Trust.

This 14th day of April, 2016.

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May 12, 19, 2016

ENTERTAINMENT

ASK ALMA with ALMA GILL



We just buried mama and my sister won't talk to us

Dear Alma,

We need advice. Recently our mom died and one of our sisters hasn't spoken to us since. Reason being, my sister wanted mama to be buried in her favorite dress. Let me clarify, I'm not talking about one of my mom's dresses, I'm talking about a dress that belonged to my sister. I didn't think much about it at the time, I just thought she was crazy. While my other sisters were dealing with the announcements and program, I went out and bought mama a really nice, new dress to be buried in. I delivered it to the funeral home and with all that we were working on finalizing the funeral, I just forgot to mention it. Or maybe I just didn't take her seriously, anyway, she won't talk to us. She said we disrespected her by burying our mother in a new dress. It's been three months now and my oldest sister wants us to make up. My take on what's happening is, "Whatever, she is crazy, so I don't care!" It really doesn't bother me one bit that we don't talk, so I don't see the problem. If the rest of us get along and only one sister has a problem, that's her problem to fix. I feel like she will come around when she comes to her senses, because I don't have time to play into her selfishness. I told you how I feel about it. My sisters and I read your column every week. How do you think we should handle this situation? Do you agree with her or me?

Signed, New Dress vs. Old Mess

Dear New Dress vs. Old Mess,

My condolences on the loss of your mother. It's really one of the worst experiences of life. The grief never leaves you, ever. Some

can handle it and others, well, we (and yes, that means me) start to sink. Pardon me one Mississippi while I ponder, am I the only one who recognizes that your sister's last wish regarding her mother wasn't accepted, or even acknowledged? I mean you guys dismissed it and didn't take the time to discuss or consider the possibility. Regardless if you agreed or not, she deserved a conversation. If honestly you forgot, apologize. Cause I really don't think it's about the dress, do you? It sounds to me like your sister is overwhelmed by grief as I'm sure you all are. So before you pass judgment while taunting her tears, please pause, rewind and identify her pain for what it is.

Some folks grieve by retreating. They about-face towards a path to darkness because they just can't imagine happiness without their loved one. Don't misread or criticize her for that. What would warm my heart is to see you and your other siblings rally behind her and address the issue. Take the time to visit with her and listen. Note I didn't say talk. Nope, let her do the talking. Give her a chance to introduce you to her heartache. You didn't before, I think it's time. Become each other's anchor. It's about you all positioning yourselves above the pettiness and putting out this fire that divides you.

I don't have to confirm for you, grieving the death of your mother is one of the most agonizingly, excruciating experiences ever. Check your mouth, don't let your pain speak for you. You can disagree without being dismissive. Your haughty approach and condescending attitude, Miss Sassy, are just like two flat tires, until you make a change, your family feud of foolishness where it remains.

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