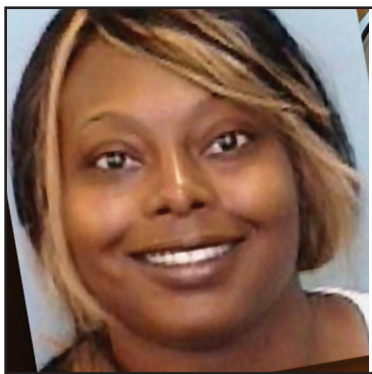


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EBONEE SPEARS

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.

CANCELLATION

Wilmington Southside Community Development Corporation gathering has been rescheduled until further notice due to The City of Wilmington improvements.

BRUNSWICK COUNTY UPDATE



BERNEST HEWETT

THE RIGHT TO VOTE

BY BERNEST HEWETT
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

"The truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth so help me God!" What happened, North Carolina? Brunswick County, this is election time again, time to elect county, state, and national officials. We are engaged in a process that our people fought and died, I. e. to make voting a fair and equal process. In order to vote, we were made to do all kinds of things, anything from repeating the constitution backwards to repeating the bill of rights, and more. Now, after all these years, we find ourselves back to all kinds of unfair voting laws. At voting sites people are met by people who tell them they aren't allowed to talk to each other. They are forbidden to put out signs even if they meet the legal standards according to the law. Moreover, there are reports that people are marking their ballots one way and when they review them before they actually cast them, their ballots have a different set of names other than what they've selected. If this happens to you, you have the right to stop the voting process right then and there, call a poll worker to your location, and show him or her your ballot. In such an event, nobody can force you to move before your complaint is checked. This is a bad way to show freedom in a free society. As a Black person who has seen the struggles through which Black folks have had to go in order to gain our freedom, the times when actions of this kind were

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NC NAACP probes local e-voting machine problem

BY CASH MICHAELS
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

At least three early voters report that after casting electronic ballots for Hillary Clinton for president at the New Hanover County Government Center Saturday, the touch-screen machine displayed that their votes actually tabulated for Republican Donald Trump. The voters were subsequently able to correct the mistake after reviewing their on-screen e-ballot, but now there is concern that the electronic voting machines are not recording votes accurately in five counties so far, and that has drawn the attention of the state NAACP conference.

These machines do not produce paper ballots, and have to be electronically calibrated each day of use.

"The machine is not working, and people are groaning on it. That's just as bad as suppressing the vote when the vote is not counted properly," Rev. Kojo Nantambu, Director of Religious Advocacy for the NC NAACP, told WECT-TV, further adding that legal action may be forthcoming.

"The North Carolina NAACP has now received reports from NC NAACP membership in at least 5 counties that, in some instances, electronic voting

machines may be malfunctioning and improperly identifying a voters' selected choice as a choice for a different candidate," a press release from the civil rights organization stated earlier this week. "Voters report that they have experienced this problem voting on ballot items that include, but are not limited to, the Presidential ballot. In all instances of which we are currently aware, voters were able to fix

the problem by reviewing their choices and fixing the error before submitting their electronic ballots." The release went on to indicate

that the NCNAACP would be investigating "all complaints received by our members." Rev. William Barber, president of the NCNAACP, went on to say that they "are gravely serious at this time about protecting the voting rights of North Carolinians. No voter should feel intimidated in this election or concerned that your vote will not count."

"Any voter who experiences a problem with a voting machine, or other problems that leave you worried about whether your vote has been correctly counted are to immediately call the national voter protec-

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FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY CLINTON SPEAKS WITH CASH MICHAELS

Hillary Clinton's message to NC's Black community

BY CASH MICHAELS
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

[RALEIGH] In an exclusive interview with North Carolina's African-American press, Hillary Clinton said even though she is running to benefit all Americans, the first woman expected to be elected president of the United States on Nov. 8th does have a special focus on working with the African-American community and its leaders - both local and national - to improve employment, business, education, and other important quality of life issues.

"I want to pay particular attention to Americans who feel left out and left behind by the economy, or the situation in their communities," the former First Lady, senator and US secretary of State said Sunday at St. Augustine's University in Raleigh, during perhaps one of her last sit-down interviews of the campaign.

"I've laid out a really extensive agenda for African-Americans, starting with improving the economy so that its producing more jobs for more people; raising the national minimum wage - [we've] got mostly women earning minimum wage, often times being the sole support of

their children, and they deserve a better economic opportunity," she said. Mrs. Clinton also cited more affordable housing as a need.

She maintained that getting equal pay for women as a "particularly big issue for African-American women," adding that black female small business owners are "the fastest growing segment of the small business world in our country."

"[But] they're running into credit... [and] regulatory problems. We've got to look at those, not just from a 30,000-foot view, but right down on the ground. What is it that stands in the way of men or women getting their businesses going?"

Improving higher education not only through the proposal she and Sen. Bernie Sanders have developed to make public universities "tuition-free" for students from families making \$125,000 or less, but also creating a "dedicated \$25 billion fund" to help private historically black colleges and universities like St. Augustine's and Shaw universi-

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CONGRESSMAN
G.K. BUTTERFIELD

CBC chair compares Princeville to Flint, urges state assistance

BY CASH MICHAELS
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

Saying that North Carolina "cannot be let off the hook," the chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus compared the plight of the embattled residents of Princeville - the historically black Edgecombe County town that has been destroyed by floodwaters twice in 17 years - with the tribulations of predominately-black Flint, Michigan, where residents discovered their drinking water was polluted with lead because state government refused to spend the money to purify their supply. "The state bears responsibility," Congressman G. K. Butterfield declared in an exclusive interview about the growing needs of the 2200 residents of Princeville and surround-

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Gunmen shoot up sign marking place where Emmett Till's body was found

SPECIAL TO THE TRICE EDNEY NEWS WIRE
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(TriceEdneyWire.com) - Gunmen recently fired bullets into a sign commemorating where Emmett Till's beaten body was pulled from the Tallahatchie River in 1955 after Roy Bryant and his half brother J.W. Milam murdered the 14-year-old. His brutal murder sparked the modern day civil rights movement.

The gunman or gunmen fired more than 40 shots into the sign, which is located two hours north of Jackson, Miss. No one has been arrested, but someone placed flowers in front of the site of Milam's home. The Emmett Till Interpretive Center in Sumner, Miss., is raising funds to replace the sign.

Bryant and Milam kidnapped Till from his great uncle's and aunt's home in Money, Miss., on Aug. 28, 1955, for allegedly whistling at Bryant's wife, Carolyn,

after shopping at the Bryant Grocery & Meat Market. By whistling at Carolyn, Till violated one of the key foundations of white racism-protection of the white woman.

The men tortured Till, tying his body with barbed wire to a 70-pound industrial fan so he sank to the bottom of the Tallahatchie. Two boys playing in or near the river found Till's body.

Milam and Bryant went to trial for Till's murder beginning in September 1955. But an all-white male jury acquitted the two in 68 minutes.

The only reason the jury took that long to reach a verdict despite overwhelming evidence of Milam's and Bryant's guilt was that the jury had to finish drinking their bottles of Coca Cola.

The verdict was a catalyst for the Montgomery Bus



EMMETT TILL AND HIS MOTHER, MAMIE TILL

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Boycott, one of the most heroic events in African-American civil rights history.

On December 1, 1955, Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat to a white man on a Montgomery, Ala., bus, sparking a successful 13-month protest.

"I thought about Emmett Till,

and I couldn't go back [to the back of the bus]," Parks said.

Although the jury acquitted them, Milam and Bryant confessed to murdering Till in a Look magazine article, published in January 1956. Look

paid them \$3,150.

Till is buried in Chicago's Burr Oak Cemetery, but his casket was purchased by the Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture.

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ing areas ravaged in the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew three weeks ago. While some federal disaster relief assistance is on the ground, and Rep. Butterfield [D-NC-1] and colleague Rep. David Price [D-NC-4] plan to introduce legislation in Congress for more appropriations targeting Princeville, he makes clear that Gov. McCrory and state lawmakers must do more.

"We learned that in Flint, Michigan, and the water crisis [there]," Butterfield said, adding, "We're not talking negligence here. What we're talking about is a natural disaster, and the [state] government has some money in reserve for natural disasters, and the rainy day fund needs to be utilized to some degree."

"So state and federal, it has to be a coordinated effort between both of these entities," Rep. Butterfield continued, "and I support [the North Carolina state lawmakers] who have joined together to call for a special session of the legislature."

"It has to be a joint [state and federal effort] and no one gets a free pass," said Rep. Butterfield. "What better way to use a [state] surplus than to help families

who have been displaced by a natural disaster: I think this is a big deal, and is deserving of a special session of the legislature, because this is a 500-year flood that has come to our state and caused \$2 billion in damage, and more than 25 individuals who have died. The least the legislature can do is to come to town for a day or two, and legislate sensibly on this natural disaster.

There are those who believe Gov. McCrory is hoping that the federal government and private charities can fill in the financial and public assistance gap in the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew flooding until the NC General Assembly reconvenes in January.

The 2200 residents of Princeville certainly hope not, and during a contentious meeting with their elected leaders Monday night at the Edgecombe County administration building, angrily expressed their frustration with not being allowed to return to their homes, and needing more assistance now.

Over 80 percent of Princeville was submerged under approximately ten feet of polluted floodwater before it was pumped out. However many of the homes and government buildings were destroyed in the process, left uninhabit-

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allowed in public places, I say it's time for the people who create these conditions pay for them. It is time to pay dearly and swiftly that this type of behavior may be seen for what it is. There is no place in our society for slavery or the superiority of any one race of people over another, not here in Brunswick County nor anywhere else in America. Too much blood has been shed for our right to vote. In the

event you observe any kind of strange movement or unexplainable action while you are at the polls, report such action right then and call your local Board of Elections. If you don't get the right answer, call 1-888-OUR-VOTE. This is a very important election for freedom in America! We must not step backwards! We must vote! The blood that has been shed for or freedom and equality must never lose its power!

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

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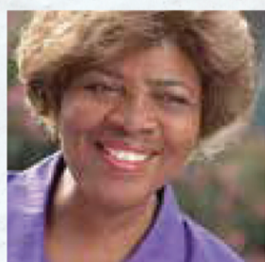
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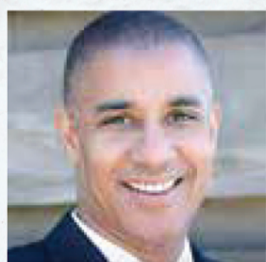
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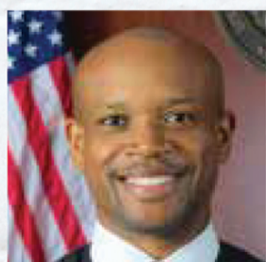
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INVESTIGATORS PROBING OVER 180 COMPLAINTS OF PRICE GOUGING

[FAYETTEVILLE] The NC Attorney General's Office is looking into over 180 complaints file with the state



STATE BRIEFS

in the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew of inflated price gouging for everything from bottled water to hotel/motel rooms. This week, four subpoenas were issued for several businesses in Cumberland and Wayne counties, and also are headquartered in Raleigh. Many have complained of overpriced items and

services by business owners looking to take advantage of Matthew victims in need..

DEMOCRATS DOMINATE EARLY VOTING IN NC

[RALEIGH] Compared to this time during the 2012 elections, Democratic early voting numbers in both absentee mail-in and

in-person balloting are significantly up in North Carolina. Driven primarily by the hot presidential race between Democrat Hillary Clinton and Republican Donald trump, Democrats in the Tar Heel state are not only outpacing Republicans at the polls since early voting started on Oct. 20th, but are surprisingly competi-

tive in absentee mail-in ballots, which are normally dominated by GOP voters. In-person early voting expands to more polling sites today across the state.

NC STATE FAIR LOGS SECOND LARGEST ATTENDANCE IN HISTORY

[RALEIGH] Thanks to

consistently great weather over an eleven-day period, the NC State Fair attracted 1, 028,364 visitors, the second largest attendance in the fair's 163 year history. Over 116,000 visitors attended on the second Sunday, the largest on record.

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tion hotline: 1-866-OUR-VOTE. You can also text your information directly to the NC NAACP at 1-919-308-9085,"

the release added, noting that every voter has the right to review their e-ballot before submitting it in the voting machine to be counted. All voters have the right to request a paper ballot instead of using the electronic

machine.

The four counties beyond New Hanover where problems with the e-voting machines have been reported are Cumberland, Iredell, Mecklenburg, and Catawba.

The NC Board of

Elections says in response that it is "aware" of the "concerns" and reports about the touch-screen electronic voting machines, and further acknowledged problems with them in the past.

"[W]e take them very seri-

ously," the NCBOE press response says.

The electronic touch-screen voting machines in questions are the Ivotronic direct record brand, manufactured by Election Systems & Software Co. (ES&S), that

has logged in so many problems over the past ten years that the North Carolina Legislature passed a 2013 law effectively outlawing them by 2018, requiring machines that produce paper ballots instead.

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ties to continue to grow.

After reading that one in five North Carolina homes have no access to the internet, noting that they are disproportionately African-American or Latino, Mrs. Clinton said emphatically, "I want to fix that," continuing that those families are left out of so many economic and educational opportunities as a result.

"Taking on systemic racism," something she has "talked very openly and specifically about," is something Clinton added to her pronounced agenda for African-Americans. She points towards reforming the criminal justice system "from end to end" to help stem the tide of questionable fatal police shootings of black people, improving police training, and building greater respect between law enforcement and the African-American community.

"I particularly want to provide more diversion from the criminal justice system and more second chance programs for people who have paid their debt to society so that we begin to reverse what has been an over incarceration that has really disrupted communities."

"But I also have to do more to heal the divides that we face in our country, and I'm taking all of this on because I want to build on the progress that Pres. Obama has made. I don't want to see it reversed or ripped away." And yet, a "President" Hillary Clinton's approach would be from "a different perspective that will hopefully get even more people listening," she says.

Clinton certainly disagrees with Donald Trump's assessment that African-Americans "live in hell," instantly exclaiming, "Oh that's so wrong," and then adding "One of many insulting, divisive comments that Trump made was his characterization of African-American communities. It just shows he's never been in any, he doesn't know any people, he has no idea of the dynamism of small business or the importance of historically black colleges and universities, or the role that black churches play, or black professionals, and every walk of life."

"He has characterized in such a negative way what I see as a part of America that has a lot going for it, but [also] has some challenges that we must honestly address."

Clinton expressed support for South Carolina Congressman James Clyburn's "10-20-30" plan - ten

percent of federal funds should go to the twenty percent of communities that have been living with generational poverty and lack of development for thirty years. Clinton says she's developed a plan that not only implements 10-20-30 into the federal budget, but also the empowerment and enterprise zones that helped build black businesses under President Bill Clinton's "New Markets" tax credits to be able to further invest, and hire people within their communities.

Mrs. Clinton said she'd like to see "a much bigger effort" when it comes to upgrading skills training so that more people can actually qualify for the 1.2 million available jobs in the marketplace. She says she wants to accomplish this challenge literally on a "neighborhood by neighborhood" basis, working with local officials, businesses and faith leaders who know the most about their own communities, and bring different perspectives to the table.

Clinton lauds President Obama's leadership in getting the country out of the greatest financial crisis since the great Depression - an economic collapse she says was caused by a combination of huge tax breaks for the wealthy, and Republicans taking the regulatory eyes off of Wall Street and the financial markets. Clinton says that Obama "doesn't get the credit that he deserves for pulling us out of that big ditch."

She credits the president's "steadiness" in guiding the economy with a substantial stimulus and recovery package and the reinstatement of a higher tax rate on the wealthy, all resulting in over 75 consecutive quarters of economic growth. Last year until now, Clinton adds, more people are finding work, incomes went up and more people are entering the jobs market.

"I want to build on that foundation," Mrs. Clinton says of Pres. Obama's achievements, "and I don't want to see it ripped up and thrown away by a false ideology that the way you create economic wealth and equality in America is top down. I think its middle out, and bottom up. I will build on what the president has done."

When asked if "President" Hillary Clinton's US Justice Department would continue to pursue the strengthening of voting rights, keeping in mind the US Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals ruling that the Republican-led NC General Assembly deliberately suppressed African-American voters with "surgical precision," Clinton immediately said, "Yes, a hundred percent."

She furthered that she was "proud" of the efforts of both

US Atty. Gen. Loretta Lynch and her predecessor, Eric Holder, to beat back unconstitutional voter ID laws in North Carolina and across the nation. However Clinton also blasted the US Supreme Court for striking down Section 4(b) of the 1965, effectively taking away the Justice Dept's most effective tools in policing how various states are upholding the 1965 Voting Rights Act

[VRA].

Clinton lamented that the High Court crippled the VRA, especially since Democrats and Republicans in the US Senate when she served voted 98-0 to renew the VRA, and then-Pres. George W. Bush signed it.

"I want to appoint people to the [US] Supreme Court who understand, based on what you read in the Fourth Circuit

[and other court findings against Republicans trying to suppress the vote]. I also want to go back to Congress and try to get legislation to fix the heart of the Voting Rights Act..." noting that Congressman John Lewis (D-GA) is leading a bi-partisan effort now "...to reinstate the full reach and power of the VRA."

Mrs. Clinton is currently

leading in the polls over Republican Donald Trump. Today she joins First Lady Michelle Obama during a rally in Winston-Salem.

Her husband, Pres. Bill Clinton, led a bus tour throughout eastern North Carolina

a Tuesday and Wednesday this week campaigning for his wife. The tour included a stop in Wilmington.



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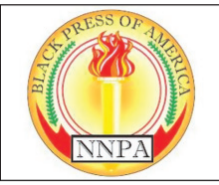
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Hope for the future through your vote

Thus says the Lord: Keep your voice from weeping and your eyes from tears; for there is a reward for your work, says the Lord: they shall come back from the land of the enemy; there is hope for your future, says the Lord: your children shall come back to their own country. - Jeremiah 31:16-17



Marian W. Edelman

The Reverend Shannon Daley-Harris quotes this passage from Scripture in the preface to her powerful new book *Hope for the Future: Answering God's Call to Justice for Our Children*. She says: "Even in the midst of the enormous problems our children face - poverty, gun violence, abuse, neglect, lack of health care, and more - I do believe there is hope for our future, that we can bring all children to an experience of safety, love, and justice. It will take more than weeping, God reminds us, it will take work - and to keep at that work we need to stay close to God."

It's time for that work. *Hope for the Future* is a series of twelve meditations that include Scripture passages, moving true stories, and examples from other movements and faithful leaders to inspire all those working to create a better world for our children. It's a book that could be used as a devotional or in group discussions by everyone from parents to pastors. Rev. Daley-Harris has long been speaking out on the call to care for children in every major faith tradition and calling on people to turn faith into action. As the Children's Defense Fund (CDF)'s Religious Affairs Advisor and Director of the Samuel DeWitt Proctor Institute for Child Advocacy Ministry for two decades, she coordinates the National Observance of Children's Sabbaths® Celebrations. Every year congregations of many faiths observe the Children's Sabbath by drawing on Rev. Daley-Harris's resources and the texts and teachings of their religious traditions to hear and respond to the holy and eternal call for love and justice that urges special care and protection for children, especially those who are poor.

October 21-23 marks the 25th anniversary of the annual Children's Sabbaths Celebrations. This year's theme, "Children of Promise: Closing Opportunity Gaps," focuses on the inherent promise in every child, made in God's image, and on the importance of keeping our promises as adults, leaders, and people of faith to treat all children with equality, dignity, justice and love.

In America, we are good at making promises but far less good at keeping them. We promise all children a free and equal education, but millions of children are consigned to failing schools bereft of adequate resources, and 62 years after *Brown v. Board of Education* a majority of Black children are still receiving a separate and unequal education. We promise families that if they work hard and play by the rules they can get ahead, but millions of hard-working parents find that a minimum wage doesn't lift their family above the poverty line. We promise that all people are created equal with a right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, but children find that the lottery of birth and geography gives some of them enormous advantages while others face profound and persistent hindrances, and we allow these gaps to grow wider rather than narrower over time. During the Children's Sabbath, people of all faiths are promising to work to close the opportunity gaps now and in the years to come so that each and every child has a fair chance to succeed.

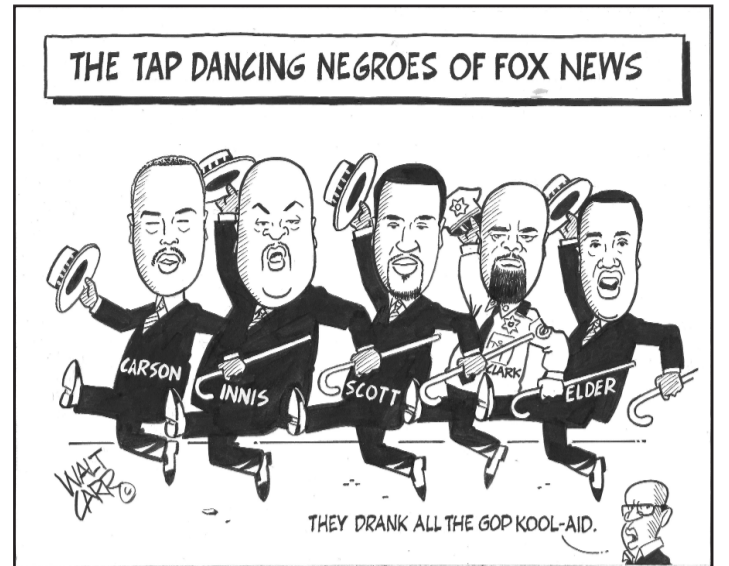
An election year is especially rife with promises. Candidates assure us of what they will do to improve the lives of children and families as they kiss babies and pause for photo ops with cute children. Will those promises be kept after the ballots are cast? On this Children's Sabbath weekend, we must commit to pay attention to the promises politicians are making to children and families and hold them accountable if they are elected. We must keep our disciplined attention on policy decisions long after the election spotlight has switched off.

People of faith and goodwill must put their bodies and souls in motion to curb morally obscene and indefensible child poverty rates; wealth and income inequality; massive miseducation of poor children of color; lack of affordable quality child care and preschool opportunities; preventable hunger and homelessness; mass incarceration and unjust criminal justice systems that criminalize the poor; and bullying and demagogic politicians encouraging assault of nonviolent protesters. The time is ripe right now to do what is right and reject the ugliness, violence, demagoguery

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Matters of Opinion

TO BE EQUAL

Policing by the numbers: Increasing transparency and building trust

"To continue in our current system without comprehensive data only stalls meaningful conversation and fuels empty debates, both within law enforcement and in the communities we serve." - James B. Comey, F.B.I. Director, *Uniform Crime Reporting Program, 2014*

Following an explosive succession of high-profile police killings-many of them of unarmed African-American men-the Justice Department is poised to spearhead an ambitious, nationwide initiative to track all incidents of the use of force by police officers, including all police shootings-whether they are fatal or not.



Marc Morial

As a participating organization on the President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing, The National Urban League submitted its "10 Point Justice Plan," outlining recommendations for comprehensive police reform and accountability, including increased, mandatory law enforcement participation in data gathering and amending existing legislation to include tracking encounters where non-lethal police force is used.

We are encouraged that the Justice Department is moving towards comprehensive national data collection that goes beyond police-involved deaths to include data collection on the non-lethal use of force by law enforcement, but there pressing concerns that must be assessed and addressed. The first is: pace. The FBI will issue its plans to begin the pilot data collection program in early 2017. This initiative will inevitably fall to the next presidential administration, and its agenda, to implement. In the meantime, communities will remain divided over their distrust of law enforcement, and countless lives may be lost.

Enforcement of the newly expanded national use-of-force data collection remains a concern. In 2014, Congress re-enacted the Death in Custody Reporting Act (DICRA). The act required local police departments to report only the police encounters where individuals died to the attorney general's office. The Justice Department is now calling for police departments to also report on non-lethal uses of force-voluntarily. It has always been the position of the National Urban League that reporting should be mandatory, and if that will not be the case, there must be clear consequences baked into the act that punishes law enforcement agencies for failing to report

this critical, much-needed data.

Past voluntary reporting programs on police-community encounters have failed. Reportedly, in 2014, only 224 of the more than 18,000 law enforcement agencies nationwide reported fatal shooting deaths at the hands their officers. Penalties, including any financial penalties, for non-reporting police departments must be included in the act if the Justice Department expects to enforce its expanded collection initiative and effectively collect data. Under DICRA, the attorney general's office can withhold 10% of federal grant money that provides criminal justice funding from non-compliant, non-reporting agencies. The Justice Department needs to be clear on its plans to use financial penalties, as authorized by DICRA or otherwise, to enforce its data collection proposals; it should consider making data reporting a pre-condition for agencies to receive federal funding; and it should examine if proposed financial penalties are enough to compel compliance.

In the absence of facts, all manner of myths, suspicions and anecdotal evidence rushes in. As Attorney General Loretta Lynch has noted, "accurate and comprehensive data on the use of force by law enforcement is essential to an informed and productive discussion about community-

police relations." Without these facts, without a complete-picture, national database that can be accessed by government agencies and the public, we cannot fix the problem of police violence in our communities, and we cannot build the kind of transparency that has the power to inspire trust between law enforcement officers and the communities they serve. As we await the final iteration of this expanded data collection plan, we are encouraged that, at the highest levels of government, the cries and protests in the streets and on college campuses, and the nationwide demand for change and accountability has been heard.

The National Urban League will continue to advocate for all of the recommendations from our "10 Point Justice Plan," including expanding data collection at local, state and federal law enforcement agencies. And we urge all members of law enforcement-at all levels-to employ every strategy and statistic available to put an end to a national conversation about police violence that has been marred by division and to-most importantly and urgently-put an end to these senseless deaths.

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and greed that have permeated far too much of our political discourse. We must move forward and not backward and teach our children how to disagree strongly without disagreeing wrongly. The election is one more opportunity for our nation to choose leaders who share our hope for our children's futures and model the behavior we want our young to learn.

To do that we must do the work and get out and vote every time. Every vote is precious and a responsibility of being a good citizen steward.

The call is always urgent. As Shannon Daley-Harris reminds us: "We don't have time to move at the world's sluggish pace to rescue our children. We don't have time for filibustering in Congress and for frittering away our own time; we don't have time for business-as-usual foot dragging at the Capitol or slog-

ging our way through our own routines. We can't keep moving at the world's pace if we are going to protect children as God expects of us . . . As we pursue justice as God intends, we need, my friends, to say to one another as a blessing, a reminder, and a prodding, 'Godspeed.'" If you are one of the faithful, please join us in this year's annual National Observance of Children's Sabbaths celebrations and work together to get out every vote we can. Remember to take the

children in your life with you when you vote so they can see and understand the power of democracy in action. *Marian Wright Edelman is President of the Children's Defense Fund whose Leave No Child Behind® mission is to ensure every child a Healthy Start, a Head Start, a Fair Start, a Safe Start and a Moral Start in life and successful passage to adulthood with the help of caring families and communities. For more information go to www.childrensdefense.org.*

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RAINBOW COALITION

Local focus could have prevented another useless debate

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

The final presidential debate took place Oct. 19 in Las Vegas, the famed home of boxing, wrestling and MMA showdowns. Millions tuned in looking for another slugfest. But Las Vegas isn't simply about boxing matches and casinos. The challenges faced by the city, the state and the region should have informed the debate.

Unfortunately, too often the debate moderators simply dwell on the scandals of the day rather than explore how local challenges frame national issues. Somehow, the first debate, held at Hofstra University in Long Island, N.Y., managed to ignore the growing student debt crisis. The debate in St. Louis, just miles away from Ferguson, Mo., never men-



Rev. Jesse Jackson, Sr.

tioned that city or probed the issues raised by its racially biased policing and criminal justice system.

The Commission on Presidential Debates released the topics for the moderator, Fox News' Chris Wallace, to explore. These included debt and entitlements, immigration, the economy, the Supreme Court, foreign hot spots and the candidates' fitness to be president.

On immigration, Nevada has been a center of the growing and fierce debate over undocumented immigrants. We've heard all the posturing on Donald Trump's plan to build a border wall. What would have been more interesting in Nevada is a discussion of the future of legal immigration. America has about 11 million undocumented workers, two-thirds of whom have been here 10 years or more. It also has 31 million legal immigrants, with a million more added each year. Counting their children, one in four Americans is of recent immigrant stock. And with the

boomers retiring, all of the projected growth of the U.S. labor force from 2020 to 2030 will be from immigrants and their children.

That raises fundamental questions. For example, some call for giving preference in legal immigration to skilled workers rather than preferring those with family relations, even if unskilled. Uniting families is a value shared by conservatives and liberals alike. On the other hand, the economy would benefit more from skilled workers. What priority would the two candidates choose?

The presidential commission calls for discussing foreign hot spots, but surely the first hot spot that should have been discussed is right here at home: the punishing drought that is devastating the West and Southwest. The U.S. Department of Agriculture has declared most of Nevada a natural disaster area from the lingering drought, with some of its biggest farmers facing 50 percent reductions in groundwa-

ter. NASA now warns of the high chance of a 35-year mega-drought throughout the Southwest and Great Plains. July's global temperatures were the hottest of any month since they began keeping records in 1880. Last year was the hottest on record; the first seven months of this year are even hotter.

Global warming and catastrophic climate change aren't distant concerns in these lands. Ask the candidates what they would do in response? Do we ignore it and struggle through? Or should we take real measures to address climate change?

Or consider big money that corrupts our politics. Las Vegas billionaires like Sheldon Adelson are brazen in their efforts to swing elections. The current Nevada Senate election is a case in point.

Outside billionaires like George Soros and Tom Steyer on the Democratic side and

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Buy Black campaigns

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

The advent of initiatives throughout this country to "Buy Black" and "Bank Black" can be traced back to the early 1900's during which time campaigns similar to today's efforts were established. Slogans such as "Double-Duty Dollars," "Don't shop where you can't work," and efforts such as Black Cooperatives cropped up as a result of our forebears understanding and being willing to act upon the fact that their dollars mattered.



James Clingman

Double Duty Dollar campaigns were simply what we call "Recycling Black Dollars" campaigns. As Blacks spent their money at Black owned businesses, the volume of business increased to a level where other Black folks could be hired by Black companies. In other words, we used our dollars to create our own jobs. "Don't buy where you can't work" campaigns helped increase Black employment in White owned businesses, again because "Black Dollars Matter" and the absence of Black dollars matters even more to those with whom we do business.

Black religious leaders also encouraged sensible Black dollar strategies. In Juliet E.K. Walker's book, *The History of Black Business in America*, she cites a quote from religious leaders during that time. "To the Negro community, a business is more than a mere enterprise to make profit for the owner. From the standpoints of both the customer and the owner it becomes a symbol of racial progress, for better or for worse. And the preacher is expected to encourage his flock to trade with Negroes."

Black Cooperatives among Black owned grocery stores, drug stores, shoe stores, and the beauty salon industry were quite prominent in the early 1900's. In these co-ops members also did something we talk about today. They pooled their money to establish and support their own businesses, and Black churches were at the forefront of many of these efforts as well. Co-op shares were purchased by members, and the money was used to open businesses where the members shopped and, in essence, supported themselves by getting a return on their investment. W.E.B. DuBois envisioned what he called a "Cooperative Commonwealth" among Black folks.

The recently revived Black Bank Deposit campaign also has an interesting history. Prior to integration, as many as 134 Black owned banks had been established, in addition to Black credit unions, and other financial organizations. By World War II there were only six Black banks still in existence, including the one at the center of the current deposit campaign, Citizens Bank in Atlanta, founded by Herman Perry in 1921. It's great to see a return to what we used to do with our dollars way back when.

Buying and banking Black are more than just hoopla and celebration, more than a moment in time, and more than a temporary gesture to "show" others how much money we have. Buying and banking Black are practices that should become habits, so much so that it becomes an "unconsciously competent" act, as President and CEO of the National Bankers Association and my longtime friend, Michael Grant, wrote in his book, *Beyond Blame*.

In order for a movement to be sustained it must be organized and it must have a vehicle through which our strategies can be tested, measured, adjusted, and brought to fruition. It must also comprise a critical mass of dedicated, resolute, unapologetic, and unrelenting foot soldiers to make the requisite sacrifices necessary for long term success.

Buying and banking Black are about leveraging our dollars to distribute our products cost efficiently and cost effectively, and having the ability to create economies of scale by working and buying cooperatively. We must think differently about opening bank accounts. They should be viewed as actual investments in our banks and credit unions, as we open saving accounts and other instruments that have a longer term positive effect on their balance sheets. Our nonprofit organizations should have some of their funds on account at Black banks as well, and we should hold them responsible for doing so. Buying and banking Black must have a positive impact on our own future.

What is that vehicle and who are those people that are already organized, already solidified, already sacrificing, already committed, and already depositing their funds into a Black bank? I'm glad you asked. It's THE One million Conscious and Conscientious Black Contributors and Voters. Go to www.iameonethemillion.com and check it out. If you agree with some of our principles and positions, please join us.

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The Koch brothers on the Republican side have poured more than \$48 million in independent spending into the Nevada Senate race, compared with the 7 million spent by the two candidates combined. Nationally, the cost of this year's elections will far exceed the record \$6 billion spent in the last presidential year. This level of outside money corrupts our politics and leaves our citizens cynical. Both presidential candidates say they would seek to curb it. How? How do we get real reform from the very politicians who have been elected by the old system?

Finally, suburban poverty in Las Vegas is rising faster than it is nationwide. Between 2000 and 2004, there was a 123 percent increase in the suburban poverty rate in southern Nevada, compared with the alarming 65 percent increase nationwide. This poverty comes from the loss of jobs, and from the spread of lousy jobs that are low wage, part time, contingent and precarious. It also reflects the hangover from the housing collapse. Housing prices are rising in the region, but they remain

35 percent below their peak in 2006. At the end of 2015, nearly 30 percent of local homeowners were "seriously underwater," about two times the national rate.

In Las Vegas, as elsewhere, mortgage brokers targeted minority buyers - the very workers who were struggling the hardest to bring their families out of poverty. Brokers lured them with packages that they couldn't afford, peddled liar loans to hide their incomes, and promised them they could refinance because housing prices always go up. Then the banks blew up the economy. The banks got bailed out, but the homeowners didn't. What would the two candidates do to address the spread of suburban poverty, to create good jobs rather than lousy ones, and to aid those still struggling in the aftermath of the Great Recession?

Moderator Wallace should have used Las Vegas as more than a backdrop. He should have used it as a guide to issues that matter. Perhaps that could have save us from another scratch-and-claw alley fight.

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Voter fraud and voter suppression

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

I watched the October 19 Presidential debate in both awe and horror. Awe - I truly do not understand Mr. Trump's temerity to lie, interrupt, sniff, sigh, and interject offensive comments ("such a nasty woman") in lieu of disagreement.



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The horror came when Mr. Trump asserted that he would not necessarily accept the result of an election he has described as "rigged". (Actually, in Trump's world, anything that does not go his way is rigged - debates, primary elections, Emmy Awards). Trailing in the polls, Mr. Trump is playing the same racial games he has played throughout the elections, suggesting that there is massive voter fraud in cities like Philadelphia and Detroit, cities with large African American populations, that dead people are voting, and that millions of voter registration records are wrong.

There have been dozens of reports that refute the Trump claims. A Department of Justice report indicates that only 31 of more than 1 billion votes cast since 2000 have been fraudulent. The Brennan Center for Justice, housed at the New York University School of Law has studied voter fraud and found that allegations are most often unfounded (<https://www.brennancenter.org/publication/truth-about-voter-fraud>). Trump

also cited a Pew Center study that indicated that one in eight voter registrations might be inaccurate. But Pew says inaccurate registration may not be fraudulent ones. As an example, some people have not changed their addresses, and will do so before they attempt to vote again. These folks aren't committing fraud, they've simply moved. The Pew Center says that our nation's voter registration system needs an upgrade (http://www.pewtrusts.org/~media/legacy/uploadedfiles/pew_assets/2012/pewupgradingvoterregistration.pdf). They have not identified massive voter fraud as a problem. Donald Trump, though, is the master of manipulative repetition. Just like he hammered on "Little Marco", "Low Energy Jeb" and "Crooked Hillary", now he is hammering on voter fraud, whether it is accurate or not. At least one fact-checker has detailed how wrong Trump is (<http://www.factcheck.org/2016/10/trumps-bogus-voter-fraud-claims/>) and has described his claims as "bogus".

Claims of voter fraud divert attention from a more significant issue, the voter suppression that may make it more difficult for many to vote. Too many states have instituted new voter ID laws, reduced the number of early voting days, consolidated precincts (forcing people to travel further to vote), and purged people from voting registration polls. Several organizations are providing backup for voters, including the website <http://www.iwillvote.com> that allows people to check their

voter registration. But with registration deadlines closing in this handful of days before the election, it is likely that some people who want to vote will not have the opportunity.

This voter suppression has been deliberately, and it has had a partisan skewing. Why can a gun registration be used as appropriate voter identification, but not a student ID? Rule shifting has gained the attentions of conservative appeals courts. As an example, the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in Texas voided Texas Voter ID laws. Wisconsin's voter restrictions were also disallowed. Most notably, a federal appeals court shot North Carolina down and, were uncharacteristically critical. The court wrote that, "Although the new provisions target African Americans with almost surgical precision, they constitute inapt remedies for the problems assertedly justifying them and, in fact, impose cures for problems that did not exist."

Is there voter fraud? If only 31 cases, out of a billion votes, were found fraudulent, we can say that there is a bit of fraud, something that is less than a fraction of one percent. At the same time, voting restrictions imposed in 2014 and 2015 were set to block over 1.3 million voters in Ohio, North Carolina, Virginia, and Wisconsin, all swing states (<http://www.thedailybeast.com/articles/2016/07/29/courts-smash-voter-suppression-just-in-time-for-election-day.html>). Should we be more concerned about voter fraud or voter suppression, about the 31 who may have been fraudulent, or the 1.3 million who have been

deliberately and "surgically" excluded from the voting process.

African Americans know rigged elections. Our voices have too often been rigged out of the electoral process. Fannie Lou Hamer was beaten to within an inch of her life because she dared organize people to vote. Medgar Evers was killed because he dared organize Black folks to vote. Our people overcame grandfather clauses, voter tests, and all kinds of other nonsense in order to vote. We know rigged elections. We know voter suppression. When Donald Trump talks about elections being rigged, he exhibits, again, his historical ignorance. Every time Black folks were excluded from the voting process, we accepted the outcome. The democratic process.

Now Trump has millions of rabid followers who inhale his every word. His irresponsible allegations of rigged elections may well mobilize his base to reject the integrity of the electoral process. Some of us know all we need to know about rigged elections. We know voter suppression personally and immediately. And we know that Mr. Trump has disqualified himself for leadership by saying he cannot commit to an electoral outcome that does not favor him.

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No time for complacency

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

I viewed the final 2016 presidential debate with great interest. It held few surprises, but served to confirm my evaluation of Donald Trump as an overgrown, petulant child-like man. Sadly, his year-plus emersion in the political process has not reformed

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his juvenile instincts to tear down that which he cannot control or does not like. He continues to present a narcissistic disposition that demonstrates his willingness to ruin the game if you won't let him win. Consequently, I am not surprised at his on-going accusation that the electoral process is "rigged" and that he will not support the democratic outcome unless he wins the election!

Just as the Republican Party has not deteriorated into a party of racism, intolerance, xenophobia, misogyny, and obstructionism overnight, their acceptance and their

nomination of a presidential candidate who now threatens to break down the fabric of their party is nothing new to them. Mitch McConnell threatened to make President Obama fail. Trump's "birtherism" campaign against President Obama to the present, his public statements and the rhetoric of his campaign have been a litany of misrepresentations, obfuscation, and (as the old-folks used to say) bold-faced lies. Some of his more outrageous ones follow:

On May 30, 2012, Trump tweeted: "In his own words, @BarackObama "was born in Kenya and raised in Indonesia and Hawaii." This statement was made, in writing, in the 1990's. Why does the press protect him? Is this another Watergate?

On August 6, 2012, "An extremely credible source has called my office and told me that @BarackObama's birth certificate is a fraud."

On December 12, 2013, "How amazing, the State Health Director who verified copies of Obama's birth certificate died in a plane crash today. All others lived."

On September 6, 2014, "Attention all hackers: You are hacking everything else so

please hack Obama's college records (destroyed?) and check "place of birth."

On September 15, 2016, after years of spewing poisonous information about President Obama and for political expedience, Trump aide, Jason Miller, released the following statement:

Having successfully obtained President Obama's birth certificate when others could not, Mr. Trump believes that President Obama was born in the United States. Mr. Trump did a great service to the President and the country by bringing closure to the issue...successfully compelling President Obama to release his birth certificate..."

Trump has tried to convince the nation that our eyes and ears have not read, seen or heard his litany of lies. Although I can think of many more of his lies to list, the Washington Post has identified what they call Trump's Biggest Lies. Among them are:

- The real unemployment rate is 42 percent.
- Thousands of New Jersey Muslims celebrated the 9/11 attacks.
- Obama founded ISIS and Hillary is the co-founder.
- Obama intends to take in

200,000 Syrian refugees. •The Mexican Government is sending the "bad ones" over here.

•He (Trump) was against the Iraq War.

Notably, this review of Trump's lies does not take into account his moral turpitude, as evidenced by recent videos and the emergence of numerous victims of his sexual improprieties. Combined with his lies, there is overwhelming indication of an individual devoid of the character REQUIRED of a President of the United States.

My greatest fear is that those opposed to Trump's demagoguery will casually accept the outcome of the election predicted by the media and ignore their responsibility to vote. The consequences of this election are far too significant for anyone to leave it to others to vote the right way. I encourage all of my readers to take the opportunity to vote early. If that is not possible, build time into your personal schedule to vote on November 8th. Now is NOT the time for complacency! *Dr. E. Faye Williams is President and CEO of the National Congress of Black Women, Inc. www.nationalcongressbw.org. 202/678-6788.*

The U.S. Black Chambers named distinguished advocate of the year

USBC honored by the U.S. Department of Commerce's Minority Business Development Agency 2016 National Minority Development Week

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The U.S. Black Chambers, the only national advocacy organization working solely to advance Black businesses and building economic power in the Black community, was named Distinguished Advocate of the Year. The award, given by the U.S. Department of Commerce's Minority Business Development Agency was announced as part of the 2016 National Minority Enterprise Development Week Award winners. This is the first year USBC has earned this award.

Each year MBDA honors

"Champions of Minority Business Development" through its National MED Week. The initiative recognizes the achievements of minority entrepreneurs, along with those individuals and organizations that have demonstrated leadership and commitment in advancing global minority business enterprise.

"Each year the U.S. Black Chambers' commitment to building the economic power of the Black community is strengthened. Whether talking to officials in the federal administration, or working

with larger corporations, advocacy on behalf of small business and economic empowerment is a cornerstone of our work," said Ron Busby, Sr., the president and CEO of the U.S. Black Chambers. "USBC's partnerships are key to our success, and to the success of the Black community. We're proud to be honored by the Minority Business Development Agency, and look forward to our continued collaborative work."

ABOUT THE U.S. BLACK CHAMBERS, INC.

The U.S. Black Chambers,

Inc. (USBC) provides committed, visionary leadership and advocacy in the realization of economic empowerment. Through the creation of resources and initiatives, we support African American and business organizations in their work of developing and growing Black enterprises. The USBC is an association of more than 100 self-sustaining viable Black Chambers and small business associations nationwide and serves close to 250,000 small businesses. More information can be found at www.usblackchambers.org.



Ron Busby, Sr., the president and CEO of the U.S. Black Chambers says that, "USBC's partnerships are key to our success, and to the success of the Black community." (USBC)

Hillary Clinton promises to support Black businesses

BY HAZEL TRICE EDNEY

(TriceEdneyWire.com) Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Rodham Clinton has promised to specifically undergird Black-owned businesses if elected. It is a promise long-awaited by activists who have pushed for attention on economic justice issues, including disparate government contracts and access to funding for Black-owned businesses.

"So I know if we're serious about growing our economy and making sure it works for all Americans, we've got to do more to support small businesses. That is especially true for Black-owned small businesses," Clinton said in a videotaped message to the leadership and members of the U. S. Black Chambers Inc. (USBC). "I know there are still too many barriers holding back entrepreneurs. You know better than anyone because you help tear down those barriers every day."

The exclusive video was actually recorded earlier this year as a greeting to the USBC's annual business meeting in May.

In the video, Clinton said small businesses "are critical

to our economy and create two-thirds of all new jobs."

She praised the USBC for its programs that connect "aspiring entrepreneurs with professional mentors" and work with financial institutions "to make sure Black business owners get the capital and credit they need to flourish."

She concluded, "That's good for Americans. It's good for all Americans because our whole economy does better when Black entrepreneurs succeed."

The race between Clinton and billionaire businessman Donald Trump is now down to the wire. It's now less than two weeks before election day Nov. 8. As Trump has reached out to Black constituents promising more jobs, "law and order" in the streets, and tax credits for child care, Clinton has promised stronger Black-owned businesses, affordable or free tuition at public colleges, and major adjustments to the criminal justice system, including new policies to deal with police shootings of unarmed African-Americans.

USBC President/CEO Ron Busby, who Clinton praised for his work to improve the climate for Black-owned businesses around the nation, said he believes Clinton will build

on the Obama administration's work for small businesses.

"I just think that we thought President Obama was going to be a cure all. But, no one elected official can be a cure all. We must continue and develop policy. I think he did. But we didn't put enough pressure on the Senate, Congress, governors, mayors, and city councils to really get all of the stuff that we need to get done," said Busby in an interview response to the video. He said the USBC will press the next president to deal specifically with African-American owned businesses instead of lumping Black businesses in with the federal description of "minority". The federal description of minority not only means people other than White, but it also includes White women. This means numbers showing "minority inclusion" can be misleading when making policies to respond to low support for Black businesses.

"I don't think we ever really pressed that issue enough," said Busby. "Historically because we've had such a large number of contractors and businesses, we got our fair share or at least we got our opportunities to compete for our fair share. What



Hillary Clinton stated that "I've said many times I want to be the small business president."

minority means today is so many different groups – including women, gays and lesbians, and all the various nationalities – and there's nothing wrong with that. I'm not saying that all of those groups shouldn't have an opportunity to compete, but we need to know exactly – if you want to fix my communi-

ty, then you have to be very diligent about how you go about it. And you just can't say all tides are going to raise the ships."

If elected, Clinton indicates her work for small businesses may become a staple issue like affordable health care was for Obama.

"I've said many times I

want to be the small business president. I think small businesses need a strong partner in the White House," Clinton said in the video. "Together we'll expand opportunity, cut red tape, increase investment and connect businesses to markets around the world. We can do so much together. And I can't wait to get started."



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Dream deferred: Despite incomes, Black families still denied access to home loans

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In recent weeks, a spate of news coverage has referred to America's "inner cities." Some may even interpret it as a new code word for minorities, usually referring to Blacks and Latinos.



Charlene Crowell

Yet today, according to Richard Rothstein, a research associate with the Economic Policy Institute, the inner city experience does not encompass all of Black America. More Blacks now live in the suburbs than in urban ghettos, and approximately one-third of Black Americans have incomes higher than that of the respective median earnings.

So, why is access to homeownership still so out of reach for consumers of color? Why do so many Blacks and Latinos continue to suffer disproportionate denials for mortgage loans?

A recent analysis of the 2015 Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA) data by the Center for Responsible Lending (CRL) sheds further light on the fact that even years after a national recovery from the housing collapse, the American Dream remains elusive for much of Black America.

"The HMDA data has shown a persistent difference in denial rates by race and ethnicity and this year is no exception," wrote CRL. "20.8 percent of African-American applicants were denied a loan in 2015 compared to 16.1 percent of Hispanic applicants and 10 percent of non-Hispanic white applicants."

Last year, more than 6 million home purchase mortgages were made, but only 51,202 or 2.7 percent were conventional loans to Black home buyers. By comparison, non-Hispanic Whites received 1,361,564 conventional loans, and Latinos received 96,975 of these loans. Conventional loans are the most widely available and often the most cost-effective and sustainable mortgages available.

The vast majority of loans to Black consumers in 2015 continued a trend that has grown stronger year to year since the housing meltdown: government-backed loans like FHA or VA account for the overwhelming majority of loans made to Black consumers - 120,618, more than double that for conventional loans. Latino consumers received more with 162,317 loans, but far less compared to 765,880 for Whites. Government-secured mortgage loans are an important source of credit and also tend to be more costly than other home loans.

Now contrast those dismal numbers with those from the Census Bureau that found Black Americans are more than 13 percent of the nation's population, and 1.8 million Blacks, ages 25 and older, hold advanced degrees.

So, how is it that when Black college graduation rates are growing and many are living in the suburbs with higher earnings, why are conventional mortgage loans so rare for Black borrowers?

One reason could be that the average credit score needed to get a loan has risen substantially. In 2015 the average credit score for all new loan originations neared 750, a near 50-point increase from the average used in 2001.

Historically, federal hous-

ing policies also gave advantages to Whites that were not available to Blacks. As a result, many Whites were able to build up significant wealth that contributes to stronger credit profiles. At the same time, unequal mortgage lending policies made it harder for Blacks to own homes and thereby denied many wealth-building opportunities that could be shared from one generation to another.

"Although the nation's banks have largely recovered from the financial crisis," continued CRL, "the 2015 HMDA data illustrate that they are not using their rebuilt capital to create homeownership opportunities, particularly not for borrowers of color and low-income families."

"Before the Great Recession," added Rothstein, "half of all African-Americans owned

their own homes. By 2013, it had fallen to 44 percent. Before the Great Recession, the net worth of African-American homeowners averaged \$144,000. By 2013, it had fallen to \$80,000. This was not a natural calamity that befell the Black middle class but one precipitated in part by unlawful banking and governmental practices."

When it comes to homeownership, the facts are

clear. The real question for Black America is, "what do we intend to do about it?" Economic inclusion - not exclusion - would offer a real chance to build more Black economic security.

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New Hanover County

Narconon reminds families that abuse of heroin and opioid drugs has become a national health crisis. Learn to recognize the signs of heroin abuse and get your loved ones help if they are at risk. Visit www.narcononnewlife.org/blog/naloxone-availability.html to learn about the overdose reversing drug known as naloxone and find out its availability in your state. Narconon can help you take steps to overcome addiction in your family. Call today for free screenings or referrals. 1-800-431-1754.

Community Briefs

Snipes Academy, 2150 Chestnut St., will hold their Fall Festival on Saturday October 29th from 10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

The **New Hanover County Lupus Foundation Support Group** meets on the third Thursday of each month from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in Classroom D, Service Level, NHRMC. 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 **Willis Richardson Players** will present "All the World's a Stage" featuring favorite music and skits on Saturday, November 12th at 7:00 p.m. at the Empowerment Center at Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church, 2929 Princess Place Dr.

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

Brunswick County is offering free mulch at the Brunswick County Landfill & Recycling Facility, 172 Landfill Rd. NE, Monday- Saturday 8:00 am- 4:00 pm.

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HOMETOWN NEWS FROM BRUNSWICK COUNTY

What are you thinking about?

I am not working today, and it's a good time for me to go outside because it is the fall of the year. Every season of the year is important to me, but fall is such a beautiful time. In the fall, birds fly south to a warmer climate and remain through the winter. The leaves turn on the trees turn to beautiful colors, maybe, orange, yellow or brown, and fall to the ground. We have plenty of pine trees in our community, evergreens which bear cones and needle shaped leaves. Many are valued, not only for their shade, but for ornamentation and their wood.

These are times when I like to relax and listen to good music. It is good to wake up early in the morning of a new day and feel it is going to be a good day, one which I will enjoy. It seems to be a time for listening to music, particu-

larly old music, either alone or with a friend. It can be so soothing to the soul.



Verniece Stanley

I am thinking about a letter from Hillary Rodham Clinton. It was stated in the letter, "Thank you for your contribution on September 15, 2016. I am humbled by your generosity and grateful to have you by my side. It truly is up to us to make sure we all rise together. And with your continued commitment to the values of freedom, equality, justice and opportunity, we can succeed".

As the day comes near the end, we all long for a peaceful night. When darkness covers the earth, it is a time to rest and enjoy the family's love.

When we retire for the night and go to sleep, we lie down to pleasant dreams and are able to talk about them the next day with the family. When we sleep in a very comfortable place the power of the body is restarting, and, as we were also taught in early childhood, angels are watching over us. There are times when sleep for hours and we need someone to wake us up.

We are living in changing times. We are in the final stages of this 2016 Presidential campaign, and there is a good chance of our electing a woman to the U. S. Presidency. If we can achieve that, I, for one, will be grateful. I am reminded of a letter I received from Hillary Rodham Clinton. "Thank you for your generous contribution on September 21, 2016. I am humbled by your generosity and grateful to have you by my side. It truly is up to us to rise together and with your

continued commitment to the values of freedom, equality, justice and opportunity, we can succeed." There is so much for which we may be grateful, even for having all our five senses and for another day.

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.

Jephthah Chapter IV celebrates 64th anniversary

BY GERALDINE ARMSTRONG
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

On Sunday, September 24, 2016 Jephthah Chapter No. 4 celebrated their 64th anniversary of re-organization.

This wonderful celebration was held at the 11:00 am Worship Service at New Beginning Christian Church, 3120 Alex Trask Drive, Castle Hayne, NC.

There are always bad reports in the media concerning our youth, but reporters and television cameras should have been at this service! The participation of the youth was fantastic. This wonderful dynamic service should have been available to the public. It's great to know, even though most of our youth and young adults are portrayed as having bad standards, there are many worshipping and giving praise to God.

The Praise Team and

testimonies before worship was most encouraging and highly spiritual. Songs: What It Means To Love, You Are Everything and I Will Bless The Lord; followed by spiritual praise dancing and mime (Walls of Jericho).

Elder Kristie Ford, delivered a powerful message (Is God in the Managing of Your Finance). Scriptural reference: ACTS 4:32, and ACTS 5:1-10. This certainly was "food for thought." A chance for everyone to re-examine their minds and hearts on paying of tithes and offerings.

Questions asked: (she didn't want you to answer, but search your heart). Do you hold back on God in the giving of your tithes and offerings? (Think of all your blessings from God when you give). Do you make a commitment

to give faithfully?

Are you sincere in your giving? Do you "fake" in your giving?

She stated if anyone was convicted, this was the time to get it right; God is always willing to give us a second chance. If He doesn't renege on us, why should we renege on Him?

As previously stated, "THIS WAS FOOD FOR THOUGHT."

CAN WE DIGEST IT---

ARE YOU GUILTY?

Special thanks to New Beginning Christian Church Family and Sisters: Deborah and Latoya Dean (members and also members of Jephthah Chapter). Each year a member of the chapter invite the other members to share in worship with them for the anniversary.

Thanks also to: Sparkle

Bellamy, Daisha Williams and Kyia Brown (Catherine Donaldson's Gleaner Branch No. 200); Sisters: Karen McIntyre, Barbara Holmes, Zeld Jackson, Patricia Brooks, Eva Battle, Darlene

Robinson, Geraldine Armstrong, Marsha Williams, Pearl McQueen and Evelyn Williams (two of Jephthah's shut-in members), Brothers: James Lightfoot (DDGM-District 19), Alphonso Robinson, Freddie McDuffie and Cleveland #830. (Progressive Lodge #830).

After pictures being taken, the members of Jephthah Chapter went to Golden Corral and shared a delicious lunch. What a beautiful fellowship!

OH LET US MAGNIFY THE LORD TOGETHER AND GIVE PRAISE TO HIS HOLY NAME!

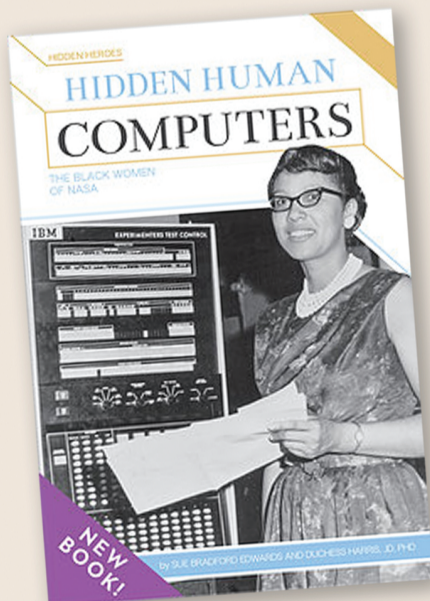


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Dr. Miriam Duchess Harris is the chair of the American Studies Department at Macalester College. She co-authored *Hidden Human Computers: The Black Women of NASA*.

Dozens of African American women worked for NASA as expert mathematicians from the 1940s to the 1960s and almost no one knows about it. Segregated within NASA facilities in Hampton, VA, well-educated black women used slide rules and pencils to do the calculations for flights by astronauts John Glenn and Alan Shepherd.



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Mamie Dell (Conyers) Brunson
Sunset
October 26, 1980

Deacon Moses Brunson
Sunset
October 27, 2000

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We want to thank you for always being near us
And for all the unconditional love you have given to us
You have been the best parents we could ever wanted.
You were with us when we laughed
When we cried,
When we succeeded,
And when we failed.
You were always there giving us a helping hand.
We thank you for being such great parents
And we want everyone to know
That we love you very much.

Moses Jr., Bernard, Harry & Alfonza
and all the Brunson family

In Loving Memory Of



Carl Jammarr Clark
Sunrise: July 17, 1984
Sunset: October 28, 2006

Carl Jammarr Clark was born on July 17, 1984 to the parents of Willie and Denise Clark on October 28, 2006. Carl went to be with His Heavenly Father; Sportie you have been in Heaven for ten years now. We miss you son, your father, mother, brother Jarrell and family and friends. For those I have left behind stop the tear's, pops stop the tears, Jarrell stop the tears' my family stop the tears. My friends, I am good I am with my Heavenly Father. I see you all you may not see me but I see you, when they took my old life I got a new one in Heaven and a better one. I will always love you. All I know you all miss me. Hey live for God and do His work you will see me again one day in Heaven.

I miss you Mark.
Love,
Dad

Gunmen shoot up sign marking place where Emmett Till's body was found

SPECIAL TO THE TRICE EDNEY NEWS WIRE FROM NORTHSTARNEWS.TODAY.COM

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - Gunmen recently fired bullets into a sign commemorating where Emmett Till's beaten body was pulled from the Tallahatchie River in 1955 after Roy Bryant and his half brother J.W. Milam murdered the 14-year-old. His brutal murder sparked the modern day civil rights movement. The gunman or gunmen fired more than 40 shots into the sign, which is located two hours north of Jackson, Miss. No one has been arrested, but someone placed flow-

ers in front of the site of Milam's home. The Emmett Till Interpretive Center in Sumner, Miss., is raising funds to replace the sign. Bryant and Milam kidnapped Till from his great uncle's and aunt's home in Money, Miss., on Aug. 28, 1955, for allegedly whistling at Bryant's wife, Carolyn, after shopping at the Bryant Grocery & Meat Market. By whistling at Carolyn, Till violated one of the key foundations of white racism—protection of the white woman. The men tortured Till, tying his body with barbed wire to a 70-pound industrial fan so he sank to the bottom

of the Tallahatchie. Two boys playing in or near the river found Till's body. Milam and Bryant went to trial for Till's murder beginning in September 1955. But an all-white male jury acquitted the two in 68 minutes. The only reason the jury took that long to reach a verdict despite overwhelming evidence of Milam's and Bryant's guilt was that the jury had to finish drinking their bottles of Coca Cola. The verdict was a catalyst for the Montgomery Bus Boycott, one of the most heroic events in African-American civil rights history. On December 1, 1955, Rosa Parks refused to give up her

seat to a white man on a Montgomery, Ala., bus, sparking a successful 13-month protest. "I thought about Emmett Till, and I couldn't go back [to the back of the bus]," Parks said. Although the jury acquitted them, Milam and Bryant confessed to murdering Till in a Look magazine article, published in January 1956. Look paid them \$3,150. Till is buried in Chicago's Burr Oak Cemetery, but his casket was purchased by the Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington, D.C. At the insistence of Emmett



EMMETT TILL AND MAMIE TILL, HIS MOTHER

Till's mother, the casket was fitted with a clear glass top so that the world could witness the state of her son's body, the incontrovertible evidence of the brutality of his death.

Problems of the 1960s still plague Black community

SPECIAL TO THE TRICE EDNEY NEWS WIRE FROM THE RICHMOND FREE PRESS

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - The problems driving dissatisfaction among African-Americans in the 1960s — discriminatory police practices, unemployment, unequal pay, poverty and more — continue to plague many people in the African-American community today. That was the assessment of Dr. Elsie Harper-Anderson, assistant professor of Urban and Regional Planning at the L. Douglas Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs at Virginia Commonwealth University. She and a panel of experts spoke Oct. 17 at the daylong Wilder Symposium at VCU, located in Richmond, the former capital of the Confederacy. The theme: "Race and American Society: 50 Years After the Kerner Commission Report." The Kerner Commission Report was ordered by President Lyndon B. Johnson to investigate the cause of riots in several U.S. cities in the summer of 1967.

Completed in March 1968, the commission identified 164 "disorders" contributing to the civil unrest and advised immediate action. Former Gov. L. Douglas Wilder talks about conditions in Richmond during his childhood during the symposium on race and American society at Virginia Commonwealth University. The Wilder Symposium explored the commission's recommendations, whether they were implemented, and the report's influence on race relations and equality today. "The freedoms and opportunities of all Americans are diminished and imperiled when they are denied to some Americans," the report stated. The "unrecoverable loss to the nation which this denial has already caused — and continues to produce — no longer can be ignored or afforded." Dr. Harper-Anderson said she was most "struck by the fact that I could take the dates out (of the 1968 report) and the information applies to today." A study of area residents' perspectives on race relations, conducted by the Center for

Public Policy at the Wilder School, indicates that 72 percent of Richmond area residents believe race relations in the United States is a major problem and has gotten worse in the last five years. While residents are concerned about race, 60 percent believe that the police in their community are doing a good job, the study found. Former Gov. L. Douglas Wilder, 85, after whom the symposium is named, offered a personal narrative to provide a snapshot of African-American life in Richmond as he was growing up. "If we are going to move toward a more perfect union, the truth of the times must be told," he said. That truth includes the poor public grade schools Gov. Wilder said he attended, with hand-me-down books, an outhouse for a bathroom, no cafeteria and no gym. The ability to excel, he continued, came from the fact that I could take the dates out (of the 1968 report) and the information applies to today. As he remembered the leaders of racial justice from the past, he left the audience with the question, "Where are

our leaders today?" Joe Madison, Washington, DC-based Sirius/XM Satellite Radio talk show host, said leadership starts at home, and called upon African-American families to root education in homes, churches, communities and prisons. "Education is the new currency of the 21st century," he said. In the future, "there will be those who are educated and those who are not." The suffering of the uneducated will only continue to expand, he said. Panel discussions included expanding education and leadership. Distribution of power and resources, the role of faculty in student civic engagement and the relationship between the police and the communities they serve also were addressed. In order to improve the African-American community's relationship with police, said Dr. William V. Pelfrey Jr., associate professor in the Wilder School's Criminal Justice Program, "the police need to be able to admit when they have made a mistake." He continued, "This is a sacrifice for them...but this is



Former Virginia Gov. L. Douglas Wilder was America's first elected Black governor.

the start to be able to resuscitate these relationships." U. S. Rep. Robert C. "Bobby" Scott (D-Va.), who represents Richmond in the 3rd Congressional District, said the need for criminal justice reform is critical, with the police practice of aggressive patrolling is the first of many problems that needs to be addressed. "Massive incarceration is creating crime ... because so many children are being raised ... with their parents in jail," he said. Proper police training, body cameras for police and youth programs are among the suggested solutions he offered. The Nov. 8 elections are an opportunity to move toward the resolutions outlined in the Kerner Commission Report. He said, "Jobs, funding education and criminal justice reform are key in the 2016 elections."



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**Master Carter Edward
Elijah Mandley**

Master Carter Edward Elijah Mandley's Celebration of life were held Saturday, October 22, 2016 at the Beaumont Park, Wilmington, NC. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Andrew L. Hardy

Andrew L. Hardy was born May 13, 1956 to the late William Fredrick Hardy and Pauline Richardson Hardy. He was preceded in death by his brother, Robert Lee Hardy. He graduated from New Hanover High School in the Class of 1974. He furthered his education by receiving an Associate Degree from Cape Fear Technical Institute. Andrew worked many different jobs in his life time and worked for the Wilmington Housing Authority. He enjoyed driving because it gave him the opportunity to meet people and listen to their stories.

Andrew is survived by five siblings; Martha Hardy Simpson, Celestine Hardy Jacobs (Lorenzo), William Hardy, Jr., Wilhelmina Hardy and Cassandra Hardy; nephews, LaShaun Simpson, Maurice Hardy, Anthony Hardy, Tevin Hardy and Fredrick Donte Hardy; one special niece, Monique Simpson; other great nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends. Memorial service was held PM Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at the Willie L. Shaw Memorial Chapel. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

**Antwyn Curtis Beatty
"Twaun"**

Antwyn Curtis Beatty "Twaun" was born January 23, 1982 to Sabrina Staggers and William Curtis Beatty. Twaun graduated from North Brunswick High School in the Class of 2000. He was employed

at Marina Boat Company in Leland, NC. He was a loving father, brother, uncle, cousin and friend. Twaun enjoyed basketball, football and making rap music.

He leaves to cherish his memories; one son, An'Twyn Johnson of Wilmington, NC; his mother, Sabrina Staggers of Wilmington, NC; father, William Curtis Beatty (Paula) of Martinez, GA; two brothers, Armond Beatty (Shatoya) and Tony Clark, Jr., of Wilmington; one step-sister, Lecisia Smith (David) of Grovetown, GA; maternal grandmother, Helen McMillan, Winnabow, NC; paternal grandmother, Lottie Beatty of Leland, NC; nieces, Zoey, Arlana, Destine, Natreel; two nephews, Tony and Steffan; seven aunts, Felbie Butler (Windell), Myra Burnett (Ronnie), Ginger Lee (David), Laura Denkins, Virginia McMillan, Margaret Beatty and Crystal Collins; three uncles, Thomas P. Denkins (Patricia), Talib Shareef (Tahirah), and Donald Beatty (Marilyn), special cousins, Reginald Weston, Erica Weston, Corey Morrison, Jameel and Jamaal Neal, Jalisa Neal and a host of cousins, other relatives and many friends. Funeral service was held 11 AM at Union Missionary Baptist Church. Burial followed in the Johnson Chapel AME Zion Church Cemetery. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Berdo Isaac Pierce

Berdo Isaac Pierce, son of James Pierce and the late Juanita Nixon-Pierce, was born November 27, 1956. He departed this life on October 6, 2016. Berdo grew up in the Scotts Hill Community where he was affectionately known as "Floyd" or "Petey".

Funeral services were held October 13, 2016 at the I.L.A. Local 1426. Burial followed in the Pollock Cemetery. As a young child he attended Old

Scotts Hill AME Church. He was educated in the New Hanover County School System. Berdo became a member of the International Longshoremen Association, Local 1426. He enjoyed working on the water front and talking with co-workers. Prior to his illness, he was a member of I.L.A. Local 1426 Gang # 14. Also, he was a faithful member of the Men's Club of Scotts Hill. Berdo was united in marriage to Christie Green.

Surviving to cherish his memory are; wife, Christie Green-Pierce; son, Kevin Green, Jr.; father, James Pierce; sisters, Thelma McIntyre (Fredrick), Sylvia Williams, Darlene Fulton (Julian), Cassandra Pierce and Nancy Pierce; brother, Theodore Pierce (Doris); sister-in-law, Sharon Green; brothers-in-law, James Bloodworth, Andre Bloodworth, Booker Green (Tonya), Anthony Green (Kecia), Jamie Green, Dewayne Johnson; aunts, Mary McIntyre, Wilhelmina Nixon, Wilhelmina Bell, Audrey Kennedy, Deirde Murphy, Lizzie Nixon and Barbara Bragg, Sheila Tyndall, and Rose Simon; uncles, Robert Pierce (Francine), Alvin Nixon (Margaret), Sylvanus Bloodworth (Marilyn), Theodore Bloodworth (Carie), Michael Bloodworth; a special nephew, De'Shaun Clarida; special nieces, Amanda Green, Iyanna Smith and De'Yuana Clarida; special brother, Gary Shpman (Mary Jo) of Wilmington, NC; special friends, Reginald Brown, Percy Gillispie, II, Dennis Nixon, Lou Tyson, Pearl Tyson and Ronnie DeVane, other relatives and friends. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Mary Frances Jenkins

Mary Frances Jenkins, born to the late William and Catherine Conyers on September 24, 1936 in Bolton, NC died October 9, 2016.

Funeral service was held Saturday, October 15, 2016 at Prayer and Bible Church of God. Burial followed in the Restwell Cemetery, Bolton, NC.

Mary was a member of Green Chapel Baptist Church in Bolton, NC. She was reared by her aunt and uncle, the late and LaFayette Jones. She attended Armour High School in Acme, NC. After graduation, she moved to New York City and worked for the City of New York - Payroll Department until her retirement. After retirement, she moved to Wilmington, NC.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Carolyn Davis and brothers, Maceo Conyers, William James Conyers, Lee Jones and Rev. Willie Jones. Surviving to cherish her memory are children, Deborah Conyers, Ronald Conyers, Kathy Conyers, and Jonathan McLennan, Cynthia McKoy and Tony Jenkins; grandchildren, Keith Conyers, Shawnee Hill, LaKeshia Conyers, Marvin Conyers, Antwion McKoy, Anita McKoy, Genowell McKoy, Kanesia McKoy, Jerome Conyers, Jason Conyers, Shakeisha McLennan, and Cyarah McLennan; brothers and sisters, William Conyers, Lucy Boney (Robert), Barbara Carson, Wessie Warrick (Billy), Virginia Bratcher (Terrance), Betty Jones Loatman, Jerry Jones (Theresa), and Annie Haskins; uncle, Leroy Conyers (Louise); devoted niece, Jacqueline Conyers, and a host of other relatives and friends. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Ernest Marshall

Ernest Marshall was born April 19, 1941 to the late Lloyd and Vasty Marshall in the Harrison Creek Community. His funeral was held Friday, October 14, 2016 at Willie L. Shaw, Jr. Memorial Chapel. Burial followed in the Sidberry Cemetery, Harrison Creek Community. He was called to rest on October 8, 2016.

He was educated in the Pender County Schools. Ernest spent most of his adult life in New York City, then returned to Harrison Creek Community to live with his parents before moving to Wilmington, NC.

He leaves to cherish his memory, three brothers, Lorenza Marshall, Sr., James Marshall, Sr. (Wanda), William Lee Marshall, Sr. (Catherine). (Three brothers and two sisters preceded him in death.) He also leaves a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Hazel L. McDuffie

Hazel L. McDuffie, a native

of Wilmington, NC, was born November 16, 1932 to Jessie Wright and Mary Wright. Hazel was called from this life to eternity on Monday, October 17, 2016. Funeral services were held Saturday, October 22, 2016 at St. Phillip AME Church. Burial followed in the Greenlawn Memorial Park.

She was preceded in death by her grandmother, Catherine McCray; father, Jessie Wright, mother Mary Frances and brother, Harry Wright. She attended the public schools of New Hanover County graduating in the class of 1950. She attended Williston College for two years and then Fayetteville State College. As a young adult, she joined St. Phillip AME Church where she served as a member of the Gospel Choir and Stewardess Board #4. Hazel McDuffie was the oldest in membership at St. Phillip AME Church. Hazel was a caring and soft spoken person who loved the Lord openly.

She leaves to cherish her love and memories; her loving husband, Leroy McDuffie "Roy"; her son, Thurman McDuffie "Beaver" of the home; grandson, Lamont McDuffie (Beverly); two great-grandchildren, Gisselle Hazel and Maximilian Jose; one brother, Harry Wright; one foster brother, Eddie McRae; seven sisters-in-law, Eva Mae Bowman, Josephine Boynton, Thelma McDuffie, Eula Ennis, Earlie Mae McDuffie, Ruby McDuffie and Gene Synder; three brothers-in-law, Nathaniel, Charles and Wadell; god-daughter, Sue Flowers; cousins, Annie Bradley and Doris Miller; special friends, Margie Charles, Izola Bryson, Elnora Smith, Vickie Harvey and Dyryce Diggs. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Velma Ozzie Hill Bell "Tora"

Velma Ozzie Hill Bell "Tora", daughter of the late William A. and Velner O. Hill, was born June 27, 1939. She departed this life October 19, 2016. Funeral services were held Saturday, October 22, 2016.

Velma was a long time employee of the Hilton Hotel in Wilmington, NC. After retiring, Velma sat back and enjoyed her life. She was surrounded by love. In addition to her parents and her husband, she was also preceded in death by her brothers, Billy Hill, Edward Hill, and Charles Hill, and her sister, Jessie Mae Baker. Velma leaves to cherish her memory; one son, Charles B. Hill (Demetrice); three grandsons, JJ Hill, Nicholas Hill and Nathaniel Hill; one granddaughter, Jamaine Lamotte; great grandchildren, Amara Hill and Jayden Hill; brother, Roy L. Hill; sister, Juanita Weston; special

friends, Andrew Taylor, Donald Henry, Daryl and Ann Washington and Betty Jackson; and a very special friend, Patricia Brooks. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Worth David Hooper, Sr.

Worth David Hooper, Sr. was born October 31, 1924 to the late John Davis Hooper and Mattie Jane Robbins Hooper. His funeral service was held Saturday, October 22, 2016 at Hooper's Chapel Missionary Baptist Church. Burial followed in the Hooper's Cemetery.

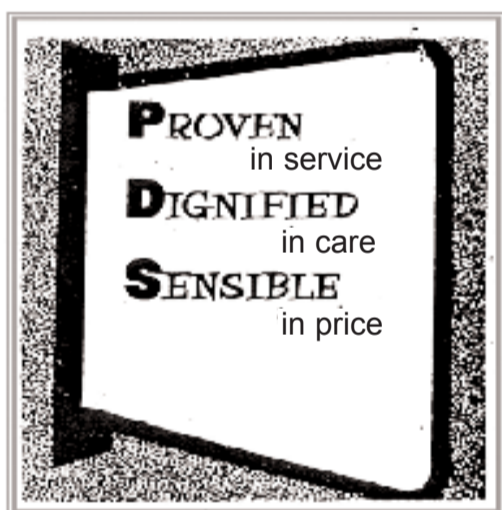
At the age of seventeen, he married Ethel Southerland. He was a good and faithful servant until his death. He was active in Sunday School and served on the Usher Board. Worth was known as "Dave", "Tippy" and "Law" to many of his family and friends. To this union was born nine children. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ethel; children, Arthur Hooper, Elizabeth Sheppard and Estella Keith; one brother, Johnny Hooper; two sisters, Fannie Hooper and Nellie Ballard.

Surviving to cherish his memory are children, Worth Hooper, Jr. (Bettye), Liza Hooper, Melvin Hooper (Diana), Virginia Shields (Mike), Andrew Hooper (Regina), Dean Hooper (Angela); honorary son, Brian Hooper (Tylisha); sister, Mildred Jacobs (John); step-sister, Gladys Robbins; twenty-four grandchildren; fifty-eight great-grandchildren; 17 great-great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Joyce "JB" Maria McKoy

Joyce "JB" Maria McKoy Bloodworth was born December 25, 1954 to Hester McKoy and Mary McKoy. She was picked up, October 15, 2016 through the night by our beloved maker, Jesus Christ. She loved everyone. She was the neighborhood baby sister, grandmother, mother and protector. In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by her sister, Sandra Bryant.

Surviving to carry on her love and memories are: children, Cherri (Ulysses), T. T. (Jerry), Petey and Nuna; grandchildren, Devante, Tyshoan, Danesha, Adaya, A'miracle, Jacaree, Akia, Teonna, and Lucy; great-grandchild, Kaiden and one patiently "baking"; five sisters, Gladys, Frances, Twin Rosa Maria, Daisy and Tracy and several nieces, nephews, cousins and special friends, Tricia, Myra and Gwen. Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

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New Hanover County

Church Women United will hold World Community Day program on Friday, November 4th at Cape Fear Presbyterian Church, 2606 Newkirk Ave. Coffee and registration will be at 9:30 a.m. and worship at 10:00 a.m.

First Baptist Church Scotts Hill, 8800 Market St., will celebrate its 115th church anniversary and homecoming on Sunday, November 6th. Rev. George Murray and Mt. Nebo Baptist church will be the guests at 3:00 p.m. Dinner will follow the morning service.



Religious Briefs

Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, 719 Walnut St., Beautification Ministry will present Soup for the Soul, "Fall into the Spirit" by Carl Newton, and Lee Jamison on Friday, November 4th. Doors open at 5:45 p.m. and the program begins at 6:30 p.m. For further information please call 910-228-7178 or 910-520-5827.

Brunswick County

Crystal Spring Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate their annual homecoming service on Sunday, October 30th at 11:30 a.m. Rev. Joseph Nixon and church family of Bethel AME Church will render service.

Life Ministries Inc., 5051 North Side Dr. will be holding Sunday evening services weekly at 7:00 p.m. with Emmanuel Sounds of Praise. Also the church is accepting gently used clothes, coats and toys for their free clothing giveaway on Saturday, October 29th from 10:00 a.m. - until at House Hold of Faith, corner of 1290 Dennison Ave., Myrtle Beach. Drop off locations for donations are 507 N. Oak St., Myrtle Beach, SC and 1757 Stanley Rd., Supply, NC. Also the ministry is accepting bottled water, gently used clothing, toys and coats for Hurricane Matthew victims. For more information call Michael and Latarsha Smith at 321-361-9913 or John and Utrillia Johnson at 910-294-0656.

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SENIOR CITIZENS' FELLOWSHIP

Heart health – Peace in us

BY SHEILA ROSS AND FANNIE ALLEN
CONTRIBUTING WRITERS

O what a beautiful morning! O what a beautiful day! Only God could bless us with a day like this! We are so thankful for it! We were greeted by President Eloise Purdie. We opened by singing "Have Thine Own Way, Lord." Prayer was given by Fannie Allen, and the next song was "Blessed Assurance." Mr. George Hill reminded us of Elderhaus this Thursday. We had one visitor, Ms. Rosebud Richardson. She was welcomed by Mrs. Mildred

Ellerby. Mr. Johnny Puckett, from the Human Resources Center, gave us information on medications. He said that we need to check labels, refrain from taking medicine in the dark, and tell your health care provider if you have other prescription or over the counter medicines. We should report new side effects, always carry a list of our medicines, and keep track of all our medicines. We thank Mr. Puckett for giving us such great and helpful information.

Our meeting was turned over to Vice President Gladys Taylor. She called for the minutes, which were read by

Mrs. Mildred Ellerby. They were approved. The Treasurer's Report was given by Mrs. Cynthia Sparrow.

Meditation was given by Mrs. Cynthia Sparrow. She said that we can receive great peace if we focus on Jesus. Peace means we are in a great relationship with God. Only Jesus can give us peace in a storm. Our society acts like a storm. Even though we are saved, we still wrestle with peace. The Bible, in Ephesians and John 14:27 and John 16:33, offer us Jesus' peace. It is a divine peace. Jesus is the One who went to the cross for you and me. Our peace comes from the Prince

of Peace.

Mrs. Sparrow was thanked for a great message.

We had roll call. Then we had the Callers' Report. It was won by Mrs. Gladys Taylor, with 12. They were all given a round of applause. Mrs. Annie Haskins gave us the Sick Report. She spoke briefly about the death of her sister and undergoing eye surgery. Announcements and Smiles were given by Mrs. Mary Martin.

Our circled was formed, and prayer was given by Mr. William Sidberry. Our meeting was adjourned.

There were fifty-six members present.

TELL SOMEBODY

"The least of these"

"And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matthew 25:40

Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in:



Sylvia Hooper

Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. Then shall the right-

eous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink?

When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink: I was a stranger, and ye took

me not in: naked, naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not. Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee?

Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me. And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into eternal life." Matthew 25:34-46.

Lord, help us to remember Mercy in all we say and do. In Jesus's Name. Amen.

Tell Somebody!
Mrs. Sylvia B. Hooper is a

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

First Lady Michelle Obama, leading Black women clergy condemn Trump remarks

Open letter from 1,200 Christian women say the 'sin of misogyny has caused many of us to experience sexual assault'

BY HAZEL TRICE EDNEY

(TriceEdneyWire.com) – Black women across the U. S. are continuing to express outrage this week in response to a released tape of lewd comments about women, made by Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump.

In an epic speech Oct. 13, First Lady Michelle Obama told a crowd in New Hampshire that Trump's language can never be excused as "locker room" talk as he described it, and she asked women – Republicans and Democrats – not to remain silent.

"The fact is that in this election, we have a candidate for President of the United States who, over the course of his lifetime and the course of this campaign, has said things about women that are so shocking, so demeaning that I simply will not repeat anything here today. And last week, we saw this candidate actually bragging about sexually assaulting women. And I can't believe that I'm saying that a candidate for President of the United States has bragged about sexually assaulting women," she said. "And I have to tell you that I can't stop thinking about this. It has shaken me to my core in a way that I couldn't have predicted. So while I'd love nothing more than to pretend like this isn't happening, and to come out here and do my normal campaign speech, it would be dishonest and disingenuous to me to just move on to the next thing like this was all just a bad dream."

Mrs. Obama's sentiments were among a groundswell of outrage, including a string of Republicans who withdrew their endorsement of Trump after hearing the audio. That outrage continued to grow this week as a racially diverse group of more than 1,200 leading Christian women signed an open letter also expressing their disdain and to urge other religious leaders to not only take a stand but also "help their communities heal from the sins of sexual violence and misogyny," said a release announcing the letter.

"As Christian women we are appalled by Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump's recorded remarks that disparage women and condone sexual assault. Such language cannot be dismissed as 'locker room talk.' Mr.

Trump must offer public contrition that fully acknowledges the seriousness and depravity of his actions. The sin of misogyny has caused many of us to experience sexual assault or sexually abusive language that threatened our safety, dignity and well-being," states the letter, released Oct. 14. "Christian leaders cannot condone such violent speech about women as a minor mistake or an innocent attempt to be 'macho.' These excuses teach our young people that such language is acceptable and do further harm to those who have been abused. We urge all religious leaders to preach, teach and help their communities heal from the twin sins of sexual violence and misogyny. While we are disheartened by Mr. Trump's toxic words, we believe this moment presents an opportunity to teach our daughters and sons that they are loved, and to teach all Americans how to speak out against sexually violent language."

The lead signature on the letter was that of Rev. Jennifer Butler, CEO of Faith in Public Life Action Fund, who spearheaded the campaign. It is joined by Dr. Barbara Williams Skinner, president, Skinner Leadership Institute; Reverend Dr. Cynthia L. Hale, senior pastor of the Ray of Hope Christian Church in Decatur, Ga.; Rev. Jacqueline Lewis, Middle Collegiate Church of New York; Lisa Sharon Harper, chief church engagement officer of Sojourners among hundreds of other women pastors and leaders.

"The violent language spewed by Donald Trump about women is not only insulting, it's laden with criminal intent. To dismiss these lewd remarks as simply 'locker room' talk would be to suggest that this type of rhetoric or behavior is acceptable," said Dr. Skinner, in the news release. "As faith leaders, we must teach all Americans how to speak out against sexually violent language and to affirm the dignity of all people."

The letter comes on the heels of Mrs. Obama's White House celebration of the International Day of the Girl and the official launch of her new educational initiative, "Let Girls Learn."

"So I thought it would be important to remind these young women how valuable and precious they are. I want-



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ed them to understand that the measure of any society is how it treats its women and girls. And I told them that they deserve to be treated with dignity and respect, and I told them that they should disregard anyone who demeans or devalues them, and that they should make their voices heard in the world," the First Lady said in her speech.

This week, Trump's wife, Melania, said in an interview with CNN's Anderson Cooper that she had forgiven her husband for what she described as "boy talk."

However, First Lady Michelle Obama rejects any

minimization of Trump's words: "This is not something that we can ignore. It's not something we can just sweep under the rug as just another disturbing footnote in a sad election season. Because this was not just a 'lewd conversation.' This wasn't just locker-room banter. This was a powerful individual speaking freely and openly about sexually predatory behavior, and actually bragging about kissing and groping women, using language so obscene that many of us were worried about our children hearing it when we turn on the TV...It is cruel. It's frightening. And the truth is, it hurts. It hurts.

Larry Price scheduled for home

BY BEVERLY SMALLS
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Williston Junior High School Band's famous jazz composer, alto sax player, vocalist, arranger and album producer, Larry Price is scheduled to perform at home, October 28 at Burnt Mill Creek.

After a twelve year stint in Finland, music workshop residencies in Spain and Kenya, and numerous professional performances while living in New York and Philadelphia, the Wilmington native returns to the city of his start.

"I'm really looking forward to connecting with everyone again," Price said.

His last hometown performance was in 2004 as a guest artist for the Williston Alumni. Fittingly, the jazz artist credits his initial interest and music training to that school's band director, Adolph Green.

Price wanted to play the saxophone because he liked the way it looked. His parents, Kirby and Louise Price tried to get him involved with piano lessons from the late "Miss Lee," (Emma). He was five and stopped trying at age six.

Mr. Green, and later Hugh Jones became his local music mentors. Price never gave up the alto sax.

"When I was in the seventh grade, about age thirteen, I was so good at it until Hugh Jones tried to get my parents to let me join a professional band, The Chargers. They played rhythm and blues and traveled on weekends all over North and South Carolina," Price said.

After turning fourteen they let him participate. He remembers playing a lot of Otis Redding, James Brown and other African American legends' songs. During that era, the only blacks in Myrtle Beach venues were on stage or cleaning up, he joked.

Price enlisted in the Army and served three years after graduating from John T. Hoggard in 1973.

Promoting his return to the Port City is musician, Benny Hill. Jazz and African-American Historian, Larry Thomas will serve as emcee.

"I also play sax," said Hill who picked up the instrument



SAXOPHONIST LARRY PRICE

at age twelve. "When another jazz organization was unable to successfully plan a return by Larry I thought it would be a good idea to try having him come anyway."

Larry will be playing with Doug Irving on bass, Jerald Shynett on piano, and Jon Hill on drums.

"I think I may be playing a tune with him too," Hill said. Like Price, his parents, the Rev. Benton Hill (Blondell) had deep appreciation for music. They allowed their residence in Creekwood to become a safe haven for musically inclined youths "to jam" in their home.

Hill emphasizes having a jazz artist like Price in concert is very special. Price agrees that he is excited about seeing friends, relatives and jazz lovers' faces when he performs.

"You always notice ... and feel the audience's response."

Of the twelve countries Price has performed or lectured in, Russia had the most appreciative responsive audiences, he said.

Ukrainian classical pianist, Viatceslav Novikov and Price presented workshops and performed together often. Theirs was a unique blend soulful and classical melodies, he said.

For ticket information, see Benny Hill's web page; call, 910-297-4727; or come to Burnt Mill Creek, 2101 Market Street. Doors open 7 p.m., Friday, October 28. Concert hours are 8 p.m. until. Seating is limited.

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This the 13th day of October, 2016

Dionya Grady, Administrator
877 Ashbury Trail
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October 13, 20, 27, November 3, 2016

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Having qualified as the Administrator of the Estate of **George T. Milliken**, late of 2645 Route 6, Eastham, MA 02642, and owning property located at: 115 S. 15th Street, 115 S. 15th Street, Unit A, and 113 S. 15th Street, Wilmington, NC 28401, 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 **January 18, 2017**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 14th day of October, 2016.
Steve J. Milliken
Executor of the Estate of George T. Milliken
CLARK, NEWTON & EVANS PA
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This the 20th day of October, 2016

Beverly B. Stroman, Executrix
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The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of **Patricia Blalock Beverly**, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **20th day of January, 2017**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 20th day of October, 2016

Robert Charles Beverly, Administrator
4613 Westgate Rd.
Wilmington, NC 28405

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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In the Matter of the Estate of
Melba Hines Neville, Deceased**

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of **Melba Hines Neville**, deceased, late of New Hanover County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before **February 2, 2017**, or this Notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All persons indebted to the said decedent or estate shall please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 27th day of October, 2016.

Kimberly Woody Getz
Executor of the Estate
Melba Hines Neville
c/o Anthony L. Register
Alley, Register & McEachern
701 North 4th Street
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The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the estate of **Eugene James Costa**, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **13th day of January, 2017**, 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 13th day of October, 2016

Claudia T. Costa, Executrix of the Estate of Eugene James Costa
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The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the estate of **Shannon DiTolla**, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 13th day of January, 2017, 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 13th day of October, 2016

Colleen DeMarks, Executrix of the Estate of Shannon DiTolla
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The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Eloise Page Lucas**, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **13th day of January, 2017**, 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 13th day of October, 2016

David Arnold Porter, Executor
2617 Oakley Rd.
Castle Hayne, NC 28429

October 13, 20, 27, November 3, 2016

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Gwendolyn Page**, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 13th day of January, 2017, 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 13th day of October, 2016

James Herbert King, Jr., Executor
3201 Reminisc Rd.
Castle Hayne, NC 28429

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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All persons, firms and corporations having claims against **Ruth S. Stein**, deceased, are notified to exhibit them to the undersigned as Executor of the decedent's estate at One West Fourth Street, 12th Floor, Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27101, on or before **January 14, 2017**, or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the undersigned Executor.

This the 13th day of October, 2016

Leonard B. Stein, Executor
Elizabeth L. Quick
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Having qualified as Administrator CTA of the Estate of **Gaither Stone** (16-E-1268), late of 706 Argonne Court, New Hanover County, Wilmington, North Carolina the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 701 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401 on or before **January 6, 2017** 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 26th day of September, 2016

Charlotte Noel Fox, Administrator CTA of the Estate of Gaither Stone
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The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Margaret Foy Lewis**, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **20th day of January, 2017**, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 20th day of October, 2016

Calvin Everette Lewis, Jr., Executor of the Estate of Margaret Foy Lewis
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**

The undersigned, **Lorraine K. Noll**, having qualified on the 19th day of October, 2016, as Personal Representative of the Estate **Dixie S. Woodbury (16-E-1393)**, 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 **27th day of January, 2017**, or the claims will be forever barred thereafter, and this notice will be pleaded in bar recovery. All persons, firms, and corporations indebted to said Estate will please make prompt payment to the undersigned at the above address.

This 24th of October, 2016.

Lorraine K. Noll, Personal Representative
ESTATE OF DIXIE S. WOODBURY
David Anderson
GRAVES MAY, PLLC
5700 Oleander Dr.
Wilmington, NC 28403

October 27, November 3, 10, 17, 2016

LEGAL NOTICES

**PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT
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October 27, November 3, 2016

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**

Having qualified as Administrator CTA of the Estate of **Janet Durham** (16-E-1304), late of 1807 Brewton Court, New Hanover County, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401 on or before **January 6, 2017** 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 26th day of September, 2016

Charlotte Noel Fox, Administrator CTA of the Estate of Janet Durham
Craig & Fox, PLLC
701 Market Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
910-815-0085

October 6, 13, 20, 27, 2016

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of **Mary Kessler** (16-E-1260), late of 314 S. Fort Fisher Blvd. Apt 3, New Hanover County, Wilmington, North Carolina the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 701 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401 on or before **January 6, 2017** 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 26th day of September, 2016

Charlotte Noel Fox, Administrator CTA of the Estate of Gaither Stone
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701 Market Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
910-815-0085

October 6, 13, 20, 27, 2016

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of **Mary Ann Widerman**, deceased, of the New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **6th day of January, 2017**, 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 29th day of September, 2016

Tammy D. Grisetti, Administrator
Po Box 30875
Charleston, SC 29417

October 6, 13, 20, 27, 2016

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER**

Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of **Margaret McLean** (16-E-586), late of 924 B North McMillan Avenue, New Hanover County, Wilmington, North Carolina the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 701 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401 on or before **January 6, 2017** 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 29th day of September, 2016

Howard Westlake, Executor of the Estate of Margaret McLean
Craig & Fox, PLLC
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910-815-0085

October 6, 13, 20, 27, 2016

LEGAL NOTICES

**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
JUVENILE SESSION
FILE NO. 14 JT 285**

**IN THE MATTER OF:
K.J.P. (dob: 13 December 2014)**

**TO: GREGORY PARKER AND
ANY UNKNOWN FATHER**

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

Termination of all parental rights you have to K.J.P.

You are required to make defense to such pleading within forty (40) days following Thursday, October 27, 2016, which date is the date of first publication of this Notice. Upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. You have the right to attend this hearing and you have the right to be represented by counsel. Mr. Parker you are assigned Attorney Christine Farrell. Counsel may be contacted at 910-763-1100, 2802 Market Street, Wilmington, NC.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A HEARING ON THE PETITION TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS IS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2016, AT 9:30 A.M., or upon a date and time set thereafter, at the Office of Juvenile Justice, 138 N 4th Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401.

This the 27th day of October, 2016.

Jennifer G. Cooke
Attorney - New Hanover Co. Dept. of Social Services
1650 Greenfield Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
PO Drawer 1559
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**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT
JUVENILE SESSION
File No. 16 JT 286**

**IN THE MATTER OF:
E.L.M. (DOB: 06-24-2016)**

**TO: ANY UNKNOWN
BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF THE
ABOVE CAPTIONED MALE
CHILD BORN IN WILMINGTON,
NORTH CAROLINA.**

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

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

You are required to make defense to such pleading within thirty (30) days following October 27, 2016, which date is the date of first publication of this Notice. Upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A HEARING ON THE PETITION TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS IS SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 5, 2016, AT 9:30 A.M., or as soon thereafter as it may be heard, at the Office of Juvenile Justice, 138 N 4th Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401.

This the 27th day of October, 2016.

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

October 27, November 3, 10, 2016

LEGAL NOTICES

**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
JUVENILE SESSION
FILE NO. 16 JT 201**

**IN THE MATTER OF:
J.L.P. (DOB: 30 APRIL 2009)**

TO: ANY UNKNOWN FATHER

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

Termination of all parental rights you have to J.L.P. You are required to make defense to such pleading within forty (40) days following Thursday, October 27, 2016, which date is the date of first publication of this Notice. Upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. You have the right to attend this hearing and you have the right to be represented by counsel.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A HEARING ON THE PETITION TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS IS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2016, AT 9:30 A.M., or upon a date and time set thereafter, at the Office of Juvenile Justice, 138 N 4th Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401.

This the 27th day of October, 2016.

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**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT
JUVENILE SESSION
FILE NO. 15 JT 186**

**IN THE MATTER OF:
S.M.C. (DOB: 4/16/2013)
TO: R E S P O N D E N T
FATHER: ANY UNKNOWN BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF THE ABOVE-CAPTIONED MALE CHILD**

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

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

You are required to make defense to such pleading no later than NOVEMBER 29, 2016, said date being forty (40) days following the first date of publication of this Notice. Upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A HEARING ON THE PETITION TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS IS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2016, AT 9:30 A.M., or as soon thereafter as it may be heard, at the Office of Juvenile Justice, 138 N 4th Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401, or upon a date and time set thereafter. You have the right to attend this hearing and you have the right to be represented by counsel.

This the 17th day of October, 2016.

Regina Floyd-Davis
Staff Attorney - New Hanover Co. Dept. of Social Services
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October 20, 27, November 3, 2016

EMPLOYMENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of **Terrie G. Thomas**, 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 **27th day of January, 2017**, 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 27th day of October, 2016

Shawn Thomas, Administrator
9594 Hevener St.
Leland, NC 28451

October 27, November 3, 10, 17, 2016

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **G. Louise Willis**, 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 **27th day of January, 2017**, 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 27th day of October, 2016

A. Randall Willis, Executor of the Estate of G. Louise Willis
805 S. Topsail Drive
Surf City, NC 28445
Murchison, Taylor & Gibson, PLLC
16 North Fifth Avenue
Wilmington, NC 28403

October 27, November 3, 10, 17, 2016

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of **Beamon Meares** (16-E-1396), late of 201 Spartan Road, Wilmington, NC 28405, New Hanover County, Wilmington, North Carolina the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 701 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401 on or before **January 25, 2017** 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 27th day of October, 2016

Evonne Smith, Executor of the Estate of Beamon Meares
Craig & Fox, PLLC
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October 27, November 3, 10, 17, 2016

EMPLOYMENT

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The Housing Authority of the City of Wilmington is seeking to fill the following positions: Director of Finance and Area Property Manager. A copy of the full job description can be accessed from the website at www.wha.net. The Housing Authority provides a generous benefit package. Salary will be commensurate with experience and education. Must be bondable. Submit a cover letter, resume, WHA employment application and three professional references to Director of Finance Search or Area Property Manager Search, Attention: Human Resources Department, PO Box 899, Wilmington, NC 28402 or email to jobs@wha.net. Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled.

ENTERTAINMENT

Cash in the Apple



By
Cash
Michaels

On the first day of early voting, I can honestly say I certainly earned my "I VOTED EARLY" sticker, in more ways than one.

To my surprise after I dropped my daughter KaLa off at middle school, there was a long line at my polling place, the Herbert C. Young Community Center in Cary.

I hate long lines for anything, but I had just told my 13-year-old about how inspiring it was to cover the 2008 presidential election, and to see all of the older black citizens - some with canes and walkers, some in wheelchairs, come out and do something they never thought they'd have the opportunity to do in their lifetime - vote for the first black president of the United States. The memories of that still warm my heart.

I vowed that if they could make it to the polls to prove their citizenship and right to be heard, then I had no business waiting 20 days until the last minute. I needed to take the time NOW! So I was determined no matter how long the line was, to park my car, wait, and cast my ballot. Determination and duty were going to see me through.

Too bad common sense wasn't part of my equation. When I drove up to the Young Center, they had parking folks as always directing all traffic to the parking deck entrance. I should have asked for the handicapped parking area since I'm a stroke/cancer victim who still has some difficulty walking.

No, instead I never gave any of that any thought. So I just drove where they directed me to without asking any questions. BIG MISTAKE! I ended up not parking near the first floor where I wouldn't have to walk far, but on the top level.

Because of my hindered left leg, I decided to walk back down through the deck driveway, realizing that to get to the building, I'd have to take the stairs to the bottom level and then walk over.

No, I didn't fall down the stairs (Thank GOD), but once I left the stairwell, I looked ahead to see where the voting line was so I could walk all the way over and take my place in line to wait.

In doing so, I didn't look down to see that I was not on the ground, but a platform you had to step off of to the ground. By the time I realized that, all of sudden there was no there there, and I was placing my considerable weight on nothing moving forward, my 304 lb. immense body stumbling forward uncontrollably.

I immediately tried to almost dance my way down, hoping I could slow my barely standing stumble so I wouldn't hit the ground, but it was too late. With no cars parked anywhere near, and only a cement wall to stop me if I went too far. I ended up slamming to the cement parking deck floor HARD.

Luckily I put my left arm out to brace my descent, but it was still a hard tumble that cut up my arm pretty bad. Yes I was stunned for moment. I don't fall much, so when it does happen, it IS an experience.

I laid there for a moment to assess if I broke anything (I could have), but after moving my arm up and down, I realized I was damned lucky. Now all I have to do is get up and walk down to get in line, I thought.

Except that I COULDN'T GET UP. I do have problems with both legs getting up out of chairs and sofas because of the stroke two years ago, so getting up off the ground was near impossible. That meant I had to swallow my overblown pride and seek help.

Silly me! Here I am, on the ground sitting up as not one, not two, but three cars leaving the parking deck come down where I am and pass me going out, each driver seeing me without question. Why would I think ANY of them would slow down after seeing a 300 lb. black man in a tee-shirt on the ground with a bleeding arm obviously in trouble, and ask if I needed help? I didn't expect them to stop or get out of their cars or anything. JUST ASK!

Nope. Finally I realized I better swallow my pride and actually call out to the next car to please advise the police that I'm injured back here, which is what I did.

Soon the precinct supervisor and another lady walked back, asked if I needed an ambulance or 911. I assured them I didn't, just wanted to have my wound attended to stop the bleeding, get off the ground, and be able to vote, then be taken back to my car at the top (which I was steadily cussing myself out for).

The supervisor's name was Peggy, and her assistant was Carol. Those two ladies took care of my wound, determined that I was now eligible for curbside voting (well I was disabled), signed me up (I'm still on the ground now) and finally got two strong men to help me to my feet so I could finally walk over to where all of the action was, which I did. After going to the special section where curbside voting was officially being done on the other side of the parking deck, they got me a chair, gave me my ballot to fill out, and were super nice to me.

At one point I thanked the lady behind the table for allowing me to vote out of turn. She responded, "Of course, sir. After all, you did shed blood today to do it." Amen, Ma'am. AMEN!

When I finished, I noticed an elderly couple who were also waiting for their ballots. The man had a walker, and the workers got him a chair. His wife, who apparently was also his caretaker, was standing, however, because there were no more seats.

Yes, folks had bandaged me up and my arm was still hurting, but the way my mother reared me hurt me even more. So as soon as I handed my ballot to Carol, since I had to wait for her to walk inside to put it in the machine for me, I decided to stand and give my chair to the lady. Clearly the couple, (they were elderly and white) were shocked, and tried to refuse, but I insisted, bringing the chair to the lady to sit in.

At that point, the poll worker who was behind the curbside voting table saw what I did, got up, and insisted I take her seat after she brought it to me, saying she had no problem standing doing her job.

These were good moments of decency that made everyone feel good.

One of the men drove me to my car at the top of the deck, and I paused for a breath once I got behind the wheel of my car. My right hand had dried blood on it from the wound on my left elbow. My left knee felt a little banged up as well. But all in all, I VOTED, and had my sticker, given to me by Carol, to prove it.

So the next time someone talks about "Our forefathers bled for our right to vote," you tell 'em, "Yeah, Cash Michaels did too."

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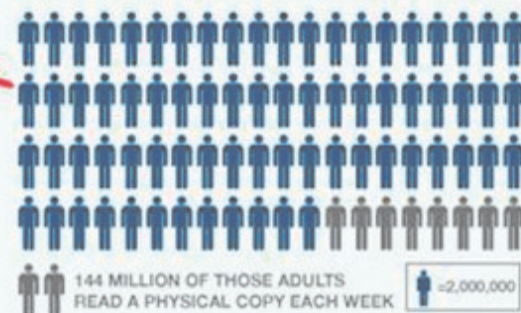
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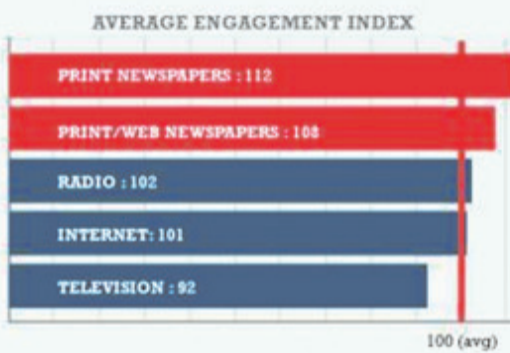
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