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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.



STATE BRIEFS

WAKE COUNTY SCHOOL TEACHERS HIT HARD BY FLU

[RALEIGH] If you ant proof that this is an exceptional hard flu season in North Carolina, look no further than the Wake County Public School System. On Monday, 1,283 teachers, or 11% percent of the entire teacher force for the system, called in sick because of the flu. The closest to that number was 792 back on October 2, 2017. Like other school systems across the state, Wake depends heavily on substitute teachers to fill in during this time of the year when teacher absences are expected.

STATE LAWMAKERS WANT TO BREAKUP SCHOOL DISTRICTS

[RALEIGH] Bowing to some concerns that several public school districts across the state are too large, legislative Republicans say they want to study the situation in hopes of eventually breaking some school systems up into smaller districts. A newly-formed legislative study committee is scheduled to report back on May 1st. Republicans House members Bill Brawley and John Bradford of Mecklenburg County, and Chris Malone of Wake county, are the primary sponsors of the bill. Opponents say breaking up the school districts is just another way of reinstituting racial segregation. Both Wake and Charlotte-Mecklenburg school districts are the largest in the state.

WILL GOV. COOPER VETO NEW CLASS-SIZE BILL?

[RALEIGH] State lawmakers have now ended their Special Session and gone home until the short session scheduled in May. But before they left, they pasted a controversial bill, HB 90, lowering class sizes, which many parents demanded. However, attached to the bill are things that Gov. Cooper doesn't like, like legislative control of a \$58 million mitigation fund for the Atlantic Coast Pipeline, which the governor is supposed to control. And yet another section of the bill, once again, merges the state Board of Elections with the Ethic Enforcement Board, adding one member to the eight-member board. Gov. Cooper favors the class size portion, but ha signaled he's not please with the rest of HB90. So the question remains, will he sign it into law?

BRUNSWICK COUNTY UPDATE

WILL RETURN SOON

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

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NCNAACP MORAL MARCH A CALL FOR "RESISTANCE"

BY CASH MICHAELS
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

With the theme, "Taking Resistance to the Ballot Box," the 12th Annual Moral March/Historic Thousands on Jones Street People's Assembly in Raleigh Feb. 10 attracted thousands of demonstrators from across the State, despite heavy rains. With protest signs castigating everything from the Trump Administration, to North Carolina's legislative Republican leadership, the extraordinarily diverse crowd of young, old, Black, White, Hispanic, straight, gay and others, marched through downtown Raleigh from Shaw University to just outside the State Capital.

There they heard from a plethora of speakers, representing the unique coalitions involved, all imploring those gathered to make sure their voices and votes are heard come November for the midterm election.

Bishop Dr. William Barber, the former President of the NCNAACP, spoke to those gathered by phone, urging them to indeed turn out the vote, regardless of whatever barriers or restrictions are thrown at them.

However, the highlight of the event was the pointed remarks of the NCNAACP's new president, Rev. Dr. T. Anthony Spearman, who used biblical analogies to illustrate the need for justice and invoked inspiration from civil rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., to crystalize the societal evils that the NCNAACP leader said must be confronted.

"Moral Resistance is the means we use to dismantle the

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THOUSANDS OF DEMONSTRATORS FROM ACROSS THE STATE, DESPITE HEAVY RAINS, MARCHED THROUGH DOWNTOWN RALEIGH FROM SHAW UNIVERSITY TO JUST OUTSIDE THE STATE CAPITAL.

COMING TO LUMBERTON



"Pardons of Innocence: The Wilmington Ten"



FILE PHOTO

MEMBERS OF THE WILMINGTON 10 IN 1976 AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN RALEIGH , NC

The Carolina Civic Center Historic Theater, in partnership with the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA), will screen the CashWorks HD Productions documentary "Pardons of Innocence: The Wilmington Ten," at 7:00 p. m. Thursday, February 22, followed by a panel discussion about the film. Doors will open at 6:00 p. m. The theater is located at 315 North Chestnut Street in down-

town Lumberton, NC.

The film is written, produced, and narrated by Cash Michaels, Staff Writer for The Wilmington Journal. In addition to the film's director, panel discussion members include The Reverend Dr. Benjamin Chavis, former National Director of the NAACP and member of the

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An evening with Tracy K. Smith, U.S. Poet Laureate U.S. Poet Laureate and Pulitzer Prize winner shares her poetry and life experiences at SCC in Whiteville, N.C.

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The Reuben Brown House Preservation Society in collaboration with Southeastern Community College (SCC) will host an evening with Tracy K. Smith, U.S. Poet Laureate and 2012 Pulitzer Prize winner in poetry for Life On Mars, Tuesday, March 6, 2018, at 7 p.m. in the Auditorium at SCC. Everyone is invit-

ed to attend. Admission is free with a reception and book signing to follow.

In 2017 Smith was appointed the 22nd United States Poet Laureate. About Smith's writing, Librarian of Congress Carla Hayden said, "her work travels the world and takes on its voices; brings history and memory to life; calls on the power of literate as well as science, religion and pop culture. With directness and deftness, she contends with the heavens or plumbs

our inner depths - all to better understand what makes us most human."

After her undergraduate work at Harvard, Smith earned her MFA at Columbia before going on to be a Stegner Fellow in Poetry at Stanford University from 1997 to 1999. She is the Roger S. Berlind '52 Professor in the Humanities, and Director of the

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TRACY K. SMITH

Candidate filings begin but court battles still confuse

BY CASH MICHAELS
OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

From now until noon, Feb. 28, candidates for all state offices, except judgeships, will be filing for the 2018 May 8 midterm primaries. Filing began Monday without a hitch, though at the end of last week, observers were concerned that another unexpected court order could possibly delay the process.

Indeed, on Friday, Feb. 9, the Fourth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals issued an order that candidates for the NC Supreme Court and State Court of Appeals could not file for the May 8 judicial primaries because they will not be held. Instead, those candidates will file during a special judicial filing period June 18-29.

That order stayed an original ruling by the federal judge who ordered primaries for State Supreme and Appellate court can-

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"An Evening with Tracy Smith" is in collaboration with the 25th anniversary of the A.R. Ammons Poetry Contest for students K-12 and college. A.R. Ammons is Columbus County's most famous poet and a two-time winner of the National Book Award for Poetry. Ammons taught at Cornell University for 39 years. During his tenure there, he was named Goldwin Smith Professor of English/Creative Writing and Poet in Residence.

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engines of destruction that drive us away from the mainlands of democracy while steering us toward the mountains of fascism," Rev. Spearman offered in a prepared speech.

Spearman said the three "...engines of destruction..." were "R.I.P." - "racism, impoverishment and persecution."

"The antidote to racism is representation," he continued. "Each human on this earth represents a spark of divinity. Representation begins with recognizing that every person has an equal spark of God within them. Representation is the reconstruction we seek when we resist racism at the ballot box."

Addressing impoverishment, Dr. Spearman said the antidote was "investment."

"Investment in our justice system is not only ensuring

access to counsel and reconstructing our bail system so that it is not a poor tax. Investment in our justice system means reconstructing the administrative process so that someone who needs a protective order from an abusive ex-spouse doesn't have to take two days off work to sit in the back of a courtroom waiting to be heard for ten minutes."

"Investment is the reconstruction we seek when we resist impoverishment at the ballot box."

Lastly, Dr. Spearman warned about militarism, which he called "persecution."

"The antidote to persecution is peace," he said. "Our people are gunned down in the streets in numbers that exceed the numbers who were lynched and are imprisoned in numbers that exceed the numbers who were enslaved."

"Peace is the reconstruction we seek when we resist persecution at the ballot box."



Rev. Dr. T. Anthony Spearman, NCNAACP's president, used biblical analogies to illustrate the need for justice.

Rev. Spearman called on NAACP members and coalition partners to "...take your resistance to the ballot box..." per the 2018 midterm elections and, ultimately, the 2020 presidential election.

"In the buildings which line Jones Street, the men who cloak themselves with smiling faces by day and in white sheets by night have returned, and they are lynching our democracy," he charged,

adding, "This unconstitutional General Assembly on Jones Street is what the KKK looks like in the 21st Century."

"Let's take our resistance," Dr. Spearman concluded, "...to the ballot box."

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didates but not for District and Superior Court candidates.

The Republican-led NC Legislature last year passed a law eliminating the 2018 judicial primaries for all judicial candidates because of judicial redistricting, but Democrats successfully challenged that law. The federal judge reinstated the judicial primaries for the State judicial races but not for District and Superior Court races. Now, that's to the Fourth Circuit Appellate Court, there will be no May judicial primaries, and the special June filing period will go forward unless a court stops that as well.

The legal back and forth has State Republican legislative leaders seeing red.

Thus far, a three-judge federal panel has had Republican 2011 legislative redistricting maps redrawn twice, finally ruling that the maps drawn by a court-ordered special master be used for the 2018 elections. Republicans successfully petitioned the US Supreme Court, in part, to stay that order for Wake and Mecklenburg counties alone, pending review.

Republicans also were successful in getting an order by another three-judge panel, striking down their 2016 partisan congressional maps, stayed by the US High Court. That stay is pending review of two other partisan gerrymandering cases the US Supreme Court is considering elsewhere in the nation.

Just this week, a three-judge State panel refused to take up the issue of Wake and Mecklenburg counties' being blocked by the US Supreme Court in the legislative redistricting case involving the special master. The judicial panel cited, "...significant practical difficulties, if not jurisdictional impediments, exist when one court is called upon to construe and enforce another court's order that was made upon a distinct and separate record by distinct and separate plaintiffs."

Rep. David Lewis (R-Harnett), Co-chair of the Joint Redistricting Committee, held an angry press conference last Friday, demanding that Democrats

drop their court cases, and simply allow Republicans, who are in the legislative majority, to carry out the will of their supporters.

"These Democratic groups

lose in state court. Thanks hey run to federal court. When they lose in federal court, they run back to state court. It is judge shopping, pure and simple," a livid Rep.

Lewis told reporters. "They are trying to ignore a Supreme Court decision that came out less 24 hours ago!"

"They want to confuse voters, cause chaos in election

administration," Lewis continued, "... and bully the General Assembly into surrendering to their political aims."

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Access to safe, decent and affordable housing threatened across the Nation

Civil rights advocates unite in opposition to rollbacks

BY CHARLENE CROWELL

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - In recent days, threats to the nation's housing finance system have emerged. At the center of the controversy are two key issues: the obligation of mortgage lenders to ensure broad mortgage credit for all credit-worthy borrowers, and secondly, whether the nation will enforce its own laws banning unlawful discrimination.

On February 2, a leaked Senate proposal to overhaul the secondary mortgage market's government-sponsored enterprises (GSEs), Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, would drop important access and affordability provisions that now govern the system. For example, the GSEs now are required to always serve all markets, as well as have in place affordable housing goals.

The proposal from U.S. Senators Bob Corker (R-Tenn.) and Mark Warner (D-Va.) was quickly and unanimously rejected by a broad coalition of civil rights and housing advocates that included the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, NAACP, UnidosUS (formerly the National Council of La Raza), National Coalition for Asian Pacific American Community Development, National Fair Housing Alliance, National Community Re-investment Coalition, National Urban League, and the Center for Responsible Lending (CRL).

"Ten years after the 2008 Housing Crisis, it is disheartening to turn the secondary mortgage market back over to Wall Street," wrote the coalition. "Who can forget the 7.8 million completed home foreclosures and trillions of dollars in lost family wealth?"

"Many American still face immense housing challenges," the leaders continued. "This ill-conceived approach places the risk on the backs of hardworking families who already rescued the big banks."

The draft legislation also fell short for Massachusetts Senator Elizabeth Warren, a member of the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

"I appreciate the dedication Senators Warner and Corker have shown to address this critical issue, but this draft isn't even close to a solution that works for families who hope to buy homes, said Warren. "This bill would end up creating more problems than it solves."

As early as 2008, Congress moved swiftly to enact the Housing and Economic Recovery Act. This bipartisan legislation provided strong regulatory oversight of the housing finance system and brought forward important affordable housing goals to ensure that hard-working families would be able to access mortgage loans. But with the housing market's lengthy path to recovery, many have renewed



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Derrick Johnson is president of the NAACP, which is among a coalition of civil rights organizations that reject new Senate proposal to overhaul Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.

calls for legislative reform of Fannie and Freddie. And just as the GSEs are now pledged to serve the entire market, some want to take away the system's access and affordability requirements. That kind of change would harm Black families and communities, as well as other low-wealth families.

"The big-ticket items that we are looking for is the national duty-to-serve and affordable housing goals that have a regulator able to enforce those," said Scott Astrada, CRL's Director of Federal Advocacy.

Days later, on February 5, Mick Mulvaney, the White House hand-picked Acting Director for the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau

(CFPB) announced he would move the Bureau's staff for its Office of Fair Lending and Equal Opportunity (OFLEO) directly under his control.

The Dodd-Frank Act mandates that OFLEO perform "oversight and enforcement of federal laws to ensure the fair, equitable, and nondiscriminatory access to credit"

By moving fair lending experts to the CFPB's Director's office, to focus instead on consumer education and coordination, there are real concerns that the OFLEO will be unable to perform its enforcement and oversight mission.

"This action could open up the floodgates on lending discrimination, which would damage the ability for people of color to build wealth," noted Debbie Goldstein, CRL's Executive Vice President. "One of the reasons the CFPB was established was because lending discrimination targeted people of color with predatory, high-cost loans that led to foreclosures."

Mulvaney's personnel shift is yet another consistent sign that the nation's financial cop-on-the-beat is walking a new patrol.

Since assuming unlawful leadership at CFPB, Mulvaney has also dropped a lawsuit against predatory payday lenders, supported repeal of the Bureau's auto lending guidance that took direct aim at pervasive and discriminatory practices. He has also made clear his plans

to reopen rulemaking under the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA).

HMDA is a federal law that requires most financial institutions to provide mortgage data to the public. It ensures that mortgage lenders are serving the credit needs of communities in which they are located. The annual HMDA report is the only comprehensive one that enables a comparison of private mortgage lending compared to that of government-backed mortgages like FHA, VA and USDA. This report is also unique for its tracking of mortgage lending and denials by race and ethnicity. This unique feature enables policymakers to discern discriminatory trends.

As 2018 commemorates the 50th anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s assassination, we must remain vigilant in the fight for access to safe and affordable mortgage loans - for many consumers, the single, largest investment of their lifetimes.

With hard-fought anti-discrimination laws now under assault, this generation has a duty to protect and defend all civil rights laws. Failure to do so would be to forget that the nation enacted the 1968 Fair Housing Act for this very purpose.

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"Wilmington Ten." Rev. Chavis is presently President and CEO of NNPA.

This special event is free and open to the public, but tickets are required. Tickets can be obtained, or reserved for pick up, through the theater's box office. Box office is open noon-6:00 p. m. weekdays for in-person orders or by calling 910-738-4339.

The documentary recounts the history surrounding the troubled desegregation of

New Hanover County Public schools during the late 1960's through 1971, which evolved into the false prosecution of eight Black male students, a White female community organizer, and a fiery civil rights activist, Reverend Benjamin Chavis, who protested racial injustice. The proud history of Williston Senior High School, the all Black school in Wilmington, which was unceremoniously closed in 1968, will also be honored.

Against the backdrop of the Wilmington 1898 race massacre and the forced

desegregation of Southern schools in the 1960's, the documentary also traces how the Black Press, led initially by *Wilmington Journal* publisher, Thomas C. Jervay, Sr., and over 40 years later by his daughter and publisher-editor, Mary Alice Jervay Thatch, through the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA), ultimately pushed for, and achieved the official exoneration of the Wilmington Ten.

Special appearances in the film include The Reverend Dr. Benjamin Chavis, Jr., leader of the Wilmington Ten; Joseph

McNeil, Williston Senior High School alumnus and a member of the Greensboro Four, who integrated a downtown Greensboro F. W. Woolworth store in 1960; The Reverend Dr. Jeremiah Wright, Pastor Emeritus of Trinity United Church of Christ in Chicago, and one of the ministers who lobbied Gov. James Hunt in 1977 to pardon the Wilmington Ten, and former Gov. Beverly Perdue, who ultimately pardoned the Wilmington Ten in December 2012.

The documentary, which premiered in 2014, has also

been released on DVD for public schools, grades 9 through 12 (with academic guide); colleges and universities, and the general public.

The NNPA, also known as "The Black Press of America," is a 74 year-old federation of more than 200 Black community newspapers across the United States. In 2011, led by The Wilmington Journal, the NNPA, and NNPA Foundation, led by Dorothy Leavell, Publisher of the Chicago Crusader, adopted seeking pardons of innocence for the Wilmington Ten as a project.

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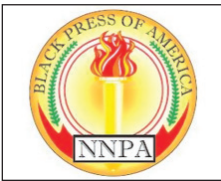
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Urban Leaguers are ready to fight for a fair and accurate 2020 census

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Earlier this week, Massachusetts Secretary of State William Galvin accused the Trump administration of attempting to sabotage the 2020 Census, and from all indications, we have reason to be concerned.

The Census Bureau has been without a director since June and remains critically understaffed and underfunded.

The Bureau plans to discontinue the practice of hiring non-citizens with legal work permits – who have been crucial in the past for communicating with hard-to-reach non-English-speaking communities.

The administration has rejected requested changes that could improve the accuracy of the 2020 Census, declining to include a combined question format for collecting Hispanic origin and race, or a separate Middle Eastern or North African category on the Census form.

The administration's reported choice for deputy director, Thomas Brunell, is a hyper-partisan gerrymandering advocate with no political experience.

The U.S. Conference of Mayors this week warned in a letter to Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross, "We are troubled by the administration's reported intent to appoint a candidate for Census Bureau deputy director whose body of professional work largely centers around achieving partisan advantage in the use of census data."

Since census data is used to draw Congressional districts, the choice of Brunell seems a deliberate attempt to skew census data to give one party an unfair advantage in the 2022 elections.

The decennial census is among the most crucially-important undertakings, with far-ranging implications for legislative redistricting, civil rights laws and distribution of opportunities and resources. A fair and accurate census is of paramount importance. The National Urban League has been a powerful advocate for accurate African American representation in the census for generations. In 1970, then-executive director Whitney M. Young testified to Congress about the drastic undercount of African Americans, estimated at 15 percent.

As chair of the Census Bureau's 2010 Census Advisory Committee, I urged the Bureau to expand its paid advertising to areas that have high percentages of hard-to-count residents, who often distrusts of government workers. I also pushed for more census funding specifically targeted at Black communities.

Despite our efforts, the 2010 Census missed an estimated 1.5 million people of color. Unless the Census Bureau makes immediate, drastic changes, the results of the 2020 Census will be much worse.

As part of our efforts, the National Urban League has enlisted civic engagement expert Jeri Green, who will serve as a Senior Advisor for the 2020 Census. In her former position as Senior Advisor for Civic Engagement with the U.S. Census Bureau, Green educated diverse stakeholders on the benefits of Census participation and engaged Hard-to-Count communities to ascertain their unique challenges to obtaining an accurate count.

Politicizing the census, particularly at the expense of the nation's most vulnerable citizens, violates the foundational principles of representational democracy. The National Urban League will continue forcefully to advocate for a census that reflects the diversity of our nation.

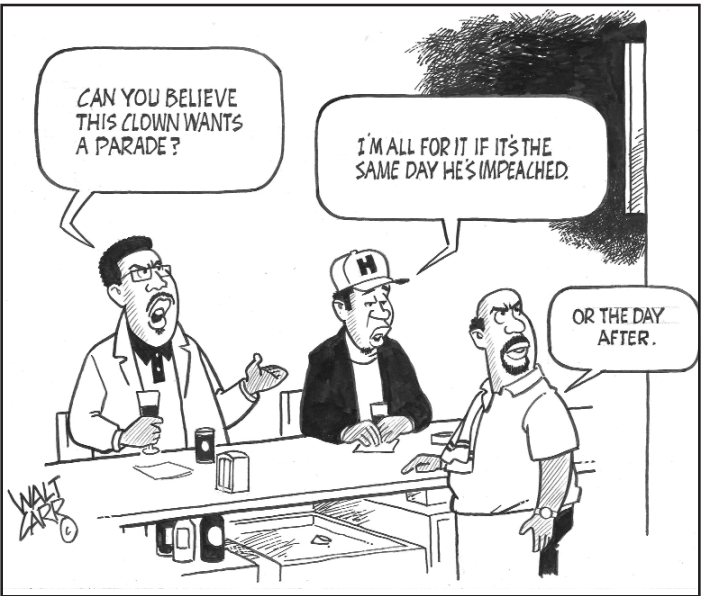
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RAINBOW COALITION

Diplomacy toward North Korea is an opening, not a surrender

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

The picture of Vice President Mike Pence standing stiffly next to the trusted younger sister of North Korean dictator Kim Jong-Un at the Olympics in South Korea spoke a thousand words.



Rev. Jesse Jackson, Sr.

After weeks of escalating tensions, the North Korean dictator decided to use the Olympics to reach out to South Korea and to the world. He sent North Korean athletes to the games. The two Korean teams marched into the Olympic arena under a unified flag.

They fielded a joint women's ice hockey team for the first time. Kim's sister not only attended the ceremonies, but also issued an invitation to the South Korean president to make an official visit to the North after the games. Vice President Pence came to the games to enforce the administration's no-talk policy.

He stifled Kim's sister on the podium. He and his wife refused to join the crowd in standing when the Koreans marched in. "We will not allow North Korean propaganda to hijack the message and

imagery of the Olympic Games," he said, vowing to focus on North Korean provocations and human rights abuses, while promising new and harsher sanctions. But the "message and imagery" of the Olympic Games is that athletes of all nations put aside bitter conflicts to compete in contests.

The space for peaceful sports competition could create the opening for serious talks. When campaigning for the presidency, South Korean President Moon Jae-in promised an opening to North Korea. The jarring North Korean tests of nuclear bombs and ballistic missiles cast a pall on that. President Donald Trump responded with a characteristic combination of insult and bluster. He famously strutted that he had a "bigger (nuclear) button" than the North Korean president.

The administration ratcheted up sanctions, pushed China to get Kim under control, declared that North Korean possession of nuclear weapons was a dire national security threat and ramped up military exercises to the very borders of the North. For our South Korean allies, the escalating threats are bone chilling. There is no rational military "option" against North Korea. A preemptive attack would be an illegal act of aggression that would lead to massive casualties in both North and South

Korea and make the U.S. a pariah among nations. Worse, the military threats only make the North Korean leadership less likely to negotiate away their nuclear weapons program.

The U.S. sees North Korean nuclear weapons as offensive, threatening the U.S. and our allies. North Korea clearly sees its nuclear weapons as defensive. For an isolated dictatorship that is denounced by the U.S., a nuclear weapons capacity may serve the same purpose the U.S. claims for its own nuclear arsenal - deterring any country from attacking. President Moon would clearly like to lessen tensions and move toward better relations. He has no desire to distance himself from the U.S., but would like to bring the U.S. and North Korea to the negotiating table. What do Trump and his advisers want?

The no-talk, big-stick policy leads to a dead end. North Korea already has nuclear weapons. Severe sanctions have not slowed its development of intercontinental missiles. The Chinese suggest that talks could start if the U.S. suspends its regular joint military exercises with South Korea and North Korea responds by suspending nuclear and missile tests. Neither the U.S. nor North Korea has expressed support for that. Kim vows to "mass produce" nuclear weapons;

Pence demands that North Korea begin "denuclearization," the dismantling "permanently and irreversibly" of North Korea's nuclear and ballistic missile programs before there are any negotiations or loosening of sanctions or suspension of military exercises.

A no-talk, all-swagger policy has produced nothing. If escalating military exercises and threats don't produce a war by miscalculation, they end up advertising the impotence of U.S. policy. Diplomacy isn't a surrender; it is an opening. The only way North Korea will give up its nuclear weapons is if it can receive concrete guarantees against foreign attack. The only way we can live with North Korea having nuclear weapons is with dialogue and mutual steps to build trust and security.

North Korea is a ruthless dictatorship with a failed economy. South Koreans are understandably fearful of war, but not exactly eager to bear the cost of rebuilding the North. Kim has made an opening gesture at the Olympic Games. Both South Korea and the U.S. have every reason to call his bluff, to seek discussions rather than to continue an o-talk policy that leads only to greater tension and frustration.

Rev. Jesse Jackson, Sr. is founder and president PUSH/ Rainbow Coalition.

Super Bowl ad using Dr. King's voice: Crass exploitation

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

It is incredibly sad to watch how the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, whose life and legacy inspired and changed the lives of millions, is now being used to hawk trucks. The ad for Dodge Ram Trucks used words from one of his most inspiring speeches, "The Drum Major Instinct", which he delivered



Barbara Reynolds

on Feb. 4, 1968.

This ad was so unlike Dr. King. If he had involved himself at all in football, he and perhaps even Mrs. King who continued the movement after his death, would have joined the NFL protest movement who have been taking a knee against social injustice.

What next? Dr. King ads for sleeping bags, tennis shoes? If this is not exploitation or "pimping," what else could this be? And the Super Bowl ad was not the only act that had me holding my breath and my nose, it was a group led by Isaac Farris, Jr. the nephew of Dr. King. He showed up at the White House to celebrate Dr. King's birthday with President Trump, only days after the president announced that

Africans had lived in ".....holes" countries. This show up by a King relative, which was aired continuously, provided cover for a president to claim he was in sync with people of color.

Ironically there was a time when the King family fought valiantly to protect Dr. King's intellectual property from the very deconstruction we are witnessing today.

In my recent memoir of Coretta Scott King, "My Life, My Love, My Legacy", I explain the background of how Dr. King's name, images, writing and speeches that embody his message were the intellectual property that the family spent millions challenging because they felt other entities were either using it for their own gain or maligning his works. There were several suits involved. In one case, for example, with CBS, Dr. King sued and then after his father's death Dexter sued over an infringement of copyright, which a court of law ruled in their favor.

Mrs. King explained, "The network had included footage of virtually the entire I Have a Dream speech along with other speeches in a five part series that they sold for profit. They used my husband's words, name, image and speeches to make money, but Martin' heirs received nothing. It was

unfair but a court of law upheld the conclusion, ruling that the copyright protected Martin's words.

Mrs. King, who died in 2006, had made protecting the integrity of her husband one of her top priorities. "As I shifted into retirement, from the Center, Dexter took on the challenge of safeguarding Martin's property. The goal was not to make ourselves rich but to pass on a sacred legacy for future generation."

Despite the wishes of their parents, the question is often raised are the King siblings protecting the legacy or getting bogged down in "get rich" schemes?

While Bernice King, Dr. King's only surviving daughter, president of the King Center, took some of the heat for the commercial, in a tweet she quickly distanced herself from any decision-making involving the ad. "Neither myself nor the King Center is the entity that approves the use of Dr. King's words, imagery in merchandise, entertainment or advertisement, which included the Super Bowl."

As it was explained to me, Bernice only manages the estate of her mother and Dexter is CEO of the Martin Luther King corporation responsible for approving the licensing for his father's intellectual property—s bifurcation that is ripe for

misunderstandings.

Each of the siblings—Martin Luther King III, Dexter and Bernice reportedly have one vote which means any two of them can cancel out the desires of the other. For example, last year, the King siblings had feuded in court over whether or not their father's travel Bible and Nobel Peace Prize should be sold to a private bidder. Reports show Dexter and Martin wanted to sell the Bible, Bernice, who argued the property was sacred, did not. She was outvoted and the matter is still being settled out of court.

In an interview last year Dexter told me: "Land is the real estate of the past. Intellectual property is the real estate of the future. If you stand back and let others steal Dad's material, then you are affecting every minority writer, every songwriter, every composer, every storytelling, every creative person."

But Dr. King's legacy commercialized and hoisted on a Ram Truck sloshing through the mud in a super bowl ad does not feel like protection; Just plain old crass exploitation to me.

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REALITY CHECK

The catfight between Trump and the FBI

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

As a Malcolmite watching the cat fight between Donald Trump and his Trumpettes, especially Sean Hannity and the FBI, I am inspired to say "Smash each other up!"



A. Peter Bailey

Neither the Trumpettes - many of whom are the blood and/or ideological descendants of those who fought against equal rights, equal justice and equal opportunities - nor the FBI have ever shown any concern for Black folks. In fact, they have been responsible for any number of hostile, deadly acts against us.

I don't remember all those people who are now weeping and wailing about the way the FBI is being treated by Trump and his Trumpettes weeping and wailing when J. Edgar Hoover and his boys were consistently and brutally attacking those fighting in the war against White supremacy. The Washington Post has a front page headline, "At FBI, fears of lasting damage" which led me to wonder where are the articles and commentary about the lasting damage done to the civil and human

rights movements by the FBI in the 1950s and 1960s. The agency launched a Counter Intelligence Program (COIN-TELPRO) whose expressed mission was to harass and destroy people who they considered a threat to the status quo.

In his book, "Official and Confidential: The Secret Life of J. Edgar Hoover", Anthony Summers noted, "Although King had been in the public eye for some five years, Hoover lumped him together with advocates of violent struggle such as Malcolm X, 'We wouldn't have any problem, he had once grunted over lunch with (Lyndon) Johnson in his senatorial days, 'if we could get those two guys fighting, if we could get them to kill one another off...'"

Those two guys were Brother Malcolm X and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., towards whom Hoover had a special hostility. He feared that they could launch a national movement. According to reporter Tony Capaccio in the August 28, 2013 Washington Post, "The Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s 'I Have A Dream' speech inspired the world. It also galvanized the FBI into undertaking one of its biggest surveillance operations in history."

A 1976 report of the Select Committee to Study Government Operations with

Respect to Intelligence Activities states, "The FBI program to destroy Dr. King as the leader of the Civil Rights Movement entailed efforts to discredit him with churches, universities and the press."

The FBI files on the Organization of Afro-American Unity (OAAU), which was launched by Brother Malcolm in 1964 includes the following, "A recording of the remarks of Malcolm X at this meeting indicates that the aim of the OAAU is to eliminate differences between Negroes so they can work together for human rights, while the initial objective is to 'internationalize' the American Civil Rights Movement by taking it to the United Nations." (italics mine)

On another of the FBI file pages, it is noted that "This report is classified 'confidential' since revelation of information furnished by all sources might reveal sources of continuing value and impair their future effectiveness and such impairment might have an adverse effect on the national defense interests of the government." (italics mine)

The FBI OAAU files also declared, "The goal of the Counter Intelligence Program is "to prevent the coalition of militant Black Nationalist groups...An

effective coalition of Black Nationalist groups might be the first step towards real 'Mau Mau' in America, the beginning of a true black revolution."

Another goal was "to prevent the rise of a 'Messiah' who could unify and electrify the militant Black Nationalist movement. Malcolm X might have been such a 'Messiah'." After the assassination of Brother Malcolm, Hoover reportedly considered Dr. King as a candidate to be the "Messiah" they so feared.

What really caused Hoover to have nightmares was a possible coalition between Brother Malcolm and Dr. King. Their assassinations conveniently did away with his nightmares.

The FBI's fear of lasting damage to them by attacks from Trump, Sean Hannity and the rest of the Trumpettes is absolutely nothing compared to the damage done to the civil and human rights movements' war against White supremacy/racism by the FBI. Rather than taking sides in the current catfight, we should hope they scratch each other's eyes out.

A. Peter Bailey, whose latest book is *Witnessing Brother Malcolm X, the Master Teacher*, can be reached at apeterb@verizon.net.

CRAZY FAITH MINISTRIES

Watching the good ol' boys up close

With the most recent confusion swirling out of the Trump White House, the potency, power and arrogance of white supremacy is giving off a glaring light.

African Americans who have gone up against white police officers and in fact, a justice system which is disproportionately white, have seen it for decades. There has seemed to be a feeling amongst police officers - mostly white but not all - that they can do anything they want and get away with it, and their assumption has been mostly correct.

White men with power and white men who think they have power, or should have it, because they are white, are dangerous. The justice system is filled with white men who believe they are morally and racially superior; many of them do what they want with impunity and they are not afraid of being called to accountability.

We are seeing this phenomenon in the Trump White House and in our society in general, and we are seeing the broad reach of white supremacy. White men have not only disrespected black men, but black and white women as well. While they touted the sanctity of white women, they historically abused their women, even as they raped black women at will. They have done it for decades

Their confidence in the system to protect them has caused their capacity moral behavior to suffer. They always deny that they are racist, and they are quick to call a woman who is brave enough to expose their sexual indiscretions liars. They have become expert at claiming victimhood as real victims have called them out, and for too long, their abuses have gone unaccounted for:

Black women who were raped by white men were told to be quiet or they might be lynched. White women who were raped by white men remained quiet as well, because to expose the men would compromise too much of what white women wanted in life, and also be a cause for them to fear for their lives.

White men could and did order black women around and the women had no choice but to obey if they wanted to live. In the case of Ella Ree Jones, for example, the driver of the bus noted that a white man was standing. He demanded that Jones get up; Jones said she was sick and said she didn't think she could stand up, but the bus driver wasn't having it. To make a long story short, this young woman, a college student, was taken to City Hall and was badly beaten by police officers. She wasn't raped but she was accosted by law enforcement officers - and no officer was ever charged.

The president has been accused by multiple women of sexual misconduct but has not been held accountable. The president and others defended Roy Moore when he was accused of sexually accosting young teens, and the good ol' boys resorted to calling the women liars. Now we have a high-ranking White House official, Rob Porter, accused of domestic abuse and the good ol' boys - and only now, since the picture of one of his wives with a black eye, are the good ol' boys having to admit that perhaps he was wrong. If reports are to be believed, all of the White House people who knew about his beating his wives chose to be quiet and just let him get away with it. It's classic white supremacy.

John Kelly praised this man until he was forced by the revelation of the beaten wife, to denounce him, but clearly, he didn't care that women had been beaten. Some have voiced anger that Kelly's judgement is being questioned because is a military veteran. He is, they say, a war hero and because of that, we should leave him alone.

That's the same line that is given about corrupt police officers; they risk their lives (which they do) and if they do something wrong, we should all keep quiet about it. They are heroes to many.

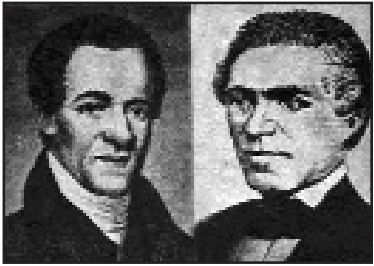
But a hero is not necessarily a good person. The police officers who have participated in violence against blacks and browns and Muslims and immigrants ...and women ... might have done some really good work on the streets in fighting crime, but their treatment of innocent people is not heroic. It is criminal.

The more I watch what this administration, the more I see in a clear way the depth and breadth of white supremacy. Those who are getting caught - not only for sexual and domestic violence offenses, but for alleged criminal offenses - are whining and claiming to have been victimized by those who have spoken out.

That's what the white supremacist culture nurtures - a group of people who think they are above the law and who know that they really do not have to worry about the "rule of law." They make the laws and they change them to fit their purposes. It has been their way for so long that one wonders if they can ever learn to understand that all people, not just white men - have value.

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"We wish to plead our own cause. Too long have others spoken for us."



SAMUEL CORNISH AND JOHN RUSSWORM, FOUNDERS OF FREEDOM'S JOURNAL



1827, Front page of *Freedom's Journal*, the first African-American owned and operated newspaper published in the United States

A parade? What's next?

Our 45th President wants a parade. He wants it in November, probably before the mid-term elections, as a way of mobilizing his base and glorifying himself more than, as he suggests, celebrating the military. He wants the parade because he saw a parade in Paris on Bastille Day. If he went to the zoo, would he next want zebras and tigers roaming the lawn behind 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue?



Dr. Julianne Malveaux

The last parade we had in Washington was in 1991, when we "won" the Gulf War. That parade cost \$14 million (\$21 million in today's dollars), and drew 800,000 people. Given 45's propensity for wanting the biggest and the huuuugest, he'd probably want to spend twice what George H.W. Bush spent in 1991. That \$42 million represents less than a millionth of one percent of the nearly \$500 billion federal budget increase that the Senate pro-

posed in bipartisan legislation on February 7.

I am among the many who will look askance at the cost of a parade. There are lots of things we could do with \$42 million, like job creation, small Pell grant increases, or even more amenities for our armed forces. But in the scheme of things, some will argue that \$42 million is not "that much money". They might suggest that a parade is more about symbolism than anything else.

What does a show of military might signal in these times? There has been no significant military victory, nothing to celebrate except 45's already-inflated ego. France's Bastille Day parade is a response to the fact that France has been invaded twice, most devastatingly by the Germans in World War II.

Their parade is as much a show of military might as it is of European unity. These days troops from several countries, including Germany and the United States, participate in the parade. Some carry the flag of the European Union, even though the EU has no military. Would 45's parade include others? Or is this just about us?

Instead of a unity-type Bastille Day parade, 45's parade is likely a reflection of his braggadocio. His button is bigger, so is his parade, and so is the US military. 45's parade sounds like a show of muscle, but to what end? Even the inhabitant of the world's smallest country must know that the US has the world's "greatest" military. So why do we need to show off? Because 45 is a show-off, a blowhard, and an Electoral College-selected buffoon.

Meanwhile, consider the impact a parade might have on the District of Columbia, the used-to-be majority Black city that is mostly occupied by Democrats. How will the streets survive huge tanks rolling down Pennsylvania Avenue, and who will pay for repairs? How extensive will this parade be, and will it happen on the weekend or a weekday? What will it mean for workers, transportation, and the District's infrastructure? 45 probably neither knows nor cares. He passed the hot potato of the parade to the Secretary of Defense, and now General Jim Mattis and his team are stuck with the task. Both Democrats and Republicans have verbalized opposition to

the parade, and they are likely to be labeled "treasonous" by 45, since anyone who disagrees with him, or fails to clap (or bow) when he speaks is obviously a traitor. He is behaving like a despot like his rival, North Korea's "Supreme Leader" Kim Jong-un.

While 45 finds it convenient to idolize the military and insist that the rest of us do so, as well, he didn't find it convenient to serve in the military. He was excused from military service during the Vietnam era because he had flat feet or bone spurs or something like that. More likely, he was excused from military service because his family had money.

45 wants a parade to celebrate the military and glorify our country's military might. Next he will want to have someone crown him as King. Yes, it is a good thing he doesn't go to the zoo, because we might end up with a menagerie in the back yard at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue.

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Let us say #she too for women who can't

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

Since the World Bank is exempt from US laws and courts, women in the World Bank can be sexually harassed and assaulted without any legal recourse.



Dr. E. Faye Williams

In 1992, an official World Bank report (The Stern Report) attributed sexual harassment in the World Bank to "cultures with different standards for male-female relationships." Women who challenge the status quo risk getting fired and losing their World Bank sponsored visa. This entails uprooting their family and leaving the US within 60 days.

In 1999, a US Congressional report found the Bank's internal justice system that is supposed to protect women from sexual harassment unfit to adjudicate sexual harassment claims. The World Bank pushed back, stating that "The report fails to capture the unique challenges of a large inter-governmental organization composed of

181member countries." Chief among the challenges was the Bank's obligation to "take into account the institution's multicultural needs."

A 2001 World Bank report gave further explanation. "While unwelcome behaviors are seen from the perspective of the person on the receiving end, the standard for judging whether a behavior is inappropriate is not purely subjective." Situations which initially may appear to constitute sexual harassment may not rise to the level of legal offense when "the particular sensitivities required in the World Bank multicultural environment" are factored in.

What "cultural sensitivities" are factored in? In 2016, a comprehensive World Bank study of 173 countries found that over 100 of them have three or more discriminatory laws against women. For example, take Iran where, according to the Women's Forum Against Fundamentalism in Iran, Article 209 of their constitution stipulates that "a woman's life is valued only half as much as a man's life."

In Nigeria, the penal codes dictate that "unlawful assault of any male person is a

felony." By contrast, "Unlawful assault of a woman or girl is a misdemeanor!" In March 2016, the Nigerian Senate rejected a bill introduced to grant women equality under law. Sound familiar? When such "cultural sensitivities" are factored, coercive sexual harassment is merely regarded as a manifestation of the Bank's multicultural environment. This is disclosed in the Stern Report that identifies a rampant culture of "General sexual harassment," including "unwelcome touches, repeated requests for dates, and posters and jokes demeaning women."

Of those who were interviewed for the Stern Report, 325 revealed they were subjected to "unwelcome sexual advances" and 75 said they were victims of "coercive sexual harassment." The Report concluded that its findings "may seem laughable, but they are a reality to many women at the World Bank."

The Report stated: "Women generally are not willing to complain about such behavior for fear of retribution. Most simply try to escape their situations as soon as possible. The lack of attention to the issue, the absence of secure and supportive channels to discuss

problems, and the uncertainty that remedial action will be taken are seen as official tolerance of such behavior."

Little has changed since the Stern Report was released in 1992. In 2016, in DN v. World Bank, the Bank's Administrative Tribunal reviewed a case involving a male staff member who was terminated for placing his iPhone "under the skirt of a female staff member to take inappropriate photographs and/or record a video of her, without her consent." The Tribunal established that "the Applicant's misconduct has been established" with sufficient evidence; yet, it ordered the World Bank to reinstate him because "the disciplinary sanction of termination was significantly disproportionate" to the offense he committed or the peculiar culture he manifested!

The only protection his victim has is coming to the office wearing pants! I call upon you to say #SheToo for every woman everywhere when she can't. The World Bank is one of those places.

Dr. E. Faye Williams, President of the National Congress of Black Women, Inc. 202/678-6788, www.national-congressbw.org.

New Hanover County

New Hanover County Schools will hold its annual Magnet and Choice Schools Fair on Thursday, February 22, 2018, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at Independence Mall Center Court. The Magnet and Choice Schools Fair is an opportunity for the district to share with parents and the community detailed information about programs and how to register students. The Magnet and Choice Schools Fair will provide information on the following topics: Special Programs, Academic Programs, Gifted Programs, Student Perspectives, Staff Perspectives, Benefits, Lottery Process (where applicable), School Calendars and Application Timeline. All parents living in New Hanover County are welcome to attend. Bilingual families are invited to attend; bilingual liaisons will be available. There is no cost to attend. For more information, contact Sabra Wright, Title I Special Programs Specialist, at 910-251-6011, ext. 107 or Sabra.Wright@nhcs.net.



Community Briefs

Democratic Precincts W03 and W08 will hold annual meeting on Sunday, February 18th from 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. at South Front Apartments Community Room 1400 S. 2nd Street.

MLK Basketball registration deadline February 19th for ages 13-15. Birth certificate required for registration. Register online at www.wilmingtonrecreation.com. Season runs March 1st- May 1st. Also the MLK Community Center, 401 S. 8th St., will hold Movie Night on February 23rd, "Moana" and March 23rd, "Finding Dory." From 6:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m. Activities include movie, food, raffles and games. Pre-registration is required at www.wilmingtonrecreation.com or call 910-341-7866.

Moneet's Closet Prom Drive will be accepting donations at Beautiful Beginning Boutique, 4314 Market St. Suite 17, Wednesday-Saturday from 12:30 p.m.- 7:00 p.m., Johnson's VIP Barber and Salon, 3138 Wrightsville Ave., Tuesday-Friday from 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, 3701 princess Pl. Dr., Tuesday- Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Moneet's Closet Prom Drive 2018 will be held at MLK Center, 401 S. 8th St., on March 17th from 10:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. First come, first serve. Providing high school juniors and seniors at no cost formal attire for prom. Dresses, shoes, jewelry and much more. Contact Audrey Clark at 910-200-8030 for more information.

Port City Playwrights' Project, a community of writers for stage and screen, meets 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 24th, at the Community Arts Center on 2nd and Orange, in Wilmington. The agenda includes reading and discussing new scripts as well as planning for future productions. As always, PCPP welcomes new writers and actors. For additional information, email portcityplaywrightsproject@gmail.com or visit <https://portcityplaywrights.wordpress.com>.

Wilmington Parks & Recreation will hold Unity in the Community at the MLK Center, Friday February 15th at 5:00 p.m. No pre-registration required.

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HOMETOWN NEWS FROM BRUNSWICK COUNTY

Again, a little exercise daily

It is always good to get exercise, and the good thing about is that there are so many ways in which to get exercise. Many times, we are getting good exercise without really thinking about. Many times, we get good exercise by doing simple household chores, such as vacuuming the floor, dusting the furniture, etc. We ought to make an effort to get some type of productive and healthful exercise each day. It is never a good time to overlook our good health and the healthful ways of achieving it and maintaining it. It is an effort in which the whole family might be cooperative. We might choose a special time of



Verniece Stanley

day in which to exercise. We may be at home alone, or we might form groups and engage in exercising. Many choose such simple tasks as walking the family pet in order to engage in beneficial exercising. Others choose to watch exercise programs on television, thereby joining in with the exercisers in order to achieve the desired results. This tends to be women more so than men. Again, as before, we must continue to try to protect ourselves against the flu, and those who may have contracted the flu must be careful about the amount of exercising we attempt. We would be better served by attaining as much rest as possible. In fact, during the flu season, it is best for particularly the more elderly to do most of our exercising inside rather outdoors. We need to be careful not to over exert ourselves, remembering to take rest stops whenever needed.

Another thing that claims our attention the matter of off shore drilling. This is matter which claims our attention because of the potential threats to human and animal life. Likely spills in the ocean are an imminent threat to mammal life in the ocean and human life also. It is found more and more Whites and Blacks are opposed to off shore oil and gas drilling. For the most part, those who are especially concerned about the hazards of off shore drilling fear the negative impact it will have on the fishing economy, North Carolina's tourism dollars, and the hazards it will cause to our health and the health of future generations. We face the dangers of having to drink unsafe drinking water and living in unsafe and toxic surroundings. Folks are especially concerned about our children and children's children health and happiness and are not interested in risking the catastrophic conditions off shore drilling can, and perhaps, will bring.

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.

Wilmington Chapter of the Links, Inc. will sponsor a healthy heart luncheon

What are the signs that I may be having a heart attack? What can I do to prevent a heart attack? Is there a safe way to cook soul food? These and other questions relating to heart disease will be

answered at a healthy heart luncheon sponsored by the Wilmington Chapter of the Links, Incorporated on February 17, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at the St. Stephen A.M.E. Church annex, 501 Red Cross

Street, Wilmington, N.C. 28401.

The first 100 guests will receive gift bags. The Wilmington Links are partnering with the Cape Fear Heart Association, the

Wilmington YMCA, Whole Foods, Foxes and Boxes Restaurant, and Harris-Teeter. Many of these partners will be present with information and give-a-ways for the public.

LET'S TALK BEAUTY

Dirty face, clean it up!!

Hi Beauties! My name is Tameka and I'm your licensed and experienced esthetician. I bet some of you are wondering what the heck is an esthetician, Right? It simply means that I am experienced, certified and licensed in the beautification of skin, by way of custom facials, chemical peels, lashes, waxing



Tameka B. Small

and a lot more. Now that's awesome!!

Now that I've made my introduction to you beautiful people. Let's talk skin!! One of the most common misconceptions that I run into are; most women only use water to cleanse their skin. No soap or cleansers are used to degrease and thoroughly cleanse their skin. Water is amazing and much needed for our bodies. When it comes to cleansing your skin you must use water in conjunction with the proper cleansing agents to rid your face of bacteria, dirt and debris. Improper cleansing is one of the many reasons to breakouts, hyperpigmentation, rough textured skin, premature aging and dull lack luster skin. Beauties, water is simply not enough to properly cleanse your face. Let's look at it this way, if you bathed your body in just water, what will happen? You will feel, look and smell unclean right? You need that soap to remove that dirt, sweat, odor etc off of your body. It's the same concept for your face. Let's get in tune with your face and get on a journey to healthier and properly cleansed faces. Every cleansing routine should consist of a daily cleanser, toner, mask, moisturizer and sunscreen. With all the beautiful ethnicities of skin, its important to make an appointment with a licensed and trained professional to get you set up on a custom regimen designed just for you! Let's start your journey and watch your skin transition into beautiful glowing skin. With that being said, As your Esthetician I say if you have a dirty Face Lets clean it UP!!!

Tameka The Esthetician, Majik Hands Dayspa, 108 N Kerr; Ste D4, 910-338-9228

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Jimmie Lee Brigmon Bryant

Jimmie Lee Brigmon Bryant of Oceanside, CA died January 22, 2018. Mrs Bryant is survived by her children: Tyra Bryant Sidberry (Mikel) of Boston, MA, Pamela Bryant of Queens, NY, Horace C Bryant, Jr of Beltsville, MD and Jonathan Bryant (David) of Asheville, NC; daughter-in-law Denise Bryant of Washington, DC; grandson Nigel Bryant (Tara) of Seattle, WA; Chelsea Clemmons of Atlanta, GA; cousin Frances Sanders of Sumter, SC and sister-in-law Blanche Johnson of Orlando, FL.

Jimmie Lee Brigmon Bryant was born June 23, 1927 in Sumter SC to James and Annie Mae Potts. She spent many summers on the farm of her paternal grandmother Rosanna in Elloree, SC with her sister Rosa (predeceased). She attended business school in Boston, MA where she lived with her half-brother Theodore Johnson (predeceased) and his wife Blanche. When her father moved to Wilmington NC to facilitate a government contract she joined him there and met a recently discharged Navy seaman, Horace C Bryant (predeceased). They married in 1948. Mrs Bryant led an active life in her adopted home of La Jolla, CA where she was a member of Torrey Pines Christian Church. She served as a Trustee, Chaplain of the Board of Trustees, Sunday School Teacher and Prayer Warriors leader. Professionally she held positions at UCSD School of Medicine in the Neurosciences Department and was president of the UCSD Retirement Association. She worked as a human resources benefits specialist for Marriott Corporation for over two decades. In her free time she worked as a docent for the Mingei International Museum and enjoyed participation in the Blackhorse Book Club. Jimmie also loved to travel the world. She particularly enjoyed her visits to Japan, Hong Kong and Garmisch, Germany. She leaves many friends on both coasts, as well as nieces and nephews in Wilmington to mourn.

Graveside services will be held at the National Cemetery in Wilmington on a date to be announced. Expressions of condolence may be sent to: Tyra & Mikel Sidberry, 31 Bourneside Street, Dorchester, MA 02124

James P Herring, Jr.
"Steamboat"

James P. Herring, Jr. "Steamboat" died January 29, 2018. Funeral services were held on Saturday, February 3, 2018 at Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church. Burial follow in Calvary Memorial Cemetery.

James was born on July 5, 1956 to James Herring, Sr. and Betty H. Hunter. He was preceded in death by his father, grandmother, Geneva McNeil and sister, Janette Herring. Steamboat was raised in Taylor Homes and had a brief stay in

Creekwood. He was a member of Warner Temple AMW Zion and graduated from New Hanover High School in 1974.

He is survived by: his mother, Betty H. Hunter; brothers, Antonio Herring, Ondray Herring (Kea); sister, Veronica Herring; son, Sebastian Robinson; grandchildren, E'lana Burns, A'donna Burns; fiancé, Carolyn Nelson; nieces, Latrice Herring, Takilla Johnson, Andria Herring and Briana Brown; Nephews, Antonio Shufford, Elijah Waddell and Anthony Brown; great-nieces, Jewel Flowers, Ny'Asia Lewis, Kayla Shufford and Emerie Fishborn; great-nephews, Mirrikie White, Tre'Sean Herring, Bryson Waddell and Rhonjoir Shufford; mother-in-law, Mazie Nelson; step-daughters, Kenniocy Nelson and Shanvesta Nelson; sisters-in-law, Bettie Sands, Mazell Huggins, Ruth Williams and Ernestine Nelson; brothers-in-law, Ervin Nelson, Jeffrey Nelson and Larry Nelson; close friends, Tommy Jones, Anthony Johnson, Thomas Doughty, Rick Doughty and Corey Wilson; a host of other relatives and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

William Thomas Gaines

William Thomas Gaines died February 3, 2018 at Lower Cape Fear Hospice. Funeral services were held on Saturday, February 10, 2018 at Shoulders Branch Missionary Baptist Church. Burial will follow in the Shoulders Branch Cemetery.

He was born on May 14, 1921 to the late Pauline Collins Brown and Anderson Harrell. "Goose" as he was called grew up in Castle Hayne, NC. He married his wife of over 75 years, the late Mary Peoples Gaines and raised his family on Fulton Avenue in Castle Hayne. He lived the last four years of his life with his son and daughter-in-law, in Wilmington, NC. Thomas served in the US Army. Though he had a limited amount of education he went on to trade school and became skilled in brick masonry. He started his on business and taught his four sons the craft, becoming a family of brick masons. In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by two sons, William Thomas Gaines, Jr. and David Alexander Gaines; brother, William Brown, Jr. and great-grandchildren, Brandon Everett and Allie Gaines.

He leaves to cherish his memories; two daughters, Virginia Lee Everett of Las Vegas, NV and Pauline Foy of Brooklyn, NY; two sons, Eddie Gaines and Alert (Danita) Gaines all of Wilmington, NC; 22 grandchildren: Yvonne (Frank) Satin, Angela (Raymond) Elzy, Vanessa (Phil) Collins, Herman, Steven and Daren Everette, Valveeta (Daisel) Sidberry, Kimberly (Kirklyn) Fields, Shawn (Derek) Bryant, Crystal (Charles) Royal, Tanya Hayes, Melvin Foy, Jr., Myra Foy, Angela and Stephanie Gaines and Dawn Hand, Alysia (Benoit) Dagadu, ByRon Clark, Elizabeth Renee Robinson, Terica, Albert, Jr. and Aysha Gaines; 42 great-grandchildren; daughter-in-law, Doris Ashe; special cooks and friends, Christine Snow, Carolyn Smith, Shelia Green and Gail Beckett; other special friends, Shenita and Mary Taylor. His friends at the New Hanover County Senior Resource Center; and a host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Georgette Fennell Jackson

Georgette Fennell Jackson died February 3, 2018 at Navicent Health in Macon, Georgia. Funeral were held on Saturday, February 10, 2018 at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church.

Georgette was born on October 10, 1956 in Wilmington, NC to Mrs. Albeaulah C. Fennell and the late George Fennell, Sr. In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by her only brother, George "Chuck" Fennell, Jr. Georgette accepted Christ early in life and grew up in Warner Temple A.M.E. Zion church in Wilmington, NC. She later renewed her faith at New Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church in Sardis, AL. She attended New Hanover High School and was a graduate of the class of 1974. After graduation, she relocated to Columbia, SC with her first husband, the late, Charles E. Everett, Jr. This union was blessed with four beautiful children. She never met a stranger. She was a free spirit who lived unapologetically. She truly lived her life like it was gold. She was passionate about her Pepsi, her Philadelphia Eagles, her "peeps", her family and most of all, her grandchildren. For over 20 years Georgette was married to Rodney Jackson. She was fortunate enough to live in two states at one time! She spent months at a time in Alabama fulfilling her Grandma role and in Georgia fulfilling her role as a loving wife.

Georgette leaves behind to cherish her memory: her husband, Rodney Jackson of Atlanta, GA; mother, Albeaulah Fennell of Raleigh, NC; mother-in-law, Amy Brown of Covington, GA; three sons, Duan Everett (Chauna) of Durham, NC, Devin Everett of Durham, NC, Dameon Everett of Atlanta, GA; one daughter, Dewana Butler (Byron) of Pike Road, AL; four grandchildren, Danielle Bragg (Drew) of Chattanooga, TN, Braylen and Bryson Butler of Pike Road, AL and Avonia Zigler of Macon, GA; two sisters, Delores Davis of Raleigh, NC, Jennifer Wallace of Wilmington, NC; one sister-in-law, Lyra Fennell of Wilmington, NC; two brothers-in-law, Earl Jackson (Catherine) of Atlanta, GA, Bernard Brown (Shannon) of Conyers, GA; one aunt, Jessie Wilson of Miami, FL; three nieces, Tiffanie Hargraves (Scotty) of Durham, NC, Jenica Wallace of Wilmington, NC and Marquita Wall of Marion, SC; three great-nieces, Nyah Davis and Kennedy Hargraves of Durham, NC, Tionna Wall of Marion, SC; two great-nephews Davonte' and D'marous, dear friends, Millie Cuttino and Foster Daniels; and a host of other nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends that could not all be listed but she loved. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Sarah Morris

Sarah Morris died February 5, 2018. Funeral services were held on Sunday, February 8, 2018 at Willie L. Shaw Jr. Memorial Chapel.

Ms. Sarah Mary Morris from the Snowfield Community of Leland, North Carolina and was 78 years old. She was born on November 27, 1939, to Mr. George Morris, Sr. and Mrs. Orilla Morris who have preceded her in death. Sarah enjoyed looking through magazines, dressing up and looking pretty as well as visiting with other patients. She was a happy person and enjoyed her life. In addition to her parents, Sarah was preceded in death by her

brothers.

She is survived by her niece and guardian, Pamela Crowder Sansom and a host of relatives and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Lezell McKoy Olds

Lezell McKoy Olds died February 6, 2018 in Atlanta, Georgia. Funeral services were held on Monday, February 12, 2018 at Willie L. Shaw Jr. Memorial Chapel. Burial followed in the Northwest Cemetery.

Lezell, daughter of the late Cassie Smith James, was born on December 6, 1930, in Leland, North Carolina. She was preceded in death by her husband, Isaac Olds; daughter, Wanda Hardy and son, Marvin Hardy. Lezell graduated from Booker T. Washington High School in Norfolk, Virginia. She was a nurse's assistant at Norfolk General Hospital. Lezell met the love of her life, Isaac Olds and was united in holy matrimony in May 1971. She was a faithful member of Greater Metropolitan AME Zion Church for over 40 years. Lezell was a devoted mother; loving wife, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-great-grandmother, and friend. Her presence in our lives will be truly missed.

She leaves to cherish her memories: daughters, Gwendolyn McKoy Lee (Michael) and Cynthia Hardy Jackson; son, Frederick Anthony Hardy; grandchildren: Keccia Parker, Katrina Hertford (Johnny), Anita Jackson, Yolanda Mayfield Williams (Shaun), Jerome Osborne, Jmahl O'bannon, Anthony Emmanuel Hardy and Elijah Frederick Hardy; ten great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; daughter-in-law, Joan Williams (Daniel) and her daughter, Frances Harrell; two sisters-in-law, Irene Townes and Mary Faulkner and a host of other family and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Cornelia Elaine DeBouse

Cornelia Elaine DeBouse died February 8, 2018. Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday,

February 14, 2018 at Life Changing Ministries. Burial will follow in Calvary Memorial Cemetery. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Regina Pandora Porter Williams

Regina Pandora Porter Williams died February 9, 2018. Funeral services will be 12 Noon on Friday, February 16, 2018 at Union Missionary Baptist Church. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

David Thomas

David Thomas died February 7, 2018. Funeral services will be held

In Loving Memory Of

Mr. Alexander Murphy Sr.
Sunset: February 6, 1981

A place is vacant in the home, That no one can fill; The voice that love ones use to hear, Is silent now and still; The pleasant face they used to see, Is hidden from their view; For he has crossed the borderline, His life work now is through.

Son, Alexander Murphy Jr.; daughters, Delores M. Devine and Celeste R. Murphy, grandchildren and great grandchildren

3:00 p.m. Friday, February 16, 2018 at Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

Evelyn Yvonne Brown Lee

Evelyn Yvonne Brown Lee died February 10, 2018. Funeral services will be held 1:00 p.m. on Thursday,

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"King Franklin Dixon"
Sunrise: September 1, 1918

Sunset: February 15, 1996

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New Hanover County

St. Andrew AME Zion Church, 9th & Marsellar St., will hold their community outreach lunch on the 4th Saturday, February 24th from 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. Everything is free.

Bladen County

The Youth Missionary Ministry of Baldwin Branch Missionary Baptist Church is collecting white athletic socks to distribute to the local nursing homes. The goal is to have 200 pairs of socks. Sometimes it's the small things that are the greatest gifts. The youth believe that giving a pair of socks to keep the nursing home residents' soles warm and comfortable can bring the Love of Jesus to their soul. Collection Dates: February 12th - March 11th, 2018. Drop off locations: WBLA Radio Station 1440 AM; 512 Peanut Road; Elizabethtown NC Mondays - Fridays and at the church Sundays 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon and

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Wednesdays 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Baldwin Branch is located at 4047 NC 242 Highway South; Elizabethtown NC. Contact: Minister Leslie Smith at Lesliemsmith2011@yahoo.com for additional information.

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February 15, 2018 at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church-Masonboro Sound. Burial will follow in Calvary Memorial Cemetery. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Edna Pearl McGee Jordan

On February 1, 2018, God sent an angel to call his daughter, Edna Pearl McGhee Jordan home. God saw that she was tired and needed rest. Funeral services were held on Thursday, February 8, 2018 at St. James AME Church. Burial followed in John Chapel Cemetery.

She was born to the late George and Minnie McGhee, one of ten siblings on July 19, 1923. Her nine siblings preceded her in death, George, Essie, Lucille, Connie, Gloria, Johnnie, Willie, Daisy, and Thomas. She married the late Jackson Lee Jordan. To this union 9 nine children were born and the oldest, William Thomas McGhee preceded her in death.

Edna joined St. James AME at an early age and was very active. She was a member of Class #12, the Senior Choir, Pulpit Aid, Golden Agers, and the Social Action Club. She was a Sunday School teacher and never missed Sunday School unless she was out of town. She was known for reciting her long poems by memory at all the Easter, Mother's Day, and Christmas Programs. People were amazed that she remembered them even after she was in her golden age. As her health started failing her, she no longer was attending actively.

She leaves to cherish the many memories and bonds that was created, five sons: Jackson Jordan, Jr. (Phoebe), Dale Jordan, and George Jordan of Castle Hayne, NC, Barry Jordan (Robin) of Woodbridge, VA and Gerald Jordan (Irina) of Merritt Island, FL; three daughters: Loretta Jordan, Constance Jordan, and Rosemary Jordan-Parker (Nathaniel) of Wilmington, NC. She is also survived by a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives and friends. A special cousin Thalia P. Grady and a special daughter and friend Arlene Lawson. Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhome-nc.com.

Diana Walker

Diana Walker, age 67, of Wilmington, passed away Monday, February 5, 2018. A celebration of Ms. Diana's was held on Saturday, February 10, 2018 at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church. Interment followed in Pine Forest Cemetery.

She was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Juanita McKoy

Diana leaves to cherish her memory: her son, Larry Walker, grandchildren, Jakirah Keith, Asia La'Rae Walker and Kameron Walker; great-grandchildren, Jyma Keith and Jerimya Keith; sister, Pauline Bloodworth, Dentrail

Waddell and Patricia Benjamin; brother, Richard Walker III and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews and friends. Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhome-nc.com.

Thelma Williams

Thelma Williams, age 77, of Wilmington, passed away Wednesday, February 7, 2018. A celebration of Ms. Thelma's life was held on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave., Wilmington, NC 28401. Interment followed in Carver's Creek Church Cemetery.

Thelma Boyd Williams was born on February 21, 1940 in Council, NC to parents Robert Boyd and Eula Andrews Boyd who preceded her in death.

She married Hardy Bryant Williams on September 19, 1956 and started a family.

Her compassion and sense of giving, lead her to a career as a health care provider. She continued with the passion right up to her untimely death. Thelma was no stranger to hard work. When not working, she enjoyed attending her spiritual place of worship, New Hope Baptist Church.

A brother, James Boyd also preceded her in death.

Thelma leaves to cherish her memory her children, Raymond H. Williams (JoAnna), Robert D. Williams (Darlene), James D. Williams (Simone), Marvin G. Williams (Michelle) and Francis Williams; grandchildren, Christopher, Lakacia, Julia, Jundi, Rasheeda, Stephanie, Patrick, Takia and Taekeem; sisters, Madie Bannister (James, deceased), Laura Patterson (Russell) and Geneva Sumpter (Josh); brother, Robert Boyd, Jr. (Mary) and a host of other family and friends. Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhome-nc.com.

James G. Cole

James G. Cole, age 83, of Riegelwood, passed away Thursday, February 8, 2018. A celebration of Mr. Cole's life will be conducted at 1:00 p.m., Saturday, February 17, 2018 at Spring Green Missionary Baptist Church. A visitation will be held one (1) hour prior to the service. Interment will follow in Spring Green Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery. Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhome-nc.com.

Bishop Arizona Hartsfield

Bishop Arizona Hartsfield, age 72, of Bolivia, passed away, Sunday, February 11, 2018. Arrangements are pending and will be announced. Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhome-nc.com.

SENIOR CITIZENS' FELLOWSHIP

Black History and Pre- Valentine Breakfast

BY FANNIE ALLEN AND SHELIA ROSS CONTRIBUTING WRITERS

Today was cloudy and cool, but the Lord allowed us to assemble one more time for fellowship. We were greeted by Minister Sharon Pollock. She said that true love is for life. She read 1 Cor. 13 and concluded that love is all around us in the air. Love conquers all. Jeremiah 29:11. A fervent prayer was given by Minister Pollock. Mrs. Margie Robinson sang a solo, "Because He Lives." Mr. George Hill introduced our speaker, The Reverend Kojo

Nantambu. We were given a lot of great history. We are children of God. Where did we come from? Our creation by God was in Africa (Genesis 10:4). A lot of Greek Gods are Black. We were told of a lot of them in the Old Testament. There is a lot of Blacks, which are our roots. We have a lot for which to be thankful and much of which to be proud as far as our history is concerned. George Washington Carver saved this country from starvation. The head of a dime was created by a Black woman. Sammy Davis, Jr. is from Wilmington, N. C. As we go

through the day, we will somehow come in contact with something with which Blacks have something to do. The Reverend Nantambu was thanked for such great information and given a round of applause.

We then had breakfast, which was for the nourishment of our bodies. All of us enjoyed it very much. Minister Pollock then thanked everyone for what each had done did to make the day great. A poem was read by Mrs. Sheila Ross. Mr. William McGlenn read "Why Did You Make Me Black, Lord?" Minister Henrietta

McGlenn sang "May the Work I've Done Speak for Me." Minister Sharon gave us more Black history. I wish all of you could have been there to hear the history we heard today. We have so much for which to be thankful. We need to tell our history. We have a lot to tell. Don't hide it. Thank God! Mrs. Julia Bibbs thanked Minister Pollock for a great job and the committee for a great breakfast. Mrs. Purdie, our president came forth with a "thank you" for everything. Mrs. Shirley Drye was given a token of love.

We had a closing prayer by Minister Pollock.

TELL SOMEBODY

"Success God's Way"

This book of the law shall not depart out of thou mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success." Joshua 1:8

Success - Accomplishment of one's goals

Example: The attainment of wealth, honor, or position Prosper - To thrive or to flourish

Faith in God, and obedience to his Word will lead to Success God's Way! Joshua was a capable leader



Sylvia Hooper

well qualified!. In order to be a good leader, one must be humble enough to be a faithful follower. Joshua was trained and disciplined under the leadership of Moses, God's Messenger. Joshua was true to his calling, and was honored to be called, Moses' minister. As a dedicated follower of Moses, his leader, Joshua's path to good success was paved with the spirit of obedience to his leader and his own faith in God.

Joshua is a prime example of a great leader in the mak-

ing. His loyal service to God's servant, the man Moses helped to pave the divine path to his own success as a leader.

Success God's way is the only way to go! Proverbs 14:12 says, "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." Many ministries have failed or are struggling to survive, because the leader sought to do things his/her way, instead of God's way. If God has called someone to ministry, he will qualify and justify this person and give them the necessary tools and instructions needed to carry out the mission. Isaiah 55:8,9 says, "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts." To assume Christian leadership and not be a faithful follower of Christ, is a recipe for failure and a ditch waiting for disaster.

This is why it is so important to "make your calling and election sure", and abide in your calling, for without God we can do nothing! God has called his leaders to have "good success" in every endeavor. Successful ministry gives God glory and honor when it does well. God told Cain in Genesis 4:6,7, paraphrased, why are you so

angry? Why do you look so sad? If you do what is right you will be accepted, and if you don't do well, sin lieth at the door. Self examination might be the key to saving your life or your ministry.

The same advice that God gave to Joshua as a leader, can be applied to anyone who wants to be used by the Lord in the work of the ministry. If the leader prospers, he can teach others to prosper. If the leader is successful, he can teach others how to succeed. If a leader listens to God, he can teach others to hear the voice of the Lord for themselves.

God told Joshua in essence to stay in the Word and to keep the Word of God in his mouth. In a practical application, God's leaders must speak the Word of God to the people and over the people they lead. Sometimes, we may need to prophesy to yourself. Say what God says about you!. Have confidence in God's words, more than your own. God told Joshua to meditate day and night on the Word of God. "If there be any virtue, if there be any praise, think on these things." Philippians 4:8. Pay attention to what is written in the scriptures and do all that God tells you to do, because if God said it, It shall come to pass! It is your decision. It is your choice to make your way prosperous, and to have "good success."

I John 5:14,15 "And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask anything according to his will, he heareth us: And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him."

It is the will of God that we be successful, but our Success must be God's will! III John 2 says, "Beloved I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth." This is success, God's Way! 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

Greater Wilmington District to convene 66th Annual Conference

SPECIAL TO THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

Superintendent Lorenzo Edge and District Missionary Sarah Rogers are hosting the 66th Annual Conference for the Greater Wilmington District of the N.C. 2nd. Jurisdiction of the Church of God in Christ. The conference/revival will begin on Wednesday, February 21st. thru Friday, February 23rd. Services will begin nightly at 7:30 p.m. The guest speaker for each night is Bishop P.F. Chambers, from Columbia, South Carolina.

Apostle P.F. Chambers is the Founder and Overseer of Victory Praise & Worship Center in Columbia, SC. He is a native of Marion, South Carolina, and the son of the late Apostle G.W. and National Mother Mary Chambers. Apostle P.F. Chambers is the husband of Lady Dorinda Chambers, and the father of Elder Tyquan

Sparks-Chambers, Patrick Chambers, Jr. Jarius Chambers, George Chambers, and Jonathan Chambers.

Apostle P.F. Chambers grew up in The Household of Faith Organization. He was a member of the Marion Church where his dad pastored for over sixty years.

In 1988 he graduated from Marion High School and then attended Claflin University in Orangeburg, SC. While attending Claflin, he established several prayer meetings with students and shortly thereafter God called him and began to use him mightily as an Evangelist all over the world.

Like his father, Apostle G.W. Chambers, Apostle P.F. Chambers had an unusual anointing. His gift began to make room for him and doors began to open. Revivals that were scheduled for a few days, lasted for weeks and months at a time. During these great outpourings, souls were saved, delivered and set free. He has spoken prophetically into many lives, and through the laying on of hands, many have been healed.

During the early 1990's, he evangelized and lived in the northeastern part of the U.S.A. He established a reputation as a great orator of God's word.

In 1998, God opened the door for him to establish Victory Praise and Worship Center in Columbia, SC. In

2000, he formed the Body of Christ Ministry where several churches came under his leadership and direction. In November of that same year, at the General Assembly in Columbia, SC, he was ordained Bishop by Apostle W.W. Richardson.

In 2005, Victory Praise and Worship Center connected with the Household of Faith Churches, Inc. and Apostle P.F. Chambers was appointed Jr. Bishop under the leadership of Bishop G.W. Chambers, Jr. In 2012, Apostle P.F. Chambers became the Presiding Prelate of the Household of Faith Churches, Inc. In 2017, following the homegoing of his father, the late Apostle G.W. Chambers, Apostle P.F. Chambers was affirmed and installed into the Apostleship by Apostle George R. Dailey, Jr and succeeded his father as the Chief Apostle of the Household of Faith Churches, Inc.

His desire is to establish perpetual growth for the future of the church. His passion is winning souls and loving people. He is a people person, touchable, available, a man of integrity, and filled with the anointing. To have an encounter with him is not an ordinary experience. When he speaks into your life, it shall come to pass!

Music will be provided by Macedonia FBH Church on Wednesday evening. On Thursday evening, music will be rendered by First



APOSTLE P.F. CHAMBERS

Born All Male Chorus. On Friday evening, the music will be rendered by Barry Smith and Company choir, Wilmington, N.C.

The Greater Wilmington District consists of three churches which are Faith Temple COGIC, Wilmington; Pastor /Supt. Lorenzo Edge; Faith Outreach COGIC, Jacksonville, N.C., Pastor Johnson A. Hooper; and Gospel Harvest COGIC, Bolton, Pastor Elder Shawn Maynard.

The theme for this year's conference is, "Shifting Into Our Season With Divine Praise & Power". We invite family and friends of The Greater Wilmington District to join us for this Conference/Revival, and come expecting a "Mighty Move of God!" The location for this spiritual gathering will be our District Headquarters, Faith Temple COGIC, located at 1119 South 4th. Street, Wilmington, N.C.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of **Earlease Baker (18-E-43)**, late of 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 **April 27, 2018** 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 16th day of January, 2018

Charlotte Noel Fox, Administrator of the Estate of Carl Marshburn Craige & Fox, PLLC
701 Market Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
910-815-0085

January 25, February 1, 8, 15, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of **Gina Rae Daye**, 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 April, 2018**, 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 25th day of January, 2018

Gloria W. Sasser, Administrator
4210 Tillson Rd.
Wilmington, NC 28412

January 25, February 1, February 8, 15, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the estate of **Alice Marie Choma**, 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 **11th day of May, 2018**, 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 8th day of February, 2018

Katie lee Choma, Executrix
4330 Reed Ct.
Castle Hayne, NC 28405

February 8, 15, 22, March 1, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of **Pearl C. Foster**, deceased, of New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **8th day of May, 2018**, 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 8th day of February, 2018.

Joseph M. Priestly, Executor of the Estate of Pearl C. Foster
3746 Wayfarer Drive
Greensboro, NC 27410
MURCHISON, TAYLOR & GIBSON, PLLC
16 North Fifth Avenue
Wilmington, NC 28401

February 8, 15, 22, March 1, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of **Louise Cameron Graham**, deceased, of 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 **1st day of May, 2018**, 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 1st day of February, 2018.

Adair McKoy Graham, Executor of the Estate of Louise Cameron Graham
545 Arboretum Drive
Wilmington, NC 28405
MURCHISON, TAYLOR & GIBSON, PLLC
16 North Fifth Avenue
Wilmington, NC 28401

February 1, 8, 15, 22, 2018

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as the Administrator of the Estate of **Bradley Joseph Baird**, late of 4802 Castleboro Court, Wilmington, NC 28411, New Hanover County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to serve them on the undersigned at 201 N. Front Street, Ste. 408, Wilmington, NC 28401, on or before the **May 3rd, 2018**, 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 30th day of January, 2018.

Blesilda Baird
Administer of the Estate of Bradley Joseph Baird
CASON CRUMMIE LAW FIRM, PLLC
201 N. Front St. Ste. 408
Wilmington, NC 28401

February 1, 8, 15, 22, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of **Marsden Bellamy Venters**, deceased, of New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **8th day of May, 2018**, 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 8th day of February, 2018.

Janes Bellamy Venters, Administrator of the Estate of Marsden Bellamy Venters
2302 Gillette Drive
Wilmington, NC 28403
MURCHISON, TAYLOR & GIBSON, PLLC
16 North Fifth Avenue
Wilmington, NC 28401

February 8, 15, 22, March 1, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of **Nellie Boggs Carpenter**, deceased, of New Hanover County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the **8th day of May, 2018**, 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 1st day of February, 2018.

Maria B. Petrea, Executrix of the Estate of Nellie Boggs Carpenter
3031 Providence Circle Drive
Matthews, NC 28105
MURCHISON, TAYLOR & GIBSON, PLLC
16 North Fifth Avenue
Wilmington, NC 28401

February 1, 8, 15, 22, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Edith R. Robinson**, 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 **11th day of May, 2018**, 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 8th day of February, 2018

Francena M. Robinson, Executor
301 Bountiful Lane
Castle Hayne, NC 28429

February 8, 15, 22, March 1, 2018

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Ruth H. Creighton**, 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 **1st day of May, 2018**, 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 1st day of February, 2018

Michael Cowan Creighton, Executor
9340 Langwood Dr.
Raleigh, NC 27617

February 1, February 8, 15, 22, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION
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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF: Phyllis Baker Edens
Decedent.

Having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of **Phyllis Baker Edens**, late of 122 Point Drive, Wilmington, New Hanover County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 616 Princess Street, Wilmington, North Carolina 28401, on or before the **25th day of April, 2018**, 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 19th th day of January, 2018.

Phillip Alan Edens, Personal Representative of the Estate of Phyllis Baker Edens, deceased
By and through his undersigned counsel:
Russell D. Nugent
The Humphries Law Firm, P.C.
616 Princess Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
910-899-0236

January 25, February 1, 8, 15, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of **Ronald G. Hobbs (18-E-109)**, late of 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 **May 11, 2018** 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 2nd day of February, 2018

Terry Moore, Executor of the Estate of Ronald G. Hobbs
c/o Craige & Fox, PLLC
701 Market Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
910-815-0085

February 8, 15, 22, March 1, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Marilyn Amey Bell**, 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 **1st day of May, 2018**, 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 1st day of February, 2018

Jeremy M. Bell, Executor
7308 Oyster Dr.
Wilmington, NC 28411

February 1, February 8, 15, 22, 2018

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Jonathon Reed Whitesell**, 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 **15th day of May, 2018**, 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 15th day of February, 2018

James Brooks Whitesell, Administrator
3259 Kellerton Place
Wilmington, NC 28409

February 15, 22, March 1, 8, 2018

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER
IN THE DISTRICT COURT JUVENILE SESSION
FILE NO. 13 JT 296

IN THE MATTER OF:
K.A.D.
(DOB: 08/06/20009)

TO: RESPONDENTS:
BRITTNEY HAZEL, BIOLOGICAL MOTHER AND WILBUR DAVIS, LEGAL FATHER OF THE ABOVE CAPTIONED MALE CHILD BORN IN WILMINGTON, NEW HANOVER COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA TO BRITTNEY HAZEL

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

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

You are required to make defense to such pleading within forty (40) days following February 8, 2018, which date is the date of first publication of this Notice. Upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. You have the right to attend this hearing and you have the right to be represented by counsel and can apply for court appointed counsel.

Attorney Lyana Hunter has been appointed to represent Brittney Hazel and she can be contacted at 320 Chestnut Street, Wilmington, NC 28401 or 910-343-5400.

Attorney Margaret Jennings has been appointed to represent Wilbur Davis and she can be contacted at 1501 S. 3rd Street, Wilmington, NC 28401 or 910-762-0850.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A HEARING ON THE PETITION TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS IS SCHEDULED FOR **MARCH 19, 2018**, AT 9:30 A.M. or as soon thereafter as it may be heard, at the Office of Juvenile Justice, 138 N 4th Street, P.O. Box 2560, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401.

This the 1st day of February, 2018.

Karen F. Richards, Contract Attorney
New Hanover Co. Dept. of Social Services
1650 Greenfield Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
PO Box 81
Wilmington, NC 28402
(910) 632-0424

February 8, 15, 22, 2018

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NORTH CAROLINA
NEW HANOVER COUNTY

THE UNDERSIGNED, Christina Keegan, having qualified on the 30th day of January, 2018, as Personal Representative of the Estate of **Victor E. Sizemore (18-E-121)**, deceased, this is to notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against said Estate that they must present them to the undersigned at DAVID E. ANDERSON, PLLC, 1213 Culbreth Drive, Suite 343, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28405, on or before the **15th day of May, 2018**, or the claims will be forever barred thereafter, and this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All persons, firms, and corporations indebted to said Estate will please make prompt payment to the undersigned at the above address.

This 15th day of February, 2018.

Christina Keegan
Personal Representative
ESTATE OF VICTOR E. SIZEMORE
David Anderson
Attorney at Law
1213 Culbreth Dr., Ste 343
Wilmington, NC 28405

February 15, 22, March 1, 8, 2018

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER
IN THE DISTRICT COURT JUVENILE SESSION
FILE NO. 16 JT 174

IN THE MATTER OF:
C.P.N. (DOB: 08/01/2015)

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

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

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

You are required to make defense to such pleading within forty (40) days following February 15, 2018, which date is the date of first publication of this Notice. Upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. You have the right to attend this hearing and you have the right to be represented by counsel and can apply for court appointed counsel.

Attorney Emily Jones, has been appointed to represent Briana Nettles, and she can be reached at 110 N. 5th Street, Wilmington, NC 28401 or (910) 762-7771.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A HEARING ON THE PETITION TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS IS SCHEDULED FOR **APRIL 2, 2018**, AT 9:30 A.M. or as soon thereafter as it may be heard, at the Office of Juvenile Justice, 138 N 4th Street, P.O. Box 2560, Wilmington, North Carolina, 28401.

This the 15th day of February, 2018.

Karen F. Richards
Contract Attorney - New Hanover County
Department of Social Services
PO Box 81
Wilmington, NC 28402
(910) 632-0424

February 15, 22, March 1, 2018

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of **Vincent W. Auber (18-E-148)**, late of 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 **May 16, 2018** 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 13th day of February, 2018

Rose Brown, Administrator of the Estate of Vincent W. Auber
Craige & Fox, PLLC
701 Market Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
910-815-0085

February 15, 22, March 1, 8, 2018

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER
IN THE DISTRICT COURT JUVENILE SESSION
FILE NO. 18 JA 1

IN THE MATTER OF:
I.B. (dob: 24 December 2017)

TO: RESPONDENT - PARENTS, JANET BARNETT and STEPHEN BARNETT

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:

Adjudication of Juvenile Petition filed on January 2, 2018 alleging that I.B. is a neglected juvenile.

You are required to make defense to such pleading within forty (40) days following Thursday, February 15, 2018, 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.

Ms. Barnett has been assigned Attorney Margaret Jennings. Counsel may be contacted at (910) 762-0850, 1501 S. 3rd Street, Wilmington, NC.

Mr. Barnett has been assigned Attorney Lyana Hunter. Counsel may be contacted at (910) 343-5400, 320 Chestnut Street, Wilmington, NC.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A HEARING TO ADJUDICATE THE JUVENILE PETITION IS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2018, 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 12th day of February, 2018.

Jennifer G. Cooke
Attorney - New Hanover Co.
Dept. of Social Services
1650 Greenfield Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
PO Drawer 1559
Wilmington, NC 28402-1559
910) 798-3612
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February 15, 22, March 1, 2018

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LEGAL NOTICES

**NOTICE OF SALE
NORTH CAROLINA
NEW HANOVER COUNTY
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF
JUSTICE
SUPERIOR COURT
DIVISION
BEFORE THE CLERK
17 SP 808**

**IN THE MATTER OF:
The Foreclosure of the Real
Estate Deed of Trust execut-
ed by JNJ NC Enterprises,
Inc. recorded in Book 5882,
page 799, New Hanover
County Registry.
By: Alan M. Solana,
Substitute Trustee**

UNDER AND BY VIRTUE of the power and authority contained in that certain Real Estate Deed of Trust executed and delivered by JNJ NC Enterprises, Inc. recorded on April 17, 2015 in Book 5882, page 799, New Hanover County Registry (as modified, amended or supplemented from time to time, the "Deed of Trust"); and under and by virtue of the authority vested in the undersigned as Substitute Trustee by that certain instrument recorded in Book 6096, page 2124, New Hanover County Registry; and under and by virtue of that certain Authorization, Findings and Order Allowing Foreclosure entered by the Clerk of Superior Court of New Hanover County, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust and the said Deed of Trust being by its terms subject to foreclosure, and the holder of the indebtedness thereby secured having demanded the foreclosure thereof for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness, and due notice having been given to those entitled to same, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, at **the appropriate place for foreclosure sales at the New Hanover County Courthouse, 316 Princess Street, in Wilmington, New Hanover County, North Carolina, at 12:00 p.m. on February 21, 2018** the property conveyed in said Deed of Trust, which property includes all that certain lot or parcel of real estate, including all improvements and fixtures located thereon, situated, lying and being in New Hanover County, North Carolina, the same being owned of record by JNJ NC Enterprises, Inc., as reflected on the records of the New Hanover County Register of Deeds not more than ten (10) days prior to the posting of this Notice of Sale, and being more particularly described on the attached Exhibit "A" incorporated herein by this reference.

Together with all the buildings, fixtures and improvements thereon, and all rights, easements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, including all heating, plumbing, ventilating, lighting goods, equipment and other tangible and intangible property, attached to or reasonably necessary to the use of such premises.

The sale will be made subject to all encumbrances existing prior to the recording of the Deed of Trust, including all valid and enforceable liens and also will be subject to all taxes and special assessments outstanding against the property. This sale will be further subject to the right, if any, of the United States of America to redeem the herein-described property for a period of 120 days following confirmation of the sale. The real property may be sold in separate parcels, all together or in any manner the Substitute Trustee determines is appropriate.

The property to be offered pursuant to this Notice of Sale is being offered for sale, transfer and conveyance "AS IS, WHERE IS." Neither the Substitute Trustee nor the holder of the note secured by the Deed of Trust being foreclosed, or both, nor the officers, directors, attorneys, employees, agents or authorized representatives of either the Substitute Trustee or the holder of the notes make any representation or warranty relating to the title or any physical, environmental, health or safety conditions existing in, on, at or relating to the property being offered for sale, and any and all responsibilities or liabilities arising out of or in any way relating to any such conditions are expressly disclaimed.

Should the property be purchased by a party other than the holder of the Deed of Trust, that purchaser must pay, in addition to the amount bid, the following items: (a) the tax required by §7A-308(a)(1) of the North Carolina General Statutes of forty-five cents per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of the bid amount up to a maximum tax of five hundred dollars (\$500.00), and (b) the

excise tax on conveyance required by §105-228.28 et. seq. of the North Carolina General Statutes of one dollar (\$1.00) per five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or fractional part thereof of the bid amount.

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. §45-21.10(b), the successful bidder at sale may be required to make an immediate cash deposit or certified check not to exceed the greater of five percent (5%) of the amount bid or seven hundred fifty and no/100 dollars (\$750.00). In the event that the holder is exempt from paying the same, the successful bidder may also be required to pay revenue stamps on the Trustee's Deed, any land transfer tax, and the tax required by N.C.G.S. §7A-308(a)(1). Any successful bidder shall be required to tender the full balance of the purchase price so bid in cash or certified check at the time the Substitute Trustee tenders to him a deed for the property or attempts to tender such deed, and should said successful bidder fail to pay the full balance of the purchase price so bid at that time, he shall remain liable on his bid as provided for in N.C.G.S. §45-21.30(d) and (e). The owner and holder of the indebtedness secured by the Deed of Trust may make a credit bid.

The upset bids procedure of §45-21.27 of the North Carolina General Statutes is applicable to this sale.

If the real property to be sold pursuant to this Notice of Sale is residential property with less than fifteen (15) rental units, then (a) an order for possession of the property may be issued pursuant to §45-21.29 of the North Carolina General Statutes in favor of the purchaser and against the party or parties in possession by the Clerk of Superior Court in which the property is sold, and (b) any person who occupies the property pursuant to a rental agreement entered into or renewed on or after October 1, 2007, may, after receiving this Notice of Sale, terminate the rental agreement upon at least ten (10) days, but no more than 90 days written notice to the landlord, and upon termination of the rental agreement, the tenant is liable for rent due under the rental agreement prorated to the effective date of the termination.

If the Substitute Trustee is unable to convey title to this property for any reason, the sole remedy of the purchaser is the return of the deposit. Reasons for such inability to convey include, but are not limited to, the filing of a bankruptcy petition prior to expiration of the upset bid period and/or the sale, and reinstatement of the loan without the knowledge of the Substitute Trustee(s). If the validity of the sale is challenged by any party, the Substitute Trustee(s), in their sole discretion, if they believe the challenge to have merit, may declare the sale to be void and return the deposit. The purchaser will have no further remedy.

This the 17th day of January, 2018.

Alan M. Solana, Substitute Trustee
SOLANA LAW, P.C.
1650 Military Cutoff Rd. #200
Wilmington, NC 28403

Exhibit "A"
Legal Description

BEGINNING at a stake in the Western side of Colonial Drive, the Southeastern corner of Lot No. 40-B, and running thence Southwardly along the Western margin of said Drive, seventy-five (75) feet to a stake, the corner of Lot No. 42-B; thence along the Western line of Lot 42-B, two hundred and nine and two-tenths (209.2) feet to a stake in the line of Lot 49-B; thence 70 degrees, 58 minutes West along the line of lots 49-B and 47-B, seventy-six and seventy-two one hundredths (76.72) feet to a stake; thence Eastwardly with the line of Lot 40-B, two hundred and twenty-five and two-tenths (225.2) feet to the BEGINNING, same being Lot No. 41-B of the plat of Forest Hills, Wilmington, NC, made by J.L. Becton, C.E., September, 1924, and recorded in Map Book 2, Page 90, in the office of the Register of Deeds for New Hanover County, subject, however, to the conditions and restrictions set forth in a deed from the Irving Park Company, et als, to J.J. Burney and wife, Effie May Burney, recorded in Book 166 at Page 313, in the office of the Register of Deeds for new Hanover County, reference to which is hereby made for greater particularity, and being the same property conveyed to W.R. Hadley and wife, by deed recorded in Book 224, at Page 48, of the New Hanover County Registry.

February 8, 15, 2018

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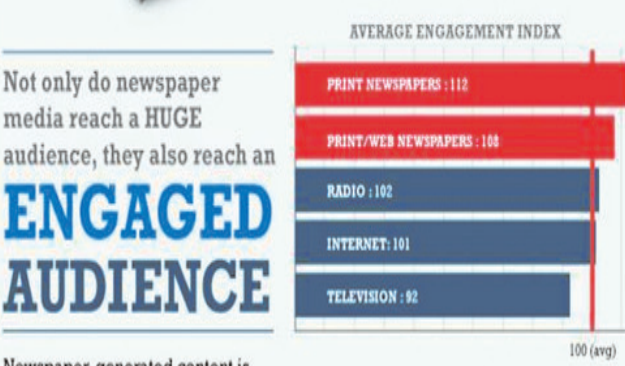
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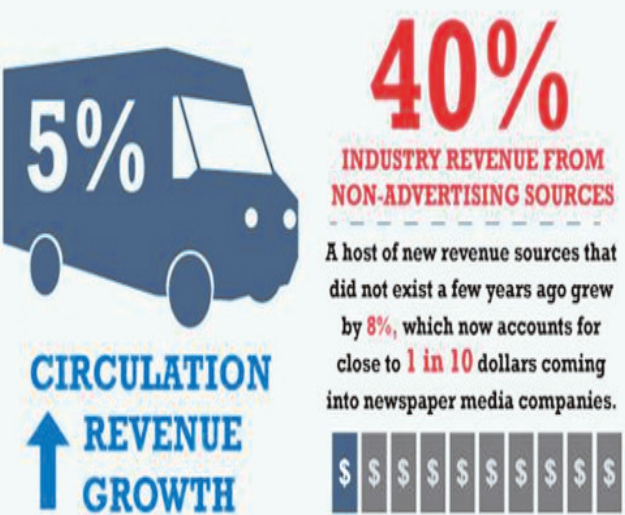
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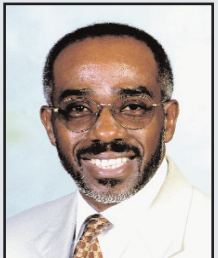
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