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**WILLISTON  
ALUMNI  
JULY 4TH NEWS**


BY LINDA PIERCE-THOMAS  
*CONTRIBUTING WRITER*

The Williston Alumni Association is selling its last tickets for the Douglas Irving Jazz Trio/Legacy Motown Revue Concert. This event is on Tuesday evening, July 3rd, at the Scottish Rite Temple on S. 17th Street. We will start promptly at 7:00, so please plan to be in your seats by 7:00 p.m. The Motown Revue begins at 8:00 p.m. and lasts until 10:00 p.m., with a scheduled intermission.

We will sell the newly designed license plates in the lobby before the event starts and during intermission.

Attire for the concert is casual, so feel free to dress down even though it is a concert. For tickets, please call Barbara Adger DeVane a.s.a.p. at 910-200-6573. You still have a week to send your check to WAA, P.O. Box 2, Wilmington, NC, 28402. We will not be able to send tickets out after the middle of next week.

The next day, we will sponsor the Mix from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. with the Commemoration Program starting promptly at 11:00 a.m. lasting for one hour. This event is on the grounds of Williston on S. 10th Street. We ask that, if you have Williston attire, please wear it. All activities will be outside under a tent. Chairs and a large fan have been ordered for your comfort. Teeshirts, etc. will be sold by the Class of '64. Williston buns will be sold as well as bottled water at the Mix by the Alumni Association, along with the new license plates.

As previously mentioned, we will be honored with a couple of selections by the renowned Williston Alumni Community Choir composed mainly of former Williston Glee Club members. They have a few guests who have joined them to help produce the fantastic sound that will take you back to the days of Williston. You will not want to miss this program honoring our former high school. Former Educator Bertha Todd and former student,

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## WAKE COUNTY Audio confirms officers conspired to cover up assault

BY CASH MICHAELS  
*OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL*

First, there was dashcam video showing at least two North Carolina state troopers, and a Wake County sheriff's deputy with a K-9 dog attacking Kyron Hinton on the night of April 4, in Raleigh.

Hinton, the video shows, was unarmed, even though officers at the scene were told that he was before they arrived.

The 29 year old Black man sustained a broken nose, fractured eye socket, and several dog bite injuries after the encounter and spent three days in the hospital before being transported to the Wake County jail.

Charges against him were eventually dropped.

The two troopers, Michael G. Blake and Tabithia L. Davis, an African-American, along with Wake Sheriff's Deputy Cameron Broadwell, were indicted for felonies by a Wake County grand jury May 15, for their alleged excessive force on Hinton, which included beating him with their flashlights and unleashing the K-9 dog on the unarmed man.

Troopers Blake and Davis were subsequently fired by the State Highway Patrol last Friday.

However, now, according to published reports, there is also audio from the dashcam recording from another patrol vehicle on the scene that purportedly reveals that a Highway Patrol supervisor, Sgt. Rodney W. Goswick, may have advised troopers Davis and Blake



DEPUTY CAMERON, TROOPERS BLAKE AND DAVIS

VICTIM  
KYRON HINTON

to lie about the use of force in the incident in their official reports.

An SBI affidavit, presented in Wake Superior Court last Friday, confirms that Sgt. Goswick told the troopers that he had reviewed the video of their confrontation with Hinton and that "no use of force was evident."

Defense attorneys for the two now terminated state troopers did not object when the revelation was made during the court hearing Friday. In fact, as Wake District Attorney Lorrin Freeman began to reference

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(L-R) KAREN CLAY-BEATTY, FOUNDATION MEMBER; NASEION K. BROWN AND CIRINITTI P. MCCAIN, SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS, AND WAYNE MOORE, FOUNDER AND CHAIRMAN OF THE WILMINGTON TEN FOUNDATION FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE, INC.

## Dolores F. Moore Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament in its fifth year

SPECIAL TO  
*THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL*

The Wilmington Ten Foundation for Social Justice, Inc. hosted the 5th Annual Dolores F. Moore Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament on June 2, 2018, at Magnolia Greens Golf Course in Leland, N.C. Opening remarks were brought by Wayne Moore, founder and chairman of the nonprofit organization.

The tournament was the most successful to date! "We owe our success to our returning and new tournament participants, and our numerous sponsors. It is because of their continued and generous support that we were able to meet, and exceed our goal again this year," states Wayne Moore.

Returning business sponsors were Magnolia Greens Golf Course, Direct Action Media Academy, Inc (co-founder Monzell A. Dunlap), The Wilmington Journal, Pro Golf of Wilmington, Stevenson Honda Automotive

Group, Piggly Wiggly (Leland, N.C.), Walmart (Leland, N.C.). New business sponsors this year were Castle Bay Country Club, Compass Pointe Golf Club, Masonboro Golf Club, Wilmington Municipal Golf, Dick's Sporting Goods (Landfall location), and Whole Foods.

Individual sponsors included Gold - Robert Loweth, and Wayne Moore, Silver - Joe Finley, Ironwood Press, LLC, and MLK Celebration Committee (Chairman: Hollis Briggs, Jr.), Bronze - Richard Ballard, Rick & Cynthia Carter, Essie W. Clay, Mary Ann Doneth, Jean M. Gailliard, Roger Gardner, John & Lori Kilbourne, William Love, James & Eloise Mays, Stephanie Moore, and Acquenetta Wheeler Hines & Lewis Hines.

Patrons were Judy Francis, Danny & Mary Mitchell, Willie Moore, Cynthia Sedgwick, Helen Schussler, Gilda Waddell, and Pamela Wood. Also sponsoring the tournament were the beloved

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BY CASH MICHAELS  
*OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL*

To no one's surprise, Republican legislative leaders, in their rush to end the short session, have unveiled some last minute laws designed to radically affect voting across North Carolina as early as this fall's midterm elections.

And just like their predecessors, these voting laws are designed to impact African-American voters just enough to help the GOP maintain their majority in the NC General Assembly, critics say.

And more are expected.

Last Friday, the Republican-led NC General Assembly passed Senate Bill 352, which starts early voting in North Carolina this year on Wednesday, Oct. 17, and ends Friday, Nov. 2, eliminating the final

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## Coastal NC Chapter of 100 Black Men to hold Awards and Recognition Breakfast, July 14, 2018

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The Coastal North Carolina Chapter of the 100 Black Men of America is holding an Awards and Recognition Breakfast to celebrate the achievements of its mentors and mentees during the recently completed academic year. An additional purpose of the breakfast is to raise funds to help sustain the organization. At the breakfast, the chapter

will also recognize and thank many of its sponsors, friends and supporters. The breakfast will be held on Saturday, July 14, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. at the Shell Island Resort on Wrightsville Beach.

Admission to the event is free; however, all attendees will be asked for donations during the program. The Honorable

Judge James H. Faison, III will be the keynote speaker and Ms. Rhonda Bellamy will serve as Mistress of ceremonies.



Five mentees who have completed area high schools will be awarded scholarships as they transition to college and university life. In addition, 20 stu-

dents who have completed middle school will be given certificates recognizing their advancement to the Coastal North Carolina Success Academy. The Success Academy is designed for high school students and is held on two Saturdays each month during the academic year. Cape Fear Community College has generously hosted the Success Academy for the past 4 years.

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## STATE BRIEFS



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## FEDERAL JUDGE DISMISSES LAWSUIT AGAINST NC JUDICIAL PRIMARIES

[RALEIGH] A federal judge has announced that she is dismissing the lawsuit the NC

Democratic Party filed against the NC General Assembly for eliminating NC judicial primaries. U.S. District Court Judge Catherine Eagles said she will release her findings next week, but that she will rule in favor to the legislature "with prejudice." One hundred-twenty candidates filed Monday for judicial seats. Elections are scheduled to be held Nov. 6th.

## NCNAACP VOWS TO FIGHT NEW VOTER LAWS

[RALEIGH] The NCNAACP is threatening to, once again, take the NC legislature to court

to stop a recently passed early voting law that would eliminate the last Saturday in the early voting period - the most popular early voting day for African-Americans in the past two years. The civil rights organization also expects to battle a new bill to put voter ID on a public referendum this November. "We believe that, most recently, the activity in the General Assembly certainly announces to us that there is a continued quest to suppress the votes of African-Americans and minorities," states Dr. T. Anthony Spearman, president of the

## NCNAACP

"We're up to their schemes, we're up to their wiles and we're going to do all that we can to expose them," Spearman continued. "We will use every ounce of strength and energy that we have as North Carolina NAACP to oppose this. If it means litigation, that's certainly something that we will consider."

## GOV. COOPER RECALLS NC NATIONAL GUARD FROM SOUTHERN BORDER

[RALEIGH] As the governors of Maryland and

Virginia have done, North Carolina Gov. Roy Cooper has also reacted sharply to the national crisis of children being taken from their mothers at border detention centers.

"The cruel policy of tearing children away from their parents requires a strong response, and I am recalling the three members of the North Carolina National Guard from the border," Gov. Cooper said in a statement Tuesday. The state had deployed three National Guardsmen and a helicopter to the U.S. southern border.

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the newfound evidence, Judge Graham Shirley cut her off and indicated that he, in fact, had already heard the controversial audio.

"Having reviewed the video and audio yourself and the petition, you are aware that there is discussion at the end of it regarding the filing of reports that would have reflected no use of force in this instance?"

Freeman asked Judge Shirley in open court.

"If, in fact, these individuals went in, as discussed, and filed reports reflecting that they had not used force..." DA Freeman continued, "... when they clearly had, otherwise, in the same audio made admissions of using force, then[the law] does not protect a law enforcement officer who comes and fraudulently and falsely files reports of the incident."

Judge Shirley then recited what he says he heard on the

recording.

"[Sgt.] Goswick told them specifically what to put in. Ordered them. If you listen to his order, his order didn't tell him to write the report. His order was 'this is what we're going to put in the report. Everybody agree on that,' essentially," Judge Shirley said.

Prosecutors filed motions to have access to both Blake and Davis' personnel files for trial. It has already been reported that Blake was involved in a previous excessive force case in 2016.

"(There are) several incidents that the State is already aware of, of prior use of force investigations involving defendant Blake. It is the State's position, your honor, that this very well may constitute a pattern of conduct which would be admissible against him in a trial of this matter," D.A. Freeman said.

Judge Shirley indicated that he will consider the matter, and what personnel material, if any, would be released for trial.

Meanwhile, Sgt. R. W. Goswick has reportedly been

placed on administrative duty by the NC Highway Patrol last Friday, though no official reason was given.

Defense attorneys for the troopers also petitioned for Kyron Hinton's medical records to be kept intact, trying to build a case that he had a mental disorder, and history of drug use. Advocates for Hinton says he suffers from PTSD.

Hinton is currently facing a possible misdemeanor charge for allegedly kicking a deputy on June 2.

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Saturday of early voting, traditionally the most popular early voting day for African-Americans.

In the State House, the bill's sponsor, Rep. David Lewis (R-Harnett), lauded how the measure was a much needed boon to early voting across North Carolina.

What we set out to do was make it more reliable and dependable. The voters in a county would know that their early voting site was open from a certain time to a certain time for 17 days."

The bill, which was originally related to something else before it was gutted in the middle of the night and rewritten last week, also forces all early voting sites to open weekdays from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. in all 100 counties.

Sen. Gladys Robinson (D-Guilford) lamented what she

called, "...just another attack on freedom..." when it came to the hard fought battle to achieve voting rights historically.

"This General Assembly should not be in the business of taking away the freedoms of the people of the United States."

"We should not disenfranchise our voters in any way," declared Sen. Joyce Waddell (D-Mecklenburg). This bill unfairly targets poor, working class, and African-American voters."

Other Black Democrats, like Rep. H. M. "Mickey" Michaux, Jr. (D-Durham) in the State House, also fumed, especially after noting in debate that the federal courts had struck down the GOP's earlier 2013 voter ID/early voting law, calling it "voter suppression" that targeted poor Black voters who may not have photo identification, with "surgical precision."

Michaux repeated the "sup-

pression" charge, as he blasted House Republican colleagues.

Republicans bristled at that ruling then, now insisting that all they are trying to do is bring uniformity to early voting.

The measure now goes to Gov. Cooper, who is expected to veto it. GOP lawmakers are expected to override that veto, and the law may ultimately end up in court.

And, per the new voter ID bill the GOP has introduced, North Carolinians want the integrity of the voting process protected, they still insist.

Critics note, however, that while evidence of in-person voter fraud is few and far between, the same can't be said about mail-in absentee ballots, which the referendum does not address.

Another issue on the voting front is the US Supreme Court's 5-4 upholding of Ohio's voter purge law. The

High Court sided with the Buckeye State in purging voters who failed to vote in two consecutive federal elections and then did not respond to notice mailed to them from their voter registration rolls.

NC Congressman G. K. Butterfield (D-NC-1), in an op-ed published last week, warned that the Supreme Court ruling now gives the green light to states like North Carolina to follow Ohio's example.

"In her dissenting opinion, Justice Sonia Sotomayor correctly points out that the conservative majority upheld a law that has been shown to disproportionately disenfranchise low income and minority voters," wrote Congressman Butterfield.

"The statistics are stark: African-American neighborhoods in downtown Cincinnati had 10 percent of their voters purged due to inactivity since 2012, while only 4 percent of voters in a

suburban, majority White neighborhood were removed."

"In North Carolina, this ruling has the potential to prompt Republicans to pass additional voting laws that will disenfranchise low income and minority voters as it has done over the past seven years," Butterfield continued.

"To that end, North Carolinians and all Americans should heed Justice Sotomayor's call to action: "Communities that are disproportionately affected by unnecessarily harsh registration laws should not tolerate efforts to marginalize their influence in the political process, nor should allies who recognize blatant unfairness stand idly by."

Today's decision forces these communities and their allies to be even more proactive and vigilant in holding their States accountable and working to dismantle the obstacles they face in exercising the fundamental right to vote."

## SCHOLARSHIPS

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golfers. Golfers played in teams of four.

The organization awarded scholarship certificates to scholarship winners after the

tournament. The 2018 recipients of the Dolores F. Moore Scholarship Award are Cirinitti P. McCain of John T. Hoggard High School and Naseion K. Brown of New Hanover High School. Cirinitti will be attending N.C Agricultural & Technical University in Greensboro, N.C with plans to double major in biology and Arabic. Her career goal is to become an FBI agent.

Naseion will be attending Averett University in Danville, Va. with plans to major in Business Administration. His career goal is to become a financial planner. Both students (pictured above) are very impressive, and have excelled in academic achievement, character and leadership. Both received \$1000.00 scholarships to be used to further their education and assist them in pursuing their quest for successful careers.

The Wilmington Ten Foundation for Social

Justice, Inc. thanks all of the board members for their hard work, for their commitment and for sharing their knowledge and skill to make this tournament the best one yet! A special thanks is extended to the devoted volunteers: Rick & Cynthia Carter, Danny Mitchell, Cynthia Sedgwick & to our new volunteer, Kim Cook.

Planning is underway for the 6th Annual Dolores F. Moore Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament, which we hope will be better than ever. We sincerely appreciate the support of the Cape Fear Region, and will look forward to your participation in 2019. The Wilmington Ten Foundation for Social Justice, Inc., is a 501(c)(3) organization. Donations are tax deductible.

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#### Slave owners and Nazis quoted Romans 13 to justify immorality too

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

The Trump administration has separated some 2,000 children from their parents, most of whom have come to the United States seeking asylum. Attorney General Jeff Sessions cited the Bible, Romans 13, as justification for this zero-tolerance immigration policy.

The first verse reads: "Everyone is to obey the governing authorities, because there is no authority except from God and so whatever authorities exist have been appointed by God."

The Apostle Paul wrote the Book of Romans. But Paul spent many days and nights in jail, so he did not always abide by the rule of unjust governors. Romans 13 has been invoked by scoundrels throughout its history. British Royals cited it to chastise rebellious American revolutionaries.

Slave owners in early America justified the institution of slavery by quoting it. American law authorized slave owners to separate black sons and daughters from mothers and fathers by selling them to another slave owner. Jeff Sessions is an old school Alabamian raised in the ways of the segregated South, so maybe such thinking is not unfamiliar to him.

The Nazis in Germany and apartheid South Africa quoted Romans 13 to give religious authority to genocide and apartheid. Former first lady Laura Bush wrote in the Washington Post on Sunday that warehousing children in a former Walmart and a Texas tent city is "eerily reminiscent of the Japanese American internment camps of World War II, now considered to be the most shameful episodes in U.S. history."

"This zero tolerance policy," she concluded, "is cruel. It is immoral. And it breaks my heart."

Even as President Trump was defending the policy, first lady Melania Trump called for immigration reform in a statement, saying she "believes we need to be a country that follows all laws, but also a country that governs with heart."

Sessions says he is merely enforcing the law, but there is no zero-tolerance immigration law. The law hasn't changed; Sessions invented a new interpretation to justify an immoral policy change. He said the Justice Department would begin prosecuting everyone who crosses the southwest border and separating children from parents as a deterrent.

Sessions said he wanted to send messages that if you don't want to be separated from your children, don't come. This immoral theory hasn't worked in practice. Desperation, not calculation, drives parents to leave their homes and seek asylum. Asylum is enshrined in both the United States and international law. Seeking asylum because of government oppression, domestic or gang violence, sex trafficking or natural disasters is not a crime.

Contrary to Trump, these parents are not illegally breaking the law. They are legally seeking asylum. The current immigrants coming to the U.S. are mainly poor people from Central America escaping government or gang violence — boys recruited by gangs, girls recruited for sex traffickers. They may or may not be granted asylum.

But there is no justification — moral, legal or simply human — for ripping their children from them as they wait for a hearing on their status. No subject in the Bible is mentioned more than caring for the poor — the stranger on the Jericho Road — treating them with respect and allowing them to maintain their dignity, which is the opposite of Trump's and Session's harsh immigration policy. In the New Testament, Matthew reports Joseph and Mary took Jesus to Egypt to escape King Herod's order to kill every newborn. Jesus' parents became immigrants in Egypt seeking asylum for their son Jesus from Roman violence.

All major religions — Christianity, Judaism and Islam — value keeping families together, rather than tearing them apart. Even conservative evangelical and Roman Catholic Christians allied with Trump are taking issue with his immigration policy. One of his strongest advocates, evangelist Franklin Graham, called the separations "disgraceful; it's terrible to see families ripped apart and I don't support that one bit."

The Southern Baptist Convention passed a strong resolution calling for immigration reform that maintains "the priority of family unity" and called for a legal path to citizenship. Trump keeps railing against immigrants, warning Democrats that they should accept his policies before the election "because you are going to lose." That reveals the foul motivation behind this human horror.

As former Trump strategist Steve Bannon has argued, as long as Democrats are arguing about immigration, Trump is winning. Sessions and Trump are traumatizing innocent children to serve their partisan political purposes — and trying to use the Bible as a cover story. *Congress will vote on two immigration bills this week. Both give the president much of what he has demanded, including billions for the inane border wall (that he pledged the Mexicans would pay for). The more moderate bipartisan bill also would allow families to be detained together.*

As of this writing, it does not have sufficient Republican support to pass. The trauma these children are experiencing will scar them for a lifetime. Is there no shame? Are the hearts of partisan politicians so callous that they will turn their backs on innocent children?

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

Rev. Jesse Jackson, Sr.

Stunned

#### STUNNED

I'm deeply saddened by the detention and separation of innocent children from their

parents at the US-Mexican border. And I'm stunned by the silence of our congressional delegation, especially David Rouzer. Congressman,

do you agree with the policy of separating little children from their parents? Do you support placing babies in cages? Where is your compas-

sion? Where is your outrage? Have you no decency?

JULIA SNADER  
Southport, NC

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

All of our lives we've been told how important our vote is. Well, that's not enough in 2018. Everyone who has reminded us of the importance

of one vote is correct, but only partially correct. The real importance of our vote is how we use it. We must now vote in our own best interests. That's when our vote really matters.

Black women get that. Testament to that can be seen clearly in Louisiana by way of 19 Black women Mayors, in San Francisco with a Black female Mayor—same in several other cities, in Alabama electing Doug Jones to the U.S. Senate, in New Jersey electing a Lt. Governor and in Georgia by playing a pivotal role in the nomination

of Stacey Abrams for Governor. There are other cases, but these are the more notable ones.

Black women are fired up and ready to go for the 2018 mid-term elections. Democrats have no choice but to seriously support Black women this year if the Party is going to win. There's little doubt about the Party needing the unified vote of Black women in order to win. We've so often voted just for the Party—which is often "for the lesser to two evils." That has been true especially in the South. This time is different because there're so many well qualified Black women running for office where they're capable of making a difference not just for others, but for the Black community, too.

Those of us who're not running, but will be voting, will be voting for things that matter to us. If candidates understand that, they will know what our issues are. It won't matter whether the candidate we support is Black, white or other—so long as their records show they'll support our causes and

work in the best interest of our families and our communities. What can candidates do this year to energize more voters than usual? They can't just expect us to show up, vote, go home, complain about what's not happening, and wait for the next election to go through the same motions.

We'll be engaged, checking voting records, attending town halls, making whatever campaign donations we can and demanding justice. We're studying the issues and we'll be remembering the promises.

No neighborhood bosses will determine how we vote because our voters will be educated. #45 has forced us to analyze promises and what they mean. We want more, expect more and will demand more for our vote.

We want and will demand accountability. We know our vote is worth much more than paying off a few people who sell our vote to the highest bidder with no expectation of anything for the voters more than a hotdog and a soda! I've run for office before and I know how we get sold out by some of

our own so-called leaders. That must stop and this is the perfect time to stop it. Black women work too hard to elect candidates who are serious about truth and justice to stand by while this goes on. We want and will demand more than empty promises.

To name a few expectations—secure health plan for all, fair wages for all, racial justice in all government services, demolition of old dilapidated buildings, clean water, grocery stores nearby, good schools that offer our children a useable education, decent housing—nothing special—just the basics of life!

I'm a Democrat, and I pray that Democrats are listening. Just being better than Republicans won't be enough to attract the votes needed to take our country back to some semblance of sanity.

Dr. E. Faye Williams is National President of the National Congress of Black Women. She is host of *Wake Up and Stay Woke* on WPFWFM 89.3, and is a weekly columnist for the Trice Edney Wire Service.

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

Faith and prayer have been the backbone of the African American community since we came upon these shores. We have counted on our faith leaders (the roll call would include Revs. Richard Allen, Absalom Jones, James Walker Hood, Martin Luther King, Jr., Wyatt Tee Walker, Jesse L. Jackson, William Barber, Vashti

McKenzie, Barbara Williams Skinner and many others) to articulate the justness of our cause and to mobilize us to work for the justice that is called for in the New

Testament, especially in Matthew 25: 35-45.

Our ministers are revered leaders who often stand in the face of injustice. We are not surprised, and indeed, encouraged, when their firm stands in the face of oppression lead to collisions with the law. Still, when faith leaders are treated harshly, it forces us to examine the injustice in our system. When Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. wrote the Letter from the Birmingham Jail in 1963, he chided white ministers who made a public statement about his methods, suggesting that segregation should be fought in the courts, not in the streets. His letter moved the white faith community to confront some of the injustices of segregation and to form alliances with the civil rights movement.

King spent eleven days in the Birmingham jail in extremely harsh conditions. But the oppressor does not learn from its excesses. On June 12, nine faith leaders were shackled and held for 27 hours after being arrested for praying at the Supreme Court. The multicultural group of men and women are part of Rev. William Barber's Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral

Revival (<https://www.poorpeopescampaign.org/>). Their effort is to bring attention to the amazing inequality and moral bankruptcy of our nation. Their prayers at the Supreme Court were extremely timely given the court's recent actions to make it more difficult for people to vote in Ohio, and given the injustices, this court continues to perpetuate.

Like Dr. King, the nine who were arrested - Poor People's Campaign co-chair the Rev. Liz Theoharis, D.C. clergy the Revs. Jimmie Hawkins, Graylan Hagler and William Lamar IV, and the Revs. Rob and Hershey Stephens from the Fort Washington Collegiate Church in New York City - were subjected to extremely harsh conditions.

No threat to anyone, they were shackled! Placed in handcuffs and leg irons! Confined to roach-infested cells with nothing to rest their heads on but a metal slab! This is the 21st century, but you wouldn't know it by the way these clergies were treated. Yet, their actions and those of the Poor People's Campaign are writing the contemporary letter from the Birmingham jail. Their brief incarceration, in the name of

justice, is part of a larger movement to bring attention to increasing poverty and injustice, even in the face of economic expansion. Like Dr. King's Poor People's Campaign, this twenty-first century Poor People's Campaign, launched fifty years later, is an attack on poverty, racism, and militarism, and also ecological devastation and our nation's "moral devastation."

At the 2018 Rainbow PUSH International convention on June 15, Rev. Barber railed interlocking injustices that did not begin with our 45th President, but have been exacerbated by the depravity he represents. In a rousing address that wove humor, statistics, public analysis and a scathing attack on our nation's immorality, Barber argued that "the rejected", which may comprise more than half of our nation, will lead to the revival of our nation.

Who would have thought that nine faith leaders would be among the rejected? Who would have thought that Dr. King would have been? But Dr. King eagerly embraced the status of "rejected." He once preached, "I choose to identify with the underprivileged. I choose to identify with the poor. I choose to give my life for the hungry. I choose to give my life for those who have been left out of the sunlight opportunity." Rev. Liz Theoharis told Democracy Now's Amy Goodman that the conditions she and fellow clergy experienced, while uncomfortable, were the same conditions poor inmates experienced. That's the power, in some ways, of the Poor

People's campaign. Clergy and others are forcing the issue, lifting their voices, making connections, claiming the discomfort and pain of the rejected, embracing the fact that they, too, are among the rejected.

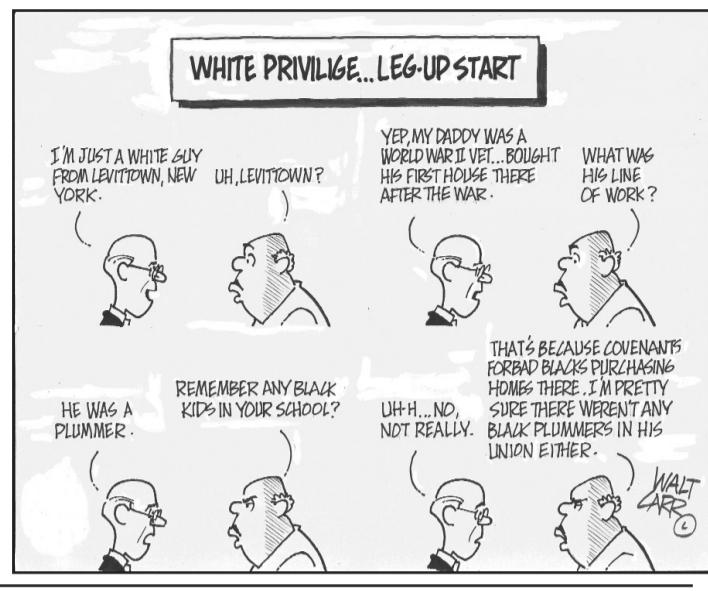
To shackle clergy simply for praying is to exhibit a peculiar form of cruelty and inhumanity. Shackling is reminiscent of enslavement, is a method of humiliation, is an attempt to use the harsh lash of unjust law on the backs of those who pray for just law. Rev. William Lamar IV, who has been arrested on three consecutive Mondays for protest action said that the June 12 arrests and treatment were the harshest he has yet experienced. In Washington, DC, people who are arrested for protesting are usually given a ticket that requires a court appearance and a likely fine. What did the shackling say about the hollow sacredness of the "Supreme" Court?

Shackling clergy for praying is like condemning the sun for shining. Unjust law enforcement can shackle arms and legs, but not movements. Harsh treatment of leaders in the Poor People's Campaign only strengthens resistance against injustice, racism, poverty, and ecological devastation!

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## Visual Voice



## YOUR VOICE

#### STUNNED

I'm deeply saddened by the detention and separation of innocent children from their

parents at the US-Mexican border. And I'm stunned by the silence of our congressional delegation, especially David Rouzer. Congressman,

do you agree with the policy of separating little children from their parents? Do you support placing babies in cages? Where is your compas-

sion? Where is your outrage? Have you no decency?

JULIA SNADER  
Southport, NC

## MATTERS OF OPINION

### Votes that matter to us

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

All of our lives we've been told how important our vote is. Well, that's not enough in 2018. Everyone who has reminded us of the importance

of one vote is correct, but only partially correct. The real importance of our vote is how we use it. We must now vote in our own best interests. That's when our vote really matters.

Black women get that. Testament to that can be seen clearly in Louisiana by way of 19 Black women Mayors, in San Francisco with a Black female Mayor—same in several other cities, in Alabama electing Doug Jones to the U.S. Senate, in New Jersey electing a Lt. Governor and in Georgia by playing a pivotal role in the nomination

of Stacey Abrams for Governor. There are other cases, but these are the more notable ones.

Black women are fired up and ready to go for the 2018 mid-term elections. Democrats have no choice but to seriously support Black women this year if the Party is going to win. There's little doubt about the Party needing the unified vote of Black women in order to win. We've so often voted just for the Party—which is often "for the lesser to two evils."

That has been true especially in the South. This time is different because there're so many well qualified Black women running for office where they're capable of making a difference not just for others, but for the Black community, too.

Those of us who're not running, but will be voting, will be voting for things that matter to us. If candidates understand that, they will know what our issues are. It won't matter whether the candidate we support is Black, white or other—so long as their records show they'll support our causes and

work in the best interest of our families and our communities. What can candidates do this year to energize more voters than usual? They can't just expect us to show up, vote, go home, complain about what's not happening, and wait for the next election to go through the same motions.

We'll be engaged, checking voting records, attending town halls, making whatever campaign donations we can and demanding justice. We're studying the issues and we'll be remembering the promises.

No neighborhood bosses will determine how we vote because our voters will be educated. #45 has forced us to analyze promises and what they mean. We want more, expect more and will demand more for our vote.

We want and will demand accountability. We know our vote is worth much more than paying off a few people who sell our vote to the highest bidder with no expectation of anything for the voters more than a hotdog and a soda! I've run for office before and I know how we get sold out by some of

our own so-called leaders. That must stop and this is the perfect time to stop it. Black women work too hard to elect candidates who are serious about truth and justice to stand by while this goes on. We want and will demand more than empty promises.

To name a few expectations—secure health plan for all, fair wages for all, racial justice in all government services, demolition of old dilapidated buildings, clean water, grocery stores nearby, good schools that offer our children a useable education, decent housing—nothing special—just the basics of life!

I'm a Democrat, and I pray that Democrats are listening. Just being better than Republicans won't be enough to attract the votes needed to take our country back to some semblance of sanity.

Dr. E. Faye Williams is National President of the National Congress of Black Women. She is host of *Wake Up and Stay Woke* on WPFWFM 89.3, and is a weekly columnist for the Trice Edney Wire Service.

## Shackled for praying

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

Faith and prayer have been the backbone of the African American community since we came upon these shores. We have counted on our faith leaders (the roll call would include Revs. Richard Allen, Absalom Jones, James Walker Hood, Martin Luther King, Jr., Wyatt Tee Walker, Jesse L. Jackson, William Barber, Vashti

McKenzie, Barbara Williams Skinner and many others) to articulate the justness of our cause and to mobilize us to work for the justice that is called for in the New

Testament, especially in Matthew 25: 35-45.

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**TO BE EQUAL****Separated by borders: Immigration policy rips families apart**

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

*The new policy is the latest example of harmful actions by the Department of Homeland Security against immigrant families, hindering their right to seek asylum in our country and denying parents the right to remain with their children. We can and must do better for these families. We can and must remember that immigrant children are still children; they need our protection, not prosecution."*

American Academy of Pediatrics, Statement Opposing Separation of Children and Parents at the Border, May 8, 2018

I am the lucky father of three beautiful children. It has been my life's work and great pleasure to play a part in their development into keen, compassionate and successful individuals. And but for the "right" documents and legal status, Marco Antonio Muñoz and his wife could have experienced that same, singular joy of parenthood. Instead, Mr. Muñoz, a Honduran father who came here seeking asylum as he crossed the Rio Grande with his wife and three-year-old son, was taken into custody and separated from his small family. According to news reports, "they had to use physical force to take the child out of his

hands." After a night in the Starr County Jail, guards found Mr. Muñoz lying on the floor of his jail cell, unresponsive. The deputy's office reported his death as a "suicide in custody."

The inhumane separation of desperate families risking their lives to reach and cross our southwest border is neither arbitrary nor aligned with our nation's core, espoused values on the sanctity of

family. As of May of this year—this is America—and is formal American policy enforced by the Departments of Justice and Homeland Security, also known as the Trump administration's zero-tolerance policy.

Previously, adults apprehended at the border would be charged in civil court, detained in immigration facilities and potentially face deportation back to their country of origin, unless they qualified for asylum. The new policy prosecutes adults caught crossing the border as felons in criminal court, including those who qualify for asylum. Felony criminal charges sends these adults to prison, and for those who crossed with their children, it

triggers the tragically common place forced family separations. This new, vicious twist in the Trump administration's immigration policy is abysmal, ahistorical and abhorrent.

Staying true to his campaign promises, Trump has doubled down on immigration in all of its forms, particularly from origin countries of color. The zero-tolerance strategy follows a litany of actions and policies—such as the decision to end DACA and protect DREAMERS from deportation, reducing the numbers of refugees accepted into the country, and ending temporary protected status for Haitians and Hondurans—intended to punish those deemed unfit or undesirable, purge our communities and narrow legitimate avenues of settlement and entry into the United States. But the last time I checked, our nation was in the business of welcoming those seeking to better their lives, not weaponizing their children as deterrents to economic opportunity (that benefits all) and an escape from violence, chaos or natural disaster.

It is no small irony that the party that has traditionally monopolized the "family-values" moniker is the very same one orchestrating this now-daily trauma at our

U.S./Mexico border. Heart-breaking stories, like the story of Mr. Muñoz, are not accidental, they are the byproduct of an inhumane, anti-family, value-deficient policy—and there are many more stories in the vein of Mr. Muñoz's story to tell.

This weekend, many of us will celebrate Father's Day. We should especially recognize the privilege of being able to do so when our government is engaging in the forced separation of families and the traumatizing of innocent children torn from their loved ones, penned into camps or sent to live with strangers. Children belong in the loving arms of their parents, not locked behind the cold bars of cells.

The National Urban League has joined forces with sister civil rights organizations to call for an end to family separation. If you agree that destroying families should not be a priority of the government that represents you, get angry, get engaged—tracking the votes of your representatives on the issue of family separation and comprehensive immigration reform, and be sure to hug your loved ones a little tighter.

*Marc Morial is President/CEO of the National Urban League.*

**CRAZY FAITH MINISTRIES**  
**America's underwear unchanged**

**I**t is probably safe to say that all of us were told by our mothers when we were little that we should always make sure our underwear was clean. They said the reason was that we never know when or if we might be in an accident. "You don't want anybody to see that you've got on dirty underwear," my mother would say.

America, it seems, has never changed her underwear. The entire debacle of ICE agents ripping children from the arms of their mothers, and of putting children in detention centers while concurrently sending their parents to jail is not a new thing. More accurately, America's power elite have a history of separating children from their families.

When Africans were brought to this country, it was common for those purchasing Africans would buy a mother or father, leaving screaming and terrified children behind. In many cases, those parents never saw their children again.

It is America's underwear. What allows anyone to separate families, ignoring the screams of mothers and their children, is the presence of cognitive dissonance, defined as "holding onto contradictory ideas simultaneously," according to Joy DeGruy, author of Post Traumatic Slave Syndrome.

In America, she says, people hold onto the ideal of freedom while doing something which is totally in opposition to that ideal. Thus, Attorney General Jeff Sessions, who would staunchly defend his belief in democracy and Christianity could and did defend the policy of separating families of people coming to America from Central America.

Mr. Sessions does not, cannot and will not allow himself to...consider that these people are human beings, parents who love their children and who would not even think of leaving a despotic political situation and leave their children behind.

He does not relate to the immigrants as human beings. He as disassociated himself from them and therefore cannot feel their pain and worse, cannot believe that they are capable of feeling the same pain as does he and others whose humanity he respects.

Heather Anderson Williams writes in "Compartmentalizing Slavery" that "most white slaveowners ...would have only a limited sense of what enslaved people felt and they did not pause the morality of an institution that deprived humans of their liberty and wantonly destroyed their families." ([http://www.slate.com/articles/life/the\\_history\\_of\\_american\\_slavery/2015/06/how\\_white\\_people\\_justified\\_and\\_struggled\\_with\\_separating\\_slave\\_families.html](http://www.slate.com/articles/life/the_history_of_american_slavery/2015/06/how_white_people_justified_and_struggled_with_separating_slave_families.html))

Likewise, there was no sense of how Native Americans felt when the Europeans came to America, bringing with them diseases to which Native Americans had never been exposed which resulted in over 90 percent of the Native American population at that time dying off. Nor did they consider what Native Americans felt when their land was taken, or how they felt when Europeans ignored their humanity in the quest for power and control of this country.

Martin Luther King said that there is a phenomenon called "thingification." In an address to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference in 1967, he said, "A nation that will keep people in slavery for 244 years will thingify them - make them things. Therefore they will exploit them ..."

That "thingification" has contributed to the oppression of blacks in this country for 300 years, for the decimation and genocide of Native Americans, for the oppression of women, members of the LGBTQ community, for Muslims, and now, for the horrific treatment the current administration is meting out to immigrants coming to America seeking asylum.

Those ripping children from their parents have made these people "things" in the classic sense. Though they hear the children screaming for their parents, and the parents screaming back to their children, reaching for them, they have distanced themselves from the human tragedy in which they are engaged. Like the Europeans decimating the Native Americans, and like white people thinking only of ways to use black people to further their economic goals, these people today cannot conceive that the parents and children's screams they are hearing are genuine.

They have dissociated. These people are not true human beings, capable of feeling as do the law enforcement officers and government working against them.

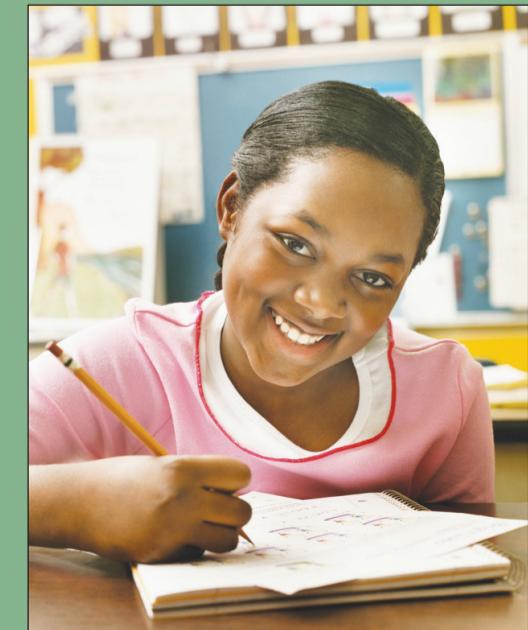
America's underwear is dirty. She has never changed that part of her presence which was sullied and soiled from the moment the Europeans landed on these shores.

Sometimes, something is so dirty that it cannot be totally cleaned. Because a garment has been dirty for so long, when finally washed, it never gets fully clean. There is a gray film over it and no amount of washing or bleaching fixes the problem.

This desire to protect whiteness, which is at the base of most of the oppression in this country, has sullied America's underwear for hundreds of years. Attacking a group of people, ruining their families and causing a lifetime of hurt and pain, is part of what has stained the ideal of American democracy. It is a stain that was begun from the moment Europeans arrived here, and it continues to spread.

Were America taken to an emergency room, sick and in serious condition, it is a sure thing that those trying to treat her would see the underwear...and know that the problem we have is very, very real.

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---1827, FRONT PAGE OF  
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**Darrell "Dro" Jerome Atkinson**

Darrell "Dro" Jerome Atkinson died June 5, 2018. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at Union Missionary Baptist Church. Burial followed in Calvary Memorial Cemetery.

Darrell, known as "Young" to some was born April 10, 1971 in Wilmington, NC to Roger Atkinson and Audrey Bridges Atkinson. He was educated in the New Hanover County School System and worked with Atkinson's Lawn Care.

Darrell was preceded in death by his grandparents, Cleo and Maybelle Bridges and Minnie Atkinson. He leaves to cherish fond memories: his children, Darrell Ty'Kwan Atkinson, Joshua Lee Nixon and Hermione Davis; brothers, Anthony Atkinson and DeLawrence Atkinson; sisters, Amanda Melvin, Audrica Atkinson, Myesha Atkinson, Keena Atkinson and Katia Atkinson; fiancé, Veronica Avis; aunts, Loretta Baile (Jerry), Dorothy George and Constance Atkinson; uncles, John Wesley Bridges and Larry Atkinson and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

**Brenda Diane Corbett**

Brenda Diane Corbett died June 7, 2018. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 14, 2018 at Macedonia FBH Church. Burial followed in Calvary Memorial Cemetery.

Brenda was born in Sumter, South Carolina on October 11, 1953, to the late Sonny and Pearl Solomon Shaw. She was preceded in death by brothers, Robert Shaw, Charlie Shaw, and Sonny Shaw and sisters, Ruby Jean McKnight and Audrey Faust. Brenda was a dedicated, wonderful, and encouraging mother for 44 years. She was a loving wife for 43 years, who enjoyed accompanying her daughters to various events and celebrating their accomplishments.

Brenda leaves to cherish her memories: a husband, Joseph N. Corbett; two daughters, Bridgit Denise Corbett and Joy Nicole Corbett; one grandson, Tremaine Ricardo Dixon, Jr. of Raleigh, NC; two brothers, Eugene Shaw and George (Rose) Shaw, all of Sumter, SC; one sister, Barbara Ann Jonas of Sumter, SC; three additional sisters-in-law, Joanne Atcherson of Buffalo, NY, Delores Kerrin of Wilmington, NC and Geneva Jordan of Charleston, SC and a host of caring nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

**Frank Monroe Grissett**

Frank Monroe Grissett died June 6, 2018. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 14, 2018 at Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church.

Frank son of the late Henry Foster Grissett and the late Alberta Carter Grissett, was born on January 21, 1944, in Myrtle Beach, SC. Five siblings, John Henry Grissett, David Grissett, Henry Grissett, William Grissett and Lloyd Grissett preceded him in death. He along with his family moved to Wilmington, NC in 1951 before finally moving to Wrightsville Sound in 1958. He attended New Hanover County Public Schools and later gained employment with FP Fensel Supply Company for a number of years. After retiring, he formed his own company, Frank's Pumps and Sprinkler Repair. He joined

Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist church where he was an active member. He was also an active member of Progressive Lodge #830 after becoming a Mason he was elected to Master Mason in 1994.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Annie Rose Grissett of the home; four sons, Dana Evans of the city, Wayne Evans of Raleigh, NC, Linwood Murphy (Wanda) and Frank Grissett, Jr. of Rocky Point, NC; seven grandchildren, four great-grandchildren; brothers, Kelly (Arnetta) Grissett of Cooperas Cove, TX and Carlisle Grissett (Permetia) of the city; sister, Carrie Mae Bernard of St. Albans, NY; two sisters-in-law, Lillie Mae Grissett of Myrtle Beach, SC and Willie Cheathem of Winston-Salem, NC; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

**Janice Marie Taylor**

Janice Marie Taylor died June 8, 2018. Funeral services were held Friday, June 15, 2018 at Bethel UH Church. Burial follow in the Bethel Church Cemetery.

Janice, daughter of the late Willie James Taylor, Sr. and Mary Elizabeth Taylor was born September 8, 1956, in Wilmington, NC. She was a member of Local 1199 SEIU Union and a great worker for Columbia University Dining Services. She attended Hostos Community college in Bronx, NY and was a servant at the United Church of Deliverance in Harlem, NY.

Janice leaves to cherish her memory: her only child, Janelle Elizabeth Taylor; Janelle's father and friend, John Adams; brother, Willie James Taylor, Jr.; sister, Delphine L. Taylor; nephews, Luther Smith, Jr. (Rachel) and Nichols Brown; niece, Adrian Young (Tyrell) and a host of special sisters, brothers, nieces, nephews, cousins, work family and friends. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

**Will Sansbury**

Will Sansbury died June 9, 2018. Memorial services were held on Saturday, June 16, 2018 at Willie L. Shaw Jr. Memorial Chapel. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

**Dennis Lee Elleyby**

Dennis Lee Elleyby died June 9, 2018. Funeral services were held on Saturday, June 16, 2018 at Wrightsboro United Methodist Church.

Dennis was born August 28, 1958 to the late Ruby Eunice James Gattison of Wilmington, NC and James Elleyby of Lexington, VA. He was preceded in death by two sons, Recorian Gause and George Tarrant and his brothers, Willie Mack and Nathaniel James. Dennis attended schools in New Hanover County and later obtained several degrees. He worked for many years as a cook at K&W and I-Hop. He attended Wrightsboro United Methodist Church where he served on the usher board and enjoyed bringing his kids to church.

He leaves to cherish his memories: wife, Mary Thomas; daughters, Shavon Smith, Lashanda Thomas, Gabrielle Robison, Rose Cromartie; sons, Roman Smith, Anthony Smith, Dennis Smith, Dennis Holmes, Demetric Gause and Olajuwon Elleyby; sixteen grandchildren; a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends including special

friends, Tyrone Battle and Michael Sessions. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

**Catherine "Rabbit" Wells Troy**

Catherine "Rabbit" Wells Troy died June 9, 2018. Funeral services were held 1:00 PM on Saturday, June 16, 2018 at Evergreen AME Zion Church. Catherine was born December 13, 1954 to the late Rudolph Wells, Sr. and Elma Louise Bowen Wells. She attended Columbus County Public Schools and graduated from Acme-Delco High School in 1973. She accepted Christ at an early age and was a member of Evergreen AME Zion Church. Shortly after graduating, she married John Leander Troy and moved to the Phoenix Community. This union was blessed with three children. "Rabbit" held various jobs including Skinner & Daniels Bar-B-Q in Wilmington, NC, she drove for the Senior Citizen Transport Service in Brunswick and New Hanover Counties and worked as a security guard for DAK Americas for over 10 years until her health failed.

She was a loving and devoted daughter, mother, grandmother, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law, sister, niece, cousin, aunt and friend. Left to lovingly cherish her memories are: her mother, Elma Wells of Delco, NC; a faithful and devoted daughter, Francesca Utopia Troy (Larry) of the home; sons, Tracey Leander Troy (Melodee) of Bolton, NC and Dimitri Franklin Troy (Nicole) of Leland, NC; granddaughters, Imani Troy of Wilmington, NC and Nevaeh Jones of the home; grandsons, Treeland Mikel and Greyson Leander Troy of Bolton, NC and Devon and Davion Troy of Leland, NC; special mother-in-law, Curlia Troy of Leland, NC; brother, Rudolph Wells, Jr. of Wilmington, NC; sisters, Lonnie Jane Jackson and Mary Alice Harvin of Wilmington, NC and Deniece Wells (Tony) of Leland, NC and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends. "Keith" was preceded in death by a sister and a brother.

He is survived by: his daughters, Kimberly Baker of Wilmington, NC, and Nicole and Kishea Baker of York, PA; two sisters, Catherine Baker Mitchell and Euladene Baker Robinson both of Charleston, SC; three brothers, George Baker, Joe Baker and Bobby Baker, all of Charleston, SC; his companion of twenty years,

ers, James Green, and Roy Green. She leaves to cherish her memories: her children, Robert Evans (Debra) of Leland, NC, Angela Evans Newkirk (Ronnie) of Jacksonville, NC, Roberta Evans of the home and Tony Evans (Wanda) of Decatur, Georgia; ten grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; one brother, Curtis Green of Wilmington, NC; three sisters-in-law, Mildred Spencer and Louise Williams of Wilmington, NC and Mary Evans of Petersburg, VA; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other loving relatives and many friends, including special friends, Ernest and Alfonzo. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

**Michael Keith Baker**

Michael Keith Baker died June 10, 2018. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 16, 2018 at Willie L. Shaw Jr. Memorial Chapel. Burial followed in the Moore's Cemetery.

Michael, son of the late George and Martha Baker was born on December 12, 1955, in Charleston, South Carolina. "Keith" as he was called, moved to Wilmington, North Carolina at an early age and made Wilmington his home. "Keith" was an avid fisherman as well as a die-hard Dallas Cowboy fan. He was also a lover of good western movies. "Keith" worked for nearly 20 years as a cook at the Bridge Tender Restaurant and doing landscaping for St. Mary Catholic Church. He also worked for many local historians helping to restore old houses in Wilmington. In addition to his parents, "Keith" was preceded in death by a sister and a brother.

He is survived by: his daughters, Kimberly Baker of Wilmington, NC, and Nicole and Kishea Baker of York, PA; two sisters, Catherine Baker Mitchell and Euladene Baker Robinson both of Charleston, SC; three brothers, George Baker, Joe Baker and Bobby Baker, all of Charleston, SC; his companion of twenty years,

Ms. Gwenda Whitaker; several nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends, including special friends, Mary Ann Keiser and Fred Robinson (Juanita). *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

**Sharyn Williams-Nowling**

Sharyn Williams-Nowling died June 13, 2018. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at Warner Temple AME Zion Church. Burial followed in Pine Forest Cemetery. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

**Harlee Porter**

Harlee Porter died June 13, 2018. Funeral services will be Thursday, June 20, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at Bloominghill FWB Church, Richlands, NC. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service on Thursday. Burial will follow in Onslow Memorial Gardens. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

**Dorothy Montgomery**

Dorothy Montgomery died June 18, 2018. Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later by John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home. *A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.*

**Dean Mark Taylor**

Dean Mark Taylor "Lil Sport" was called home on June 1, 2018.

He was born on December 31, 1959 at James Walker Hospital in Wilmington, North Carolina. He was preceded in death by his parents, James E. Powell and Martha F. Taylor.

He graduated from Pender High School in 1978 and immediately entered into the U.S. Army where he served his country for 12 years. He met his lovely wife Yvonne in Augsburg Germany in 1988 and married on September 8, 1990. When his wife was discharged from the Army in 1991, she moved to Wilmington, NC to be with him. They remained together until his passing.

Everyone who knew him, knew what type of person he was. A loving, caring individual and he would always lend a helping hand to anyone in need - he was a good man!

Dean is survived by his wife of 27 years, Yvonne, one devoted daughter, Oliva Yung of Atlanta, Georgia; a host of special cousins who were like siblings to him; four uncles, one aunt; a very special little boy Jackson Richard Lee; a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, June 9, 2018 at Temple of Truth, Light of Life Church, Wilmington, North Carolina. *Arrangements by Adkins-Drain Funeral Service, Inc., 515 South Eighth Street, Wilmington, North Carolina 28401. Condolences may be*

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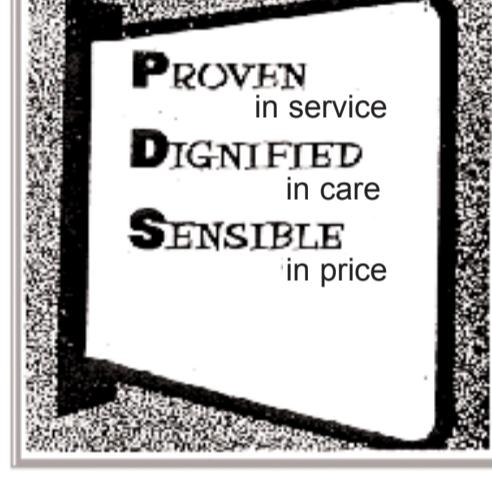
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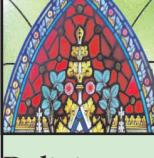
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**Compassion and Integrity."**  
**French I. Davis, Jr.**

## New Hanover County

**Barry Smith & Company of Wilmington, NC** will host The Father, Son & Holy Ghost on Saturday, June 30th at 6:00 p.m. at St. John Church of Christ Disciples of Christ, 106 Brownstown Rd., Hwy 17 North in the Brownstown Community. For more information call 910-550-7475 or 910-880-3062.

**Central Missionary Baptist Church**, 702 Red Cross St., will celebrate their Ushers Anniversary on Sunday, June 24th at 4:00 p.m. The guest speaker will be Rev. Tony Harrington, pastor of First Baptist Church, Magnolia, NC.

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Rev. Ossie Webb of Townsend Temple, Bolton, NC and at 3:00 p.m. with guest speaker Pastor Cornelius Wesley of the Council and Burgaw 7th Day Adventist Churches.

**St. Mark's Episcopal Church**, 600 Grace St., will begin Summer Services at 10:00 a.m. on Sundays.

**The Better St. Philip A.M.E.Zion Church** will hold their annual Building Fund program on Sunday, June 24th at 3:00 p.m. The Rev. Kitty Jacobs and the Crystolite AME Zion Church Family of Lumberton, NC will be the special guests along with their Mass Choir and congregation. Dinner will be served.

## Brunswick County

**Crystal Spring Missionary Baptist Church** will hold their annual revival from Wednesday, June 27th-Friday, June 29th. Devotional services start at 7:00 p.m. The guest pastor this great revival will be Rev. Gordon Griffin, pastor of Moore's Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Currie, NC.

**Moore's Chapel AME Zion Church**, 1492 Village Rd., will celebrate their annual Men's Day on Sunday, June 24th at 3:00 p.m.. The guest speaker will be Rev. Dr. Jermaine Amour and the St. Luke Church family of Wilmington, NC.

Policies for briefs, news, & photos on page 2.

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shared at [www.adkinsdrainfuneralservice.com](http://www.adkinsdrainfuneralservice.com).

## Falinthia Carter

**Falinthia Ann Nixon Carter**, age 43, of Wilmington, passed away Saturday, June 9, 2018. A memorial service was held on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at Davis Funeral Home. Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave., Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at [www.davisfuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.davisfuneralhomeinc.com).

## Dr. Amir Ben-Solomon

**Dr. Amir Ben-Solomon**, age 74, of Carolina Beach, passed away Wednesday, June 13, 2018. A visitation was held on Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at Davis Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held in New York.

**Dr. Amir Ben-Solomon** was born in Wilmington, NC on August 2, 1943 to mother, Elbridge Teresa Owens and father, Wilbert W. Wilson. He attended grade school at Williston in Wilmington. After moving to reside with his father, he attended high school at Coolidge in Washington, DC. His high athletic ability in football (among other sports) earned him several scholarships. While on the campus of Michigan State University, he gained interest in esoteric healing and would eventually end his conventional education to pursue what led to his profession as a Doctor of Clinical Hypnotherapy in the Alternative Health Care Field.

Amir was honorably discharged from the United States Marine Corps on February 11, 1966. He then proceeded to establish himself as an entrepreneur and focused on business ownership in fields such as solar energy, banking, and the employment industry. His true calling culminated with training and certification as a Doctor of Clinical Hypnotherapy through the American Board of Hypnotherapy, the American Board of Neurolinguistic Programming, and the International Hypnosis Federation.

Amir resided on Carolina Beach, NC since 2006. He is survived by his wife of 29 years Azariah Solomon, his son Angel Solomon, Angel Solomon's mother, Macy Patricia Edmunds, his five grandchildren, Jasmine Solomon, Angel Solomon, Jr., Brandon Ford-Solomon, Anahvia Solomon and Xavier Solomon, as well as aunts Betty Cam, Judy Poindexter & Joanna Lewis, uncle Paul Owens, and extended family loved ones. Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave., Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at [www.davisfuneralhomenc.com](http://www.davisfuneralhomenc.com).

## Eddie Sellars

**Eddie "Pee Wee" Sellars**, age 73, of Wilmington, passed away Friday, June 15, 2018. A celebration of Eddie's life was held on Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at First Baptist Missionary Church. Interment followed in Greenlawn Memorial Park.

Eddie "PeeWee" Sellars affectionately known by some family members as Mr. Smith was born April 20, 1945 to Haywood and Carrie Sellars in Harrells, N.C. He was called from labor to reward on Friday, June 15, 2018, peacefully at home, surrounded by family.

In 1970, he married his high school sweetheart, Rose Ann Faulk. Within this union three children were born. The family experienced many wonderful adventures in life, including annual trips up and down the coast. The most memorable trip was in December 2017 to Florida. The family from the youngest to the oldest, journeyed to Florida for several days of enjoyment.

ment, including the Holy Land Experience, Disney World and the Crayola Experience.

Eddie attended schools in New Hanover County and graduated from Williston Sr. High in 1966. After high school he proudly served our Country in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam Era. Upon returning home he was employed by Southern Bell, currently known as AT&T. He had an impeccable work ethic for forty plus years with the company. Eddie was well respected and loved by his fellow co-workers.

He became a member of First Baptist Church in April of 1981 after being inspired by his younger sister, Carolyn. For decades he enthusiastically served in several capacities in the church and community. His church activities included; Transportation Director, Girl Scout Leader, Boy Scout Leader, Trustee, and "Iceman." He helped out wherever he could. In the community Eddie was ever present at the 8th Street Center, where he impacted many lives by being a mentor, sounding board, confidant, and counselor. He was an assistant coach for Pop Warner Football and a referee for the Annual Turkey Bowl. He was awarded "The Order of Long Leaf Pine", the highest civilian honor given by the Governor for Exemplary Service to North Carolina. He became a lifetime member of the Vietnam Veterans of America. Despite his accolades and accomplishments, it is most important to remember that Brother Sellars was a man of God that loved everyone, loved to joke and tease, and would help anyone in any way. Even when his health began to decline he maintained a positive outlook and continued to serve in many capacities, including driving the church van and assisting with the sound system.

He leaves to cherish fond memories, his wife of forty-seven years, Rose Ann; four left handed children, Renee Graham, Christina Sellars, Brian (LaShanna) Sellars, Veronica (Fort) Clark; five granddaughters, PaShaun, Alayah, Haniah, Miranda, Sabriya; sisters, Janie Maynor, Lillian Lewis, Mamie Polk, Carolyn (Cephus) Gregg, Carrie V-Ann Sellars; brother, Tommie (Bonnie) Jackson; sisters-in-law, Rev. Carrie Ross, Wilhelmenia Robinson, Hazel House, Joyce Adams; Valerie Powers, Helen Hayes, brothers-in-law, Herbert House, Robert Adams; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, co-workers, 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.davisfuneralhomenc.com](http://www.davisfuneralhomenc.com).

## Olivia Addison Davis

**Olivia Marie Addison Davis**, age 67, of Wilmington, passed away Thursday, June 14, 2018. Friends are cordially invited to a visitation with the family from 6:00 - 8:00 PM on Thursday, June 21, 2018 at Davis Funeral Home. A celebration of Olivia's life will be conducted at 1:00 PM, Friday, June 22, 2018 at Davis Funeral Home. Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave., Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at [www.davisfuneralhomenc.com](http://www.davisfuneralhomenc.com).

## Johnny Ford

**Johnny Dell Ford**, age 84, of Wilmington, passed away Sunday, June 17, 2018. A celebration of Mr. Ford's life will be conducted at 11:00 a.m., Friday, June 22, 2018 at Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave., Wilmington, NC 28401. A visitation will be held one (1) hour prior to the service. Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave., Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at [www.davisfuneralhomenc.com](http://www.davisfuneralhomenc.com).

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**A**fter the earnest deposit and due diligence fee are paid, now it's time to start the investigation of the property to see if it meets your needs and satisfaction.

The 1st recommended step is to have a home inspection by a licensed inspector or licensed general contractor. "LICENSED" was used two times and it was intentional. This is too serious of an purchase to call Uncle Bill who has built and re-wired entire homes for 30 yrs without ever using permits. If he misses

something and you purchase and then discover HUGE problems, that will be an expensive lesson to learn. In NC, sellers do not have to disclose any defects to you even though they must fill out a form called Residential Property Disclosure. That form asks if they know of any problems in specified categories and they can answer, YES, NO, or NO R E P R E S E N T A T I O N . Regardless of how they answer, I recommend buyers to give no consideration to it and get the home inspection. This is so important that if a buyer tells me they do not want to have one done, I've adopted a policy that they must sign a statement acknowledging I advised them to have it and they decided not

## TELL SOMEBODY

**"If the Blind Lead the Blind"**

*"And he spake a parable unto them, Can the blind lead the blind? Shall not they both fall into the ditch?" Luke 6:39*

## Blind - Being without sight

**H**ow do you know if you are following good leadership?

We must be able to hear; and obey God's voice when choosing leadership. Proverbs 3:5,6 tells us to "Trust in the Lord with all our heart, and lean not to our own understanding.

In all our ways to acknowledge him, and he shall direct our path." The choices we make in determining leadership reflect who we are, because we trust them enough to make decisions for us and our families. (Ephesians 5:1-20)

Matthew 7:15-20 says, "Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not good fruit is hewn down,

and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them."

Following leadership is very important within the Body of Christ. The Bible tells us to esteem our leaders highly, and to give honor to whom honor is due. For consciousness sake, we should believe that our leaders are also followers of Christ. When they preach or teach the scriptures to us, we should be following along with our own Bibles wide open to confirm God's truth.

Our Christian leaders should also be living holy. How can they lead us to victory, if they are struggling with sin? We should also set high standards when choosing those to lead us politically. Apostle Paul was a great leader and wrote quite a bit of the New Testament, yet he humbly stated, "Follow me as I follow Christ."

The greatest leader this world has ever known, is the person Jesus Christ. He was and still is a perfect role model for leadership. In Matthew 4:19, he said to Peter and Andrew, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.

1. Jesus was fully focused on them individually.

2. He knew the plans he had for their future

3. He recognized their potential

## HOME INSPECTION

to. Yes, I have seen plenty in 20+ years, even with seasoned investors getting surprised after closings. Trust me, it's worth EVERY dime. The cost varies depending on the size of the home, if 1-story or 2, if crawlspace or slab. I suggest budgeting between \$350-\$500 on average. The scope of work: An home inspector checks from roof to the crawlspace and MUCH in-between and beyond. You get a detailed report that includes photos of any found defects and pictures of defective equipment. The reports go further and make notes of any recommended items to keep an eye on even if they are performing as intended at the time of inspection. An example is if the HVAC is old and nearing the end of life

and if roof shingles look worn, not leaking but may start in near future, etc.

All of these things are important to know especially for 1st-time buyers. You will no longer have the luxury of calling a landlord to fix things so wisdom is to go into this with your eyes WIDE open. If you would like to have a pamphlet called "For your protection, get a home inspection", contact me and I'll mail/email it right out to you. Until next week, share this article with 3 people and reach out for your FREE personalized action plan to OWN in 18 mos or less.

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## Graduates and retirees honored at Chestnut Street Presbyterian Church (USA)

BY RITA TODD  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

On Sunday, June 10, 2018, six individuals were honored at Chestnut Street Presbyterian Church (USA). These individuals were Miss Margaret Ann Everett, Ms. Alexandria Anne Jackson, Mrs. Maya Quattlebaum Padgett, Ms. Janie Mae Anderson, Ms. Aleysha Nicole Grady, and Mrs. Jacqueline Bryant Pearson. This group included one high school graduate, two community college graduates, two advanced degree graduates and one retiree. All were recognized for their most recent accomplishments.

Margaret Ann Everett graduated from Cape Fear Community College on Wednesday, May 11, 2018 with an Associate's Degree and from Wilmington Early

of Arts degree; Cohort 7; the student leaders' award; and the Top Senior Volunteer with over 1900 hours of community service.

Margaret's future plans include attending East Carolina University beginning in August of 2018. She will pursue a degree in Psychology.

Alexandria Anne Jackson graduated with an Associates of Arts' degree from Cape Fear Community College on Friday, May 11, 2018. Alex is the daughter of Ms. Angela Jackson. Her future goals include returning to school to secure a Bachelor's degree in business. Ultimately, Alexandria would like to open a fashion boutique, design a fashion line and establish a fashion company.

Maya Quattlebaum Padgett is the daughter of Benjamin and Valita Quattlebaum. She graduated from Cape Fear Community College on Friday, May 11, 2018 with an Associate's Degree in Computer Technology Integration. Maya plans to work as a Help Desk Technician.

Janie Mae Anderson earned a MS Degree in Higher Education with a concentration in College Administration and Leadership. This degree was awarded to Ms. Anderson from Kaplan University/Purdue Global University on September 7, 2017. She was inducted into The Gold Key International Honor Society. Janie's career plans include fulfilling the requirements for the administration exam as she works toward completing her dissertation.

Aleysha Nicole Grady is the daughter of Samuel and Sheila Grady. In December of 2017, she was awarded a Masters of Health Science in Healthcare Management Degree from Western Carolina University. Throughout this program, Alyesha established and maintained an A average. She will begin the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program at Winston-Salem State University in January of 2019.

On July 1, 2018, Jacqueline Bryant Pearson will retire from the New Hanover County School System having worked 38.1 years. She served as a custodian throughout the school system. Jackie's retirement plans include traveling and becoming more involved in her church. She is contemplating establishing a daycare.

The ceremony began with a "Welcome" provided by Ms. Rita D. Todd. Ms. Sheila E. MacRae delivered an inspiring prayer and Mr. Anthony Jackson shared a poem entitled,



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**CSPC(USA) Graduates and Retiree (left to right)** Ms. Janie Mae Anderson, Miss Margaret Ann Everett, Ms. Aleysha Nicole Grady, Ms. Alexandria Anne Jackson, Mrs. Maya Quattlebaum Padgett and Mrs. Jacqueline Bryant Pearson.

tled, "New Beginnings" by Gertrude B. McClain. Mr. Theodore Johnson, Sr. Superintendent of Sunday school presented our high school graduate with an engraved Bible; in addition to providing words of continued support. Ms. Ivy L. Murrain introduced the high school graduate; Ms. Leslie R. Watson presented the community college graduates; Ms. Babette Boyd introduced the advanced degree honorees; and Dr. Bettie J. Glenn presented the retiree. The speaker for the morning worship service, Rev. Sean Palmer, delivered a message entitled, "Seven Impossible Things Before Brunch" which addressed the topic of moving forward with God.

Photos of our honorees and their families were taken. Light refreshments were served following the worship service.

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

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Shirley Glenn McLeod**, 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 **31st day of August, 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 31st day of May, 2018

Edward B. McLeod III, Executor  
721 George Trask Drive  
Wilmington, NC 28405

May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2018

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

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Theresa M. Walker**, 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 **31st day of August, 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 31st day of May, 2018

Ernest Walker, Executor  
711 Brunswick Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401

May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2018

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

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of **Patricia Hoversen**, 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 **7th day of September, 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 7th day of June, 2018.

Krysten Hoversen, Executrix of the Estate of Patricia Hoversen  
16102 McCormick PI  
Huntersville, NC 28078  
MURCHISON, TAYLOR &  
GIBSON, PLLC  
16 North Fifth Avenue  
Wilmington, NC 28401

June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2018

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

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of **Nancy Kemp Turner**, 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 **7th day of September, 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 7th day of June, 2018.

Bridget Kemp Thomas, Executrix of the Estate of Nancy Kemp Turner  
6240 Turtle Hall Drive  
Wilmington, NC 28409  
MURCHISON, TAYLOR &  
GIBSON, PLLC  
16 North Fifth Avenue  
Wilmington, NC 28401

June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2018

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

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of **Carol S. Moore**, 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 **31st day of August, 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 31st day of May, 2018.

Elizabeth M. Schaffer, Executrix of the Estate of Carol S. Moore  
PO Box 3008  
Wilmington, NC 28406  
MURCHISON, TAYLOR &  
GIBSON, PLLC  
16 North Fifth Avenue  
Wilmington, NC 28401

May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2018

## LEGAL NOTICES

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

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of **Scott Williams (18-E-610)**, 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 **September 21, 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 14th day of June, 2018

Charlotte Noel Fox  
Administrator of the Estate of Scott Williams  
c/o Craige & Fox, PLLC  
701 Market Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401  
910-815-0085

June 21, 28, July 5, 2018

### NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION COURT FILE NO: 18 CV 001520

**Jasmaine Daquona Batts,  
Plaintiff  
v.  
Arillio Marcel Smith,  
Defendant**

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 an absolute divorce.

You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than July 31, 2018 and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This the 21st day of June, 2018

Jasmaine Daquona Batts  
1118 South 9th Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401

June 21, 28, July 5, 2018

### NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION FILE NO. 17 CVS 4351

**JOSPEH NORMAN DOSTER,  
Plaintiff  
v.  
MICHAEL BRANDON  
YWASKEVIC, Defendant  
TO: MICHAEL BRANDON  
YWASKEVIC, Defendant**

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:

Damages arising from motor vehicular negligence.

You are required to make defense to such pleading within forty (40) days from the first running of this notice, exclusive of such date, which was Thursday, April 12, 2018, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This the 11th day of April, 2018.

David F. Turlington  
Attorney for the plaintiff  
1516 Dawson Street  
Wilmington, North Carolina  
28401  
Telephone: 910-251-8088  
Facsimile: 910-251-8430  
North Carolina bar 20165  
dturlington@davidandassociates.com

June 21, 28, July 5, 2018

## LEGAL NOTICES

### NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER IN THE DISTRICT COURT JUVENILE SESSION FILE NO. 17 JT 112

**IN THE MATTER OF:  
A.F.C. (DOB: 07/24/2015)**

**TO: ARLEASE CROMARTIE**

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 female child.

You are required to make defense to such pleading within forty (40) days following Thursday, June 7, 2018, which date is the date of first publication of this Notice. Upon your failure to do so, the party seeking relief against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

You have been assigned Attorney Alexis Perkins. Attorney Perkins may be contacted at (910) 343-5415, PO Box 2560, Wilmington, NC 28402.

YOU ARE HEREBY

NOTIFIED THAT A HEARING ON THE PETITION TO TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS IS SCHEDULED FOR **MONDAY, JULY 23, 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 7th day of June, 2018.

Regina Floyd-Davis  
Staff Attorney - New Hanover Co. Dept.  
of Social Services  
1650 Greenfield Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401  
(910) 798-3615 (phone)  
(910) 798-3772 (fax)

June 7, 14, 21, 2018

### INVITATION FOR BIDS SOLICITATION NO.: HEO17.01

### HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON NORTH CAROLINA REMEDIAL REPAIR WORK OF POND #4 AT SUNSET SOUTH COMMUNITY

Sealed bids will be accepted at the Housing Authority of the City of Wilmington North Carolina (WHA Central Office), until date and time noted below. Bids will be publicly opened and recorded immediately thereafter at the Central Office, 1524 South 16th Street, Wilmington, NC 28401.

• Bid Opening: Thursday, July 5, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

• Specifications/Plans will be available for pickup beginning Friday, June 15th at the Central Office.

• Fee; non-refundable charge of \$15.00 or

• Download Project Manual from our WHA website at www.wha.net

• Questions; E-mail to Ms. Burns no later than Monday, July 2, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. to cburns@wha.net

• Point of contact Jim Conlon

Upon written request to the Chief Executive Officer, bids will be available after contract award. NO BIDS SHALL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DEADLINE DATE. FAXED NEITHER COPIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

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WHA reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

June 14, 21, 2018

## LEGAL NOTICES

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

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the estate of **James Franklin Hughes**, 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 **31st day of August, 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 31st day of May, 2018

Marsha Hughes Humphreys,  
Executrix  
147 Horne Place Drive  
Wilmington, NC 28401

May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2018

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

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of **Peggy Jones Hall**, 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 **21st day of September, 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 21st day of June, 2018

Charles Jones Hall, Jr., Executor  
PO 927  
Rose Hill, NC 28458

June 21, 28, July 5, 2018

### NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER IN THE DISTRICT COURT JUVENILE SESSION FILE NO. 14 JT 4

**IN THE MATTER OF:  
J.M. J.  
(DOB: 02/20/2011)**

**TO: RESPONDENTS:  
KIYANA JOHNSON, BIOLOGI-  
CAL MOTHER AND ANY  
UNKNOWN BIOLOGICAL  
FATHER OF THE ABOVE CAP-  
TIONED MALE CHILD BORN  
IN ORLANDO, ORANGE COUN-  
TY, FLORIDA TO KIYANA  
JOHNSON**

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 June 7, 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 Alexis Perkins has been appointed to represent Kiyana Johnson, and she can be reached at 320 Chestnut Street, Suite 201, Wilmington, North Carolina 28401 or (910) 343-5400.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A HEARING ON THE PETITION TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS IS SCHEDULED FOR **JULY 9, 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 7th day of June, 2018.

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