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Jean Holden, Toledo's First Lady of Song, performs with her students



(Left to Right) Akeeyah Lancaster, Jean Holden-Hanna, Raquyyah Triplett, mother, and Zahria Lancaster.

Students show their talent and vocal progress

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The Jean Holden singers wowed family, friends and onlookers at a recent performance at Ye Olde Dirty Bird. For nearly two hours, the amazing, diverse group of talented singers, ages five to 19, sang from their heart.

The singers were greeted by a generous round of applause as they stepped forward, one by one, singing a variety of songs from Soul Man, Margaritaville to holiday favorites. There was a slow and upbeat selection rendered.

A hush fell over the room as Jean Holden, (Toledo's First Lady of Song) set the tone and opened the show singing: 'A Dream Is A Wish Your Heart Makes' and 'Higher Ground.'

As a private vocal coach for the last several years, Ms Holden teaches on a daily basis. Every two months her students perform for family and friends sharing their singing ability and progress. For more information contact: Jean Holden's Studio of Vocal Expression/a song...a voice at: (419) 255-4520 or ornjhanna@bex.net



Jean Holden-Hanna, vocal coach, Toledo's First Lady of Song, sings.

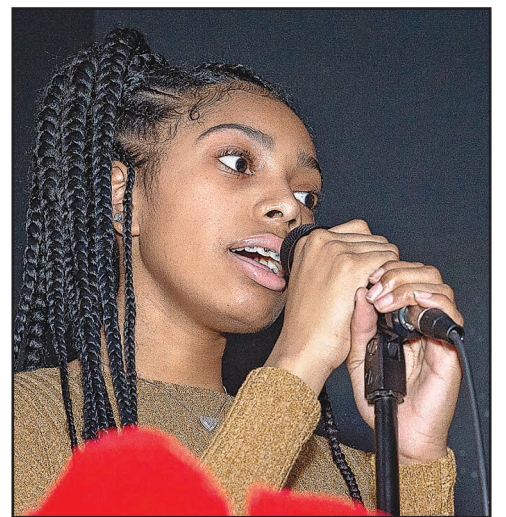
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Akeeyah Lancaster, 17, Toledo Early College High School.



Nick Veizer, 17, Autism Model School.



Zahria Lancaster, 14, Toledo Early College High School.

Antionette Tisdale celebrates 80th birthday with more than 100 in attendance

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Francisco Rockwood, an immigrant from Santiago, Cuba, met and married a southern bell, Jessie Mae Jones from Orangeburg, S.C. and to this union Antionette was born on December 1, 1938 at Lincoln Hospital in Bronx, New York.

Antionette attended Public Schools P.S. 64, Prospect Junior High, Morris High and Bronx Community College of New York University, where she received her degree in Nursing. As a young girl, she also took music lessons under Professor David T. Mells of the Bronx Community School of Music which lead to a recital at the world famous Carnegie Hall of New York City.

She accepted Jesus Christ as her personal savior at the age of twelve at the Church of God In Christ of New York City under the leadership of Bishop O. M. Kelly. Antionette joined Brown UAME church in New York as minister of music in 1959 until 1976.

Antionette was previously married to the late Jimmie L. Martin Sr. and



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Antionette Tisdale seated, surrounded by husband, Freddie, children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, and family



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Mrs. Tisdale, seated with crown, and Rossford First Baptist Church Family



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Birthday lady, Antionette Tisdale and husband, Freddie dancing.

to that union three children were born, Sheree, Jeanette and Jimmie Jr.

She began her employment in 1964 as a Psychiatric Therapy Aide Supervisor for the State of New York at the Bronx State Hospital until 1976.

On October 11, 1975 Antionette married the love of her life, Mr. Freddie Tisdale and the next year he moved her into their brand new home in Toledo, Ohio. His daughter and her bonus daughter, Yolanda Dawn Tisdale also joined them.

When Antionette arrived in Toledo, Ohio she joined Rossford First Baptist Church where she has worked with several ministries as: President of the Rev. Clyde E Tisdale Sr. Scholarship Committee, a member of

the Missionary Ministry and Past President of the Choir. She is the Minister of Music and has held that position since 1977.

In 1977, Antionette began her career at the Toledo Mental Health Center as a Registered Nurse Supervisor and retired in 1999 as a clinical manager. She received many awards for her dedicated service to the State of Ohio. However, now she keeps busy managing the family business "Fat Trucking Inc." She also teaches piano lessons part time.

She has traveled to 49 states and countries abroad; Mexico, Jamaica, Bermuda, Tangier, Spain, Canada, Nassau and The Dominican Republic. One of her highlights was to travel

to Cuba in 1998, where she met family members, whom she had never seen, although, they had been pen pals since the age of seven. In 2002 her cousin Taimy Mora Rockwood came from Cuba to live with her and Freddie. Antionette traveled to Cuba again in 2016, with ten members of her family for a reunion, which connected over seventy American and Cuban family members.

These days she still enjoys traveling and loves spending time with her grands and great-grand children who call her "GG". At her 80th birthday party held at The Heather Downs County Club on Sunday, Dec. 2, 2018, Antionette enjoyed her time with over 100 family mem-

bers and friends. She told everyone to, "Save the date" because we will celebrate again for her 90th birthday on Dec. 1, 2028.

“
I love my family and I thank God for my amazing family. They have far exceeded my expectations. To God be the glory. God bless you.
-Mrs. Tisdale-



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Mr. and Mrs. Tisdale celebrating with a dance.

Ongoing Events

Phone Scamming Warning

We are warning people about a phone scammer we have had several complaints about today. Several Toledoans received a phone call from a person presenting himself as “working for the city of Toledo” and asked for money via credit card. The caller ID showed “Toledo City of” and the person was very convincing that he is a city of Toledo employee.

It appears to be “spoofing” where the malicious party grabs the city phone number and inserts it in their system. Several reports stated it was a city number that came through but the caller represented himself as a Toledo Edison employee.

A city of Toledo employee will NEVER call a person and ask for personal information like credit card information or a social security number.

Anyone receiving such a call should hang up.

Poetic Reflections Go On Display at Sanger Library

A collection of writings at Sanger Library, as “Reflective Reinvention:

Just Me” goes on display at the 3030 West Central Ave. branch in Toledo.

The exhibition of printed poetry features an eclectic mix of

perspectives designed to inspire the community. Comprised of works by

Dr. Imelda Hunt, founder of New Works Writers Series. Reinvention” is a timely narrative about current community issues. “Words have always been some of the most powerful weapons in addressing social issues and cultural challenges,” says Hunt, whose exhibited poem, “Assimilation,” calls to mind the voices of the Black Lives Matter

movement. An Art Tatum scholar, Hunt also included “Does A Genius...” to the exhibit, musing about the late, great Toledo jazz musician.

For more information contact New Works Writers Series at (567) 343-2935 or by e-mail at director@newworkswritersseries.org.

Now Thru December 14th Lucas County Children Services Holiday Gift Drive

The holiday season is almost upon us, and Lucas County Children Services (LCCS) is once again asking area residents to "Give the Best Gift Ever" this holiday season!

The agency is kicking off its annual Holiday Gift Drive, which is co-sponsored by the Friends of Lucas County Children Services (FLCCS) and several community partners. The community-based campaign is expected to provide gifts to as many as 2,500 children who are victims of abuse and neglect. The gift drive provides toys for children from birth to age 18. While we are seeking gifts for all age groups, the agency is in particular need of gifts for children of all ethnic groups who are newborn to 3 ears old, and gift cards for teenagersr. Local residents are encouraged to drop a new, unwrapped toy in the collection boxes located around the commnity:

Now Thru December 18th Pathway, Inc. Make Holidays enjoyable for 50

low-income Lucas County Families Each year Pathway departments identify fifty (50) families to receive holiday meals, toys and small gifts such as hats, gloves, socks, etc. to help keep children warm. Pathway will be collecting new toys, hats, gloves and socks for girls and boys who are members of the 50

families. Ages of the children will vary so, toys and clothing items appropriate for a variety of ages will be appropriate. Please stop by Pathway to make a toy or clothing donation for the families. Those who wish to give but do not have the time to shop may make a cash or check donation to Pathway for the gifts. Pathway is located at 505 amilton Street, Toledo, Ohio. You can donate toys and clothing items at the Hamilton Street address above. If you have questions, please feel free to call (419) 242-7304.

Now Thru December 31st Lights Before Christmas at Toledo Zoo Open

Christmas display that, as always, features over one million lights, the award-winning Big Tree and more than 200 illuminated animal images spread out across the Zoo. Combined with the tunnel re-opening, the 2018 electrical spectacle is sure to be both merry AND bright! Lights Before Christmas open December 31, 2018. The display will be closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Admission gates for Lights Before Christmas are open 3-8 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 3-9 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The Zoo will close one hour after last admission. Visitors can save \$1 per ticket by ordering online at toledozoo.org/lights.

Now Thru March, 2019 Ohio Development Services Agency and Pathway

Help Ohioans Stay Warm this Winter Pathway Inc. and Ohio Development Services Agency will help Ohioans stay warm during the cold winter months. The Home Energy Assistance Winter Crisis Program provides eligible Ohioans heating assistance if they are disconnected from their heating source, threatened with disconnection or if they have less than 25 percent supply of bulk fuel. More information call: Pathway at 419-242-7304.

Scott High School Class of 1969

We are planning a great event Aug. 9, 10, and 11, 2019 for our 50th class reunion. Please contact Evelyn Wilson and Mary Lockett with your email or home information. Evelyn's number is 419-490-6851 and Mary is 419-536-9544. Come on Bulldogs we need your info. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Third Monday of the Month The Toledo Base Submarine Veterans

The Toledo Base Submarine Veterans holds it's monthly meeting on the third Monday of the month at 64 Pub & Grub 10335 Waterville, Whitehouse Ohio at 1800 hours (6PM). Our next meeting will be on Dec. 17, 2018. For further information you may contact our base Commander Michael Meehan at wingsfanin-nm@gmail.com or 505-554-8636.

Every Tuesday The Toledo Interfaith Mass Choir

Will begin its 2018-2019 season @ 7:00 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church, 702 Collingwood. Brothers and Sisters you are invited to come out and be a part of this music ministry. For more information, please call 419-241-3330, or 419-241-7332. Rehearsals will be held on Tuesdays.

Every Third Wednesday Lucas County Human Trafficking Coalition and Social Justice Institute

Anyone interested in joining meet, at

Kent Branch Library, 3101 Collingwood Blvd., from 9:15 a.m. until 11 a.m.

Every 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the Month The Redeemed Christian Church Food Pantry

662 Philips Avenue in Toledo from 10 AM - 12PM.

3rd Saturday of Each Month Widows Empowered Strengthened & I Inc. (Affectionately known as W.E.S & I Inc.)

Are you a Widow? Come share with us. We cordially invite you to join us at our next meeting: 1-3pm. Reynolds Corners Branch Library, 4833 Dorr Street, Toledo, OH 43615. To learn more about WES & I, Inc.: Call 419-359-4001, Email: w.e.s.andlinc@gmail.com, Website: www.widowsempowered.com.

December 13th Public Transit Forum

A Listening Session Hosted By Shelley Papenfuse, Disability Rights Advocate, and Cedric Brock, Pastor, Mount Nebo Baptist Church on Thursday at King Road Branch Library 3900 King Rd., Toledo (Sylvania Twp) 419-259-5380, 5:00 p.m. Refreshments, 5:30 p.m. Discussion. The Toledo Area Regional Transit Authority is your public bus system and we want to hear how we can make it better for you and our community. Please join the discussion and share your opinions. King Road Branch Library is served by TARTA routes 1 & 6.

December 14 and December 15th December 21st and December 22nd UPDATE: Ritter Planetarium showing holiday

programs on full dome for kids The University of Toledo Ritter Planetarium is showing "The Alien Who Stole Christmas" and "Santa's Secret Star" in full dome for children throughout the holiday season.

"The Alien Who Stole Christmas" is featured 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 14 and Friday, Dec. 21. "Santa's Secret Star" is featured 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15 and Saturday, Dec. 22. "These are amusing, entertaining and educational programs for children and Santa fans of all ages," Alex Mak, associate director of UT Ritter Planetarium, said. Admission to the programs is \$7 for adults and \$5 for children, senior citizens and UT community members. All children younger than four are free. Doors will open 30 minutes prior to the show.

December 15th and December 16th Auditions for August Wilson's "Fences"

At the To ledo Repertoire Theatre in March 2019. Looking for strong African American actors and would really love to feature some fresh faces from our community.

Auditions will be this December 15 and 16 from 1-4 pm at the Rep. Roles include:

Troy Maxson - The protagonist of Fences, a 50-60 years old male

Cory Maxson - male (senior in high school), aged 16-22

Rose Maxson - female, 40-50 year-old housewife

Gabriel Maxson - male 50-70 years old Jim Bono - male, 50-65 years old

Lyons Maxson - male, 25-35 years old Raynell Maxson - female, 8-11 years

old Irina Zurov Director, MFA

December 16th Christmas Carol Sing at Rosary Cathedral

Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral will present the annual "Christmas Carol Sing" on Sunday, at 3:00 PM. The carols, sung by all in attendance, will be led by the Cathedral Choir accompanied by the Cathedral Brass Ensemble and the E.M. Skinner pipe organ. The Cathedral Brass Ensemble ad string quartet will be featured in works by Gabrieli, Handel and Raymond Haan. This event is free however donations will be accepted at the door to defray expenses. Our Lady, queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral is located at 2535 Collingwood Blvd., at Islington Avenue. Secure parking is available and the Cathedral is handicap accessible. For more information contact Rosary Cathedral at 419-244-9575.

December 16th Hands Over Hearts Presents Dunkin 4 Donations

Are you and/ or your business interested in supporting and participating in the "ANNUAL DUNKIN' 4 DONATIONS CHRISTMAS SEASON EVENT" at Bowsher High School. In the past hundreds of youth and families from around the city received "Holiday Cheers and Gifts". The efforts of a few grassroots individuals has made this event one of Toledo's largest youth-led Christmas Season Events. This event has brought together many FAMILIES from different walks of life. This year's expectations may be nearly a thousand youth and families ... So join in the "Holiday Excitement" and bring your services, products, and donations!! If unavailable, please make checks payable to Dunkin4Donations.

December 21st Thru December 22nd Mystery of the Christmas Star returns to Lourdes University

Admission prices for The Mystery of the Christmas Star are \$5 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under. The family-friendly shows are offered at 7:30 p.m. Individuals are encouraged to come early and enjoy the Toledo Symphony Orchestra performing holiday favorites prior to the show, from 7-7:30 p.m.

Learn what the wise men saw in the sky that was so remarkable that they undertook a journey across the desert from Babylon to Bethlehem. What sign did they actually see that made them expect the birth of a king? Journey back 2000 years to Bethlehem and discover a scientific explanation for the star the wise men followed to find the baby Jesus. The Appold Planetarium's holiday show The Mystery of the Christmas Star investigates possible dates for the birth of Christ and looks at recorded sightings of significant astronomical events during the time frame. Reservations are strongly recommended. For more information or to purchase tickets contact Dr. Laura Megeath, Appold Planetarium Coordinator, at planetarium@lourdes.edu or call 419-517-8897.

December 25th The Thomas Temple Church of God In Christ

Annual Free Christmas Dinner On Tuesday, dinner will be served at the Temple 2140 Ashland Ave., Toledo, Ohio 43620 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. All are welcome. For additional information, please call 419 255-3447

Our Political Realignment



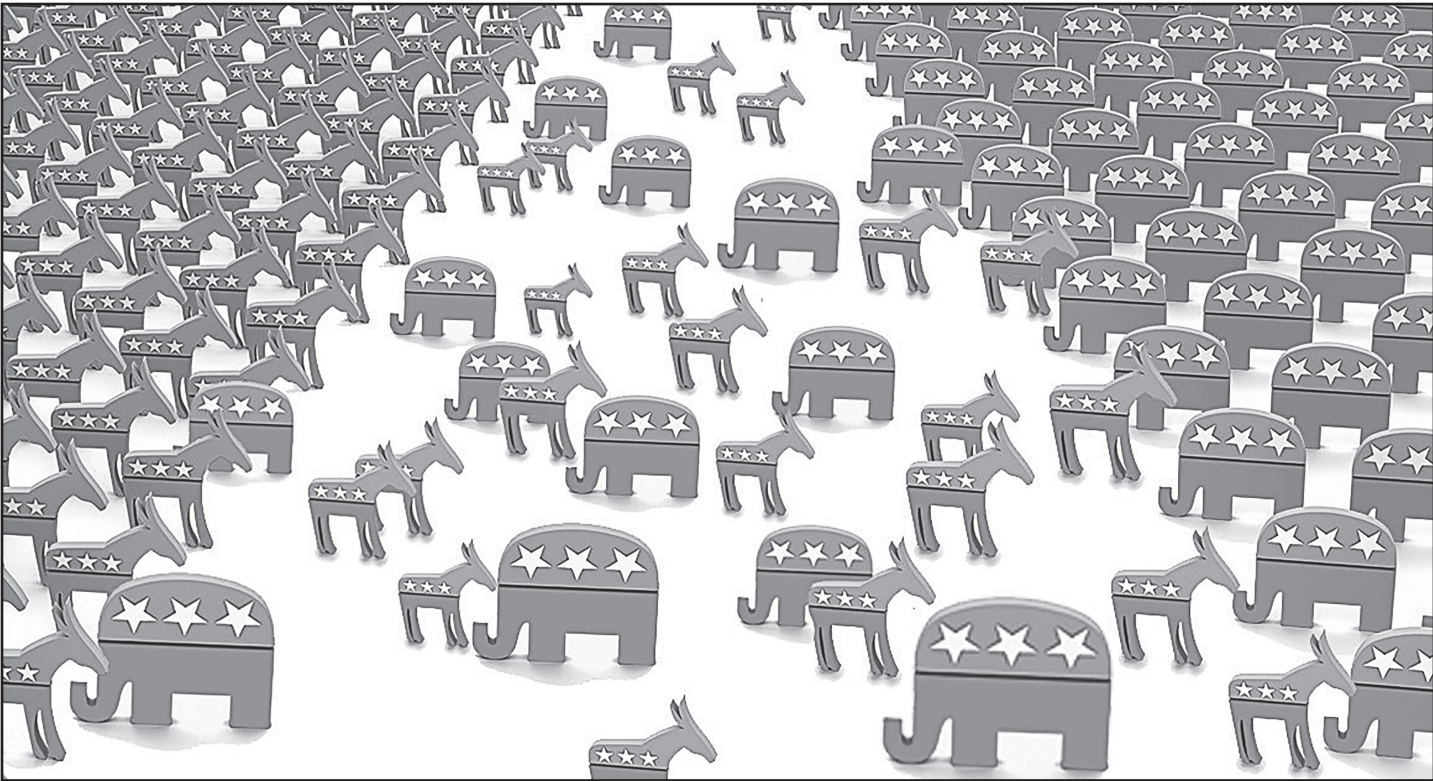
By Dr. E. Faye Williams, Esq.
Wire Columnist

(TriceEdneyWire.com) – Nancy Pelosi laid out clearly what Democrats must do. Watching her handle a press conference was such a contrast after seeing the angry, silly, untruthful, bragging, disrespectful press conference by #45, whose name is not worth calling because it is so filled with pollution. What a relief it is to have a potential Speaker stand up to #45—and have the power to block some of his childish antics!

Obviously, my heart was broken when it became apparent that we would not be able to celebrate the election of Mayor Andrew Gillum or Stacy Abrams for governor or Beto O'Rourke for the U.S. Senate. Those results harkened the bitter memories of the voter suppression, racial hatred and overtly racist acts I experienced in my own run for Congress in deeply red Louisiana. Sadly, a majority of this racism came from my own party.

I upset the image. I was both a woman and Black, and white Democrats had not seen such a candidate before. Louisiana was still firmly in the grip of the "Old South" mentality. And, as James Baldwin said, "Segregation may be practically gone, but the funeral is still going on."

During this campaign, the spirit of racial animus was resurrected in full force. In Florida and Georgia high quality Democratic candidates were defeated by those who placed their delusional racist reasoning over



their own interests and the interests of those they claim to love. In Beto's case, the racists thought he might actually help the underserved.

Now, let's talk about the good stuff. Democrats regained the House of Representatives. People, who are inclined to support our community, won many local elections.

Though not truly complete, the efforts of many women were rewarded with victory. More than 100 women were elected. Among them, 3 Black, 2 Muslim, 2 Native American, and a Palestinian woman! Now that women know we can win, future victories are assured.

It's a shame that instead of welcoming diversity, many have gone out of their way to reject it—some in a violent way. We've seen white males in horrendous acts over the past few weeks. They've killed 11 innocent worshippers in a Pittsburgh synagogue and sent shockwaves of fear through that community and the nation; 2 innocent people fell victim in a yoga studio in Florida; and 2 innocent Black people were gunned-down at a Kentucky grocery store. This very same indifference to justice and honor was mirrored by the Secretary of State who was suffi-

ciently arrogant as to try to sell us the idea he could fairly and impartially manage an election in which he was a principal. Oh, how they try to stop our progress!

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Despite these inexcusable infractions and the fact that our preferred candidates did not win, we must hold to the belief that the arch of the pendulum swings toward justice. Horrible acts of domestic terrorism and #45's immoral distortion of our national character and The TRUTH will not overshadow the insight, courage and bravery of those citizens who work unceasingly for the goal of perfecting our union.

Florida offered us little to cheer about in recent elections, but its voters have offered a ray of hope for the future. They approved the restoration of voting rights to felons who have paid their debt to society. In the midst of chaos, we continue the struggle to bring about equal justice for all. We must be willing to continue, because we're not there yet. Perhaps this minor political realignment will start the process of moving us from the chaos wrought by #45 and some of his followers to a more perfect National coexistence.

(Dr. E. Faye Williams, Esq. is National President of the National Congress of Black Women, Inc. (www.nationalcongressbw.org--202/678-6788). She also hosts "Wake Up and Stay Woke" on WPFW-FM 89.3 radio in Washington, DC.)

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Trump's Racism By Omission: Rude Theatrics Targeting Black Reporters Overshadows Questions on Voter Suppression



Submitted by Caleb Gayle
Wire Columnist

April Ryan, White House correspondent for American Urban Radio Networks, and other journalists of color have not been favorites of President Donald Trump. From telling Ryan to set up a meeting with the Congressional Black Caucus when she asked if he planned to meet with black members of Congress to calling her a loser, President Trump has displayed his contempt for Ryan.

In his post-midterm press conference, Ryan became the target of Trump's ire yet again. But this time what the President did was show more than displeasure with black female reporters - his theatrics overshadowed a key issue that Ryan was trying to address: voter suppression. While his rage, his diminishing of the credibility of these black, award-winning journalists, and his stupidity in calling their questions "racist" minimized what was actually happening: Trump was committing racism by omission.

Ryan's question was simple, "Mr. President, what about voter suppression?" She stood up after Trump acknowledged her question but was promptly told "sit down." While pundits opined about Trump's mistreatment of black women journalists, many missed that Trump refused to answer the question about voter suppression, which is poisoning our democracy and disproportionately disenfranchising communities of color.

The reality is that suppressing votes has become a hallmark of most of the Republican electoral strategy. Their politicians refuse to engage with communities of color, and instead embark on strategies to diminish our power at the voting

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Don't Let Small Dollar Loans Ruin Your Holidays



In this wonderful time of the year when family and friends gather in good cheer to celebrate the holidays, nearly everyone has a number of lists. From greeting cards to shopping for gifts, decorations and more, lists are made and reviewed to keep pace with the barrage of seasonal activities.

But if holiday lists seem bigger than budgets, turning to a high-interest, "small dollar" loan can turn joy and merriment into a financial quagmire. The good news is that holiday financial hangovers that predatory lenders give, do not need to be a part of your celebrations.

Just keep walk or drive past the brightly-colored signs advertising high-interest, small dollar loans. Both payday and car title loans can provide quick cash; but the harms these loans create will likely linger well past the winter's cold. In truth, these predatory loans often lead to consumers paying more in interest and fees than for the money borrowed.

Research by the Center for Responsible Lending (CRL) has found that predatory payday loans drain \$4.1 billion in fees from consumers annually -- borrowers who typically are unable to fully repay the original loan, usually in two weeks' time. With average annual interest rates averaging 391 percent, 75 percent



of all payday loans go to borrowers with more than 10 loans a year.

Like payday loans, car title loans are often marketed as an easy way to get cash without a credit check -- but with interest rates that tend to be 20-30 times higher than that of credit cards. The average car title loan of about \$1,000 can only be secured by signing a personally-owned car as collateral. Further, the loan may only be a fraction of the marketable value of the vehicle. While the lender holds on to a car title, the borrower is faced with triple-digit interest and, in one of five cases, a whopping 20 percent, the loss of personal transportation.

As harmful as payday and car title loans are, other seemingly harmful small dollar transactions can also cause financial havoc.

If you believe pre-paid cards will always avoid financial rip-offs, think

again.

Before paying cash for this convenient form of plastic, read all of the fine print that explains the terms and fees that come with its usage. Terms and options can and do vary significantly. Many include a range of fees from activation, to learning your current balances, reloading monies and in some cases fees for inactivity. By the time all applicable fees are assessed, the amount of money actually available on that prepaid card can shrink and shortchange how far it can help on purchases.

Similarly, the convenience of debit cards can easily trigger overdraft charges for consumers with slim or no checking account cushions. CRL research has shown that although overdraft fees vary by institution, the average \$35 overdraft fee on a debit card is double the amount of the overdraft itself. Banks engage in a

range of unfair and deceptive tactics to maximize these fees, which can amount to hundreds of dollars over the course of just a day or two--talk about a holiday damper. Too many overdrafts can lead to involuntary account closures.

This holiday season try adding a full measure of practical sense to help your dollars preserve the spirit and joy of the season -- it only comes once a year!

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Trump's Racism By Omission: Targeting Black Reporters Overshadows Questions on Voter Suppression

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booth. We can all see it. But the President uses his bully pulpit to create distractions that shield scrutiny of this undemocratic tactic. Moreover, it allows him to avoid questions about the strategy that he has happily endorsed and enacted with the Republican party.

As a reminder, Republicans have not been particularly shy about their voter suppression efforts. For example, Ben Nadler of the Associated Press broke news in October that in Georgia, approximately 53,000 voter registration applications were sitting on hold at the office of Brian Kemp, Georgia's Secretary of State and Republican nominee for governor. Nadler's team at the AP identified that most of these applications were those of black voters.

Voter purges are supposed to be used to eliminate people who become ineligible to vote usually because they move or because of a death or incarceration. But in some states like Ohio, voter purges have wrongfully removed people who

have not voted in the past few elections. In the runup to the midterms, some 32 counties in Florida violated the law by not providing bilingual ballot assistance.

More egregiously, states like Kansas use the Interstate Voter Registration Crosscheck (Crosscheck) to identify duplicative voter registrants across numerous combined voter rolls and subsequently purge those duplicates. Expanded under Kris Kobach - the outgoing Republican Secretary of State and failed gubernatorial candidate - Crosscheck, which had an error rate of 99.5 percent, uses a loose name matching that disproportionately targets voters of color for purging. According to a study by the Brennan Center for Justice, "African-American, Asian-American, and Latino voters are much more likely than Caucasians to have one of the most common 100 last names in the United States."

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 16.3 percent of Hispanic people and 13 percent of black people have one of the

10 most common surnames, compared to 4.5 percent of white people. An ongoing lawsuit on this is underway and being pursued by Demos.

And in states like Alabama, voters are up against photo ID laws, which disproportionately affect black voters, limited access to offices to issue IDs in black areas, and more. Clarity around where to vote, how to vote, and eligibility to vote become even more significant when these impediments make voting disproportionately harder for black people.

According to a study by the Public Religion Research Institute, "black (nine percent) and Hispanic (nine percent) Americans are three times more likely than white Americans (three percent)" to report complications with voting for them or someone in their household because of identification issues. In the same report, "black (15 percent) and Hispanic (14 percent) Americans were roughly three times more likely" to have trouble locating

their correct polling place than white Americans (five percent).

As president of the United States, Trump had an opportunity to explain his views on voter suppression when Ryan asked her question. Because of his inconsistent application of the truth, one can expect the truth would be stretched or he would offer up unverifiable facts. Instead he exhibited the Trump brand of racism - racism by omission, refusing to acknowledge that voter suppression exists and is spreading across the land in states predominantly controlled by Republicans.

Voter suppression is a weighty issue, especially for African Americans, whose ancestors marched, protested and died for the right to vote. For President Trump, to simply dismiss voting suppression by assailing Ryan, is a racist slight to all people of color, and our forefathers.

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‘Spider-Man Into The Spider-Verse’ is a Web of Visuals and Inspiration

Submitted
By Shaquille Woods

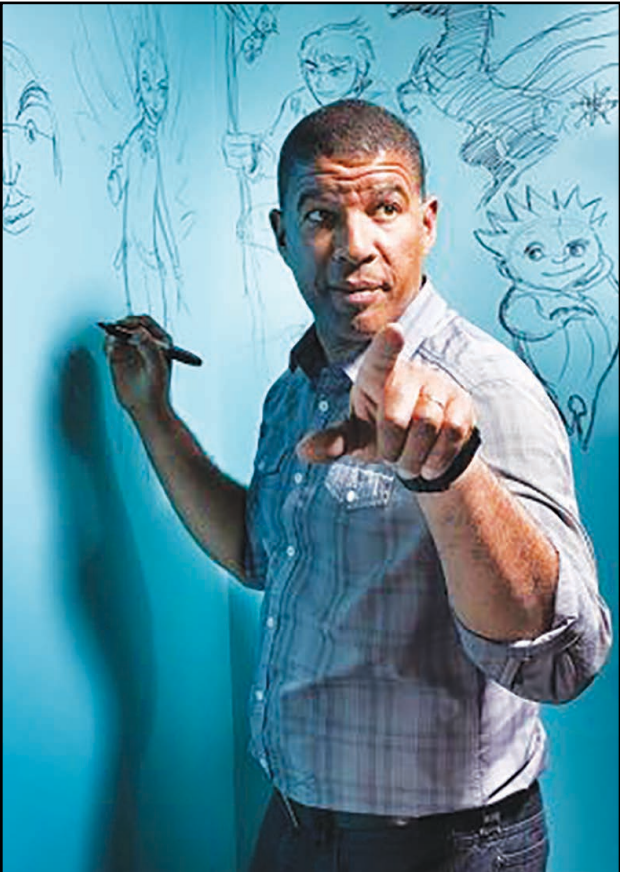
Your friendly neighborhood Spider-Man has a new look. Though he still swings from skyscrapers, Miles Morales isn't your typical Spider-Man. He is an Afro-Latin teenager who is trying to figure out the world before him. Audiences will explore that world in the new action-packed movie "Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse."

The movie brings together various Spider-Man characters into one thrilling visual masterpiece. However, the animated film did come with some challeng-

es. We spoke with director Peter Ramsey, a Los Angeles native, and creative director, about how the team overcame those challenges.

LOS ANGELES SENTINEL NEWSPAPER: What was the biggest challenge in creating "Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse"?

PETER RAMSEY: The biggest challenge was the animation. We had a lot of brilliant people working on the technical side who helped bring the film to life. Another challenge was keeping the story personal from Miles point of view. We had multiple dimensions with different



superheroes and supervillains. There was so much material swirling around the world. We asked ourselves, how do we always make sure the movie shows Miles Morales story and everything that your experiencing comes through him? We did that by focusing on his quest.

LAS: As a person of color, I enjoyed seeing a superhero that looked like me. How did you ensure that Miles' portrayal felt authentic to viewers, especially people of color?

Peter Ramsey, director of Spider-Man Into The Spider-Verse

RAMSEY: We wanted to make sure that Miles had a real personality of his own. That he had charm and wit. We wanted to make sure you really liked him and that you understood him. We also factored in

that he had imagination and creativity. It was really important to us because we were introducing a new version of Spider-Man.

LAS: Yes, especially his family in the film.

RAMSEY: Right! We paid a lot of attention to making his world look and feel real. We wanted his family to feel and look like a real family and that the viewer really understood the dynamics and relationship of that family. The relationship between him and his father are the heart of the movie. It is very much the heart of Miles journey into the very person he will become. The other side of his journey was his mom being from Puerto Rico. That also added to the uniqueness of him as a character. All of these things we wanted to make sure that when you walked

out of the theater knowing Miles Morales, and you felt like you could walk out the door and run into him.

LAS: I could feel that after watching the movie especially the music.

RAMSEY: Miles is the first Spider-Man to come around in the hip-hop generation. Its very different from the world Peter Parker grew up in. Even if you go back to the Spider-Man movies of the nineties with Tobey Macquire, you can see we are in a different world. Right off the bat, Miles lives in Brooklyn. We asked ourselves, what is he listening to? What's in his headphones? We know he is a hip-hop kid. The whole world of Brooklyn and art all of those things were part of the effort.

LAS: What do you want

the audience to leave feeling?

Ramsey: On the very first treatment with producer Phil Lord, he wrote a mission statement that said: "We Are Counting On You." That is the message we want to send to everyone, particularly younger people. Our story is about a young kid who is trying to find his way in the world and he draws from everything around him to realize who he is to fulfill his potential. The entire movie is that anyone can really wear that mask. You just have to try to live up to what it means. That's really the message. We want people feeling like they can actually do it if they just give it a try.

"Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse" releases everywhere Friday, Dec. 14.

NBNA Scholarship Program Now Open For Black Nurses

Submitted
By Black News

National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) is committed to excellence in education and conducts continuing education programs for nurses and allied health professionals throughout the year. The association provides annual scholarships for students. Scholarships pro-

vide funding for continuing education. This funding enables nurses to grow and better contribute their talents to the health and healthcare of our communities.

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- * Dr. Lauranne Sams

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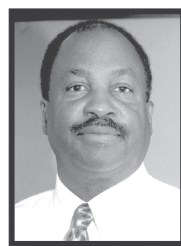
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Know The Facts: Five Biggest Myths About Diabetes

Submitted
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2 diabetes are often at a normal weight or only moderately overweight. **Myth:** Diabetes is caused by eating sugar. **Fact:** Type 1 diabetes is a disease, in which the immune system attacks insulin-producing beta cells. Type 2 diabetes is caused by the body's inability to use the insulin it produces and progresses so that less insulin is produced over time. Eating sug-

a healthy range, so insulin is needed. People with type 1 diabetes require insulin to survive. **Myth:** People with diabetes need to eat special foods and can't eat sweets. **Fact:** A healthy meal plan for people with diabetes is generally the same as a healthy eating plan for anyone: low in saturated fat and moderate in salt and sugar, with meals based on lean protein, nonstarchy vegetables, whole grains, healthy fats and fruit. People with diabetes can eat sweets and desserts. The key to sweets for everyone is small por-



poor choices. The American Diabetes Association is setting the record straight. Here's what's real and what's not when it comes to diabetes: **Myth:** Being overweight causes diabetes. **Fact:** Being overweight is a risk factor for developing type 2 diabetes but it's not the only one. Family history, ethnicity and age also play a significant role. In fact, people with type

ar doesn't cause either type, though a diet high in calories can contribute to weight gain, which increases one's risk of developing type 2 diabetes. **Myth:** Taking insulin means you have failed to manage your diabetes properly. **Fact:** Type 2 diabetes is a progressive disease. Over time, the body gradually produces less and less of its own insulin to keep blood glucose levels in

tions. **Myth:** Diabetes isn't that serious. **Fact:** Diabetes causes more deaths per year than breast cancer and AIDS combined, and nearly doubles your chance of having a heart attack. The good news is that managing diabetes can reduce your risk of such complications. For more information, go to www.diabetes.org/everydayreality.

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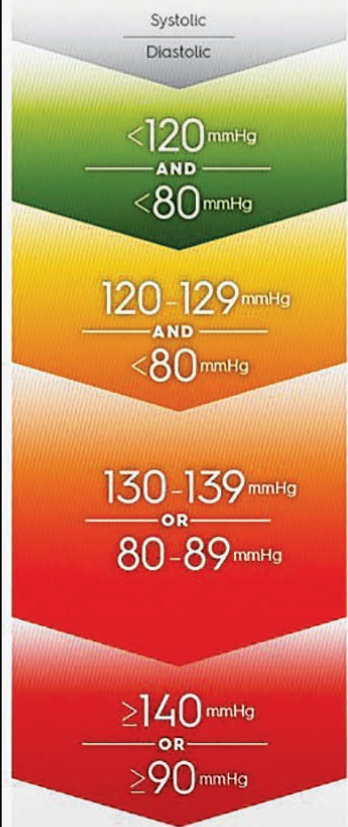
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By AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION NEWS



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HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE / STAGE 2
*Recommendations: Lifestyle changes and 2 different classes of medicine, with monthly follow-ups until BP is controlled.

*Individual recommendations need to come from your doctor.
Source: American Heart Association's Journal Hypertension
Published Nov. 13, 2017

Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church holds 24th Pastoral Anniversary Honoring Elder Jimmie L. Jordan, Jr.



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Rev. Dr. John W. Williams; Elder Jimmie L. Jordan, Jr.



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The Children and Pastor Jordan.



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Rev. Dr. John Williams (left), Elder Will Davis (center) and Rev. Dr. Willie L. Perryman, Jr. (right).

By Evangelist Debra J. Everett, and photos By Marvin Crowell, Sr, Ebenezer

The Rev. Dr. Willie L. Perryman, Jr. and Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church, opened this 24th pastoral celebration with an encouraging message entitled: "A Shepherd's Heart"; taken from Jeremiah 3:15. Rev. Perryman eloquently proclaimed that God give shepherds according to His own heart, and indeed, Pastor Jimmie L. Jordan, Jr. has demonstrated a shepherd's heart while serving the congregation of Ebenezer.

Rev. Dr. John W. Williams and the Eastern Star Missionary Baptist Church joined in the celebration bringing a profound message where Rev. Williams delivered the message entitled: "Faithful to your Calling", from Joshua 1:7-8 and Jeremiah 3:15. Rev. Williams gave the clear message that Elder Jordan, Jr. has indeed fulfilled his call serve in these 24 years! An overwhelming since of worship swept through the sanctuary of Ebenezer Church. Elder Jordan has served in ministry since 1970 when he delivered his initial sermon on May 19, 1970. His sermon theme was "Lord of Host". He went on to be ordained in December 1972. In preparation for this pastoral journey, Elder Jordan received his Degree in Theology in 1984, and went on to attend Wayne State University, Detroit, MI and other educational institutes in order to lead his congregation and the community in striving for excellence, both naturally and spiritually.

The Emcee, Bro. Larry Jones of Indiana Avenue Baptist Church, announced the procession. The first to enter were the Associate Ministers of Ebenezer and their wives; the Mother's Board, accompanied by the brothers of Ebenezer; Deacon Fletcher Ballard, Son, and Deacon Keith Jordan, Sr.



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Sis Barbara Crowell, Directress of the Adult Choir, Minister Michael Bailey, and saxophonist Arthur Bishop.




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The Ebenezer MBC Choir sings during the service.

is special. "I've been a member for seven years, and he teaches straight from the Bible. Having that foundation of strict Bible teaching is our instructions to Heaven," she said. "I originally was just coming to visit four years ago, and I ended up staying," said Elder Will Davis. "Pastor Jordan's teachings are a magnet," he said.

Deacon Fletcher Ballard has been a member for 24 years, and describes Pastor Jordan's teachings as "Real treat for people." "When I first met Pastor Jordan, I knew through his teachings that I was supposed to be close to him," he said. The congregation was filled with guests and well-wishers throughout the city of Toledo. Our

city officials joined in the services, as Elder Jordan has been a very active support in our community, some of the official guests seized the moment to express their gratitude for the pastoral care that is extended to them as they minister in the political arena in Ohio. A precious moment

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One partner is in a committed monogamous relationship while the other is either in a relationship or single. A clearer definition of an emotional affair can be defined as follows: a relationship between a person and someone other than their spouse or lover that has an impact on the level of intimacy, emotional distance and overall dynamic balance in the marriage. The role of an affair is to create emotional distance in the marriage.

Emotional affairs are more powerful than any one-night stand because they involved the most important part of our being and that is the heart. Here are six facts and figures to determine whether you are you having an affair.

Fact 1:

Research by Glass & Wright found that men's extramarital relationships were more sexual and a woman's more emotional. For both genders, sexual and emotional, extramarital involvement occurred in those with the greatest marital dissatisfaction.

Fact 2:

Sexual and emotional chemistry can present itself based on a physical attraction one might feel for another person. In addition, it can also be related to an increase in dopamine, a hormone that produces feelings of pleasure and norepinephrine, which is similar to adrenaline and causes an increase in excitement.



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citement. In most both cases there is an unspoken attraction that exists. Sexual feelings in an emotional affair are necessarily denied in order to maintain the illusion that it's just a special friend. Do you have any special friends?

Fact 3:

Chaste and emotionally intimate affairs tend to be more common than sexually intimate affairs. Shirley Glass in her study, reported in 'Not Just Friend' 44 percent of husbands and 57 percent of wives indicated that in their affair they had a strong emotional involvement to the other without intercourse. Who are you emotionally involved with outside of your relationship or marriage?

Fact 4:

Inappropriate emotional intimacy occurs if one partner is unfaithful through spending excessive time with someone of the opposite sex. He or she or may confide more in their new 'friend' than in their partner and may share more intimate emotional feelings and secrets with their new partner than with their existing spouse.

Fact 5:

The University of Chicago surveys conducted by NORC between 1990 and 2002, 27 percent of people who reported being happy in marriage admitted to having an extramarital affair.

Fact 6:

Emotional triangles can be a problem because the unfaithful one struggles to keep the other two from knowing of the party impact of one upon the other. When a person becomes emotionally involved with a third party, they may view the new person as all good and their committed partner as all bad. This person may blame their interest in the third party on their committed partner, which will lead to increased fighting and strain on the relationship.

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Ask Alma

Dear Alma,

I'm friends with my next door neighbor. She's not my BFF, but we hang from time to time. Her husband is in the military and she doesn't have family in the area. She and I have a lot in common — we're around the same age and like the same things. She has a son, and I have a daughter. The kids both go to the same high school. Yesterday my neighbor stopped by to tell me they are moving. Her husband has been transferred to another state. She asked me if I would let her 17-year-old son live with us while he finished his last year of school here in our town. She said they would pay room and board for him. I'm not married, and I'm not sure how it would be with a teen boy in my house. What do you think?

Name withheld

Good googalie woogalie, my Mama use to say. That's a whole lot of turkey, greens, potatoes and gravy served up on your fine china. Hmm, let's ponder, should you try to eat all of it, fork-full by spoon-full or just push yourself away from the table without a bite? Listen to your stomach. Do you have an appetite for this?

Yes, it's a risky situation, we both would agree. I don't know this young man, and since you didn't speak of his personality or character, this leaves me to assume. I'm going with a positive approach, concluding he's a pretty good kid.

Here's what I'd suggest, make a list. Yep, write down the pros and cons of this possible yearlong endeavor. Identify every thought that comes to mind — what you expect and what scares you the most. I'd say work on this for more than a couple of days. You need to be prayerfully on your knees for at least a week.

You also have to consider your daughter. This would be life-changing for her as well.

All three adults need to sit down at the table hashing out the good, bad and the ugly.

Thoroughly examine what room and board will cover. Obviously rent and utilities, but what about food? Boys his age can eat you out of house and home. This I know for sure. Will he stay with you during the week and go home on the weekends? What about extra-curricular activities? Are you responsible for getting him there, or does he have a car? Does he have a girlfriend? Are you friends with him, or does he see you as an authoritative adult? Like I said, we're talking a full plate here. It could be a sacrifice and or a blessing to all involved.

Taking in this teen doesn't have to be a bad thing. It's only temporary, and he has parents. Many teens who were taken in by outside adults have gone on to do great things. One example is Michael Oher, the professional football player whose story inspired the movie "The Blind Side." Remember? He was cared for by a family so he could finish high school. If you like this young man and wouldn't mind him living in your home, tell his parents you're willing to give it a try for the first semester — that's three months. If things seem to work out, commit to the next semester. That way, he knows he has to follow the rules and live up to your and his parents' expectations. This is a huge responsibility, and the answer to the question of "will this work" is up to him.

I salute you, single mama. You must be holding it down. Otherwise, his parents wouldn't have asked. In the same vein, you are not obligated. If you don't want to, don't do it, and don't feel badly about it. Tell his parents it just wouldn't work for you and your daughter right now. Best wishes and blessings to you while you pray on your decision, whatever you decide is the right thing to do.

Alma

Viola Davis to portray Shirley Chisholm in a feature film



By Lauren Victoria Burke,
NNPA Newswire Correspondent

Oscar-winning actress Viola Davis will portray legendary politician Shirley Chisholm in a feature film for Amazon Studios. Chisholm was the first African American woman in U.S. history to be elected to Congress.

The announcement regarding the film landed on the same day as news of a Shirley Chisholm statue in New York City's Prospect Park was announced by New York's first lady Chirlane McCray on the last day of November. November 30 would have been Chisholm's 94th birthday.

The film project is currently entitled "The Fighting Shirley Chisholm." According to Deadline Hollywood, "Davis will produce and star as the U.S. Representative."

Amazon Studios won a bidding war for the rights to produce the Shirley Chisholm film. The project is the first Amazon Studios production deal emerging from the partnership between Viola Davis and Julius Tennon's Ju-Vee Productions and Amazon.

Maggie Betts will direct the movie. Her feature film "Novitiate" was nominated for the Grand Jury Prize at the Sundance Film Festival in 2017.

tival in 2017.

Chisholm represented parts of Brooklyn which made up what was then the 12th congressional district in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1969 to 1983. In a historic move, Chisholm ran for president in 1972. She was the first African American to mount a major party run for President as well as the first African American woman to run. Chisholm passed away in 2005 in Florida at the age 80.

Viola Davis won an Oscar in 2017 for supporting actress in her role with Denzel Washington in the film version of August Wilson's play "Fences." Davis also won a Golden Globe and SAG award for the performance.

Betts, who will direct the Chisholm biopic, is represented by Homegrown entertainment which is focused on "creating content by and about women and people of color with authentic stories, depictions and representation."

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December 16, 1870: Colored Methodist Episcopal Church organized in Jackson, Tennessee.

December 12, 1899: George F. Grant, dentist & golfer, receives a patent for a wooden golf tee.

December 15, 1911: William Hinton, first African American professor at Harvard Medical School born.

December 15, 1961: Dr. King arrives in Albany, Ga., in response to a call from Dr. W.G. Anderson, the leader of the Albany Movement, to desegregate public facilities.

December 16, 1961: Dr. King is arrested at an Albany, Ga., demonstration. He is charged with obstructing the sidewalk and parading without a permit.

December 14, 1968: Sammy Davis Jr. awarded Spingarn Medal for his "superb and many faceted talent," and his contributions to the civil rights movement.

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First Black NHL Player Inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame



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Nationwide — William O'Brien, the first African-American player to play in the National Hockey League, was recently inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame, nearly six decades since he joined the league. Now 83 years old, O'Brien will be honored not just for his

historical significance but also for his contributions in spearheading numerous youth programs across North America.

O'Brien made history when he started playing for the Boston Bruins in 1958. In his 24 seasons in professional hockey, he had to endure several offensive insults just because of the color of

his skin.

In one incident, he had his teeth purposely knocked out by his opponent's hockey stick. Another time, he had been yanked and attacked by a mob of hostile fans. He was often put on minor leagues, too. Despite that, he still loved the game and continued playing it.

"I heard that N-word

so many times that I just let it go in one ear and out the other," O'Brien told The New York Times. "I never fought because of racial slurs or remarks. I fought because guys speared me, butt-ended me, crosschecked me and things of that nature. Otherwise I would have spent every game in the penalty box."

O'Brien persevered all those challenges and paved the way for other Black athletes who want to follow in his footsteps. After retiring from hockey, he also spent decades of working with young players across North America through different youth hockey and outreach programs. "Willie O'Brien's story must not be forgotten,"

Karl Subban, a father of three Black NHL draft picks, told Sports Illustrated. "He has made it possible for my boys to have the NHL dream and to believe they could achieve it. He changed hockey which is now for everyone. Hockey needed him and so does the Hockey Hall of Fame. The time is right!"

Famous Black Quotations

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Alexandre Dumas, pere

*Up, up, you mighty race!
You can accomplish what you will.*
Marcus Garvey

Time is neutral and does not change things. With courage and initiative, leaders change things.
Jesse Jackson

Power in defense of freedom is greater than power in behalf of tyranny and oppression.
MalcolmX

A man's bread and butter is only insured when he works for it.
Marcus Garvey

In Africa, there are no niggers; and I will die before I become a nigger for your entertainment.
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24th Pastoral Anniversary honors Elder Jimmie L. Jordan, Jr.



Rev. Dr. John Williams preaching to before the congregation.



Elected officials sit in the congregation.

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was the tributes to Pastor Jordan that was delivered by Elder Johnnie Jordan, Sr., of Friendship Baptist Church, Elder Jimmie L.

Jordan, Jr. brother ; and Deacon Keith Jordan, the beloved son of Elder Jimmie L. Jordan

The columniation of this 24th pastoral celebration with Bishop Rance Allen and New

Bethel Bountiful Blessings COGIC was the celebration of thanks to God for the continued pastoral leadership of Elder Jordan. May Pastor Jordan, continue and prosper in all he do ac-

cording to 2 Chronicles 31:21.

Although the anniversary was a blessed celebration, as described by Pastor Jordan, he said he felt that his late wife, First Lady, Rosie Jordan

was with him to share in the joyous moment.

“If you keep serving the Lord, He will bless you,” he said. Pastor Jordan said upcoming plans for the congregation include beauti-

fication of the sanctuary, and increasing the growth of the church.

“The spirit of God is felt within His house when you move to help others in the community,” Pastor Jordan said.

Lucas County auditor announces dog licensing

Submitted

Anita Lopez, Lucas County Auditor is happy to announce the start of the 2018-2019 Dog Licensing Season. The Auditor encourages all Lucas County Dog own-

ers to renew their licenses as soon as possible at any of the county's, thirty-one (31) vendor locations. Last season, Toledo Lucas County Library and the Auditor formed a licensing partnership. The partnership has prov-

en to be a real benefit to citizens enhancing convenience and reducing wait-times, but the Auditor feels it is important to note that she appreciates the support of all other vendors as well. Also, the Auditor has designed new

processing improvements that have moved more operations online and eliminated a great deal of paper handling. “We are pleased with these changes as they had increased efficiency and reduced overtime hours that were

required to handle over 55,000 applications.

Dog owners can purchase a license that started December 1, 2018, through January 31, 2019.

Fee Details:
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brary locations; check and cash at the BMV License Bureau; the Lucas County Auditor accepts cash and checks in person and credit cards online; payments and additional fees vary at licensing locations and online.

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