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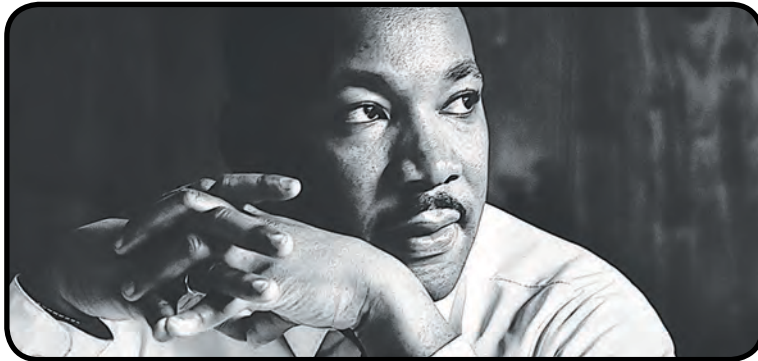
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Toledo remembers Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., shot April 4, 1968, at 6:01 p.m. and died at 7:05 p.m.



By Michael Daniels
Journal Staff Reporter

On Sunday, March 31, 2019, the Event Committee of the Monroe Street United Methodist Church presented a Toledo Community Reading of one of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s most infamous speech's, "Beyond Vietnam: A Time to Break Silence".

Originally delivered on April 4, 1967, at the nationally known Riverside Church in New York

Cities upper west side, this speech was infamous because it forever changed Dr. King's personal landscape. For those in authority at the time, with this speech now Dr. King had gone too far.

It was alright for him to speak out on national issues of civil rights, but to extend his reach and publicly criticize the war in Vietnam and U.S. Foreign

Policy, just was not his place.



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Toledoan Linda Ransey with MLK Program Event Coordinator Lynne Hamer (center) and her musician son Sam Hamer-Light at the MLK program.

Before this speech, Dr. King and then current President Lyndon B. Johnson had enjoyed a somewhat consensual relationship, they were allies. After this speech Dr. King found himself standing on the opposite side of a national issue with the President of The United States, and their relationship would never be the same again.

Some even speculate that this controversial speech may have lead to Dr. King's eventual demise because exactly one year later to the date, he was assassinated. This, of course, is only speculation and who really knows about things that go bump in the night.

Never the less, the contents of this particular speech, the timing of its delivery and the

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Participating in the program were(L-R) Anita Madison: African American Police League, Diane Gordon: Kwaanza House, Ray Wood: NAACP and Michael Keys: Sacred Grounds Toledo with (L) Donald Lynn: Kwaanza House and (R) Lenette Holden: NAACP.



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Washington Muhammad from the Community Solidarity Response Network recites a portion of Dr. King's speech at the MLK program.



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(L-R) Judy Lee Trautman: Multi-faith Council with program participants, Juanita Green: Toledo Community Coalition, Washington Muhammad: Community Solidarity Response Network, Hope Bland: Toledo Affiliation of Black School Educators, Phyllis Autry: First Church of God, and Sarah Twitchell: National Association of Social Workers



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Diane Gordon of the Kwaanza House recites her part of Dr. King's speech during the MLK program.

Toledo remembers Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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issues surrounding it, have elevated it to the top of the list of great speeches by Dr. King, right behind the “I have a Dream” speech.

This particular speech is obviously still relevant today as so well demonstrated in Sunday’s program. Over forty local civil rights and social justice awareness organizations sent representatives to participate in the program.

The program began with musical selections by local musicians and then the singing of the famous civil rights anthem, “Lift Every Voice and Sing”. Then the reading of excerpts from Dr. King’s, “I Have a Dream” speech.

This was followed by the dramatic presentation of Dr. King’s speech, “Beyond Vietnam: A Time to Break Silence,” and the title says it all. Presented in its entirety, one by one following each other members from the represented organizations stepped forward to recite their portion of this dynamic speech. Ending with everyone reciting the last part of the speech in unison and the ringing of a bell.

All and all this program took us back to a time in America of unrest and turmoil. A time when we were in a war that few of us understood the reason why we were at war. A time when one man of courage stood up and spoke out against that which he saw as an injustice regardless of the consequences. It was a time that we have never forgotten, it was the time of the war in Vietnam!

“
I am convinced that if we are to get on the right side of the world revolution, we as a nation must undergo a radical revolution of values. We must rapidly begin...we must rapidly begin the shift from a thing-oriented society to a person-oriented society.
—Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
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Calling all artists! The Toledo Zoo is seeking all the creative minds and skilled craftsmen in the area to take part in our art fair. Keep reading for all the wild and wonderful details. Artists may sign up by visiting toledozoo.org/wildaboutart to be directed to our online application through ZAPP®. Applications must be submitted online through ZAPP® by Friday, April 5, 2019. Please note: art does not have to be animal related. Any questions, please contact artfair@toledozoo.org or call 419-385-5721 ext. 2110. The Zoo hopes everyone, artists and appreciators, will save the date for Wild about Art on Saturday, August 3 and Sunday, August 4 from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. both days.

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. Evelyns number is 419-490-6851 and Mary is 419-536-9544. Come on Bulldogs we need your info. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Second Tuesday
Every Month

The Toledo Base Submarine Veterans

Holds it's monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of the month at The Genesis Village Events Center 2429 S. Reynolds Road Toledo Ohio at 18:00 hours (6 PM).Our next meeting will be on Tuesday April 9 2019. For further information you can contact our Base Commander Michael Meehan at 505-554-8636 or at wingsfaninnm@gmail.com.

Second Tuesday of
Every Month

Health Department Expands Shots
4 Tots n Teens
Immunization Clinic Locations

Starting now, the Shots 4 Tots n Teens clinic will be replacing an existing Western Lucas County site in Holland. The new clinic site at the Holland Branch Library, 1032 S. McCord Road, Holland, will target the 43528 zip code and Western Lucas County area. The new clinic location will be held on the second Tuesday of every month from 9:30 am to 12:00 pm. Shots 4 Tots n Teens is a walk-in immunization clinic for children from birth through 18 years old. In order for your child to receive services, please bring the following items: Child's Paper Shot Record, Child's Insurance Card (if any) and a Parent's ID. All insurance plans are accepted. A fee of \$21.25 per shot is charged for those without insurance; however, no child will be turned away due to inability to pay. Cash, checks, and credit cards (service fee will apply) are accepted. The Shots 4 Tots n Teens staff will ensure your child is up-to-date on their immunizations and ready for daycare or school. There are special shot requirements at kindergarten, seventh, and twelfth grades. If additional information, please call 419-213-4121 or visit lucascountyhealth.com.

Every Third Wednesday

Lucas County Human Trafficking Coalition
and Social Justice Insitute

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 of God
Food Pantry, 10 AM to 12 PM
2239 Cheyenne Blvd, Toledo OH 43614

April 6th

The Flanders Road Church of Christ
Clothing Giveaway

At 5130 Flanders Road, Toledo, OH 43623, on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will be clothing for men, women and children. Everyone is welcome.

April 6th

**Pancake Breakfast & Silent Auction for
Kidney Foundation**

The Northern Light Lodge will be hosting the Pancake Breakfast and Silent auction to benefit the Kidney Foundation of Northwest Ohio (Central Avenue, Toledo Ohio) on Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The benfit breakfast will be held at the Northern Light Masonic Lodge #40, 119 W. Wayne Street, Maumee OH. Breakfast will include pancakes, eggs, hash browns, sausage, grits, coffee and juice. Key items in this year's silent auction will include tickets tos sporting events, tickets to the Toledo Symphony, unlimited car wases for a year, and art work (paintings). Cost Admission is \$5 per adult and \$3 per child. Information call: 419-329-2353, or email: events@kfnwo.org.

April 7th

The Indiana Avenue Missionary Baptist
Church

54th Pastoral Appreciation for
Rev. Dr. John E. & Mother Bernice Roberts

At 640 Indiana Ave., Toledo, OH 43604. Sunday at 3:30 PM. THEME: "Honoring A Faithful Servant." Prov-erbs 28:20. "A Faithful Man Will Abound With Beless-ings." Guest: Eastern Star Missionary Baptist Church, Rev. Dr. John Williams, Pastor.

April 7th

Church of the Living God Women's Day

Church of the Living God at 3220 Meadowbrook Ct, Toledo will be celebrating their annual Women's Day on Sunday, at 4:00pm. Guest speaker: Evangelist Tereatha Weatherly, Associate Pastor of Kingdom Life Christian Center. For more information contact Elder Linda Warren, Sr. Pastor, COTLG 419-279-4747. Chairlady: Deaconess Julia Missy Brownlee. "Come experience a mighty move of God's Spirit"

April Is National Child Abuse Prevention
Month

LCCS has a number of events to mark the occasion and raise awareness locally.

April 10th

Eighth Annual Wear Blue Day (all day)

Eighth annual social media campaign encourages in-dividuals, offices, agencies, workplaces to wear blue to support the fight against chld abuse and neglect.

April 10th

Wear Blue Night with the Mud Hens

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Fifth Third Field

For the first time, Wear Blue Day will include a special event: "Wear Blue Night" at the Toledo Mud Hens.The Mud Hens will wear blue jerseys tht evening when they take the field for the 6:35p.m. games vs. the Indianapolis Indians. Fans can purchase tickets for that night's game at ww.mudhens.com and enter "BLUE" at checkout for a special promotion. Foster families and children in kinship care will be specail guests of the Mud Hens that evening as well.

April 13TH

**Martin Luther King
Kitchen For The Poor**
Celebrates 50 Years

Martin Luther King Kitchen for the Poor will celebrate its first 50 years of feeding the poor in central Toledo with a Golden Gala, Saturday at 6 p.m. at Summit Event Center on Summit Street in Toledo. Black tie optional, music by The Overton Project, a lovely dinner and an auction plus the chance to once again support the Kitch-en, which serves 150 meals each weekday and provides more than 1,500 food boxes per year to people in need. Purchase tickets, view and bid on auction items and reg-ister phone for the auction at <http://mlkkitchen.home.qtego.net>. Martin Luther King Kitchen for the Poor was established in 1969 by the late Rev. Harvey, Sr., and Martha Savage, in re-sponse to the tremendous need they saw in their com-munity.

April 26th

Lucas County Child
Memorial

Friday, 11 a.m., Confer-
ence & Learning Center,
711 Adams St.

Annual observance to
remember the children who
died in Lucas County as a
result of physical abuse,
neglect, or community vio-
lence. This year, six chil-
dren will be remembered.
Five of them died due to
gun violence. The Waite
HS Honors Choir and the
Springfield HS ROTC will
take part this year.

April 27th

Family Baptist
Church
Health Fair

The Women's Ministry of
the Family Baptist Church
will host a Health Fair on
Saturday at 10:00 a.m. to
2:00 p.m. There will be
three breakout sessions.
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dors. Free blood pressure
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April 5 & 12

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hood Center, 4255 Bellevue Road. Handicap Acces-
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do free Cholesterol and Blood sugar screenings. Door prizes and Refreshments will be provided. Family Baptist Church 1002 W. Bancroft St. Toledo, Ohio, next to KFC.

April 28, 2019

Author Stacey Abrams
@ Bowsher High School

Sunday, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m, @ Bowsher High School, 2200 Arlington Ave., Toledo, Ohio 43614. National leader Stacey Abrams has written the guide to harnessing the strengths of being an outsider and succeeding anyway. Stacy Abrams is an author, serial entrepreneur, nonprofit CEO and political leader. After eleven years in the Georgia House of Representa-tives, seven as Minority Leader, Abrams became the 2018 Democratic nominee for Governor of Georgia, where she won more votes than any other Democrat in the state's history. And, the first black woman to become the gubernatorial nominee for a major party in the United States. At the program, Ms. Abrams will speak for about forty-five minutes, followed by a short question and answer session. After the program, the author will be avaailable for a book signing. A copy of the book is included with each ticket. Additional books will not be available at the event.

April 28th

The Arts Commission

Second Annual Workshop

The Arts Commission is pleased to present the second annual workshop, But What Does It Pay? Music Distribution in the Age of Streaming. On Sun-day, the public is invited to join Larry Meyer, Arts Commission board member and local attorney, to discuss basic legal and business issues surrounding music streaming. Featured panelists Joel Trzcinski and Dean Tartaglia will cover ideas for effective mus-ic marketing and publicity in the age of streaming. More information about this opportunity can be found on our website, along with a link to RSVP: www.theartscommission.org/forartists. From 4:00-6:00 p.m. Where: Black Cloister Brewing Copany, 619 Monroe St, Toledo, OH 43604

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Imposing a Modern-day Version of a Poll Tax is a New Low



By Jesse Jackson
Wire Writer

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - Until 2018, Florida — the state vital to the presidential victories of George Bush and Donald Trump — deprived one in 10 voters, and two in 10 African Americans, of the right to vote with a constitutional provision banning felons from voting, even after they had fulfilled their sentences. Many with nonviolent drug felonies, enforced by a systematically biased criminal justice system, are kept from the polls. The discriminatory effect and intent of this exclusion is obvious. In a stunning act of decency in 2018, Floridians voted overwhelmingly to amend their constitution and restore the voting rights of Floridians with felony convictions “after they complete all terms of their sentence, including parole or probation.”

According to the Tallahassee Democrat, the “Voting Restoration Amendment,” would “grant most of the 1.7 million convicted felons the right to vote and help select their leaders for local, state and federal offices.” Voting rights activists drew up plans to help contact and register them, with the charismatic young leader, former Democratic gubernatorial candidate, Andrew Gillum

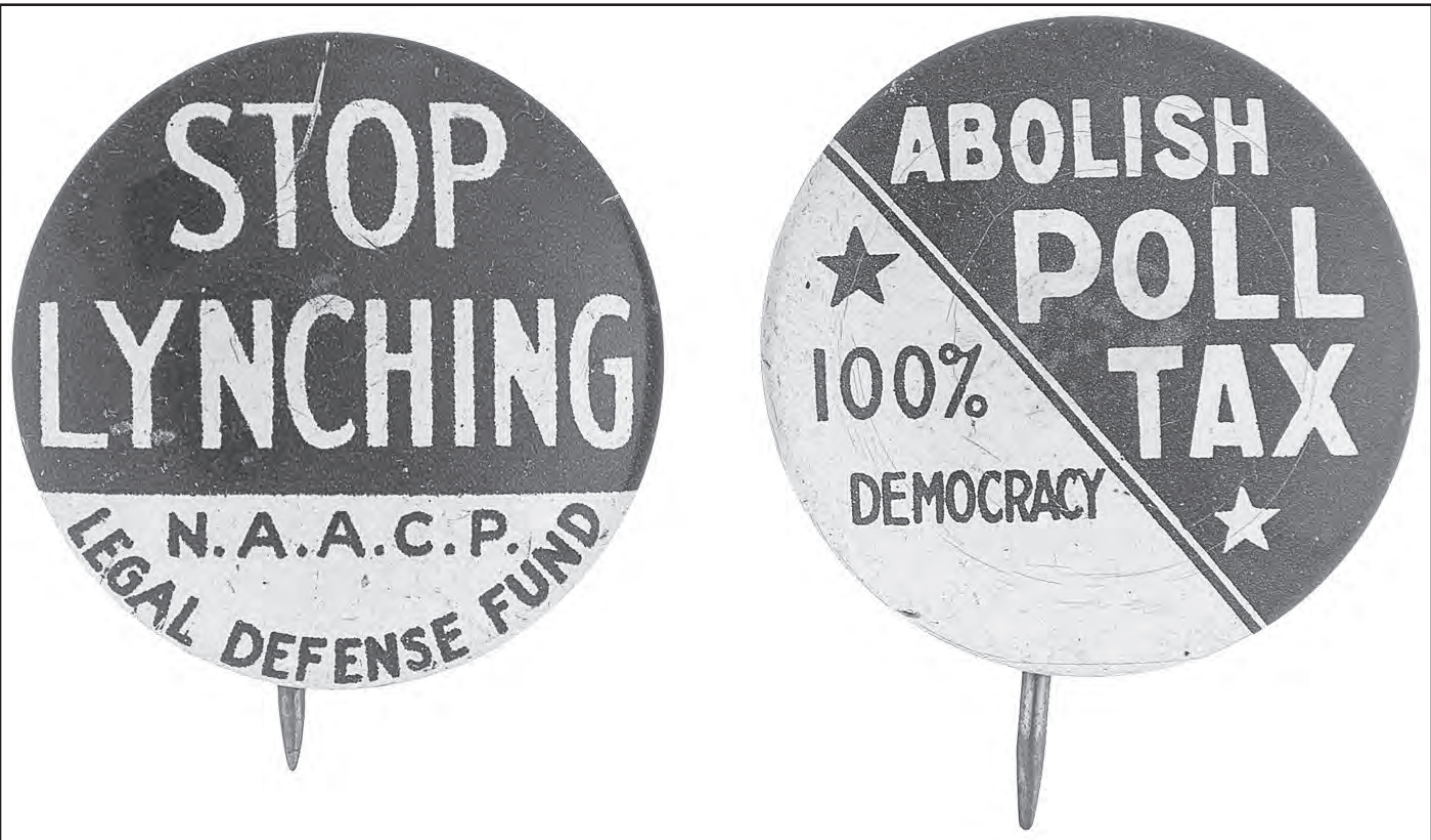


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Two NAACP pins from the 1940's.

committed to leading the effort. Now Republicans in the state legislator are moving to frustrate the will of citizens, adding a new burden to exclude voters, a new form of one of the most loathsome Jim Crow tactics — the poll tax. Republicans in a House committee have voted — contrary to the intent and the text of the referendum passed by voters — to exclude from voting those who haven’t paid their fines (even including those on a court-approved payment plan). Fines are imposed not by judges as part of the sentence, but by administrative clerks. They do not block any other voters from voting.

If Republicans have their way — and they have a majority in the House legislature — they will likely use these fines to block a substantial portion of African Americans from voting. Despite the will of its people, Florida Republicans want to impose a racially biased poll tax to strip citi-

zens of the right to vote — and to tilt elections in their favor. Beginning in the 1890s, the poll tax was central to enforcing segregation in the South. Most of the laws had a “grandfather clause” that exempted those whose parents or grandparents had the right to vote prior to the Civil War. In 1964, this foul measure was outlawed for federal elections in the 24th Amendment to the Constitution. In 1966, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled it unconstitutional even in state elections. So states like Florida found other tricks and traps to limit the vote. Now, after the citizens of Florida have thrown out felony exclusion, Republicans threaten to impose a new Jim Crow poll tax.

There is no justification — except partisan zealotry built upon race-based politics. Republicans, from Trump on down, have chosen to make themselves the party of racial division. African Americans, not surprisingly, tend

to vote overwhelmingly against them. So Republicans use various tricks to suppress the African-American vote — gerrymandering, restrictive voter ID laws, cuts in early voter hours and opposition to same-day voter registration — all to make it harder for the poor and minorities to vote. But imposing the modern-day version of a poll tax is a new low.

If Republicans do succeed in passing this injustice, it will be challenged in the courts or in another referendum. But none of this should be necessary. The real question is to the Republican congressional majority in Florida: Have you no decency? Are you so blinded by partisan self-interest that you would maliciously deprive a million Floridians of the right to vote? Are you so arrogant as to ignore the 65 percent of the voters who voted to erase this injustice from Florida’s constitution? Have you no shame?

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Toward a Living Wage



By Julianne Malveaux
Wire Writer

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - It is unfathomable that the federal minimum wage has not been increased in more than a decade, since 2007, that the wage, at \$7.25 per hour has remained flat through recession and re-

covery, through extremely high unemployment rates and much lower ones. Republicans have absolutely refused to consider minimum wage increases, and in early March rejected a bill that would increase the federal minimum wage to \$15 an hour by 2024. Still, with the Democratic majority in Congress, the bill came out of committee on a 28-20 party line vote.

While the federal government drags its feet, six states, the District of Columbia and several other cities now have a minimum wage that will rise to \$15 in the next few years. In late March, Maryland joined California, Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey and Illinois in increasing the minimum wage, even though Republican governor Larry Hogan vetoed the legislation. Both houses of the Maryland legis-

lature overrode his veto, even though he melodramatically noted that a higher minimum wage would "devastate" the Maryland economy.

Unions, McDonald's workers, and the Fight for Fifteen have fueled the national push to raise the minimum wage, especially as people have noted that wage stagnation has resulted in an extremely uneven economic recovery. While those at the top are celebrating economic growth, those at the bottom have barely experienced it. And the current minimum wage of \$7.25 produces annual pay of \$15,080, assuming that someone works a full 40 hours a week all 52 weeks of the year, which is often unlikely because many minimum wage jobs are part-time jobs.

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Prayers and Petitions Call for Payday Rule Enactment

Clergy Pray in Protest at Trump Doral While 130-Member Coalition Petitions CFPB



By Charlene Crowell
Wire Writer

Every year the payday lending industry convenes in an effort to further expand and preserve the combined \$8 billion-dollars in fees generated each year by consumers caught in that and car-title loans. This year, 2019, also marks the second consecutive year, that the organization representing sellers of these debt-trap loans, the Community Financial Services Association of America (CFSA), has held its event at the Trump National Doral resort in Miami.

Pardon me; but it appears that the payday lending industry is proud about its closeness to the White House. After all, once the Trump Administration began, its pledge to end consumer protections has been relentlessly and broadly pursued.

From Mick Mulvaney, CFPB's former Acting Director who was a beneficiary of the industry's campaign donations as a Member of Congress, to Kathleen Kraninger, its new Director, who is determined to block a rule that was set to go into effect this August, the payday lending agency has multiple reasons to be



pleased.

But I suspect just as much resentment about these developments are felt by the broad-based coalition of concern that for more than 10 years has fought against these lenders. These are the people who contrast greedy glee with the distress of borrowers caught in loans that average \$361 and come with interest rates as high as 600 percent or more.

It's enough to call a 'Come to Jesus' meeting.

And on March 18, that is exactly what faith groups representing 118 million Americans did. As payday lenders registered for the first day of their conference, clergy and other activists came to proclaim the harms of predatory lending, and to pray for the souls of those who appear content with robbing the poor.

"Payday and car-title loans are an abomination in plain sight," said New Orleans' Rev. Dr. Willie Gable, the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc.'s Housing and Economic Development Chair. "These lenders weave themselves into the fabric of our neighborhoods and purport to lend a helping hand. But they are wolves in sheep's clothing."

"Seeing this exploitative industry show up at the lavish resort of the current occupant of the White House and spending money they have collected from the millions struggling to break free from their

traps is an obscenity," declared Dallas' Rev. Dr. Frederick D. Haynes, III, Senior Pastor of Friendship -West Baptist Church.

"Instead of taking from the rich and giving to the poor, payday lenders take from the poor to become richer," added Bishop Frank M. Reid, III, Presiding Prelate of the Third Episcopal District and Chair of the Social Action Commission and Ecumenical Officer of the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church in Columbus, OH.

Beyond these three pastors, other clergy and social activists joining them hailed from Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Missouri, North Carolina and Virginia. Together, their prayers and petitions called for the rule now suspended to take effect as planned. Further, they seek a 36 percent interest rate cap at the federal levels and in states that have no rate cap protection. Currently, 16 states and the District of Columbia have enacted state rate cap protections. Additionally, the Military Lending Act extends protections to active-duty military.

The faithful protesters also carried signs that quoted scripture such as Proverbs 22:22, "Do not rob the poor because they are poor", and Jeremiah 22:3 that teaches, "Do justice and righteousness, and deliver the one who has been robbed from the power of the oppressor."

As Florida's faith protest got underway, another form of outrage occurred in Washington. A group of 130 organizations representing 31 states and national organizations including Unidos, formerly the National Council of LaRaza; Military Family Association, Color of Change, and the National Fair Housing Alliance, wrote Director Kraninger about the payday rule as well.

Noting that "Much more is at stake than industry revenue," the coalition wrote, they also reminded Kraninger of CFPB's own research that earlier found that 85 percent of payday loans are reborrowed, and further that 75 percent of all loan fees are due to borrowers being stuck in more than 10 loans a year.

"The Bureau should not prioritize industry profits at the expense of the consumers it was created to protect," states the letter.

That same sentiment was shared by Rev. Dr. Russell Meyer, Executive Director of the Tampa-based Florida Council of Churches. "Because their greed knows no shame, we must insist regulation is compassionate," said Rev. Meyer. Let the Church say, Amen!

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Toward a Living Wage

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The poverty line for a family of three (a working mom and two children) is \$16,910. A woman working full time at the minimum wage is living below the poverty line. She qualifies for SNAP (food stamps), and possibly for federal housing aid if she can get it. All too often, the list for housing subsidies is full, as is public housing, so assistance is not an option. What is a woman earning such a low wage to do, then, living at the economic periphery? She house-shares lives with family or endures homelessness. She lines up to get food at food banks or from other charities. She struggles to make ends meet, while her Congressional Representative earns \$174,000 a year whether they produce or not. (I'd suspend Congressional pay when they choose to shut down the government).

Too many of the people who earn

the minimum wage, mostly women, are caretakers. They mind our children and our elders, as nannies and home health workers. While we say that our children and elders are precious, we don't pay the folks who care for them as if they are. Parking lot attendants, who care for our automobiles, often earn more than the people who care for our children, mothers, and grandmothers. And yet the economy depends on them! How many working women would be hard pressed to work if their nannies or home health workers stayed home? And how would the economy adjust to the absence of nearly half of the labor force?

Ai-jen Poo, the Executive Director of the National Domestic Worker's Alliance, recently spoke about workers in the care industry, how poorly they are paid, and how essential they are. Eighty-eight percent of these workers are women, mostly women of color, and while demand for their services

“This is a great time to keep up the pressure on the states and on the federal government. Increasing the minimum wage lifts people out of poverty. Shouldn't we all be able to support that?”

is increasing (with an aging baby boom, and increased births to millennial women), pay is not. All don't make the minimum wage, but far too many do, and their efforts, though essential, are all too often invisible. Poo and her organization are working to raise the visibility of these workers, not just so we can see them, but so we can ensure that they are ad-

equately paid. Most Americans will have to interact with the care industry at some point in their life, arranging help for elderly relatives or for children. The movement toward a living wage must include these workers.

Kudos to Maryland for taking a step in the right direction. Shame on House Republicans who are enjoying economic recovery, but denying its benefits to those at the bottom. The Fight for Fifteen has momentum now. This is a great time to keep up the pressure on the states and on the federal government. Increasing the minimum wage lifts people out of poverty. Shouldn't we all be able to support that?

Julianne Malveaux is an author and economist. Her latest book "Are We Better Off? Race, Obama and Public Policy" is available via www.amazon.com for booking, wholesale inquiries or for more info visit www.juliannemalveaux.com

Mrs. Hattie Allen Celebrates 100 years of Life



Family and friends gather around Hattie Allen (center seated) for a photo .

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By Journal Staff

It was a classy and elegant affair for a classy and elegant lady, who also happened to be celebrating 100 years of living, an entire decade. Not too many people have those bragging rights, but Mrs. Hattie Allen does. On her birthday March 28, 2019, she officially

became 100 years old. On March 30, her daughter Mrs. Jesse Warren and family had a Saturday morning birthday party brunch buffet for her at the upscale Toledo Club on River Rd. In a room overlooking the peaceful Maumee River flowing by, family members and friends gathered to honor Mrs. Allen and

her 100 years of life. Can you imagine all the things she's seen, done and experienced in a changing world in 100 years? And, especially living in the south, as she did most of her life, certainly there some stories that she could tell. Mrs. Allen was born March 28, 1919, in Athens, Texas to Dorothy

Chancellor Barker and Henderson Barker. At an early age, her family moved to Dallas, Texas. In Dallas, she attended N. W. Harlee Elementary School and graduated from the Booker T. Washington High School in the public-school system. After high school, she went on to attend Prairie View A&M College.

Eventually, she got married to Abner Allen and they were married 50 years. Together they reared three children: Edna L. Allen (deceased), Roy E. Allen (deceased), and Jessie Allen Warren.

In Dallas, she and her husband owned and operated Allen's Grocery and Market. They both were generous and kind to their customers, it was not unusual for them to let their neighbors and customers have food on credit until they were able to pay their bill.

Also in Dallas, Mrs. Allen was an active member of her church, "Greater Bethlehem Baptist Church" for over fifty years. There she served in the Senior Usher's Ministry, Women's Day Ministry, and Deaconess Ministry. She was also recognized as an honoree for a church Women's Day Celebration.

Outside of family,

church and work, her social and civic activities included volunteering with the American Red Cross, a Notary Public, and a poll worker during elections.

She was also considered by many to be a neighborhood and community leader because of her business acumen. Because of this, she was honored by the Dallas Chapter of the NBAPW Club in the area of Business.

In her spare time, she enjoys hobbies including watching sports games, playing cards games especially Bid Whist and Dominos, and using her com-

puter and tablet. An adventurer spirit, she also enjoys traveling and has been to San Francisco/Oakland CA, South Africa, Hawaii and on trips to visit her grandchildren.

She is the grandmother of three: Roy Allan Jr. and Derrick Ross of Dallas, TX. And Melanie Gross of Oakland CA. In addition, she is the adopted grandmother of LaShon Washington, Norita Jones and Shontrice Robago of Dallas, TX, and the great grandmother of four.

In 2013 she moved to Toledo to live with her daughter and son-in-law, Bishop Clifford Warren and became an integral part of their church, The Church of the Living God where she is known as "Mom".

About her party Mrs. Allen had only one thing to say, "I'm just so happy", and about living in Toledo she said with a smile, 'I love Toledo, all except for the weather!'

Her granddaughter Melanie Gross said of her grandmother, "My grandmother is my rock and my everything. She is such an Amazing woman; she has given back to so many people and enriched their lives. To me, this is the perfect time to give her, her roses while she is still living."



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Family member Pastor Linda Warren said the grace and blessed the food and the day at Mrs. Hattie M. Allen's 100-birthday party.



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Guests enjoyed a classy and elegant affair at the upscale Toledo Club on River Rd. overlooking the peaceful Maumee River at Mrs. Hattie M. Allen Saturday morning 100 birthday party brunch buffet.



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Harvey Savage, Jr. almost had a surprise 75th birthday party



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Harvey Savage, Jr.'s friends and family join to celebrate his birthday.

By Journal Staff

It was supposed to be a surprise and it almost was, until Harvey Savage, Jr. pulled into the parking lot of the Zablocki Recreation Center on Lagrange Saturday evening March 30. "When I drove into the parking lot and saw all these cars that I know, I kind of knew what was happening," said Mr. Savage. Sure, enough something was happening. In-

and of 15 siblings. Always a hard worker, he had the head position for DuPont Paint and High-Tech Packaging for many years. Today he walks on his father's footsteps as the Director of The Martin Luther King Jr. Kitchen for The Poor. "He's the best man for that job," said Carla. "His love for his family, friends and a love for his people that makes him well suited for that position, and he

saying, "He's been a great brother to have and I love him for who he is'. Judy Savage added, "My oldest brother Harvey is the rock in our family and I love him for that because family is everything." His uncle and aunt Nick and Joanne Fail said, "Harvey been a wonderful nephew." Old family friends also hold Mr. Savage in high regades. Toledo Councilman Tyrone Riley recalls his days of youth growing up in the same neighbor-

hood as the savage family saying, 'I would go over to the Rev. Savage's house all the time and everyone welcomed me with open arms. Harvey is the same way; he treats everyone with respect and he would give the shirt off his back if it would help someone'. Former Councilwoman June Boyd whose known the Savage family for quite some time said of Mr. Savage, 'Harvey Savage Jr. represents the greater part of the inner city. His father

behind a legacy of love, kindness and caring. He comes from a family rich with culture and he will continue to serve and will remain the hallmark of perfection'. About being 75 Mr. Savage said, "I feel good about turning 75. I'm in good health and I feel good about it. I advise the younger black males to take care of themselves and avoid alcohol and drugs and try to exercise more. We as black males

are not living that long these days and overindulgence is to our detriment." He went on to tell the young people, "I also encourage the younger generation to become more involved. The politicians make all the decision on how we live and where live, so we must get more involved and put the right people in office."

Harvey Savage was born on March 28, 1944.



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Harvey Savage cuts his cake as his children Carla and Taylor; look on at his 75th surprise birthday party.

side the building were his family and friends waiting to celebrate with him for his 75th birthday. Organized by his daughter, Carla Savage, more than 250 people showed up to wish him a happy birthday. Harvey Savage is the oldest son of Dr. Rev H. V. and Martha Savage,

has a heart of gold," she added. Other family members and friends all seem to have the same opinion of Mr. Savage. His brother John Savage said, "He's been a great brother and role model for me and we all love him." His sister Robin Savage agrees



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Marcus Garvey, Frances Murphy Enshrined into Black Press Gallery of Distinguished Publishers

Submitted
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“My mother wrote a column called ‘If you asked me,’ so I believe if my mother was here today she would say, ‘if you asked me, it’s certainly a privilege to be honored by the National Newspaper Publishers Association,’” said the Rev. Dr. Toni Draper, Murphy’s daughter, who accepted the enshrinement on her late mother’s behalf. “I think she’d say that ‘I’m grateful that I’m chosen for this honor and even more grateful that I’m chosen on this platform with the honorable Marcus Garvey,” Draper said.

Nationalist, Pan-Africanism movement leader and Negro World newspaper founder Marcus Mosiah Garvey and Washington AFRO-AMERICAN publisher emeritus Francis L. Murphy II, were enshrined into the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) Gallery of Distinguished Publishers during Black Press Week in Washington, D.C.

Garvey was also a noted figure in the publishing world where for five-cents, readers of his newspaper received a front-page editorial written by him along with poetry and articles of international interest to people of African ancestry.

Murphy, a graduate of Frederick Douglass High School in Baltimore, who received her bachelor’s in journalism from the University of Wisconsin and degrees from Coppin State College and Johns Hopkins University, believed the AFRO belonged to the community. As its publisher, every year she would invite readers to write their family histories and send them in along with historical pictures.

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Garvey’s son, Dr. Julius Garvey, accepted the honor on behalf of the late civil rights leader.

“My dad developed his oratorical skills in large part through his work in newspapers, other publications and speeches,” Garvey said. “He used the dictionary and would read through it learning new words every day and, at one point, his words reached between 6 and 11 million people around the world,” he said.

The Black Press Archives was founded in 1973, as a joint project of Howard University and the NNPA, and established at the University’s Moorland-Spangarn Research Center.

According to the Houston Forward Times, the idea of estab-

lishing a Black Press Archives and Gallery of Distinguished Newspaper Publishers was that of William O. Walker, editor-publisher of the Cleveland Call and Post, who first articulated the need for an academic institution that would provide a setting in which historical records related to the Black Press, as well as the newspapers themselves, could be collected, preserved and made available to scholars, students and the public.

Walker also envisioned a gallery in which the photographs and accomplishments of Black Press notables would be on permanent display.

The idea was developed by the NNPA under the direction of Carlton B. Goodlett, NNPA president and editor-publisher of the San Francisco Sun-Reporter, and welcomed by James E. Cheek, then president of Howard University.

In March 1977, during the sesquicentennial celebration of the founding of Freedom’s Journal, the first African American newspaper, the Black Press Archives and Gallery of Distinguished Newspaper Publishers

were dedicated in ceremonies at Howard University.

Garvey and Murphy join dozens of others to receive enshrinement.

Born in 1887 in St. Ann’s Bay, Jamaica, Garvey counted as one of 11 children – only Marcus and one of his siblings survived into adulthood.

Garvey received an education in London that would likely have not been available to him in the Americas because of the color of his skin.

He later returned to Jamaica and started the United Negro Improvement Association and he went on to create thousands of jobs for Black people in America and abroad through his many enterprises under the umbrella of the Negro Factories Corporation.

At the ceremony held inside DC’s historical Metropolitan AME Church, a contingent of Garvey family and friends included the chief of the mission of the Embassy of the Republic of Sierra Leone, Ambassador Sidique Abou-Bakarr Wai.

Family and friends and AFRO employees were on hand to wit-

ness Murphy’s enshrinement.

Born in 1922, Murphy enjoyed two professions for most of her life – working at the AFRO, which was founded by her grandfather, John H. Murphy Sr., in 1892 and teaching.

From 1958 to 1964, she taught third grade in the Baltimore City Public Schools and also taught at Morgan State College where she headed the news bureau from 1964 to 1971.

She also taught at the University of Maryland Baltimore County and at the State University College at Baltimore, where Murphy headed the journalism sequence from 1975 to 1985.

Both inductees were further honored with video tributes and salutes from NNPA Foundation Chair Amelia Ashley-Ward; NNPA Association Chair Dorothy R. Leavell and NNPA President and CEO Dr. Benjamin F. Chavis, Jr.

“If my mom were here today, I think she’d say, ‘if you ask me, I could have told you years ago that the Black Press would still be alive and well,’” Draper said.

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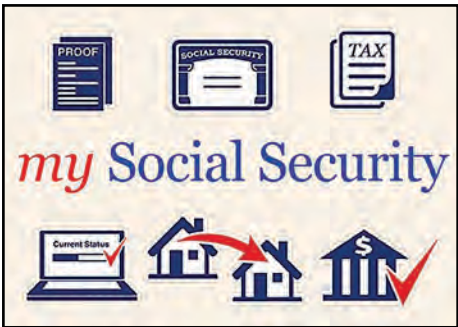
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By Erin Thompson
Social Security Public Affairs Specialist in Toledo, OH

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Prostate Cancer Research Targeting African American Men Set to Begin

Submitted
By Stacy M. Brown,
NNPA Newswire Correspondent

For African American men, prostate cancer is real.

Health statistics paint disturbing trends, including that 60 percent of Black males are more likely to develop prostate cancer than any other race.

Just as unsettling, African American men are twice as likely to die of prostate cancer than any other ethnic group.

The seriousness of this disparity isn't lost on a national network of prostate cancer researchers and experts who have joined forces to study prostate cancer in African American men.

The team has received a \$26 million grant as part of former Vice President Joe Biden's Cancer Moonshot Initiative to conduct the largest study ever to look at the underlying factors and reasons that put African American men at higher risk for developing and dying from prostate cancer.

The initiative is called the RESPOND study – Research on Prostate Cancer in Men of African Ancestry: Defining the Roles of Genetics, Tumor Markers, and Social Stress.

Over the next four years, 10,000 African American men with prostate cancer will be recruited from Cancer Registries in seven states – California, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana,



Maryland, New Jersey, Texas and throughout the Detroit Metropolitan area in Michigan.

Cancer registries are located in each of the 50 United States.

"Lots of people don't know about cancer registries so when we contact people that we've identified through the registry sometimes they are angry," said Denise Modjeski, the study coordinator for RESPOND at the Keck School of Medicine of the University of Southern California Department of Preventive Medicine.

"We tell them it is very complicated process that grants access to the contact data, and it's all for the greater good," Modjeski said.

"But, of course we honor people's wishes and if they tell us they don't want to participate in any study ever, we never contact them again," she said.

However, the RESPOND study counts as a little different.

"Most cancer registries like this only send out 'letters of invitation' to people from the study's local cancer registry," Modjeski said.

"RESPOND will also include volunteers, which means they can hear about us and either contact us through the website or through our toll free number," she said.

Volunteers can reach out from all over the country with the only requirement being they identify as African American or Black and have been diagnosed with prostate cancer in the United States from January 1, 2010 or later.

Participants will answer a 12-page survey, and if they're willing, do additional parts of the study which include providing a saliva sample and, or signing a HIPAA form to allow researchers to get a piece of tissue that has been removed and stored at their medical facility.

The study isn't a clinical trial, as researchers aren't testing any new drug, device, procedure, or protocol. There are no doctor visits required and participants can complete the survey on paper or online.

"To bring credibility to this important initiative, we are [also] looking for partners willing to lead the way in advocating for this study and cause," Modjeski said.

"With one in five African American men developing prostate cancer in their lifetime, we hope this is an issue that resonates with the African American community and advocacy groups. With your help we can make a difference with research that will have life changing consequences for future generations of African American men," she said.

RESPOND officials say they're not being

restrictive with volunteers who reach out, however individuals the team is identifying through the cancer registries will have an upper age limit of 79 at the age of diagnosis.

For the participants identified through the registries, researchers are concentrating on diagnosis years of 2015 through 2018.

Recruitment is scheduled to begin in April.

"We recruit the people identified through the registries in batches since we can't handle everyone at one time. We'll send out about 100 to 200 letters of invitation including the printed survey every couple of months," Modjeski said.

"We hope that many of the people who receive these letters and surveys from us over the next few years will have already heard about the study."

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Dr. Julius Garvey Still Seeking Redemption for his Father and Africans

By Stacy M. Brown,
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Dr. Julius Garvey probably felt like channeling his father, the late civil rights leader Marcus Garvey, when he responded to Fox News analyst Katie Pavlich’s misguided comment that America should get “credit for being the first country to end slavery in 150 years.”

Garvey simply laughed and brushed off such superficial racist rhetoric. “It shows that she has no clue,” Garvey said during a Black Press Week luncheon in Washington, DC just days after Pavlich’s remarks. “Look, it’s pretty said,” he said.

He also said a healthy discourse on reparations is long overdue.

“Reparations is a conversation that is in-depth and involved and it’s a long and necessary conversation,” Garvey said.

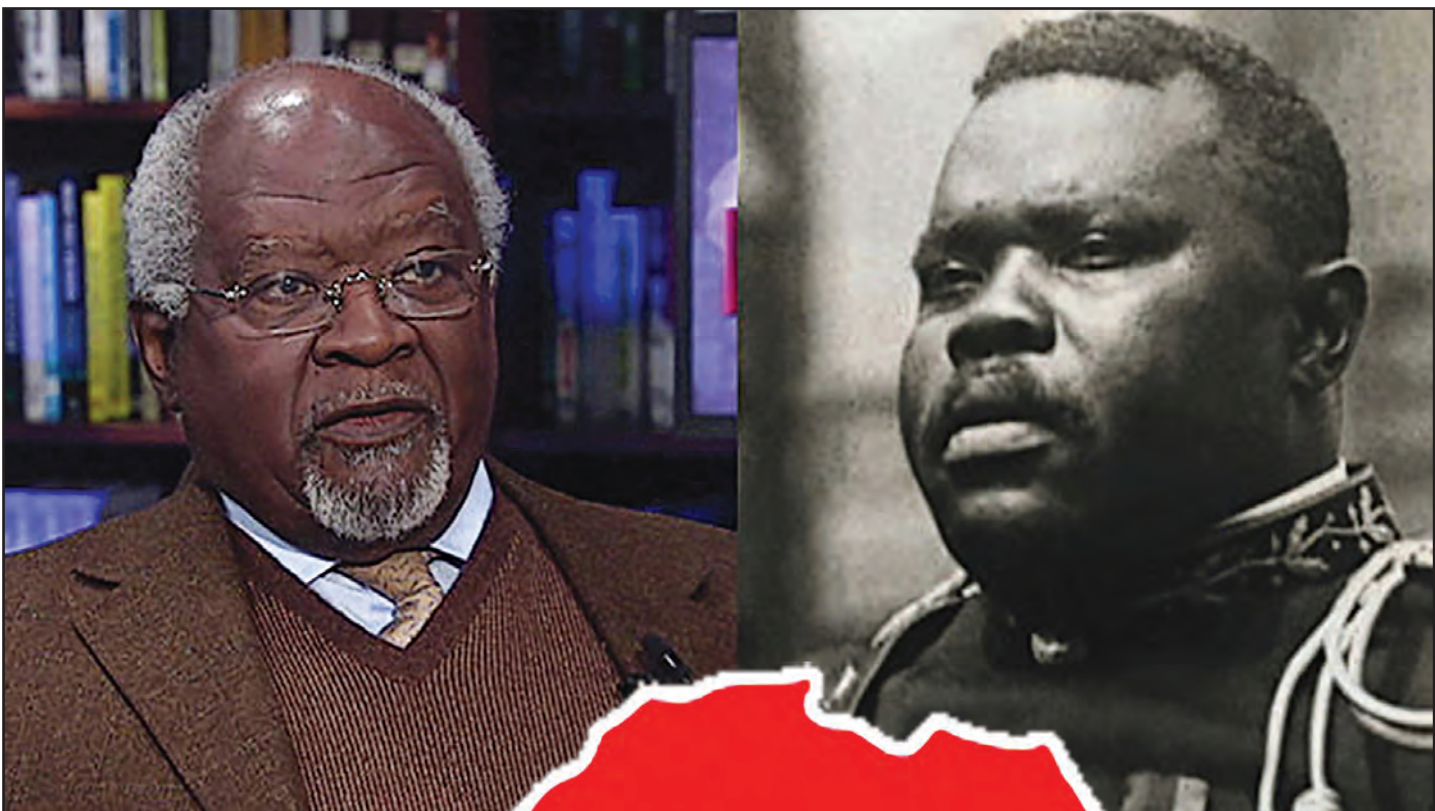
Garvey was born on September 17, 1933 in Kingston, Jamaica.

He graduated from Wolmer’s Trust High School for Boys in Kingston in 1950; and then earned his B.S. degree from McGill University in Montréal, Canada in 1957, and his M.D., C.M. degree from McGill University Faculty of Medicine in 1961.

Garvey began his medical career by interning at The Royal Victoria Hospital in Montréal in 1961, according to his biography from The History Makers.

In 1962, he began his first residency in surgery at The Mount Sinai Hospital of New York, completing his residency in 1965 and completed residencies in surgery at the Harlem Hospital Center in 1968 and in thoracic & cardiovascular surgery at the University of Maryland Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland in 1970.

He became an instructor in surgery at the Columbia University College of



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Physicians and Surgeons in 1971 and later joined the Albert Einstein College of Medicine as an instructor in surgery where he became an assistant professor of surgery.

While teaching at Columbia University and the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Garvey served as an attending surgeon in cardiothoracic surgery at the Harlem Hospital Center and Montefiore Hospital, as well as associate attending and head of thoracic surgery at the Montefiore Morrisania Affiliate.

In 1974, Garvey was named attending-in-charge of thoracic surgery at Queens Hospital Center, in addition to serving as an attending surgeon in thoracic and cardiovascular surgery at the Long Island Jewish Medical Center.

He became the Long Island Jewish Medical Center’s acting program director for the Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery from 1980 to 1982, and assistant professor of surgery at State University of New York at Stony Brook from 1978 to 1988.

Garvey started his own private practice in 1983.

Garvey served as chief of thoracic and vascular surgery at Queens Hospital Center from 1993 to 2006, and chief of vascular and thoracic surgery at Wyckoff Heights Medical Center from 2000 to 2004.

In addition to his other medical appointments, Garvey served as an attending surgeon at North Shore University Hospital, Franklin General Hospital, Massapequa General Hospital, Catholic Medical Centers, and Little Neck Community Hospital.

In recent years, he has worked to secure a pardon for his famous father who, along with three others, was charged with conspiracy

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Submitted
Black News

Jordan Nixon, a 17-year old high school senior from Atlanta, has so far received offers from 39 colleges and universities and has been awarded a whopping \$1.6 million in scholarship money. She definitely has a lot of choices already but some schools are still sending her acceptance letters!

“The crazy thing is, I’m still waiting on decision letters, but I was not expecting that at all,” Nixon told WBAL-TV.

Nixon was hands-on with her applications as she really researched thoroughly what would best fit her. She prefers to study international business as a major in a school with diversity so she particularly looked

for schools that offer that.

Her proud parents, Angelia and Arthur Nixon, described her as independent, responsible, and versatile. They said, “We’re so happy for her because she does put in a lot of due diligence into applying for these schools.”

Nixon, a well-rounded student, participates in various extracurricular activities including Chick-fil-A Leader Academy and Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA). She is also one of the captains of the varsity cheer team at Douglas County.

Despite her multiple workloads, she managed to apply to over 50 schools for college. So far, she received letters from 39 schools congratulating her for being accepted.

“It’s shocking, each and every time. You’re taken aback every time you open one,” Nixon said.

“It really was amazing at first, and then it became, ‘When are the letters going to stop?’” her mom joked.

Her high school is also proud of her. Nixon is the first student in their school to receive the most acceptance letters.

“Students like Jordan, who took advantage of being able to apply to a lot of schools through certain avenues like the Common Black App (College Black College Application), you can apply to a lot of schools with one low price for that one, and also, Common App, they can apply to up to 20 schools at one time on one app,” said Pinky Quick, the College and Career Center Specialist at Douglas County High School.

She has until May 1 to decide which school to choose.

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to use the mails to defraud.

“The charges against the other three were dropped, but my father was convicted by an all-white jury on charges that were widely considered politically-motivated and in a trial tainted by misconduct,” Dr. Garvey said.

After spending nearly three years in jail, President Calvin Coolidge, under public pressure in 1927, commuted Garvey’s sentence but still deported him.

The senior Garvey wasn’t allowed to return to America and his son has said that all of the momentum his father built up on issues of racial justice stalled.

Marcus Garvey died in London in 1940.

“I wish to clear my father’s name and to continue to help Africans wherever we are in the U.S., Caribbean and on the continent,” Dr. Garvey said.

He said reparations are necessary if there is ever to be a complete healing of the evil slave trade. “WE are the original people and the original civilization. African praxis directs us to the truth that we are at home in the universe and should treat it as our home,” Dr. Garvey said.

It’s also up to those of African descent to assume some responsibility in carrying forward the legacies of his father and other civil rights leaders, Dr. Garvey said.

“That will move us further along the arc of redemption, renaissance and the redevelopment of our people as a civilization,” he said.

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Gayle King to sign multi-million dollar deal to prolong stay at CBS

By Defender News Service

CBS News anchor Gayle King is reportedly about to ink a new multi-million contract with CBS to lengthen her tenure as an anchor on CBS This Morning, according to Page Six.

The news comes two weeks after rumors stated that King wanted more money directly after the airing of her stirring sit down with R. Kelly and his girlfriends Azriel Clary and Jocelyn Savage as they discussed the singer’s sexual misconduct case and the allegations surrounding decades of sexual assault accusations.

King makes \$5.5 million a year, but allegedly wanted to be paid the equivalent of her journalist colleagues over at Good Morning America.

In a recent interview The Associated Press asked King whether she would be staying at the network to which she responded, “Ooh, that’s a good question. All I can say is I really love my job. And I think it’s kind of foolish to predict the future.”

King’s negotiations have put a full stop on other staff related decisions, an insider told Page Six. King’s host Nancy O’Donnell is allegedly in talks to move into an anchor spot on CBS Evening News to re-



place Jeff Glor. O’Donnell also wants to move the evening news team headquarters to Washington, D.C.

“Everything has gone very quiet. Nothing will be done until Gayle has signed her contract. It looks likely that she’s staying — but we don’t know what the holdup is,” the insider to Page Six.

While the details of her current negotiations are unknown, King is one of the strongholds on the network which has been hit with rating dips after multiple members of the CBS team were forced out over #MeToo allegations.

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Ask Alma

To Tell or Not to Tell

Hi, Alma,

The mom of one of my 10-year-old daughter’s friends confided in me that her husband had been physically and verbally abusive to her several times. (Unfortunately, as many people do in this situation, she did not press charges because she didn’t want her kids to have to deal with the fallout.) The husband and wife are separated now. My daughter’s friend invited her to a birthday party at her dad’s new house. The husband has been polite to me and my child, but I’m uncomfortable with the situation, particularly since I have some experience with an abusive partner who was a “nice person” to outsiders. I’m planning to tell my daughter she can’t go (but not tell her the real reason). What do you think? I’ve pointed the mom to some resources on domestic violence and counseling. Here’s hoping she can heal.

Signed, Cautious Reisterstown, Md.
Dear Cautious,

I see your red light earrings flashing, and I can understand why, but you’re wrong on this one. I say you should let your daughter go. Here’s why: Your daughter is 10. It’s a birthday party. Her best friend’s father has never hurt his own daughter or yours. If he had, I suspect his wife would not allow him to host a birthday party. You said yourself that the BFF’s father has been polite to you and your daughter. You also said you’re familiar with abusers being “a nice person to outsiders.” So why not let your daughter go? She was not the only one invited to the party. I’m sure other adults (parents and family members) will be there.

A part of me wonders if you think that by allowing your daughter to attend you would be giving approval to the father’s behavior. Don’t worry; that’s not so. Unless her mom asked you not to participate, I just can’t come up with a good reason for your daughter not to go. This isn’t a sleepover. Don’t make this a grown-up issue for your daughter. I understand that you and the other mother have bonded over shared sorrows, but you can’t let the pain and suffering of your marriages overshadow a very fun time and lifelong memory for your daughters. Joint custody arrangements, especially after a spiteful split, can be extremely exasperating. It’s horribly difficult to move past the hurtful events and heartbreaking history you have with an ex-partner. The key is to put your child first.

Alma

A Blessing or a Curse?

Dear Alma,

My husband and I have fallen on hard times. He was laid off, and as soon as his unemployment benefits ran out, I was laid off, too. My parents have been helping us with the mortgage and car payments. My sister in-law offered to help us and put us on her cell phone family plan. I appreciate all that both families are doing, but why did my sister in-law post our business on Facebook? She wrote how she and her husband are a blessing to us in our time of need. I am furious. I called her and we had a big fight on the phone. Now she is telling the family that I’m ungrateful. That’s not true. I just didn’t want my business out in the street. How can I get her to see what she did was wrong?

Name withheld

Hello Sweetie,



This sounds like the latest Tyler Perry stage play: “Why You Put Me On Blast On Facebook?” Yep, you’ve got a right to be mad, and I’d be mad, too. It seems to me, and I think you’d agree, that social media and reality TV have eulogized and buried the old-school

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rules of discretion. Is there such a thing as Facebook etiquette? Unfortunately, I think not. Meanwhile, that doesn’t change the situation between you and your SIL. Yes, she was wrong, but you may never get her to realize that. Remember, Lottie-Dottie, you kaint change nobody. LOL.

Sometimes you’ve got to move past who was right or wrong and focus more on how to resolve the issue. Since your SIL likes to communicate online, send her an email explaining how you felt humiliated after reading her Facebook post. Let her know you’d appreciate it if she’d talk to you directly about family business and keep it off the Internet. Offer an apology for the argument over the phone and thank her for what she’s done to help you and her brother. That’s what you call taking the high road. On a side note: Being laid off can make you feel hurt, ashamed and embarrassed. Don’t let it. Life is full of unforeseen situations. Download and listen to your favorite uplifting gospel songs and get ready; keep sharpening your tools. This is just a small setback, preparing you and your husband for a major victory. The best is yet to come.

Alma

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April 9, 1950: Juanita Hall becomes the first African American to win a Tony award for her role as Bloody Mary in the musical South Pacific.

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April 3, 1968: Dr. King addresses a rally of striking sanitation workers and their supporters in Memphis. He also delivers his last speech, titled "I've Been to the Mountaintop," at the Memphis Masonic Temple.

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Hotel in Memphis. He had left his room to greet visitors who had assembled in the parking lot below.

April 9, 1968: Hundreds of thousands of people attend funeral services for Dr. King in Atlanta, Ga.

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Jerusalem Baptist hosts celebration in honor of their pastor, Dr. W.L. Perryman Jr.



Dr. W. L. Perryman and wife Monica thank Pastoral Appreciation and Birthday Celebration Chairperson Diane Benton, left, for a job well done.



Dr. W. L. Perryman and wife Monica (center) with guest pastors (L) Pastor Arthur L. Rarey Jr. and wife Ursala from Oklahoma City, left, and (R) Rev. Dr. James H. Willis and wife Linnie Willis from Toledo, right.

Journal Staff

On Sunday, March 31, the members of Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church held the conclusion of their Pastoral Appreciation and a Birthday Celebration for their pastor of 14 years, Dr. Rev. W. L. Perryman Jr. at the UAW Local 14 hall on Jackman road.

Since Dr. Rev. Perryman's birthday coincides with his anniversary as pastor of the church, this year's Pastoral Appreciation Committee decided to end the two-week celebration with a birthday party for the pastor as well. After all, this was


not just any old birthday, it was a milestone birthday. On March 30th he turns 60 years old.

During those 60 years, he's been preaching for 39 years, pastoring for a total of 27 years with 14 of those years at Jerusalem. About Jerusalem, Dr. Rev. Perryman said, 'I love this church because they are a loving Bible believing and caring congregation. They love people, they love God and they have shown an abundance of love to me as their pastor and I'm happy to be here'.

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Praise coach Mer' Kyah Warren (center) with Jerusalem Baptist Church, Youth For Praise Ministry, Praise in Motion perform at Dr. Perryman's Pastoral Appreciation and Birthday. Celebration



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Dr. W. L. Perryman's cake at his Pastoral Appreciation and Birthday Celebration.

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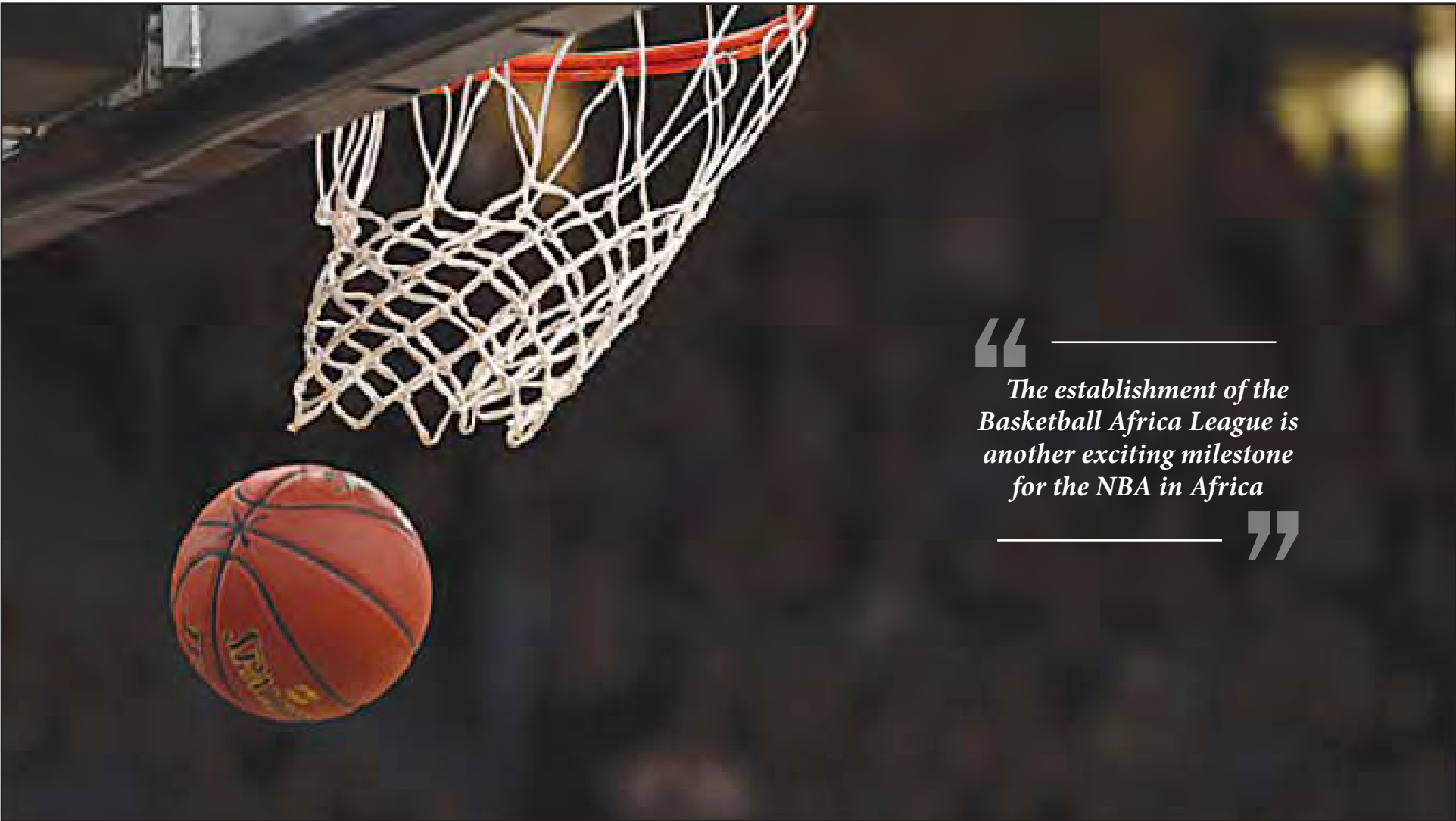
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Dr. W. L. Perryman delivers the benediction at the end of the program.

NBA and FIBA Announce Plan To Launch Professional Basketball League In Africa



“
The establishment of the Basketball Africa League is another exciting milestone for the NBA in Africa
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Submitted
By Sentinel News Service

The National Basketball Association (NBA) and the International Basketball Federation (FIBA) announced on Saturday their plan to launch the Basketball Africa League (BAL), a new professional league featuring 12 club teams from across Africa.

The BAL will be built on the foundation of current club competitions FIBA is organizing in Africa. Scheduled to begin play in January 2020, the BAL would mark the NBA's first collaboration to operate a league outside of North America.

The NBA also announced its plan to introduce a re-imagined direct to consumer offering of NBA games for fans in Africa by the start of the 2019-20 NBA season. The offering would include new packages, features and localized content, with additional details to be announced at a later date.

The announcements were made by FIBA Secretary General Andreas Zagklis and NBA Commissioner Adam Silver at the NBA All-Star 2019 Africa Luncheon in Charlotte, North Carolina, in the presence of FIBA Africa President Hamane Niang; FIBA Africa Executive Director Alphonse Bilé; Charlotte Hornets Chairman Michael Jordan; Maple Leaf Sports & Entertainment Chairman Larry Tanenbaum; NBPA Executive Director Michele Roberts; NBA Deputy Commissioner Mark Tatum; NBA Vice President and Managing Director for Africa, Amadou Gallo Fall; and members of the NBA family, including Toronto Raptors forward OG Anunoby (U.K.; parents from Nigeria), Hornets center Bismack Biyombo (Democratic Republic of the Congo), NBA Legend Alonzo Mourning, NBA Global Ambassador Dikembe Mutombo (Democratic Republic of the Congo), Connecticut Sun forward and two-time WNBA All-Star Chiney Ogwumike (parents from Nigeria), and Raptors President Masai Ujiri (Nigeria).

“On FIBA's behalf, it's a huge joy to see our partnership with the NBA enter uncharted territory as we work together for the first time to maximize the potential of professional basketball in Africa,” said Mr. Zagklis. “This is a natural extension of what we have done through the joint initiative that is Basketball Without Borders (BWB), which helps find, develop and nurture young talented players all around the world, including in Africa. The Basketball Africa League will enable us to build on the solid foundation laid by FIBA Africa and relaunch the continent's club competition to offer the ultimate platform for the very best clubs and players.”

“This is a historic day for FIBA Africa and basketball on our continent,” said Mr. Bilé. “We're excited to work closely with the NBA to develop and put in a place a professional league like none that we have ever seen in our region before. Through the Basketball Africa League, we can provide the many great clubs and players with the best possible environment to compete for the highest stakes. The implementation of this league is also vital to our young

up-and-coming players in Africa as it gives them something to take aim at: they can look at becoming players who can play and evolve in these competitions, right on their continent.”

“The Basketball Africa League is an important next step in our continued development of the game of basketball in Africa,” said Silver. “Combined with our other programs on the continent, we are committed to using basketball as an economic engine to create new opportunities in sports, media and technology across Africa.”

“The establishment of the Basketball Africa League is another exciting milestone for the NBA in Africa,” said Fall. “Having a top-flight professional basketball league in Africa will provide a platform for elite players to showcase their talent and inspire more young boys and girls to play

the game.”

The NBA and FIBA plan to conduct qualification tournaments later this year to identify the 12 teams that would represent several African countries, including Angola, Egypt, Kenya, Morocco, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, South Africa and Tunisia, with no more than two teams from the same country able to qualify.

The NBA and FIBA also plan to dedicate financial support and resources toward the continued development of Africa's basketball ecosystem, including training for players, coaches and referees, and infrastructure investment.

Additional details about the BAL will be announced at a later date.

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Jerusalem Baptist honors Pastor Perryman

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He also said, 'I have tried to continue the legacy of the pastors who came before me and we are also about to expand our building with multipurpose facility and a community outreach program'.
He also said, 'Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church is 69 years old and I'm the fourth pastor and I'm thankful to God for allowing me to serve him and this church for the past 14 years'



PHOTO CREDIT / TOLEDO JOURNAL
(Right to left) Dr. W. L. Perryman seen with Larry Jones and Deacon Elmore Sturdivant from Indiana Baptist Church.



PHOTO CREDIT / TOLEDO JOURNAL
Carlone Jackson, Shirley Jackson and Barbara Davis at Dr. W. L. Perryman Pastoral Appreciation and Birthday Celebration.

Former Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick Once Again Denied Motion to Vacate 28-Year Sentence

Submitted
By Defender News Service

Kwame Kilpatrick has once again hit a snag in his quest to have his 28-year prison sentence renounced.
On Tuesday, U.S. District Judge Nancy Edmunds rejected the appeal from the former mayor of Detroit, who is in his eighth year in prison. Kilpatrick's motion argued the court made errors during his trial. Among the issues he alleged were incorrect jury instructions, impermissible hearsay and his defense lawyer having a conflict of interest.
Edmunds said the 48-year-old disgraced political figure's motion failed to show he was unfavorably by any supposed



errors and he also did not raise some of the issues in a previous appeal, according to The Detroit News.
"Nor can defendant show actual innocence," Edmunds wrote in her decision.

"As this court has previously discussed at length, the evidence at trial weighed heavily in support of the verdicts of guilt against defendant."
The action was Kilpatrick's latest move in an attempt to become a free man since he was sent to prison in 2013 following a federal corruption trial. After running a criminal operation from City Hall that included funneling water and sewer contracts worth tens of millions of dollars to contractor and longtime pal Bobby Ferguson, Kilpatrick was found guilty on charges of extortion, bribery, conspiracy and other crimes during his tenure as mayor of Motor City.
Kilpatrick, who was abruptly put out of office in 2008 after a sex scandal in-

volving explicit text exchanges with his then-married chief of staff (he was also married), previously tried to get President Donald Trump to commute his sentence in June 2018. At the time, he had served seven years of his sentence.
"I accepted Christ as my Lord, my Savior, and my Redeemer that day; June 9, 2014. And everything in my life changed!" Kilpatrick wrote in a lengthy Facebook post detailing why he should be granted clemency " ... Yes, I have been punished severely. I have been chained like a wild animal, shackled around my ankles, waist and wrist, with a black box to keep my hands at my side many times. I experienced ridicule, scorn and disrespect from prison staff that you couldn't imagine."

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