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Elementary boys and girls participate in game play during the Early Bird Basketball Clinic.



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Early Bird Basketball Clinic Director Tim Evans.



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The "yellow" team point guard brings the ball up the court.



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Volunteer Coordinator Angel Sawyer, center, with the volunteer lunch crew.

By Leah Williams

Every Saturday morning during the month of July from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., the Early Bird Basketball Clinic will be in Smith Park at 998 Dorr Street. Founded in 1974 by legendary educator, youth advocate, and basketball

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A clinic participant drives to the basket as his opponent guards him close.

2019 African American Festival This Weekend

Tickets Still Available

By Leah Williams

The 15th Annual African American Festival

hosted by the Toledo Urban Federal Credit Union will take place this weekend July 19-21. The Festival weekend will kick off with a Prayer Breakfast on July 19 and culminate with a festival and concert to be held at the SeaGate Convention Centre on July 21 featuring The



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Suzette Cowell, Toledo Urban Federal Credit Union CEO

ZAPP Band and R&B singer Angela Winbush. The Festival on July 20 and 21 will feature food, cultural activities, vendors, performances, health/educational kiosks, and much more. Friendship Baptist Church will host this year's Prayer Breakfast on July 19 at 8:00 a.m. honoring the parade Grand Marshalls who are Brenda Oliver, Arron Woods, Pat Sullivan, Wilma Brown, Harold Mosley, Jerome Graham, The Lady Rams, Jalil Mitchell, and Otha Jones III. Tickets are \$10 and available at the Toledo Urban Federal Credit Union. Friendship Baptist Church will also host a Gospel Concert at 6:00 p.m. on July 19 featuring Darius Coleman, Mother Boola Bomb Bay and the Boola Bay Baptist Choir, and more. Tickets are \$15 and will not be sold at the door. The annual African American Parade will be held on July 20 at 10:00 a.m. The Parade route will begin at the Toledo Urban Federal Credit Union (Dorr and Detroit) and end at the SeaGate Convention Centre where the Festival and a special performance by Confunkshun— "The Heroes of Funk" will be held. The African American Festival continues on Sunday, July 21 and includes a special concert featuring The Zapp Band and R&B singer Angela Winbush. The Festival itself was founded in 2004 by Toledo Urban Federal Credit Union CEO Suzette Cowell. She said that her desire was to provide a platform for African-Americans to gather and fellowship whilst celebrating each other and their shared rich culture. "It gives us pride and the opportunity to enjoy just coming together," Ms. Cowell said. "The one thing I love about it is to see the generations. You have the older and younger generations that participate. It's like a family affair." Tickets for the Festival are \$15 for general admission

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15th Annual African American Festival

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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.

Scott High SchoolClass of 1974 45th Reunion
Our reunion activities will be during Scott High Alumni weekend. August 9, 10 and 11, 2019. Classmates can contact: Landress Luckey - (419) 902-3982, or Marci Wilson Gardner - (419) 376-1002.

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, 10AM to 12 PM
2239 Cheyenne Blvd, Toledo OH 43614

Every Saturday
Glass City Church of Christ
Soup kitchen now open at 901 Hoag. Hours: 1:00-2:00pm every Saturday. We are reaching out to individuals and families in need of a free meal. Please see our Facebook page for menu items and any updates.

Now-August 9th
Toledo Zoo
Summer Safari Camps
Go wild this summer vacation at Summer Safari Camps sponsored by Toby & Sue Cardone. The Zoo offers wild opportunities for campers ages four through 15. Separate fee, pre-registration required. Member discounts apply. For more information, including schedule, themes and pricing, visit toledozoo.org/camps.

July 17th & July 31st
Books 4 Buddies
2019 Back To School Block Party
LMHA families are invited to join us for FREE books, school supplies and lunch! Two Great Locations: Wednesday, July 17th, Birmingham Terrace, 1 - 2:30 p.m. Special participation by the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.. Wednesday, July 31st, Weiler Homes, 1 - 2:30 p.m. Highlights Include: Hamburger and hot dog cookout, Vision screening, TPS kindergareten registration, TPS Head Start registration, Art and crafts. Books4Buddies is an organization that collects new and gently used books for disadvantaged children and young adults. Books4Buddies has donated more than 70,000 books that have been delivered all around NW Ohio and the world! Books4Buddies is represented by "Book Ambassadors" who will help promote the program.
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July 20th
New United Church
2nd Annual Rainbow Tea Luncheon
You Are Welcome To Celebrate With Us! Theme: "Beautifully Blended", Speaker: Minister Andrea N. Lesley, Saturday @ 12:00 pm. Love Offering/Donation, 701 Phillips Ave. Toledo OH 43612. Rev. Dewayne Braxton, Senior Pastor. For info contact Sis Nettie Norris 419-508-0880.

July 28, 2019
Central M.B. Church
97th Church Anniversary

Sunday July 28th, 821 Junction Ave. Come celebrate with us, Morning worship 11:15 a.m. Evening service 4p.m., Pastor Willie Knighten and Northwestern M.B. Church. Theme: "The Church Will Prevail". St. Matthew 16: 16-18.

July 21st
Toledo Zoo
Sundae Funday
Sunday, Dip into a variety of ice cream stations around the Zoo from 3pm-6pm., sprinkle in special activities and entertainment to top of the perfect Sundae Funday! Tickets are \$5 for Zoo members and \$6 for non-members, include 10 samplings and may be purchased online in advance or in person day of the event. toledozoo.org/sundae-funday

July 22nd
Toledo Zoo
ADA Day
On Monday, celebrate the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), at the Zoo from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. while learning about services and products available to those with disabilities at the information fair organized in partnership with The Ability Center.

July 22nd Thru July 26th
The Bethlehem Baptist Church
Is hosting,"In the Wild, Amazing Encounters with Jesus", beginning Monday through Friday, from 6:00pm -8:30pm at 1430 W. Bancroft St., Toledo,Ohio, 43606, in the New Life Center. Snack provided.

July 22nd Thru July 26th
The Glass City Church of Christ
Annual Vacation Bible School
Monday-Friday, 6:00p.m - 8:30p.m. At 901 Hoag, Toledo, Ohio. The event is FREE. Can register at the church.

August 1st Thru August 3rd
A Journey Through Healing
Children Are the Forgotten Victims of Traumatic Events
Batrice Daniels, trauma and grief management specialist, and the staff of A Journey Throyugh Healing, are arranging a two-and-a-half day camp, Free Camp Journey, to be held at the Boys' and Girls' Club on Detroit Avenue, focusing on the grief and trauma experienced by our children and youth: death of grandparent, parent, friend, incarceration of parent, lack of attention because of abusive situations, bullyiing in neighborhood and school, gang violence in the neighborhood, the current opiate crisis and so many others. For more details contact Ms. Daniels at 419-531-1336.

August 3rd
Warren Church &Women of Faith
Presents: CARE ENOUGH
FREE Comunity Event, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., come and enjoy a variety of activities including: FREE: Clothes, Comodities, Food Baskets, Food, Praise Dancing, Games, Music, Fun & More @ 915 Collingwood Boulevard, Toledo, OH 43604. www.warren-ame.org, warrenchurch@sbcglobal.net. Reverend Dr. Otis Gordon, Jr., Pastor.

August 3rd Thru August 9th
The 86th Session of National Convention of Gospel Choirs and Choruses
Will be held in Detroit, Michigan, Saturday - Friday. On Monday, August 5, 2019, at 7 p.m. at the Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center the City of Toledo has been asked to render a musical selections in memory of Rev. Dr. Derrick E. Roberts former Chairman of the Board of the NCGCC and founder/director of the Toledo Interfaith Mass Choir (formerly the Toledo Mass Choir). We are asking church members of the music ministries and/or groups that were a part of the music legacy of the late Rev. Dr. Derrick E. Roberts to share in this city-wide choir under the direction of Brother Brian K. Thomas. Rehearsals will be held Tuesdays during the month of July at 7 p.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church, 702 Collingwood Blvd., Toledo, Ohio. The Toledo Interfaith Choir would be honored to have your ministry participate in this special tribute. Please con-

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tact Brother Larry A. Jones, (419) 241-7332, email: jones425@aol.com or Geraldine Scrutchins (419) 241-3330.

August 4th
The 2019 Warren Sherman Festival
Honor Our Past Presidents, Officers and Members
There will be a Special ceremony on Sunday from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Your presence is requested. Trophies and Plaques will be given to one of their Family member Honoring their work they have done in our Community! Also those that have supported and offer their participation to the Warren Sherman Festival will be Honored! We cannot pay for what they have contributed to our Community, but we would like to honor them and say Thank You for all you've done!.

August 5th Thru August 9th
Warren Church
Vacation Bible Study
Children & Adults, Monday-Friday, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Reservations are Needed! (You may register at our Care Enough Community Event or at the Churh Office). 915 Collingwood Boulevard, Toledo, OH 43604. Reverend Dr. Otis Gordon, Jr., Pastor (419) 243-2237.

August 10th
Rossford First Baptist Church
First Annual Stairway to Health
Health Fair on Saturday, at the church 167 Bergin St., Rossford, Ohio 43460 from 11:00 am - 4:00 pm. Kidney Foundation, YWCA, Blood Pressure Checks, Blood Sugard Checks, OB/GYM, and Helping Hands. Join us as we walk the stairway to health! For more information contact Ebonee Johnson 419-481-6922/rfbchealthfair@gmail.com.

August 17th
National African American
Male Wellness Walk & Run 5K
Mark Your Calendar! Saturday, at Warren AME Church @ 8AM. Honorary Chair DeAndre Ware, Toledo Fire Fighter & NABA, USBO & WBC Continental, Americas 168lb Bosing Champion. For more info, please contact: Chief Brian Byrd, info@aawalk.org, or 614-754-7511.

September 13th
Warren A.M.E. Church
One Day Revival
Friday, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Don't miss this opportunity to hear a message from The Rt. Rev. Frank Madison Reid, III, Presiding Bishop, Third Episcopal District. @ 915 Collingwood Boulevard, Toledo, OH 43604. Information: 419-243-2237

Running for Exposure



By Julianne Malveaux
Wire Writer

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - Twenty-four people are running for the Democratic nomination for President of the United States. From where I sit, at least half of them are only running for exposure, for the Vice-Presidential nod, for Cabinet secretary, to push a platform, or to simply be seen. Their ambitions have made the process turgid and impractical, often amusing and only sometimes illuminating.

The candidates do best when they have time to expound on their ideas, as they did at Rev. William Barber's Poor People's Congress on June 17, or at Rev. Jesse Jackson's National Rainbow Coalition International Convention June 28-July 2. Barber's meeting drew nine candidates, each who had the opportunity to give a four-minute speech and 26 minutes of questioning from Rev. Barber. The Rainbow PUSH gathering drew seven candidates who had about 15 minutes to address those assembled. Vice-President Biden, Senator Elizabeth Warren, and Mayors Bill Di Blasio and Pete Buttigieg had press conferences with Rev. Jackson. Senators Harris and Booker did not attend Rev. Jackson's meeting, although Harris did get to Rev. Barber's and pledged to support a debate dedicated to poverty issues. With a crowded field and calendar, it is clear that everybody can't be everywhere, but I'd like the two African American Senators to explain why they snubbed Rev Jackson, a leader who provided the very foundation for them to run for office.

Memo to Andrew Yang, Marianne Williamson, Montana Governor Steve Bullock, Miramar, FL Mayor Wayne Messam, and a few others, what are you running for, really? You've got ideas – doesn't everybody? But you have about as good a



chance of being President as the proverbial snowball has a chance of surviving Hades. You've raised a little money, and you've got a skeleton staff. Why not sit home and write op-eds about your good ideas? Somebody will publish them.

Memo to California Congressman Eric Swalwell – age baiting is neither thoughtful nor cute. It's fine to tell Vice-President Joe Biden to "pass the torch" once, but to say it more than once seems like badgering and makes you look like a junior high school heckler. Biden should have come back at you for hedging your bets. You told the San Francisco Chronicle that, while you are running for President, you haven't closed the door on keeping your congressional seat. You have until December to decide, you say. Do us all a favor. Decide now!

Memo to Beto O'Rourke. Just like the South lost the Civil War, you lost the Senate race in 2018. Losing a statewide competition is hardly the foundation for a successful Presidential run. You were a nondescript Congressman that sponsored little legislation, a Democratic sensation mainly because you came close to toppling the odious Senator Cruz. But what do you stand for other than white male exuberance, jumping up on tables

with the wild hand gestures? Run for Senate in Texas again. Maybe you'd win and really make a difference!

Memo to Julian Castro. Don't patronize your own community by speaking Spanish poorly. I think Latino people care more about your policy positions than your Spanish language ability. Good move in going after Beto O'Rourke in the debates on immigration issues. Wrong move in missing the Poor People's Congress after confirming that you'd be there.

Memo to Vice-President Biden. You're better than your act, better than your debate performance, better than your wandering, long-winded speeches. I know you've been doing you for a long time, and the wordy gaffes seem to work for you. Actually, they don't. There's nothing wrong with saying you made a mistake, nothing wrong with apologizing to Anita Hill, which you haven't done yet, nothing wrong with talking about busing unapologetically. If you don't get your act together, Elizabeth Warren and Kamala Harris are going to make mincemeat out of you.

It's only July, seven long months before the February 3, 2020, Iowa caucuses. Only July, eight months before the delegate-rich Super Tuesday, March 3, 2020, when at least 15 states, including Texas

and California, will hold primaries, and 1321 Democratic delegates will be up for grabs. It's the beginning of July, and by month's end, there will be yet another debate with 20 people on the stage in two clumps. We won't learn much at these debates, because they are less debate than guided conversation with interruptions and outbursts.

What we must know, even at this point in July, is that all twenty-four candidates aren't running for President. At least half of them are simply running for exposure, and most of the nation is not paying attention. Can you name all 24 candidates without the use of Google? Probably not. I got to 21 before I had to check. I left out Massachusetts Congressman Seth Moulton, former Alaska Senator Mike Gravel, and Montana Governor Steve Bullock. They've made quite an impression! Running for exposure is a costly venture and a Constitutionally guaranteed right. I'm not so sure it's a good idea, at least where some of these candidates are concerned.

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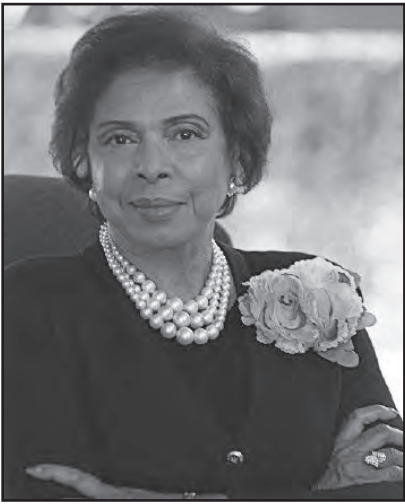
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Can You Believe It?



By Dr. E. Faye Williams
Wire Writer

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - Can you believe #45 who went to the White House with the help of Russians stood before the world and bragged about Frederick Douglas with no recognition of why Douglass didn't celebrate

the 4th of July? He bragged about Harriet Tubman—a woman he refuses to place on the \$20.00 bill simply because President Obama set it up. Does he know the student protesters who sat in at the Woolworth counter in North Carolina were not bragging about how great America is? As he put on his expensive show, I wonder if he thought about the men in New York that he declared were guilty, but still hasn't said he was sorry or wrong. Do you think they were celebrating with Trump about the wonders of America's justice system?

He had the unmitigated gall to brag about women gaining the right to vote and about the Civil Rights Movement. Women are still trying to get an Equal Rights Amendment and daily we work to save the rights our ancestors often died to gain. Many of the things he uttered are things his party and he are trying to de-

stroy.
Children at the border are crying out to be treated like human beings, and he never mentioned their plight that "only he can change" but doesn't. All he has to say about the family separation and squalid conditions in which they live is they should've stayed where they came from. Forget about America's welcoming words of "Give me your tired, your poor...."
Did he even notice only a handful of people of color were there in his cheering squad? He only invited special friends and donors. We do not even matter, but we knew that before he read his often-erroneous lines. Like slaveowners, lynch mobs and other racists he did nothing to make us feel better or believe he had anything in mind to improve our lives. Obviously, he's never read Frederick Douglass' "What
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'Equal Pay, Equal Pay, Equal Pay'



By Jesse Jackson
Wire Writer

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - As the exhausted and thrilled U.S. women's soccer team celebrated its victory in the finals of the 2019 Women's World Cup, the cheers of the crowd in the Stade of Lyon soon turned into a chant: "Equal Pay, Equal Pay, Equal Pay."

Even as they fought their way to the fourth U.S. Women World Cup championship, the U.S. team was waging a battle — in the court of public opinion and the courts of law — for equal treatment in wages, working conditions and investment in the women's game. And if there is any justice or common sense in the team's employer, U.S. Soccer, they will be as victorious in the quest for equal pay as they were in their quest for the World Cup.

These are truly American champions. It took immense courage — and no small amount of moxie — to file a class-action lawsuit — joined by all 28 members of the team — alleging gender discrimination by their employer only 93 days before their opening match in the World Cup. This only added immensely to the pressure on them to succeed on the field.

They would be playing for their country, for themselves, but also for all those who will come after them.

One of their leaders — Megan Rapinoe — won the "golden boot" as the top scorer in the World Cup, as well as the Most Valuable Player Award. She accomplished this even while expressing her own values. Trump criticized her for deciding not to sing the national an-



The U.S. Women's National Soccer Team celebrating their 2019 World Cup Win.

them. She announced that she wasn't interested in going to the White House. Her lavender hair symbolized her celebration of LGBTQ rights.

She naturally became a target of some on the right. She dismissed charges that she was unAmerican: "I'm particularly uniquely and very deeply American. If we want to talk about the ideals we stand for, the song and the anthem, and what we were founded on, I think I'm extremely American."

She surely got that right. She also had the unified support of her teammates, who praised her as a "warrior" on and off the field, calling it a privilege to be her teammate.

As Christen Press put it, "It's been beautiful to see her fearlessness as we get to the highest level and the highest stages, that she doesn't back away, she doesn't shy, but the opposite: She gets even bigger."

As did the entire U.S. women's team. Inspired by the example set by Billie Jean King and Venus Williams in women's tennis, they took on their employers, criticized FIFA for its unequal treatment of the women's game, and stood up for equal rights, waging a fight that would benefit their successors if not

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My hope is that we have equality within football in my career, but I think ultimately it would be good in my lifetime. Even if I don't reap the benefits, my hope is that the next generation's sole focus is what it's meant to be: And that is to play football.

them.

As Alex Morgan, one of the team's biggest stars stated, "My hope is that we have equality within football in my career, but I think ultimately it would be good in my lifetime. Even if I don't reap the benefits, my hope is that the next generation's sole focus is what it's

meant to be: And that is to play football."

Last Wednesday, the champions celebrated with a classic Manhattan tickertape parade through the "canyon of heroes" on Broadway. The cheers were deafening; confetti filled the air. Lavender hairdos were seen throughout the crowd. And once more the chant began: "equal pay, equal pay, equal pay."

Let us all pay tribute to the skill, the courage and the grit of these remarkable young women. They won the cup, even as they waged the fight for justice. They have inspired an entire generation of youngsters who watched their epic play on the field. They have earned the respect of their peers across the world.

Remarkably, the Dutch team posted its own tribute video to the American women before the final game, stating, "You showed us where dedication and ambition can bring you."

Inspired by the Americans, the level of play is rising across Europe and across the world. And now we must all support them to ensure that they gain justice at home even as they have gained victory abroad.

Can You Believe It?

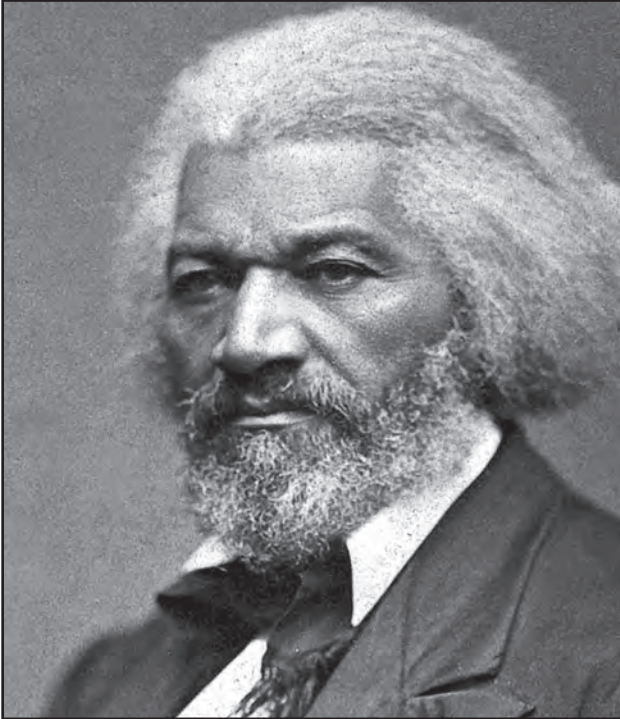
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to the Slave is the 4th of July?" What Douglass said long ago still has meaning to this day.

Trump was okay having people he invited to make him look good sitting in the rain while he bragged about things somebody wrote for him and that he showed no understanding of what he was saying. He said there's nothing America cannot do, so what is he waiting for?

Where's his health care plan for all? Decent home for all? Livable wage plan for all? Climate change plan? Structural improvement plan? Where are his aspirational words for the future of all Americans? He read from a teleprompter words someone wrote

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Obviously, he's never read Frederick Douglass' "What to the Slave is the 4th of July?" What Douglass said long ago still has meaning to this day.



Frederick Douglass.

for him without even recognizing the errors.

We could've read what he said much faster because we wouldn't have had to constantly stop and applaud ourselves. Who brags about war and destruction? This wasn't a day celebrating our military. We do that on Veterans' Day because all of us have had kin who fought and died in America's wars.

This was an occasion to soothe his fragile ego. It was a waste of taxpayers' money. We gained nothing from a flyover where most of us were indoors avoiding the rain. Those of us who live in the District of Columbia just had more of our tax dollars spent to make him feel like his "strongman" buddies Putin, Kim Jong-Un and others.

His salute wasn't for the masses. Most of what he talked about we learned in our history classes in grade school. He claims the generals are his while he was a draft dodger who now pretends he loves the military!

There comes a time when you just can't take it anymore. Come on people, Congress and Courts. Do something.

(Dr. E. Faye Williams is National President of the National Congress of Black Women (www.nationalcongressbw.org) and host of "Wake Up and Stay Woke" on WPFW-FM 89.3.)

Harvey and Julia Townsend Celebrate Their 25th Wedding Anniversary



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The happy couple, seated second row center, surrounded by their immediate family and closest friends.

By Leah Williams

Amid their immediate family and closest friends, Harvey and Julia Townsend celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on July 13 at L'Ambiance Banquet Hall.

The celebration began with an anniversary ceremony officiated by Pastor Cedric Brock of Mount Nebo Baptist Church. The Townsends and their guests then enjoyed dinner and dancing in the beautifully decorated event space adorned with shimmering silver and white ornamentalations.

Julia Townsend said she and husband Harvey first met over 35 years ago after continually running into each other around town. Their encounters seemed to be fated as the couple grew to be friends and then started dating in 1984.

"We kept being



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Julia and Harvey Townsend Sr.

in the same places at the same time," Mrs. Townsend said. "He finally approached me, and we became friends. Then we started dating and had children. We eventually got married and now here we are 25 years later."

Mrs. Townsend said that, their greatest accomplishment as a couple has been the family that she and husband Harvey built together.

"We have four children, and they have given us 13 grandchildren



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Mr. and Mrs. Townsend with their mothers and Mrs. Townsend's sisters. From left to right seated: Flora B. Brown, Julia Townsend, Harvey Townsend Sr., and Dorothy Townsend. From left to right standing: Trina Walker, Jeanne Grant, and Flora Patton.

that we love dearly," Mrs. Townsend said.

As guests arrived dressed in all white, the couple warmly greeted them before the ceremony. Mrs. Townsend said the

head table, which was adorned with a silvery tiara and crown fit for a king and queen included seats for the couple as well as their mothers.

When asked about their secret to longevity as

a couple, Mrs. Townsend said, "God first, love, and communication. The family that prays together stays together. That's our motto!"

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Clara Brown has ‘wool pulled over her eyes’ at 95th surprise party



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Clara Brown, seated center, is surrounded by family, and friends at her 95th surprised birthday party.

BY JURRY TAALIB-DEEN
Journal Staff Writer
For over 50 years, Clara Brown has been a Trustee, and served on the Usher's Board at Calvary Baptist Church, 702 Collingwood Blvd. Any activity involving the church, she knew of it. Therefore, when the congregation and Ms. Brown's family surprised her with a birthday party, on Sunday, July 14, not only was she surprised, but she wondered how the planning slipped passed her. Betty Houston, one of the organizers of the party, told The Toledo Journal how the well-orchestrated plan was kept hidden from Ms. Brown, and why she was given the party. "She knows everything that goes on in the church," Ms.

others found out about the party the day of," she said. Ms. Houston fondly refers to Ms. Brown as her

Rev. Floyd Smith, senior pastor at Calvary Baptist Church. "We normally have a

Linda, and Rodney Eason have been married for 24 years, and Mrs. Eason describes her mother-in-law as a sweet woman, who she loves talking to, and gleaning years of experience from. "Our mom held our family together," said Beverly Brown Wells, who's a Registered Nurse, and resides in Phoenix, Arizona. "She has been the pillar of our family who always gave to us, as well as, the church, and never expected anything in

return," she said. "I was really surprised," said the birthday girl, Ms. Brown, whose actual date of birth is July 18. "I usually know everything that goes on in the church, but they really managed to keep everything a secret," she stated. Ms. Brown pointed out that there were subtle clues, such as a few people from out of town being in attendance, and some who are normally in the church service, being absent that day, but she didn't connect

it, until afterwards. Looking more 70 years old, as oppose to 95, Ms. Brown doesn't attribute her youthful appearance to anything special she does in her life. She said she still lives on her own, and drives. "It's just a blessing from God that I'm still living, look younger then I am, and still able to move around relatively well. I'm thankful I'm here, and I'm thankful to everyone who did this for me today," she said.



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Clara Brown, seated, is greeted by Betty Houston. Ever since the passing of her mom, Ms. Houston said Ms. Brown has served as a mother figure in her life.

mother. "I lost my mom 10 years ago, and ever since, Clara has been that mother figure that I lost; that's one

meeting after service, so I told Sister Clara that I needed to speak to her in my office; that way, it would give everyone time to prepare that dining area. Afterwards, I just simply walked her into the area to be greeted by everyone," he said. Rodney Eason, and his wife, Linda, came from Atlanta, Georgia to be a part of the celebration for his mom. "Today is a milestone in my mother's life," he said. "Me, and my three siblings have a lot to be thankful for, when it comes to our mom. She impressed upon us the need to go to college, and graduate; which we did, on top of getting graduate degrees," Mr. Eason said, who is a practicing attorney.



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Clara Brown admires her birthday cake before the cutting

Houston said. "It was really hard keeping it a secret. We only told several people about the surprise. The

of the reasons I wanted to give this party," she said. But the chief orchestrator of the diversionary tactic was

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Center of Hope Family Services and Lucas County Juvenile Court Receive National Recognition for Their Joint Partnership

By Leah Williams

The Center of Hope Family Services Inc. [CHFS] and the Lucas County Juvenile Court have received national attention for their joint partnership and Family Navigator Program. On June 27, Dr. Tracee Perryman, CEO of CHFS, and Demecia Wilson, Lucas County Juvenile Probation Administrator, presented in New York City at the Credible Messengers Conference. Sponsored by the Credible Messenger Justice Center, a joint initiative between New York’s Community Connections for Youth, the New York City Department of Probation, and the City University of New York, the conference promotes innovative approaches to criminal justice reform that strengthen disadvantaged communities as well as help court-involved youth make better individual choices.

“We were asked to present at this conference based upon their desire to feature authentic partnerships between communities and justice systems,” Dr. Perryman said.

Originally founded in 1997, Center of Hope Family Services Inc. became a non-profit 501(c)3 organization in 2007. Founded by Dr. Donald L. Perryman, Pastor, Center of Hope Community Baptist Church; his wife and First Lady Willetta Perryman; and their

daughter Dr. Tracee Perryman, hundreds of Lucas County court-involved youth and their families have benefited from the growing 7-year partnership between CHFS and the Lucas County Juvenile Court.

“We initially partnered with the Court [in 2012] through the Lucas County

within the local criminal justice system. Perryman said that the program served nearly 300 Lucas County families this past year and 625 families since its inception in 2016.

“The Family Navigator Program helps reduce disproportionate minority contact through connecting families

reduce bias in decision making. We support families by helping them communicate barriers to complying with court orders, so that youth are not detained for violations that are not related to public safety risks.”

While the disproportionate incarceration of African-

“Every year over 1,000 unique youth are referred to diversion programs rather than being inappropriately incarcerated,”

Dr. Perryman said. “Arrests of black youth booked into the Juvenile Detention Center for violations of the Safe School Ordinance have dropped 99% since

between juvenile justice systems and community organizations to increase family engagement.

When expounding on how the Family Navigator Program has impacted the oftentimes tense relations between underserved communities, law enforcement, and the legal system, Dr. Perryman said that the program has helped to facilitate better engagement between families and court staff, increased family presence in the juvenile court building, and provided a safe setting where families are supported and served, not shamed and ignored.

“[Our] families receive the following: a warm, welcoming place for parents and caregivers to come, connect, reflect, and talk without judgment or blame,” Dr. Perryman said. “[We offer] assessment of any wraparound needs, connections to court staff and community resources, and weekly support group/quarterly outreach meetings to stay connected to families in the same situation.”

Families facing a child or guardian delinquency case with Lucas County Juvenile Court are encouraged to contact CHFS by calling their offices at (419) 213-6641. Interested persons can also visit the CHFS website at cohfs.com for more information about the Family Navigator Program and other CHFS programs.



L to R: Dr. Tracee Perryman, CEO, Center of Hope Family Services Inc; Gineen Gray, Deputy Commissioner, Juvenile Operations, New York City Department of Justice; Demecia Wilson.

Fatherhood Initiative,” Dr. Perryman said. “In 2016, we expanded that partnership to support families of court-involved and incarcerated youth.”

The expansion in partnership resulted in the Family Navigator Program, which formed in part due to the success of CHFS in working with families considered at-risk as well as their research-based approach and practical experiences

to a support network, increasing family understanding of juvenile justice policies and procedures, connecting families to relevant social services, and increasing their voices during the process,” Dr. Perryman said. “Forty percent of the youth whose parents participate in our program are released after arrest. These releases are a result of efforts by the court to bring objectivity, and

Americans in the United States remains an ongoing controversial issue stemming from historical disenfranchisement, racial and income inequality, and for-profit greed, Dr. Perryman said initiatives like the Family Navigator Program are helping to make a significant change in the lives of court-involved youth and their families within the Lucas County community.

2009, [and] the number of youths in and out of home placement has declined 14% without compromising public safety.”

In addition to the recent presentation in New York City, Dr. Perryman has also received an invitation by Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. to lead educational training this November focused on building partnerships

5 Reasons Kids Should Play Outside More

Submitted

(StatePoint) Whether it’s dance lessons, computer projects, art class or yoga, kids these days are busy bees. And while such activities are enriching and fun, experts say that many kids aren’t spending enough time doing something much simpler and every bit as important as structured programming: playing outdoors.

“Finding time for the kids to play outside can be such a challenge for parents,” says Keri Wilmot, a pediatric occupational therapist and an expert contributor to TheGeniusofPlay.org. “As a parent I worry



about ‘stranger danger’ or whether my kids will be able to navigate social issues on their own. Without spontaneity,

playtime has lost some of it’s fun.”

Outdoor play is necessary for healthy child development,

according to The Genius of Play. The initiative, whose mission is to raise awareness about the importance of play and

help parents make play a critical part of raising their kids, is sharing five benefits of unstructured outdoor playtime:

- **Physical Development:** Research has shown that physically active kids tend to be leaner and healthier, while an inactive childhood can lead to a sedentary (and likely unhealthy) lifestyle in adulthood. Furthermore, physical play builds gross and fine motor skills necessary for success in school and beyond. Hanging from the monkey bars, for instance, helps kids develop the hand muscles needed to grip a pencil.
- **Risk-Taking:** Through outdoor play, children are given the opportunity to step outside their

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New Children’s Book, “Gabe & His Green Thumb,” is a Must-Read For Young Black Boys

Submitted

Washington, DC — David Miller knows only eighteen percent of Black fourth graders read proficiently. Likewise, he’s aware that it’s increasingly difficult to find quality children’s books by authors of color. Miller is counting on his newest work, *Gabe & His Green Thumb*, to be the first of many children’s books to buck those trends.

A husband, father of three, writer and social entrepreneur, Miller has published a fresh, new children’s book about Gabe Gresham, a typical kid who loves reading comic books and playing with his friends after school. In this delightful tale, one day Gabe’s life is changed forever while he’s working in his family’s garden.

Written for second graders and up, *Gabe & His Green Thumb* is about a boy who discovers the power of growing food. The sensational book, complete with bright, bold illustrations, takes kids





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Bookcover and author, David Miller

on Gabe’s journey as he transforms from a shy kid to an overnight celebrity because of his ability to raise championship-sized vegetables. Kids of all ages will be amazed by Gabe’s “magical” thumb, his superpowers and the way he remains humble while handling his newfound success.

According to the U.S. Department of Education’s 2015 national reading assessment, only eighteen percent of Black fourth graders read proficiently, staggering statistics that Miller says underscore the need for getting black students excited about

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“Move It, Mama” 2019 challenge successful for 78 savvy seniors

By Toni Quinn
Physical fitness and mental wellness are two aspects the third annual “Move it, Mama” Challenge funded by the Mental Health participants over the age of 50 citywide were invited to get active via programming



Participants do a crossover step during an up tempo line dance song.

of overall health that are tied closely together. There are many programs that are focused on younger generations; however, utilizing group fitness classes can be an effective way to combat social isolation, and depression and encourage mental clarity in the older adult population. The “Savvy Seniors” wellness program is housed inside of the Monroe Street Neighborhood Center and offers free programming to the older adult population with the goal of encouraging participants to get active with programming that is created specifically for them, develop healthy habits, and forge positive connections among themselves as well as with others in the community. May 9th was the kickoff of

Recovery Services Board. at the Neighborhood



Participants enjoy “moving to the right” in class.

During this challenge, Center and compete to see who could lose the most weight, inches and

get the most steps for six weeks. University of Toledo Nursing Students were present every week to carefully weigh in and measure all 78 participants of the challenges as well as keep a log of their blood pressure. The Savvy Seniors made memories and hit milestones during the challenge. Together, the participants lost over 180 pounds, over 400 inches and walked over eight million steps. They also were featured during the Buckeye Health National Senior Health and Fitness day event at the Franklin Park Mall, had the opportunity to walk in the Old West End Parade. Winners were given recognition and prizes during the “Move it, Mama” celebration on June 27th. Lavern Mosley was awarded two prizes for



Toni Quinn, Fitness Coordinator, leads the senior fitness class from the rec room stage at the Monroe Street Neighborhood Center.



Class participants exercise while dancing to the Cupid Shuffle.

pounds and 11.5 inches. Linda Allen took over seven hundred thousand steps taking the prize for most steps. Pamela Pierce was recognized for coming in a very close second place in the step category. Sandra Barbour was awarded the prize for most enthusiastic challenger during the celebration also. Though the “Move it, Mama” challenge has come to a close, the Savvy Senior’s wellness program continues year round at the Monroe Street Neighborhood Center to provide a means for active older adults to continue their new found healthy habits and maintain the connections within the community.



Toni Quinn, Fitness Coordinator, announces the winners from the 6-week Move It Mama Challenge.



Monroe Street Neighborhood Center staff and Move It Mama Challenge Winners from left to right: Sandra Barbour (Most Enthusiastic Winner), Linda Allen (First Place - Most Steps Winner), Toni Quinn (Fitness Coordinator), Clara Petty (Executive Director), Laverne Mosley (Most Pounds/Inches Lost Winner), and Pamela Pierce (Second Place - Most Steps Winner).

Can You Be Friends with the Opposite Gender?

By Felicia T. Simpson

Recently, I posed a question on social media seeking new ideas to create new content and as you can see from the title of this blog post, this response for a topic stood out to me the most. I have always had friends of the opposite gender. One of my best friends is a male. I wholeheartedly believe that men and women can truly be friends.



You can learn so much from having a friend of the opposite gender. I'm not a man, nor am I going to run myself crazy trying to "Think like a man...." When I want to learn more about men, I go to my male friends. Who can steer in the right direction of not making everything a big deal about everything. Some of my best academic, financial and business advice, have come from my male friends. I would not be a consultant right now, teaching other women how to use the marketing tools and strategies that I learned, had it not been for my male friend.

I think the problem begins when feelings for the opposite gender are masked behind the friend zone. I was chatting in my DM with a woman sharing her experience with men who disguised themselves as being her friend, but really liked her all along. We both stated that setting boundaries with the opposite gender is key in friendships. Be open and honest with your friend from the start. That will remove any assumptions from either person and you can either move on as friends, or not continue to befriend the person, until they can respect the boundaries you have in place.

Now, I'm all for friends that turn into lovers, but not at the expense of hurting your current partner. If you and your friend of the opposite gender begin to have feelings, deal with it. Talk about it, maybe give each other some space to process it and revisit the conversation. It could just possibly be a temporary feeling of attraction, or you've been hanging out with your soulmate for years, and really didn't know it lol.

All relationships and friendships should be intentional from the start. Therefore, your friendship with the opposite gender needs to be intentional. Ask yourself why are you friends with this person? What value do they add to your life? If this person doesn't add any value to your life, they just might not be your friend in the first place.

If you have a partner/spouse that has a friend of the opposite gender and you don't trust their friendship, check you first before them. Checking you may include revealing your own insecurities. Your partner either is or is not faithful to you, there is no gray area there. After you have checked your own self, then have an open and honest conversation with your partner/spouse. After that, pay attention to your intuitions or move on. What's done in the dark always comes to light. But the bigger issue here is lack of trust which not healthy in any relationship.

Can men and be friends? Most definitely so! Friendships are valuable and most be in contact at some points to nurture the friendship ongoing. If you suspect cheating or know that your friend can really be a potential lover, deal with it.

Samuel L. Jackson to join Chris Rock in reboot of horror classic 'Saw'

By Jeandra Lebeauf

The Saw reboot adds Samuel L. Jackson to the cast, but who exactly will he portray?

The decorated actor will star in the anticipated Chris Rock-led reimagining of the classic horror film franchise. Rock will star in the film as a detective investigating heinous crimes while Jackson will portray his father. Jackson will join co-stars Max Minghella (William Schenk), and Marisol Nichols (Capt. Angie Garza).



Saw, an eight-movie franchise, centers around a man named John Kramer who places specifically chosen people in scenarios designed to test what they're willing to do to live. During that time, victims are presented with a series of choices that place self-preservation over the lives of others, only to discover they've made the wrong choice in the end.

The first installment landed in theaters in October of 2004.

Rock reportedly approached Lionsgate Entertainment with an updated, reimagined version of the cult classic. Previous Saw producers Mark Burg and Oren Koules along with director Darren Lynn Bousman, who directed Saw 2 and Saw 3, will lead the new film. The most recent version of the film titled Jigsaw appeared in theaters in 2017. Actor Tobin Bell appeared



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Samuel L. Jackson and Chris Rock.

in all eight versions of the franchise as the film's antagonist.

Additionally, it's been a busy 2019 for Jackson, with Avengers: Endgame, Captain Marvel, Shaft and Spider-man: Far From Home in theaters.

The Saw reboot is slated to hit theaters on Oct. 23, 2020, just in time for Halloween.

Rare Footage of Black Couple Kissing in 1898 Silent Film Discovered



By Black News

Extremely rare footage from an 1898 silent film titled Something Good-Negro Kiss shows an African American man and woman kissing. The clip is only 29 seconds, and is believed to be the earliest cinematic depiction of African-American affection.

The footage was discovered by an archivist at the University of Southern California named Dino Everett who was browsing through a collection of silent films he had

acquired from a Louisiana collector. After examining the film, he noticed physical characteristics that convinced him that the film was made prior to the early 1900's.

Everett reached out to Allyson Nadia Field, an expert on African-American cinema at the University of Chicago, who helped identify the film and its historical significance. She was able to use inventory and distribution catalogs to trace the film's origin to Chicago.

With help from the Museum of Modern Art in New York, Field identified the actors as Saint Suttle and Gertie Brown, who in the clip are dressed in stage costumes common for minstrel performers.

In December 2018, the footage was added to the Library of Congress' National Film Registry, and catalogued as one of 25 films that year selected as important to American culture. Other such films include The Shining, Jurassic Park, and Brokeback Mountain.

Did You Insult or Exalt God Today?

Spiritually Speaking...



By James A. Washington,
Publisher of the Dallas
Weekly News

Have you succumbed to the notion yet that prayer will get you through it? The ‘it’ I’m referring to is EVERYTHING. If the truth be told and you’re like me, at times you’re not very enthusiastic about your faith. That fire that initially burned in me

when I finally met Christ leaves me more cold than hot and I cannot and do not remain constant or consistent in my journey towards eternal salvation. Have you ever been there? It is then that my prayer life is more often weak not strong. I’ve finally figured out at times like these that if I only do one thing,

I have to continue to pray. However casual or cavalier I might think it is, if I do nothing else, I’ve learned that I’ve got to pray my way through it. If you’ve ever been lost on a nameless highway and know that you’re lost, you probably understand what I’m talking about. No exit, no gas stations, no people or other cars around. No one to ask for directions. You just keep driving and you just keep looking, hoping against hope. It’s just you and the needle on the fuel gauge. Given your and my circumstances, prayer is probably very appropriate when one is spiritually lost; especially when you are forced to acknowledge that you are. My word to you is to just keep praying.

At this stage of my spiritual development, I can’t think of an alternative. I just so happened to look up prayer in my bible’s Concordance and found out that I’m correct in my assumption that prayer(s), pray(ed), praying, all hold a special place in spiritual history and in the eyes of God. For every quote I could give you right now, there are many of you who could quote at least three more appropriate ones for this message. James 5:15-16 “And prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise him up. If he has sinned, he will be forgiven. Therefore, confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you might be healed. The prayer

of a righteous man is powerful and effective.” I will not sit here and profess to you to be a righteous man. What I will do is profess to you and anyone who will listen that I am a sinner seeking God’s forgiveness. I am also on record as praying for you, my fellow man, that you too, will understand God’s faithfulness. Mark 11:24-25 “Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it and it will be yours. And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive him, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins.” I’m not making this stuff up. This is what the text says. Hopefully, what I’m

trying to convey to you is once I was lost. I’m sure I’ll get lost again and when it happens, prayer will continue to lead me home. It is an irrefutable spiritual fact. Try it. Speak to God from your heart. Let Him know that you know He knows you are lost. He will then step up and act out on your behalf proclaiming for all to see that you are never really lost and certainly never really alone. He has known where you were from the beginning of time. May God bless and keep you always. James A. Washington is a father, husband, Christian, writer, entrepreneur and the owner/publisher of the Dallas Weekly.

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statistics that Miller says underscore the need for getting black students excited about reading early and often. “We simply must find ways to entice our children to read because we’re losing a generation of kids to the streets and the violence it spawns,” says Miller, no stranger to children’s books.


“While I’m certainly not proffering that reading books is a panacea to all of our problems, I am suggesting that improving the outcomes for children of color can begin with something as simple as finding ways to engage them in the power of reading books that interest them.” Miller is a Baltimore native who has a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

from the University of Baltimore and a Master of Science in Education from Goucher College. He is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in Social Work at Morgan State University in the fall. A former teacher in Baltimore City Public Schools, Miller is widely known for designing Dare to Be King: What if the Prince Lives? The survival workbook for African-American males features a fifty-two week curriculum designed to teach adolescent males how to survive and thrive

in toxic environments. Previously, Miller has authored two children’s books, Khalil’s Way and The Green Family Farm. His works have been featured on CNN, PBS and NPR and in the BBC Magazine, The Baltimore Sun, The Huffington Post and in a variety of other publications. Reviews: “What would it look like if a kid switched thumbs with the Incredible Hulk? Ask Gabe. This fantastical story about a boy’s love for gardening will spark children’s

curiosity about food – and where it comes from.” — Alvin Irby, comedian, author of Gross Greg and founder of the award-winning literacy program Barbershop Books “Gabe & His Green Thumb is a must-read book for black boys! The main character carries on the tradition of growing food in his family’s garden, and one day his life changes for the good after he acquires the superpower of supersizing vegetables. Of course, his new talent brings him both media

attention and prizes, which add to the engaging tale! Complementing Miller’s outstanding work are vibrant and engaging illustrations by C.J. Love that take young readers on a visual journey that will inspire them to want to dream big and create their own gardens. This book, aside from being a cute read, can and should be implemented as a tool to inspire family/school projects around growing food and flowers.” — Dr. Nosakhare Griffin-EL, founder of Young Dreams Book Club



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Kids Should Play Outside

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comfort zones and try new things. While taking risks won’t always lead to success on the first try, moments like a first bike ride without training wheels, or the first trip down the big slide in the playground, are critical for building the confidence and resilience needed to pursue a future career, start a business, or handle life’s many challenges.


- Social Skills: Childhood games played outdoors can help build social skills and teach kids to follow directions. From games as simple as tag, to those with more complicated rules, like “Kick the Can,” “Capture the Flag,” and sports like soccer and basketball,

communication, teamwork and other important social skills are developed during outdoor play.

- Problem Solving: Children’s imaginations are often stimulated by the world around them. Being outside widens their horizons and can encourage kids to tap into their creativity in order to come up with solutions to challenges, such as learning how to build a sandcastle or figuring out how to climb up a jungle gym.
- Reducing Stress: So much outdoor play involves physical activity, thrilling moments and a sense of freedom, all of which can boost endorphins, helping to lower stress levels

and reduce anxiety and depression. Interestingly, simply touching dirt when creating mud pies or digging for worms can be beneficial. According to a Bristol University study, certain types of “friendly” bacteria in soil have been found to activate the group of neurons that produce serotonin, which contributes to a feeling of well-being and happiness. So, don’t be afraid to let your kids get a bit dirty out there!

For play ideas, expert advice and other play resources, visit TheGeniusOfPlay.org. Playtime is essential for children. To promote health, happiness and confidence, be sure some of it is spent outdoors.



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BLACK HISTORY FACTS

July 22, 1862: President Lincoln submitted draft
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BLACK FACTS

July 19, 1925: Josephine Baker, entertainer and singer, makes her Paris debut.

July 23, 1962: Jackie Robinson, baseball great was inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame.

July 17, 1967: John Coltrane, innovative and famed jazz musician dies.

July 20, 1967: More than one thousand persons attended the first Black Power Conference in Newark, New Jersey.

July 21, 1969: Alfred Daniel King, Dr. King's younger brother, is found drowned in his swimming pool, Atlanta, Ga.

During the Civil Rights Movement in the South, some schools incorporated Black history into the curriculum with the hopes of advancing social change.

As early as 1940s, blacks in West Virginia began to celebrate **February as Negro History Month**.

The U.K. celebrates Black History Month in October.

February became a National Negro History month-long celebration in 1976.

Jazz, an African-American musical form born out of the blues, ragtime and marching bands, originated in Louisiana during the turn of the 19th century.

At a time when universities did not typically offer financial assistance to black athletes, **African-American football star Ernie Davis** was offered more than 50 scholarships.

Josiah Henson fled slavery in Maryland in 1830 and later founded a settlement in Ontario, Canada, for other black citizens who had escaped.

Hall-of-Famer Jackie Robinson helped establish the African American-owned and controlled Freedom Bank

In 1739, the Stono Rebellion in South Carolina became the largest slave revolt in colonial America

February was chosen to coincide with Frederick Douglass's and Abraham Lincoln's birthdays



Social Security Questions and Answers

By Erin Thompson, Public



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Question:

What are some of the documents Social Security will accept as proof of identity for a child?

Answer:

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- . Adoption decree;
- . Doctor, clinic, or hospital record;
- . Religious record (e.g., baptismal record);
- . Daycare center or school record; or
- . School identification card.

All documents must be either originals or copies certified by the issuing agency. We cannot accept photocopies or notarized copies of documents. To find out more, visit tp://www.socialsecurity.gov/www.socialsecurity.gov/ssnumber. There, you can also find out what documents you need, fill out and print an application, and then bring or mail the needed information to Social Security. You may also want to read the publication, Social Security Numbers For Children, available at www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs.

Question:

A few years ago, I lost my Social Security card. Now my credit report shows that someone might be using



my Social Security number. I'm afraid they might ruin my credit. What should I do?

Answer:

Identity theft and fraud are serious problems, not just for you, but for the financial integrity of our agency. It also puts our national security at risk if someone dangerous is using your number to obtain other forms of identification. It's against the law to use someone else's Social Security number, give false information when applying for a number, or alter, buy, or sell Social Security cards. Keep in mind, you should never carry your Social Security card with you. If you think someone is using your Social Security number fraudulently, you should report it to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) right away. You can report it at www.idtheft.gov or you can call FTC's hotline at 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4261) TTY (1-866-653-4261).

Question:

Why is it so important that my baby have a Social Security number?

Answer:

Your child may need a Social Security number if you are planning to open a bank account, buy savings bonds, obtain medical coverage, or apply for government services for the child. Your child will also need a Social Security number if you are going to declare him or her on your taxes. Getting a Social Security number for your newborn is voluntary, but it is a good idea to apply when your child is born. You can apply for a Social Security number for your baby when you apply for your baby's birth certificate. The state agency that issues birth certificates will give us your child's information and we will mail you a Social Security card with the child's Social Security number. Visit www.socialsecurity.gov/ssnumber for more information.

Early Bird Basketball

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coach Ben E. Williams, the original Early Bird Clinic ran for 5 years and was revived in 2007 by Tim Evans with the help of Mr. Williams and his non-profit organization Ben E. Williams Youth Services Inc.

“Mr. Williams blessed us to take it over, and we’ve being going strong for 12 years,” said Tim Evans, Early Bird Clinic Director. “He started it in 1974. It was a great program. I played in it and so did most of the volunteers.”

The Early Bird Clinic is free and open to all school age children as well as organized youth basketball teams. The program

stresses basketball fundamentals, team play, mentorship, and good character both on and off the court. All participants receive free t-shirts as well as lunch every Saturday. An awards program will be held on the last Saturday (July 27) where trophies and awards will be presented.

Program volunteers are plenty and include dedicated parents, educators, coaches, and community members. Volunteer Coordinator Angel Sawyer has worked with the Early Bird Basketball Clinic for the last 7 years. An early childhood educator and youth mentor, Ms. Sawyer said she feels

the program is important to the community and has helped to keep participants out of the streets where trouble can sometimes be found.

“When this [program] came to my attention, it came into my heart to help,” Ms. Sawyer said. “It brings our young men and women together with adults who share their passion of basketball.”

With Toledo basketball legends like Donald Collins, Truman Claytor, and Marcus Newbern having all come through the Early Bird program in the 1970s, Director Tim Evans said he hopes to continue the tradition of providing basketball

players of all levels the opportunity to participate in a quality program that can help them develop their skills.

Early Bird Clinic founder Ben Williams said he is extremely grateful and pleased that Tim Evans whom he coached at Scott High School and in the original Early Bird Basketball Clinic has taken over the program.

“Tim has done a phenomenal job,” Mr. Williams said. “The program has come full circle and hopefully one day when Tim is ready to retire, another former participant will be ready to take over the Clinic and take it to the next level.”



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Participants play hard as onlookers watch from the sidelines.

US Women’s soccer champ Megan Rapinoe quotes Nipsey Hussle after victory



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Megan Rapinoe and Sue Bird

By Terry Shropshire

To call soccer superstar Megan Rapinoe “bold” is an understatement.

She is one of the few athletes audacious enough to take up the cause with Colin Kaepernick and kneel during the play of the national anthem. She has publicly declared that she may never sing the “Star-Spangled Banner” again because of the multiple instances

of inequality in America.

Most of all, Rapinoe generated all kinds of quakes when she told outlet “Eight by Eight” that she’s “not going to the f—ing White House” if the U.S. women’s national soccer team won the World Cup — which it did — inciting a vicious backlash from the right wing of America, especially from the Oval Office.

Furthermore, when

Rapinoe won the most valuable player of the record-breaking U.S. Women’s National Team (USWNT) that won the World Cup on Sunday, July 8, 2019, one of the first things she did during the post celebratory festivities, was quote the late, legendary rapper, Nipsey Hussle.

Rapinoe, an activist athlete who ardently advocates for gender and racial equality,

posted this message on her Instagram page as an ode to the slain founder of The Marathon Clothing store in South Los Angeles.

Rapinoe, who is dating basketball legend Sue Bird of the WNBA, has also quoted Martin Luther King Jr. as sort of a clue into her sociopolitical philosophy.

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Festival

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and permit admittance for 1 person to either Saturday or Sunday. VIP tickets can be purchased for \$25 exclusively at the Toledo Urban Federal Credit Union. Children under 12 are free but will require a ticket for entry.

For more information and/or to purchase tickets, visit Ticketmaster.com or contact the Toledo Urban Federal Credit Union at (419) 255-8876.

- July 19**

Event: **Prayer Breakfast** - Time: 8:00 a.m.

Event: **Gospel Concert** - Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Friendship Baptist Church
5301 Nebraska Avenue)
- July 20**

Event: **African American Parade and Festival featuring Confunkshun** - “The Heroes of Funk”

Time: 10:00 a.m. – All Day; Parade Kickoff Location: Toledo Urban Federal Credit Union
(1441 Dorr Street) - Festival/Concert Location: SeaGate Convention Centre (401 Jefferson Avenue)
- July 21**

Event: **African American Festival featuring The ZAPP Band and R&B singer Angela Winbush**

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