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# **Area Office On Aging's 12**th Annual Caregiver Expo offering support and solutions for families



PHOTO CREDIT/TOLEDO JOURNAL Close friends Vincent Wiggins and David Oxner pose in the Expo luncheon area.



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Emcee and 13abc news anchor Kristian Brown welcomes everyone to the Expo luncheon and program.

By Leah Williams

The 12th Annual Area Office of Aging Caregiver Expo was held on Saturday, November 9 at Parkway Plaza in Maumee, Ohio. Event sponsors included TARTA, Buckeye Broadband, Aetna, and The Toledo Blade

Justin Moor, Vice President of Planning and Program Development at the Area Office on Aging, said the event was designed to connect caregivers with resources to support them in their caregiving role. This year's focus was specifically on helping people to get paid to care for a loved one.

"Today is all about helping those who care for an aging loved one to care better and longer than they otherwise would be able to on their own, and maybe even get paid for it," he said. "These tend to be individuals who are under a lot of stress. They're caring on average about 24 hours a week for their loved one usually

Mr. Moor went on to talk about the specific challenges that many caregivers face.

"It's a lot of financial stress, emotional stress, [and] physical stress associated with that, and we want them to know that they don't have to go it alone," Mr. Moor said. "There are a host of different agencies like ours all focused on supplementing the care that they provide to their aging loved one so that their loved one can stay where they want to be in their own home."

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Program emcee Kristian Brown (right) hands off the microphone to Mrs. Billie Johnson, President and CEO of the Area Office on Aging.



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Verna Brown, Tarra Wilson, and Clara Gregory attended the Caregiver Expo together.



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Mrs. Billie Johnson and Mr. Bill Harris before the program began.

# Monroe Street Neighborhood Center Sponsors Third Annual Holiday Market



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MSNC Administrative Assistant Toni Quinn with vendor Shasta Hill of Shays Sparkling Jewels and MSNC Executive Director Clara Petty at the, Monroe Street Neighborhood Center Third Annual Holiday Market.

By Michael Daniels Toledo Journal Staff Reporter

The chilly November breeze reminds us all that winter is right around the corner and so is the Christmas holiday season, and just like other area retailers, the Monroe Street Neighborhood Center got the ball rolling a little early this year. On November 9, 2019, the agency sponsored its Third Annual Holiday Market at

its headquarters located in the prestigious Monroe Street United Methodist Church here in Toledo.

More than 100 visitors browsed and shopped at the event that featured a wide range of products from local small business vendors. There were all types of jewelry including exotic, handmade, African jewelry, holistic health products, scented candles, artwork, clothing, home

improvement information, holiday wreaths, and much more. Visitors could also buy and taste several holiday desserts and snack foods that were perfect for a holiday party or dinner. There was also a free raffle for the customers for twenty free gifts donated by the various vendors that included a \$12,000 home improvement package.

Monroe Street Neighborhood Center



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Vowanda Knowles whose company is 'Living Well N1(in the back explains her natural health products to (front L-R), customers Birdena Martin and Bobby Martin

Executive, Director Clara Petty, said, "We do this event so we can showcase Toledo's local talent and entrepreneurs and give the community a chance to support their own people. If we don't support one another, who will? We have some really good crafters here this Saturday who created or made their products, and today we

are putting them in the spotlight."

One vendor, Vowanda Knowles whose company is 'Living Well N1' said, "I am here today to help bring health and nutrition into the community. We suffer from so many illnesses, such as diabetes, high blood pressure, arthritis, lack of energy, and many different illnesses of that

nature. I want people to know there are remedies to these problems through supplements, natural herbs, exercise, education and learning how to take care of your body."

"For example, she said, "I make a natural oil called 'Vamp' which is for chronic pain. Instead of taking pain pills or ibuprofen which

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# Every Third Wednesday Lucas County Human Trafficking Coalition and Social Justice Insitute

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### 3rd Saturday of Each Month Widows Empowered Strengthened & I Inc.

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

# Every Saturday Glass City Church of Christ Free Meal

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.

# Nov. 16th The Junction Coalition 7th Annual Health and Wellness Expo

Saturday, , 10 am - 3 pm, at the Frederick Douglass Center, 1001 Indiana Ave., Toledo, OH 43607. . It will offer: Massage Therapy, Financial Advice, Healthy Food Options, Medical Screenings, Stress Tests and Evaluations, Disaster Preparedness, Water Democracy, and Fun Activities for the Kids. For more information you can contact the Junction office at 419-408-0998.

#### Nov. 16th

### Appold Planetarium presents *The Psychedelic Trip* into Fractals

The Lourdes University Appold Planetarium presents The Psychedelic Trip into Fractals. Like stepping into a kaleidoscope, mind-bending fractal zooms will take your breath away in this immersive show. Combining a state-of-the art projection system, original music, and powerful computer graphics, this show is a journey into an infinitely complex and visual world created by powerful computers.

Admission prices for The Psychedelic Trip into Fractals are \$5 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under. Shows are offered at 7:30 p.m.

Reservations are strongly recommended. Please call 419-517-8897 or email planetarium@lourdes.edu.

Nov. 18th
Listening Session at Jones by State
Representative

#### **Veterans**

#### **Thank You For Your Service**

On Sunday, November 24th Warren AME Church, 915 Collingwood Blvd. (04) would like to honor all veterans and active duty personnel at a Celebration of Thanks service. Warren will express our gratitude for their protection to the security of this country. It would be an honor to have veterans from your family, church's, organization's, civic or governmental entities take part in this service. To be acknowledged and have the veteran's name entered in the commemoration book, the Information below must be received in the Warren's church office by **Thursday**, **November 21st at 3:00 P.M.** 

Name:

Rank At Discharge:

Branch of Service:

Contact: Number:

Minister Rochelle Strong, Jerusalem Baptist Church and former Specialist E4 U.S. Army will deliver the 10:30 a.m. morning worship service. Rev. Dr. Otis Gordon, pastor, will bless symbols that represent the five branches of military service. These symbols will be permanently placed on the Memorial Tree in the church narthex.

Again, all veterans are invited to this Celebration Service honoring you!

#### Paula Hicks-Hudson

Monday, from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Jones Leadership Academy of Business, 430 Nebraska Ave., Toledo, OH 43604., to discuss the state's third grade reading guarantee. The session will focus on how parents and caretakers of children feel about the test, its effectiveness, and wheather the test needs to be changed or scrapped altogether. "This listening session is an opportunity to give experience and perspective on the third grade reading guarantee, "said Rep. Hicks-Hudson. "Lawmakers will be in attendance to hear your input on how the hgh-stakes testing is affecting our children." The event is free and open to the public.

#### Nov. 22nd Thru Dec. 31st The Toledo Zoo Lights Before Christmas

Sun - Thurs 3 - 8pm, Fri - Sat 3 - 9 pm. Tree Lighting Ceremony, Friday, Nov. 22 at 6 p.m. in the Gardens. Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, Now open for Lights from 3 - 8pm, park will close at 9pm. New Yer's Eve, open all day from 10 am - 8pm. Lights on at 3 p.m., park closing at 9 p.m. With over one million lights, the award-winning Big Tree and 200 + illuminated animal images spread out across the electrical spectacle is sure to be both merry AND bright! Ticket Prices: Member: Mon - Thu: Unlimited Visits, Fri - Sun: 1 FREE Weekend Visit. Non-Member: Adults - \$20, Kids (2-11) & Seniors (60+) - \$17.

#### Nov. 23rd Third Baptist Church

Appreciation musical for church musician Stennett (Mick) Collins Saturday, at 5:00 PM, 9775 Angola Rod. (Holland). Madison Gregory III Pastor.

#### Nov. 24th

#### **Brian Chorale 35th Anniversary Reunion Concert**

The Brian Thomas Chorale & Alumni will be celebrating their 35th Anniversary Reunion Concert on Sunday at 6:00 p.m. At The Family Baptist Church, 1002 Bancroft. Min. Brian Thomas Founder. Elder Charles McBee Pastor.

# November 20, 2019 Thru November 23, 2019 Greater St. Mary's Missionary Baptist Church Musical Workshop

Clinician - Pastor Leon Wilkerson, he is the Pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Middletown, OH. Song writer, musician and a Professor of Music , who serves on the faculty of the National Gospel Music Workshop of America. Pastor Wilkerson teaches Praise & Worship classes to hundreds of church members, choir members, choir directors and musicians from across the world. This workshop is open to Deacons, Choir Directors & Choir Members, Musicians and Church Members in the entire community of Toledo and the surrounding areas. Wednesday - Saturday at 7:00 p.m. Closing out on Saturday with a concert at 7:00 p.m., at 416 Belmont Street, Toledo, OH 43602.

Registration Fee: \$15.00.

Pastor: Rev. Robert W. Lyons.

#### Nov. 28th

### The Thomas Temple Church of God In Christ FREE Thanksgiving Dinner

On Thursday, Thanksgiving Day at the Temple 2140 Ashland Avenue from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Dinners will be carry-out only. Any questions you may call 419-320-4984.

### Nov. 30th The 8th Annual Christmas Bazaar

Saturday, 10am-4pm at the Indiana Ave. MB Church 640 Indiana Ave. Toledo, OH 43606. (The Stephenson-Roberts-Hall). Massages Therapy, CARE Source, Women's & Men's Apparel, Food, Entertainment. FREE ADMISSION & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. Contact information Ms. Carter, Event Coordinator at (419) 367-9765.

#### Dec. 5th Toledo Zoo YPAC Holiday Howler

Young Professionals For Animals And Conservation. YPAC is a goup of motivated and adventurous young professionals ages 21-mid 40s with a passion to think globally and volunteer locally on behalf of the natural world. YPAC memberships are \$25 per person/year in addition to a Zoo membership. **Thurs. 5:30 - 7:30pm.** ProMedica Museum of Natural History. Registration closes December 4th at midnight.

#### Dec. 5th, 12th, 19th, & 26th Toledo Zoo Ice Carvings at Lights

Watch ice master pieces take shape right before your eyes in the Zoo's Main Plaza beginning at 6 p.m., 2 Hippo Way, Toledo, Ohio 43609

#### Dec 6th, 14th, 20th, and 21st Toledo Zoo LBC Overnights

Enjoy the Zoo for Lights - then spend the night! This overnight experience features up-close enounters with

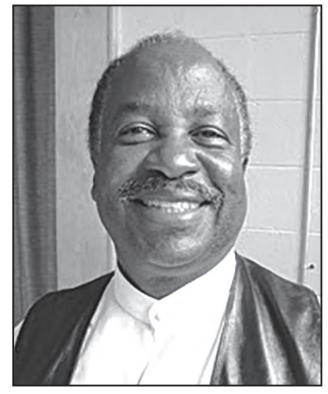
animals, special talks by Zoo staff, evening cookies and hot cocoa and a continental breakfast. For more information, please visit toledozoo.org/snooze. **Location:** 2 Hippo Way, Toledo, Ohio 43609.

#### Dec. 20th Thru Dec. 21st SquadGoals Presents: She is: THE WIZ

Friday, Decemeber 20th 6-8pm, and Saturday, December 21st 6-8pm, at the Collingwood Arts Center, 2413 Collingwood Blvd, Toledo, OH. Tickets available on eventbrite \$5 for kids, \$10 for adults. Information contact Anique Davis 419-705-9558.



# An Ode to the Glorious Chicken Sandwich...



By Lafe Tolliver Attorney

A poet I am not but I am able to wax eloquently about the crazy fanfare and enduring foolishness that I am witnessing on social media and the newscasts regarding how some people (yes, it is "you" people that I am referring to) whom are playing the role of the nitwit.

Imagine if you can, certain people going apoplectic over a piece of chicken being sold with a great sauce and in a bun!

That's it!

Popeye's seemingly can not find a bank large enough to accept the mountains of cash this chicken plucking sandwich is bringing to their bottom line.

My sorrow and anger are directed at the chaos that some stores are experiencing when certain "people" arrive at the store and begin to bogard the lines and demand that chicken!

It is even to the point of people smashing their cars into other cars just to get a better position in the drive-up window.

And let's not talk about the recent stabbing done by certain "people" to other "people" when someone's temper got the best of them and they thought they were being edged out of getting this chicken sammich.

Think about it. You are willing to kill over a piece of chicken pluck! Do you know how totally bereft of your senses you must be to conclude that going to prison for life or near life is worth it, if I can only get my lips wrapped around a piece of fried chicken?

Are you nuts! Are you on psychotropic drugs? Are you brain dead?



But, when Popeyes brought back this sales juggernaut, the public went wild again and acted as if this piece of chicken was dear life itself.

When you watch some of the social media videos of your "people" acting the fool and cussing up a storm and body slamming people to the ground and calling people every name but a child of God, you gotta wonder, what happened to us?

Regrettably, this sales wonder of Popeyes was a marketing coup to the black community because, obviously, marketeers seemingly know us better than we know ourselves.

Those market mavens can sell ice to Eskimos or sand to the Saudi's if given a chance but when it comes to marketing to "us", they have

struck a gold mine that has no evidence of ever being tapped out.

Can you imagine using the intensity of seeking out something as this chicken sandwich, that you would use the same energy and hours of waiting in lines, to register to vote, stand in line to vote, get your driver's licenses out of suspension, check books out of the library or turn off the MTN or BET channels and learn about real estate investments or forming a small business?

But, for now...we are stuck on chicken and giving Popeyes more millions of dollars for a taste of some "secret" ingredients applied to a piece of chicken! Oh, how the mighty have fallen!

So, in closing, here is my Ode To The Mighty Chicken:

Chicken, chicken, Oh, how I love and adore thee...

I love you more than life itself! Chicken, chicken, Oh, how I savor thee...

I think nothing daily but of thee... Chicken, chicken, Oh, how I desire thee...

I pledge my love and loyalty to all things fried of thee...

Chicken, chicken, I give all to thee and can only wish that your flavors will always woo me...

Chicken, chicken, never stray too far from me...

because without your unique taste, I do not know where I would

Chicken, chicken, I have refused all others for thee...

so please continue to cluck-cluck and thus draw me to thee.

Chicken, chicken, I must now go, for they called my number and from the hundreds still waiting, it is no time to slumber!

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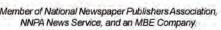
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# Trump Is Not Alone Among Americans in Failing to Understand What a Real Lynching Is



By Jesse Jackson Wire Columnist

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - Donald Trump's use of the term "lynching" to describe the ongoing impeachment inquiry in the House naturally sparked bipartisan outrage. The

president and his shameless apologist, South Carolina's Sen. Lindsey Graham, defended the use of the word, with Graham calling the investigation a "lynching in every sense.

Surely Graham, who comes from a state that, the Equal Justice Initiative reports, lynched 187 Black people between 1877 and 1950, should know better. He was a member of the Senate when it voted unanimously in December 2018 to make lynching a federal crime, calling it "the ultimate expression of racism in the U.S.," and classifying it as a hate crime.

Trump's casual use of the word is an indication of the sad reality that America has largely failed to address the role of racial terror and violence in our history, and its legacy in distorting our criminal justice system. The myths of Black criminality that were used to justify racial terror have never been adequately confronted and are reflected in the unprecedented — and still racially skewed mass incarceration in America. To this day, no Congress has passed, and no president has signed into law, a bill to outlaw lynching as a federal hate crime. Trump defended himself, saying that lynching is a "word that many Democrats have used."

That's true, but that only reinforces the need to confront the truth of the past. Lynching — and racial terror — was used purposefully after the Civil War in the former states of the Confederacy to reimpose racial subordination and segregation. In its compelling report, "Lynching in America: Confronting the Legacy of Racial Terror," the Equal Justice Initiative compiled records of 4,075 "racial terror lynchings" of African Americans in 12 states of the South from

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# America's veterans deserve better from for-profit colleges



Every year, the 11th day of the 11th month is observed as Veterans Day. It's a time to honor the 18.2 million men and women still living who served in at least one war. Though observances vary across the nation, each celebrates the American ideal of service to country.

It's also a time to remember that our nation makes promises to these patriots that must be kept.

From health care to home loans and educational benefits, our nation supports the well-being and financial security of those who have served and their families. For example, VA (Veterans Administration) home loans enable veterans to have their own American Dream. And who wouldn't want a federal assurance that the nation would pick up the tab on health care?

When it comes to the transition from military to civilian life, many veterans rely upon GI benefits to financially support their efforts to receive higher education and better incomes without incurring thousands of dollars of student debt

So why is it that veterans seeking to gain updated and marketable skills in a technology-driven economy become prey to for-profit colleges?

Major Chris Davis with the United States Marine Corps observes that these valued educational benefits are making targets out of vets.

"The GI Bill is a promise between Americans and the service members who protect our freedom from all threats," wrote Major Davis in a recent blog. "My friends and fellow veterans did not spill their blood on foreign lands



to return home and be taken advantage of by collegiate con artists."

Many of the "con artists" Major Davis refers to are for-profit colleges that typically charge higher tuition and fees for enrollment than do public or nonprofit institutions. Many of these schools have low graduation rates and/or lower earnings than those promised -- even after 10 years in their respective fields. Beyond these significant concerns, since 2012, for-profit college closures have left many veteran students with few, if any, of their GI educational benefits left. College credits earned at these closed schools frequently are not accepted at other institutions.

"That VA has not invoked their authority to ban schools that engage in deceptive marketing for almost 50 years is a missed opportunity to do what is right for military-connected students in higher education," said Tanya Ang, Vice President at Veterans Education Success, a veteran advocacy organization dedicated to advancing higher education success for veterans.

"We urge VA and their Office of General Counsel to review the relevant statute and act now to protect veterans from predatory schools," added Ang.

Ang's concerns are bolstered by a recent Government Accountability Office (GAO) report that found more than 7,000 veterans receiving Post 9/11 GI Bill benefits were attending schools operated by Corinthian Colleges and ITT

Educational Services when the institutions respectively closed with little to no notice in 2015 and 2016.

At the time of Corinthian Colleges' closure, over 72,000 students were enrolled. The next year, ITT's closure of 136 campuses affected 35,000 students. Other for-profit closures by Education Corporation of America in 2018

So why is it that veterans seeking to gain updated and marketable skills in a

technology-driven economy become prey to for-profit colleges?

and The Art Institutes and Argosy University – both owned by Dream Center Education Holdings -- literally added thousands more exploited veteran students

According to the GAO report, "[V]eterans can face challenges transferring credits and continuing their education at a new school. This may make it more difficult for veterans to complete their degrees before exhausting their eligibility for Post 9/11 GI Bill benefits."

For-profit schools had lower 4-year program graduation and retention rates, according to the GAO report, compared to public and nonprofit colleges.

Under the Post 9/11 GI Bill, since 2009, the VA has paid \$94 billion in two ways. College tuition and fees are paid directly to schools, while an additional monthly housing benefit and stipend for books is paid to vets. Those who served on active duty for 36 months can access this benefit that amounts to \$24,477 for the 2019-2020 academic year. Depending upon other circumstances, veterans could also be eligible for Pell Grants and/or Direct Federal Student Loans available through the Department of Education.

For-profit institutions that enroll veterans accessing both federal loans through the Department of Education and Post 9/11 benefits can derive nearly all of their revenues and subsequent profits from federal taxpayer dollars. Such scenarios exploit the original intent of the 90/10 rule which requires that no more than 90% of all funds received by for-profit colleges from federal sources. Post 9/11 benefits are not counted in the 90%, hence the term, "the 90/10 loophole" and the practice of targeting veterans by for-profit colleges.

It's enough to make a sensible taxpayer question whether for-profit colleges are in the business of educating veterans and other consumers or simply gouging the goodwill of taxpayers.

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the post-Civil War Reconstruction era to World War II. The report shows that "terror lynchings in the American South were not isolated hate crimes committed by rogue vigilantes. Lynching was targeted racial violence at the core of a systematic campaign of terror perpetrated in furtherance of an unjust social order."

Whatever complaints Republicans may have about an impeachment hearing convened in Congress under its constitutional authority, it surely is not a lynching. Lynching in the South was not done by fringes of the society taking the law in their own hands. It was often organized by the community's most prominent people and condoned by officials. Lynchings were often gruesome public spectacles, with victims tortured and murdered in front of picnicking spectators. Their intent was not simply to terrorize blacks, but

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to reinforce among Whites the myth that blacks were sub-human. They were not about controlling crime, but about racial control. Their perpetrators were celebrated, not prosecuted.

The Equal Justice Initiative reports that only 1 percent of those committing lynchings were convicted of a criminal offense after 1900. Racial terror in the

South succeeded in re-establishing white rule and black subordination after the Civil War. With whites in control of the criminal justice system, lynching became less prevalent, with mass incarceration and capital punishment taking its place. Bryan Stevenson of the Equal Justice Initiative has led the effort to create a process for remembering and confronting this shameful past and understanding its legacies in our present. He notes that communities across the South have memorials to the leaders of the Confederacy and of the Klan, but have failed to memorialize the innocent victims of racial terror. The contrast with countries like Germany and even South Africa that have sought to learn from the horrors of their history is dramatic.

For 100 years, the NAACP campaigned to make lynching a federal crime, initially in the hope that federal intervention would bring the perpetra-

tors to justice, and finally as an expression of truth-telling. The efforts were always blocked by filibusters organized by Southern senators. In 2005, the Senate passed a resolution apologizing to the victims of lynching for their failure to pass anti-lynching legislation. In 2018, the Senate finally unanimously passed anti-lynching legislation for the first time.

In June of this year, the House Judiciary Committee put forth HR 35, the Emmett Till Anti-Lynching Act, for a vote before the House. Trump's egregious comment provides the occasion for truth-telling. The House and the Senate should finally act together to put the anti-lynching bill on the president's desk for his signature, and join in a national teach-in, perhaps a joint session of the Congress, to educate Americans about the reality of lynching and the lies it spread that still need to be dispelled.



# CONGRATULATIONS!

Sister Willie Jean Lark of The Union Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Reverend J.L. Spears, Pastor, also of The NorthWestern District Association, Reverend Doctor B. Lamont Monford, Sr., Moderator. Count it an honor and a privilege to serve as The 17th Women's Auxiliary President of the Ohio Baptist General Convention Inc., along with the current President of the Parent Body, Reverend Samuel N. Winston, Jr.

Sister Lark's tenture started October 16th 2019 and she will serve for the next four years. She is encouraging the women of the State of Ohio to continue with our Walk of Faith. Down through the years, God has really been good to the Women of The OBGC! I am energized with the strong fellowship I see, the wholesome Ministry and most of all the Word of God that we Live by. Please remember that you are important to the OBGC and to me. We are all Sisters In Christ!

Let us build this Women's Auxiliary to another level on the solid foundation already established. With God's Grace and Mercy we can do this. To God BE The Glory!

> Sister W. Jean Lark, President of The Women's Auxiliary For The Ohio Baptist General Convention, Inc.

# Deborah Barnett to coordinate operations for Toledo-Lucas County Complete Count Committee

Submitted The

Toledo-Lucas

County Complete Count in 2018 Committee, established

by Wade

Mayor and the Lucas County

Kapszukiewicz Commissioners

Women Entrepreneurs with a Purpose

\*Pashion Show General Hosted by Women Entrepreneurs with a Purpose Saturday November 16, 2019 Aria Banquet Hall 5969 Telegraph 12pm-3pm

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prepare the community for the 2020 Census, announced today that Deborah Barnett has been hired to be the Census Coordinator for the organization.

The City of Toledo, County, and Greater Toledo Community Foundation contributing \$45,000 fund The position. Toledo County Public Library administration is supervising Ms. Barnett's weekly duties and providing office space and other in-kind support Main Library Toledo downtown under an independent contractor agreement.

The Toledo-Lucas County Complete Count Committee was formed to ensure that every resident in the community is counted during the 2020 Census and has been meeting regularly since May. An accurate and complete 2020 Census will be instrumental not only in the redistricting of legislative districts within Ohio, but also to the allocation of federal funds to state and local governments. \$2 billion in federal resources are obligated to Toledo and Lucas County annually for crucial local functions such as roads, schools, health care, and emergency response.

Comprised representatives from civic organizations, faithbased groups, educators, the business community,

and other community stakeholders, the Toledo-Lucas County Complete Count Committee designed not only raise awareness of and facilitate a higher selfresponse rate to the census, but to act as a liaison to the U.S. Census Bureau as it mobilizes ahead of the census notification process that will begin March 1, 2020. The committee determined establishing a single point of contact to coordinate activities would enable the committee to more easily spread awareness of the importance of the 2020 Census.

Ms. Barnett has more than 35 years of widereaching experience as an administrator and a community development professional first as executive Huntington Bank and now as the owner of her own consulting company. She has worked to connect organizations as diverse as the City Toledo Department Neighborhoods, Toledo Public Schools, ProMedica, Lucas County Children Services, the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance, and the Toledo African American Chamber of Commerce with the people and resources they need to become successful. Ms. Barnett began as Census Coordinator on Monday.

# Area Office on Aging's Caregiver Expo providing solutions for families



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Representatives at The Hospice of Northwest Ohio table provide information to Expo attendees.



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An expo attendee gets information from one of the nearly 50 vendor tables.

Today is all about helping those who care for an aging loved one to care better and longer than they otherwise would be able to on their own, and maybe even get paid for it

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With nearly vendors present, attendees to the Expo were able to access information from a hosts of local businesses and agencies including the office of Anita Lopez, Lucas County Auditor. Vincent Wiggins, Director of Education and Outreach in the Auditor's Office, said they were in attendance to make sure seniors and their caregivers were educated about not only the services his office provides like dog licensing but also the tax reductions available to seniors.

"We are here because we find that it's extremely important to make sure that our seniors are aware of all the discounts available to them if they're homeowners - to make sure they're receiving the homestead discount,

the owner occupied credit, and the water discount," Mr. Wiggins said. "Our seniors are very important to us. Anita Lopez believes in and supports our seniors so we'll always do whatever we can to make sure they get any benefits that we have available to them."

In addition to visiting the vendors, attendees could also attend a catered luncheon that included a panel How caregivers can adapt to changes in family relationships.' The program emcee was 13abc news anchor Kristian Brown. Billie

discussion and special presentation by Cheryl Conley of MemoryLane Care Services on the topic 'Who are we now:

Johnson, President and CEO of the Area Office on Aging, and Area Office on Aging Board President Bill Harris offered comments to the attendees just before the panel discussion began. The panelists included experts and current caregivers: Mary Wilson, Jayne Wagner, Barbara Rapp, Karen Boester, and Amelia Hudak.

Mr. Harris was extremely pleased with the turnout to the Expo. He spoke with Toledo Journal The about the support of the community at the event but also the support of the community in passing the recent levy for seniors.

"I think it's amazing when you look at this turnout here to see the support that we have for situations that relate to aging because we're all doing it. When looking back at the levy just this past Tuesday, we passed the levy 70 to 30 percent. I mean people get it, he said."

Mr. Harris continued, "The population of this country is getting older, and you're seeing everyday ten thousand people turn age 65. It's just incredible. And we're happy that this agency exists, for this event specifically, exists to support the because caregivers they're the ones who are in the homes taking care of loved ones who in many cases would not be able to do it on their own."

Mrs. Billie Johnson spoke about the

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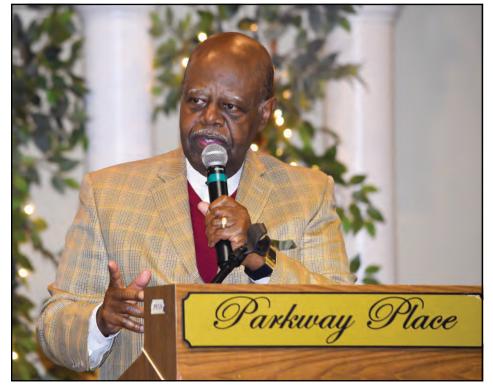


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Area Office on Aging Board President Bill Harris thanks the community for their support of the levy and expo.

Program at the Area Office on Aging and her desire that the Expo offer support while celebrating caregivers.

"Caregiving increasing. Our older adult population is growing faster than any other place in Northwest Ohio. As people grow

older, especially those 75 years of age and older, they are likely to have a disability of one form or another. So, generally, their loved ones are caring for them," she said. "We understand that and want to provide some degree of assistance to

those families. Eightyfive percent of the caregiving in this country is delivered by families so that little extra help that we can bring to them - that's what today is all about."



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# Youth Survival Workshop hosted by Warren AME Church



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Sitting, left to right are, Darlene Sawyer, director of Christian Education at Warren AME Church, Santoria Sawyer, author, and presenter, and Dr. Deborah Washington, director of Sunday school. Standing are, Pastor Otis Gordon, senior pastor, and Debra Jelks, chairman of Christian Education.



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David Nalls would address the topics of emotional, and mental health.

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*Ultimately, we want to host a monthly* youth panel addressing issues that they encounter. We also want to help give them the confidence they need to be able to be successful in life

By JURRY TAALIB-DEEN Journal Staff Writer

Warren AME Church, 915 Collingwood Blvd, hosted their Youth Survival Workshop, on Saturday, November 2, at their church. The interactive event is to inform, as well as engage the young attendees.

Two presenters, David Nalls, minister at Christ Community Church, and Santoria Sawyer, author, would share their experiences with their audience. Mr. Nalls would address the topics of emotional, and mental health, and how to cope with those situations, and Ms. Sawyer would speak about domestic violence, and sexual abuse.

Debra Jelks, chairman of Christian Education at the church, told The Toledo Journal purpose of the event is encourage, and give confidence to young people when facing some of the more challenging issues in life. By making the form interactive, she said it gives the youth an opportunity to share issues they face

"Ultimately, we want to host a monthly youth panel addressing issues that they encounter. We also want to help give them the confidence they need to be able to be successful in life," she said.

Otis Gordon, senior pastor, said, "First, I'd like to congratulate the community on hosting this form. The topics that are being addressed today are something many of our young people encounter. Both speakers have a gift at being able to relate to youth, as well as give them direction."

Prior to the start of the event, lunch was served, and there were door prizes given.

After the event, Ms. Sawyer signed copies of her book.

# Who was the first black child to go to an integrated school?



#### THE CONVERSATION

By: Russell Ellsworth Lovell II Professor Emeritus, Drake University Law School, Drake University

When people think about the time when black people first began to integrate America's public schools, often they think back to the 1960s.

But history shows the first court-ordered school integration case took place a hundred years earlier, in the 1860s.

In April of 1868, three years after the end of the Civil War, Susan Clark – a 12-year-old girl from Muscatine, lowa – became the first black child to attend an integrated school because of a court order. The Supreme Court of lowa issued that court order when it made its historic ruling in a school desegregation case brought by Susan's father, Alexander Clark. This was 86 years before the U.S. Supreme Court issued the landmark Brown v. Board of Education decision, which ordered the desegregation of the nation's public schools. In the lowa case, a judge named Chester Cole ruled that the Muscatine School Board's racial segregation policy was illegal. The lowa Supreme Court was the first court in the nation to say that segregation

#### Up from slavery

was unlawful.

Susan Clark's parents were Alexander Clark and Catherine Griffin Alexander's Clark. father, John – this would be Susan's grandfather - was born to a slave owner and an enslaved woman. Both John and his mother were

freed after John's birth. Alexander's mother. Darnes. Rebecca was the daughter of emancipated slaves, George and Leticie Darnes. Alexander was born free in Pennsylvania in 1826. Catherine Griffin was born a slave in Virginia in 1829, and was freed at the age of three and taken to Ohio.

Alexander Catherine married in 1848, and set up their home in Muscatine, a small, prosperous town on the Mississippi River. Alexander was a barber and a successful businessman. He was an outstanding speaker and was so active in the Underground Railroad - a secret network that helped slaves escape to freedom - and other civil rights causes that he has been recognized as "one of the greatest civil rights leaders of the 19th century."

#### School board wanted segregation

The Muscatine School Board didn't try to hide the reason it rejected Susan's application to attend Grammar School No. 2, which was the school closest to where she lived. The school said its decision to keep black and white students segregated was in line with "public sentiment that is opposed to the intermingling of white and colored children in the same schools." The school board argued that its schools were "separate but equal." This argument worked in a lot of other courts at the time, including the highest courts in Massachusetts, York and California. But the argument didn't work Justice Cole pointed out that the very first words in the Iowa Constitution

in the Supreme Court of

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say "equal rights to all." First black graduate Susan Clark didn't

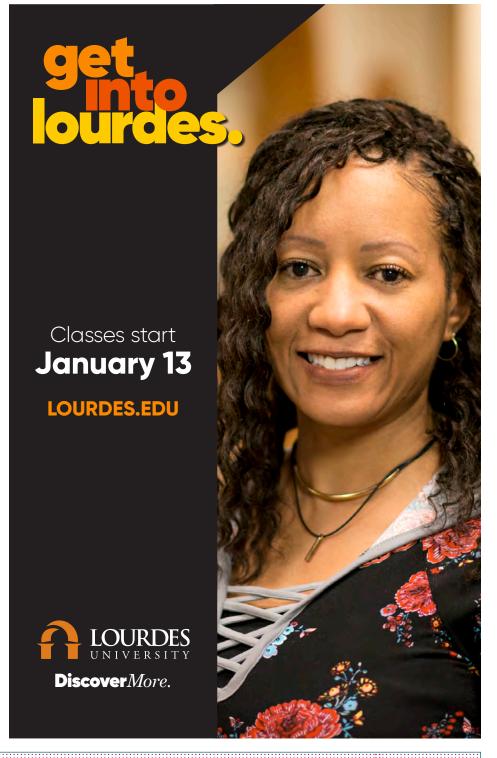
experience threats and taunts like black children did when they integrated schools in the 1960s. There were only 35 black children in Muscatine at the time. Susan Clark went on to become the first black graduate of a public school in lowa -Muscatine High School - in 1871 and served commencement speaker.

The Muscatine Journal praised Susan's commencement address. But Leaves," for its it was "unpretending in Rev. Richard Holley,

"Nothing style" and had "many an African Methodist excellent thoughts." "originality," observing Susan married the

Episcopalian minister,

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# Symposium on how to take control of your health hosted by City of Zion, the Mt. Zion Church



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The Health and Wellness Committee who spearheaded the event.

By JURRY TAALIB-DEEN Journal Staff Writer

"Fear isn't going to save us," Tamara Bumpus, certified nurse practitioner, told an audience at Nexus Health Center, 1415 Jefferson Ave, about the importance of knowing how to take control of their health through eating right, exercising, visiting their primary care physician, and just being knowledgeable about whatever health issue they may face.

The event, "Take Control of your Health," symposium, was held on Saturday, November 9, and hosted by City of Zion, The Mt. Zion Church.

A series of sessions were held throughout the day that addressed the topics of diabetes, addiction, taking

care of elderly parents, becoming financially healthy, and recognizing stress, and depression. Also, an active demonstration by a certified fitness instructor was held, as well as a question, and answer session with Ms. Bumpus. Further, attendees could get free screenings for diabetes, blood pressure, depression, and HIV. Topping off the free screenings were free, 15 minute chair massages.

Keisha Taylor, who serves on the health and wellness ministry for the City of Zion, The Mt. Zion Church, told The Toledo Journal what their objective was for hosting the

"We want to introduce people to the various services available that will help



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#### Mark Harris, far right, showing people how 15 minutes is all that's needed to get in better shape.

them improve their health," she said. "This event is to introduce them to all around, proper health care," Ms. Taylor added.

When it came time for the questions, and answers session with Ms. Bumpus, she was asked everything from what she considers to be the greatest health disparity, to what should be done about

is some healthcare provider's not properly informing people about their particular disease. But I also see a lot of people not following up with the orders given by their primary care physician," she said.

Ms. Bumpus pointed to the fact that, although more White women are diagnosed with breast cancer, more Black Blacks differently than Whites. women die from it.

She also encouraged the "The greatest disparity I see audience to eat healthier, and

exercise, because a bad diet and inactivity causes a lot of health problems.

Another topic Ms. Bumpus spoke about was the medical community's focus, when it comes to genetic history, being centered on White males. She said there are certain medications that affect

She specifically mentioned Lisinopril, which is used to treat high blood pressure, and

heart failure. Ms. Bumpus said, the drug is well documented, within the medical community, to cause a cough to African Americans, and darker Latinos. No one knows why, she said, but if more studies on the genetic history of African Americans, and darker Latinos were conducted, perhaps the question could be answered, Ms. Bumpus said.

### having a heart murmur.

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# George Edwin Taylor Was the First Black Man to Ever Run For President in the United States

After finishing college, he returned to La Crosse where he went to work for the

La Crosse Free Press him and then the La Crosse Evening Star. His work as a writer at the newspaper brought

the competing labor factions in La Crosse. The Wisconsin Labor Advocate, which was his own newspaper, became one of the newspapers of the party when Taylor became a leader and office holder in Wisconsin's statewide

Union Labor Party.

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**Taylor** 

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For this reason, he

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politics. national issues when he was a member of the Wisconsin delegation during the national convention of the Union Labor Party. As his prominence increased, his race became an issue, so Taylor decided to reply to the criticism increasingly writing about African American issues.

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# Second Baptist Church Hosts Week-Long Prayer Conference



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Pastor Melvin L. Barnes, Pastor Vincent Simpson, Overseer Paul Mays, and Pastor Jerry L. Boose

Thursday evening's guest speaker Pastor Jeanette Barnes, co-pastor of Greater Faith Fellowship in Toledo, Ohio.



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Standing from left to right: Pastor Melvin L. Barnes, Overseer Paul Mays, and Pastor Jerry L. Boose. Seated from left to right: Pastor Jeanette Barnes, First Lady Linda Mays, and First Lady Debra Boose.

By Leah Williams

Pastor Jerry Boose was optimistic at the end of his church's week-long conference prayer welcomed in that members and guests from across Ohio and bevond.

"The prayer conference this year was an event that I believe really changed the lives of the people here at Second Baptist because of what we're going through as a country," Pastor Boose said. "I believe that it was a week of encouragement and a week of hope."

Minister Lorraine Bartley, Intercessory Prayer Leader and planning committee at the Township during the week of November 4-10. She said they held corporate prayer Monday and Wednesday followed by guest speakers at evening services on Thursday, Friday, and Sunday. The theme was 'Living Under an Open Heaven.'

"We want to live under an open heaven," she said. "The expectation was that the speakers were going to tell us how to do that, and they did."

Toledo area pastor Jeanette Barnes, Co-Pastor of Greater

chairperson for the Faith Fellowship, was event, said that the the Thursday evening conference was held guest speaker. The Monclova church then welcomed church Pastor Nate Ortiz from Delaware, Ohio on Friday night and finally Overseer Paul Mays from Mount Liberty Baptist Church in Akron, Ohio on Sunday.

When sharing his thoughts about the week with The Toledo Journal, Pastor Boose said that the speakers were able to bring a word from God to the church encouraged that and empowered his congregation and himself.

"The speakers that God put on our heart to bring - they all spoke



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Minister Lorraine Bartley, Intercessory Prayer Leader and Prayer Conference planning committee chairperson.

a word. Our theme this year was about the open heaven. Open heaven means just that - that whatever we need, God has it. It's our prayer life that going to release the heavens to the earth," he said.

Looking to the future, Pastor Boose continued, "We're excited not just for 2020 but what God's going to start even at the end of this year," he said. "My prayer is that we take [the word] and not just hear it, but also take it and put it into action."



# The First Black Man to Ever Run For President

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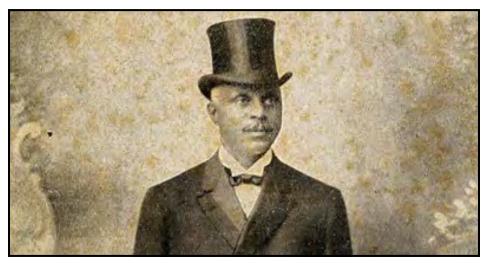
Then, Taylor moved to Oskaloosa, Iowa, and was part of the Republican Party and then with the Democrats. While in Iowa, Taylor owned edited Negro Solicitor, and became president of the National Colored Protective Men's Association and the National Negro Democratic League. other Taylor and independent-minded African Americans in 1904 joined the National Liberty Party

(NLP), the first national to political party created exclusively for and by Blacks. The NLP **Executive Committee** asked Taylor to be the party's candidate for that year's election.

During the campaign proposed: suffrage universal regardless of race; Federal protection of the rights of all citizens; Federal anti-lynching laws; additional black regiments in U.S. Army; Federal pensions for all former slaves; government ownership and control of all public carriers

ensure accommodations all citizens; and home rule for the District Columbia. campaign was the last foray into politics of Taylor.

He believed that an independent political party that could mobilize the African American vote was the only practical way that Blacks could political exercise influence. Sadly, George Edwin Taylor died in Jacksonville, Florida on December 23, 1925 at the age of



George Edwin Taylor was the first African American man selected by a political party to be its candidate for the presidency of the United States. He grew up in a conflicted environment where the Civil War was always near. Taylor was born in Little Rock, Arkansas on August 4, 1857 to Amanda Hines, who was free, and Bryant (Nathan) Taylor, who was enslaved. Taylor, however, was raised in La Crosse, Wisconsin by a politically active Black family and later attended Wayland University in Beaver Dam, Wisconsin from 1877 to 1879.

# Social Security helps Veterans and Active Duty Military Members

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

Every year on Veterans Day, our nation honors the people who risk their lives to protect our country. Social Security's disability program is an important part of our obligation to wounded warriors and their families. For military members who

return home with injuries, Social Security is a resource they can turn to. If you know any wounded veterans, please let them know about Social Security's Wounded Warriors website. You can find it at www.socialsecurity. gov/woundedwarriors.

The Wounded Warriors website answers many commonly asked questions, and shares other useful information about disability including how benefits, receive veterans can expedited processing of disability claims. Benefits available through Social Security are different than those from the Department of Veterans Affairs and require a separate application.

The expedited process is used for military service members who become disabled while on active military service on or after October 1, 2001, regardless of where the disability

Even active duty military who continue to receive pay while in a hospital or on medical leave should consider applying for disability benefits if they're unable to work due to a disabling condition. Active duty status

and receipt of military pay doesn't necessarily prevent payment of Social Security disability benefits. Although a person can't receive Social Security disability benefits while engaging in substantial work for pay or profit, receipt of military payments should never stop someone from applying for disability benefits from Social Security.

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# **Medicare Enrollment Season Is Coming: 5** Tips To Make Sure You're In The Right Plan

(NAPS)—Medicare's Annual Enrollment Period runs from October 15 to December 7, 2019. This is your yearly chance to shop for insurance coverage that best meets vour needs. People covered by Medicare will have even more plans with a host of new benefits to choose from for

Here are five things to keep in mind for Medicare's Annual Enrollment Period.

1. Review your 2020 coverage options. Medicare Advantage plan details change each year, so the policy that was the least expensive or best match for you in 2019 may not be right for 2020. Changes to premiums, deductibles and co-pays can be costly. A recent eHealth analysis of people using eHealthMedicare.com to compare Medicare plans found that fewer than one in ten were enrolled in the lowest cost plan for their personal prescription drug regimen. Those who switched to their optimal drug plan stood to save an average of \$900 per option for 2020.

2. Look out for drug coverage changes. It's common for insurance

companies to tweak their list of covered drug and prices. That can mean higher out-of-pocket expenses. Check to make sure that the medications you need are still covered by your plan in 2020, and pay close attention to any special rules you need to follow to get the most coverage for your medications. Online tools, including eHealthMedicare. com's prescription drug coverage comparison tool, can help you find the best

3. Make sure your doctors are still **covered.** The doctors and hospitals that participate in your Medicare plan's network often change each year as well. Make sure your preferred providers are covered under your current plan or any new plan that interests you. The amount you'll pay when you get care from a doctor or hospital that does not participate with your plan will be higher than what you'll pay if you stay within your plan's network, and some health insurers won't cover out-of-network providers at all, except in an emergency.

4. Compare benefits. Along with price comparisons, be sure to review the full range of services and benefits offered by competing Medicare plans. These can include everything from preferred pharmacy and mail-order prescription discounts to dental, vision, hearing and even fitness benefits. And for 2020, many Medicare Advantage plans will offer supplemental benefits provide additional assistance to people with chronic illness, such as nonemergency transportation, virtual medical visits, caregiver support, nutritional counseling and meal delivery, and air get the best medicare policy conditioning, among others.

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# The first black child to go integrated sc

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and Champaign, Illinois. Susan lived a long life, passing in 1925 at age 70, and was buried in Muscatine's Greenwood Cemetery.

lowa led the nation

might wonder why and how the lowa

Supreme Court ruled against segregation at a time when other courts were not doing so.

Each of the four justices on the Iowa Supreme Court was a Republican the party of Abraham Lincoln – and each had been a strong supporter of the Union cause.

Chester Cole was an early advocate for giving black men the right to vote because of their service in the Union Army during the Civil

It is important to note that the Iowa Supreme Court never overturned the Clark v. Board of School

Directors decision, even after the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 1896 that segregation was legal under the U.S. Constitution.

Fifty-eight years after ruling that segregation was legal, the U.S. Supreme Court issued 1954 Brown v.

decision Board desegregated the nation's public schools. The Brown decision showed how far ahead the Iowa Supreme Court was when it said segregation was illegal nearly a century earlier. You can learn more about the stories of Susan Clark, Alexander Clark and Justice Chester Cole in this 2019 Drake Law review article, titled Clark v. Board of School Directors: Reflections After 150 Years, and from the electronic study guide on the Clark decision and its historical context.

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Sealed Bids will be received by the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority for all labor, material, insurance, and equipment necessary for the Building Demolition project located at 761 Berdan Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43610, in accordance with the specifications. The engineer's estimate for the base bid is approximately \$175,000.00 and alternate #1 is approximately \$40,000.00.

Bids will be received at the Port Authority's administrative offices at One Maritime Plaza, Toledo, OH 43604 until Tuesday, December 3, 2019, at 1:00 PM, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Plans, Specifications, Instructions to Proposers, Forms of Proposal and Contract are on file and may be obtained by either (1) obtaining hard copies from Becker Impressions, 4646 Angola Road, Toledo, OH 43614, phone 419-385-5303, during normal business hours or (2) ordering from Becker Impressions, via their website <a href="https://www.beckerplanroom.com">www.beckerplanroom.com</a> at the cost of reproduction.

Please note that there will be a re-bid meeting for this project for all prospective bidders on Thursday, November 14, 2019, at 10:00 AM at the Port Authority's administrative offices at One Maritime Plaza, 7th floor, Toledo, OH 43604. Attendance is suggested, but not necessary. Please submit all questions to the Port Authority, Tina Perkins at **Tperkins@Toledoport.org** by Tuesday, November 19, 2019 at 10:00 AM local time. additional information can be found at **www.toledoport.org** 

Thomas J. Winston
President and CEO
Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority

born.

**November 17, 1911:** Omega Psi Phi fraternity, founded on the campus of Howard University.

**November 14, 1915:** Booker T. Washington educator and founder of Tuskegee Institute, dies.

**November 13, 1940:** Supreme Court rules that African Americans cannot be barred from white neighborhoods.

# Can We Really Handle an Independent Woman?



Submitted by Pastor W. Eric Croomes

We've all heard of her; she's been crooned, immortalized and hyped since the beginning of the 1990's as the strong, self-sufficient black woman. She's appeared in film, literature and theater as the saving grace of the black family and the antidote to black male patriarchy. In the process, she's become the star of African American post-modern folklore; there aren't too many black families that don't claim her as one of their own. She has, since the inception of her cultural identity, undergone a new metamorphosis of late - now billing herself as "Boss Lady".

She is the independent black woman, and when it comes to black men, there are no shades of grey – you either love her or you don't!

So what's a man to do? How does a man in the twenty-first century approach, court and date such a poignantly independent sex?

And, why are independent sisters feeling a little hate on the part of black men in an era where we've supposedly advanced far enough in gender relations to respect the progress of black women? Can black men really handle this new breed of sisterhood?

The attitudes of black men regarding strong, successful black women seem to run the whole gamut -- from a grudging acceptance to applause to outright rejection. After all, the Bible says "he that findeth a wife", not Ms. Independent!

Such attitudes persist even in the face of statistics that show a widening gap between how black women and men are faring in the American economy and otherwise: more black women than men hold degrees; the unemployment rate for brothers is twice that of white men; and, in a recent poll conducted by Millennium Men of Color, only 18% of black male respondents described relationships between the black sexes as "good."

How do black men deal with a woman who's been raised to make it without him and how do black women -- the ones who really want to love and be loved -- reach out to men who feel this way?

Unfortunately, the line of demarcation is usually marked by economics. It is not sobering that black men and women tend to measure one another by economic means, as opposed to spiritual standards or by more common themes such as family values, work ethic and religious commitment.

There are plenty of men who

honor and respect a woman who is at the top financially, professionally and spiritually. Sadly, though, there are far too many men who struggle with this reality. It's mainly because of how we have been socialized to see ourselves as providers. We've been stripped of that role in a sense, not because women insist on being breadwinners, but because, in most cases, they didn't have a choice.

Unfortunately, men have occupied the bottom rung of the economic ladder when it comes to jobs. We tend to be the first fired and the last hired; overall, American employers shy away from hiring black men, as evidenced by the African American male unemployment rate (5.4% versus 2.9% for women of color twenty and over as of September 2019).

As a result of this role reversal, too many black men either suffer in silence or exhibit hostility toward their more successful counterparts.

Let's face it guys -- our psyche has taken a beating due to this peculiar American experience. Because of this bruising, our reactions have more to do our smaller incomes, and less to do with how much a woman earns. Unfortunately, we focus on meaningless things and miss out on what we really want: a loving relationship where our masculinity is respected and our contributions are valued.

Add to this the I-don't-needa-man attitude that began around the earlier 90's and many men are feeling the blues when in a relationship with a successful woman.

What men need is a new way of thinking. We should attempt to understand that black women, successful or not, are also entangled in a system that has yet to afford them full acceptance in the marketplace. Not only that, we must accept that regardless of how we've been socialized, times have changed.

Men shouldn't lock themselves into a traditional, warped mindset. Are you really going to toss and turn tonight because a woman offered to pay for dinner? Are you less of a man because she makes more money than you? My answer: absolutely not!

Independent black women are here to stay. And, with the emergence in the last decade of Michelle Obama as the quintessential successful black woman, independent sisters are and will be a force for some time.

Finally, as black men, we have to realize that women do need us, just like we need them. There are very few black women who do not need -- as Stephanie Mills once crooned -- 'the comfort of a man'. Beneath the thin veneer of financial success, professional acclaim and spiritual bliss is an insatiable need to love and be loved by a man (emphasis on man) who will come correctly.

Take heart men! For every Michelle, there is a Barack! We can relate to our successful sisters and give them their just desserts. In doing, so we become models for a generation of men.

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# Did Black Bounty Hunters and Slave Catchers Really Exist?



Black News

In the film Harriet about the heroic life and accomplishment of Harriet Tubman, there is a controversial scene showing a Black bounty hunter that is hunting slaves. Many people who viewed the film were disappointed with this scene, and have raised the question of whether or not Black bounty hunters also known as "trackers" or "slave catchers" really existed. Well, the answer to that question is "yes".

Historian Kate Clifford Larson confirms that they were not a lot of them, but there were a few Black bounty hunters who would often work together with white bounty hunters to catch runaway slaves.

But why would they do that?

Well, the answer is simple. Although it was a very disgraceful thing to do, it was also very profitable. "For some free blacks, the money wasn't easy to resist," Larson told USA Today.

She added, "You could buy a farm for \$400 and feed your family and live a good enough life. All you'd have to do was go out and capture one or two runaway slaves and you were set. They were very uncommon but they did exist, and it was a problem for the community."

The concept isn't too far-fetched. Historians have also confirmed that there also existed Black slave owners in the South. Again, they were very few in numbers, but they did exist and it probably had to do with how much money they were earning by doing so.

# From the Desk of Felicia

# Tips for Dating a Younger Man



A billion light years ago, dated someone younger than me and it was fun and exhausting at times. I don't remember my exact age at that time, but let's say that I was 34 years old and the guy was around 26 years old. We met at a club and were glued to each other like glue literally. He definitely bought a freshness to my life at that time with his youthfulness. He had us dancing in the clubs or bars every weekend, staying out until the sun came up and the whole experience was amazing. Then, I became exhausted. I couldn't keep up with the nightlife, feeling like a cougar everywhere we went, multiple

woman hounding over him and totally ignoring that I was even standing there.

Obviously, it depends on who you are dating, this is not to say that all young men do is bar hop and live the typical nightlife. If you decide to date a younger man, here are some tips that will help you know exactly what you are getting yourself into:

You have to be open with him: Let him know how you feel about date ideas upfront. Instead of saying I felt uncomfortable in certain places, I would be quiet trying to look "cool" or "young and exciting." Learn from my mistakes and voice your concerns as needed.

Be ready to be taken out of your comfort zones: Younger men are excited and full of fun so if you're a loner or always prefer to be home, that won't work. Younger men are usually very adventurous and curious to try new things so while you may have "been there and done that" they are just getting started.

They live on Snapchat and Instagram, so learn all you can about the apps. I know you may enjoy uploading cute pictures of your kids, pets or posting long sermons on Facebook but younger men love knowing everything within a 15 second video on

Instagram or the infamous filters of Snapchat. Look at the prefixes of each app, "Snap" and "Insta".... This means being QUICK! So brush up your profiles on those platforms or learn what the hype is all about, because you'll be speaking the same language if you do.

Stella, get your groove back! According to an article in The Huffington Post written by contributor Meryl Hartstein who stated, "Younger men are more energetic. They still have a thirst for life that hasn't been jaded yet. They are still climbing in an upward motion and aren't settling into the stereotypes of the men before them." Younger men are typically more energetic in the bedroom also so make sure you exercise, practice safe sex and get your groove back while dating a younger man!

Dating a younger man can be full of excitement but like any other relationship, it takes work. Hopefully, you are dating a man who may be younger than you but is still mature. In most cases, age is nothing but a number and at the same time, that number can play a huge factor in a relationship. If you decide to date a younger man just be mindful of your differences and most of all, have fun!

# As Temperatures Drop, Check Tire Pressure More Often

(NAPS)—You may notice, when the weather turns colder, the tire pressure monitoring system (TPMS) light on your dashboard lights up more frequently. The Car Care Council recommends checking your tire pressure regularly during the winter to help keep the TPMS light off and your vehicle safe.

"It's typical at this time of year for motorists to get TPMS warnings and then get worried about their tires," said Rich White, executive director, Car Care Council. "Often drivers will see this in the morning when it's coldest. If the temperature warms, the light could turn off but it's likely that tires will still be a few pounds per square inch (PSI) under-inflated. This is why it's important to check tire pressure regularly."

According to the U.S. Tire Manufacturers Association, for every 10 degree drop in temperature, tire pressure decreases one to two PSI. Checking the tire pressure is important for vehicle safety, tire life and gas mileage.

Incorrect tire pressure can lower gas mileage by 0.3 percent for every one PSI drop in pressure of all four tires and improve fuel efficiency by up to 3.3 percent when the correct tire pressure is maintained.

"Tire pressure should be checked at least monthly. It is important to note that newer cars with tire pressure monitoring systems may not alert you until the tire is significantly under-inflated, so you may want to check it more frequently," said White. "It is important to check tire pressure whenever there is a significant weather change and more often during the winter months."

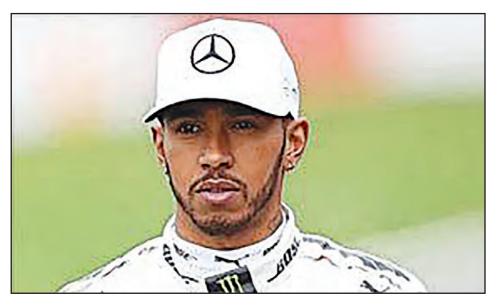
The Car Care Council is the source of information for the "Be Car Care Aware" consumer education campaign promoting the benefits of regular vehicle care, maintenance and repair to consumers.

For a copy of the council's Car Care Guide or for further information, visit www.carcare.org.

It's a cool idea to check your car's tire pressure whenever there's a drop in temperature outside.



# Lewis Hamilton wins record-tying sixth Formula 1 World Driving Championship



By Frederick Lowe Wire Writer

Black British racing car driver Lewis Hamilton on Sunday won a record-tying sixth Formula One championship.

Hamilton, who drives for the Mercedes racing team, earned 381 points to the 314 for Mercedes teammate Valtteri Bottas' and 249 points for Ferrari's Charles Lecleric.

Hamilton finished second to Bottas in Sunday's United States Grand Prix in Austin, Texas, but Hamiltom's wins and finishes throughout the season will make it impossible for Bottas to outpoint him although two more races remain in the season—Brazil Grand Prix (November 17) and Abu Dhabi Grand Prix (December 1).

"Cloud nine doesn't even get close to where I am – I'm somewhere far above that," said Hamilton. Formula 1 is the world's highest form of automobile racing The 2019 F1 racing season began March 17 with the Australian Grand Prix in Melbourne.

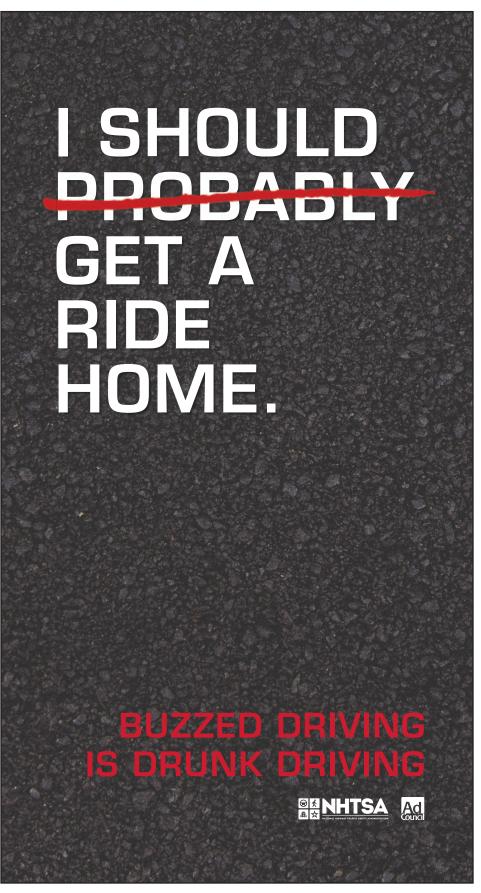
Hamilton won the world driving championship in 2008, 2014, 2015, 2017, 2018 and 2019. Hamilton joins Michael Schumacher as the only other driver to win as many as six F1 championship titles.

Hamilton was born January 7, 1985, in Stevenage, England. His parents are Anthony Hamilton and Carmen Larbalestier. He has one of four children; he has a brother and two sisters. This year, he has a reported net worth of \$285 million. His full name is Lewis Carl Hamilton.

His father named in honor of sprinter Carl Lewis, winner of nine Olympic gold medals. Lewis was vilified by some in the U.S. black community because he is gay.

"Still I Rise" is written across the back of Hamilton's racing helmet and tattooed across his shoulders.

The quote is from a poem written in 1978 by Maya Angelou.



# Monroe Street Annual Holiday Market



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It was all in the family for Ashley Glover (second from L) and her company 'BUNDNT BY ASH' with (L-R) Melinda Hoskins, and her parents Diane and James Glover at the Holiday Market.

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are not good for you, you can use this oil which is safer and very effective according to my reviews from customers. This is just one of many ways to treat and heal your body naturally."

The 'Holiday Market'

is just one of many community events and programs offered by the Monroe Street Neighborhood Center. The agency started out by offering a free food pantry, once a week, a program they continue to do to this day.

Other community

programs include the Savvy Senior Wellness Program, an exercise program for seniors, and a free computer lab. There is also the 'Freedom School' a reading enrichment program for children, case management services, a wellness workshop to educate the community



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Keisha Newton of PYOOR Candles LLC. shows off one of her Natural Soy Wax candles to customer Dr. Deborah Washington.

about the benefits of using natural herbs, and the 'Dress Right Program. This program is for people, who don't have the proper attire to wear to a job interview or work, they can come to the center and get a gently



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Need a Holiday Wealth? Andrea Finley and Caleb Fox of 'Andrea's Holiday Decor' had a large selection to chose from at the Holiday Market.



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with their programs.

Homemade Sweet treats for your holiday dinner will be perfect if you get them from 'Lena's Sweet Treat' by Selena Coley a maker of cakes.

used outfit to wear to their interview or job.

Another great program is 'Documents Matter," where the agency works with the Re-Entry Program to help people, who are getting out is prison, obtain the proper identification documents such as a birth certificate and State ID, they need to successfully re-enter society.

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community. They also
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If you would like to volunteers or donate to the cause, or just seeking more information please call the Executive Director Clara Petty at, 419-473-1167, EX. 317, or the Administrative Assistant Toni Quinn at, 419-473-1167, EX. 333.

Ms. Petty says her goals for the organization is to, "Make sure the Monroe Street Neighborhood Center continues provide activities and outreach services that benefit the community and beyond. Our doors are open to anyone who needs our services."

