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## Toledo hosts fifth Annual Great Lakes Jazz Festival



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Great Lakes Jazz Festival Producer Hugh Ross with Festival Committee person Cheryl Catlin says he much more in store for Toledo's jazz-loving audience!



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Jazz Festival raffle winners were (L-R) Bruce Cock, Mark McBee, and Marlene Davis shown here with Brandy Jackson and show producer Hugh Ross.



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Relaxing and enjoying the warm sunny day and live Jazz were (L-R) Dennis and Jackie Springs with Dorothy and Ronnie Weathers.

By Michael Daniels  
Journal Staff Reporter

On Saturday,  
September 7, 2019,  
the weather was

impeccable as was the setting for an outdoor concert and one last summer season fling. On that day deep in the woods at 11:00 am, in The Ottawa

Park's Amphitheater, the 5th Annual Great Lakes Jazz Festival got underway with a ten-hour jazz concert.

The audience was exposed to several types



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Audrey Northington (AKA SCAT DIVA) lights up the crowd at The 5th Annual Great Lakes Jazz Festival



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Toledo musical prodigy Gregory Buchanan Jr. (back right in white shirt) and his family at the 5th Annual Great Lakes Jazz Festival



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This group having a good time at The 5th Annual Great Lakes Jazz Festival.



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(L-R) Trina McCoy, Samuel Peoples, and Caroline Lewis enjoying the atmosphere and the music at this years Jazz festival.

and styles of jazz music and it was like the old saying, 'How time flies when you're having fun.' This evidently

was the motto for the majority of the audience, who attended the concert, the bulk of the audience stayed for the entire ten hours. It was like a mini version of the Woodstock

concert in Toledo, only with a different genre of music and different kind of audience.

The musicians on the roster were all accomplished, polished, professionals, a fact that would be very evident doing

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# Breaking Barriers in Ballet: Misty Copeland Set to Receive Trailblazer Award



By Lauren Poteat, NNPA  
Newswire Washington  
Correspondent

Misty Copeland had the world of ballet standing still, when she

made history as the first Black female principal dancer to the prestigious American Ballet Theatre (ABT) in 2015, just months after becoming

the first Black woman to perform the lead role of “Odette” in ABT’s coveted “Black Swan” in the winter of 2014.

Determined to shatter

the glass ceiling of the ballet world, on Sep. 11, the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) will honor Misty Copeland with their esteemed Trailblazer Award during the CBC’s annual “Celebration of the Arts” event—an award that Copeland deemed as not only an honor but also a necessity.

“It’s so important for other Black dancers to see a possibility, a future for themselves, in a world that still doesn’t include many other Black ballerinas,” Copeland said.

“There’s definitely still a glass ceiling in the ballet world,” Copeland

continued. “There’s only one Black principal dancer in the American Ballet Theatre in their entire almost 80-year history and a lot of people don’t have the understanding that just because it’s been done once, doesn’t mean that that problem goes away... having one Black president didn’t mean that racism didn’t exist.”

“If I didn’t have art in my life, then I wouldn’t be the articulate, confident person that I am today. Fields in STEM are important but the arts are also so vital... not every child learns the same way and sometimes the missing link is art.”

“I represent ballet and any child that needs to see someone persevere,” Copeland continued. “What it means to be an underdog and to be mentored and have an amazing support system and represent that American dream.”

Since joining the American Ballet Theatre in 2001, Copeland has gone on to be inducted into the Boys & Girls Club National Hall of Fame; serve on the President’s Council on Fitness, Sports, and Nutrition, under the Obama administration; publish three books, including the New York Times Bestselling memoir, “Life in Motion;” secure her own clothing line with Under Armour; and receive an honorary doctorate from the University of Hartford. All the while Copeland has been an ardent believer in reminding others that “representation is important.”

“I’m still a Black ballerina and a Black woman in this world and that doesn’t just disappear with titles,” Copeland said. “The more I use my visibility, my platform, my voice, to continue to speak about diversity both in front of the scenes and behind them, the more I’ll be able to help change the directory of dance.”

“A lot of underserved areas and youth either don’t receive access to dance courses or don’t receive quality training, which limits their chances of going even further when that time comes,” Copeland continued. “My hope, is that with my platform, I can continue this conversation to bring about change, to show younger people how to own their own power, to embrace who they are, to walk in their own path and to be represented.”

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**Ohio MLK Commission Seeks Award Nominations**

The Ohio Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission is now accepting nominations for awards honoring Ohioans who carry on the legacy of the celebrated civil rights leader. Award winners will be announced at the annual Ohio Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Celebration Jan. 16, 2020, at Trinity Episcopal Church, located at 125 E. Broad St. in downtown Columbus. Nominations for each of the eight awards can be submitted electronically at [das.ohio.gov/mlk](http://das.ohio.gov/mlk) and are due by Oct. 11. There is no limit on the number of nominations one can submit. For more information contact the DAS Equal Opportunity Division at 614-466-8380 or [mlk@das.ohio.gov](mailto:mlk@das.ohio.gov).

**Woodberry Park Playhouse In Association With Turnerman Productions**

Is seeking actors, singers and dancers of all ages for theatrical cinema and stage productions. **Serious Inquires Only!** If interested call 419-975-5244 or 419-329-0361

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

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**Every 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the Month The Redeemed Christian Church of God**

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

**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](mailto:w.e.s.andlinc@gmail.com), Website: [www.widowsempowered.com](http://www.widowsempowered.com).**

**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 - Sept 14th Perfecting Church Toledo The Perfecting Care Department**

Is sponsoring a School Days Donation Drive. We will be accepting new and gently used clothing, uniforms, socks, shoes and jackets for pre-k - senior high students. Toiletry items are also being accepted. Donation drop off dates are every Saturday, from 3:00-6:00 p.m. at Perfecting Church Toledo, 43609 Glendale Ave, 419-382-1300. Bishop Marvin L. Winans Pastor.

**Sept. 12th State Rep. Paula Hicks-Hudson (D., Toledo) to discuss Statehouse Plans tfor Lake Erie**

Ohio's new budget will spend nearly \$200 million to clean the state's waters, including the polluted western basin of Lake Erie. But will it make any difference? Will it stop the annual pea-green blanket of harmful algal blooms that puts drinking water at risk and ruins the lake for recreation? State Rep. Paula Hicks-Hudson (D., Toledo) will speak about Statehouse

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plans and answer questions at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Toledo Yacht Club. Her talk will be followed by an open discussion on the health of Lake Erie at the monthly meeting of the Lake Erie Waterkeeper organization. Toledo Yacht Club is at 3900 N. Summit St. Information: [lakeeriewaterkeeper.org](http://lakeeriewaterkeeper.org)

**Sept. 12th, 16th, & 24th 2019 Annual Kwanzaa Sign Up For Annual Celebration**

We invite you to showcase your talent, spoken word, musical song, artist, dancer/team dancers. We are also looking for guest speakers for this years Toledo Annual Kwanzaa Celebration December 26, 2019. The location will to be announced later. If you would like to perform as dancer, singer, spokeword, artist, vendor, volunteer, children's activities or storyteller, Sanger Branch Library Sept. 12, 2019, Mott Branch, Sept. 16th and Kent Branch Library Sept. 24th. Time 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Contact # 419-410-8022.

**Sept. 13th Warren AME A Revival Service**

Free & Open to the Public. Power to Witness Acts 1:8. Friday @ 7p.m. 915 Collingwood Ave, Toledo, Ohio. Featuriing Bishop Frank M. Reid III, Third Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. Presented by The Methodist Ministers Affiliation of The Greater Toledo Area.

**Sept. 13th-Sept.14th The Ohio State Conference of Branches of the NAACP Toledo, Ohio**

The 89th Annual State Convention - "When We Fight, We Win", Park Inn, 101 N. Summit St., Toledo, OH 43604. **Workshops are as follows:** Public Safety/Health/Mental Health, Political Education/Education, Community and School Gun Control Forum, WIN Session Workshops, and National Workshop/ Social Media.

**Sept. 14th Braden UMC Health Fair**

Braden UMC will host a Health Fair on Saturday September 14th from 9AM-4PM. Screenings for diabetes, blood pressure, prostate cancer and other health checks will be available along with breakout sessions, education about nutrition, understanding insurance, hands only CPR, cyber and fire safety. Physicians, Nurses, and professional community partners will be on hand to answer healthcare questions. Braden UMC is located 4725 Dorr St. Rev. Cecil J. Fitzgerald Thompson, Pastor.

**Sept. 14th St. Mark Baptist Church Presents a Pre-Women's Day Workshop**

Based Upon the Book: "Fervent" - by Priscilla Shirer, 2340 N. Holland-Sylvania Road, Toledo, on Saturday @ 8:30 a.m. Contact Charlon at 419-266-1291.

**Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at the Wolf Creek YMCA, 2100 S. Holland Sylvania Rd., Maumee, OH 43537.**

The Area Office on Aging is calling on athletes age 50 and better to go for the Gold in an Olympic event on September 17th at the Wolf Creek YMCA. The 50+ Sports Classic is a one-day event that gathers athletes age 50 and better who are competitive as well as those who just want to get some exercise and have some fun with their peers.

Over 200 athletes will participate in the 50+ Sports .The event officially kicks-off at 9 a.m. with the Opening Ceremony with the carrying of the torch and the lighting of the cauldron and singing of the National Anthem.

The event consists of people participating with their peers in five year age groupings in the following sports: track and field, swimming, pickleball, softball, archery, table tennis, tennis, basketball foul shooting, 3 on 3 basketball, volleyball, golf, bowling, fun walk and cycling.

Registrations are \$30 and include a t-shirt, boxed lunch and participation in as many of the sports as the participant wants. Registration is open through September 6th. For more information, contact the Area Office on Aging at 419-382-0624 or visit [www. AreaOfficeOnAging.com](http://www.AreaOfficeOnAging.com).



**Sept. 14th Start High School Offering Homecoming Dresses for \$25.00**

Join Us! On Saturday, Start High School Cafeteria, 2010 Tremainsville Road, Toledo. Ohio 43613, 10 AM to 4:00 PM. Start Fashion Marketing Deca II Club's, "My Sister's Closet" Boutique. Offering gently used affordable dresses for \$25.00. Sizes 1 to 30. "My Sister's Closet" is a fundraiser to benefit the Start Fashion Marketing DECA II Club and to offer affordable dresses to girls who might otherwise have difficulty in buying special occasion wear. Donate your gently used homecoming, prom or bridesmaid dresses to Start High School - DECA II. Call Ms. West - Start DECA II advisor at (419) 671-3000. Dresses will be sold by appointment and after school in Room 107.

## Corrections and clarifications for Author Neaira



Toledo Author Neaira has book Signing for Her New Children's Book, in The Toledo Journal issue Wednesday, August 28, 2019 - September 10, 2019. VOL: 43 NO: 26. is as follows. The correct title of Neaira's book is, 'LAND of the LOST SOCKS'. It is the story of twin brothers, Howie and Sebastian,

who happen to be a pair of socks. Howie and Sebastian are on a journey to find each other after being separated during laundry time. Join Howie, Sebastian and their friends as they take on the Block Sock Bullies to reunite in the 'LAND of the LOST SOCKS'.



# “Jay-Z” Did Not Sell Out, He Bought In



By Dr. Wilmer J. Leon, III  
Wire Writer

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - “Power without love is reckless and abusive, and love without power is sentimental and anemic. Power at its best is love implementing the demands of justice, and justice at its best is power correcting everything that stands against love.” Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In the wake of former NFL quarterback Colin Kaepernick’s protest against police brutality and extrajudicial murder, Jay-Z’s Roc Nation has struck a deal to lead the NFL’s endeavors into music and entertainment. This deal has caused a lot of consternation within the African American community. The issue now being raised centers around Jay-Z being a “sellout”.

What must be clearly understood is that Jay-Z is a capitalist. He did what capitalists do, he bought in.

Before he was Jay-Z, he was Shawn Carter. He grew up in the Marcy Projects in Brooklyn, NY and was a drug dealer in his youth. By his own admission, his drug-dealing days prepared him for his current life as a sports entrepreneur and music mogul. “I know about budgets. I was a drug dealer. To be in a drug deal you need to know what you can spend.” To Shawn Carter, drugs were just a widget or commodity whose sale presented no moral dilemma or conflict. Selling drugs was a means to an end. It’s the urban Horatio Alger story, from as he said, “grams to Grammys”. Shawn Carter sold out his community for his personal gain by selling drugs to his own people. Jay-Z, the capitalists, has once again increased his personal fortune by buying into an institution that has also shown little regard for

the fate of Black people.

When asked where we are in the protest process and the significance of kneeling, Jay-Z gave a very Trumpian response: “I think we’ve moved past kneeling and I think it’s time to go into actionable items... No, I don’t want people to stop protesting at all. Kneeling - I know we’re stuck on it because it’s a real thing - but kneeling is a form of protest. I support protest across the board...But now that we all know what’s going on, what are we going to do? How are we going to stop it? Because the kneeling was not about a job, it was about injustice.”

Translation? Jay-Z supported Kaepernick in the moment because it was the thing to do. Now there is an opportunity to get paid and as a capitalist, I’m about that paper.

In addition to helping the NFL with entertainment, Jay-Z will also consult with the NFL on matters of social injustice. Speaking of injustice...this opportunity for Jay-Z to work with the NFL only became possible after Kaepernick sacrificed his NFL career to protest against the real injustice of state sanctioned murder by the police. If Jay-Z were really down for the cause, wouldn’t he have stepped to the mic and told NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell that he will work with the NFL on the condition that “Kap” gets a fair shot at making an NFL roster? He could have used that moment and power to put real pressure on the league.

“What must be clearly understood is that Jay-Z is a capitalist. He did what capitalists do, he bought in.”

But it’s not really about Shawn Carter aka Jay-Z. He is a metaphor. In the current context, Jay-Z is a distraction from the real issue... the dangers of Black capitalism. In Manning Marable’s “How Capitalism Underdeveloped Black America, Marable writes, “A decisive component of this underdevelopment process within the periphery is the nonwhite elite.” These elite play a very important role. They serve “...as a necessary yet dependent buffer between those who wield power and those who have none. Within popular culture, it is the nonwhite mouthpiece



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Jay-Z.

of the new order, articulating in the media and in the various aesthetic forums the ideals of the masters.”

As referenced in the opening, Dr. King was clear, “Power without love is reckless and abusive...Power at its best is love implementing the demands of justice...” Jay-Z is wealthy and in some circles, wields a certain degree of power. However, given the example set by Kap’s protest and sacrifice, what part of Jay-Z’s deal with the NFL shows the love for the community and the demand for justice? This deal seems to be power without love, reckless and abusive.

When White capitalists team with Black capitalists, the Black community finds itself in a more precarious circumstance. The White capitalists will leverage the indifference and duplicity of the Black capitalists against the very community that the Black capitalist claims to support. “We don’t need to kneel anymore. It’s time to get paid.” Frederick Douglas told us very clearly, “Find out just what any people will quietly submit to (or get paid to do) — and you have found out the exact measure of injustice and wrong which will be imposed upon them. The limits of tyrants are pre-

scribed by the endurance of those whom they oppress. Power concedes nothing without a demand. It never did and it never will.”

By focusing on Jay-Z we are losing sight of the fact that Colin Kaepernick used his platform to call attention of historic and systemic problem in America, state sanctioned brutality and murder by the police. The NFL, the government and the media used their power to corrupt the message and demonize Kaepernick, costing him his livelihood.

As was the case with Curt Flood, Muhammad Ali, Dr. John Carlos and others before him, Colin Kaepernick will eventually be remembered for taking a stand, or in this case, a knee for justice.

Jay-Z will be remembered for buying in...and by buying in, he sold out.

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## Violent White Supremacists Continue to Threaten Basic Civil Rights — and Our Lives



By Jesse Jackson  
NEWS ANALYSIS

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - Every right we have fought for and won since Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his monumental “I Have a Dream” speech 56 years ago this Wednesday is under unrelenting attack and in grave peril — from the right to drink fresh water and breathe clear air, to the right of workers to organize for better wages and safer conditions to the right to vote without interference from “enemies foreign and domestic” to the rights of women, children, the LGBTQ community and immigrants.

But it’s not just our rights that are in danger. It is our very lives. Today, when demagogues like Trump fan the fears of an “invasion” of Latinos and Blacks that he believes will erode White dominance, White

supremacist violence is once more on the rise. After the horrendous mass shooting in El Paso, Texas by a White supremacist — who drove more than 600 miles to the city with the explicit purpose of slaughtering Latinos in response to the mythical “invasion” President Donald Trump and the right ranted about — new attention has been paid to the growing violence of White supremacists. In the few weeks since El Paso, six White supremacists have been arrested for plotting violent attacks.

The Anti-Defamation League reports that White extremists killed 50 people last year — people of all races. Some compare the threat posed by White supremacists here at home to the terrorist threat posed by ISIS

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# 102 House Members Rebuke Delay of Payday Loan Rule

## Waters Led Effort Supported by Many CBC Members



By Charlene Crowell  
Wire Writer

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - Anyone who struggles with the rising costs of living knows all too well how hard it is to try stretching dollars when there's more month than money in the household. Predatory lending, like payday and car-title loans, worsen financial stress with triple-digit interest rates that deepen the debt owed with each renewal.

The irony is that many payday loan borrowers who needed just a few hundred dollars wind up owing thousands. And any loan whose accrued interest exceeds the principal borrowed, is truly predatory.

In recent days, more than 100 Members of Congress stood in support of consumer protections against these debt trap loans. The effort, led by House Financial Services Chairwoman and California Representative Maxine Waters, called upon the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) to do two things: stop delaying the current rule from taking effect, and preserve the existing rule's requirement that lenders only make loans to consumers whom could afford repayment.

The August 23 letter to CFPB minced no words.

"Experts have noted that payday loans often target communities of color,

military servicemembers, and seniors," wrote the Members, "charging billions of dollars a year in unaffordable loans to borrowers with an average annual income of \$25,000 to \$30,000."

"The Consumer Bureau's proposal represents a betrayal of its statutory purpose and objectives to put consumers, rather than lenders, first," continued the Members. "Moreover, the Bureau has offered no new evidence and no rational basis to remove the ability to repay provisions. We think you should immediately rescind the harmful proposal to roll back the 2017 payday rule."

These direct rebukes were reactions to CFPB's 15-month delay of a long-awaited consumer-friendly rule that was scheduled to take effect on August 19.

In today's contentious Washington, getting strong support for any pro-consumer issue seems particularly difficult. Even so, the August letter to CFPB Director Kathleen Kraninger included Representatives from 31 states, including those with some of the highest annual percentage rates found across the country. For example, the typical payday loan in California comes with 460 percent interest and the largest number of state signatories also came from California: 15.

Although no other state's signatories were that numerous, the clear expression of genuine consumer protection against this heinous predatory loan in other areas with rates near or exceeding 400 percent is noteworthy: Texas (661 percent), Wisconsin (574 percent), Missouri (462 percent), and Illinois (404 percent).

Yet a closer examination of the signatories reveals that despite sizeable support expressed in the letter, there are still 435 officials in the House of Representatives. The recent letter represents about 23 percent of the entire House. That small percentage signals that many more Members of Congress



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Rep. Maxine Waters.

need to make clear that they stand on the side of the people – and not with payday lenders' 400% interest rates.

Across the country, communities of color are where payday and car-title loan stores are the most prevalent. Among Congressional Black Caucus members serving in the House, 58 percent added their names and support to this important letter.

New research on the nation's wealth gap by McKinsey & Company found that 65 percent of Black America lives in one of 16 states: Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Mississippi, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia.

Among these 16 states, only Arkansas, Georgia, and North Carolina have enacted 36 percent or less payday loan rate caps. The remaining 13 states have typical triple-digit payday loan interest rates that range from a low of 304% in Florida to a high of 521 percent in Mississippi. Multiple CBC members also represent districts in these states.

Speaking at a House Financial Services subcommittee hearing held on

April 30, Diane Standaert, an EVP and Director of State Policy with the Center for Responsible Lending testified of the rippling reasons that payday loans need regulation.

"Allowing the 2017 rule to go into effect as planned is the bare minimum that the CFPB should do," said Standaert. "It is absurd that we should even have to make such a straightforward request of an agency whose charge is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, and abusive financial practices."

Rev. Dr. Frederick Douglass Haynes, III, Senior Pastor of Dallas's Friendship West Baptist Church also testified at the April hearing.

Said Rev. Dr. Haynes, "Payday predators hijack the hopes of the vulnerable and re-victimize them by baiting them into a debt trap...It is reprehensible that there may be a plan to open the way for old bank payday loans to re-enter the marketplace, as well as predatory high-cost bank installment loans."

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# Violent White Supremacists Continue to Threaten Basic Civil Rights — and Our Lives

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or al-Qaida. What too often is overlooked, as MSNBC commentator Chris Hayes noted in his show last Friday, is that White terrorist violence has been part of the American experience from the beginning. Hayes notes that the first real terrorist cells in the U.S. arose after the Civil War as a response by White southerners to the freeing of slaves. When slaves became free men, the power of the White establishment in the South was threatened. The reaction was violent — with community leaders joining to create terrorist cells — most of which became known as the Ku Klux Klan.

To preserve White dominance, the Klan launched a wave of terror against Blacks and their White allies across the South, including lynching, murder, abduction and rape. Hayes cites the 2,000 murders in the state of Kansas in the lead-up to the 1868 election, designed to terrorize potential Black voters, with the explicit aim of sustaining White power.



When Ulysses S. Grant became president, Congress passed legislation in 1870 — the Enforcement Acts — that empowered the federal government to respond to the wave of terror. For the first time, the newly created Department of Justice began prosecuting the Klan in federal courts, backed by federal troops on the ground in the South. They made great progress

against the Klan until a political compromise that led to the withdrawal of federal troops and the reassertion of "states' rights." That opened the floodgates to a wave of terrorist attacks launched by the Klan and others against Blacks that enforced apartheid across the South.

White terrorism goes hand in hand with slavery. White slave owners were in constant fear of slave revolts and on constant guard against slaves running away to seek their freedom. Slave patrol militias — made up of volunteers from the leading slave-owning families of the South — were created to police the plantations, to track down runaway slaves and to put down any insurrection. Again, violence — from whipping to murder — was employed routinely by the slave patrols.

The Second Amendment — the right of people to join militias and bear arms — was added to the Constitution in large part to protect the right of slave owners to sustain the slave patrol militias. In 1788, when Virginia met to consider ratification

of the Constitution, slave owners attacked the Constitution for giving the federal government the right to organize militias.

At the time, slaves outnumbered the White population in much of eastern Virginia. James Madison wrote the Second Amendment largely to protect the rights of slave owners to enforce the reign of terror against slaves in the South. It had nothing to do with the right of individuals to bear arms, because Blacks — free or enslaved — were prohibited from owning and bearing arms across the South.

As Hayes argues, when the federal government acts to condemn and to prosecute this domestic terrorism, it can largely stamp it out. But when it fans the flames or turns its back or leaves it to the states, that terrorism can easily get out of control. Today, America is still wrestling with how and whether it will grow out of its racial divides. By fanning the flames of those divides, Trump is dangerously choosing to feed an increasingly violent White supremacist reaction.



# Rachel Isom Toledo Blade employee retires after 30 years



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Former Toledo Blade Circulation Supervisor, Rachel Isom (seated with her newest grandchild and a retirement gift of flowers) is surrounded by family, friends, and co-workers at her retirement celebration party held at the Toledo Blade Building in downtown Toledo on September 6, 2019.



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The Toledo Blade GM, Kurt Franck (L) and H. R. Coordinator, Isabel Sloan (R) stopped by the party with well-wishes for Rachel Isom on her retirement after thirty years of dedicated service with the Toledo Blade.



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It was a feast of soul food favorites and more for guest who attended Rachel Isom's retirement party celebration.



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Sonja Neal, (L) The Senior Operations Manager for The Toledo Blade at Rachel Isom's retirement party said, "Rachel retiring is going to leave a big void in this company workforce because thirty years of experience can't be replaced just like that!"

By Michael Daniels  
Journal Staff Reporter

It was thirty years ago when Rachel Isom a ten-year employee at Ohio Bell lost her job as an information

operate. A victim of ever-advancing technology, Rachel's entire department was replaced by an automated system. Not the news she or anybody wanted to

hear. However, Rachel being a woman of strong character and determination carried on anyhow. Also, a quick thinker, Rachel, and her husband started a catering business from her home, catering for her family, friends and whoever asked. Enduring her circumstance for long enough her blessing finally came. She got a full-time job at the Toledo Blade as a Circulation Supervisor. She said, "I had a rough beginning here at the Blade, but things eventually worked out." They must have worked out because she ended up staying there for thirty years until September 6, 2019, when it was time for her to retire. On the day Rachel Isom retired she had nice,

quaint, retirement party at the Toledo Blade with her family, friends, and co-workers. She mingled with her guest saying hello to old friends and goodbye to her co-workers. The general manager of the Blade, Kurt Franck and the human resource coordinator, Isabel Sloan stopped in to wish Rachel the best. There was also a short period of speeches by various people including Rachel's boss, Sonja Neal, the senior operations manager for paper said, "Rachel retiring is going to leave a big void in this company's workforce because thirty years of experience can't be replaced just like that." She went on to say, how Rachel was always there for her carriers and how kind

she was to them. Rachel's supervised a group of carriers, as many as fifteen at one time. The carriers are the actual people who deliver the Blade to the customer's door. Sounds simple enough for sure, but when you add in such factors as they work 365 days a year starting at 1:30 am regardless of the weather and their personal health issues or whatever, one can see where problems may arise. Ms. Neal went on to say, "Sometime carriers ran out of gas or food and Rachel would buy it for them. Getting the product to the paying customers is a priority and no excuses are acceptable. Rachel always got the job done even if she had to do it herself." After the speeches,

Rachel invited everyone to stay for a delicious soul food lunch which she prepared herself. If you talk to Rachel about her life you might say she's had a hard life, she said, "I grew up in the Miami Children's Home from 15 to seventeen. After leaving there, I got a job, got married and raised my three grandchildren as my own. I've always worked two or three jobs at the same time. Now that I'm retired, I plan to move to Austin, TX with my son and live the life of Riley, at least until I feel like working again. I can't just sit around doing nothing." In parting, she had these redeeming words to say, "Believe in yourself and always strive to be you. Respect people so they can respect you and just love everybody."



# UToledo breakthrough in how cells link together has implications in the proliferation of cancer

Submitted

For cancer to be successful — from its point of view, anyway — the disease has to find a way to break out beyond its initial foothold and spread throughout the body. Newly published research from The University of Toledo could bring fresh insight into one of the first ways cancers proliferate.

Dr. Rafael Garcia-Mata, an associate professor of biological sciences, recently identified a protein complex that regulates how epithelial cells bond together in such tight connections.

There are more than 150 different types of epithelial cells that carry out essential functions in a wide variety of tissues. Those jobs include making our skin resilient, producing the mucus that lines and guards our airways, and helping with the absorption of nutrients in our digestive system.

The discovery, which builds on Garcia-Mata's research focus of how cancer cells spread throughout the body, is intriguing because it explains the behavior of cells that are by far the most common starting place for cancer.

"Eighty percent of cancers originate from epithelial cells and most cancers will have to disassemble the adhesion system to grow and spread," Garcia-Mata said. "If we understand how these adhesive structures are built, we can also try to understand what happens when cancer cells disassemble them."

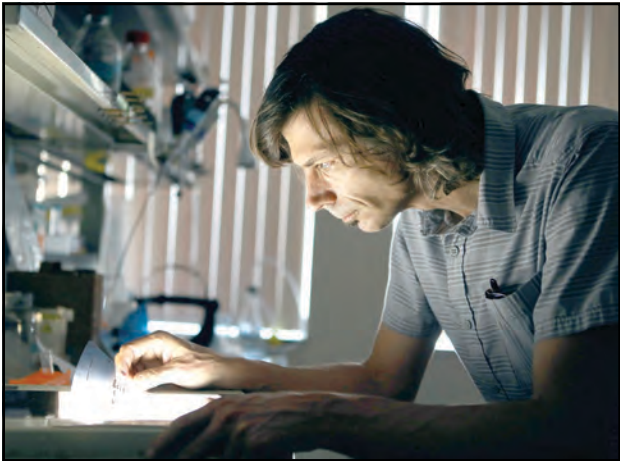
His research was published June 27 in the Journal of Cell Biology.

Epithelial tissues line the outer surfaces of organs and blood vessels throughout the body, as well as the inner surfaces of cavities in many internal organs. Their ability to form nearly impermeable junctions enables them to establish boundaries that separate the inside of organs and other tissues from the outside environment.

The way epithelial cells link together is of components that work unique in biology and involves a large number

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## Diabetes Makes Disaster Planning Even More Important

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(NAPS)—Everyone should plan for natural disasters, but this planning is especially important if you have a chronic health condition such as diabetes. Follow these nine steps to be ready:

1. Do basic planning. Plan for where you will go if you must leave home, how you will get there and who will meet you there. Stay current with your vaccinations. Contact your county emergency management office for advice on transportation and other services for people with special needs.

2. Pack a go-kit. In a waterproof container, pack first aid supplies including antibiotic cream, a flashlight and spare clothes. Include extra socks and shoes, because it's important to keep your feet dry and free of infection. Keep on hand for quick packing a week's worth of medicine plus supplies, medical equipment, spare equipment batteries and cash. If you use insulin, store it in the fridge with an insulated lunch bag nearby, ready to fill and go. Keep your kit by the front door.

3. Put an information folder in your kit. This should include contact information for your healthcare professionals, pharmacy and emergency contact person; a list of your medicines, doses and dosing schedules; and the make, model and serial number of any medical device you use in case you need to replace it. Also include copies of recent A1C results or other lab work, your health insurance card and your photo ID.

4. Include food supplies in your kit. Pack a three-day supply of water and nonperishable foods that fit with your meal plan. Include snacks to treat low blood sugar.

5. Wear a medical alert ID. Ask your healthcare professional about how to get a free tag that states your medical condition. This is important if you need medical care but are not in a condition to talk.

6. Do kidney care planning. If you are on dialysis for kidney disease, which often co-occurs with diabetes, talk to your dialysis center about their disaster plans. If you have a home dialysis or peritoneal dialysis machine, plan for how to power it if the electricity is out and how to stop dialysis if you lose power in the middle of a treatment. Register with your water and power companies for priority service restoration. In your information folder, keep a copy of your dialysis treatment plan, the phone numbers of your dialysis center and other nearby centers, and the kidney community hotline at (866) 901-3773. Talk with your

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# Be Prepared, Not Scared. September is National Preparedness Month

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National Preparedness Month (NPM) is recognized annually to promote family and community disaster/emergency planning, not only in September, but throughout the year.

NPM is designed to raise awareness and encourage people to prepare themselves for emergencies that could impact their homes, jobs, schools, and communities.

In coordination with FEMA's Ready campaign, Ohio EMA and ReadyOhio encourage households, county EMAs, businesses, schools, and places of worship to be prepared, and not scared, by

participating in NPM's weekly themes for 2019:

Week 1 (Sept. 1-7) Save Early for Disaster Costs

Week 2 (Sept. 8-14) Make a Plan to Prepare for Disasters

Week 3 (Sept. 15-21) Teach Youth to Prepare for Disasters

Week 4 (Sept. 22-30) Get Involved in Your Community's Preparedness

During National Preparedness Month, Ohio EMA is going to show how to build an emergency preparedness kit on a budget. This safety campaign is dubbed #PrepOnABudget. Ohio EMA will show that you can build a disaster preparedness kit without breaking the bank, buying items that cost about \$1 a piece. Follow Ohio EMA on Facebook, Twitter and

watch on Nextdoor as they put together a disaster preparedness kit \$1 at a time. For more, go to [www.ema.ohio.gov](http://www.ema.ohio.gov).

Additional NPM Actions for Emergency Preparedness:

- Organize disaster supply kits for your home and vehicles. A supply kit is a collection of basic items your household may need, in the event of an emergency. Most items in a basic kit are inexpensive and easy to find. And you might already have a lot of the items in your home. After a disaster happens, you may need to survive on your own for several days. Your disaster kits should have enough food, water, and other essential items to sustain everyone in your home (including pets) for at least three days.
- Take time to learn life-saving skills — actions you can take to prepare for and protect against disasters and severe weather events. Install smoke, carbon monoxide and natural gas detectors, and test them

monthly. Know how to turn off utilities, like water and gas. Talk to your landlord or building manager about evacuation routes and fire safety. Know two ways out of your home in case of a fire and practice evacuation plans.

- Check your insurance policies and coverage for the hazards that might impact your home or community, such as flooding, tornadoes or home fires.
  - Consider the costs associated with disasters. Consider saving money in an emergency savings account that could be used in any crisis. Keep a small amount of cash at home in a safe place. Have small bills on hand because ATMs and credit cards may not work after a disaster when you may need to purchase necessary supplies, fuel or food.
- Visit ReadyOhio for additional information on NPM's weekly themes and Ohio's Disaster Preparedness on a Budget.



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controls a lot of the properties that make the 'right' epithelial tissues," Garcia-Mata said. "Understanding how they normally function allows you to understand what happens when things go wrong."

The implications of these findings go well beyond cancer. Garcia-Mata's research also helps explain how cells coordinate to generate organ cavities, which may broaden our knowledge of early development and organ formation. It could add significant new pathways for explaining conditions such as asthma and inflammatory bowel disease.

"A lot of diseases are essentially leaky epithelia. Understanding how these structures are modulated may help us learn why we get some of these diseases," he said.

Garcia-Mata's research into epithelial cells grew out of prior National Institutes of Health grant-funded work investigating how cancer cells spread away from the primary tumor.

"My lab studies basic, hardcore cell biology. This is where we make discoveries that lead to our ability to understand and target particular diseases, and the initial event in most cancers is the disassembly of these epithelial structures," he said.

## Disaster Planning

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in to weather reports and listen for what local leaders say about evacuation. Keep your phone and any medical devices charged. If you have a car, keep it gassed up.

8. Evacuate early. As soon as local leaders advise people to evacuate, go to your preplanned location. Don't risk being trapped without access to electricity, clean water and supplies. Plus, early evacuation gives you a better chance of being

housed in a special-needs shelter. When you arrive at a shelter, alert workers about your health conditions so you may get the support you need.

9. Update your plan and restock your kit. At least once a year, review your emergency plan with your doctor. On an ongoing basis, swap out items with expiration dates.

To learn more about how to manage your diabetes, visit <https://www.niddk.nih.gov>.



# Meet the 11-Year Old Genius Who Just Started High School

Black News

Houston, TX — Dionn Megginson, an 11-year old girl from Texas, is making her way to excellence. At such an early age, she has just recently started classes as a 9th grader in high school. Dionn is a student at the school's inaugural class at the Early College Academy where she's taking honors Biology, English, Spanish, AP Human Geography,

Dance and Culinary Arts. This week, she just completed her first week in high school and she is already excited for what's next to come. "I'm looking forward to going deeper into my classes," she told Because of Them We Can. Dionn's parents noticed her thirst for knowledge years prior even at her early age. "We realized Dionn

was unique at a very early age, before she could walk. Teachers at her daycare would always tell us that Dionn was very smart and that she knew a lot for her age. It was suggested by them that we have her tested when she got into elementary school," said Dionn's mother, Sharon. After taking the test while in Kindergarten, Dionn was promoted to first grade through credit by exam

(CBE). She received the Principal's Award each year from grade 1 to 4, which is the highest student recognition at her elementary school. At 9-years old, she entered 6th grade when she was allowed to skip 5th grade. Now, she hopes to graduate from high school at the age of 14. She dreams of attending Spelman College in Atlanta, Georgia, where she would study Mathematics to be



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Dionn Megginson like her role model, Katherine Johnson.

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# Fifth Annual Great Lakes Jazz Festival

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their performance. Also, if you got hungry, there were vendors selling food and beverages at the door. Again why leave, it was the perfect event on a perfect day.

The show kicked off with The Skip Turner Band featuring vocalist and recording artist, Deborah Gardner. She has also performed here in Toledo with Rev. Dr. Derrick E. Roberts (deceased), the Sir Kalvin Hughes Trio, The Jamm Band and many others all around the United States.

Skip Turner also granted a guest spot in his set to Toledo's self-taught musical child prodigy Gregory Buchanan Jr., who sings, plays the piano and the organ, several types of guitars, and the drums. He's only just beginning and we are sure to hear more from him in the future.

Skip Turner started playing trumpet as a teenager here in Toledo. He went on to become the lead trumpeter playing tradition jazz standard at Toledo area clubs.

Next up was from Detroit, MI. was Jerome Clark and Friends featuring Dave McMurray on Sax and vocalist Audrey Northington. Guitarist Jerome Clark is well known in the Detroit, MI music scene and he has performed at Bakers Keyboard Lounge for the past two decades as well as many other engagements in the area. In 2009 he completed 'Water' his first CD.

Audrey Northington (AKA the Scat Diva), who is currently appearing at Bakers Keyboard Lounge, has been referred to as the



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**The Headliner of 5th Annual Great Lakes Jazz Festival was internationally renowned Saxophonist Dean James.**

female Al Jarreau or little Ella Fitzgerald because of her sassy approach to the blues.

They were followed by the Latin Jazz Players a group from Lorain, OH. They call it the Latin infused Jazz Sound and currently have a CD available.

Next came the Mike Fageros Quartet. Guitarist Mike Fageros is a headliner at Bakers Keyboard Lounge in Detroit, which is the oldest jazz venue in America. His style of playing is best described a cross between postmodern bop, soul jazz, acid jazz straight ahead and the avant-garde without belonging to any the above categories.

Appearing last but not

least was the headliner of the show, Dean James of Houston TX., who is both an alto and soprano saxophonist, and he is about to release his fifth solo project entitled 'GROOVEY SAX'. Here he introduces another level of original compositions, combined with all the elements that make up a diverse and exciting listening experience. This project is a unique blend of Smooth Jazz, R&B, Latin and Popular music that sets apart his own signature style and sound. Born and raised in San Francisco, Dean James began to play the saxophone at the age of fifteenth.

Somewhere between



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**Special Guest Performer Toledoan Gregory Buchanan Jr., a multi-talented musician who performed early in the shows displays his raffle tickets during the Jazz Festival show raffle.**

all the music the Great Lakes Jazz Festival committee took care of business and awarded the 'Great Lakes Jazz Enthusiast Award' to Toledo's own Clifford Murphy of the nationally recognizes Jazz Club, Murphy's Place in downtown Toledo. They also awarded the 'Great Lakes Jazz Festival Scholarship Fund' to the Central Academy of Ohio. Monies for this educational scholarship are derived from a portion of the ticket sales of the Great Lakes Jazz Festivals itself. In addition, three audience member won cash prizes in the raffle that was going on during the show. They were Marlene Davis, Bruce Cock, and Mark McBee.

The 5th Annual Great Lakes Jazz Festival was produced by Jazz Enthusiast, Radio Host, and DJ, Hugh Ross, who is also known as, The H-Factor. He said, "My dream was to have a festival in Toledo with four or five different genres of jazz, and here it is today. I'm glad the weather cooperated with us and hopefully, this will continue to grow. Toledo has a rich history of jazz such as Art Tatum Jr. and others. My goal is to reach everybody and turn them on to the world of jazz."

He went to say, "Toledo has all other genera of music on the radio except



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**Toledo's Phillips Temple CME Church Kitchen were one of the many food vendors at the festival serving fresh hot fish and tacos.**



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**From Detroit, MI, the band Jerome Clark, and Friends featuring Dave McMurray and Audrey Northington performed at the 5th Annual Great Lakes Jazz Festival in The Ottawa Park Amphitheater Saturday, September 7, 2019.**

jazz, so soon I will have the H-Factor Jazz Show online @ hfactorjazzshow.com.

Hugh Ross also said,

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# Bishop Frank M. Reid III to preach Friday revival hosted by Methodist Ministers



Bishop Frank M. Reid III

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*Submitted*

Many Toledo and area residents were among the millions nationwide who worshiped with Bishop Frank Madison Reid III as they watched him preach during programs that were broadcast on Black Entertainment Television some years ago. Bishop Reid, a world renown preacher and power speaker, will conduct a one-night revival in Toledo at 7 p.m. at Warren A.M.E. Church on Friday, Sept. 13, 2019.

Bishop Reid's appearance here is sponsored by the Methodist Ministers Affiliation of Greater Toledo, which is composed of nearly a dozen pastors who represent the United Methodist, African Methodist Episcopal, African Methodist Episcopal Zion, and Christian Methodist Episcopal denominations.

Among Bishop Reid's notable distinctions is that he is the first in the history of the AME Church to be elected a third generation bishop. He was elected the 138th bishop of the church in 2016. His grandfather, Frank Reid, Sr., and father, Frank Reid, Jr., were also AME bishops. He also is distinguished as the first AME pastor to have an international television broadcast. For more than a decade, "The Bethel Outreach of Love" was broadcast on Black Entertainment Television. It was also on The Word Network, the Armed Forces Network, as well as on international stations.

The Right Reverend Frank Madison Reid was assigned early this year to the Third Episcopal District - which covers Ohio, West Virginia, and Western Pennsylvania - by the Council of Bishops of the AME Church following the January death of the district's previous Presiding Prelate, Bishop McKinley, who was senior bishop of the church.

Bishop Reid knows that our region, like so many across the nation, not only needs help, but that residents everywhere desperately need hope. He will absolutely inspire people and remind them that hope is not difficult to find, as it is not far, that it is easy to embrace, and that it is life changing. Without a doubt, everyone will be blessed by attending the MMA revival on Friday the 13th of September at Warren AME Church, 915 Collingwood Blvd., where the Rev. Dr. Otis Gordon is pastor.

# A Black and White Life Doesn't Come Close to Technicolor Living



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

I'm not sure whether or not I've talked about my faith walk from the point of view of those individuals who have tracked my progress from the beginning until now. They seem to have fallen into two quite different categories. The first group who noticed included those Christians around me, who like me, rejoiced in my rebirth.

A lot of the columns I've written were about those who prayed and rejoiced and breathed a sigh of relief at the mere thought of a new beginning for me. Discovery would be an appropriate word to use here. I know as a result, I've discovered more about people I thought I knew after being saved than I ever thought possible before I was saved.

My analogy is that I saw the world and my friends as old black and white movies. Now they come across in technicolor and surround sound. It seems that being kindred spirits in Christ, we got it like that now.

Now, the second group included those individuals who couldn't and still can't relate to me now. There are so called friends of mine in this group too.

It's hard to explain but bible study, tithing, regular church attendance, prayer, praise and I guess an honest attempt at wholesome living can bring out an unusual reaction in some folk. I know because I used to be one of those people who avoided anyone and anything that invited God into my life. I wasn't malicious or anything. It just wasn't part of my public program. So I understood the reaction I was getting from those in this group.

Some thought it was a phase, others an addiction and still others felt I was on some kind of moral guilt trip that I'd just get over one day real soon.

Many couldn't see the serious nature of my transformation because they too saw me only in terms of black and white. Others just refused to accept God as the reason that my behavior changed. There just had to be another reason. I must have a hidden agenda. Salvation and eternity were vague concepts to them. What does eternity have to do with right here, right now?

What is so easy to acknowledge in church and in bible study is at times impossible, difficult at best, to communicate elsewhere to people who knew you when and did all those things

with you that you don't do anymore. It can be tough.

If it were not for those Christians who can and do relate to this, those who know where they are today compared to where they were yesterday, I might still see the world as only black and white filled with a bunch of gray people. Believe me, technicolor is better.

That's why it is so easy for me to relate to Paul. You want to talk about a transformation! It's a wonder Paul lived

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# Jackie Wilson receives Star on Hollywood Walk of Fame



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*Submitted* Prior to her death, Harlean was involved with a forthcoming authorized biography and a documentary film about Wilson, a two-time Grammy Hall

of Fame Inductee, a winner of the Rhythm and Blues Foundation's special Legacy Tribute Award and Roll Hall of Fame recipient. She was very excited about the release of a 50-track compilation of remastered hits, The Definitive Jackie Wilson, available on Spotify, Apple Music, Pandora, and all other major digital platforms.

Less than two weeks ago, esteemed music journalist Jeff Tamarkin spoke with Harlean about her life, the forthcoming projects and Jackie Wilson's legacy. The late Jackie "Mr. Excitement" Wilson finally receives a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame earlier this month

Rana Ghadban, president and CEO of the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce, awarded the star on September 4 to John Wilson, Jackie Wilson's son. Harlene Harris Wilson, his widow, died in August.

They accepted the star during a ceremony during which Barry Gordy Jr., founder of Motown Records, Marshall Thompson of the Ch-Lites, and William "Smokey" Robinson, who has a star on the Walk of Fame, attended and spoke.

Born June 9, 1934 in Detroit, Jackie Wilson began singing with the Ever-Ready Gospel Singers. He launched his solo career in November 1957, singing the Gordy's song "Reet Petite (The Finest Girl You Ever Want To Meet)." From 1958 to 1970, Wilson had 24 top forty singles, recorded on the Brunswick Label.

Known as "Mr. Excitement," Mr. Wilson captivated the audience with his vocal range and his exciting moves on stage. His hits included "Your Love Keeps Lifting Me Higher and Higher," "Lonely Teardrops" and "Baby Workout." In his campaign for President, Barack Obama used "Higher and Higher" as his campaign theme song.

As his career slowed, he continued to perform on the oldies circuit, until tragedy struck. He suffered a heart attack on September 29, 1975, during an oldies revue at New Jersey's Latin Casino hosted by Dick Clark. He died January 21, 1984 from pneumonia. Wilson was 49.

## Traffic Court Legal Tips



By Lafe Tolliver, Attorney

Ok. This is where I put on my legal wig and pontificate about the "system" and the people, wittingly or unwittingly, who are caught up in it, for good or for bad.

Doing this legal thing for more than four decades (how time flies when you are having fun!), I have had endless opportunities to watch both other attorneys'

client's being sentenced and my own clients being sentenced.

The following ruminations are not client specific but are a general observation of what people do or should not do when they enter the legal system and stand before a judge.

I want to limit my remarks to the bizarre world of traffic sentencing including Toledo, Maumee, Sylvania and

other municipal courts that are engaged in processing people who have broken the law.

I use the word, "bizarro" to capture the flavor of what people say to their attorneys or to the magistrates or to the judges when they are asked to either make statements before the gavel is lowered on them or in the hopes that their statements will shed some light on their conduct; and thus result in a lighter sentence.

First, the law states the maximums and minimums that a judge has discretion to impose on a miscreant. Their deviations from those sentencing possibilities means that they can be flexible but only if you warrant a break.

Now, to be clear, in traffic court, the judge can consider the facts that got you before him or her and the judge can take human nature into account because some traffic violations are clearly explainable and were not intended to offend.

Once you have discussed the facts with your legal counsel, it is his or her job to packaged what you have said in terms that indicate that you were either not intentionally violating the

law or that what you did was harmless and no one was injured. Turning right on red without a full stop first is a good example.

Judges do not like people being hurt or injured by people who drive in a hapless fashion or do stupid things under the influence of drugs or alcohol or speed through school zones.

One of the fastest ways to incur the ire or wrath of a traffic judge is to: [1] have a long traffic record that shows that you are thumbing your nose at the system or [2] that your attitude is one of, "So what, what is the fuss all about!"

Both are "No-no's" that will have you getting a max fine and sentence because you are showing no contriteness or remorse over the infractions.

Judges, are supposed to be the conscience of the community and if your conduct violates that conscience with an attitude of indifference or being blaise, you are in trouble my friend.

Judges can go Darth Vader real fast when you appear and you have a lengthy record that bespeaks a person who does not want to get their act together. The Judge will

accommodate you with a sentence that shows that his "conscience" has been assaulted by your inexcusable careless behavior.

Now, with the ability of hidden cameras and stealth like patrol cars, your driving habits can be captured for viewing if you try to "lie it out" with the court. Bad move... really bad move!

You would be surprised at the alarming number of people who are driving on the streets without either insurance or a valid license and have repeatedly done so before they are caught.

And when they are caught, invariably they may have a rap sheet so long that even the Judge whistles out loud at all of the prior charges which demonstrates this person before him or her is still not complying with the law as to getting and keeping a valid license with insurance.

Some courts are not in the mood to reduce traffic violations of driving while impaired to a lesser sentence because you were a danger to yourself and others by such driving and also upon the belief that you have done it many times before and only now you are being held accountable. Karma will catch you!

It is something footloose and fancy free about driving a car without insurance and no license. Afterall, it means no responsibilities and you are always thinking that you are too smart to get caught like that other sucker who just got pulled over.

The fees and court costs and fines are deliberately high as serving as a possible deterrent from that person trying that foolish conduct again but, it happens...all the time.

One can easily catch a traffic offense, or two... but when the courts have a full docket that is full of repeat offenders, mercy goes out the window and the Judge steps up to cool your heels with a heavy fine or a license suspension.

So, a final tip before your traffic sentencing: Minimize any damages by appearing on time, dressing appropriately, minimizing the use of, "Yeah's" and "Naw's"; and take responsibility for your acts and let the Judge know that you have learned a costly lesson and the Judge won't be seeing you again.

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NOTICE FOR PROJECT DIRECTOR

SPECIAL NOTICE

The Mental Health & Recovery Services Board of Lucas County (MHR SB) seeks to contract with a Project Director for the ENGAGE 2.0 grant in the northwest region of Ohio. The ENGAGE 2.0 is intended to 'scale up' Mobile Response and Stabilization Services (MRSS), high-fidelity wraparound, and intensive service coordination for children and youth ages 0 to 21 with behavioral health needs and their families. The Project Director will take responsibility for the implementation and coordination in a way that creates sustainable change in the behavioral health system as well as local partner child-serving organizations. The total amount of funds available is up to \$200,000 for a 24-month period (grant end-date: September 30, 2021). Total is inclusive of regional travel and travel to Columbus, OH. Proposals are due by 5:00 p.m. ET on September 20, 2019. For additional details, please see the Request for Proposals (RFP) located on the MHR SB's website :<http://www.lcmhrsb.oh.gov/publicnotice/>

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Submit resume with cover letter describing how you meet the qualifications outlined above by 4:30 p.m., September 23, 2019 to The Court Administrator's Office (Attn: HR-MJS), Toledo Municipal Court Judges' Division, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 555 N. Erie, Toledo, OH 43604. Email applications not accepted. Equal Opportunity Employer. For complete job description go to <http://tmc.toledomunicipalcourt.org/docs/>.

HOUSING NOTICE

(LMHA) OPENING HOUSING CHOICE  
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WAITING LIST

Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority (LMHA) will open their Housing Choice Voucher Program's (HCVP) waiting list for tenant-based assistance on Saturday, September 21, 2019 at 12:01 a.m. All families with a head of household age 18+ may apply. Pre-applications will be accepted online only at [lucasmha.myhousing.com](http://lucasmha.myhousing.com) until Wednesday, September 25, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. After September 25, 2019 the waiting list will remain open to special programs only. These applications are accepted via a referral process only. Applicants will be placed on the HCVP waiting list using a lottery system. LMHA may choose to limit the number of applicants accepted through the lottery process and those applicants not randomly chosen will be discarded. Pre-applications are also being accepted for project-based voucher assistance and will remain open after Wednesday, September 25, 2019 until indicated as closed at [lucasmha.myhousing.com](http://lucasmha.myhousing.com). Applicants applying for project-based voucher assistance after Wednesday, September 25, 2019 will be placed on the waiting list according to any preference(s) for which they qualify by date and time their completed application is received until such time that this waiting list is indicated as closed.



BLACK HISTORY

- September 13, 1663: The first major conspiracy between black slaves and indentured servants occurs in Virginia.
- September 15, 1830: First National Negro Convention held in Philadelphia, PA
- September 17, 1861: Hampton Institute founded.
- September 16, 1889: Claude A. Barnett, founder of the Associated Negro Press, born.
- September 13, 1904: Alberta Williams King,

Dr.King's mother, born in Atlanta, Ga.

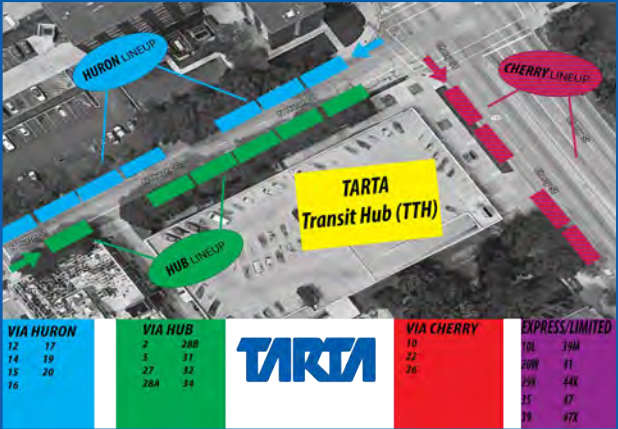
- September 11, 1927: Willie Christine King Farris, Dr. King's older sister, born in Atlanta, Ga.
- September 14, 1940: Blacks were allowed to enter all branches of the US Military Service, when President Franklin D. Roosevelt signs Selective Service Act.
- September 17, 1958: Dr. King's book Stride Toward Freedom: The Montgomery Story is published by Harper & Row.
- September 11, 1959: "Duke" Ellington wins Spingarn

Medal for his musical achievements.

- September 12, 1986: The National Council of Negro Women sponsors its first Black Family Reunion at the National Mall in Washington.
- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: He is arguably the most well-known and prominent figure of civil rights movement.
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The University of Toledo is commemorating the 18th anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks with the second annual Run to Remember, a 22 push-up challenge and a memorial stair climb.

The UToledo Army ROTC Program is inviting the community to participate in its second annual Run to Remember Wednesday, Sept. 11.

Registration and T-shirt pickup will begin at 7 a.m. at the UToledo track by the



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UToledo to commemorate  
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Health Education Center on Main Campus. An opening ceremony will follow at 7:30 a.m., and the run and walk will begin at 7:40 a.m.

University Hall’s bell tower will chime at 8:46 a.m., the time when the attacks began in 2001, and the event will conclude with a moment of silence.

“We’re running to honor and commemorate the men and women who showed selfless service as they descended to Ground Zero to help in the search and rescue efforts of those who were either injured or killed during the 9/11 attacks,” Maj. Colby Pepon, professor and chair of the Military Science and Leadership Department, said.

The 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb begins at 12:30 p.m. in the Glass Bowl. Participants will climb the equivalent to the 110 stories of the World Trade Center in honor of those lost in the 2001 attacks.

The UToledo Military Service Center will host the 22 Push-Up Challenge from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in front of Memorial Field House.

Campus and community members can stop by and do 22 push-ups — and learn more about the veteran suicide epidemic in the United States.

“We were looking for a way to raise awareness of veteran suicide on campus, and the 22 Push-Up Challenge model has seen great success in raising awareness across the country,” said Eric Buetikofer, UToledo director of military and veteran affairs.

Representatives from the UToledo Military Service Center, University Counseling Center, UToledo ROTC, the Army National Guard, the Lucas County Veterans Service Commission and the Toledo Vet Center will be at the event to provide information.

The 22 Push-Up Challenge started in 2013 when Veterans Affairs announced an average of 22 veterans committed suicide every day. The campaign was started to promote awareness of veteran suicide prevention.





# New Ohio Army National Guard camouflage jerseys debuted last weekend

## High school football teams to host military appreciation games

*Submitted*

COLUMBUS, Ohio - High school football teams all across the state of Ohio will be wearing special jerseys at designated games during the 2019 regular season, with help from the Ohio Army National Guard.

The jerseys are a dark camouflage pattern and have been approved by the Ohio High School Athletic Association for home team wear. The front of the jersey features the Ohio Army National Guard (OHARNG) logo.

"We have had a tremendous response from schools requesting the jerseys, and the schedule is filling in quickly," said Sgt. Maj. Justin Sprinkle, senior enlisted Soldier assigned to the

OHARNG Recruiting and Retention Battalion. "The National Guard has a mission to serve its local communities, so we're happy to provide this resource to schools interested in recognizing our service members." Waite High School in Toledo, Ohio is participating.

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# Obama's Old High School Basketball Jersey Sells for \$120,000



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Special to the Trice Edney News Wire from the Richmond Free Press (TriceEdneyWire.com) - A basketball jersey believed to have been worn by former President Barack Obama while he was at an elite Honolulu prep school has sold at

Heritage Auctions said the No. 23 Punahou School jersey sold in Dallas to a collector of American and sports artifacts who did not want to be identified. Obama wore that number during the 1978-79 school year. The jersey was put up

for auction by Peter Noble, who was three years behind Obama at Punahou School. He said he grabbed the jersey the summer before his senior year because it was destined for the trash. He said he took it because 23 was his number on the basketball team. Noble, now 55 and living in Seattle, said years later, after Obama's first election in 2008, he saw an old photo of the 44th president wearing a No. 23 jersey while a guard on the school's 1979 Hawaii state championship team. "I took it because they were getting rid of it," Noble said. "It meant nothing else, really." Noble said he grew up "idolizing" Punahou basketball. The auction house says details on the shirt match the one Obama, who mostly sat on the bench during his Punahou basketball days, is photographed wearing. After seeing the photo, Noble said he thought it was interesting and showed the jersey off to friends out of pride for Punahou. Mostly, the shirt remained in his closet, following him during moves to various cities. Noble says a portion of the sale will go to Punahou School. "I got to thinking: Is there an opportunity to do something, perhaps good?" he said. "Perhaps have this see a bigger, broader light of day than sitting in my closet."

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# NHA's Sickle Cell Project to host Sickle Cell Matters 5K Walk/Run this Saturday

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On September 14, 2019, the Sickle Cell Project of Northwest Ohio, a member of Neighborhood Health Association (NHA), invites advocates, friends and family to participate in the Sickle Cell Matters 5K Walk/Run. This fundraiser event brings awareness to those living with sickle cell disease and trait. The family-friendly race will take place at Ottawa Park, Toledo, Ohio.

Sickle cell disease is a group of inherited red blood cell disorders, where the red blood cells are C-shaped like a sickle, impeding the body's ability to carry adequate oxygen. When these cells travel through smaller blood vessels, they stick together and block blood flow, causing extreme pain and other complications, including frequent infections, stroke, organ damage, vision problems, delayed growth and even death. Although Sickle Cell Disease predominately affects the African American population, NHA's Sickle Cell Project of Northwest Ohio Director, La'Shardae Scott, is determined to inform and educate the different ethnicities also affected by Sickle Cell. Sickle Cell Disease occurs in 1 out of 365 African American births and 1 in 16,300 births in the Hispanic population.

"I feel blessed and excited to have listened to my patients concerns and interests. My goal is to shine a light on sickle cell disease and sickle trait. I would like for my community leaders to become more involved with NHA Sickle Cell Project of Northwest Ohio," says La'Shardae Scott, Neighborhood Health Association's Director of the Sickle Cell Project of Northwest Ohio.

The Sickle Cell Matters 5K Walk/Run takes place on Saturday, September 14, 2019 at 2201 Ottawa Park, Toledo, Ohio. Register at Eventbrite.com by searching Sickle Cell Matters 5K Walk/Run in Toledo, Ohio. Adult registration is \$10.00, Children 12 and under are free. In addition to the 5K walk/run, there will be prizes, contests, bounce house, face painting and local vendors.

Through our exceptional health care services, we empower and educate, aggressively working to eliminate health care inequities, while supporting personal responsibility for one's own health regardless of the ability to pay.

If you would like more information about NHA's Sickle Cell Project of Northwest Ohio, please contact Lisa Matthews at 419-720-7883 ext. 214 or visit [www.nhainc.org/sickle-cell-project](http://www.nhainc.org/sickle-cell-project).

## A Black and White Life

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to tell anyone about Jesus. His life before the road to Damascus enlightenment is a testament to what I'm talking about. Why should anyone believe anything that came from Paul's murderous mouth?

I suppose the answer in hindsight is a pretty good one. The words that came out of Paul's mouth were indeed put there by Jesus; the same Christ who knocked me down and picked me up as He also did Paul. I've changed because I had no choice in this matter. And if you're saved, you don't either.

But don't worry about it.

This is a new me and a new you with a new life and new responsibilities. It is our willing obligation to at least give the Lord our best shot. As the commercial goes, 'just do it.' I think you'll find as Paul did that the point is who you have become and not how others view you. Sooner or later they'll come to understand the change is real and they'll just have to adjust to you or disappear. If they don't, you will. It's not easy but nobody said it would be. Stay the course and may God bless and keep you always.

# HUD awards more than \$970,000 to LMHA to clean up lead hazards in Toledo

Submitted

TOLEDO, OH, September 3, 2019 – The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) today awarded \$970,225 to Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority to identify and reduce lead-based paint hazards in two of its public housing developments. This award is part of the \$27.8 million that HUD issued to 38 Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) in 25 states provided through HUD's Public Housing Capital Fund. These grants will be targeted to approximately 2,800 public housing units, most of which are currently occupied by families with young children (see below).

"We have no higher calling than to make certain the public housing that taxpayers support is healthy for our vulnerable families to live in," said HUD Secretary Ben Carson.

"HUD is taking pro-active measures in protecting families and their children by identifying and addressing housing hazards that have an impact on potential health issues," said HUD Midwest Regional Administrator, Joseph P. Galvan.

"We are very excited and grateful to be awarded this grant and it couldn't have come at a better time," said Demetria Simpson, Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority president and CEO. "We are working to keep our children and families safe from lead with the Healthy Homes Initiative. We have tested over 500 units in recent months, and now plan to test 1,000 more."

Although lead-based paint was banned for residential use in 1978, HUD estimates that about 24 million older homes still have significant lead-based paint hazards today. However, homes receiving rental assistance, including public housing, tend to have a lower prevalence of lead-based paint hazards compared to private housing. While most public housing has already undergone abatement, there are still some properties where lead-based paint remains and hazards have redeveloped.

Lead-contaminated dust is the primary cause of lead exposure and can lead to a variety of health problems in young children, including reduced IQ, learning disabilities, developmental delays, reduced height, and impaired hearing. At higher levels, lead can damage a child's kidneys and central nervous system and can even be deadly.

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