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By Tyria McCray

NC Second

A crowd of several hundred gathered on the NC Gen-

eral Assembly lawn Tuesday morning to rally for second

chances. NC Second Chance Alliance, an organization that addresses the causes of criminal records and the barri-

ers they create to successful reentry, hosted an event to

demand that the people of North Carolina fight for equal

justice. Reverend William L. Barber, former NC NAACP

president, addressed the crowd. He spoke to attendees

about changes that should be made to NC laws that would

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Chance Rally

away my life and the rock of injustice has to go. Let me be really clear. The supreme court is scared of y'all. They are scared of a black, white, gay, straight, asian, native, latino, coalition of people. So we are here to focus on a whole agenda," said Barber.

Throughout the event, activists focused on seven key points; expanding criminal record relief (expunctions & certificates of relief), abolishing the drug tax, repealing the drug felony ban on SNAP & TANF benefits, ending harmful use of mugshots, ending debt-based driver's license suspensions, eliminating/reducing criminal court fines and fees, and increasing state budget allocations for reentry services.

Members of the NC Second Chance Alliance also shared that the current system of incarceration and re-incarceration is not workcriminal records; especially people of color.



US Military Used Magazines To Target 'Vulnerable' Groups With Recruiting Ads

By Jeremiah Favara

Gonzaga University

Jeremiah Favara, a communication scholar at Gonzaga University, examines military recruitment ads published in three commercial magazines between 1973 – when the federal government ended the military draft - and 2016. The three magazines are Sports Illustrated, Ebony and Cosmopolitan.

I chose to look at these three magazines because they allowed me to explore ads designed to reach different groups, namely white men, Black people and

Scholars have argued that content in Sports Illustrated – known for its racy swimsuit editions has long been designed to appeal to straight white men. My own research, and other scholarship have consistently been portrayed in recruiting ads as ideal service

son and Bates Worldwide devel- the 1970s and early 1980s.

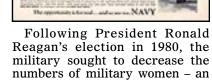
oped recruiting plans that singled out Sports Illustrated as one of the most effective publications for reaching a high concentration of potential recruits because of the magazine's popularity with male readers.

Advertisers contracted by the military viewed Ebony as crucial for reaching Black recruits. That's largely because Ebony sought to balance content focusing on Black middle-class life with content covering the fight for racial inequality in American society.

Recruiting plans for the Marine Corps and the Navy all sought to place ads in Ebony, especially as part of efforts to recruit more Black officers

Since the 1960s, Cosmopolitan has played a key role for advertisers in reaching self-sufficient working women as a consumer has found that straight white men market. The desired reader of Cosmo – young, straight white women seeking independence – was also an ideal target of mili-Ad agencies J. Walter Thomp- tary advertisers, particularly in





pause" - and recruiting ads published in Cosmo tapered off. In the course of looking at more than 1,500 ads published in the three magazines between 1973

and 2016, I discovered interesting

effort now known as the "woman-

distinctions. Some themes - how much money you could make in the military, the educational benefits you could access, the sense of purpose the military could provide – were similar across the different magazines. But what was really distinct was how different ads portrayed different people as service members.

For instance, in the 1970s, the Army and Army Reserve placed ads in Cosmo that depicted the military as a way for young women - mostly young white women - to find careers and gain financial independence. The ads used headlines like "Did the last good job you wanted go to a man?" and "The best man doesn't always get the job." Text detailed the equal treatment - the same salaries, educational opportunities and chances for promotion – that military women would find in the military. The idea was to portray the Army as a unique site of opportunity for women.

Similarly, in the 1970s, ads

(See **RECRUITING ADS, P. 9**)



N. CAROLINA HOUSE GOP AIMS TO END CONCEALED HANDGUN MANDATE

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — North Carolina Republican lawmakers advanced legislation on Tuesday to eliminate the requirement that anyone who wants to carry a concealed handgun must get a permit from the local sheriff.

The effort comes barely a month after the Republican-controlled General Assembly agreed with gun-rights groups and repealed overriding Democratic Gov. Roy Cooper's veto — another kind of permit issued by sheriffs before someone could buy a pistol.

Those groups now are lobbying to eliminate the concealed handgun permit mandate, which has been in place in North Carolina for nearly 30 years. Several hundred thousand people hold such permits, according to one bill supporter. The bill also would lower the age in which someone can carry a concealed firearm from the current 21 to 18.

There are 27 states that already allow people to carry a concealed weapon without a permit, according to the U.S. Concealed Carry Association, so "it's not something new," said GOP Rep. Keith Kidwell of Beaufort County, a bill sponsor. The measure cleared the House judiciary committee by a 7-4 vote despite opposition by the North Carolina Sheriffs' Association, which calls the vetting necessary to help deputies know who may be armed.

The action comes two days before a parliamentary deadline for policy legislation to clear one legislative chamber so it can be considered through the remainder of the two-year session. The measure still must clear one more committee before reaching the House floor.

An Artistic Showcase

The Artist Lounge hosted a sold out event on last weekend which featured artisans, from multiple disciplines, in a collage of talent. It was a group art exhibition sponsored by local artist Georgia Tardy.







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Business & Finance

Reality TV Star, Entrepreneur Speaks At Rock The Lyceum

Reality TV Star, Yandy Smith-Harris visited North Carolina Central University last Thursday for the Rock the Lyceum lecture series. Students, faculty, and Durham residents gathered at the H.M. Michaux, Jr. School of Education Building auditorium to chime in on an in-depth conversation on education, entertainment, politics, and social justice

Kicking off the event, Christal Jordan, principal of Enchanted Branding & Public Relations, an entertainment based PR firm in Atlanta, GA, gave a heartfelt opening to students and faculty on supporting friends on their work and through education.

" You cannot be powerful if you don't share your power. Raise your hand if you are some-

raising your hand, you have yet to release your super power. I am so thankful to be able to support so many but I'm even more thankful for all those that have supported me along this jour-

ney," said Jordan.
Following Jordan, Smith received a standing ovation as she walked to stage and paused for a few moments to soak up the love. Overcome with emotion, Smith began to speak on her career beginning as a music business executive to now owning a billiondollar business, Yelle Skincare.

"I am super excited to be here at the illustrious North Carolina Central University and a part of the Rock The Lyceum Series. I am so excited to talk with you all and provide some inspiration and receive some inspiration."

As the event was underway, Smith shared that her career

tive for multimedia conglomerate Violator Management. During her time there, she worked alongside some of the biggest music artists such as 50 Cent, Missy Elliott, and Busta Rhymes. After moving on from the music

industry, the Howard University and began her beauty brand and foster daughter Infinity Gil-alum took her talents to television, where she created the Love & Hip-Hop franchise with the help of Mona Scott-Young, CEO of Monami Productions. After



plant-based skincare line catered towards melanin-rich skin.

Her work did not end there; Yandy established two nonprofits for young ladies; "Everything Girls Love" (EGL) and Partners Uplifting Our Daughters and Sons Inc (PUD).

EGL is a lifestyle brand and PUD mentorship program targets middle school and high school age girls and is designed to promote the development of literacy and emotional wellness.

While owning a business and spearheading two nonprofits, Harris has written two books; an e-guide titled "The Beauty of Marketing in Business" and a children's publication titled "My Blended Family." In her children's book, she expounded on life as a mother to son Omere

Lastly, her most proud career title is serving as a member of the board of directors for the social justice organization Until Freedom. Until Freedom is an initiative that brings attention to racial injustice, systemic racism and economic disparities in urban neighborhoods.

The Rock the Lyceum lecture series is hosted by NCCU's University College, the Office of Student Engagement and Leadership, and the Lyceum Committee. The series brings in several of the nation's top entrepreneurs and thought leaders to engage students in relevant education, entertainment, politics, and social justice topics. Future speakers include Keke Palmer, Angela Rye, T.I, Roland Martin, and Phylicia Rashad.

Greenwood Acquires Kinly, Joins Two Of The Largest Black-Owned Fintechs

wood, the digital banking platform for Black and Latino individuals and businesses, today announced its acquisition of Kinly, a digitally native neobank building generational wealth for Black America and largest fintechs focused on the Black community together as one company. The acquisition will help grow Greenwood's ecosystem of over one million members and provide Kinly's community of over 300,000 with priority access to Greenwood's unique, comprehensive financial product that emphasizes community building and wealth creation for Black and brown

Since its launch in 2020, Kinly has raised \$20 million in funding from key investors like Forerunner Ventures, Point72 Ventures, Anthemis, and Kapor Capital to improve the financial

Henry Kissinger.

he helped create.

the AI technology we see today.

including Google's "Bard."

can tell. But I think they soon may be.'

'Godfather of AI' Leaves

Google, Warns Of Dangers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sounding alarms about artificial intelli-

gence has become a popular pastime in the ChatGPT era, taken up

by high-profile figures as varied as industrialist Elon Musk, leftist

intellectual Noam Chomsky and the 99-year-old retired statesman

But it's the concerns of insiders in the AI research community that

are attracting particular attention. A pioneering researcher and the

so-called "Godfather of AI" Geoffrey Hinton quit his role at Google

so he could more freely speak about the dangers of the technology

Over his decades-long career, Hinton's pioneering work on deep

There has been a spasm of AI introductions in recent months. San

Francisco-based startup OpenAI, the Microsoft-backed company

behind ChatGPT, rolled out its latest artificial intelligence model,

GPT-4, in March. Other tech giants have invested in competing tools

Some of the dangers of AI chatbots are "quite scary," Hinton told

the BBC. "Right now, they're not more intelligent than us, as far as I

In an interview with MIT Technology Review, Hinton also pointed

to "bad actors" that may use AI in ways that could have detrimental

impacts on society — such as manipulating elections or instigating

Hinton, 75, says he retired from Google so that he could speak

learning and neural networks helped lay the foundation for much of

Kinly has helped its growing community of members manage their day-to-day finances by offering early access to direct deposit funds, cash back rewards, and overdraft protections.

"Kinly has always shared in our commitment to building its allies, bringing the two a more transparent banking experience for Black Americans," said Ryan Glover, CEO and co-founder of Greenwood. "The acquisition of Kinly represents a massive milestone for Greenwood as we continue in our shared effort to elevate financial tools available for our community. In partnership with Donald Hawkins from Kinly, we plan to grow our footprint and expand our services to provide best-in-class experiences for Black and brown families and businesses.'

As part of the acquisition, Donald Hawkins, founder and CEO of Kinly, will join the Greenwood executive manageoutcomes of Black America and ment team as a Vice President allies through financial educa- to support key strategic initiation, saving and wealth build- tives in financial services and ing. Over the last three years, other areas with the goal of

advancing economic empowerment, consumer-focused innovation, and local Atlanta-entre-

"Kinly's mission of financial empowerment and wealthbuilding stems from lessons learned from Black America's history," said Donald Hawkins, CEO of Kinly."The needs of

combine efforts with Greenwood to create lasting generational change."

This acquisition marks Greenwood's third acquisition over the last year, highlighting the company's continued expansion plans to bring bestin-class offerings together for its members. Since the beginour communities are many and ning of 2022, Greenwood has I couldn't be more excited to also acquired The Gathering

Spot, A3C, and Valence to provide its members with access to additional professional services, networking opportunities and cultural experiences. The company also launched Elevate, a premium lifestyle product designed exclusively for Greenwood members, unlocking unique cultural and lifestyle experiences.

"It is another proud moment Greenwood family."

to again have two Black-owned companies on both sides of an M&A transaction," said Paul Judge, Board member at Greenwood. "This shows the power of collaboration within the community. It is often said that if you want to go far, go together. This collaboration is a stellar example of that belief. We welcome Donald and Kinly to the



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T. A. Loving Company (NC General Contractor License No. 325) is seeking certified DBE, MBE, and WBE subcontractors and suppliers for the 2022 AC Water Main Replacements project for Johnston County which bids May 11, 2023, at 2:00 PM. Plans and specifications for this project are available at the following locations: TA Loving Company, 400 Patetown Road, Goldsboro, NC 27530 * Johnston County Public Utilities, Land Use Center, 309 East Market Street, Smithfield, NC 27577 * McKim & Creed, 1730 Varsity Drive, Suite 500, Raleigh, NC 27606 * Dodge Data and Analytics website ConstructConnect website * Greater Diversity News * John-

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openly about the potential risks as someone who no longer works for the tech giant. "I want to talk about AI safety issues without having to worry about how it interacts with Google's business," he told MIT Technology Review. "As long as I'm paid by Google, I can't do that."

Since announcing his departure, Hinton has maintained that Google has "acted very responsibly" regarding AI. He told MIT Technology Review that there's also "a lot of good things about Google" that he would want to talk about — but those comments

would be "much more credible if I'm not at Google anymore." Google confirmed that Hinton had retired from his role after 10 years overseeing the Google Research team in Toronto.

Hinton declined further comment Tuesday but said he would talk more about it at a conference Wednesday.

At the heart of the debate on the state of AI is whether the primary dangers are in the future or present. On one side are hypothetical scenarios of existential risk caused by computers that supersede human intelligence. On the other are concerns about automated technology that's already getting widely deployed by businesses and governments and can cause real-world harms.

"For good or for not, what the chatbot moment has done is made AI a national conversation and an international conversation that doesn't only include AI experts and developers," said Alondra Nelson, who until February led the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy and its push to craft guidelines around the responsible use of AI tools.

"AI is no longer abstract, and we have this kind of opening, I think, to have a new conversation about what we want a democratic future and a non-exploitative future with technology to look like," Nelson said in an interview last month.

A number of AI researchers have long expressed concerns about racial, gender and other forms of bias in AI systems, including textbased large language models that are trained on huge troves of human writing and can amplify discrimination that exists in society.

"We need to take a step back and really think about whose needs are being put front and center in the discussion about risks," said Sarah Myers West, managing director of the nonprofit AI Now Institute. "The harms that are being enacted by AI systems today are really not evenly distributed. It's very much exacerbating existing

Hinton was one of three AI pioneers who in 2019 won the Turing Award, an honor that has become known as tech industry's version of the Nobel Prize.

Ag-Grow-Culture

Black Agriculture A Fundamental Story: Rev. Dele and Soil & Souls

By Jason Lindsay

Agriculture is usually a subject based around economics or hard work, and if you're lucky, legacy over tribulation. Yet, farm and church is a point of view hardly ever touched. Well, Rev. Dele's angle of agricultural engagement

A grandmother, elder, Christian mystic, and earth keeper, Rev. did not grow up on a farm. And in many ways, this made Dele's agriculture experience extend far into nature. She was raised by parents who were both civil rights activists, winning civil rights suits in both state and national courts, who used nature as an unwinding place to heal and recharge. Rev. Dele recalled being a teenager and her mother entering the house after a long week of dealing with racist colleagues and civil rights challenges saying, "we're going to the mountains.

As a kid, Dele would sleep under trees on clear nights, and camping was a family norm. Dele expounds that the opportunity to be introduced to nature in this way gave her a unique approach to agriculture. In 2005, Rev. would aid in Hurricane Katrina relief which she learned to identify contaminated soils and natural ways of remediation. Immediately drawing a connection to the national need for soil remediation, Dele would continue her studies and, years later, even taught permaculture at the College of William and Mary.

Yet one day, Rev. Dele was charged to do something differneedles in the pine forest for bors..., the people that support are fragile and prone to disease.

the soil-building project on their the church financially are no lon-20 acres. Suddenly, she heard a

your work." At first, she thought the surrounding communities, it was the loudspeaker from the local high school football stadium where she would often overhear the home game announcer, yet it was the weekend, and school was out. Dele says that at the time, she was dealing with racism, and her family was upset because she chose to stay and put up with it. With all of this, Rev. tells that with frustration on her lips, she said, "what do you mean, this is not my work," and as quick as a mother would chastise a disrespectful child, a swarm of ticks chased her out of the woods.

After making sure the ticks were off, she chose to calm down, take a break, and, with respect this time, readdress whom she called "God speaking to me." Dele explained that the answer she got was "teach the church how to model sustainability.'

After many years of community field research, Dele and two other founders created "Soil and Souls," a native and medicinal nursery that offers leadership training and resilience for institutions and young adults 18-35

Rev. Dele has been working with churches up and down the eastern seaboard and as far west as Texas. But, while fulfilling what she considers a "prophetic mission," Dele expresses having to learn to work around some issues plaguing the church.

Back in the day, communities would come together and build their church. Therefore, churches were made up of people in the immediate geographics. Dele ent. At home on family land in states, "churches are no longer Virginia, Dele was collecting pine mission oriented with their neigh- a forest without small trees, they

ger geographic neighbors which "booming" voice say, "this is not creates new issues with engaging making an undertaking like that of Soil and Souls complex due to the built-in "guild approach to

Naturally, nature produces forest guilds that, in its simplest healthy form, are made of seven layers. This diverse plant arrangement within healthy forests works together, using their differences to everyone's advantage. For example, the highest layer in the forest is the canopy (mature trees that cast shade). This canopy provides refuge for countless amounts of animals and insects. At the same time, the canopy provides shade for plants that would otherwise not survive in the open sun. It is the presence of plants that aids the viability of others, and this love is a two-way street.

Though the canopy provides shade and shelter to many, it cannot keep the forest from washing away by itself. It is the root system of many smaller plants, small trees, bushes, and vines alike, along with the larger roots of canopy trees that hold the forest together, together.

Soil and Souls models after nature in this way and has found that many churches are loaded with elders, who could be called the canopy, yet are lacking the participation of young adults, the smaller immature trees, and bushes. Rev. explains that "in order to do resilience work, you need open minds and strong backs." Though young people must showcase open minds, they are almost exclusively the strong backs, and without them, just like

Through these initial pilot programs, Soil and Souls fashioned a two-track system. One is the "community education track" for institutions, primarily churches. This track is designed to shift church culture, reintroducing

Dele clarifies that what soci-

the "theology of creation care"

and, more so, away from "domin-

ion theology.'

ety, including the church, has deemed beautiful does not match the natural world. She continued with the example of grass lawns, a land management tactic that originates in Britain. Lawns were a symbol of wealth. So, the rich would take large tracks of land and manicure the grounds as a grass lawn to say: "I own all this land, and I don't even have to farm it to provide for myself; I pay people or work people, to grow food for me."

Alongside these arrogant origins, lawns are not sustainable. Vegetable gardens use much less water and feed us. By converting 300 square feet of lawn grass into a veggie garden, you can save thrive." The story of Rev. Dele 2,100 gallons of water annually and Soil and Souls is a fundamenon average. it is the overwhelm- tal story of black agriculture.

ing application of grass lawns that contributes to our weakened freshwater preserve across the United States.

Dominion theology places less emphasis on the care of the planet while highlighting man's power over it. It was also dominion theology that gave Europeans the idea that it was ok to perform genocide (both physical and paper genocide), kidnap and displace people, and destroy the planet (polluted air, water, and land).

The theology of creation care, which Soil and Souls promotes, highlights humanity as "a mirror image of nature and directly impacts her," says Rev. Dele.

The second track with Soil and Souls is leadership training. "Soil and Souls Leadership Training" is geared toward young adults with practical development around farming, gardening, education around the care and cultivation of native and medicinal plants, and developing leaders rooted in the "theology of creation care."

Soil and Souls is working with pastors and congregations, hosting talking circles to "reorganize our mind to be consciously aware of how we relate with the element: earth, wind, fire, and water." Rev. Dele is open to working with more communities and can be contacted by email at rev@soilsoul.org.

Agriculture is a sector that has been bombarded with commodity crops and chemical inputs. Yet, this has proven to lead us further into chaos. Native and medicinal plants are growing in popularity and necessity. In the state of New York alone, the medicinal herbs market is estimated to be over \$20 million, making it more profitable for new farmers than it has been in generations. When asked about this, Rev. Dele said: "the ag. we've grown up with is based on a model of abuse. Soil and Souls is rewriting the narrative... having a healing relationship with land so that land naturally produces in abundance...we must relearn these skills so even when the climate is disruptive, we still

At Smithfield Foods, DE&I Is No Catch Phrase

Ron Toran came to Smithfield Foods from a global business process organization to change the world of Smithfield food employees. His father worked for the company as a Superintendent many years ago, so Ron was very familiar with the organization and the culture.

It was that culture part that Ron saw an opportunity to impact the "The biggest opportunity has been to get the messaging out about

DE&I. We've been doing it for a while, but I think the opportunity to really put a lens on DE&I has really evolved over the last year. So, I took on that challenge."

Smithfield Foods has a good deal of initiatives that they are championing at any given time. In addition to being a culinary force, they are also environmental advocates, alternative food innovators, technology leaders and renewable energy pioneers. For Ron, it was important to add DE&I Ambassadors to that list.

Under Ron's leadership, Smithfield Foods now has a dedicated DE&I platform on their intranet. Their intranet is the employees "go-to" tool for all things Smithfield, so to create a designated space for Diversity Equity and Inclusion shows the commitment that the company has to change.

The dedicated space highlights upcoming events and achieves past communications. Everyone can look back at February's Black History Month activities, or employee business resource group's culturally significant events, and even calendars that have a full range of new events.

(See **SMITHFIELD FOODS DE&I,** P. 6)



Roxboro Housing Authority Honors A Fallen Resident for gardening as it starts plant- ment a day before her birthday. ing fruits and vegetables at one Garden to former resident Connie Jean Holloway.

During the Summer of 2022, the Housing Authority partnered with South Elementary School. The community garden was used as a means to teach students about agriculture and science. Ms. Holloway was an avid supporter, volunteering every Wednesday to support garden activities led by school

Roxboro Housing Authority In September 2022, Ms. Hol-(RHA) will be honoring the life loway died after being hit by of a resident that had a passion a drunk driver near her apart-

In 2020, during the height of of its four apartment commu- the coronavirus pandemic, RHA nities. RHA will dedicate the Executive Director Felts Lewis Weatherly Heights Community allocated CARES ACT funds from the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development to create a large, multi-sectional raised-bed, organic community garden. The goals were to bring public housing residents together outdoors in a safer space to form communal bonds and to grow healthy foods in their own community. Ms. Holloway's family has been invited for this public event. Light refreshments

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James West: NC Cooperative Extension Pioneer

By Amanda Hadden Special To The Carolinian

Dr. James West, father, grandfather, friend and husband has been making an impact on the state of North Carolina for the last sixty years. The middle child between two sisters, he grew up in Sampson County on a 300-acre farm where his family grew tobacco, vegetables and soybeans. It was on this farm, under the tutelage of his mother and father, who had a third-grade education, that he learned the value of hard work, business, leadership and relationships.

After high school he attended North Carolina A&T State University where he majored in Agricultural Engineering. During his time at A&T he was guided by professors like Dr. Samuel Dunn and shared classrooms with the Reverend Jesse Jackson. Prior to attending A&T, West had never been outside of Sampson County, so attending college taught him a lot, including the value of civil rights.

In 1963 he marched with fellow students to the Carolina Theatre, showing his dedication to ensuring everyone had justice and equal opportunities. Dr. West fought so that people like me, a black student at NC State, could have more opportunities. His efforts paved the way for hope and enlightenment for generations unimaginable to him at the time.

After graduating he was employed by the segregated North Carolina Cooperative Exten-



DR JAMES WEST

sion Services. Interviewed by R.E. Jones, Head of Extension at A&T and George McDaniel, Head of the black Cooperative Extension, he began working in Wayne County. Dr. West was one of ten black agriculture extension agents which were the pillar of the Bazemore vs Friday Class Action Lawsuit. This class action lawsuit was filed due to intentional discrimination based on race.

Dr. West was a part of the negotiations with North Carolina State Administration led by Carlton Blalock and Chester Black. The environment was tense because the 10, known as the Progressive Club, were placing their careers on the line. Dr. West and others, including legends James Wright in Hertford County and L.C. Cooper in Warren County, worked to bring upward mobility and equality in pay, promotions and areas of re-

After the successful ruling lina A&T State University. of the Bazemore lawsuit, North Carolina Cooperative Extension was integrated. West was able to move up the ladder, being promoted to 4H Specialist at NC State along with Josephine Patterson, Home Economics Specialist and S.N. Shelton, Agricultural Specialist. He then went on to become the first black person in the United States to be named **Director of County Operations** where he oversaw 1,000 people and worked with managers from all 100 counties.

Reflecting on his time with NC Cooperative Extension, West feels that Extension was able to develop outstanding and successful black employees through leadership training. Many former extension agents have gone on further to serve their communities as county commissioners, city councilmen and members of the school board. These include Mary Whitmore, Durham City Council, P.E. Bazemore, Monroe City Council, A.P. Coleman, Wilson City Council, Cedric Jones, Franklin County Commissioner, Dorothy Johnson, Johnston County School Board, Fred Bellfield, Nash County Commissioner, and Joe Willie Dickens, Edgecombe County School Board. West himself facilitated leadership training all over the Southeast with Richard Liles, North Carolina State Extension Specialist, and Dalton McAfee,

former Associate Dean of Coop-

erative Extension at North Caro-

and drinks will be provided.

Upon his retirement from Cooperative Extension, West went on to join the Raleigh city council and then became a Wake County commissioner. In these roles he has pushed for people that are marginalized. He's established social and economic vitality development in vulnerable communities, setting up the Southeast Raleigh Assembly, a team to do work on cost recov-

He's also been part of committees that affect change in the state. He is currently developing a leadership initiative to foster diversity, equity and inclusion to correct past inequities in underserved areas, such as Southeast Raleigh and marginalized popu-

lations throughout Wake County. As someone who lived through the civil rights movement and had a part in so much change, West believes that we need to resurrect leadership in the black community. The energy and empowerment that leaders in our communities once had has disappeared, but he believes if we come together, we can resurrect that power. Spirituality is what brought black people through hard times and it's what we need today, a spiritual renaissance.

His advice to emerging leaders today: talk about God. Spiritual infrastructure is necessary, as well as opening our eyes to the things that really matter. One of Dr. Wests' favorite sayings from the bible is "Faith without works

Health & Wellness

U.S. Surgeon General Warns Of The High Cost Of Loneliness

By Stacy M. Brown

The U.S. surgeon general on Tuesday declared widespread loneliness in the United States the latest public health pandemic, comparing its effects on people's health to those of smoking a pack of cigarettes every day.

In his 81-page research, Dr. cessive Vivek Murthy found more than death. half of U.S. residents have felt lonely at some point.

According to Murthy, healthcare experts have concrete ease prevalence, a 29% inproof that loneliness impacts a significant part of the U.S. population, causing sensations akin to hunger and thirst.

us when something we need for survival is missing," Murthy explained.

raise awareness of issues that impact most people and encour- ratory illnesses. age them to speak out instead of enduring silence.

ration seeks to increase conversations surrounding loneliness, though Murthy doesn't foresee nursing facility costs. any legislation or formal federal action ahead.

recent decades, Americans reported feeling lonelier because at work. of their declining involvement in religion, civic groups, and families.

Single-person homes had dou- sences by employees. bled over the past 60 years

but worsened when COVID-19 struck, forcing most Americans to abandon school, workplaces, and social visits.

According to the advisory issued by Murthy, individual health and the lack of social connection pose a significant risk to one's longevity.

Among the symptoms, excessive cigarette smoking and

The advisory noted that a poor or insufficient social connection has ties to a high discrease in the risk of heart disease, and a 32% increase in the risk of having a stroke.

The potential for anxiety, "The feeling the body sends depression, and dementia is increased when an individual is lonely, the advisory cautioned.

Murthy said the lack of social He stated that he wants to connection may increase susceptibility to viruses and respi-

In older adults, it's estimated that social isolation leads to The Surgeon General's declamore than \$6.7 billion in additional Medicaid spending because of extra hospital and

The Surgeon General also warned that isolation and loneli-The declaration noted that, in ness lower academic achievement and worsen performance

Additionally, employers lose about \$154 billion each year because of stress-related ab-

"Given the profound conse-



quences of loneliness and isolation, we have an opportunity, and an obligation, to make the same investments in addressing social connection that we have

use, obesity, and the addiction crisis," Murthy asserted.

"This Surgeon General's Advisory shows us how to build more connected lives and socimade in addressing tobacco eties. If we fail to do so, we will

and collective health and wellbeing

splinter and divide until we can alone.'

pay an ever-increasing price no longer stand as a community in the form of our individual or a country. Instead of coming together to take on the great challenges, we will retreat to "And we will continue to our corners-angry, sick, and

Tips: Manage Blood Pressure, Prevent Stroke And Dementia



For many health conditions, Black/African Americans are impacted at disproportionate rates. High blood pressure is the leading modifiable risk factor for stroke, cardiovascular disease, and dementia. Black/African Americans are 50 percent more likely to have high blood pressure when compared to other racial and ethnic groups, and Black/African American men have the highest rate of uncontrolled blood pressure.

Many other factors can increase your risk of high blood pressure, including genetics and family history, having certain medical conditions, and lifestyle factors. While you can't change your genetics, there are many simple and effective lifestyle changes you can make that can help control your blood pressure and lower your risk of stroke and dementia later in life.

"People need to think about how they can decrease their chances of developing stroke and dementia in later life," said Dr. Walter Koroshetz, Director of the National Institutes of Health's (NIH) National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS). "With what we now know, controlling hypertension in mid-life is at the top of the list." That's why NINDS developed the Mind Your Risks® campaign to raise awareness of this important health topic and steps to take to lower risks.

What is high blood pressure?

Blood pressure is the force of blood pushing against the walls of your arteries when the heart is contracting and while it is resting. High blood pressure, also called hypertension, is blood pressure that is higher than normal. You can have high blood pressure without having any symptoms or warning signs associated with it, so it's important to check it regularly.

Normal Blood Pressure for Most Adults:

Less than 120/80 mm HG High Blood Pressure:

130 or higher/80 or higher mm HG

How does high blood pressure lead to stroke and dementia?

• If your blood pressure stays high, over time it can damage brain blood vessels and lead to a stroke.

• High blood pressure can also lead to other damage in the brain that has been associated with dementia, which can lead to problems with thinking, learning, and memory.

How does high blood pressure, stroke, and dementia impact

Black/African American men? Black/African American men have higher rates of uncontrolled blood pressure. Uncontrolled blood pressure in early to mid-life leads to more opportunity for damage to the arteries, brain, and heart. These factors place Black men at higher risk for developing long-term complications, including stroke, cardiovascular

disease, and dementia. How can I control my blood pressure to lower my risks?

You can take steps now to get—or keep—your blood pressure numbers in a healthy range to help prevent stroke and dementia later in life. These include:

• Stay informed. Discuss high blood pressure with your

- Take your medications. Your healthcare provider may recommend taking medicine to prevent stroke and heart attack, especially if you have high blood pressure, diabetes, or elevated cholesterol. • Eat healthy and exercise. Following a healthy eating plan
- and keeping physically active on a regular basis will significantly lower your risk for heart disease, high blood pressure, type 2 diabetes, and other health problems. • Quit smoking or using tobacco. Smoking harms nearly every organ in the body, including the heart. Any amount of smoking,
- even light or occasional smoking, damages the heart and blood

Take charge of your health today. Because nobody can lower your risk of stroke and dementia like you. For more information, visit mindyourrisks.nih.gov.



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Community

Addressing Needs Of Black Communities

By Tyria McCray

Staff Writer

Black Salute, a nonprofit whose sole mission is to target the black community's needs and wants, has also taken a clear stance against an anti-racist society.

Established on September 3, 2020 by Rashawn King, the organization emphasizes the urgent need for unity within the black community. Being aware of the ongoing injustices, the nonprofit teaches communities where to focus, what to address, and how to make systemic changes that heal, and not bandage.

flow, Black Salute focuses on building longevity and creating knowledgeable, united leaders to evolve. King shared with us that he created Black Salute amidst



provide and exemplify unbreakable, unchangeable, and invincible leadership. By striving to people in the community need. the killing of George Floyd and foster vibrant services to the

In the form of an acrostic racial injustices in the city of Ra-community, they plan to enhance and enrich the community envi-The initiative's mission is to ronment by developing sustainable partnerships with local nonprofits to accommodate what the

"I felt as if my people have

been suffering enough dealing with police brutality, and racism. So, I created Black Salute to bring my people together and build trust with the community, police department, and other communities through community events and programs.'

"Our biggest program; 'Breaking Bread,' feeds the community with over 2,000 plates, and this year we plan to serve 3,000 plates. We see that our black communities need more focus on mental health, homeless population, and troubled youth. I want people to know that this organization is here for our people and we are ready to assist them with whatever they need. Black Salute has and will forever be the driving force of our Black Community. We are the people's champ that will keep fighting for our



17th ANNUAL NC BLACK SUMMIT

The North Carolina Black Alliance presented the 17th Annual NC Black Summit last weekend. The Summit included a legislative panel with NC General Assembly members, the Jeanne H. **Lucas Leadership Luncheon with State Supreme Court Justice** Anita Earls, and a banquet with TN House Rep. Justin J. Pearson. Photos By Mathias Bishop





Smithfield Foods DE&I—continued from Page 4

There are also educational resources on the platform that include articles, books and videos; all archived.

Smithfield Foods is in a relatively conservative industry. Sometimes change comes slower and is harder than in others. But Ron has effected a good amount of change in a very short period of time. With only about a year and half with the company he has moved Smithfield Foods from a willingness to 'support' the DE&I efforts to we are 'committed' to the DE&I efforts. That is a huge difference! Support is changing the color of your screen saver. Commitment is alignment and assistance in getting the messaging out and implemented.

On the first day that Ron sent out an email on their new DE&I training series, he received almost 300 replies saying 'thank you' or 'we are ready for this.'

"Everyday I wake up to, 1. have a challenge, but 2. to know that the work I do matters," Ron explained.

He knows that what they have to do at their company is create moments that matter for their



employees. The employee ex- the company does is make real perience and the engagement is what drives the belonging within the company, and that is the

golden egg for Smithfield Foods.

connections. They do not take the ivory tower approach to management any longer.

Their new-ish CEO, Shane Another very unique thing that Smith, has taken engagement to

heart. He does 'Meat Up With Shane' events when he visits the company's different facilities. He goes all over the country doing these meet-ups to learn about what is important to the employees and to share what he feels is important to the company. This is just one example of the new commitment to engagement and

Next for the DE&I initiative is to push forward with their priorities. Those center around the training and implementation of inclusion programs. Now there is a strategy that management and flow into and this will help them put some of the new opportunities into practice.

Also, the employee groups now have more direct access to management. This creates a greater opportunity to increase activity across the groups and across the company. These groups include women, military, and multicultural groups.

Smithfield Foods began as a family owned business, and has found great success by treating it employees as an extension of its family.



HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

The best time to prepare is before hurricane season begins. Avoid having to rush through potentially life-saving preparations by waiting until it's too late. Get your disaster supplies while the shelves are still stocked and get that insurance checkup early, as flood insurance requires a 30-day waiting period.

DEVELOP AN EVACUATION PLAN

If you are at risk from hurricane impacts, you need an evacuation plan. Now is the time to begin planning where you would go and how you would get there. You do not need to travel hundreds of miles. Your destination could be a friend or relative who lives in a well built home outside floodprone areas. Plan several routes. Be sure to account for your pets. If you don't have a vehicle, check with local officials to see what transportation options they may have available.

ASSEMBLE DISASTER SUPPLIES

Whether you're evacuating or sheltering-in-place, you're going to need supplies not just to get through the storm but for the potentially lengthy and unpleasant aftermath. Have enough non-perishable food, water and medicine to last each person in your family a minimum of three days (store a longer than three-day supply of water, if possible). Electricity and water could be out for weeks. You'll need extra cash, a batterypowered radio and flashlights. You may need a portable crank or solar-powered USB charger for your cell phones. And lastly, don't forget your pets!
GET AN INSURANCE CHECKUP

AND DOCUMENT YOUR POSSESSIONS

Call your insurance company or agent and ask for an insurance check-up to make sure you have enough insurance to repair or even replace your home and/or belongings. Remember, home and renters insurance doesn't cover flooding, so you'll need a separate policy for it. Flood insurance is available through your company, agent or the National Flood Insurance Program. Act now, as flood insurance requires a 30-day waiting period. Take the time before hurricane season begins to document your possessions: photos, serial numbers or anything else

that you may need to provide your insurance company when filing a claim.

hurricane season.

North Carolina is a tiered evacua

CREATE A COMMUNICATION PLAN

Take the time now to write down your hurricane plan, and share it with your family. Determine family meeting places, and make sure to include an out-of-town location in case of evacuation. Write down on paper a list of emergency contacts, and make sure to include utilities and other critical services — remember, the internet may not be accessible during or after a storm. Strengthen Your Home

Now is the time to improve your home's ability to withstand hurricane impacts. Trim trees. Install storm shutters, accordion shutters and/or impact glass. Seal outside wall openings. Remember, the garage door is the most vulnerable part of the home, so it must be able to withstand hurricane-force winds. Many retrofits are not as costly or time consuming as you may think. If you're a renter, work with your landlord now to prepare for a storm. And remember – now is the time to purchase the proper plywood, steel or aluminum panels to have on hand if you need to board up the windows and doors ahead of an approaching storm.

STORM SURGE

One of the greatest potentials for loss of life related to a hurricane is from the storm surge. Storm surge is simply water that is pushed toward the shore by the force of winds swirling around the storm. This advancing surge combines with the normal tides to create the hurricane storm tide, which can increase the mean water level to heights impacting roads, homes and other critical infrastructure. The shape and orientation of our coastline put's us at risk for storm surge. Most recently we saw devastating storm surge from both hurricanes Florence and Dorian.

KNOW YOUR ZONE

Know Your Zone is a cooperative effort of North Carolina Emergency Management and county emergency management partners in coastal counties. After being piloted during the 2019 hurricane season, state and county emergency emergency management partnered to officially launch the initiative for the 2020

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North Carolina Know Your Zone is a tiered evacuation system that highlights areas most vulnerable to impacts from hurricanes, tropical storms and other hazards. If it becomes necessary, local officials will order evacuations using pre-determined zones created by coastal counties. The Know Your Zone lookup tool is a color-coded interactive map you can use to determine the evacuation zone where you live, work, or are visiting based upon your street address.

Evacuation zones highlight areas most at risk to storm surge and flooding. Local officials will determine which areas should be evacuated. Areas in Zone A will typically be evacuated first, followed by areas in Zone B, etc. While all zones won't be evacuated in every event, emergency managers will work with local media and use other outreach tools to notify residents and visitors of impacted zones and evacuation instructions.

Please take some time this week to read more about Know Your Zone in preparation for this launch and coming hurricane season.

During a storm, whether you've evacuated or are sheltering in place, know what to expect from the hazards you may face. Remain vigilant, stay up-to-date with the latest forecasts and alerts, and continue to listen to local officials.

STAY IN YOUR SAFE PLACES FROM WATER & WIND

Always keep a safe distance from flooded and damaged areas. When you're at risk from storm surge or flooding, it's important to get to high ground away from bodies of water and any flood-prone areas. Evacuate if told to do so. Never drive through floodwaters or compromised bridges. Always pay attention to barriers and signage.

If your house becomes flooded and you're still there, get higher in your house to escape the flood waters. If the highest floor of your home becomes dangerous, get on the roof and call 911.

Though rain and storm surge cause more direct deaths, wind can also be very destructive and deadly in hurricanes. Winds can be stronger higher above ground level. This can put high-rise build-

ings at a greater risk. To protect yourself from wind, the best thing you can do is put as many walls as possible between you and the outside. An interior room without windows is the safest place you can be in a building. You can cover yourself with a mattress and wear a helmet for added protection. If your area is under an Extreme Wind Warning, take shelter immediately. Make sure to stay sheltered until the threat is gone.

HAVE A WAY TO GET WEATHER ALERTS AND FORECAST UPDATES

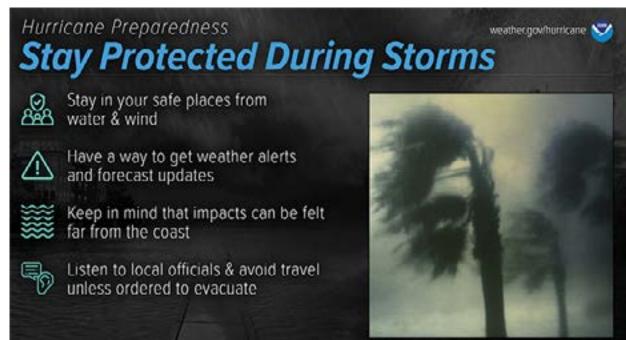
Make sure to have Wireless Emergency Alerts enabled on your phone to receive Warnings and other alerts. Always pay attention to the latest forecast as conditions can change quickly and storms can rapidly intensify from a tropical storm to a major hurricane. Even small changes in the storm's track can make a big

KEEP IN MIND THAT IMPACTS

CAN BE FELT FAR FROM THE COAST Remain vigilant even if you're

Remain vigilant even if you're far from the most damaging winds. Inland flooding can be felt hundreds of miles from the coast. Never drive through floodwaters! A car can be swept away with only a foot of water, and there's no way to know if the road itself has collapsed when hidden by water.











STORM SEASON IS JUNE-OCTOBER

HURRICANE PREP IS EVERY DAY, 24/7

WHAT WE'RE DOING:

We are strengthening our system, upgrading equipment and investing in new grid technology. We are improving response and restoration times by identifying potential issues in advance and installing technology that will allow us to reroute power to avoid outages.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:



Have a plan to move yourself and your family.



Sign up for outage alerts by phone or email or text REG to 57801.



Prepare an emergency kit with water, nonperishable food, first-aid and more.

For additional tips, please visit duke-energy.com/StormSafety.



BUILDING A SMARTER ENERGY FUTURE *



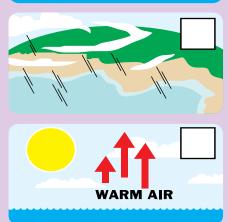
he sun disappears behind a giant wall of clouds. Powerful winds bend trees and batter homes. Waves pound the shoreline and flood the streets. They're the most powerful weather force on earth. They're ...

How Hurricanes

Read each step. Then, number the pictures in order.

- **1.** In the summer and early fall, the air over the oceans heats up and then rises.
- **2.** Then it cools, and the moisture in the air forms storms over the ocean. When bands of these thunderstorms begin to swirl in a circular fashion, the system is called a tropical depression.
- **3.** If the swirling winds reach 40 miles per hour, the system is called a tropical storm. If the winds reach 74 miles per hour, its name is changed to a **hurricane**.
- **4.** Hurricane Sandy became a massive super-storm when it merged with other storm systems moving in from the north and west.



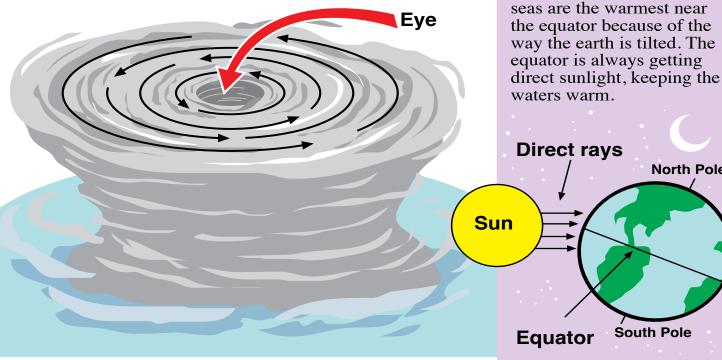


Standards Link: Earth Science: Students know how weather can be observed and described and how it changes from day

Hurricane Code

The Eye

A strange thing about hurricanes is that in the center of the fast moving, dangerous winds is a *calm* area called the **eye**. Hurricane Sandy's angry eye and vast body, estimated at 900 miles wide, could be seen from space.



Hurricane Names

Hurricane names are chosen from lists compiled by the World Meteorological Organization. The Atlantic is assigned six lists of names, with one list used each year. Every seventh year, the first list begins again. Each name on the list starts with a different letter. For example, the name of the very first hurricane of the season starts with the letter

Virginie

Gaston

COASTSIDE

A, the next starts with the letter B, and so on. The letters \mathbf{Q} , \mathbf{U} , \mathbf{X} , \mathbf{Y} and \mathbf{Z} , however, are not used.

Tropical Tempest

Hurricanes form where the

water of the seas is above

80° F (27° C). The earth's

Often when an unusually destructive hurricane hits, that hurricane's name is retired and never used again. Since 1954, eighty-nine names have been retired.

Here is a list of names used for Atlantic storms in 2022. Number them from 1 to 21 in alphabetical order.

Shary __ Alex **High Alert**

in these two pictures?

Bonnie

Danielle

___ Lisa ___ Hermine

A hurricane is on the way! How many differences can you find

Tobias

Martin Karl Richard lan

Colin

Nicole

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Julia Owen Earl

Walter **Fiona Paula**

North Pole

South Pole

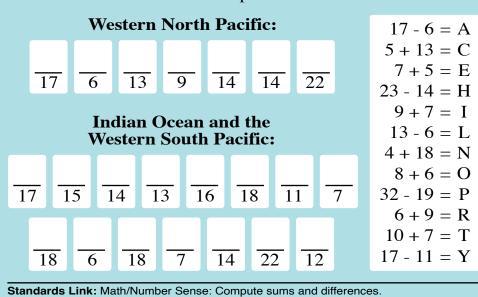
Hurricane Spell Down

Find the letters that spell the words hurricane, typhoon and **cyclone** on one page of today's newspaper. Connect the letters to spell each word. Repeat this activity with this week's spelling words!

Standards Link: Spelling: Spell grade-appropriate words correctly.

Double

In North America, we call a storm that results from these conditions a hurricane. In other parts of the world, a hurricane is known by other names. Do the math to find out what hurricanes are called in other parts of the world.



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HURRICANE

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recongized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Picture the Weather

Select a photograph from today's newspaper. What can you tell about the weather in the picture? Write a weather report using the weather clues you observe in the photo.

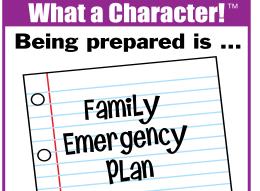
Standards Link: Writing Applications: Write simple descriptions.



HURRICANE QUIZ

Test your hurricane brain power! See if you can answer each of these questions. Use this week's Kid Scoop to help you. Then quiz a member of your family.

- **1.** The calm center of a hurricane is called the:
- **2.** TRUE or FALSE: Bands of thunderstorms and swirling winds form a system called a tropical depression.
- **3.** The names given to hurricanes are selected by this organization:
- **4.** When a hurricane is unusually destructive, its name is:
- **5.** TRUE or FALSE: Around the world, these types of storms are always called hurricanes.
- **6.** TRUE or FALSE: Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast in the fall of 2004.
- 7. Hurricanes form when the ocean waters rise to a temperature above:



... knowing what to do *before* danger strikes.

This week's word: **CYCLONE**

The noun **cyclone** means a storm with very strong winds that turn around a center of low pressure in the atmosphere.

A hurricane can also be called a cyclone.

Try to use the word **cyclone** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

My Biggest Storm

Have you ever been in a big storm? Write a short story about what you experienced. Be sure to include details about what you were feeling during the storm and what you saw.

Target 'Vulnerable' Groups With Recruiting Ads—continued from page 1

the military as a site of equal opportunity for Black men. A series of Navy ads talked about a "new Navy" where Black men had opportunities they wouldn't have had 20 years prior.

In more recent decades, Ebony ads were less likely to use such explicit language of equal opportunities. Instead, they celebrated Black History Month by highlighting the accomplishments of exceptional Black service members from the past, such as the Montford Point Marines and the Tuskegee Airmen.

While there is no way to know if the magazine ads - and not TV ads or other methods of recruit-

for increasing enlistments, my research found that the publication of ads targeting Black recruits and women corresponded with high rates of enlistment from those groups

Between 1973 and 2016, the percentage of military women increased sevenfold, from 2.2% in 1973 to 15.57% in 2016. In the same time frame, Black recruits were consistently overrepresented in the military compared with exploits the vulnerabilities of potheir share in the civilian populatential recruits and perpetuates tion. For example, in 1980, 1990 and 2000, between 19% and 22% of new enlistees were Black compared with roughly 12% to 14% of the civilian population.

the military itself was becoming I am interested in exploring how ads created a certain vision of the military as what I call a tactically inclusive institution. By that I mean an institution that has been selectively inclusive of different groups but ultimately

changes show how, as recruit-

ing ads were being designed to

reach women and Black recruits,

state violence. The term is not one that I or other scholars initially decided to use to describe what the military does. It comes from J. Walter Thompson, an advertising agency that of whether or not they really has been creating Marine Corps want to join the military. ads since 1946. In a 1973 proposal for an integrated research program for the armed forces, housed in the J. Walter Thompson Co. archives, one of the first stated objectives was to identify "vulnerable target groups.

The agency considered those vulnerable to military recruiting as people already inclined to join the military and those who might have reservations but were seen as persuadable. Ad agencies and the military used the term "propensity" to describe these two groups. Propensity refers to the likelihood that individuals will serve in the military, regardless

Drawing on an array of different scholars, such as Jasbir K. Puar, Grace Kyungwon Hong, Roderick A. Ferguson and Dean Spade, I think of vulnerability as being at the center of military recruiting. One is deemed vulnerable to military service because of a lack of opportunities, resources, support or cultural capital that the military can promise.

I argue that military inclusion is a form of power that furthers state violence. I am interested in studying military inclusion and recruitment advertising in order to challenge and resist the

me think of military inclusion in a more complicated way. During an event at the Auburn Avenue Research Library in Atlanta, Georgia, I heard a panel of Black women veterans talk about their experiences in the military. They spoke about how the military provided them with financial stability, a chance to see the world and

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the opportunity to buy a home. Despite the violence of the military, it is also one of the best avenues for upward mobility for many Americans. It is this tension, between seeing military inclusion as an opportunity and as a risk and form of exploitation, that

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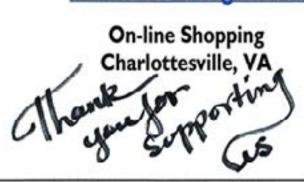
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PURPOSE

Proverbs 16:9 ESV – The heart of man plans his way, but the Lord establishes his steps.

The Bible is full of examples that justify and explain why believers should always include God in all of their plans.

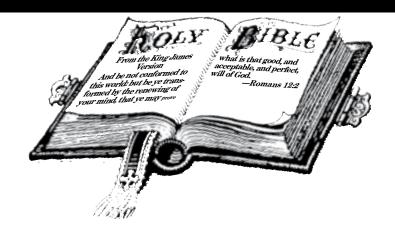
Whether it's a marriage, a business venture, a budget, a career, or even our own desires and ambitions, we should always ensure that we do not overlook getting the wisdom and direction that comes

Here the Word of God reveals to us that we, too, have a role in our planning. Moreover, I believe that's why Psalms 1 says that a blessed man's delight is in the law of the LORD... and will bring forth his fruit in his season...and whatsoever doeth shall prosper. Furthermore, Joshua 1:8 also confirms Psalms 1 when it said if you observe what is written, you will be prosperous and successful.

There's a saying if you fail to plan, you are planning to fail, but the mistake many people in this world make is failing to reference and obey God. Moreover, I believe that with God, there is no way we can lose. Therefore, I also believe the song to be true that says there is NO FAILURE IN GOD!

So, with all that said, we must have a heart for God if we want Him to direct our steps, but our hearts must be right with God and not be influenced by the wrong people with wrong motives and wrong agendas.

love to be debt free, but many don't include God in their budget because they give more to gam-



they expect God to bail them out.

Isn't it nice to know that God rains on the just as well as the unjust and is faithful to forgive and continue to bless even when believers and unbelievers do wrong?

God wants the best for His children, and when we make Him central in our planning, we free Him to give us His best. Psalms 20:4 says, not that He would but that He may give us the desires of our hearts and make all of our plans succeed. Jesus never fails, heaven and earth may pass away, but Jesus never fails!

The Bible suggests that God may grant you according to your heart's desire and fulfill all your purpose. Psalm 37:3 NLT, "Trust in the LORD and do good. Then you will live safely in the land and prosper." 37:4 KJV, "Delight thyself ALSO in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.' James 4:14 NKJV says, Come

now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business, and make a profit." How do you know what your life will be like tomorrow? Your life is like the morning fog - it's here a little while, then it's gone. James 4:15 NIV Instead, you ought to say, "If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that."

So first, let's make sure that we plan with a positive attitude and encourage ourselves by saying, I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me!

Secondly, let's plan and PRE-For example, most people would PARE with a Biblical Aptitude, not just with our earthly education, but study God's Word to show ourselves approved unto Him and not bling than they do to God, and man or woman. Let's study, rightly sociate ministers, please visit our then when their plans don't work, dividing the Word of truth and not YouTube Channel. Thank you!

lean to our own understanding.

Furthermore, a parable of Jesus shows how half of the people in a story were wise, and the other half were foolish. The ones that were recognized as foolish were the ones that were unprepared. God's Word prepares us; that's why we should hide His Word in our hearts.

Thirdly we should plan to participate with servitude. When the disciples of Jesus wanted to know who was the greatest, he told them that those who serve were the greatest. When a lawyer asked him which commandment in the law is the greatest, Jesus said to him, "You shall love the Lord you God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind." Notice it all started with the heart. If we plan right and keep God first, I believe He will give us the desires of our hearts and that He is a rewarder to those that diligently seek Him.

Lastly, as God blesses us day by day, let's be sure to have plans to receive His blessings with gratitude. Let's always plan to be gracious and remember who and where our blessings come from!

If you still need to make plans, I recommend accepting His unconditional love and doing it now. Then, whenever we fulfill our plans to make Him the center of our lives, He will give us earthly joy that leads to eternal joy, peace, and happiness. Aren't you glad that we have the opportunity to have a heart for God, and when we do, He will order our steps in His Word? So, let's ensure our plans are with intention and purpose for such a loving God!

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Practical Biblical Principles

people asked this same question to Jesus shortly after He performed the miracles of feeding the five thousand plus souls with two tiny fish and five loaves of flat bread on a hill in Galilee. The crowd of people were following Jesus because of the miracles of healing He had performed including the feeding many of the multitudes surround-

The Passover was near, and the crowd was not going to let Jesus get out of their sight. Jesus turned around to them and accused them of following Him simply because He fed their stomach at the miraculous meal on the hill. Then the crowds sought to press Jesus into the Leadership role of being their king. Jesus disappeared into the mountains. The disciples got in their boat to cross to the west side of the lake with strong winds blowing contrary.

Jesus came out of the mountains and saw His disciple's boat in trouble as they were trying to row across the rough seas. Jesus walked the waters again and rescued them, and when He got in the answer! All what was needed on boat the boat was already at the land where they were going.

The people caught up with Jesus and His disciples in Capernaum. Jesus turned again and stated, "you

Then they asked Jesus, "What can we do for God? (John 6:28). Jesus replied, "believe in Me whom He has sent" (John 6:29). Then they answered and said, "Give us a sign proving you are the Messiah. Our fathers ate the manna in the desert; He (Moses) gave them bread to eat." Jesus corrected them and said it was not Moses who gave your father the bread from heaven to eat, it was God, My Father who gives the true bread from heaven (John 6:32). The bread of God is He who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world. Then they said to Jesus, "Give us this bread

What our Lord said to them next was all in simple, spiritual language. "I am the Bread of Life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst." (John 6:35-36). For some reason(s) the crowd couldn't seem to understand what our Lord had just said to them. They made a request and Jesus answered and provided them their request. Jesus (Himself) is their their behalf and the same is true today, is simply to believe in and accept Jesus as their personal Lord

The Jews and many today are

HOW CAN WE DO GOD'S WORK?

How can we do God's work is the all-important question that unbelievers are asking today. The thin food" (John 6:26-27).

follow Me only for what you can expect to get out of me." In a sense, Jesus said, "Heaven is much more than food" (John 6:26-27). from heaven, we know this guy and his mother. He lives just down the road a bit" (John 6:41-42).

The world so to speak is still trying to make Jesus do all the 'heavy- religious' lifting and we do nothing. When all is required of God, according to His word, is to just believe in my Son (John 6:40).

Just like the manna from heaven which fed the physical bodies of the Israelites during their desert stay, The very words (teaching) of Jesus are said to be bread for the soul which one's spirit can be fed as well. What's important is for the spirit to be fed from God's word. Simply because the Spirit of a person lives on into eternity somewhere. The physical body goes back to the dust from which it came.

Many disciples didn't follow Jesus anymore, and more than likely lost out on their soul's salvation simply because they could not solve the simple spiritual issue of seeing the allegorical meaning of the word "bread" to mean "word of God" by which only our souls feed upon (John 6:63).

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HAPPENINGS AT THE MAC...

Macedonia New Life Church (Macedonia NLC) is continuing weekly in-person worship services on Sundays starting at 9:30 a.m. and masks are now optional. The Family Life Center will now be available for overflow. The nursery is now open to children up to four years old.

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Macedonia NLC - Sunday School Superintendent/VBS Coordinator Youth Sunday School

Youth Sunday School return has been delayed. The new starting date will be announced shortly!

Youth Bible Study Youth Bible Study has started back! Macedonia NLC invites all youth to learn with us on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. for Preschool to

for Middle to High school. Meeting ID: 875 629 8755 Passcode: youth

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Join us for Young Adult Bible Study every second and fourth Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. Please contact Reverend Mecca Dixon, Young Adult Pastor for more information.

Adult Study /Tuesdays In The Word

MNLC weekly Bible Study sessions, Tuesdays in the Word with Dr. Joe, will be Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. online. MNLC invites you to join us each Tuesday! The May study schedule Preachers are listed below.

Preachers

May 9 - Dr. Annie Tinsley May 16 - Min. Anthony Lucas May 23 - Dr. Towanda Garner May 30 - Dr. Tiffany Bennett Cornelous

Church Community Food Ministry Weekly Food Distribution Join the Church Community

Elementary school and 7:30 p.m. Food Ministry in distributing food to those in need in the community. Volunteers are needed to help set up, sort, assist guests, and break down. Join us every Thursday, first, third, and fifth Saturday in the Macedonia NLC parking lot, when the weather permits, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00

Prayer @TheMAC

Join us in the Prayer Room on Saturday, May 20, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. to bombard the Lord with our praise and appreciation for his grace and mercy!

Congratulations to our 2023 Graduates

MNLC will be having our 2023 Baccalaureate HBCU Day Baccalaureate Worship Service on Sunday, May 21, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. Our 2023 graduates including Pre-School, Elementary, Middle School, High School, and College will be recognized at the service.

Breanna V. Garner - Macedonia NLC Staff Writer for the Carolinian Newspaper



Oldest U.S. Olympic Medalist, Herb Douglas, Dies At 101

A graduate of the University of Pittsburgh who served on its board of trustees and eventually received the title of emeritus trustee, Douglas died on Saturday. According to the University of Pittsburgh's news wire, he was born and raised in Pittsburgh's Hazelwood neighborhood, excelling in various sports at Taylor Allderdice High School, including basketball and track. Douglas earned his bachelor's

degree in physical education in 1948 and finished second in the long jump at the Olympic trials. He received a bronze medal at the 1948 Summer Olympics in London a few months later. "In every role that he filled, as

an aspiring athlete from Hazelwood, as a student-athlete and University trustee, and as an esteemed businessman, Olympian and community leader, Herb Douglas excelled," said Pitt Chancellor Patrick Gallagher, according to Pittwire. "He was both a champion himself and a champion of others, never hesitating to open doors of opportunity and help people pursue their own success. Douglas said his father, Her-

bert Paul Douglas Sr., instilled in him the values of devotion, service and honesty. These principles helped him win city titles in tumbling, sprinting, basketball and track and field.

In 1940, Douglas, the first Black basketball player in his high school, left the squad because his teammates wouldn't give the ball to him. He received an athletic scholarship to attend Xavier University of Louisiana, the nation's only historically Black Catholic institution. In 1942, Douglas' 440-relay

squad's victory made Xavier the first Black college to take home a national championship.

After transferring to Pitt, Douglas stood out on the football and track teams, according to Pittwire. He captured four intercollegiate long-jump titles and



long jump, he won three national Amateur Athletic Union titles.

While attending Pitt, he joined Jimmy Joe Robinson and Allen Carter in becoming the college's first Black football players. Douglas graduated from Pitt

with a master's in education in 1950. He reportedly wanted to be a coach but claimed Pittsburgh did not hire African Americans for the position in the public school system. In 2018, the Pitt Athletics Hall

of Fame enshrined Douglas in its first class. Four years later, Gallagher announced that Douglas would receive the honor of having a 300-meter indoor track named in his honor at a celebration of his 100th birthday.

"Pitt Athletics is forever indebted to [Douglas'] passion and support," said Heather Lyke, director of athletics at Pitt. "It is so fitting that our future indoor track will be named in Herb's one in the 100-yard sprint. In the honor, ensuring his name and

legacy live on to inspire future Pitt student-athletes.'

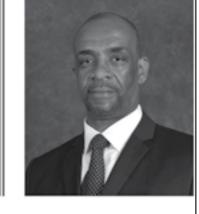
Following his retirement, Douglas embarked on a charitable endeavor that gathered money for student-athletes and highlighted significant events in the history of African Americans in sports, Pittwire reported.

He met legendary Black Olympian Jesse Owens in 1936 at age 14. In 1980, Douglas established the International Amateur Athletic Association to recognize Owens' accomplishments. The organization honors the best amateur athletes in the world.

Douglas also established the Jesse Owens Global Award for Peace, a program that uses athletics' popularity to address social issues. It recognized an array of people, including late South African leader and president Nelson Mandela, late United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan and late former U.S. President George H.W. Bush.







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Editorials

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Same Ol' Same



By A. Sherrod Blakely

Ebony

When the global pandemic slow-dripped its way into the world of college football, the collateral damage ensued was undeniably predictable. Games were cancelled.

Once reliable side hustles around the games being played, were indefinitely sidelined.

For all that went wrong in 2020 and to a lesser extent the early months of 2021, the pandemic became the default reason. So it's no surprise that when the NFL draft came and went without a single HBCU player being selected, the reason was simple. It had to be the pandemic, right?

To blame the pandemic for the NFL turning a blind eye to HBCU players (again) is the kind of low-hanging fruit that folks should know better than to take at face value. There is no question the pandemic played a role. But to have it portrayed as the rationale behind the slight of HBCU players, is disingenuous.

This year's draft was not some unusual anomaly—far from it. Some of the NFL's all-time greats, such as Jerry Rice and Walter Payton, came from the HBCU ranks. But the HBCU pipeline in recent years has been relatively dry, with only eight HBCU players selected in the last four drafts combined.

And it's not as if HBCU players haven't made the most of their opportunities, either. South Carolina State linebacker Darius Leonard, dubbed "the worst pick in the draft," was taken by the Indianapolis Colts in the second round of the 2018 draft. So what did he do as a rookie? He led the NFL—not just his team, but the entire league— in tackles (163) and was named the AFC Defensive Rookie of the Year.

Awareness and opportunity are often cited as key reasons behind HBCU players being passed over. But that train of thought too often ignores an even bigger factor, and that's the opportunity of convenience that so many NFL teams lean on heavily when it comes to evaluating talent.

The NFL isn't all that different than corporate America, often relying on pre-existing relationships when job openings arise versus expanding their network and in doing so, increasing their opportunity to grow in both the short- and long-term. More times than not, this narrow pathway of growth NFL teams capitulate in over and over again, leaves Black and Brown folks on the outside, looking in.

As it relates to the NFL draft, teams are more reliant on what they see and hear about players from a Power 5 conference (ACC, Big Ten, Big 12, Pac-12, SEC), than the words of positivity that may be talked about when it comes to an HBCU player.

Awareness always comes up in discussing HBCU players and the NFL. But as we have seen in past years and most recently during the HBCU combine on the University of Alabama-Birmingham campus this past spring, just because team executives show up, doesn't mean they pay attention.

Even when draft experts such as Mel Kiper Jr. co-sign on an HBCU player's chances at NFL success, it's still not enough to get drafted. Grambling State guard David Moore finished off an exceptional career and was among the most likely HBCU players to be drafted. "He's (Moore) in that fourth- to sixth-round area," Kiper said during a conference call leading up to the draft. "I think the kid has a chance to be a starter in this league. As far as the guards go, he's right there in the top 10." There were 14 guards taken in the NFL draft, with Moore signing an undrafted free agent contract with the Carolina Panthers moments after the seven-round NFL draft ended.

Another HBCU player that Kiper Jr. was high on, was North Carolina Central cornerback Bryan Mills. "It's a great cornerback year," Kiper Jr. said. "Mills to me in a normal year would have been a fourth-rounder. He's got the length. He's got the cover skills. He probably goes in the fifth round or probably the fourth round. They might drop him a round or two later because of the great depth at corner. He's a nice player. I think he makes a team. He could compete for a starting job fairly early. I would say both players have starting potential." Like Moore, Mills was scooped up shortly after the draft ended, by the Seattle Seahawks.

Both will get an opportunity at the next level, which is all HBCU players want. But that's not the point. HBCU football players enter the NFL already fighting to prove they belong. The stigma of being passed over 259 times doesn't help. Blame the pandemic this year, they'll say. But don't be fooled, people!

Because no amount of shade they want to put on the pandemic, can cover up the reality that this NFL draft, pandemic or no pandemic, looked a lot like ones we've seen in past years. And that should leave a bitter taste in everyone's mouth.



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By Mel & Pearl Shaw Saad & Shaw



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What would you do if suddenly you found yourself surrounded by enthusiastic, talented, well-connected individuals ready to volunteer with your nonprofit and help you reach all your goals? Can you hear their voices clamoring, "just tell me what you need, and I'll make it happen!" Could you respond, or would you find yourself saying, "let me get back to you." We have the proactive answer that can put you in the driver's seat when it comes to engaging and managing volunteers. It's the volunteer handbook.

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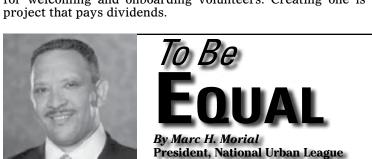
Your volunteer handbook starts with the obvious: a welcome message from the organization's leadership and a brief description of what your organization does. Brag a little – share what you're well known for and what makes you unique. Include your mission, vision, and values. List each of your programs with a short description and an impact statement.

The heart of the handbook shares information about the kinds of volunteers your organization is looking for. Do you need scientists to mentor high school honor students? Do you need licensed bus drivers? What about college recruiters? Museum docents? Community organizers? Writers, designers, editors? Board members? (Yes, board members are volunteers!) Make a list of all volunteer opportunities available, adding short descriptions of the responsibilities and qualifications for each.

You also want to include frequently asked questions with answers. Share engaging photos that bring your nonprofit's work to life: spread these throughout the handbook to keep the reader awake! Make sure your handbook contains a calendar with important dates and event listings. You'll also want a few pages with facts and figures related to your organization and its work; a list of board members with their affiliations; and information about fundraising goals and ways to give.

As a nonprofit it is critical that everyone knows you depend on gifts and grants to do your work, and that you need fundraising volunteers to help raise the money you need. That means sharing summary financial information such as revenue and expenses, your fundraising priorities, and how much you need to raise for each priority. If you offer donors specific benefits, list these. And don't forget information on how to give! You may want to include a mini case for support and an elevator speech – 30 seconds on who your organization is and its impact. Finally, don't forget accurate contact information.

Add a QR code, upload it to your website and let people know you are looking for volunteers. Your handbook is the ideal tool for welcoming and onboarding volunteers. Creating one is a project that pays dividends.



DECEPTIONS BY SUPREME COURT JUSTICES WARRANT A STRINGENT, ENFORCABLE CODE OF ETHICS

Justice Thomas has betrayed a fundamental duty of high office: the duty of transparency. This disgraceful lawbreaking is precisely the sort of thing Congress has charged the attorney general with responsibility for addressing. It would be an absolute dereliction of duty if the Department of Justice were to fail to investigate these omissions." -- The Project On Government Oversight

There can be no question that Supreme Court Justices Clarence Thomas and Neil Gorsuch engaged in willful deceit of the American people when they omitted key details from financial disclosures.

Congress must not only act immediately to implement bipartisan legislation that would require the Supreme Court to implement a code of conduct, but also make it clear that transgressions such as these will not be tolerated.

The head of a major law firm with dozens of cases before the Court purchased a \$1.8 million property partially owned by Gorsuch. Gorsuch did not disclose the name of the purchaser.

A politically-active billionaire, who also had business before the court, lavished Thomas over 20 years with cruises on his yacht, excursions on his private jet, and vacations at his private resort. Thomas disclosed none of the gifts. Nor did Thomas disclose his sale of three properties to the billionaire, including the home where his mother still lives, rent-free, or the tens of thousands of dollars the billionaire spent on improvements to the home.

Gorsuch has offered no public explanation for his deception. Thomas' defense was both feeble and untruthful. Not only did Thomas falsely claim he had no obligation to report gifts from individuals "who did not have business before the Court," the billionaire did, in fact, have business before the court.

These deceptions are not mere ethical lapses. They are violations of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, which requires

that transportation gifts, and most real estate sales above \$1,000, must be disclosed. Thomas has tried to characterize the trips as "personal hospitality," but the law clearly requires that gifts of transportation be disclosed. Thomas appears to have understood that requirement when he reported the gift of a private jet flight in 1997. He stopped reporting them after the disclosure attracted media scrutiny.

However, the most severe punishment for these deceptions under the Ethics in Government Act is a monetary penalty. Thomas' misconduct, especially, cries out for a stronger remedy.

The code-of-conduct legislation Senators Angus King and Lisa Murkowski have introduced is an absolutely necessary first step. But we have come to a low point in our history if Supreme Court Justices, of all people, are confused about what constitutes ethical conduct. The problem is not that clear rules don't exist; the problem is that there are no consequences for Justices who fail to abide by them.

Federal law already requires judges to disqualify themselves from cases if the justice "or his spouse" has "an interest that could be substantially affected by the outcome of the proceeding." A congressional subcommittee clarified in 1970 that the law applies to Supreme Court Jus-

Yet Thomas refused to recuse himself from multiple cases related to the 2020 presidential election despite the revelation that his wife, Ginny Thomas, an election denial activist, bombarded the former White House chief of staff with text messages pleading with him to continue fighting to overturn the election results.

In the nation's history, Congress has impeached 15 federal judges, removing eight from office. The only Supreme Court Justice to be impeached, Samuel Chase in 1805, was acquitted by the Senate.



When Kamala Harris joined President Elect Biden as his running mate women across the world became excited and inspired. It was interesting to me how sorority sisters joined the excitement regardless of which sorority they belong to. Stories of the Divine Nine flooded the airways and many of our Caucasian brothers and sisters voiced their surprise that we have Greek organizations. Well, this is what segregation did. It caused you not to notice and then not to pay attention to what your cross town relatives in humanity were doing. This same thing is happening with the discourse about books and people who have (that have) recorded facts about the American history that is black or African history. It has interested me that though this is not an explosion I'm seeing enough dribbles criticizing sororities and fraternities on the internet. In the videos I've seen, the argument appears diabolical while hiding behind innocence.

This time it is typically you African American females who have at one time (according to them) been members of a sorority and are now handing back their membership They are suggesting that the organizations are satanic. They say the covenants, pledges, and rituations use satanic themes. They are disturbed that the organizations get in the way of our fidelity to God and our marriages. For me their reasoning is convoluted and "other inspired". I am reminded that Jesus bringing a "new" message to the world was accused of being Satan himself. I'm not saying that Greek organizations can literally be compared to the message and model of Christ. I am saying that one way that evil confuses the minds of humans is that an evil person will project their twisted ideas on other people who have good intentions. A case and point, the dogma of the "right" against the left is to suggest that explaining the lies of history is for the purpose of revenge and power. Yet what I see is that the right (wing) uses undemocratic tactics to have their way. They lie, they gerrymander, they claim elections were rigged and they make rules to assure that voters will find it hard to vote unless they are voting for them.

I suspect that this push against sororities and fraternities is a similar strategy. I am sure there are Republicans, Democrats, and Independents in black sororities and fraternities because people who belong to them are individuals and yet having a collective experience of our black history we do tend to believe and vote for people who support our goals for voting rights, freedom of choice over our bodies, equality, and inclusion, etc. So, those who cared to notice, noticed that for example black women were overwhelmingly supportive of Obama and Biden. We came together despite sorority affiliation and worked to support the appointment of Kentaji Brown Jackson. Sorry folks on the other side, we do support people who represent our best interests.

These latest sisters who are woefully misled about sororities and fraternities have misinterpreted secrecy and pledges. They are not in any way calling out The Pledge of Allegiance to our flag, or the commitment we make to your spouses when married. They don't suggest that these pledges get in the way with our pledges to God and they don't suggest that the rituals of communion, baptism or covenants in other areas of our lives are satanic, because they can't. Me being a Delta precludes me to a certain degree of prejudice but not to the extent that I am not loyal to my family members, friends, church members or others that are not Delta affiliated. My friends are also members of fraternities and sororities to which I do not belong. I admire Swing Phi Swing and Groove Phi Groove and they are not Greek.

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NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice **Superior Court Division**

Before the Clerk File Number 23-E-200

The Undersigned, having qualified as EXECUTOR of the Estate of MAXINE ROGERS FLOWERS late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 17th day of July 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 13th day of April, 2023. John Bryan Kennedy Flowers Executor

501 Pressler Street Wake Forest, NC 27587 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, and 5/4/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **DURHAM COUNTY**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The undersigned, Everett Carl Harris, III, having duly qualified as Administrator of the Estate of

TAMMIE F. HARRIS, deceased, late

of Durham County, North Carolina,

hereby notifies all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the Estate to present them to the undersigned in care of Ronald G. Coulter, Attorney for the Estate, 3400 Croasdaile Drive, Suite 205, Durham, North Carolina 27705, on or before July 13, 2023 or it will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment.

This is the 13th day of April, 2023.

Everett Carl Harris, III Administrator C/O Ronald G. Coulter Attorney at Law 3400 Croasdaile Drive Suite 205 Durham, NC 27705

1-919-246-5775

4/13, 4/20, 4/27, and 5/4/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **DURHAM COUNTY**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS FILE NO. 23-E-477

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Henry Duke

Turrentine, late of Durham County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claim against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned c/o Guido De Maere, P.A. at 100 Europa Drive, Suite 160, P.O. Box 3591, Chapel Hill, NC 27515 on or before the 20th day of July, 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersianed.

This, the 20th day of April, 2023. June K. Foushee, Administrator of the Estate of Henry Duke Turrentine Attorney for the Estate: Guido De Maere, P.A. P.O. Box 3591 Chapel Hill, NC 27515-3591 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, and 5/11/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **DURHAM COUNTY**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS FILE NO. 23-E-463

The undersigned having qualified as Executor of the Estate of WELSFORD EURE ARTZ, Deceased, late of Durham County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the Estate to Exhibit them to the undersigned at the office of IDOL LAW, PLLC, PO Box 51759, Durham, North Carolina 27717, on or before the 23rd day of July, 2023, or this Notice will be in bar of their recovery.

Durham County, North Carolina, Estate will please make immediate time.

This, the 20th day of April, 2023. Sarah Selvey Artz, Executor Estate of Welsford Eure Artz, Deceased Robert A. Idol, Esquire IDOL LAW, PLLC Attorney at Law PO Box 51759 Durham, NC 27717 (919)401.5151 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, and 5/11/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **DURHAM COUNTY**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

PROBATE #23-E-403 persons, firm and corporations having claims against ROBERT GLENN HALL, late of Durham County, North Carolina are hereby notified to present them to Garrett Glenn Hall, as Executor of the decedent's estate in care of Kendall H. Page, Attorney, 210 N Columbia Street, Chapel Hill, NC 27514 on or before the 10th day of August, 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the above named Executor.

This, the 20th day of April, 2023. Kendall H. Page Executor 210 N Columbia Street Chapel Hill, NC 27514 Bar # 14261

4/20, 4/27, 5/4, and 5/11/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **DURHAM COUNTY**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS FILE NO. 23-E-454

THE UNDERSIGNED, having qualified on the 10th day of April, 2023, as Executor of the ESTATE OF ELIZABETH B. BATTON A/K/A ELIZABETH BOATMAN BATTON, Deceased, of Durham County, North Carolina, do hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said Estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 21st day of July, 2023 or this Notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate will please

make immediate payment to the

This, the 20th day of April, 2023. Wade Talbot Laughey Executor

Estate of Elizabeth B. Batton A/K/A Elizabeth Boatman Batton c/o Rupe S. Gill, Attorney Walker Lambe, PLLC Post Office Box 51549 Durham, North Carolina 27717 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, and 5/11/2023 **NORTH CAROLINA DURHAM COUNTY**

In The General Court Of Justice **District Court Division Small Claims**

File No. 23 CV 001914 **COMPLAINT TO ENFORCE POSSESSORY LIEN ON MOTOR VEHICLE**

Chandler's Tire Auto and Towing, LLC 1314 E. Club Blvd

Durham, NC 27704

Unknown Owner, TO: Unknown Owner

TAKE NOTICE the petitioner has filed with the clerk a petition in proper form indicating that the petitioner has a valid lien against a 2020 Ecolight Trailer, ID No. 1F9BE1216L1509274, and that the petitioner shall have the right to sell to the highest bidder the motor vehicle listed on June 29, 2023 at 510 S. Dillard St., Third Floor, at 2:00 p.m. You are required to make a defense to such pleading before such date and time.

This the 20th day of April, 2023. 1314 E. Club Blvd Durham, NC 27704 4/20, 4/27, and 5/4/2023 **NORTH CAROLINA DURHAM COUNTY**

In The General Court Of Justice **District Court Division Small Claims**

File No. 23 CV 001916 **COMPLAINT TO ENFORCE POSSESSORY LIEN ON MOTOR VEHICLE**

Chandler's Tire Auto and Towing, LLC 1314 E. Club Blvd Durham, NC 27704

Unknown Owner,

TO: Unknown Owner

TAKE NOTICE the petitioner has filed with the clerk a petition in proper form indicating that the petitioner has a valid lien against a 1977 GMC. ID No. TZE167V100063. and that the petitioner shall have the right to sell to the highest bidder the motor vehicle listed on June 29, 2023 at 510 S. Dillard St., Third Floor, at 2:00 p.m. You are required to make a defense to such All persons indebted to the pleading before such date and

This the 20th day of April, 2023. 1314 E. Club Blvd Durham, NC 27704 4/20, 4/27, and 5/4/2023 **NORTH CAROLINA DURHAM COUNTY**

In The General Court Of Justice **District Court Division Small Claims**

File No. 23 CV 001915 **COMPLAINT TO ENFORCE POSSESSORY LIEN ON MOTOR VEHICLE**

Chandler's Tire Auto and Towing, 1314 E. Club Blvd Durham, NC 27704

vs.

Unknown Owner, TO: Unknown Owner

TAKE NOTICE the petitioner has filed with the clerk a petition in proper form indicating that the petitioner has a valid lien against a 1998 Ford, ID No. 3FAFP15P9WR265516, and that the petitioner shall have the right to sell to the highest bidder the motor vehicle listed on June 29, 2023 at 510 S. Dillard St., Third Floor, at 2:00 p.m. You are required to make a defense to such pleading before

such date and time. This the 20th day of April, 2023. 1314 E. Club Blvd Durham, NC 27704 4/20, 4/27, and 5/4/2023 **NORTH CAROLINA DURHAM COUNTY** In The General Court Of Justice **District Court Division**

Small Claims File No. 23 CV 001913 **COMPLAINT TO ENFORCE POSSESSORY LIEN ON MOTOR** VEHICLE

Chandler's Tire Auto and Towing, 1314 E. Club Blvd Durham, NC 27704

Unknown Owner, TO: Unknown Owner

TAKE NOTICE the petitioner has filed with the clerk a petition in proper form indicating that the petitioner has a valid lien against a 1976 Triumph, ID No. ACW07708U, and that the petitioner shall have DURHAM COUNTY the right to sell to the highest bidder the motor vehicle listed on June 29, 2023 at 510 S. Dillard St., Third Floor, at 2:00 p.m. You are required to make a defense to such pleading before such date and time.

This the 20th day of April, 2023. 1314 E. Club Blvd Durham, NC 27704 4/20, 4/27, and 5/4/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **DURHAM COUNTY NOTICE OF SERVICE**

OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice **Superior Court Division**

Before the Clerk File Number 23-E-360

The Undersigned, having qualified as EXECUTOR of the Estate of SYMA JANET KENT late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 31st day of July 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 27th day of April, 2023. Adam S. Kent Executor 105 Willingham Road

Morrisville, NC 27560 4/27, 5/4, 5/11, and 5/18/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **DURHAM COUNTY**

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice **Superior Court Division Before the Clerk**

File Number 23-E-359

The Undersigned, having qualified as EXECUTOR of the Estate of GERALD DAVID KENT late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 31st day of July 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 27th day of April, 2023. Adam S. Kent Executor 105 Willingham Road Morrisville, NC 27560 4/27, 5/4, 5/11, and 5/18/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

DURHAM COUNTY NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice **Superior Court Division Before the Clerk** File Number 23-E-501

The Undersigned, having qualified as ADMINISTRATOR of the Estate of JOAN H. MCALEXANDER late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 27th day of July 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 27th day of April, 2023. Janice H. Turner Administrator P.O. Box 3072 Wilson, NC 27895 4/27, 5/4, 5/11, and 5/18/2023 **NORTH CAROLINA DURHAM COUNTY**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS FILE NO. 23 E 513

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of LOVE INNIS JONES ZACHARY, deceased, of 3100 Erwin Road, Durham, Durham County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at the office of the attorney for the estate on or before July 28, 2023 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned. This, the 27th day of April, 2023.

Jeffrey L. Austin Administrator Law Office of Jeffrey L. Austin PLLC 411 W. Chapel Hill Street, Suite C-2 Durham, NC 27701

4/27, 5/4, 5/11, and 5/18/2023

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice **Superior Court Division**

Before the Clerk File Number 23-E-497 The Undersigned, having

qualified as ADMINISTRATOR of the Estate of MICHAEL DEJEAN STEWART late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 27th day of July 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 27th day of April, 2023. Garlinda Price Administrator 1601 Holloman Drive Favetteville, NC 28312 4/27, 5/4, 5/11, and 5/18/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **DURHAM COUNTY**

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice **Superior Court Division Before the Clerk**

File Number 23-E-507

The Undersigned, having qualified as EXECUTOR of the Estate of KENNETH FLOYD BROWN, SR late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 27th day of July 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 27th day of April, 2023. **Emily Elizabeth Scott Executor** 2400 Old Oak Place Hillsborough, NC 27278 4/27, 5/4, 5/11, and 5/18/2023 **NORTH CAROLINA DURHAM COUNTY**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS FILE NO. 23 E 468

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against GEOFFREY LEE HEWITT A/K/A GEOFFREY L. HEWITT A/K/A GEOFFREY HEWITT A/K/A JEFFREY HEWITT, late of Durham County, North Carolina, are hereby notified to exhibit them to Brent Harrison Hewitt, Executor of the decedent's estate on or before July 31, 2023, c/o Thomas J. Neagle, Attorney at Law, 605 W. Main Street, Suite 104, Carrboro, North Carolina 27510, or this notice will be pled in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the above-named Executor.

This, the 27th day of April, 2023. Brent Harrison Hewitt, Executor c/o Thomas J. Neagle, Attorney Neagle Law Firm, PC 605 W. Main Street, Suite 104 Carrboro, North Carolina 27510 (919) 368-3536 4/27. 5/4. 5/11. and 5/18/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **DURHAM COUNTY**

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice **Superior Court Division Before the Clerk**

File Number 23-E-491

The Undersigned, having qualified as ADMINISTRATRIX of the Estate of FELICIA MICHELLE MAYO late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 27th day of July 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address. This the 27th day of April, 2023.

Thelma Elaine Best Administratrix 4333 Michael Alan CT Graham, NC 27253 4/27, 5/4, 5/11, and 5/18/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **DURHAM COUNTY NOTICE OF SERVICE**

OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice **Superior Court Division Before the Clerk** File Number 23-E-493

The Undersigned, having

qualified as EXECUTOR of the

Estate of BEVERLY SUTHERLAND

SCROGGS A/K/A BEVERLY MARBRY SCROGGS late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 27th day of July 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address. This the 27th day of April, 2023.

Barry Christopher Scroggs Executor c/o Marion Law Office, PLLC 2741 University Drive Durham, NC 27707 4/27, 5/4, 5/11, and 5/18/2023

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **DURHAM COUNTY** NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

In The General Court Of Justice **Superior Court Division Before the Clerk** File Number 23-E-505

The Undersigned, having qualified as EXECUTOR of the Estate of ORIES ALSTON JR. late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 27th day of July 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 27th day of April, 2023.

Jacqueline Alston-Taylor Executor 5344 Fayetteville Rd. **Durham, NC 27713** 4/27, 5/4, 5/11, and 5/18/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **DURHAM COUNTY**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS FILE NO. 23-E-470

Having qualified before the Clerk of Superior Court of Durham County as Public Administrator of the Estate of FREDDIE MITCHELL, this is to notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the Estate to send them, duly itemized and verified, to P.O. Box 51429, Durham, NC 27717, on or before the 2nd day of August, 2023 (90 days after the date of this Notice) or this Notice will be

pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the Estate are requested to make prompt

settlement with the undersigned. This the 4th day of May, 2023. Robert E. Levin Public Administrator of the Estate of Freddie Mitchell, Deceased P.O. Box 51429 Durham, NC 27717 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, and 5/25/2023

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

DURHAM COUNTY NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice **Superior Court Division Before the Clerk**

File Number 23-E-552 The Undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of PRISCILLA P. TAYLOR late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 7th day of

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

August 2023, or this notice will be

pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 4th day of May, 2023. Amanda Taylor Marshall Executrix 6219 Kennedy Drive Chevy Chase, MD 20815 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, and 5/25/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **DURHAM COUNTY**

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice **Superior Court Division**

Before the Clerk File Number 22E510 The Undersigned, having

qualified as Executor of the Estate of EARNEST LARRY STUTTS late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 7th day of August 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

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DURHAM COUNTY

This the 4th day of May, 2023. Eric Jason Stutts Executor 749 Currituck Dr. Raleigh, NC 27609 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, and 5/25/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **DURHAM COUNTY**

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice **Superior Court Division Before the Clerk**

File Number 22-E-1505

The Undersigned, having qualified as ADMINISTRATOR of the Estate of JANET AITKEN late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 7th day of August 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 4th day of May, 2023. Blair Aitken Administrator c/o Vail Gardner Vail Gardner Law, PLLC 732 9th St. #621 Durham, NC 27705 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, and 5/25/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **DURHAM COUNTY**

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice **Superior Court Division** Before the Clerk

File Number 23-E-415

The Undersigned, having qualified as ADMINISTRATOR of the Estate of DAVID DOWNEY JR. late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 7th day of August 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate Armendáriz Law Office, PLLC payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 4th day of May, 2023. **Derrick Downey** Administrator 4200 Ludgate Dr. Durham, NC 27713 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, and 5/25/2023

WAKE COUNTY

NORTH CAROLINA WAKE COUNTY

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Brenda W. Mutisya, having Estate of Gene Berkley Woods, deceased on September 11, 2022 in Wake County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all creditors of said estate to present their claims to the undersigned on or before July 13, 2023, at 601 Timberdash Trail, Rolesville, NC 27571 or this notice will be pleaded in a bar of recovery. All persons indebted to this estate will please make immediate settlement of the same.

This, the 13th day of April, 2023. Brenda W. Mutisya Executor 601 Timberdash Trl. Rolesville, NC 27597 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, and 5/4/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

WAKE COUNTY **NOTICE OF SERVICE** OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice

Superior Court Division Before the Clerk

File Number 2021 E 001119 The Undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Peter Ray Johnson, late of Wake County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed of July 2023, or this notice will be

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate the first date of the publication of payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This the 13th day of April, 2023. Eric Lawrence Johnson Administrator 213 North Trail Drive Raleigh, NC 27615 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, and 5/4/2023 **NORTH CAROLINA** WAKE COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court of Justice **District Court Division**

File No. 23CV008020-910 To: UNKNOWN FATHER, DEFENDANT.

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is for permanent child custody. A female child was born to Rosa Nidia Guifarro, on July 26, 2006 in Wake County, North Carolina. The mother's birthplace is Honduras and she passed on January 13, 2023. The mother was 38 years-old when the minor was born, and the mother measured 5'2 and weighed approximately 180 pounds. You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than May 30, 2023 said date being at least forty (40) days from the first publication of this Notice, and upon your failure to do so, the Plaintiff, J Socorro Bautista Leon, will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This, the 20th day of April, 2023. Yvonne Armendáriz, Esq. Armendáriz Law Office, PLLC 6110 Lake Wheeler Road Raleigh, NC 27603 Telephone: (919) 656-1524 Yvonne@armendarizlaw.com 4/20, 4/27, and 5/4/2023 **NORTH CAROLINA** WAKE COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court of Justice

District Court Division File No. 23CV007865-910 To: FRANCISCO JAVIER CABRERA, Defendant.

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is for child custody. You are required to make defense to such pleading no later than June 6, 2023 said date being at least forty (40) days from the first publication of this Notice, and upon your failure to do so, the Plaintiff, Dora Orellana Martinez, will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This, the 27th day of April 2023. Yvonne Armendáriz, Esq. 6110 Lake Wheeler Road Raleigh, NC 27603 Telephone: (919) 656-1524 4/27, 5/4, and 5/11/2023 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA WAKE COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice

> **Superior Court Division Before the Clerk**

File Number 23E002301-910 The Undersigned, having qualified as ADMINISTRATOR of the Estate of RUTH WILSON RICKMAN late of Wake County, qualified as EXECUTOR of the North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 7th day of August 2023, or this notice will be

> pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 4th day of May, 2023. Randall Ward Rickman Administrator 1134 Ivy Lane Raleigh, NC 27609 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, and 5/25/2023 **NORTH CAROLINA**

WAKE COUNTY NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice

> Superior Court Division **Before the Clerk** File No. 23CV006264-910 Reginald Ivery, Plaintiff

Krystal Ivery, Defendant TO: Krystal Ivery

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: The Plaintiff has filed address on or before the 17th day a Complaint for Judgment for Absolute Divorce. You are required to make defense to such pleading no later than forty (40) days from this Notice, and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

> This, the 4th day of May 2023. Reginald Ivery Plaintiff 2421 Fairway Dr. Apt G Raleigh, NC 27603 5/4, 5/11, and 5/18/2023

PERSON COUNTY

NORTH CAROLINA PERSON COUNTY **NOTICE TO CREDITORS** FILE NO. 23 E 152

The undersigned having qualified as Executor of the Estate of LARRY JAMES WHITTLE, SR., a/k/a LARRY JAMES WHITTLE, Deceased, late of Person County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the Estate to Exhibit them to the undersigned at the office of IDOL LAW, PLLC, PO Box 51759, Durham, North Carolina

27717, on or before the 30th day of July, 2023, or this Notice will be in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment.

This is the 27th day of April, 2023.

RYAN JAMES CRUZ-WHITTLE, Executor, Estate of Larry James Whittle, Sr., a/k/a Larry James Whittle, Deceased

Robert A. Idol. Esquire IDOL LAW, PLLC, Attorney at Law PO Box 51759 Durham, NC 27717 (919)401.5151 4/27, 5/4, 5/11, and 5/18/2023

FORECLOSURES DURHAM COUNTY

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **DURHAM COUNTY**

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE FILE NO. 22 SP 743

Under and by virtue of a Power of Sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust executed Belvalon C. Nicholson, which was dated June 28, 2012and recorded on June 28, 2012 in Book 7008, Page 371, Durham County Registry, North Carolina.

Default having been made of the note thereby secured by the said Deed of Trust and the undersigned, Satterfield Law, PLLC, having been substituted as Trustee in said Deed of Trust, and the holder of the note evidencing said default having directed that the Deed of Trust be foreclosed, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at the courthouse door of the county courthouse where the property is located, or the usual and customary location at the county courthouse for conduction the sale on May 18, 2023 at 9:30 AM, and will sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described property situated in Durham County, North Carolina, to wit:

Being all of Lot No. 4 of the plat and survey of S.M. Credle, C.E., Entitled "Property of the Durham Hosiery Mills", dated March 19, 1937, on file in Plat Book 12 at Page 19, to which plat reference is made for a more particular description. This property is also referenced in the instrument by which the City of Durham received title, on file in Book 2139 at Page 684, Durham County Registry.

This property is commonly known as 108 N. Blacknall Street, also identified as parcel I.D. #111684

Third party purchasers must pay the excise tax, and the court costs of Forty-Five Cents (\$0.45) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) pursuant to NCGS 7A-308(a)(1). A cash deposit (no personal checks) of five percent (5%) of the purchase price, or Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00), whichever is greater, will be required at the time of the sale. Following the expiration of the statutory upset bid period, all the remaining amounts are immediately due and owing.

Said property to be offered pursuant to this Notice of Sale is being offered for sale, transfer and conveyance "AS IS WHERE IS." There are no representations of warranty relating to the title or any physical, environmental, health or safety conditions existing in, on, at, or relating to the property being offered for sale. This sale is made subject to all prior liens, unpaid taxes, any unpaid land transfer taxes, special assessments, easements, rights of way, deeds of release, and any other encumbrances or exceptions of record. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the current owner(s) of the property is/are Monica R. Shelby.

An Order for possession of the property may be issued pursuant to G.S. 45-21.29 in favor of the purchaser and against the party or parties in possession by the clerk of superior court of the county in which the property is sold. Any person who occupies the property pursuant to a rental agreement entered into or renewed on or after October 1, 2007, may, after receiving the notice of sale, terminate the rental agreement upon 10 days' written notice to the landlord. The notice shall also state that upon termination of a rental agreement, the tenant is liable for rent due under the rental agreement prorated to the effective date of the

If the trustee is unable to convey title to this property for any reason, the sole remedy of the purchaser is the return of the deposit. Reasons of such inability to convey include, but are not limited to, the filing of a bankruptcy petition prior to the confirmation of the sale and reinstatement of the loan without the knowledge of the Trustee. If the validity of the sale is challenged by any other party, the Trustee, in their sole discretion, if they believe the challenge to have merit, may request the court to declare the sale to be void and return the deposit. The purchaser will have no further remedy.

Satterfield Law, PLLC Substitute Trustee Daron D. Satterfield, Attorney for Substitute Trustee Satterfield Law, PLLC 307 Meadowlands Drive, Suite 101 Hillsborough, NC 27278

(919) 287-2696 fax (984) 229-8584, phone 5/4 and 5/11/2023

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SUBCONTRACTORS/SUPPLIERS WANTED

Pipeline Utilities, Inc. (NC General Contractor License No. 325) is seeking certified DBE, MBE, and WBE subcontractors and suppliers for the Garner Road Sewer Improvements project for the City of Raleigh Public Utilities Department (CORPUD) which bids May 23, 2023, at 2:00 PM. Plans and specifications for this project are available at the following locations: Pipeline Utilities, Inc.; 2204-F Associate Drive; Raleigh, NC 27603 * CDM Smith; 5400 Glenwood Avenue, Suite 400; Raleigh, NC 27612 * Dodge Data and Analytics website * ConstructConnect website * Construction Journal website * NC Institute of Minority Economic Development (NCIMED) website.

Potential subcontracting opportunities include but are not limited to surveying, hauling, asphalt paving, striping, traffic control, erosion control, flatwork, and manhole lining. Please contact David Murchison (dmurchison@pui-nc.com) if you are interested in submitting a proposal on any portion(s) of this project. Contact via phone 919-772-4310, ext.: 117; fax: 919-772-3261; or email. All quotations will be accepted up to bid closing time of the bid date. Pipeline Utilities, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Please advise if assistance is needed with obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials, or insurance/bonding to satisfy the work requirements. We are willing to accept quotations for all or partial quantities and items of work. We can offer 2-party check payments and quick payment agreements, but the agreements need to be negotiated prior to the bid date.

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Pipeline Utilities, Inc. (NC General Contractor License No. 325) is seeking certified DBE, MBE, and WBE subcontractors and suppliers for the Stormwater Infrastructure Repairs, SD-2023-04 project for the City of Durham which bids May 2, 2023, at 3:00 PM. Plans and specifications for this project are available at the following locations: Pipeline Utilities, Inc.; 2204-F Associate Drive; Raleigh, NC 27603.

Potential subcontracting opportunities include but are not limited to surveying, hauling, asphalt paving, erosion control, seeding, landscaping, flatwork, and fencing. Please contact David Murchison (dmurchison@pui-nc.com) if you are interested in submitting a proposal on any portion(s) of this project. Contact via phone 919-772-4310, ext.: 117; fax: 919-772-3261; or email. All quotations will be accepted up to bid closing time of the bid date. Pipeline Utilities, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

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Pipeline Utilities, Inc. (NC General Contractor License No. 325) is seeking certified DBE, MBE, and WBE subcontractors and suppliers for the Water Treatment Plant Insertion Valve Installation project for South Granville Water And Sewer Authority (SGWASA) which bids May 10, 2023, at 2:00 PM. Plans and specifications for this project are available at the following locations: Pipeline Utilities, Inc.; 2204-F Associate Drive; Raleigh, NC 27603.

Potential subcontracting opportunities include but are not limited to hauling, asphalt paving, and seeding. Please contact Tim Hogan (thogan@pui-nc.com) if you are interested in submitting a proposal on any portion(s) of this project. Contact via phone 919-772-4310, ext.:107; fax: 919-772-3261; or email. All quotations will be accepted up to bid closing time of the bid date. Pipeline Utilities, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

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T. A. Loving Company (NC General Contractor License No. 325) is seeking certified DBE subcontractors and suppliers for the following projects that bid for NCDOT:

Bid Date: 05/10/2023 at 2:00 PM

Project: Replace Bridge #66 Over SR 1232 in Craven **County (Division 2)**

Plans and specifications are available for inspection at the following locations: TA Loving Company, NC DOT Division

Potential subcontracting opportunities include but are not limited to surveying, demolition, clearing and grubbing, hauling, asphalt paving, striping, traffic control, earthwork, erosion control, seeding, linework, and concrete rebar.

Please contact Justin E. Hill at our office as soon as possible if you are interested in submitting a proposal on any portion(s) of this project. Quotes may be emailed to Justin E. Hill - jehill@taloving.com. All quotations will be accepted up to bid closing time of the bid date. Our address, phone number, and fax number is as follows.

T. A. Loving Company PO Box 919 Goldsboro, NC 27533 919-734-8400 (phone) 919-736-2148 (fax).

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SUBCONTRACTORS/SUPPLIERS WANTED

T. A. Loving Company (NC General Contractor License No. 325) is seeking subcontractors and suppliers for the following project for Johnston County:

Bid Date: 5/24/2023 at 5:00 PM

Project: Timothy G. Broome WTP 18-MGD Expansion

Plans and specifications are available for inspection at the following locations: TA Loving Company.

Please note - only 60% drawings are available for this proj-

Potential supplying/subcontracting opportunities include but are not limited to demolition, concrete formwork, concrete rebar, cast-in-place concrete, precast concrete, grout, masonry, miscellaneous metals, roofing, caulking, doors, windows, painting, coating, acoustical ceiling, metal building, prestressed concrete tank, plumbing, HVAC, electrical, piping and valves, cranes and hoists.

All questions and quotes should be submitted to tgbwtp@ taloving.com.

Minority and/or women business enterprises are encouraged to participate.

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