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WISCONSIN'S LARGEST AFRICAN AMERICAN NEWSPAPER



"We Got This" founder Andre Lee Ellis handed out a stipend for each young man who participated in the care of the garden and the neighborhood.



Police Chief Edward Flynn with some of his officers. Directly behind Flynn is Milwaukee County DA John Chisholm. --Photo courtesy of Urbanmilwaukee.com

Hamilton reacts to leaked DOJ report on police conduct

Compiled by MCJ Editorial Staff

Reacting to a leaked Department of Justice report revealing disparities in the experiences Black and Hispanic Milwaukee residents have with the city's police, Common Council President Ashanti Hamilton says the department must take ownership for instances when community trust has been broken.

"Take an honest look at the work that needs to be done, and make a commitment to address these concerns with fidelity and transparency," Hamilton said responding to the draft report.

The "draft report" the council president was referring to is an early version of the Collaborative Reform Report that was developed from a DOJ review process known as a collaborative reform initiative.

It is a voluntary, non-adversarial process aimed at improving the community's trust in a city's police department.

The review was reportedly requested by Milwaukee Police Chief Edward Flynn in November of 2015 amid public outcry after federal prosecutors declined to charge a now-fired officer in the on-duty fatal shooting of Dontre Hamilton in Red Arrow Park.

The draft report focuses on disparities in misconduct complaints filed against officers, racial disparities in traffic stops, use of force by officers and disciplinary action for misconduct, or the lack thereof.

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Ald. Ashanti Hamilton



Ellis speaks to the gathering of young men at the garden.

The award-winning "We Got This" community beautification and improvement program, created by artist and activist Andre Lee Ellis, recently finished its fourth season at North 9th and West Ring Streets in the sixth aldermanic district.

Young men who participated in the program all summer had a special graduation ceremony.

Sixth district Ald. Milele Coggs said she was thrilled with how this year's program turned out.

"I am inspired to see so many young men using their time to do something positive within our community. What a great way to engage our youth."

Years ago, Ellis and his wife Angela adopted a community garden next to their home at 9th and Ring, making it an informal meeting place for the community. With the financial assistance of the community and local philanthropic organizations, area young men get paid for working in the garden and cleaning up the neighborhood, all while being taught a sense of responsibility and the value of work.--Photos by Yvonne Kemp



Ellis with Ald. Milele Coggs.



Taylor blasts GOP for putting Ed. last, failing to correct Walker's cuts

Compiled by MCJ Editorial Staff

State Sen. Lena Taylor chastised Monday Republican state legislators for continuing to put education "on the back burner" and failing to complete the biannual budget despite students in Milwaukee already back in school.

"The GOP has continued to put education on the back burner," said Taylor, who is a member of the legislature's Joint Committee on Finance, which had met to discuss education, albeit two months late. "After years of Governor Walker's historic cuts to education, Republicans are doing too little, too late when it comes to investing in our children."

Taylor voiced frustration at the massive cuts that Walker has made since becoming governor, arguing that the touted 'savings' from property tax reductions are just for show.

Last February, ahead of the biennial budget process, the governor hinted he might provide a "significant increase" for all state public schools. This buoyed the hopes of public education advocates who say state legislators have shorted the public schools in recent years.

Gov. Walker's 2015-17 budget slashed nearly \$130 million from K-12 schools, a move many teachers say put their budgets in limbo.

In his budget address, Walker made good on his hint, announcing a record \$649 million increase for state spending on public schools. He called it his "top priority" for the new biennium.

Democrats proposed a commitment of \$728 million.

But, the state's budget-writing committee has been bogged down with other

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Sen. Lena Taylor

PULSE OF THE COMMUNITY

Photos and question by Yvonne Kemp

"Class reunions help to cement the link between the ages of our lives. They keep the present relevant and the past memorable."



Dr. Joan Prince

"I never had a class reunion. But I have heard they are a great way to keep in touch with old friends and I would like to experience one some day soon!"



Justin Barber

"Class reunions are important because our friendships that were good when we were in school are precious and should be continued if we can."



Danae Davis

"Class reunions reignite the wonders of memories, friendships, past times and, of course, 'what ifs.' Reunions remind us of the very special experiences endured while we learned, grew and amazed ourselves. We are blessed to be able to join our classmates for these most important of many of life's glorious milestones!"



Dr. Rogers E. Onick

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

"We asked four individuals attending the recent Milwaukee Public Schools Foundation Alumni Awards Dinner:

WHY ARE CLASS REUNIONS IMPORTANT?"

Remembering Emani



On August 18th, flowers were planted by clergy, activists and residents, to pay tribute to Emani Robinson. The 16-year-old was shot and killed near Quick Foods at 39th and W. Center streets on June 25. The case is still under investigation by police and the suspects continue to remain at large.--Photo by Dwayne X

Mother's Against Gun Violence host life insurance awareness event

Alderman Ashanti Hamilton, President of the Common Council, will be speaking at a life insurance awareness event put on by Mother's Against Gun Violence (MAGV) and Bara Legacies on September 1, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Milwaukee City Hall in the Rotunda, 200 E. Wells St.

AMRI Counseling Services is offering post-traumatic stress counseling services to the public. Mothers Against Gun Violence and Bara Legacies are giving away no-cost, \$5,000 Ac-

cidental Death Certificates to all adults. The Accidental Death policies would cover the final expenses of shooting victims.

Mother's Against Gun Violence is a non-profit organization in this community, which hopes in working with elected officials and Bara Legacy, will help educate our community about the importance of life insurance; which provides final expenses and living benefits.

Alderman Hamilton says, "It's the last thing most people think about, but it's a sad and real issue in our community, I hope this event brings awareness to that fact."

The event should be positive and fun. There will be refreshments, raffles, and free face painting. A musical appearance will be provided by QuestNation.

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RELIGION



Earvin and Elewese Hawkins

A 70 year marriage of faith and love

"But seek ye first the kingdom of god, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." --Matthew 6:33

That's one of Elewese Hawkins' favorite verses from the Bible. It's one that has helped to sustain her marriage to Earvin Hawkins for 70 years.

Earvin holds on to the 23rd Psalm as his favorite.

Married August 16, 1947, Earvin (age 90) and wife Elewese (age 85) were both born and raised in Arkansas.

They lived a short time in Michigan prior to laying down permanent roots in Milwaukee. The Hawkins have been members of Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church since they came to Milwaukee. They've been in the same house, just north of Capitol Drive for over 50 years (one of the first Black families on their block).

They've even had the same telephone number for over 50 years. Earvin retired from American Motors and Elewese worked part-time while they

raised their five children.

Their family includes 10 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild.

They state, "The Lord has brought us all the way. We can't thank Him enough, praise Him enough or love Him enough."

Elewese goes on to say, "When you make the marriage vow, you not only make it to your mate, but you also make it to God. The Black race has left their first love, which is our Lord and savior Jesus Christ. We really don't know who we are. Our fore-parents trusted in God. They worked hard on the farm. It is work to keep a marriage together."

"Our young people have too much time on their hands. They don't do homework much anymore, and many don't clean their room. There's no discipline in the homes and few father figures.

"Many young women are trying to raise their children on their own. So many are not taking the time to train the children and expect the teacher

at school to raise them.

"No one wants to cook boiled healthy foods anymore. They will tell you that their kids don't eat greens, bean and peas. Pizza and fast food is what they want. Instant, microwave, get it done quick.

"We don't pray or say grace before we eat. Proverbs tells us to train up a child in the way he should go."

The Hawkins want to remind couples that "you have to crawl before you walk. That means sacrifice, foregoing some things and always including prayer to God."

Mrs. Hawkins goes on to state, "we are in such a big hurry. Cell phones and TV shows have taken over. Little children can't hardly walk and talk, but have a cell phone.

"Expensive shoes, name brand clothes, young men with their pants all down, women old and young showing everything from top to bottom--that's what we've come to.

"Too many preachers are playing church, but need to really take the time to teach and preach the Word and not be in a hurry. We're all in a hurry. We haven't got time to work at a marriage, and marriage takes work."



Greater Little Hill COGIC throws 100th birthday celebration for Vester Osborne

On her 99th birthday last year, Vester Osborne cooked her own food and invited members of her family, church family and friends over.

This year, Osborne's church, Greater Little Hill COGIC, decided to do cooking and invite her family, church family and friends over to help celebrate reaching the age of 100.

Greater Little Hill, located at 2480 W. Locust hosted a birthday celebration for Osborne.

Osborne was born August 24, 1917 in Homer Louisiana. She received her education at Forest Grove School, where she enjoyed math and reading the Bible.

Osborne's favorite scripture is



Osborne with her fellow Mothers Board members at the birthday celebration in her honor at Greater Little Hill COGIC.

Isaiah 9-2: "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light; they that dwell in the land of the shadows of death, upon them hath the light shined."

Osborne was brought up attend-

ing a Baptist Church and as a young adult she moved to Calion, Arkansas which is where the Lord saved her doing evangelist work.

As a saved young woman full of light, she helped build their church by selling hamburgers for 10 cents. She received \$3 a week as housekeeper on her very first job.

In 1949, Osborne took a two week vacation to Milwaukee. As a relative was showing her around the city, they decided to go into a light fixture store, upon entering the store, Osborne heard the owner was looking to hire someone for three days.

Osborne decided to take the job and wouldn't you know her money doubled from what she made in Calion.

After settling in the city, Osborne joined More Temple COGIC.

She later left to join Pastor Adolphus Allen, Jr. at Little Hill COGIC. The church is now led by Pastor Bennie Allen.

Osborne has done many things that pertain to 1st Timothy five, verse 10: she put all her trust in the Lord.

She prays night and day, and has a reputation for good works, raising children, showed hospitality to strangers and has washed the feet of saints.

Osborne has also assisted those in distress and devoted herself to other good works, such as: missionary evangelist, district missionary, visiting the sick, Sunday school teacher, prison mission, running revivals, serving on the Mother Board, selling dinners to help fund the needs of the church, helping keep the church clean, and

leading prayer services.

Osborne is a praying mother that love the Lord with all her heart, soul and might, just as the Bible tells us all to do in Deuteronomy 6 vs 5.

"GIVE, AND IT WILL BE GIVEN TO YOU. A GOOD MEASURE, PRESSED DOWN, SHAKEN TOGETHER AND RUNNING OVER, WILL BE Poured INTO YOUR LAP. FOR WITH THE MEASURE YOU USE, IT WILL BE MEASURED TO YOU."
--LUKE 6:38



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It's amazing how destruction brings out the best in humanity

Why do we have to be brought to our knees with the unseen, the out-of-control tragedies of Mother Nature for us to see that color, economics, family status and neighborhood are non-entities when life, survival and protection of all is the priority. Wish we could have the same feelings for life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness everyday, rather than when water takes all regardless of who you are, where you live, or how much money, education or influence you have. Sometimes, we are humbled to the point of acknowledging that who we are is the same when water is up to your roof-top and your children and the children of your neighbors are at stake. First responders, the National Guard, neighbors become neighbors at times like these. Let us never forget, we truly are our brothers keepers. That should permeate our everyday. So now what resources we do have to help the least of these. A boat, some diapers, some food, fresh water, prayers, a place to lie your head, the won-



Photograph by David J. Phillip / AP

der of a smile, the joy of a rescuer, a responder to your call for relief. These are the things where man's humanity to man prevail. Let that spirit follow you next week, next month, next year. We can, we do, we show, over and over again--in tragedy--that the safety and security of one is the quest for all. We can, we will, we must.

Milwaukee's Faith Harvest Outreach Ministries



By Torre "ToeJoe" Johnson



Faith Harvest Outreach Ministries (Youth Quake 2017) in Milwaukee's 53206 zip code brought out hundreds of children and families on a day that had a host of other beautiful positive events. If you didn't attend it, you should have felt it.

Faith Harvest is located on 15th and center street. It is not a large church but their outreach is gigantic. When approaching the event, every one of the hosts welcomed each person that approached. The joy was so real. I am told that this is an annual event and mostly Faith Harvest funded.

I looked around and noticed there were no police present or needed. I did encounter a young brother who was a police aid. I also noticed that everything was free which was another plus for this area that was supposedly most in need.

While I was there, I didn't notice any political people or news cameras as



I had at the others but I felt the warmth and the strength from laughter.

The drummer's message of peace and togetherness echoed for blocks. I witnessed a young little boy climb up one of many giant balloon slides just to slide back down. Pastor Ken Hughes and Company, today I salute you and I'm very proud to know you. It's not every day a person can grace the same stage with two people who have remained community true, with no strings attached.

I thank you and all your outreach leaders. No one else could have done it better. I look forward to Youth Quake 2018 love and peace.

--Torre M Johnson Sr/ President Of XMENUNITED LLC



MILLENNIAL MAGIC

By Paishance Welch

Milwaukee's World Peace Celebration

It was 8 a.m. on a Friday morning. There I was packing my little leopard suitcase, preparing for my second trip to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The entire morning, I kept thinking to myself, "How can change happen, if no one is willing to raise awareness or give back to the community?" I did not have an answer for the question, but I do believe that in order to see change, you have to be the change.

In the Uber, I read the flyer over and over again. -Sleepover in the park. Raising Awareness for Homeless Teens and Homeless Veterans. - It wasn't long before the thought hit me, only in America are there more abandoned homes than there are homeless people. Yet, communities are still trying to do something about the unfortunate epidemic.

Homeless veterans and homeless teens, that means there are a number of millennials who are dealing with an unstable place to call home. Overwhelmed with the thought at hand, I put my headphones in my ear as I boarded the plane.

According to The Odyssey Online, an American internet media company that provides information covering virtually all major topics, including politics, sports, fashion, technology, business, science, and health, the rates for millennial homelessness are growing. This weekend I was able to get a little insight as to possible 'why's'.

When I arrived at the event, I saw cops camping out in in the community to stuff a bus and collect school supply donations. Shortly after, it wasn't long until my work began. A few individuals graced me with their perspective of what they believe contributes to homelessness in the city of Milwaukee and what can possibly be done about it. I was told that opportunity is either obsolete or scarce in the black community. Whether or not the people make way for opportunity to come or if they are innocently bypassed, residents believe that opportunity for school and jobs would allow individuals to be stable and independent.

Along with the woman I chatted with, there was an older gentleman (both parties will remain anonymous). He shared with me that the community needs

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Explaining my call for giving white folks the keys to the freedom bus

EDITOR'S NOTE: Last week's Signifyin' column seems to have stuck a nerve among a diverse population of readers. In the column, Holt declared that he is "turning over his keys to the 'Freedom Bus' to an 'as-yet-identified White liberal' who he said should take over the 'civil' rights movement and assume a leadership role in combating racism."

Holt's rationale was that Black Americans have been ineffective in closing the racial divide, much less getting White bigots to accept their true Christian heritage through which they will be compelled to accept us as brothers and sisters.

After all, Holt declared, Whites created racism and thus should lead the crusade to eliminate it.

Meanwhile, we should focus our energies on "Silver, Cultural and Educational" parity.

Holt also lambasted the American church community for cultivating the seeds of racism in a country supposedly grounded on equality and justice.

Following are a few edited and condensed comments from Holt's column, with his responses.

A 'Hue-manless' friend expressed agreement that Whites should take the lead in advancing Christian principles about brotherhood, but questioned whether that campaign, if led by liberal Democrats, would result in any net gain.

A retired MPS teacher who frequently describes himself as a reformed democrat, my Melanin-less exercise buddy believes the DNC's (Dissing Negroid Consumers) agenda is made relevant by the racial status quo, that there are just as many racists in that party as in the GOP and both political entities serve the same master.

The only "massa" my conservative friend said he served was God (Yah), who most assuredly views Republicans as liars and Democrats as hypocrites. (If humanity's future is dependent upon these political parties, you better buy yourself a raincoat and inflatable raft.)

With that understanding, the retired central city teacher said he voted for Trump to wake and shake up America with the foreknowledge that the political parties would implode and force AmeriKKKans to question the path we are on.

Hillary Clinton represented a continuation of the sociopolitical status quo that would trap Black America for another four to eight years in a temporal time warp.

I agree with him on many fronts, particularly his assessment that neither political party has our true interest at heart, nor will they lead us to the Promised Land (Disney World or Oz would be more realistic destinations).

In fact, both parties view us as pawns, and benefit from our socio-cultural stagnation—with the hidden hand of racism as a tool to control the game.

Farfetched? Think again.

Remember, Republicans ended slavery and Democrats blocked civil rights. Later in the 1960s, it was the Dems who fought for equal rights under the law (at least at the federal level), while the GOP sought to block anything that remotely sounded like affirmative action, even though a racist Republican president, Richard Nixon, created it.

Socialists marched alongside us to "desegregate" the public schools that were intentionally segregated by a non-partisan school board. And a former Socialist mayor, Henry Maier, who campaigned as a Democrat in a non-partisan election, quickly called in the National Guard, SEAL Team I and the United Federation Starship Enterprise when the "natives" dreamed about rebelling against American apartheid in 1967. Apparently as a lesson, Maier bull dozed the Black business district when it looked like the Negroes would understand what nationalism was about and started shopping at Lena's Food stores instead of Kohl's.

And called in the National Guard when two brothers jaywalked and, oh yeah, the Democrat party controlled common council repeatedly refused to approve an open housing ordinance until a southern, former conservative Democratic Party president who was overheard calling Black folks "nigras," (which he said wasn't meant to be offensive—yeah, right) signed into law a civil rights bill.

But all of that aside, we should hope the same Democrats who fought to deny Black children the opportunity to attend private schools their children attend will now lead the campaign to end racism?

But who knows.... these same Dems have been secretly leading the civil rights movement for the last 50 years anyway.

All they have to do now is step out from behind the curtain and "officially" accept their status as conductors of the Freedom Bus (train).

Maybe they will, depending on which way the political wind is blowing, and how they can benefit from forcing their brothers and sisters to accept us as brethren and fellow Christians, Muslims, Buddhists or even agnostics.

The political chess game's goal is not to capture the king (Trump), but to control resources. Sometimes that means denying resources, or access, and other times it involves funding organizations to feed the starving family you made poor though welfare or educational policies.

For the record, and in case you haven't figured it out, Republicans own and operate the Rent a Centers, check cashing stores and the record companies that dispense misogynistic and denigrating gangsta rap (to pacify and keep us under the shadow of slavery), while the Democrats award us the food stamps to purchase sodium and sugar laden snacks, the minimum wage jobs to purchase the blunts and Dollar Store pregnancy tests.

And there is also a train of thought that Republicans are the true Christians and the Democrats are the anti-Christ. Republicans are Old Testament and Democrats are the new, dismissing marriage, endorsing abortion and rejecting slavery.

The biggest misconception is that you can oppose slavery, but still be a racist. Racist means you think your race is superior, or that Black folks are

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Y&E YOUTH & EDUCATION



Teenagers at the Mary Ryan Boys & Girls Club gather in the newly renovated center. Photo by Lydia Slattery, courtesy of UrbanMilwaukee.com

New teen club at Mary Ryan Boys & Girls Club a hit!

Compiled by MCJ Editorial Staff

Though it was deserted on the day a reporter toured it, he automatically saw why the new teen center at the Mary Ryan Boys & Girls Club (MRBGC) in Sherman Park is popular with teen club members since it opened in June.

The center is 3,130 square feet of space specifically designed for teens 13 to 18 years of age. The center serves 50 teens per day during the summer.

It has everything a teen would want in a club: a new computer lab, theatre performance area with large screen, stage, projector and curtains for watching movies; a games area with new video games, "pop a shot" game, ping pong table, new pool table and foosball table; a quiet study spot, including new furniture, sectioned off with doors.

There are also lockers teens can charge their electronic devices and phones, a television area with comfortable furniture to socialize with their peers.

The center has been painted in colorful bright paint with new carpeting, lighting and ceiling tiles.

A teen coordinator is on site each day to oversee activities and provide mentorship and guidance related to age-specific programming for the teens.

A music studio is planned and is set to open in 2018.

According to a representative of MRBGC who gave a tour of the center, the most popular room there is the quiet room.

"When the teens had to do a project, the first room many went to was the quiet room," the representative said.

"The club is for teens, but non-teens want to be in the club too," the representative said. "The club turned out pretty good. For us it represents an investment in the youth, the Boys and Girls Clubs and the community."

Always looking for a way to keep teens at the club feeling valued, Boys and Girls Club officials asked teens

what they wanted in the center. The aforementioned amenities is the result of their input.

It's the offerings of the center B&GC officials hope will attract more teens to the club to take advantage of what it has to offer overall in the way of youth programming.

"It's the relationships (at the club between the teens and the clubs advisors and coordinators) that keep teens coming back," the representative said.

The opening of the new teen center has been a welcomed addition to the Sherman Park neighborhood a year after last summer's unrest.

The opening of the center completes an overall renovation project of the Mary Ryan club. The 25-year-old building was due for major upgrades and updates.

In order to accomplish the significant renovations and keep the public safe during construction, Milwaukee County Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee agreed the club would close after summer programming ended in August 2016.

The club reopened in February of this year.

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a paid apprenticeship. Under the career pathway program Carmen students can take college level courses where they can earn high school elective course credit from Carmen, and college course credit from Milwaukee Area Technical College (MATC).

Johnson says, "Healthcare is the wave of the future, and we need our young people to be prepared for the market.

"This is an excellent opportunity for our teens to get a head start."

The healthcare and information technology career pathways program prepares students for employment as nursing assistants, IT service center technicians, and will be better prepared to take college courses.

and Education (CEED) program. She is also an artist known for her visual arts.

Ald. Coggs said the winning essay was entitled, "Value of History: Exploring Black History, Identity & Commitment to Education." Coggs said, "This young woman understands Black History and brings that knowledge to the community where she is actively engaged, and is truly a reflection of a new generation of inspiring young leaders that our community needs."

In her essay, Hunt wrote: "Knowing one's self is crucial, and learning our elder's roles can help us see the history that we are creating now. In order to see this, we must be educated and prepared to see it." She went on to write: "Learning the lessons of freedom helps us develop new victories for social movement within our communities, cities, and country." Hunt will receive a \$500 scholarship award.

Opportunities to prepare students for a career in healthcare while in high school unveiled by alderman

Ald. Cavalier Johnson wants to inform the community that students in grades 10-12 have the opportunity to prepare for a career in healthcare or information technology by earning credits and certification while still in high school at Carmen's Northwest Campus.

Students can also build skills and earn income in

Winner of scholarship reflects on the importance of education in freedom

A graduate of Milwaukee Lutheran High School has earned a scholarship as the winner of the 9th annual Freedom Scholarship Essay Contest, Ald. Milele A. Coggs announced today.

Selected from entries sent to the Alderwoman's office, the winner is Katrina Hunt, a graduate from Public Allies Milwaukee, a national AmeriCorps program.

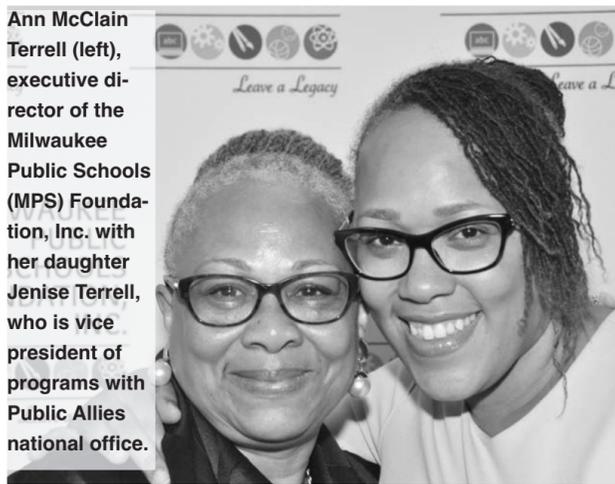
Hunt also plans to attend the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in the Community Engagement

170 YEARS IN THE MAKING MPS Foundation celebrates distinguished alumni



2017 MPS Foundation alumni awards honorees (front row sitting left to right): Keith Stanley (Young Alumni Award), Jennifer Bartolotta (Honorary Alumni Award), Nathaniel Deans, Michael Harris (both received the Start, Stay, Succeed Champion Award); (back row standing left to right): Patricia Contreras (Outstanding Alumni Award), William "Bill" Berezowitz (Corporate Partner Award), Jackie Herd-Barber (Service Award), Allen "Bud" Selig (Lifetime Achievement Award).

Ann McClain Terrell (left), executive director of the Milwaukee Public Schools (MPS) Foundation, Inc. with her daughter Jenise Terrell, who is vice president of programs with Public Allies national office.



The Milwaukee Public Schools Foundation celebrated eight successful alumni—including recent Major League Baseball inductee, former MLB Commissioner Emeritus Allen "Bud" Selig—during its recent Alumni Awards Dinner held at the Italian Conference Center.

The theme of the event was, "170 Years in The Making: Celebrating the MPS Forever Family."

The foundation brought together alumni, friends and supporters to recognize and honor their achievements.

The Milwaukee Public Schools Foundation, Inc. was organized in 1998 as a non-profit, tax-exempt corporation for educational and charitable purposes.

The foundation seeks to raise funds and secure donations from individuals and private-sector organizations to support programs and projects not affordable through public funds to provide enhanced learning opportunities for students in Milwaukee Public Schools.



Honoree and Major League Baseball Commissioner Emeritus Allen "Bud" Selig with MPS Superintendent Dr. Darianne Driver.



Milwaukee Common Council President and Alderman Ashanti Hamilton and University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Vice Chancellor Dr. Joan Prince.

FROEDTERT & MCW LEARNING CENTER OPENS AT CARMEN HIGH SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY Career development lab continues Bucks, Froedtert community partnership

The community partnership between the Milwaukee Bucks and Froedtert & the Medical College of Wisconsin health network took another step forward with the unveiling of a new learning laboratory at Carmen High School of Science and Technology's Northwest Campus, just in time for the start of a new school year.

The Froedtert & MCW Learning Center inside the school at 5496 N. 72nd Street will be the hub of Carmen's health care and IT career pathways, providing an authentic setting where students and adults alike can develop critical skills for jobs in the growing field of health care.

The Carmen program prepares students for employment as health care customer service representatives, certified nursing assistants, medical assistants and information technology service center technicians.

"The ingredients for success are all here. Health care organizations already have a tremendous need for skilled people and building a future workforce pipeline is absolutely critical," said Cathy Jacobson, president and chief executive officer of Froedtert Health.

"This program has the potential to train more than 300 young people and adults from this neighborhood over the next five years. Carmen High School of Science and Technology is nationally recognized as a high performer,

turning out graduates who are well-prepared for college and careers. I am deeply grateful to the Carmen team for their important work and proud to be part of this innovative Learning Center."

"The partnership we have with both Froedtert & MCW and the Carmen network is truly changing the way our city can look at workforce development," said Bucks president Peter Feigin.

"Often times, students may have a challenging curriculum, but no specific career pathway, or little opportunity to learn the 'life skills and soft skills' that are essential to virtually any career pathway.

"This program blends all of those elements— and on top of it, focuses on both adults and children in Milwaukee's Choice Neighborhood."

Plans for the Froedtert & MCW Learning Center were announced last July. Over the past year, the space that now houses the Learning Center was transformed from an unused, outdated machine shop classroom to a gleaming, hands-on training lab equipped with eight hospital beds, mannequins and nursing station components, all donated by Froedtert Health.

A Froedtert Health facilities development team co-managed the renovation project with Carmen, including installation of new flooring, lighting, ceiling, cabinetry, window casements and electrical wiring.

"The investment by our generous partners in the Learning Center will allow Carmen to be a community anchor where both neighborhood youth and adults come to learn, explore and train for family-sustaining careers," said Patricia Hoben, Carmen's CEO/Head of Schools.

"Only when visionary community institutions come forward, as Froedtert and the Bucks have done, will we be able to revitalize and strengthen our neighborhoods. Health care and IT professions are two of the highest-demand employment areas in southeastern Wisconsin.

This partnership highlights how a college preparatory

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LOCAL COLLABORATIVE, THE GOLD STANDARD, HOSTS INAUGURAL BLACK TIE AFFAIR IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MILWAUKEE BUCKS

The Gold Standard launched its inaugural Black Tie Affair on Saturday at Schlitz Park. The goal of the Black Tie Affair was to connect diverse Milwaukee area professionals for a night of upscale entertainment and fundraising to support scholarships for local high school students.

In partnership with the Milwaukee Bucks, the black tie event will honor individuals and organizations that have made a significant impact in the greater Milwaukee community as Centers of Change. These individuals and organizations represent critical links in the chain of change in Milwaukee.

This year's honorees (pictured above in no particular order): Wendy Baumann, WWBIC; Marc and Marta Banchini, Banchini Restaurants; Tammy Belton-Davis, Athena Communications; Gen. Robert Cocroft, Center for Veterans Affairs; Linda Graves, Gilbane Building Company; Willie Hines, Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee; Dr. Tito Izard, Milwaukee Health Services; Paula Penebaker, YWCA Southeast Wisconsin; Tony Perez, Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee; Jerry Roberts, Bader Philanthropies; Donsia Strong-Hill, LISC Milwaukee; Denise Thomas, The Effective Communications Coach, and Social X. Chris Orr, co-event planner, The Gold Standard shares, "The Black Tie Affair celebrates Milwaukee's diverse business and professional community, it is our hope that we will leverage our collective networks and exemplify the power of collaboration to continue to build a stronger Milwaukee."

Milwaukee's World Peace Celebration

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to change their way of thinking. He adamantly believed that everything in this world is mind over matter. You think; therefore, you are.

Aside from the weary situation at hand, I saw light at the end of the tunnel. I saw hundreds of people coming together for a good cause. I heard words of encouragement surrounding the park and locking into the atmosphere. I witnessed a fresh breeze of happiness and hope. I may have even snagged a hot dog or two!

Just like many other cities and geographical locations here in the world, there will never be a time that consists of no issues or tribulations. There will never be an issue-

free economy. One thing that will happen, if perseverance overpowers procrastination, is change.

To millennials, and even to those who are not, your neighbor is your brother/sister. You should never look down on them.

We are living in a world that has systematically and conveniently made it hard for the black man/woman to succeed. While that statement may be true, it is imperative that we do not feed off of the issue. We should never grant the enemy power over our people.

A community that can grow together in unity, is a community that can never be broken.--Paishance Welch, Millennial Magic!

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That day will come, when there are no more tears, no more pain or strife, no roads to travel, no mornings to rise, no clouds or storms or rainbows to arrive.

That day will come, when home will be called by another name and songs you never heard before will be sung.

And with your house in order, God will welcome you with His glory and might to a new home called paradise...but until that day arrives, let your faith be your eyes and see the joy and wonder of today, with all Her glory, struggles and pain...and hold close to your heart every minute of each and every day.

And as each one of those minutes are born, give them a name, call them precious, beloved and more, cherish them and let them open the door to this wonderful gift of life that God has given to us and use them well, let them thrive, till that day promised arrives.

Charles McClain
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WALNUT HILL RESIDENTS SHOWCASE THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD

Community Comes Dressed to Paint!

The Milwaukee Art Project (MAP) and residents of the Walnut Hill Community will kick off a mural painting session this weekend at Londyn Foods, 3135 W. Lisbon Avenue in Milwaukee.

"As artists and lovers of art, we will help develop the health and wealth of our communities that we live in by splashing them with color and faces of children, teens and families, of local/national historical figures - all signs of life, and prosperity!" [Willie Weaver-Bey, MAP Vice President].

The community painting sessions are Saturday and Sunday, August 26/27th, 11am to 4pm with a 12:00 noon photo opportunity and Community Acknowledgement on Saturday by Senators LaTonya Johnson and Lena Taylor. Mayor Tom Barrett has been invited. Everyone is invited to come dressed to paint! There will be music, free food and giveaways...and an opportunity to name the mural and win a prize!

"Neighborhood children said they would like to see more community gatherings, a cleaner community, they feel good about where they live but want people to stay away from the guns. One said "I hope people like us can change the world!"

One day last year, on August 23rd, a young black man was shot and killed by a policeman in the Sherman Park Neighborhood where several of the MAP members live.

We each asked ourselves, "What am I going to do to change the misperceptions and inequities in my community?" In our own ways we each decided the solutions for betterment of our neighborhoods involved taking personal responsibility. Through that process we found each other and gathered together to use our artistic gifts as our action steps to change our community.

"We decided to create murals, sculptures, tapestries, earthworks, transient displays and temporary celebratory or commemorative exhibitions with the support of the community. The public art sculptures on display downtown are intended to redefine Milwaukee as an art destination over the next few years.

MAP proposes to become included in this "urban art experience" and connect with others who are creating beautiful murals and other art in central neighborhoods in Milwaukee.

Milwaukee Art Project (MAP) is newly formed by a group of individuals who reside in or has ties to the Sherman Park Community in Milwaukee. MAP was officially registered in March 2017 as a non-profit organization, exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501 (c) (3).

This mural is funded by an outrageous (in the best way) group of people whose intentions specifically meet our needs. Residents and employees of Saint John's On the Lake believed in us before we were barely able to organize our infrastructure, produce legal paperwork, open a financial account and make our final presentation of the mural design. They are apparently people who seek for an honest way to connect and grow communities together across all divides.

First Hmong TV news show in Wisconsin

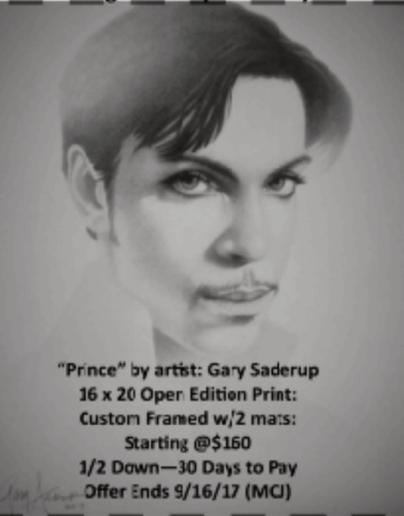
Alderman Cavalier Johnson is thrilled to announce a monumental event in the Hmong community—the first ever Hmong TV news show in Wisconsin. The Hmong Wisconsin Chamber of Commerce says the program will be called NyobZoo Milwaukee TV, and will be a chamber member.

NyobZoo Milwaukee TV will air every Friday at 11:30 p.m. with encores on Saturday mornings at 7:30 a.m. locally on channel 38.1. The show can be accessed on DirectTV on channel 38 and on Spectrum on channel 807.

Alderman Johnson says, "We have a strong and proud Hmong community, and this will be a wonderful way to stay connected with our Hmong residents."

This Friday September 1 at 11:30 p.m. will be the first broadcast.

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SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 17CV007252

In the matter of the name change of: XAYVION XL GROSE By (Petitioner) ASHLEY MARIE WILKERSON NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: XAYVION XL GROSE To: XAYVION ANTHONY WILKERSON Birth Certificate: XAYVION XL GROSE IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Judge's Name: HON. STEPHANIE ROTHSTEIN ROOM 404, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: OCTOBER 10, 2017 TIME: 11:30 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 8-29-17 BY THE COURT: HON. STEPHANIE ROTHSTEIN Circuit Court Judge 017-237/9-1-8-15-2017

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS PUBLICATION SUMMONS Case No. 17SC023372

To: DASHAVON WILLIAMS AND PRECIOUS WILLIAMS 8023 W THURSTON AVE #2 MILWAUKEE, WI 53218

You are being sued by DLS INVESTMENT PROPERTIES LLC in the small claims court for Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, Rm. 400 of the Milwaukee County Courthouse, 901 N. 9th St. Milwaukee, WI 53223. A hearing will be held at 2:30 o'clock (p.m.) on September 26, 2017. If you do not appear a judgment may be given to the person suing you. (A copy of the claim has been mailed to you at the address above.)

Dated this 28th day of August, 2017.

PLAINTIFF'S ATTY. OR PLAINTIFF: GEORGE SESSLER LLC MEMBER P.O. BOX 182 MILWAUKEE, WI 53187 (414) 588-5688 DATED: 8-28-2017 017-236/9-1-2017

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS PUBLICATION SUMMONS Case No. 17SC021922

To: BETTY HART 5839 N 84TH ST #2 MILWAUKEE, WI 53225

You are being sued by SESSLER PROPERTIES LLC in the small claims court for Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, Rm. 400 of the Milwaukee County Courthouse, 901 N. 9th St. Milwaukee, WI 53223. A hearing will be held at 2:30 o'clock (p.m.) on September 26, 2017. If you do not appear a judgment may be given to the person suing you. (A copy of the claim has been mailed to you at the address above.)

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SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 17CV007076

In the matter of the name change of: AMAR YASIR SAMEER By (Petitioner) YASIR SAMEER HAMEED and (Co-Petitioner) NEDAA ALABDULLAH NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: AMAR YASIR SAMEER To: AMAR YASIR HAMEED Birth Certificate: AMAR YASIR SAMEER IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State

of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY ROOM 414, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: OCTOBER 16, 2017 TIME: 10:00 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 8-25-17 BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY Circuit Court Judge 017-234/9-1-8-15-2017

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 17CV006745

In the matter of the name change of: ANTHONY LATHON HAYWARD By (Petitioner) ANTHONY LATHON HAYWARD NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: ANTHONY LATHON HAYWARD To: ANTHONY LATHON WASHINGTON Birth Certificate: ANTHONY LATHON HAYWARD IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY ROOM 414, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: SEPTEMBER 15, 2017 TIME: 9:30 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 8-15-17 BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY Circuit Court Judge 017-233/9-1-8-15-2017

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 17CV007093

In the matter of the name change of: MALACHI KALEB MCNEIL By (Petitioner) ADAM COMER and (Co-Petitioner) JOAN MCNEIL NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: MALACHI KALEB MCNEIL To: MALACHI KALEB COMER Birth Certificate: MALACHI KALEB MCNEIL IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. ELLEN R. BROSTROM ROOM 413, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: OCTOBER 6, 2017 TIME: 11:00 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 8-25-17 BY THE COURT: HON. ELLEN R. BROSTROM Circuit Court Judge 017-232/9-1-8-15-2017

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 17CV007152

In the matter of the name change of: BRANDON LEE DUSSEAU By (Petitioner) BRANDON LEE DUSSEAU NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: BRANDON LEE DUSSEAU To: BRANDON LEE EVERHART Birth Certificate: BRANDON LEE DUSSEAU IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Judge's Name: HON. GLENN H. YAMAHIRO ROOM 402, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: OCTOBER 6, 2017 TIME: 9:15 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 8-25-17 BY THE COURT: HON. GLENN H. YAMAHIRO Circuit Court Judge 017-231/9-1-8-15-2017

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 17CV007151

In the matter of the name change of: SAMANTHA ANN BROWN By (Petitioner) SAMANTHA ANN BROWN NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: SAMANTHA ANN BROWN To: SAMANTHA ANN EVERHART Birth Certificate: SAMANTHA ANN BROWN IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. ELLEN R. BROSTROM ROOM 413, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: OCTOBER 6, 2017 TIME: 10:30 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 8-25-17 BY THE COURT: HON. ELLEN R. BROSTROM Circuit Court Judge 017-230/9-1-8-15-2017

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 17CV006809

In the matter of the name change of: OMOLARA IKEOLUWA AKINBOTE By (Petitioner) OMOLARA IKEOLUWA AKINBOTE NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: OMOLARA IKEOLUWA AKINBOTE To: OMOLARA IKEOLUWA THOMAS Birth Certificate: IKEOLUWA OMOLARA OLUBUNMI IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. ELLEN R. BROSTROM ROOM 409, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: SEPTEMBER 19, 2017 TIME: 2:30 PM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 8-15-17 BY THE COURT: HON. ELLEN R. BROSTROM Circuit Court Judge 017-229/8-25/9-1-8-2017

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 17CV006550

In the matter of the name change of: TROY RAMONE STERLING-WILLIAMS JR. By (Petitioner) BREIONA WOODSON NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: TROY RAMONE STERLING-WILLIAMS JR. To: BRAYLIN SHAQUILLE WOODSON Birth Certificate: TROY RAMONE STERLING-WILLIAMS JR. IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State

of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. DAVID L. BOROWSKI ROOM 206, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: SEPTEMBER 20, 2017 TIME: 10:30 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 8-9-17 BY THE COURT: HON. HON. DAVID L. BOROWSKI Circuit Court Judge 017-228/8-25/9-1-8-2017

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 17CV005988

In the matter of the name change of: MALE INFANT WILLIAMS By (Petitioner) MALE INFANT WILLIAMS NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: MALE INFANT WILLIAMS To: RICKY LANNELL YARBROUGH Birth Certificate: MALE INFANT WILLIAMS IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. GLENN H. YAMAHIRO ROOM 402, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: AUGUST 30, 2017 TIME: 9:00 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 7-17-17 BY THE COURT: HON. GLENN H. YAMAHIRO Circuit Court Judge 017-227/8-25/9-1-8-2017

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 17CV005278

In the matter of the name change of: OSHAYE KEVIN SULLIVAN-GLADNEY By (Petitioner) OSHAYE KEVIN SULLIVAN-GLADNEY NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: OSHAYE KEVIN SULLIVAN To: OSHAYE DENZEL GLADNEY Birth Certificate: OSHAYE KEVIN GLADNEY IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. REBECCA F. DALLET ROOM 403, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: SEPTEMBER 25, 2017 TIME: 10:00 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 6-23-17 BY THE COURT: HON. REBECCA F. DALLET Circuit Court Judge 017-226/8-25/9-1-8-2017

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 17CV006923

In the matter of the name change of: ACHIA LISA JOHNSON By (Petitioner) ACHIA LISA JOHNSON NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: ACHIA LISA JOHNSON To: HAYDEN MITCHELL Birth Certificate: ACHIA LISA JOHNSON IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Judge's Name: HON. JOHN DiMOTTO ROOM 401, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: SEPTEMBER 29, 2017 TIME: 10:00 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 6-13-17 BY THE COURT: HON. JOHN DiMOTTO Circuit Court Judge 017-225/8-25/9-1-8-2017

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 17CV006884

In the matter of the name change of: DARIOS RAY GARRETT By (Petitioner) DARIOS RAY GARRETT NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: DARIOS RAY GARRETT To: DARIOS RAY CRAWLEY-REID Birth Certificate: DARIOS RAY GARRETT IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY ROOM 414, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: SEPTEMBER 21, 2017 TIME: 10:00 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 8-17-17 BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY Circuit Court Judge 017-223/8-18-25/9-1-2017

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY DIVORCE-40101 Case No. 17FA3830

In Re: The marriage of Petitioner: EBONY MONIQUE CHARLES and Respondent: FREDRICK DEMAR VIVIAN THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, TO THE PERSON NAMED ABOVE AS RESPONDENT: You are notified that the petitioner named above has filed a Petition for divorce or legal separation against you. You must respond with a written demand for a copy of the Petition within 40 days from the day after the first date of publication. The demand must be sent or delivered to the court at:

Clerk of Court Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N. 9th St. ROOM 104 Milwaukee WI 53233 and EBONY MONIQUE CHARLES 8869 W APPLETON AVE #19 MILWAUKEE, WI 53226.

It is recommended, but not required, that you have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not demand a copy of the Petition within 45 days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Petition, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Petition.

A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

You are further notified that if the parties to this action have minor children, violation of §948.31, Wis. Stats., (Interference with custody by parent or others) is punishable by fines and/or imprisonment:

If you and the petitioner have minor children, documents setting forth the percentage standard for child support established by the department under §49.22(9), Wis. Stats., and the factors that a court may consider for modification of that standard under §767.511(1m), Wis. Stats., are available upon your request from the

Clerk of Court. You are notified of the availability of information from the Circuit Court Commissioner as set forth in §767.105, Wis. Stats.

§767.105, Information from Circuit Court Commissioner.

(2) Upon the request of a party to an action affecting the family, including a revision of judgment or order under sec. 767.59 or 767.451: (a) The Circuit Court Commissioner shall, with or without charge, provide the party with written information on the following, as appropriate to the action commenced:

- 1. The procedure for obtaining a judgment or order in the action.
2. The major issues usually addressed in such an action.
3. Community resources and family court counseling services available to assist the parties.
4. The procedure for setting, modifying, and enforcing child support awards, or modifying and enforcing legal custody or physical placement judgments or orders.
(b) The Circuit Court Commissioner shall provide a party, for inspection or purchase, with a copy of the statutory provisions in this chapter generally pertinent to the action.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call at least 10 working days prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

DATE: 7-14-2017 By: EBONY CHARLES 017-222/8-18-25/9-1-2017

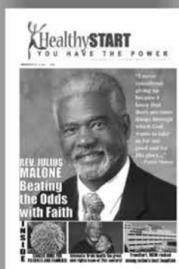
SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 17CV006429

In the matter of the name change of: VERONICA TORRES CORDONA By (Petitioner) VERONICA TORRES CORDONA NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: VERONICA TORRES CORDONA To: VERONICA SCHNEIDER Birth Certificate: VERONICA TORRES CORDONA IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. STEPHANIE G. ROTHSTEIN ROOM 404, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: SEPTEMBER 6, 2017 TIME: 2:30 PM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 8-2-17 BY THE COURT: HON. STEPHANIE G. ROTHSTEIN Circuit Court Judge 017-221/8-18-25/9-1-2017

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SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY DIVORCE-40101 Case No. 17FA003136

In Re: The marriage of Petitioner: SANTA SANTIAGO and Respondent: AMICAR ZAPATA JR. THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, TO THE PERSON NAMED ABOVE AS RESPONDENT:

You are notified that the petitioner named above has filed a Petition for divorce or legal separation against you.

You must respond with a written demand for a copy of the Petition within 40 days from the day after the first date of publication.

The demand must be sent or delivered to the court at:

Clerk of Court Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N. 9th St. ROOM 104 Milwaukee WI 53233 and SANTA SANTIAGO 3654 S 22ND ST MILWAUKEE, WI 53221.

It is recommended, but not required, that you have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not demand a copy of the Petition within 45 days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Petition, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Petition.

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You are further notified that if the parties to this action have minor children, violation of §948.31, Wis. Stats., (Interference with custody by parent or others) is punishable by fines and/or imprisonment:

If you and the petitioner have minor children, documents setting forth the percentage standard for child support established by the department under

§49.22(9), Wis. Stats., and the factors that a court may consider for modification of that standard under §767.511(1m), Wis. Stats., are available upon your request from the Clerk of Court.

You are notified of the availability of information from the Circuit Court Commissioner as set forth in §767.105, Wis. Stats.

§767.105, Information from Circuit Court Commissioner.

(2) Upon the request of a party to an action affecting the family, including a revision of judgment or order under sec. 767.59 or 767.451:

(a) The Circuit Court Commissioner shall, with or without charge, provide the party with written information on the following, as appropriate to the action commenced:

1. The procedure for obtaining a judgment or order in the action.

2. The major issues usually addressed in such an action.

3. Community resources and family court counseling services available to assist the parties.

4. The procedure for setting, modifying, and enforcing child support awards, or modifying and enforcing legal custody or physical placement judgments or orders.

(b) The Circuit Court Commissioner shall provide a party, for inspection or purchase, with a copy of the statutory provisions in this chapter generally pertinent to the action.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call at least 10 working days prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY DIVORCE-40101 Case No. 17FA004392

In Re: The marriage of Petitioner: BRENDA MARLYNSAY MENESE and Respondent: VINCENT

THOMAS DEON MENESE THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, TO THE PERSON NAMED ABOVE AS RESPONDENT:

You are notified that the petitioner named above has filed a Petition for divorce or legal separation against you.

You must respond with a written demand for a copy of the Petition within 40 days from the day after the first date of publication.

The demand must be sent or delivered to the court at:

Clerk of Court Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N. 9th St. ROOM 104 Milwaukee WI 53233 and BRENDA MENESE 5221 N 68TH STREET LOWER MILWAUKEE, WI 53218.

It is recommended, but not required, that you have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not demand a copy of the Petition within 45 days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Petition, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Petition.

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(b) The Circuit Court Commissioner shall provide a party, for inspection or purchase, with a copy of the statutory provisions in this chapter generally pertinent to the action.

DATE: 7-31-2017 By: BRENDA MENESE 017-219/8-18-25/9-1-2017

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 17CV6186

In the matter of the name change of:

CARMEN MARIANO GUTIERREZ By (Petitioner) FRANCINE SHERRY TROGUN and Co-Petitioner) EMILIANO MARIANO-GUTIERREZ

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: CARMEN MARIANO GUTIERREZ To: CARMEN MARIANO TROGUN Birth Certificate: CARMEN MARIANO GUTIERREZ IT IS ORDERED:

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Judge's Name: HON. MARY TRIGGIANO ROOM 412, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: SEPTEMBER 28, 2017 TIME: 11:30 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Dated: 7-25-17 BY THE COURT: HON. TIMOTHY WITKOIAK FOR DAVID HANSHER Circuit Court Judge 017-239/9-1-8-15-2017

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Dated: 7-25-17 BY THE COURT: HON. TIMOTHY WITKOIAK FOR DAVID HANSHER Circuit Court Judge 017-238/9-1-8-15-2017

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All questions should be submitted in writing to Mark Bethel of Milwaukee Public Schools' Facilities and Maintenance Services at dfmsprocurement@milwaukee.k12.wi.us or fax number (414) 283-4682. No questions will be answered verbally. No verbal information from any source is to be relied upon by any respondent in the development of their response to the request for quotation. Only questions submitted in writing prior to 4:00PM on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 will be answered. No questions will be answered after that date and time. These responses will be documented by way of addenda, which will be forwarded to all bidders.

Submit all quotations to Mr. Mark Bethel, Project Specialist of Design and Construction of Facilities and Maintenance Services, 1124 North 11th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53233 no later than 1:30 PM on Tuesday, September 19, 2017.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or to waive informalities. Darienne B. Driver, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools 11395828/08- 29-31/09-5

OFFICIAL ADVERTISEMENT

Office of the Milwaukee Public Schools, DIVISION OF FACILITIES AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES, 1124 North 11th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 29, 2017.

Sealed proposals will be received at 1124 North 11th Street, directed to the attention of Mr. Mark D. Bethel, Project Specialist for the Division of Facilities and Maintenance Services, pursuant to Section 119.52(3) Wisconsin Statutes, until Thursday, September 21, 2017 at 1:30PM, in accordance with plans and specifications for the following work:

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PROPOSED MILWAUKEE COUNTY DAS-FM Projects for Advertisement for Bids

Name of Project: ZOO WEST ENTRANCE OTTER EXHIBIT ANIMAL LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEM RE-BID

Project No.: Z150-14455-09 Bid Due Date: September 20, 2017

See Bid Documents for details Pre-Bid Meeting: September 13, 2017 BID DOCUMENTS FOR THE ABOVE PROJECT ARE AVAILABLE AT:

MILWAUKEE COUNTY 633 WEST WISCONSIN AVENUE, SUITE 1000 Milwaukee, WI 53203 For Further Information contact 414-278-4861 or www.county.milwaukee.gov

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Project No.: P628-17611 Bid Due Date: September 13, 2017

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Explaining my call for giving white folks the keys to the freedom bus

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inferior. Thomas Jefferson, George Washington and even Abe Lincoln were racists.

I have no doubt the Democratic Party could stunt the cancer of racism, or at the very least equalize the playing field, but that's not going to happen. At least in my lifetime. Or my children's. Or theirs.

But it is a nice dream that can make a good "made-for-television" movie on how they tried and failed.

They have three and a half years to get the movie produced. Although it is questionable if those who voted for Trump, or opposed Hillary, will watch.

To paraphrase an oft-repeated criticism that resurfaced with last week's column: "you're always blaming White people for Black people's transgressions," while refusing to acknowledge why Whites hold prejudices against Black folks. Moreover (as one White reader positioned, if racism ended tomorrow, whom would you blame for your status?)"

Interesting assumption.

My column was about racism, not prejudice. They are distinctly different subjects. In fact, my major concern is not racism, but bigotry, which is the manifestation of racism, generally through deeds.

But I'll save that dichotomy for a different time.

No one can deny the impact of institutional racism in limiting options for Black America.

Institutional racism explains why it is easier for a White high school drop out to secure a mortgage loan than a college educated Black person. Institutional racism insures Black children attend the worse schools, explains the disparities in prison sentencing and whether we will be stopped driving through a White suburban neighborhood, which they are excluded from purchasing a house in.

I never denied that we don't contribute to our own self-destruction. Far too many of us seem satisfied standing under the shadow of slavery.

That point aside, I never blamed White folks for Black problems, although I did note they "invented" racism, operated the worse form of slavery known to mankind, and maintain an advantage over people of color that all but insures our second-class citizenship.

Racism is an invention of White people, with the American version far worse than anywhere other than South Africa under apartheid. American racism was not only directed toward Africans, but Native Americans, Arabs, Asians and little green men from outer space, who left with ET after reading the Bill of Rights.

Racism was needed to justify exploitation, Manifest Destiny and colonialism. Racism defines America and like a cancer is eating away at this country's soul.

Contrary to the asinine belief of Confederates who justified slavery by use of the Bible, the so-called curse of Ham was not the precursor for racism. In fact, the assumption is a misreading of the Bible that makes no sense (try reading it if you have a Bible; that's the book that says "Holy" on the front.)

Some anthropologists suggest racism is only about 500 years old, and link

it to the European sponsored slave trade (which the church was involved in).

In its series on racism, the BBC quoted James Walvin, professor of History Emeritus at the University of York and author of the 1975 book "Black and White: The Negro and English Society" who said, "the British don't become slave traders and slavers because they (were) racist; they became racist because they used slaves for great profit in the Americas and devised a set of attitudes towards Black people that justifies what they've done."

"The real engine behind the slave system is economics."

It was through this need to legitimize the exploitation of Africans for the completion of colonial projects and ultimately for profit that the notion of a hierarchy of separate human races was effectively invented, a statement on the BBC website explained, "a notion which subsequently seeped into social attitudes, allowing the subjugation and dehumanization of black Africans to continue and prosper as an 'acceptable' part of commerce through the centuries which followed."

I don't find fault with that theory, but it doesn't take into consideration why the British used racism in Australia, and America against the Native Americans who they tried to exterminate, even as they tried to "Christianize" them.

American bigots used racism to give poor whites a sense of power, to convince them that even though they were exploited by the rich, they could feel good about themselves because they were superior to Africans, Mexicans and Native Americans.

There's an interesting scene in the movie the "Free State of Jones," a movie about a Confederate deserter, Newton Knight, who creates an integrated community of escaped slaves and fellow deserters (some of whom are racists).

Based on a true story, in the movie Knight asked an escaped slave if he was a "nigger", to which he responded he couldn't be because God didn't make any "niggers".

Knight then accuses a White racist of being a "nigger," noting that he fought for the rich to maintain a system that didn't benefit him or his neighbors.

I also mentioned in last week's column that while most Whites can't trace their ancestry to a slave owner or a bigot, they do benefit from that cultural paradigm today.

They benefit by virtue of their ability to get a loan as a high school drop out that a Black college graduate can't secure. They benefit with better government services, including schools, parks and jobs. They benefit through the assumption of innocence until proven guilty, and because they don't have to say a prayer when a cop pulls them over, because they can take advantage of a justice system, instead of one we call JUST-US.

A Black and White reader accused me of blasphemy; in different assessments suggesting I insulted followers of Christianity through my assertions that the Christian church was supportive of slavery and White supremacy. And, that the Creator was a brother/and Black people are His/Her chosen people.

Not surprisingly, the Black woman seemed more outraged that I asserted that Jesus was Black and that Yah was the name of God, than the White guy was.

Talk about being brainwashed—or should I say whitewashed! I'm sure she's the same sister who fought me tooth and nail years ago about my statement that Christ was Jesus' title, and not his last name.

As I said then, regardless of what your minister declares, the Messiah's name is not Jesus Christ, and he didn't look like Brad Pitt.

You are correct to say Jesus the Christ, or Christ Jesus, but his Hebrew (Jewish) name was Yeshua, or according to Matthew, Emmanuel.

Jesus is a translational name of Jeshua into Latin and Greek, which goes to the heart of why there continues to be so many different interpretations and misreading off the Bible.

Likewise, God is a title. The Hebrews, who were Black, referred to God as Yah. Muslims say Allah, which means God. Many African tribes (nations) have different names for "God." My contention is most of us are talking about the same person, or entity. In fact, ancient scriptures refer to God as Father/Mother, which makes sense. And least to me and most folks with common sense (including some quasi-Christians, who probably believe Donald Trump is emperor).

As I implied in my column, America's Christian church, with few exceptions, either supported slavery or stood silently by as it flourished.

In either case, through its complicity or silence, the Christian church was an accessory before, during and after the fact to the murder of millions, rape of millions more and torture and brutality of all people of a darker hue on these shores.

It is true the King James and other "versions" of the Bible does condone slavery, but either that hypocrisy was lost in translation (like Jesus' name) or integrated as a cultural accommodation. And even if slavery was approved by God (which I doubt), racism surely wasn't.

Moreover, the new covenant called for universal brotherhood. "Jesus" repeatedly called on those who follow Him (Christians, as in the Christ) to love their neighbors as you love self, and Him.

You can't do that with a whip, or through rape or lynching.

As I noted last week, Frederic Douglass was not alone in his condemnation of what he called American Christianity.

My favorite white hero, John Brown, suggested that the scourge of slavery had to be cleansed through blood.

Not by coincidence, Brown's message was similar to that of Nate Turner who led a slave revolt, in the name of God. He said God ordered him to send the bigots to hell (or back to Sodom), since, like Brown, most White American Christians were beyond redemption.

Martin Luther King, Jr. was more a New Testament follower, and tried to prick the conscious of American Christians, to appeal to their Godliness and quest to be Christ-like, to affirm their membership in the brotherhood of man, to accept all men (and women) as brothers and sisters. To reject racism and bigotry.

He continued spreading that philosophy until a bigot murdered him.

Hopefully, the new conductors of the Freedom Train will have better luck.

Hotep.

Taylor blasts GOP for putting Ed. last, failing to correct Walker's cuts

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matters – including discussions about the challenging Department of Transportation budget, and more recently, proposed financial incentives for electronics giant Foxconn.

So, education funding was one of the last items left when the legislature's Joint Finance Committee met Monday. And the number proposed for public schools looked smaller than it had earlier this year.

"The refusal of the Walker administration and the Republican-led budget committee to fully restore cuts to K-12 education is reprehensible," Taylor said.

"Fooing taxpayers into believing they are saving money by lowering taxes but then forcing communities to fund their children's education through referendums is just wrong."

Taylor also believes the GOP plan fails to align services to students. From mental health to food insecurity, students face many barriers that impact academic performance. "We need resources to be centrally located and easily accessible," the senator said.

"Students face complex challenges that need collaborative solutions. We need to break down silos and create alignment in how we deliver services to avoid inefficiency and create the impacts that are desperately needed."

Since 2014, Wisconsin has ranked as the worst state to raise a Black child. Reports have consistently shown the state has some of the highest racial disparities in the nation in terms of employment, poverty, and incarceration outcomes. Most recently, Wisconsin ranked last in the nation for racial equality.

"Today, Republicans will vote to continue the formula that has put Wisconsin dead last in racial equality, even behind the Jim Crow strongholds of Alabama and Mississippi," she said.

"Career opportunity, homeownership, incarceration are all linked to education. By failing to invest in education at the levels that we need, we are saying okay to the school-to-prison pipeline. We are saying it is okay for the state to step back when every indicator says we need to do more."

Most Harvey flood victims on hook to pay for home repairs

Article courtesy of th Associated Press via "The Rundown"

Homeowners suffering flood damage from Harvey are more likely to be on the hook for losses than victims of prior storms - a potentially crushing blow to personal finances and neighborhoods along the Gulf Coast.

Insurance experts say only a small fraction of homeowners in Harvey's path of destruction have flood insurance. That means families with flooded basements, soaked furniture and water-damaged walls will have to dig deep into their pockets or take on more debt to fix up their homes. Some may be forced to sell, if they can, and leave their communities.

"All these people taken out in boats, they have a second problem: They have no insurance," said Robert Hunter, director of insurance at the Consumer Federation of America who used to run a federal flood insurance program.

Hunter estimates that total out-of-pocket costs for flooded homeowners could reach \$28 billion, the largest in U.S. history.

Harvey made landfall in Texas late Friday as a Category 4 hurricane and has lingered off the coast, dropping heavy rain as a tropical storm. Hunter expects flood damage alone from the storm to cost at least \$35 billion, about what Katrina cost. But in that 2005 hurricane about half of flooded homes were covered by flood insurance.

With Harvey, only two of 10 homeowners have coverage, Hunter estimates.

Hamilton reacts to leaked DOJ report on police conduct

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It was leaked to the city's daily, which reported its findings Wednesday. According to a published article, the report is not dated, though it appears to have been written in 2016 based on the data that was used.

The racial bias the report reveals is particularly evident in traffic stops in which racial profiling and complaints of disrespect is alleged.

The report notes Black Milwaukeeans are stopped three times more than white residents but account for only two percent of the city's population than whites.

While Black residents represent eight percent of the population in District 1, an area that covers downtown and the east side, they represent 66% of all traffic stops in the district from 2013 to 2015.

Overall, African Americans were three times more likely to be searched when compared to white drivers, both with and without consent.

"The essence of a strong and cohesive relationship between our residents and law enforcement is the confidence our community has in those sworn to protect and serve," said Hamilton in a statement released after the article on

the draft report was published.

The council president said the report reinforces the urgency to recognize there are clear challenges with police-community relations and the public's perception of police legitimacy in Milwaukee.

"For years in Milwaukee, residents held public demonstrations, spoken out about their lack of confidence in the police department, and the need for greater transparency and accountability within the police department."

Hamilton stressed it was critical and urgent specific actions implemented to address these disparities and there must be honest reporting about the progress along the way.

"This is the time to focus on solutions, to repair the breaches of trust, and to commit to a pathway forward that results in a safer city."

A statement released by the MPD Tuesday said the initial report was considerably flawed, containing erroneous assertions and inaccurate data.

The report failed to mention federally funded efforts at community policing that have shown results in reducing crime in the Washington Park and Amani neighborhoods.

OPEN LETTER TO OUR READERS

Milwaukee Community Journal is an actual brick and mortar building, not just an online entity. I was downstairs reviewing our equipment in the storage office and it's like visiting a museum. Old relics, equipment, computers, software and past editions illuminate 40 years journaling the history of change.

Since our origin in 1976, we've moved with our audience. Today our readers are predominantly millennials, 18-40 years of age, shakers and movers, the buyers! They are buying homes, cars, raising families. They are eating "fresh," active in politics, exercising and partying.

Our readers find us in print, with our twice-weekly editions in tenured retail outlets, churches and selective distribution spots. But they also read us online at milwaukeecommunityjournal.com We're in this to win this! We're dynamic....crisp clear....interactive...and to be honest - exploding with information that you want to read!

We're perfect for new and established advertisers! We want more local interaction and community written articles. We want to offer more millennial access to a proven community source.

This is who we are. But one thing is still deep on our hearts, and that is you've got to join our team. You're the community part of the Milwaukee Community Journal. Let's build together!

**Speech Thomas, The Milwaukee Community Journal
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Northwestern Mutual celebrates Grand Opening of the Tower and Commons



Northwestern Mutual grand opening recently of its state of the art 32 story Northwestern Mutual Tower and Commons.

The glass structure boasts 1.1 million square feet of office space designed for innovation and collaboration, representing the company's commitment to delivering the financial security experience its clients want and need.

Designed by Pickard Chilton and led by principal Jon Pickard FAIA, RIBA, the Tower and Commons connects the company's historic past with the bright promise of its future.

"With its sleek glass exterior and innovative work environment, our Tower and commons building represents our transformation from being the best life insurance company to being the best financial security company," said John E. Schlifske, chairman and CEO of Northwestern Mutual.

"Our new building will help us meet the multiple financial needs of clients for decades to come."

The Tower and Commons has already had a significant economic impact on the city, including

Employing more than 2,600 individuals who worked on construction of the Tower; including about 1,200 city residents who were previously unemployed or underemployed.

Hiring local small business enterprises, which includes minority-owned, women-owned and military-veteran-owned businesses.

Becoming a catalyst for other business opportunities downtown.



The new Northwest building soars to the sky near Milwaukee's lakefront. Mayor Tom Barrett talks to the media about the new building and the extensive efforts by the insurance company to stay in Milwaukee and use local workers and companies in the construction of the 32 story highrise.--Photos by Kim Robinson

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