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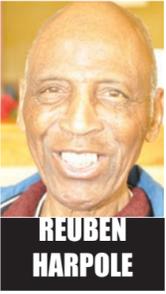


PULSE OF THE COMMUNITY

Photos and question
by Yvonne Kemp

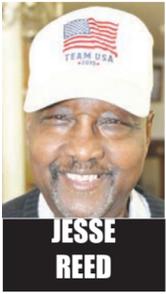
QUESTION OF THE WEEK:
"During a confrontation between state Sen. Lena Taylor and a Black teller at a local bank, Taylor called the teller a 'House-N.' Is it a racial slur for one Black person to call another Black person an 'N-word'? Why or why not?"

"This is a cultural insult, but it is not a racial slur."



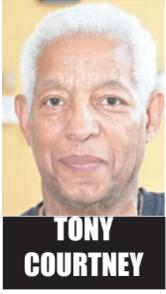
REUBEN HARPOLE

"I would say, it's not a racial slur. Ever since I was five or six-years-old, this was a term we used as children. As long as we were of the same race, this was something we heard our parents and others say."



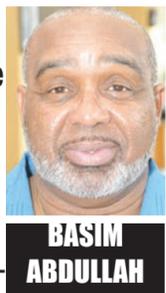
JESSE REED

"No. It is not a racial slur. It is a cultural conversation. Some Jewish people call each other 'Hymies.' Some Italians call each other 'Wops.' Only African Americans can define how we use our language amongst ourselves. It is no one else's business."



TONY COURTNEY

"Yes. It is a racial slur. The reason being (is) because we look down on people calling us the 'N-word,' so we should be careful about calling each other the 'N-word.' If it had been someone else, we would have said it was a racial slur"



BASIM ABDULLAH

Luau Lullaby Community Baby Shower



Milwaukee Fire Department firefighters recently helped Milwaukee Health Services, Inc. (MHSI) raffle off gifts during the health agency's "Luau Lullaby Community Baby Shower," held at MHSI's MLK Heritage Health Center at 2555 N. Dr. Martin Luther King Drive. Pictured above with the firefighters is MHSI staffer Pam Clark (front, third from left), an unidentified Molina Healthcare staffer (front, second from left), and an unidentified local clown. WKKV 98.3 FM radio personality Andrea Williams, and local comedian Kelly Kellz were also on hand to entertain the gathering of mothers, mother's-to-be and children to highlight Mother's Day. Also at the event was Milwaukee Health Commissioner Dr. Patricia McManus. MHSI is a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) working to reduce infant mortality rates in the central city and serves patients and their families by promoting education and participating in supportive services that focus on reducing health disparities.

—Photo by Yvonne Kemp

Mayor kicks-off Cease-Fire Sabbath



Mayor Tom Barrett (third from right) recently hosted the annual Ceasefire Sabbath Kick-Off Breakfast at Parklawn Assembly of God, located at Sherman Blvd. and Fond du Lac Avenue. Pictured with the mayor are (left to right): Reggie Moore, director of the Office of Violence Prevention; Bishop Walter Harvey, pastor of Parklawn Assembly of God; acting Milwaukee Police Chief Alfonso Morales; MPD Lt. Cassandra Libel, and David Muhammad, the program manager for the Office of Violence Prevention. The breakfast kick-off preceeds "Ceasefire Sabbath," an initiative created by the mayor as part of his effort to galvanize the community in the mission to reduce crime and work for non-violence by inspiring hope and taking action. During Ceasefire Sabbath Weekend, members of churches, synagogues, mosques and temples throughout Milwaukee will have the opportunity to reflect on ways the faith-based and secular communities can confront violence and fear and work collectively to build peaceful and healthy neighborhoods.

—Photo by Yvonne Kemp



Last Black gas station owner honored

Diane Stowers, the only remaining African American gas station owner in the state of Wisconsin, was honored recently for her continued years of service to the community during an event titled, "Prosperity Through Black Enterprise." The gathering was hosted by Clark and Associates and held at Schlitz Park. Stowers' gas station is located on Atkinson Avenue. Pictured with Stowers are (left to right): Green Bay Packer Wide-Receiver Geronimo Allison, Travis Clark, vice president of Clark and Associates, and Packer Marwin Evans.—Photo by Yvonne Kemp

It's Never Too Late To Say, "Thanks Mom!"



Patricia Ann Martin

I would like to salute my mother Patricia Ann Martin.

My mom raised me as a single mother and, if I may say so myself, she did a great job! :-)

Education was always the center

of my upbringing. As a child, my mom made sure I was in good schools. She took me to the library on weekends and exposed me to different things, not just what was in my neighborhood or in our circle of familiarity.

I am her only child so she put her energy into me and making sure I was raised right and had good morals and values. We weren't rich, but I never knew we were poor. She didn't always have a car, but we always found a way to go places.

My momma showed me her love for reading, which filtered over to my love for reading. Books were everywhere, and she always had books or articles that taught her something. If she didn't know, believe me, she found out how and

why. This is what was taught to me. She was always the "go to person" when someone needed help with resumes, writing letters, researching info etc. Guess who has that role now? (me)

My mom has always worked in some type of service industry where she was allowed to help people. This is where her heart lies. She always does "extra" at work for the clients she serves, security guards who help, etc. All of the kids on her block know "Ms. Martin." She buys snacks for them in the summer, and they ring her doorbell, not just for treats, but to see if she is gonna come outside so they can sit on her porch with her.

I appreciate her now more than ever; she is a great mom and my son's best friend! This poem is for

her:

A mother is special, she's more than a friend.

Whenever you need her, she'll give you a hand.

She'll lead you and guide you in all that you do.

Try all that she can just to see you get through.

Good times and bad times, she's there for it all. Saying: head up, be proud, and always stand tall.

She'll love you through quarrels and even big fights, or heart to heart chats on cold lonely nights.

My mother's the greatest that I've ever known,

I think God made my mother like He'd make his own.

A praiser, a helper, an encourager too, nothing in this world that she wouldn't do.

To help us succeed she does all that she can, raised a young girl now into a woman.

I want to say thank you for all that you do, please always know mom, that I LOVE YOU!

By Courtney Kelly,

daughter of Patricia Ann Martin

Poem source: <https://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poem/a-true-angel>

Editor's Note: In the rush of putting last week's MCJ (May 9, 2018) edition together and getting it to the printer, we forgot to include this salute by Ms. Kelly to her mother, Patricia Ann Martin. We apologize to Ms. Kelly and Ms. Martin for this oversight.

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Poor People's Campaign

A NATIONAL CALL for MORAL REVIVAL

Cong. Gwen Moore joins activists in kick-off of state's Poor People's Campaign

Compiled by MCJ Editorial Staff

A Milwaukee Mother's Day observance and a Madison rally Monday kicked-off 40 days of nonviolent direct action in Wisconsin and across the U.S. as part of the National Call for Moral Revival, a "Poor People's Campaign."

The campaign is a revival of the original initiative conceived by Civil Rights icon Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. before his death in 1968.

The newest incarnation of the Poor People's Campaign is aimed at building on the work of the original campaign 50 years ago to transform the nation's political, economic and moral structures.

Organizers in the state and nationally are demanding a massive overhaul of the nation's voting laws, new programs to lift up the 140 million Americans living in poverty, immediate attention to ecological devastation and measures to curb militarism and the war economy.

The national campaign is led by civil rights activists Reverends Dr. William J. Barber, II and Dr. Liz Theoharis of Goldsboro, North Carolina.

The Poor Peoples Campaign mission statement reads: "Blaming the poor and claiming that the United States does not have an abundance of resources to overcome poverty are false narratives used to perpetuate economic exploitation, exclusion and deep inequality."

"With 40 million Americans living below the poverty level, 11.2 million Americans with no income whatsoever, the Poor Peoples Campaign is a movement that victims of poverty have been waiting for and working towards for decades. This is a movement whose time has come," read a statement from Welfare Warriors.

On Sunday, Congresswoman Gwen Moore joined Welfare Warriors to launch the local effort, participating in a Mother's Water Ceremony honoring



Cong. Gwen Moore

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YEAR of the CHILD

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Students get a well earned reward for good behavior

Dr. Janice R. Pugh, a teacher at Frances Starns Discovery Learning Center School proudly stands with fourth and fifth grade students from the school in the Rouge Room of the Pfister Hotel, downtown where they were treated to a delicious lunch provided by a local caterer from the community. The lunch was a reward to the students for good attendance, improved academic performance, good behavior and no suspensions. Dr. Pugh came up with the idea for the incentives and the lunch. "I came up with a PBIS initiative," Dr. Pugh said in a statement. PBIS stands for: "Positive Behavior Incentive System."

"I wanted my students to experience something positive. I wanted them to see and experience our community in a different light." PBIS emphasizes motivation, self-esteem, team building, perseverance, and creates future entrepreneurs. It's a reward for students who are progressing on the right track. The behavior system is used school-wide. In addition to lunch, the students' trip included a ride in a stretch limo. The students were also provided lessons in etiquette. The students held fundraisers to pay for the lunch with the help of their parents. Dr. Pugh thanked her family, the parents of the students, and friends for supporting the event. She also thanked the Community Journal, photographer Yvonne Kemp, Xpress Copy, Inc., Milwaukee Times, V100 FM radio and its personality Bailey Coleman, Garfield 502, Frances Starns DLC, Northwest Funeral Chapel, Paradise Memorial Funeral Home, Leon Williams Funeral Home, Feerick Funeral Home, and Reid's New Golden Gate Funeral Home. Dr. Pugh also thanks Goody Gourmet Popcorn, and Terrell Thompson Caterers. —Photo by Yvonne Kemp



Photo courtesy of This Little Light 1965.wordpress.com

How dangerous are the germs at your child's daycare?

Article courtesy of Global News via "The Rundown"

Disinfectant wipes may be some parents' best friend. Whether it's on the playground or at home, it's not uncommon to see parents run after their kids with wipes in an effort at preventing their little ones from getting sick.

But just how dirty are the places where your kids play?

It's no secret kids are little germ factories, microbiologist Jason Tetro says, so there's bound to be germs floating around in places like playground and daycares - and even in one's home.

"Daycares are essentially Petri plates," Tetro says. "You're definitely going to get a spread of different types of microbes."

This is largely due to kids not having figured out how to prevent the spread of germs, Tetro explains. For example, adults know to cover their mouths when they cough - children may not.

Adults also know how to wash their hands properly after they use the washroom - kids, not so much.

Because of this, Tetro says, you're going to have quite a bit of fecal coliform lying around. Other likely germs and pathogens you'll have that could potentially cause disease are things like Staphylococcus aureus for the skin, Klebsiella pneumoniae (which is usually found in urinary tract infections), streptococcus pyogenes (which can cause fever and is like a group A strep) and E. coli.

Growing Up with Neglect

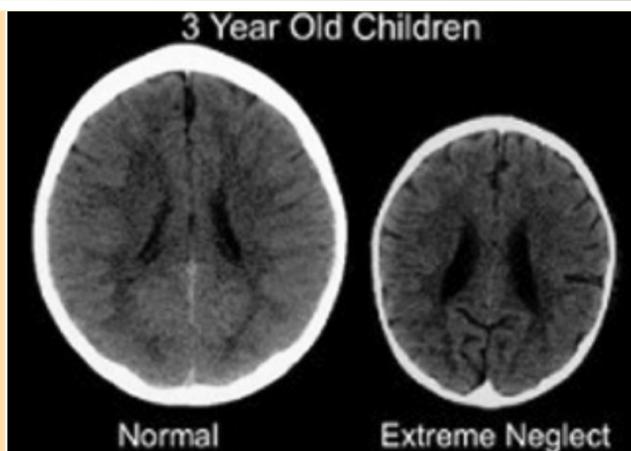
It is no surprise that many people are unaware that everything that has potential to damage a child's growing brain, is not necessarily physical. Sometimes, children suffer emotional damage that will eventually affect them for the rest of their lives.

Take a look at the picture above. This image from the Child Trauma Academy led by Bruce D Perry, MD, PhD, is frequently used to demonstrate the physical impacts of neglect on a child's brain.

The picture is of the brains of two three-year-olds. Neurologists who have studied the brain found that the brain on the right, lacks some of the most important fundamentals that the child with the brain on the right will have.

Initially, you would assume that some medical condition has caused such dramatic difference in the brains above, but that is simply not the case.

The reason for the difference in the brains is the way they were treated by their mothers. The child with the much more fully developed brain was shown love, care, affection and compassion. The mother for this child more than likely paid more attention to the needs of this child and made sure that



she kept the best interest of her child. The brain on the left, received little to know attention or affection. This child was neglected and abused.

Can you believe that the growth of a baby's brain literally requires positive interaction between mother and infant? Professor Allan Schore says the development of the cerebral circuits depends on it.

Professor also points out that if a baby is not treated properly in the first

two years of life, the genes for various aspects of brain function, including intelligence, cannot operate and may not even come into existence.

Andrea Leadsom, the Conservative MP for South Northamptonshire, agrees. She is a passionate advocate of early intervention programs.

"I know they work because I have seen them in operation", she says. "I helped to run an early intervention centre in Oxford, one of the first early intervention programmes in England.

I have helped to institute such programmes in Northamptonshire. I can bear witness to the astonishing benefits."

discovery has enormous implications for social policy. It explains two very persistent features of our society. One is the way that chronic disadvantage reproduces itself across generations of the same families. There is a cycle of deprivation - lack of educational attainment, persistent unemployment, poverty, addiction, crime - which, once a family is in it, has proved almost impossible to break.

The way that the development of a child's brain is dependent on the way that the child is treated by its mother explains why this depressing cycle happens. Parents who, because their parents neglected them, do not have fully developed brains, neglect their own children in a similar way: their own children's brains suffer from the same lack of development that blighted their own lives. They, too, are likely to fail at school, to be liable to get addicted to drugs, to be unable to hold down a job, and to have a propensity to violence. (The Telegraph, 2017).



Did You Know?

Black preschoolers are 3.6 times more likely to receive one or more out-of-school suspensions than white preschoolers.

NATIONAL BLACK CHILD DEVELOPMENT WEEK TO FOSTER MORE EQUITY AND ACTION AROUND CRITICAL ISSUES FACING BLACK CHILDREN

Continued Focus on Disproportionate Expulsions and Suspensions of Black Preschoolers Jumpstarts the Week

(Black PR Wire) SILVER SPRING, MD – With one of the greatest civil rights issues of our time at the forefront – the preschool-to-prison pipeline among young Black students -- the NBCDI, Inc., will host its annual National Black Child Development Week (NBCDW) from May 14 -18. Reaching communities across the nation, NBCDW 2018 is a time of national awareness, collective action and community mobilization against the most critical issues of the day for Black children.

Delivering on the Promise, NBCDI's national campaign to address the rising rates of suspensions and expulsions in early childhood education, serves as the centerpiece along with local Community of Practice coverings, the worldwide premiere of our Delivering on the Promise video featuring Senator Cory Booker and other local activities and events.

"National Black Child Development Week is always an important time for us," said Tobeka G. Green, NBCDI president & CEO. "While we're working tirelessly to advance our mission every day, NBCDW is a unified moment in time when the entire country celebrates Black children's brilliance and resilience and mobilizes in lock-step to tackle the most pressing issues impacting Black children's educational attainment and overall well-being."

NBCDI WEEK IN FOCUS

Themed "The Movement Continues," and hosted during the anniversary of Brown v. Board of Education each year, NBCDW features:

- **Monday, May 14 --** Delivering on the Promise National Partners Launch: NBCDI officially welcomes more than a dozen new and longstanding national partners who are supporting NBCDW and have joined the Delivering on the Promise Campaign to the fight for the elimination of suspensions and expulsions in early childhood education.

The worldwide premiere of NBCDI's Delivering on the Promise video featuring Senator Cory Booker is scheduled at Noon.

- **Tuesday/Wednesday, May 15 & 16 --** Delivering on the Promise National Days of Action: NBCDI Delivering on the Promise Communities of Practice will host events in cities across the country designed to mobilize their communities in eliminating the preschool-to-prison pipeline.

Look for town hall meetings, legislative briefings, family engagement seminars and Facebook Live panels. To attend or learn more, email jspeed@nbcidi.org.

- **Thursday, May 17 --** NBCDI Think Babies™ Webinar: NBCDI will announce its partnership with ZERO TO THREE's Think Babies™ campaign created to advance infant-toddler policy priorities. Attendees will learn more about NBCDI's commitment to ensuring Black infants, toddlers and families have equitable access to effective and practical resources needed for them to thrive from birth.

- **Friday, May 18 -- Media Day:** NBCDI takes over the Internet to amplify its programs and policy initiatives that are improving and advancing the quality of life for Black children and families through education and advocacy. Check for special Blogs, Black Parenting Magazine Podcast, educational social media infographics and more.

- **Saturday, May 20 --** NBCDI National Affiliate Network Community Day of Action: Nationwide, Affiliates will culminate NBCDW by hosting activities customized to the needs of Black children and families in their communities. Health fairs, community fairs, book drives, Black fatherhood events and film screenings take center stage.

For more information on NBCDW or its programs and policy initiatives, visit www.nbcidi.org. For media inquiries contact Jemia Kinsey at taylor@taylorcommunicationsgroup.com.

ABOUT NATIONAL BLACK CHILD DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE, INC.:

Established in 1970, the National Black Child Development Institute (NBCDI) is a national nonprofit organization with a mission "to improve and advance the quality of life for Black children and families through education and advocacy." With our National Affiliate Network, we develop and deliver strengths-based, culturally-relevant, evidence-based, and trauma-informed curricula and programs focused on health and wellness, family engagement, and early literacy. We also support increased access to effective education by providing professional development scholarships to early childhood educators.

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—Tobeka G. Green, NBCDI president & CEO.



Organ transplant patient meets Packers' Randall Cobb

Green Bay Packers receiver Randall Cobb got the tables turned on him while visiting organ transplant patients at Froedtert and the Medical College of Wisconsin. A transplant recipient Darrin Reasby surprised the Packer receiver with a Lambeau Field cake and the fact it will be one year on June 9 when he received a donated heart. Cobb is an organ donation awareness advocate. Last month was National Donate Life Month. Reasby is putting his new lease on life to good use, helping kids, fashion design and baking.

—Photo by Yvonne Kemp



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Volunteers, 15 Community Groups Collaborate for Inaugural, Large-Scale Cleanup of Harambee Neighborhood

Volunteers and community leaders are coming together Saturday, May 19 for an inaugural cleanup of 160 city blocks within the Harambee neighborhood in Milwaukee. This is the first community cleanup of this magnitude in Harambee, and organizers hope to have 1,500 volunteers in place for the event.

The Inaugural Harambee Community Cleanup will take place from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, May 19 to clean up the neighborhood from North Holton Street west to Interstate 43 and West North Avenue north to West Capitol Drive. Free food, family-friendly games, networking and fellowship opportunities will be available to volunteers. In addition, volunteers will receive free t-shirts, cleanup tools, and coupons for area businesses.

Safe & Sound, WestCare Wisconsin, neighborhood block clubs, a coalition of Harambee churches and pastors, area schools, and community organizations and businesses collaborated in the planning and preparation of the inaugural cleanup.

Safe & Sound, which works to unite residents, youth, law enforcement and community resources to build safe and empowered neighborhoods, helped recruit volunteers to help clean the blocks from West Burleigh Street south to East Center Street, and North Holton Street west to Interstate 43.

"The cleanup of the Harambee neighborhood is one of many positive steps being taken to revitalize this vibrant and critical Milwaukee community," said Adrian

Spencer, Drug-Free Communities Manager of Safe & Sound. "This event also touches the heart of our mission by creating an opportunity for neighbors to come out of their homes and connect with one another while they beautify the physical surroundings of this neighborhood they call home."

WestCare Wisconsin, located in the Harambee Community Center at 335 W. Wright St., helped notify Harambee residents of the event, recruited volunteers, and organized key event-day logistics. WestCare Wisconsin provides services and programming for men and women facing drug and alcohol addictions.

"We are in the community and committed to its vitality," said Elizabeth M. Coggs, Regional Vice President of WestCare Wisconsin. "The neighborhood cleanup will be a powerful demonstration of the word Harambee, which means 'pull together.'"

Alderwoman Milele Coggs and leaders from 5Points Neighborhood Association, Aurora Health Care, Bell Ambulance, the City of Milwaukee (including police and fire departments), Historic King Drive Business Improvement District, Johnson Bank, Keep Greater Milwaukee Beautiful, Pete's Fruit Market, Riverworks Development Corporation, Running Rebels, Waste Management, and Wisconsin Community Services have also been instrumental in the preparation and execution of the May 19 cleanup.

"This is an initiative led by the individuals of all ages who live in this neighborhood," said Frank Cumberbatch, vice president of engagement for Bader Philanthropies, which provided funding for the nonprofit organizations that organized the cleanup. "Our community partners are the connective tissue of the Harambee neighborhood, which is evident in the little and big things they are doing to mobilize people and resources."

An after party will take place at Clinton Rose Park, 3045 N. Doctor M.L.K. Dr., from noon to 4 p.m. following the cleanup. For more information, interested volunteers can call 414-224-6470 ext. 131 or email HarambeeCleanup@gmail.com.



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McDonald, Sylvia L.
Age 90 yrs. April 21, 2018. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, April 28, 2018 at 11AM. Visitation Saturday 10AM until time of services at:

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Carr, Leotis Jr.
Age 63 yrs. April 17, 2018. Funeral services will be held on Friday, April 27, 2018 at 11AM at Metropolitan Baptist Church 1345 W. Burleigh St. Visitation Friday 10AM at the CHURCH until time of services. The family is served by:

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PERSPECTIVES

MCJ EDITORIAL

Waffle House incidents remind us (again) what to do (or not do) when “living while Black”

There are two lessons to be learned from the latest Waffle House incident in which a “police” officer was videotaped using Gestapo-type tactics against an unarmed Black teenager:

First, racist police officers continue to advertise their presence in cities big and small, north and south, across the country. They are apparently emboldened by a judicial system that exonerates them in all but a few high profile cases, and the general public’s perception that the boys in blue are always justified in their overly aggressive treatment of Black men.

Even in an era when almost every citizen is armed with the technology to record wrong doing, rogue cops seem oblivious to public scrutiny, contributing to African Americans’ resentment, distrust and fear of those sworn to protect and serve us.

The latest Waffle House incident was a prime example. Occurring just a few weeks after an avowed racist killed four Black diners (before being stopped by a brave Black customer) and two weeks after police used excessive force to restrain a Black woman—exposing her breasts in the process—last week’s incident was preceded by an argument between a tuxedo clad teenager and a store employee.

Apparently embellished by a growing tsunami of racism across the country, the employee quickly called police.

A burly “officer of the law” responded and within moments relied on despicable and ruthless tactics to subdue the non-threatening Black teen who had just escorted his young sister to a high school prom. Recorded by a passerby whose cries for restraint went unanswered, the officer choked the teenager before throwing him to the ground.

The second lesson is to parents: If you haven’t already, tell you sons not to engage police under any circumstance. Instruct them to be polite, not to argue, roll their eyes, or reach for anything real or imagined. Do not give the police any reason to become aggressive.

If you have a complaint, keep it to yourself until you are safe.

If stopped in a vehicle, put your hands on the steering wheel, turn on your interior lights and clearly announce any movement. Also, turn your cell phone on record or video and place it on the dashboard—before the officers approaches your car.

Your son or daughter may very well have right on their side. But if nothing else, American history has taught us that being legally or morally right does not always translate to immediate victory. Sometimes you have to put your emotions (and your pride) on the back burner until you’re safely away from the fire.

“Colored” or “N-word,” which would you choose?

Which would you rather be called: “colored,” or a “nigger”?

I grew up being called colored and didn’t take offense. But nigger? I detest the word whether it comes from a racist, a brother, sister, or even a “colored” person.

Most of us battle-fatigued civil rights soldiers feel the same way.

Conversely, many recipients of our campaigns—including many liberal “massas”—think “colored” is not only outdated, but ranks up with “coon” and “Kaffir” (which is White South African Afrikans for the “nigger”) as an offensive, racist adjective.

The liberal media in Huntington Beach, California has been on a tear and in full cavalier mode over a local school board member’s reference to Black folks as “colored.”

One headline in the Orange County Weekly newspaper called the remarks by Gracey Van Der Mark “bigoted.”

Van Der Mark defended using the adjective—or is it a noun?—colored in a YouTube video, noting that the NAACP is an acronym for “National Association for the Advancement of ‘Colored’ People”.

She has a point. Sort of.

But you have to take Van Der Mark’s comment in context.

Her remarks came as an Alt-Right, neo-racist public official barged into a “white privilege workshop” held in Santa Monica, and charged that the meeting was organized by Jewish seniors who had “duped” Black people into staging the session.

According to Van Der Mark, Jews have historically “used” African Americans to do their bidding, pushing us to advance civil rights crusades that will benefit them more than us.

I won’t get into a debate about that accusation. I will note, however, that Jews and African Americans share a history of victimization by global oppression. The cloud of bigotry has fallen evenly on our ethnicities.

Four million Jews were murdered by Hitler, and an untold number escaped to America only to face another form of bigotry by so-called WASPs who viewed them through the same lens as their German persecutors.

Upwards of eight million (let me spell that out 8,000,000) Africans were killed during the Maaafa (the transatlantic sojourn from the Motherland to hell, aka America), and during the worse form of slavery known to mankind. Those who survived (not to be appreciated by “Con-ye” West) found themselves lynched, bar-be-cued or disemboweled as the adoring crowds called them niggers.

It’s true, Jews were involved in the formation of the NAACP, and some say they were in leadership positions.

If that means they “used” us, so be it. But I don’t think anyone could have



SIGNIFYIN’

By Mikel Kwaku Oshi Holt

led W.E.B. Dubois or Ida B. Wells, co-founders who put the civil rights organization on the map.

Obviously, not all Jews were in our corner, and some had ties to the same system of apartheid that limited opportunities for both of us, but there were also many Jewish Americans who marched beside us in the various civil rights battles. Dozens of Jewish Americans died for voting rights and during the freedom bus rides to challenge Jim Crow and American Apartheid (maybe that word Apartheid should begin with a small “a”).

The last two decades have witnessed strained relations with Jews, some of it linked to their hatred for Minister Louis Farrakhan and Barack Obama, Black leaders idolized by many African Americans.

Yet, no one can deny that most Black leaders, particularly politicians and the heads of civil rights organizations, have no problem sharing a bed with Jews (although many will say they are not under the covers).

The reality is that they support civil rights and political organizations when we have not.

So, from that perspective, they have influenced our agenda. Don’t like it? Change the paradigm by supporting something besides barbershops, the church and the dope man.

But the focus of this column is not on our relationship with Jews, but instead about whether the adjective “colored” is offensive.

Most folks my age grew up “colored” and “Negro.” I don’t remember my parents or grandparents ever taking offense to being called either one. But nigger, on the other hand...

Some of us have made colored and Negro offensive, as if being outdated implies irrelevancy or negativity. Many of us have linked those adjectives/nouns to an era of overt oppression, as if apartheid and bigotry ended with the Civil Rights Act. Strangely, some folks believe Negro has the same meaning as nigger.

In fact, I’ve written about the reactions I have received when I wear one of my “Not a House Negro” tee shirts. The implication is that since I don’t refer to myself or anyone else as a nigger, that “Negro” is a kinder, gentler way of saying it. Kinda like the term, “n” word, a universally accepted way

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URBAN MY DIALOGUE



By Torre “ToeJoe” Johnson

The Watered Seed

Today, I am thankful for the yesterdays because those days paved the way for me today. I am getting older, but I believe I have a lot more to accomplish and achieve. My dreams are clearer and a lot more manageable. My responsibilities are much easier to accept, as well as, deal with. I am a long way from that little boy who had a parent but was orphaned at heart.

Everyone used to say, “It will be okay,” but it’s so much easier for another person to say that when they’re not sharing your pain. It took me first, to forgive myself, forgiving others, and to love myself before I could love anyone else.

Today, I point out things of importance, when it comes to life issues. I love to focus on what I, myself, and others can do to recognize, opposed to avoiding the many obstacles that are placed in our lives. Today, I work towards rebuilding or replacing. I work towards helping others to stop the constant blaming for faults of their own.

I’ve learned the blame game will have you stuck in one place. That place is: never accomplishing anything or ever winning a race. Now I don’t jump high for joy every day, but I am thankful that I can continue my journey. Life is how we chose to live it. I also learned that the hard way.

If you are being forced to live life differently than how your heart desires, then it’s up to you to change it. Often, I hear a whisper saying, “You’re doing all this for others. What about yourself?” I believe that whisper is a cool self reminder that if you do not take care of yourself, you will not be able to help anyone else. Self-reflection, as well as, self-inventorying is needed.

I do it regularly, because at one time, it wasn’t important to me. Now, I have a need to know who I am and who I must remain to become what I want. I am now my own role model ‘The watered seed.’ As always, I must thank everyone that listens, advises and encourages me. You are my strengths and I will love you all the way to the end and then even after that. Peace.

—Torre M Johnson Sr/ XMEN UNITED LLC

MILLENNIAL MAGIC



By Paishance Welch

For the better outcome of your child

There are a few things to remember

From conception, to birth Your child is growing and getting bigger

As caregivers or parents Love and affection go a long way

The little things change the course of their lives Like a hug and kiss a day

Trauma and stress will affect their little brains

More than you can imagine Brains develop over time Through environment interaction

Such unfortunate issues Can cause psychological problems

Complex and chronic trauma are life changing situations

And it’s often hard to solve them

The consequences of abuse and neglect Are cruel and far from pure

Children who experience this Are more likely to be insecure

They may become aloof And not very social Other developmental is-

sues include that of: Physical, psychological, and emotional

Your three-year-old will soon grow fast The next number, being four

One nurturing gesture can never hurt So, give a little more

Your efforts will surely travel

They will go a long way In your growing child’s world

Each and everyday The positive outcomes of nurturing and loving your child

Will help prevent the negative tides

Alcohol, drug abuse and learning difficulties And even youth suicides

While the unforeseen future

Is an unknown event Strong, positive meaningful relationships

Issues, these things can help prevent

Your child is growing Together you should live, laugh and love

Always be the positive influence

As your little one grows up!

—Paishance Welch

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SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 18CV003671

In the matter of the name change of VIRGIL HAMMOND JR. By (Petitioner) VIRGIL HAMMOND JR. NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: VIRGIL HAMMOND JR. To: VIRGIL HAMMOND III Birth Certificate: VIRGIL HAMMOND JR. IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. CLARE L. FIORENZA ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: JUNE 13, 2018 TIME: 8:30 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: 4-27-18 BY THE COURT: HON. CLARE L. FIORENZA Circuit Court Judge 018-139/5-18-25/6-1-2018

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE OF MOTION AND MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM JUDGMENT Case Number 2017PA2843

JOIYA RALONDA JOHNSON PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER VS. ROBERT E. WALLACE DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT

Notice of Motion and Motion for: Relief from Judgment based on Wis.Stat. 806.07 To: Joiya Ralonda Johnson 5969 N. 60th St. Milwaukee, WI 53209 414-236-0530

You are hereby notified that Robert E Wallace, pro se, will ask the court for the following orders: 1) Reopen the judgment of 02/28/2018 due to excusable neglect and other reasons justifying relief from the judgment according to Wis. Stat. 806.07 (a) and (h). 2) Change primary placement to be with father, set a specific placement schedule for J.R.J. to spend time with both parents (including holidays), and change child's last name to Wallace (father's last name).

A hearing will be held on this request as follows: DATE: 6/27/18 TIME: 8:30 AM PLACE: Room 513, Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 North 9th Street Milwaukee, WI 53233 BEFORE: Paul Van Grunsven, Circuit Court Judge If you object to this motion, you need to appear and say so. Otherwise, the court may proceed without you and grant the request. The reason(s) for my motion are: I respectfully ask the court to reopen this judgment, change primary placement to be with father, set a specific placement order for our child (including holidays), and change the child's last name to Wallace.

1) I ask that you reopen due to excusable neglect according to Wis. Stat. 806.07 (1)(a). I arrived to the Courthouse complex with time to spare before my hearing. I was not aware of how long it actually takes to go through security and spent a significant time in line and being cleared before I could enter the building. I arrived to the courtroom in enough time that the order and CCAP entry were changed to indicate that I arrived. The Child Support Attorney then had time to give me a hard copy of my order, which is attached. I argue that it is excusable neglect to not understand how long the security lines can be, or if even all the security lines are open on a particular day. I would have been present if it were not for the security entrance waiting time.

2) I ask that you reopen the judgment due to other reasons justifying relief from the operation of the judgment according to Wis Stat 806.07(1)(h). When the Child Support Attorney gave me the order, I was told that I had the ability to see my child whenever I wanted as long as I call the child's mother, because my placement order was "reasonable times upon reasonable notice." This order

is not working in its operation, because the child's mother is not returning my texts or calls requesting placement time. When she is angry, she ignores me and my requests to spend time with our child. Additionally, the child's mother has four other children who have been removed from her care and are living with their fathers because of her neglect. She is also not following through what she is to do to have the children returned to her. Therefore, I ask the court to order primary placement with me and to set a schedule for the mother to see the child, including holidays. (Proposed Parenting Plan to be filed.) I also ask the court to order the child's last name to be Wallace, which is his father's last name.

Dated this 13th day of March, 2018 ROBERT E. WALLACE 4211 W. Kaul Avenue Milwaukee, WI 53209 414-737-2349 018-138/5-18-25/6-1-2018

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 18CV3160

In the matter of the name change of: CURTIS JOHN GRANBERG By (Petitioner) CURTIS JOHN GRANBERG NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: CURTIS JOHN GRANBERG To: CURTIS JOHN STARK Birth Certificate: CURTIS JOHN GRANBERG IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. MARSHALL B. MURRAY ROOM 208 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: JUNE 20, 2018 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: 5-9-18 BY THE COURT: HON. MARSHALL B. MURRAY Circuit Court Judge 018-137/5-18-25/6-1-2018

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 18CV004026

In the matter of the name change of: LINDA HYNDMAN MESIROW By (Petitioner) LINDA HYNDMAN MESIROW NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: LINDA HYNDMAN MESIROW To: LINDA ELLEN MERSIROW Birth Certificate: LINDA ELLEN HYNDMAN IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. TIMOTHY WITKOWIAK ROOM 415 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: JUNE 26, 2018 TIME: 9:45 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: 5-10-18 BY THE COURT: HON. TIMOTHY WITKOWIAK Circuit Court Judge 018-136/5-18-25/6-1-2018

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 18CV004064

In the matter of the name change of: TAUTIANNA VERONICA STRINGER By (Petitioner) TAUTIANNA VERONICA STRINGER NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: TAUTIANNA VERONICA STRINGER To: TAUTIANNA VERONICA STRINGER-EL Birth Certificate: TAUTIANNA VERONICA STRINGER IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. TIMOTHY WITKOWIAK ROOM 415 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: JUNE 28, 2018 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: 5-11-18 BY THE COURT: HON. TIMOTHY WITKOWIAK Circuit Court Judge 018-135/5-18-25/6-1-2018

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY DIVORCE-40101 Case No. 17FA009176

In Re: The marriage of Petitioner: SHIRLEY BLAIR and Respondent: JAMES PATTON 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 to SHIRLEY BLAIR 5326 W BURNHAM ST 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 40 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 414-278-5362 at least 10 working days prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

DATE: 2-1-2018 By: SHIRLEY BLAIR 018-134/5-18-25/6-1-2018

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 18CV003969

In the matter of the name change of: KAI BRIAN STOCKLAND By (Petitioner) KAITLYN MARIE HOLZMAN NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: KAI BRIAN STOCKLAND To: KAI BRIAN HOLZMAN Birth Certificate: KAI BRIAN STOCKLAND 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: JUNE 19, 2018 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: 5-9-18 BY THE COURT: HON. STEPHANIE G. ROTHSTEIN Circuit Court Judge 018-132/5-11-18-25-2018

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT SMALL CLAIMS Case No. 18SC008537

PLAINTIFF: AYESH REAL ESTATE LLC 3340 RIVER MEADOWS COURT FRANKLIN, WI 53132 Vs To: Defendant(s): GERVEL WILLIAMS DBA MR. BARBECUE 8322 W LINCOLN AVE MILWAUKEE, WI 53219 If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 414-985-5757 at least 10 working days prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation. Claim for Money (\$10,000 or less) 31001

TO THE DEFENDANT(S): You are being sued as described below. If you wish to dispute this matter: You must appear at the time and place stated. If you do not appear or answer, the plaintiff may win this case and a judgment entered for what the plaintiff is asking.

When to Appear/File an Answer Date: MAY 30, 2018 Time: 8:30 A.M. Place to Appear/File and Answer: Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N 9th Street, Room 400 Milwaukee, WI 53233 Clerk/Attorney Signature: JOHN BARRETT Plaintiff's Demand: The plaintiff states the following claim against the defendant(s): 1. Plaintiff demands judgment for: Claim for Money \$5,416.00 2. Brief statement of dates and facts: (If this is an eviction action and you are seeking money damages, you must also state that on this form.) Owes the amount of \$5,416.00 for back rent late fee. Atty charges and damages.

See attached for additional information. 1. \$1,800.00 Balance Forward as of 07/01/2017 2. Rent for July 2017 \$1,250.00 includes late fees 3. Rent for August 2017 \$1,250.00 includes late fees 4. Plumbing repair \$650.00 on or about 09/05/2017 5. Electrical repairs \$192.00 on or about 09/05/2017

Verification: Under oath, I state that the above complaint is true, except as those matters stated upon information and belief and as to those mat-

ters, I believe them to be true. I am: Plaintiff. AYESH REAL ESTATE LLC PLAINTIFF'S TELEPHONE NUMBER 414-412-6715 Dated: 2-27-2018 018-131/5-11-18-25-2018

In the matter of the name change of: VANITY NOELANI BOYD By (Petitioner) ASHLEE UNIQUE BOYD NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: VANITY NOELANI BOYD To: VANITY NOELANI FIELDS Birth Certificate: VANITY NOELANI BOYD IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. MARY E. TRIGGIANO ROOM 412 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: JULY 10, 2018 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: 5-8-18 BY THE COURT: HON. MARY E. TRIGGIANO Circuit Court Judge 018-130/5-11-18-25-2018

PLAINTIFF: GALE V KIDD 1567 N PROSPECT AVE, APT 403 MILWAUKEE, WI 53202 Vs DEFENDANT: MARVA L BIRD 2100 W PIERCE ST APT 425 MILWAUKEE, WI 53204

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 18CV003922

In the matter of the name change of: VANITY NOELANI BOYD By (Petitioner) ASHLEE UNIQUE BOYD NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: VANITY NOELANI BOYD To: VANITY NOELANI FIELDS Birth Certificate: VANITY NOELANI BOYD IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. MARY E. TRIGGIANO ROOM 412 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: JULY 10, 2018 TIME: 10:00 AM

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SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY DIVORCE-40101 Case No. 18FA000179

In Re: The marriage of Petitioner: MARISSA MALDONADO and Respondent: ALEJANDRO MALDONADO 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 to MARISSA MALDONADO 2402 S 19TH ST MILWAUKEE, WI 53215.

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 40 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.

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(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 414-278-5362 at least 10 working days prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

DATE: 5-8-2018 By: MARISSA MALDONADO 018-129/5-11-18-25-2018

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY PUBLICATION SUMMONS AND NOTICE LARGE CLAIMS 30701 Case No. 18CV001780

PLAINTIFF: GALE V KIDD 1567 N PROSPECT AVE, APT 403 MILWAUKEE, WI 53202 Vs DEFENDANT: MARVA L BIRD 2100 W PIERCE ST APT 425 MILWAUKEE, WI 53204

PUBLICATION SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF FILING

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN TO the Defendant: You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you.

Within (40) days after 5-11-18, you must respond with a written demand for a copy of the complaint. The demand must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is 901 N 9th St, Milwaukee, WI 53233, and to plaintiff, Gale V. Kidd, whose address is above. You may have an attorney help or represent you..

If you do not demand a copy of the complaint within (40) days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the complaint. 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 also may be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Plaintiff/Attorney Gale Kidd Plaintiff's/Attorney's Telephone Number 912-508-5676 Date: 5-7-18 018-128/5-11-18-25-2018

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 18CV003289

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DATE: 12-4-2017
 By: JANAYA LEE
 018-125/5-4-11-18-2018

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 18CV003159

In the matter of the name change of: MARI'ELLE MALCOLM KING HASKINS

By (Petitioner) MICHELLE KING-DIXON

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
 A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
 From: MARI'ELLE MALCOLM KING HASKINS To: AMARION LEE KING-DIXON
 Birth Certificate: MARI'ELLE MALCOLM KING HASKINS
 IT IS ORDERED:
 This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
 Judge's Name: HON. TIMOTHY WITKOWIAK
 ROOM 415 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233
 DATE: MAY 25, 2018 TIME: 9:45 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:
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 Dated: 4-10-18
 BY THE COURT:
 HON. TIMOTHY WITKOWIAK
 Circuit Court Judge
 018-124/5-4-11-18-2018

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 18CV001589

In the matter of the name change of: GABRIEL RAY FIELDS

By (Petitioner) GABRIEL RAY FIELDS
 NOTICE IS GIVEN:
 A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
 From: GABRIEL RAY FIELDS To: GABRIEL FORTUNE
 Birth Certificate: GABRIEL RAY FIELDS
 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: MAY 21, 2018 TIME: 4:00 PM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:
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Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
 Dated: 2-23-18
 BY THE COURT:
 HON. REBECCA F. DALLET
 Circuit Court Judge
 018-123/5-4-11-18-2018

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 18CV003643

In the matter of the name change of: JOLEEN MARIE CVIKEL

By (Petitioner) JOLEEN MARIE CVIKEL
 NOTICE IS GIVEN:
 A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
 From: JOLEEN MARIE CVIKEL To: JOLEEN MARIE BREWER
 Birth Certificate: JOLEEN MARIE

IT IS ORDERED:
 This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
 Judge's Name: HON. MARSHALL B. MURRAY
 ROOM 208 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233
 DATE: MAY 31, 2018 TIME: 11:30 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:
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NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 18CV003600

In the matter of the name change of: JOVONNI FONSI

By (Petitioner) JOVONNI FONSI
 NOTICE IS GIVEN:
 A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
 From: JOVONNI FONSI To: DIONISIO MOYET III
 Birth Certificate: DIONISIO MOYET III
 IT IS ORDERED:
 This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
 Judge's Name: HON. MARSHALL B. MURRAY
 ROOM 208 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233
 DATE: MAY 31, 2018 TIME: 11:30 AM

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 Dated: 4-26-18
 BY THE COURT:
 HON. MARSHALL B. MURRAY
 Circuit Court Judge
 018-122/5-4-11-18-2018

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 18CV002781

In the matter of the name change of: ALYONA SCARLETTE VELASCO-GARCIA

By (Petitioner) ELLIE JEAN RAYMER and By (Co-Petitioner) CODY EARL CARRASCO
 NOTICE IS GIVEN:
 A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
 From: ALYONA SCARLETTE VELASCO-GARCIA To: ALYONA SCARLETTE CARRASCO
 Birth Certificate: ALYONA SCARLETTE VELASCO-GARCIA
 IT IS ORDERED:
 This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
 Judge's Name: HON. MARSHALL B. MURRAY
 ROOM 208 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233
 DATE: MAY 31, 2018 TIME: 2:30 PM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:
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Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
 Dated: 4-25-18
 BY THE COURT:
 HON. ELLEN BROSTROM
 Circuit Court Judge
 018-119/5-4-11-18-2018

LISSE
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: JUNE 20, 2018 TIME: 10:00 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:
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 Dated: 4-25-18
 BY THE COURT:
 HON. STEPHANIE ROTHSTEIN
 Circuit Court Judge
 018-121/5-4-11-18-2018

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 18CV003563

In the matter of the name change of: OLIVIA FAYE PEREZ

By (Petitioner) OLIVIA FAYE PEREZ
 NOTICE IS GIVEN:
 A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
 From: OLIVIA FAYE PEREZ To: OLIVIA FAYE MORRIS
 Birth Certificate: OLIVIA FAYE MORRIS
 IT IS ORDERED:
 This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
 Judge's Name: HON. ELLEN BROSTROM
 ROOM 413 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233
 DATE: MAY 31, 2018 TIME: 9:00 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:
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 Dated: 4-25-18
 BY THE COURT:
 HON. ELLEN BROSTROM
 Circuit Court Judge
 018-119/5-4-11-18-2018

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:
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Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
 Dated: 3-30-18
 BY THE COURT:
 HON. MARSHALL B. MURRAY
 Circuit Court Judge
 018-120/5-4-11-18-2018

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 18CV003563

In the matter of the name change of: OLIVIA FAYE PEREZ

By (Petitioner) OLIVIA FAYE PEREZ
 NOTICE IS GIVEN:
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 Birth Certificate: OLIVIA FAYE MORRIS
 IT IS ORDERED:
 This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
 Judge's Name: HON. ELLEN BROSTROM
 ROOM 413 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233
 DATE: MAY 31, 2018 TIME: 9:00 AM

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“Colored” or “N-word,” which would you choose?

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of getting past saying nigger. But I’ve always thought that was a stupid, redundant expression. That’s why I say “nigger,” because that’s not only the proper word, it’s the offensive expression of what I meant to say. And I say it loudly and often with all capital letters, because I don’t want to sugar coat a cancerous growth that is eating away at the core of our culture and humanity.

NIGGER, NIGGER, NIGGER. It doesn’t mean Black or African American. If it did, that means that Jesus the Christ is a NIGGER.

Offended?...Good.

By the way, for the ill-informed, my t-shirt refers to my being a “Field slave,” versus a “House slave.” This takes us to Lena Taylor and how her use of that negative expression has put her on the world stage.

State Senator Taylor has come under attack—ironically mostly from Whites—for calling a bank teller a “House nigger.” Oh, excuse me. She called the brother (a Black man) a “House Nigra,” as if that’s somehow different than nigger other than its ghettoization.

Many in the Black community have come to Lena’s defense, noting that the fiery politician used the term in a way that is acceptable in our community.

I’m not among that naïve and disingenuous segment.

Don’t get me wrong, I love me some Lena; I would go into battle with her anytime. I consider her to be among the few independent Black voices in politics, an elected official that puts her people before the party. Which is, in truth, why she was recently thrown off the powerful Joint Finance Committee last week.

The Democratic Party leadership supposedly took that unprecedented action based on a complaint from a former aide. But everybody except the Tooth Fairy knows the truth: It was orchestrated because Lena is a loud-mouthed, uppity “Field Slave” who wouldn’t stop complaining about racism and injustice, and, her party’s inability, or unwillingness to do anything about it.

That her dismissal coincided with the “House Nigger” comment was a Godsend for the Dems who tried to lump the two incidents together, assuming that negative publicity about Lena’s confrontation at the bank would provide them with cover.

Unfortunately, many Black folks were confused about whether the chicken or egg came first, and also linked the two incidents together.

But I’m not among them.

Lena was politically lynched supposedly for the staffing complaint. She deserves criticism for calling another “colored” person a nigger.

If you look in the mirror and see a nigger staring back at you, you’re still a slave, house or field. If you consider your brother, sister or mother a nigger, the chains have been moved from around your wrist to your head (meaning your brain—or mind—is still enslaved).

And if you’re not offended if I call Jesus a nigger, there is truly a hole in your soul.

Willie Lynch spelled it out in his manifesto about how to keep the slaves in place for 300 years.

Part of his recipe for maintaining obedience and a sense of subordination in his slaves—and their descendants—was to inject a subconscious cancer of self-hatred and inferiority into his subject: Teach them to hate each other, to denigrate themselves and each other, to cement their feet in the bloody ground of apartheid while standing under the shadow of slavery.

“Nigger,” or “nigga,” or “nigras,” or whatever you want to call Jesus, or Nat Turner, to Martin Luther King, or Malcolm X or your mama, keeps us in bondage.

Obviously, not all of y’all agree with me. Some of you believe you have changed the paradigm, and taken the hatred out of the adjective and recreated it as a noun of endearment.

Yeah, right. Tell me, which one of you will smile and befriend a racist who calls you a nigger?

I bet a dollar against a dime that if a White person (except for a liberal, who we’ve given a pass to along with the keys to the freedom train) calls you a nigger you will respond by putting your foot up that bigot’s behind. And chances are in Wisconsin you’d be justified because a judge once ruled nigger is a fighting word!

Conversely, I might look at a White person who calls me “colored” with curiosity. Or, I will accept it as an oversight if they are old, a Hillbilly or a member of the Trump family.

If it is meant in a disparaging way, I’ll probably laugh, or tell them I haven’t been colored since I was 10 years old. I might even call them one in return, explaining we are all colored—like the rainbow, exclusive of blue—and there is but one race, and it started off being Black, which in Spanish is spelled Negro.

Which takes me back to my original question. Which would you rather call Jesus?

Shem Hotep.

Moore joins activists in kick-off of state’s Poor People’s Campaign

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mothers and grandmothers at McKinley Beach.

Moore, a long-time advocate for victims of poverty, later participated in a rally along Lincoln Memorial Drive which officially launched the Poor Peoples Campaign here.

During the rally, Moore announced she will conduct a “Poverty Tour” that she and Congresswoman Barbara Lee will bring to the city on June 28.

On Monday, the Wisconsin Poor People’s Campaign joined protestors in 30 other state capitals across the nation and Washington D.C. in kicking-off the national campaign, engaging in civil disobedience to protest the suffering of mothers, children and disabled people who are victims of poverty.

The state’s rally attracted poor and disenfranchised people, clergy, advocates and activists came to Madison demanding government leaders on the state and federal level address what LaToya Emmer, Tri-Chair of the Wisconsin Poor People’s Campaign called “the nation’s immoralities.”

“We provide far too much money to our common defense, which is the main cause of our deficit,” Emmer said. “Yet, instead of promoting our general welfare, our leaders exploit the poor and disenfranchised — while robbing them of their blessings of liberty and disturbing their domestic tranquility — through discriminatory laws and militarizing the police in their communities in the name of ‘Justice.’”

“Those same leaders manipulate the lower and upper classes into thinking that they, the Poor and disenfranchised, are to blame for the nation’s debts.

However; we, the people, gave this country its power and it’s time we get that power back.”

In Wisconsin, about 40% of Wisconsinites are poor or low-income—a total of about 2.3 million residents. This includes about 34% of White people (1.5 million), 65% of people of color (704,000), 41% of women (1.2 million), and 51% of children (680,000).

Over 5,000 people are homeless. Working at the state minimum wage in 2017, it took 89 hours of work per week to afford a 2-bedroom apartment. Four hundred, fifteen thousand people are uninsured.

From 1979 to 2012, the income for the top one percent grew by 149%, while the income for the bottom 99% increased by only one percent.

Nationwide, about 40% of 53 cents of every federal discretionary dollar goes to military spending and only 15 cents is spent on anti-poverty programs.

This week, protests and other activities focused on child poverty, women in poverty and people with disabilities. Subsequent weeks will focus on systemic racism, veterans and the war economy, ecological devastation, inequality, and the nation’s distorted moral narrative.

At the conclusion of the 40 days, on June 23, poor people, clergy and advocates from Wisconsin and coast to coast will join together for a mass mobilization at the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C. It’s called a “Global Day of Solidarity and Call-to-Action Mass Rally. They’ll then return to their states to continue building the campaign, which is expected to be a multi-year effort.



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