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COPING WITH COVID-19

Greater New Birth Church ministers to community with drive-thru food pantry

Greater New Birth Church recently conducted a drive-thru food pantry distribution to help families struggling during the state-wide "stay-at-home" order due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The drive-thru food give-away was in the parking lot of Greater New Birth, 8237 W. Silver Spring Drive. Church members took the proper precautions wearing face masks and medical gloves as they handed out grocery bags of food. The church's goal was to give away food until there was no more to give. Greater New Birth Church is co-pastored by Bishop R. J. Burt and his wife, Pastor Patricia Burt.

—Photo by Yvonne Kemp



SIGNIFYIN'

By Mikel Kwaku Osei Holt

Death of Eugene Kane opens new paragraph in the history of Black advocacy journalism

The deaths of Milwaukee Journal Sentinel icons Eugene Kane and Greg Stanford (eerily in consecutive Aprils) may very well provide the opening paragraph in our African American history narrative focusing on the vital role of Black Advocacy journalism.

This under appreciated, but important chapter of Black history chronicles a unique element of the Civil Rights Movement, dating back to the Freedom's Journal in 1827.

Members of this unique fraternity of "Old School" Black Journalists, filled an essential fourth estate void as instruments of social change and advocates for Black equality and empowerment.

Appropriately, they (we) didn't enter the profession for fame or fortune, but instead to educate and inform.

Sadly, our membership has been dwindling steadily, not because



Eugene Kane

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Channel 12 anchor passes at 67

Retired WISN Channel 12 reporter and news anchor Mike Anderson passed Tuesday morning. See **PAGE FOUR** for a complete story.



Mike Anderson



STRONGER TOGETHER!

Cream City Medical Society members pass out face masks to community

Cream City Medical Society recently did their part to "flatten the curve" of the Coronavirus (also known as COVID-19) by handing out handmade face masks in front of the Midtown Pick n Save grocery store, 5700 W. Capitol Drive. Pictured at left is society member, Dr. Rene Settle-Robinson who handed a face mask to a Milwaukee police officer. Below members of the organization who helped hand out the masks to shoppers. The Cream City Medical Society is the first and only Milwaukee-based 501(c)(3) organization of Black physicians. It is a charter chapter of the National Medical Association, the nation's oldest, and largest association representing Black doctors.—Photos by Y. Kemp



THE LAST TO KNOW!

Former city health commissioner, Dr. Pat McManus, angry she wasn't told of settlement of suit against her and city by former staffer

By Thomas E. Mitchell, Jr.

Former Milwaukee Health Department Commissioner Dr. Patricia McManus wants to know why she wasn't notified of a settlement of a lawsuit against the city by a former department staffer who accused McManus of racial harassment.

The former staffer, Angela Hagy—who is White—filed the lawsuit against McManus during her tenure as health commissioner (February to September of 2018). McManus was sworn in as health commissioner several weeks after Bevan Baker resigned over revelations of failures in the childhood lead poisoning prevention program.

In the lawsuit, Hagy—who was director of disease control and environmental health with the department, which included oversight of



Dr. Patricia McManus

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Eugene Kane (far left) a retired columnist with the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, who died recently at age 63, with former Journal Sentinel colleague, columnist James Causey (center); and MCJ Associate Publisher and Signifyin' columnist Mikel Holt at an event sponsored by the Wisconsin Black Media Association, which represents African American journalists in print, television, radio, and online. —Photo courtesy of Holt

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Our mission has been fulfilled, but more so as a result of socioeconomic factors, and the emergence of social media as a suspect alternative to honest dialogue and ethnically sensitive analysis.

It's not a coincidence that as the corps of advocacy journalists has dwindled, the movement has stagnated, or has been taken over by special interests that call themselves "progressives."

In fact, there are only three "Old School Black Journalists" left in the entire state of Wisconsin—Thomas Mitchell, editor of the Community Journal; James Causey, a columnist with the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel; and myself, the writer of the column you're reading—and the elder spokesman.

That dispiriting reality should give pause to the civil rights community as well as the broader community whose racial views are tainted by propaganda and revisionist history.

Moreover, "Old School Black journalists" distinguish ourselves from mainstream contemporary journalists by the fact we offer another perspective, a view from the "field Negroes," whose voices have been muted by design.

We also differ from other journalists of color in that we view ourselves as being fated and inspired to stand at the vanguard of the Civil Rights Movement.

Members of our fraternity dedicated ourselves to the mantra of the Black Press: "We wish to plead our own cause."

Indeed, except for Eugene,

who died last week at the young age of 63, our local fraternity was grounded in the Black Press.

Greg and James began their careers at local Black newspapers (James started his journalistic career at the Community Journal).

Ironically, I started mine at the old Milwaukee Sentinel as a teenager, learning among other things that our cause wasn't just ignored; it was buried or misrepresented by propaganda merchants who used that paper to distort and sustain a system of American apartheid.

As fate would have it, each of us became columnists at our respective vehicles, focusing on Black issues and concerns.

Being a columnist not only provides individual freedom but autonomy of thought as well.

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the lead poisoning prevention program—claimed McManus gave preferential treatment to Black MHD staffers and removed her from being the manager of the lead abatement program, and disciplined her because she was White.

In a recent interview, McManus claimed she knew nothing of the settlement until a supporter of the organization McManus runs, Black Health Coalition of Wisconsin, called to inform her of what happened, having read about the settlement on a local online news service site.

"I really didn't expect this! I was shocked!" said McManus, who had been told by the City Attorney's office that they were prepared to fight Hagy's lawsuit.

Normally, racial bias cases brought by African American city employees against their White coworkers or supervisors languish seemingly forever before they are acted upon.

However, the lawsuit brought against McManus by Hagy was expedited quickly and resolved.

McManus was surprised the city would settle seemingly without a fight by its attorneys, and that the Common Council was so willing to approve the settlement. "I'm going to find out if I had a right to give my side," the former commissioner said. "I'm going to fight it."

Recently the Common Council—on the recommendation of the Judiciary and Legislation Committee—approved the settlement. Hagy was awarded \$30,000.

Ironically, the settlement was agreed upon before the April 7 election. Long-time City Attorney Grant Langley lost his reelection bid to Tearman Spencer.

In what may have been one of his last decisions as city attorney, Langley recommended the city settle Hagy's claim.

The Council's vote to settle the suit almost went along racial lines with the majority of White alderpersons (with the exception of Ald. Michael Murphy) voting to settle; and the majority of African American alderpersons (with the exception of Cavalier Johnson, who was elected by Common Council members president Tuesday—also along racial lines) voting to reject it.

Ald. Russell Stamper, II wanted to delay the vote until after Spencer was sworn in and he could re-

view the case.

But what disturbed McManus the most was that no one from Mayor Tom Barrett's office, nor Black Council members, called to inform her before-hand that Hagy's lawsuit would be heard and decided.

Of the Black council members who didn't call that McManus is particularly upset with are Council President Ashanti Hamilton—who wanted and persuaded McManus to be health commissioner—and Ald. Khalif Rainey, who represents the district where McManus lives.

McManus said she and her attorney, James Hall, will be sending a letter to the City Attorney's office demanding an explanation as to why she was not informed about the settlement or interviewed regarding the case.

"I thought the city was going to fight the suit," McManus claimed. "How can they do this and not tell me or give me a chance to give my side."

"This affects my reputation," McManus continued. "I'm not a racist. I can work with anybody."

McManus described Hagy as "very manipulative," with a need to control whatever she does, and will do whatever it takes to maintain that control.

In dealing with Hagy, the former health commissioner also learned she had a propensity to file complaints against other staffers who would question her whenever she would get facts wrong or mis-speak on data.

During her tenure with the health department, Hagy was in charge of the Keenan Sexual Health Clinic, located at 3200 N. 36th Street. McManus revealed Hagy—and those who worked under her—ran the clinic "like it was their own little company or independent entity."

McManus said she took disciplinary action against Hagy when she abruptly closed the Keenan Clinic after McManus discovered one of the nurses did not have the proper licensing/credentials to conduct certain examinations or training.

McManus stressed only the health commissioner can close a clinic.

McManus believes Hagy is upset that she has the discipline measure in her file; and wondered how Hagy got what she called a "glowing recommendation" for the job she now has in Tarrant County, Texas where she is the deputy director of public health.

McManus theorized Hagy has problems dealing with Black people who are equal or higher in status than she.

"She probably made sure she's at a department with very view—if any—Black people," she said.

Source for this story: UrbanMilwaukee.com

As COVID-19 continues to cause cancellation after cancellation, Black Arts Fest MKE announces the cancellation of its 2020 festival originally scheduled for Saturday, August 1, 2020.

This annual festival celebrates African American heritage, culture, and creativity as part of Milwaukee's long-standing tradition of ethnic festivals that take place at Henry Maier Festival Park. Final decision to cancel this year's festival comes after careful consideration of the mounting health concerns and community hardships arising from the COVID-19 crisis.

Although our community enjoys attending the festival, given the disproportionate rate that COVID-19 has affected African Americans, the board has made the difficult but responsible decision to cancel the festival for this year. "We appreciate the value of our annual gathering but prioritize our community's health and safety above all else," says Derek Tyus, chairman of BAFMKE's board of directors.

We recognize that the Safer at Home mandates may be removed by August but in the end, it is impossible to predict future mandates for large social gatherings in this time of health crisis and uncertainty.



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Our columns became weapons to expose, educate, and advocate.

While Tom and I threw rocks at the castle walls, our counterparts at the White/mainstream/majority media sought to operate from the inside.

Unlike other African American reporters, for whom writing was merely an occupation or vocation, we identified as “Black journalists,” proudly accepting the cultural implications that came with it. Which is not to diminish our hue-man colleagues at the White/mainstream/majority media. Their perspectives and vision, though seen through tinted cultural prisms, provided an important function.

But while their focus is on unbiased reporting, they often lobby management to present more features on Black life and our unique concerns.

Their roles often supplement the agenda of the Old Schoolers working for the Black Press, particularly at those mainstream/White/majority newspapers that view themselves as part of the status quo.

And let's not forget the so-called progressive publications like the Shepherd Express which can't seem to find “Black reporters,” but nonetheless feel comfortable dictating the Black agenda and “choosing” Black leadership.

In many respects, the Old Schoolers who work for the majority/mainstream/White press had it much harder than those of us working for the Black Press.

They also had to have thicker skin, if for no other reason than to shield themselves from the persistent onslaught of criticism from hostile readers.

They also frequently found (and still find at times) themselves at odds with newsroom policies and copy editors' hidden agenda or personal biases

Over the years, both Greg and Eugene expressed frustration when their “straight news stories” were fated to conform to the paper's agenda.

I recently provided James with an example that clearly illuminated that point.

Back in the 1980s, Greg and I covered the Ernie Lacy demonstrations for our respective newspapers.

Lacy was among the hundreds of Black men profiled and harassed by Milwaukee police for the rape of a young White woman near Marquette University.

Daring to question the police for stopping him as he left a northwest side grocery store, Lacy was subsequently killed (many Black folks called his death a murder by a racist police officer who used an illegal strangle/chokehold on him).

Lacy was innocent of the allegations, his only crime being his unwillingness to be profiled and harassed.

His death sparked citywide outrage and demonstrations that drew thousands to question police tactics and the dictatorial leadership of then Chief Harold Breier, who eventually was forced into retirement.

During one of the protest marches, Greg and I paused along Wisconsin Avenue to count the number of marchers, who included a plethora of organizations and ethnicities.

We also noted in our respective stories an effort by the police, led by Breier himself, to incite the marchers into a confrontation.

Clad in riot gear, police offi-

cers strong-armed their way through the marchers, pushing and shoving in a failed attempt to spark a confrontation they could blame on the marchers.

When the Journal story came out, however, there was no mention of Breier's antics, and the estimated number of marchers had been cut in half.

When next I ran into Greg, he could only shake his head in frustration.

I could have, but didn't, ask why he tolerated the affront, but it was apparent he viewed the scenario from the perspective of someone who weighed his frustration against the alternative. His column also allowed him to vent in ways that a straight news story could not.

Greg's predicament and the hidden motivations of the Journal provided the spark that prompted sports writer/columnist Larry Bandy and me to incorporate the Wisconsin Black Media Association. Members eventually aligned the organization with the National Association of Black Journalist

Over the years, this organization has served as a watchdog of the White/majority/mainstream media, as well as an advocate for staff diversity and better representation of the Black community.

Early in our formative years, we had to fight WTMJ management, who tried to force Bill Taylor, another old schooler, to cut off his goatee. The rationale? Management felt it made him appear “too Black/militant.”

As dumb and condescending as that may seem, it was true.

I can foresee us challenging local station's requirement that Black female reporters, particularly anchors, look as Eurocentric as possible.

If you notice, there are few dark-skinned sisters on the air. And most have weaves or wigs. If you viewed them through silhouette, you would assume they were all White.

Of course, I'm not too concerned about a sister's outward appearance (all of the on-air sisters are talented and beautiful, which must be a prerequisite of their employment).

But as someone said to me recently, it's gotten to the point where it's hard to distinguish between him or her.

I long for the day when there's a dark-skinned sister with an Afro or dreads on the air, a true reflection of diversity and African American culture. (I can't wait to see Shannon Sims sporting a 'Fro and hoop ear-

rings.)

That point aside, the truth is there's a significant difference between television journalists and print. And it isn't restricted to appearance.

Television journalists aren't allowed to editorialize or to interject their opinions. And that includes talk shows or panel discussions.

In fact, I was the last Black “journalist” allowed the freedom to offer opinions on issues and race during my 20 years as a pundit on, “Sunday Insight with Charlie Sykes.” I also provided weekly editorials for TMJ for a couple of years.

And, to be honest, I am still surprised at the autonomy I was given for my weekly commentaries. I was never told to rewrite an editorial, some of which drew the ire of viewers and advertisers.

In fact, on two occasions, the station was threatened with having some advertising withdrawn because of my commentaries. To my surprise, then-station manager Jim Prather told the advertisers where to go.

I seriously doubt if any other station would take that position today, if for no other reason than fear of losing dwindling revenues.

Except for Black-owned broadcast media, there is little room or opportunity for Old School Black journalists on commercial TV.

Few commercial stations provide opportunities for commentaries, much less editorialized reporting.

Local radio hasn't utilized Black reporters since the hey-day of WAWA.

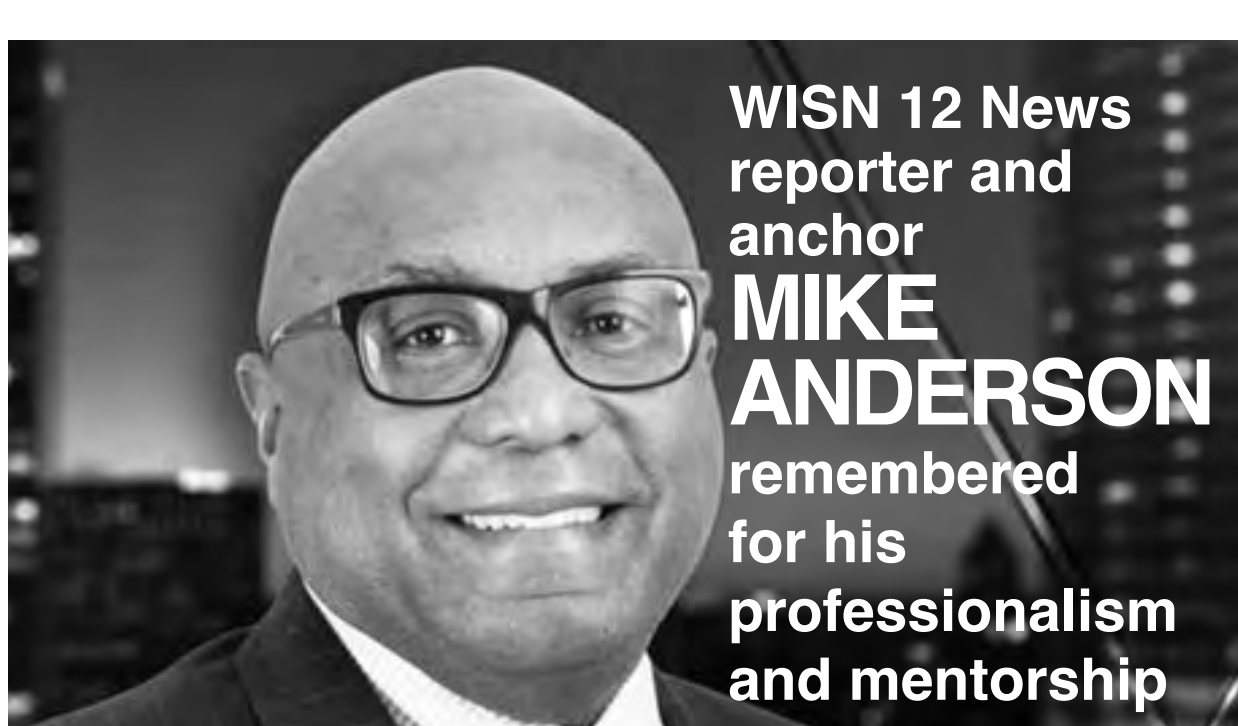
Which leaves print media as the “Lone Rangers.”

And the number of Old Schoolers in the limited slots of print media is going the way of payphones and 16-year-old virgins.

Imagine, in a city where people of color represent the majority, I am the only Black columnist left. In fact, I'm the only Black columnist in the entire state of Wisconsin since James assumed a new role at the Journal Sentinel.

What's worse is that the Community Journal is the Black newspaper with editorial staff. Neither the Times or Courier feel the need or have that vital resource, leaving the traditional role of the Black Press to this publication.

We welcome the challenge, but in truth, it was a lot easier when we had more Old School Black Journalist shooting from around



WISN 12 News reporter and anchor **MIKE ANDERSON** remembered for his professionalism and mentorship

Longtime WISN 12 News reporter and anchor Mike Anderson, who died suddenly Tuesday at age 67, was remembered by colleagues at Channel 12 and political figures for his professionalism, approachability, infectious smile, friendship and mentorship.

“Mike Anderson was a transformative figure in the history of television news in Milwaukee,” said WISN News Director Ben Hart in a statement. “In his storied career, he broke class and color barriers and set the tone for what professionalism looks like. His legacy is clear.

Hart said as a journalist, Anderson was committed to fairness, straightforward reporting and relentless pursuit of the truth. “The WISN 12 family is devastated by his sudden passing. But his contributions as a voice for Milwaukee will be a lasting testament to his impact for years to come.

Starting with WISN in 1981, Anderson covered countless news events, including the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina which ravaged his hometown of New Orleans.

Anderson also produced breakthrough news reports about issues involving racial inequality, economic development, local governance, political upheaval, and inner-city violence.

He interviewed four U.S. presidents and entertainment legends such as B.B. King and Oprah Winfrey.

Friend and former Channel 12 colleague Cary Edwards said Anderson was like a brother to him. “Just like he was a musician, the way he wrote was like music. It just flowed,” Edwards said. “Anyone that came in contact with Mike received something. Mike was a gift from God.”

Milwaukee County Sheriff Earnell Lucas offered condolences upon hearing of Anderson's passing. As a Milwaukee Police Officer who worked in the department's communications bureau years ago, Lucas would often share information with Anderson and other reporters related to ongoing police investigations.

“Mike was one of the most honorable and intelligent people you could ever meet,” Lucas recalled

in a statement. “From his easy smile to his warm delivery, Mike was the consummate professional and one of the finest newsmen ever to work in the Milwaukee market.

“He reported the news with such integrity that he earned the respect and trust of his peers, and with so much style that he became noted for reporting from the field donning a fedora. He will be sorely missed by all who loved and knew him and invited him into their living rooms throughout the years.

Mayor Tom Barrett—in a statement—called Anderson an “incredible person, a fabulous, fabulous reporter, a great singer/musician in his own right, also a real person.”

Barrett credited Anderson for having a great style and social intelligence, with the ability to read people. “(He) knew the community, loved the community. It's very sad at this time in particular to hear the loss of another great leader in this city.”

Wisconsin Lt. Gov. Mandela Barnes—in a tweet—considered Anderson a mentor. “(I) can't even count the times he was on hand to give advice or just talk when I saw him at the YMCA. This is an incredibly tough loss.”

Friend and former WISN 12 News anchor Kathy Mykleby, who co-anchored with Anderson during the station's noon broadcasts for several years, said Anderson found the humanity in everybody he came in contact with.

“And no one told a story like Mike. You're lucky when you have someone like that guy in your life. You're so lucky.”


Before joining WISN 12 News, Anderson worked as a news anchor and reporter at KIRO-TV in Seattle. He began his professional career as a radio journalist, crossing into television news while working in Birmingham, AL.


He attended Louisiana State University and the Career Academy School of Broadcast Journalism. Anderson was also a member of the Wisconsin Black Media Association. He retired from WISN in 2017.

He is survived by his wife and three children.

Funeral services have yet to be announced as of this writing.

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Milwaukee Health Department Confirms 7 Cases of COVID-19 may be associated with Wisconsin’s spring 2020 in-person election

FIRST PERSON
BY ALDERWOMAN
CHANTIA LEWIS

Quick action needed to address COVID-19 outbreaks tearing through long-term care facilities, low-income communities

“I have asked State and City agencies to as quickly as possible help address a severe coronavirus (COVID-19) cluster outbreak on the far northwest side that is among the largest in the metro area.

Sadly, the outbreak is centered at a handful of senior long-term care facilities.

Additionally, I am also asking for State and City action to quickly address serious coronavirus outbreaks in high cluster low-income areas on the north and northwest sides, and across the entire City of Milwaukee.

During the past 24 hours the far northwest side has been filled with ambulance and med unit sirens, responding to patients at these facilities who have been sickened by the coronavirus.

According to city officials, just one of the facilities has had 24 emergency medical calls for service during the past 24 hours (10 for advanced life support, nine for basic life support and five for private ambulance service).

I have asked for testing to be implemented so that outbreaks can be controlled or stopped as soon as is possible.

I am told testing may be difficult to initiate, and another challenge will be navigating the state's regulations concerning the long-term care facilities which often supersede the authority of local health agencies.

It is heartbreaking to know that these vulnerable facility residents and those living in communities with glaring health disparities are in grave danger.

I pray that working with State and City partners we can stop the spread quickly and (hopefully) save as many lives as possible.”

On Tuesday, April 21, the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) confirms that there may be 7 cases of COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) associated with Wisconsin’s spring 2020 election which required in-person voting. This is a rapidly developing situation, and more information such as polling locations, will be provided as it becomes available.

On April 8th, the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services added “election activity” to its list of COVID-19 investigation questions in the state disease registry (Wisconsin Electronic Disease Surveillance System- WEDSS).

WEDSS is used to notify public health and manage disease investigations including contact tracing. The election activity query attempts to capture anyone that may have voted in person or worked at a polling place including location on April 7, 2020. MHD is monitoring any new cases that began after that date as the incubation period for COVID-19 is 14 days or ending today, April 21st.

According to Dr. Jeanette Kowalik, Commissioner of Health,

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Employ Milwaukee will be taking comments from the public for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Local Plan. The Local Plan is a 4-year action plan to develop, align, and integrate workforce development services within Milwaukee County.

The plan will help Employ Milwaukee direct investments in economic, education, and workforce training programs to ensure individuals, including youth and individuals with barriers to employment, have the skills to compete in the job market, and that employers have a ready supply of skilled workers.

The Draft Local Plan will be posted on Employ Milwaukee’s website at www.employmilwaukee.org for a 30-day public review and comment period (May 1, 2020 – June 1, 2020).

Comments may be submitted by email to Julie Cayo, Director of Research and Planning, Julie.Cayo@employmilwaukee.org, by phone (414) 270-1700, or by mail to Employ Milwaukee, located at 2342 N. 27th St, Milwaukee, WI 53210.

**SUMMONS
(PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
WITHOUT MINOR CHILDREN
Case No. 20FA000964
DIVORCE 40101**

In re the marriage of: LORETTA SHARKEY, 1820 N 12th St Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53205 PETITIONER and BOBBY JOE SHARKEY 761 N. 29th St. Apt 207 Milwaukee WI 53208, RESPONDENT

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, to the person named above as respondent:

You are notified that your spouse has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Petition, which is attached, states the nature and basis of the legal action.

Within 20 days of receiving this Summons, you must provide a written response, as that term is used in Ch. 802, Wis. Stats., to the Petition. The Court may reject or disregard a response that does not follow the requirements of the statutes.

The response must be sent or delivered to the following government office: Clerk of Court Milwaukee County 901 North 9th Street Room 104 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53233.

The response must also be mailed or delivered within 20 days to the petitioner at the address above. It is recommended, but not required that you have an attorney help or represent you

If you do not provide a proper response within 20 days the court may grant judgment against you 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 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.

Dated: 2-19-2020
By: LORETTA SHARKEY
109/4-8-15-22-2020

“Please note that as of April 20th, we only have 30% of the investigation data from new cases which indicated participation in election activity. We hope to have complete data by the end of the week. Regardless, we will provide a complete update, ruling out any confounders, once we have it.”

Anyone that voted in person or worked at a polling site should continue to monitor for symptoms of COVID-19. Please contact your physician and if you do not have one, please connect with your local community health center or urgent care for screening and testing if warranted. COVID-19 symptoms and monitoring info are located on the City of Milwaukee COVID-19 website, listed below.

There are many questions about data and correlations between election activities and incidence of COVID-19. Some reasons for delayed information at this point in time may be a case declined to provide this info to their local health department, the case did not develop symptoms until later in the incubation period, therefore they were not tested until recently, and/ or lab turnaround time which may delay reporting to the local health department where the case resides; this will delay the start of the investigation and contact tracing.

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SENIOR SPECIALIST – BIOLOGIST

The Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission is seeking a Senior Specialist – Biologist to fill our Natural Areas Program Coordinator role. Primary responsibilities include updating, revising, and maintaining the natural area inventory and database that facilitates the updating of the Regional Natural Areas and Critical Species Habitat Protection and Management Plan for Southeastern Wisconsin.

The successful candidate also will be an integral part of an interdisciplinary team that conducts wetland and environmental corridor delineations, updates Wisconsin Wetland Inventory mapping, reviews natural resource restoration/mitigation proposals, completes other duties such as developing natural area restoration/management plans, and supports lake and stream watershed management planning projects.

Applicants must be well versed at many skills, including the following:

- Proficiently collect data both in the field and from pre-existing sources.
- Organize, analyze, and share information in a way that is effectively understood by a wide audience.
- Respectfully collaborate with those holding diverse viewpoints, including successfully navigating situations where conflict may exist.
- Efficiently scope and manage projects, including assisting with grant applications.
- Educate and assist others including Commission staff, local communities, grassroots organizations, and the general public.

Experience or familiarity with PC software for database development and analysis (R statistical software or equivalent), ArcGIS for resource mapping, and all Microsoft products is highly desirable. Excellent written and verbal communication skills are critical to success in this position.

A Master of Science degree in Botany, Plant Ecology, or Natural Resource Management with course work including a minimum of 12 credits in plant ecology, plant taxonomy, and plant geography is required.

A Doctor of Philosophy degree in the aforementioned areas of study with 5 or more years of experience in habitat assessments is preferable.

Please submit resume, cover letter and salary history by April 30, 2020, to:

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Alzheimer's Association offers free virtual services for Wisconsin residents

While the COVID-19 pandemic threatens the health of millions in this country and around the world, the novel coronavirus presents unique challenges for more than 5 million Americans, including 120,000 in Wisconsin, living with Alzheimer's and their caregivers.

The Alzheimer's Association, Wisconsin Chapter is offering free virtual (phone and webinar) programming including care consultations, education programs, and support groups to help all Wisconsin caregivers and their families.

"During this challenging time, it's critical that all Wisconsin caregivers have access to Alzheimer's Association resources even if they cannot venture out," said Wendy Betley, Senior Program Director, Alzheimer's Association Wisconsin Chapter. "The COVID-19 crisis is altering Americans' daily lives, but the needs of Alzheimer's caregivers cannot be put on hold.

These online programs allow us to connect with caregivers and provide nec-

essary information even amid the current crisis."

State-wide virtual (phone and webinar) programs include:

- Wisconsin Men's Caregiver Support Groups

- Wisconsin Statewide Telephone Support Group

- Wisconsin Support

Group: Family Members of Loved Ones in Facilities

- Wisconsin Support

Group: Caregivers of individuals in the early stages of Alzheimer's or dementia

- Wisconsin FTD Caregiver Support Groups

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- Early Stage Alzheimer's education programs (various)

- Education programs for family caregivers (various)

For a complete list of upcoming programs, or to register for a program, visit alz.org/crf.

In addition to the virtual education classes, the Alzheimer's Association offers online community resources at alz.org including ALZConnected®, a free online community where people living with Alzheimer's, caregivers, family and friends can ask questions, get advice and find support.

7 Cases of COVID-19 may be associated with Wisconsin's in-person election

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While we continue to monitor cases of COVID-19 linked to election activity, we know that gatherings of any size let alone thousands of people are detrimental to our efforts to slow the spread of this pandemic. We encourage everyone to continue to practice social/ physical distancing of 6 feet from others and to wear masks/ face coverings to limit the spread of COVID-19 in our community. A more comprehensive COVID-19 Milwaukee County election impact update (which includes the city of Milwaukee and 10 local health departments in the county) should be provided next week.

Updated information including prevention and outreach materials as well as statistics related to COVID-19 can be found on our website at: <https://city.milwaukee.gov/Coronavirus>

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Ald. Cavalier Johnson elected new Common Council President

In the closest margin possible, Milwaukee Alderman Cavalier Johnson has been named the new president of the Milwaukee Common Council.

By an 8-7 vote, Johnson takes over the role previously held by Ashanti Hamilton.

Hamilton was seeking another term as council president until late last week, when he abruptly dropped out of the race and threw his support behind Ald. Milele Coggs, who was vying with Johnson for the position.

Coggs was hoping to become the first woman council president in the city's history.

“I am grateful to the members for selecting me to lead in this term, and I can say that I have felt the weight of the office since before the votes were cast,” said Johnson in a press statement.

“Milwaukee is a city on the rise, but it is and has been for some time, a city that has seen its fair share of division. This body is emblematic of that — though it is my strong belief that it doesn't have to be.”

The new council president said it was imperative the council rectify the “internal obstacles” that currently exist, and unite to best serve the needs of the citizens. “As president, I will be working to achieve unification and to rectify any obstacles that are holding us back from doing what the people need us to do.”



Ald. Cavalier Johnson
The new president of the
Milwaukee Com. Council

Johnson noted the various challenges Milwaukee faces, most notably dealing with the fallout of the effects of coronavirus (COVID-19). He also noted the long-term looming fiscal impact of massive pension contributions.

“These are all primary issues of concern, just as violence prevention, securing local resources to fund our services, and laying a stronger foundation for our young people must also remain in our focus.”

Johnson noted the highest proportion (a whole third of the council) of women now serving on the council, who he called “strong, fierce, brave and capable.”

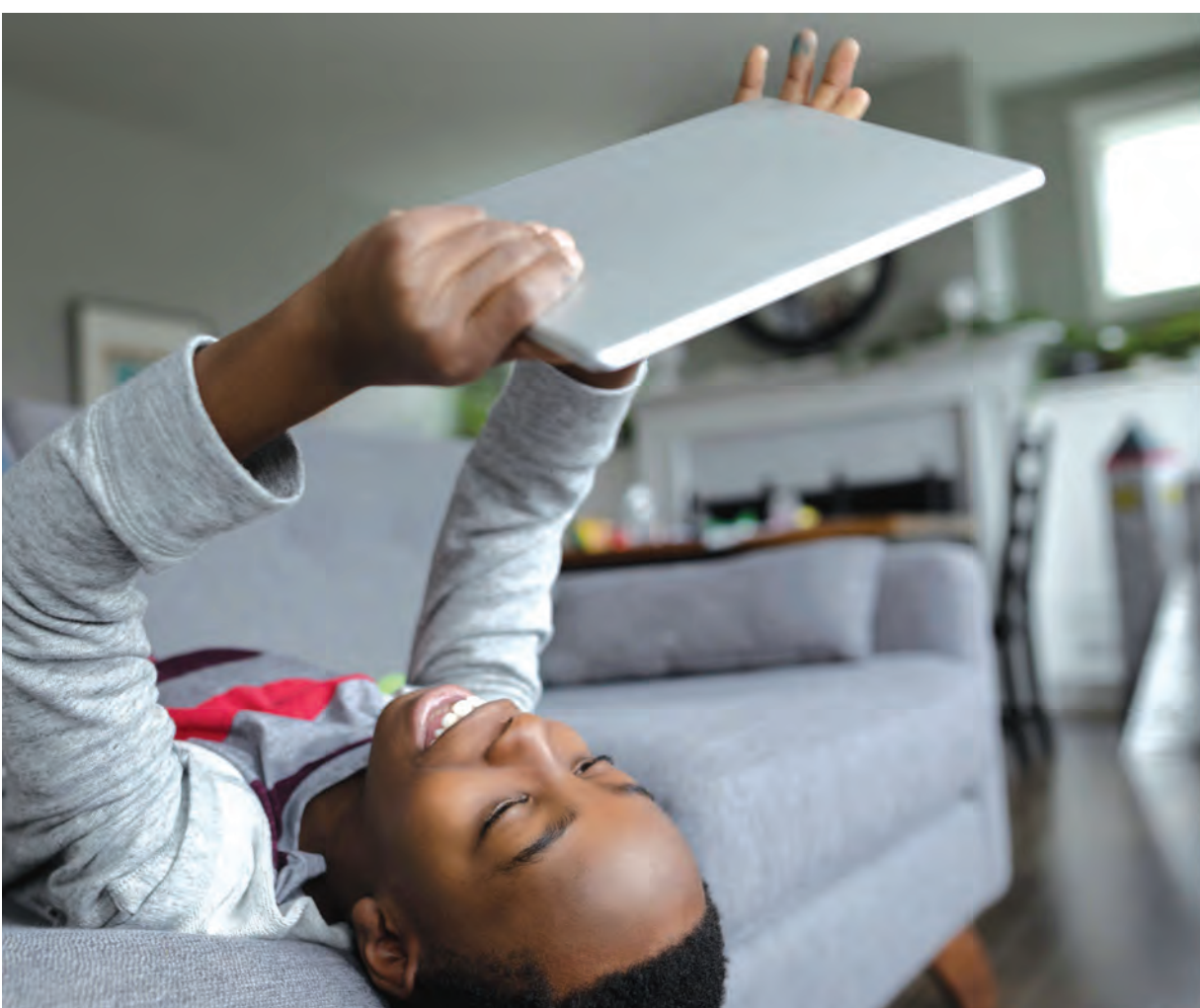
“The city should be thankful for the service that they will render and the council will be a better body because of it.”

Johnson got the votes of Aids. Nik Kovac, Robert Bauman, JoCasta Zamarripa, Michael Murphy, José Pérez, Scott Spiker, Marina Dimitrijevic and himself.

Coggs got the votes of Aids. Hamilton, Nikiya Dodd, Khalif Rainey, Chantia Lewis, Mark Borkowski, Russell Stamper II and herself.

Among Johnson's responsibility would be to take over the mayoral role if Mayor Tom Barrett would not be able to complete his duties for any reason. —*Sources for article: Press release courtesy of Ald. Johnson's office, the Journal Sentinel, and Urban Milwaukee.com.*

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WORKING TOGETHER TO STAY APART

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