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Stepping Together: United at 50 year Class Reunion!





In 2017, Brenda Wilkerson from North Division High School and Warren McIver from Rufus King High got together and talked about the low turnout from their respective 40th class reunions. They discussed the possibility of combining their class reunions, making it a grand celebration. Each took the idea back to their individual committees. Brenda and Warren got their committee's consent to join both schools for a joint class reunion, which has never been done before. North and Rufus King's first meeting was held in January 2018. Due to Covid, they were not able to have the joint reunion, July 15 thru 17 where they were able to have a three-day joint North Division and Rufus King 50 Year Class Reunion. This exceeded the expectations of the alumni of both schools.—Photos by Yvonne Kemp (herself a North Division alum)



Dominican High School student to attend 'Boys Nation' event in Washington

Naod Fessahaye, an incoming senior at Dominican High School, has been selected as a senator for the American Legion's 'Boys Nation, to be held in Washington, D.C. July 22-29.

Boys Nation is an annual American Legion program that includes civic training, leadership development and a focus on 'Americanism.'

Fessahaye was elected Supreme Court Justice during his week at Wisconsin Boys State, where he was also elected Circuit Court Judge and appointed City Public Defender.

American Legion Post 449 in Brookfield sponsored Fessahaye's week at Wisconsin Boys State, which had 700 participants.

At Dominican High School, Fessahaye is a member of the National Honor Society and high honor roll.

His other activities and accomplishments include varsity basketball captain, varsity volleyball, varsity track and field, life rank in the Boy Scouts, Order of the Arrow, Black Heritage Club, KnightLife, altar server, lector, academic certificate of merit, Knights in Shining Armor Award for English, and junior varsity baseball (most im-

A resident of Brown Deer, Fessahaye hopes to attend Stanford Univer-



Saturday July 16. Vera celebrated by "Going Down Memory Lane". First Stop was Mount Moriah Baptist Church where she has been a member since 1995. Vera was greeted by Pastor Patrick &

First Lady Pat Greer where she received a proclamation from Governor Tony Evers. Cards and gifts were also presented to her from members of the church. Second Stop was at Clinton Rose Park where the members of the North Central Service Club had a short program.

Rev. Judith Leste

A proclamation from the Common Council, roses cards and gifts were presented to her by the members. Vera has been a member of the NCSC since 1971.

Third Stop was Dineen Park where family and friends were awaiting her arrival. A proclamation from Congresswoman Gwen Moore was presented to her along with cards and gifts, followed by a short program of family and friend's comments.

Food and cake were served.

Members of the family (shown above)

came from Atlanta, Louisiana, Michigan,

Ohio, Philadelphia, Texas, Virginia and

Washington D.C. to help Vera celebrate her Special Day. Vera is called "Sunshine" because she brought sunshine everywhere she went. said a family friend: "Isn't it wonderful to

Vera LeBlanc have a person in your family to live a century, and has lived to see the first Black President "Barack Obama?'

> Vera said: "This was the best day of my life, to see all my family, friends, church and club members, but most of all, my great grandchildren."

MCJ Editor Thomas Mitchell, Jr. to be inducted into Press **Club's Hall of Fame**

Milwaukee Community Journal Editor Thomas Mitchell, Jr. is one of seven outstanding Milwaukee journalists who will be inducted into the Milwaukee Press Club's Media Hall of Fame for 2022.

Mitchell will be the fourth member of the Community Journal staff to be inducted into the



A graduate of Concordia University and Marquette University's Second Edition' accelerated journalism program, Mitchell joined the MCJ staff in 1984 as a reporter.

In the following years, he rose to reporter/managing editor to editor. handling the newspaper's layout and design, copyediting, photo editing, and assignments. He also wrote a column at one time called, 'Just

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Chantia Lewis removed from alder post, special election set for April 4, 2023

Ninth aldermanic district residents will be without representation until next year as a result of its Alderperson, Chantia Lewis, being removed from her office recently after being convicted in Milwaukee County Circuit Court of two felonies



Chantia Lewis

related to her conduct in office.

Lewis pleaded 'no contest' to accepting an illegal campaign finance disbursement and entered a guilty plea to misconduct in office. Three other counts, including two felonies and a misdemeanor, were

dismissed, but could be considered at sentencing, scheduled for August

Upon hearing of the guilty plea by Lewis, Milwaukee Mayor Cavalier Johnson said the plea was an important step forward in holding Lewis accontable for her "financial misdeeds," adding he belives in accountablility for people who violate the law.

"City officials hold a public trust, and every one of us has an obligation to the people of Milwaukee to operate with the highest level of integrity. I expect that of every member of my administration and of all my colleagues in elective office."

Common Council President Jose Perez has set April 4, 2023 for a (continued on page 2)

Funeral services set for minister and religion columnist Rev. Judith Lester start. New Covenant is located at 2315 N.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, July 23, at New Covenant Baptist Church for minister and religion columnist Rev. Judith Lester.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 11

38th St. Northwest Funeral Home is handling the service.

Rev. Lester was born on January 7th, 1961 to J.B. Taylor and Bernice Taylor (Gee) in Milwaukee. Later, she graduated from Custer High School where she would excel in academics and artistic creativity.

Following graduation, she pursued work as a Paralegal. She spent time with Goda.m., at which time the funeral service will frey and Khan in Milwaukee and Cramer,

Multhaff, and Hammes in Waukesha, Wisconsin establishing herself as an organized pristine leader in the marketplace.

In time, Judith Lester became the Rev. Judith T. Lester, a licensed and ordained minister of the gospel. She earned her Bachelor's Degree in Ministry and Master's Degree in Theology from Master's Divinity School in Evanston, In-

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MCJ Editor Thomas Mitchell, Jr. one of seven journalists to be inducted into Press Club's Hall of Fame

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Venting,' which focused on timely issues within the community and the culture.

Mitchell has covered stories for the MCJ of historic import that have impacted Milwaukee's Black community and beyond, from the Parental School Choice education revolution to the murder trial of serial killer Jeffery Dahmer, to the Milwaukee police involved shooting deaths of Dontre Hamilton and Sylville Smith.

The other 2022 inductees to the Media Hall of

- Denise Callaway, WTMJ-TV, Milwaukee Public Schools, Greater Milwaukee Foundation, Milwau-
- Liddie Collins, Milwaukee Courier, WNOV Radio, Milwaukee PBS
- Joyce Garbaciak, WITI-TV, WISN 12 News
- Jim Stingl, Beloit Daily News, Green Bay Press-Gazette, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel
- Martin Hintz, (deceased) Milwaukee Sentinel, Irish American Post, Shepherd Express
- Meg Jones, (deceased) Milwaukee Journal Sen-

"This year the Milwaukee Press Club has chosen a group of inductees who have made remarkable contributions to local journalism," said Corrinne Hess, press club president and Milwaukee Journal Sentinel reporter.

"Through their work they have informed their audiences while making Milwaukee a better place. We thank them for inspiring a new generation of jour-

The honorees will be inducted Friday, October 14, at Potawatomi Hotel & Casino, 1611 W. Canal Street. A reception will begin at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m., with the induction ceremony immediately after dinner.

Registration is \$85 per person; tables of eight are available for \$660; corporate table sponsor \$850 (includes a table of eight individuals, company logo in printed program and verbal recognition during the

For additional information about the Milwaukee Press Club and previous inductees to the Media Hall of Fame visit www.milwaukeepressclub.org and click on 'Honors.'

FOULS New Jersey U.S. Senator Corey Booker (left, seated) was recently at Milwaukee's John Marshall

High School on the city's Northwest side to campaign for Lt. Gov. Mandela Barnes (standing at right), who is running for the Democratic U.S. Senate nomination. The senate seat is currently held by Republican Sen. Ron Johnson. Marshall is Barnes' alma mater. Booker told the gatheriing that Barnes would be perfect for the Senate, given his background, emphasizing that the Lt. Governor's "working roots" and knowing what it is to grow-up in a neighborhood that's marginalized and looked down on. Booker had backed Barnes at the beginning of this year when he was the primary's frontrunner. He is currently in a tight race with Milwaukee Bucks executive Alex Lasry, state Treasurer Sarah Godlewski and Outagamie County Executive Tom Nelson. A recent Marquette University poll showed Barnes and Lasry almost neck-and-neck. If elected, Barnes would be the state's first African American U.S. senator. —Photo courtesy of the Senate office of Corey Booker

Chantia Lewis removed from alder post after 'No Contest' plea

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special election to fill Lewis's 9th district seat. The special election will coincide with that year's Spring General Election, also on April 4.

District 9 constituents who have questions or problems are encouraged to call 414-286-2868, or send an email to: aide09@mil-waukee.gov.

Lewis, 42, represented the ninth aldermanic district. She was first elected to the Common Council in 2016, and reelected in April 2020 without a challenger. She joined a crowded field of Democrats in announcing her candidacy for U.S. Senate in 2021.

During that same time, prosecutors say Lewis deposited campaign contributions into personal bank accounts, used campaign funds to pay for personal expenses and falsely represented the city of Milwaukee in seeking reimbursement for personal city

The complaint also said she structured a campaign contribution incorrectly to avoid limit requirements.

The Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office said the charges were uncovered during a review of campaign finance reports and reimbursements for city travel by alderpersons.

The travel included visits to Pittsburgh, Las Vegas, Houston, Washington, Little Rock, Minneapolis and Miami. Lewis also spent \$4,884 in campaign money for apartment rent payments, the complaint said.

The complaint said Lewis did make some payments to her campaign account but that was not a justification for misappropriating the funds.

"I do judge you convicted as on today's date and order a judgment of conviction to be entered into the record," Judge Milton Childs said.

 Article compiled by MCJ Staff. Source: Associated Press via Wisconsin Public Radio.org, City Hall, and office of the mayor



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consin General Baptist State Convention Congress of Christian Education. She also was an Instructor for the Sunday School Publishing Board (SSPB) as well as Workshop Facilitator where she traveled and conducted transformative workshops, conferences, and training seminars at National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., member churches, and state conventions and congresses.

Writing was her passion. She was a regular contributor to the National Baptist Voice magazine, Christian Education Informer, The Milwaukee Times, and, The Milwaukee Community Journal.

She loved with a passion Christian Education where she wrote Quarterly Sunday School, SEED Series, VBS, Adult Sunday School Commentaries, Living the Baptist Faith Facilitator's Guide (formerly BTU), and the new Leadership Resource Kit. Rev. Lester is also a published author of several books including Death and the Aftermath, Issues of the Heart, Single, Saved and Satisfied, and most notably her global release of "A GOSPEL People: Bible Studies for Youth Around the Globe." Rev. Lester loved the Lord and loved studying and teaching God's Word to all of God's people.

Beyond the ministry and marketplace, Rev. Lester was the Mom, Mommy, and everything in-between to Justin Lester, 33 (Courtney) and Camille Lesterevery move. Her title changed to Nana when God blessed her with "Nana's Babies," Camden (5) and Legend (1). She was an avid Chicago Bears fan Justin's BBQ fan, part-time vegan, lover of cheesecake, and enjoyed a good walk on the lake.

Rev. Lester will be missed dearly for her smile. tenacity, dignity, teaching, and love. She lived with unmatched integrity and a strong sense of identity. She selflessly assisted others, graciously loved others, and demonstrated the scripture she lived by "to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the Body of Christ may be built up." (Ephesians 4). May she take hold of the rest for her tireless work and service to the kingdom as she rests in glory.

Rev. Lester is predeceased by her Mother and Father, Uncle John Wesley Madison Sr.

and Younger Sister Patricia Murry. She is survived by her Aunt Doris Madison, sisters Cecilia Carothers, Shawn Marie Northington, Cynthia Taylor, and Toni Lynn Taylor-Johnson, along with a host cousins, nieces, and nephews Children: Justin and Camille, and Nana's Babies, Camden and Legenda of that loved her dearly.

Well Done, Mommy. Well Done, Nana. Well Done, Rev. Lester.



How to Restore a Stolen Dream

By Rafael Smith & Robert Kraig

Due to its plentiful manufacturing jobs, in the 1970s the national media called Milwaukee the "star of the snow belt."

Unparalleled economic opportunity made Milwaukee the last outpost of the Great Migration, the historic exodus of African Americans from the Jim Crow

Back then, young people with a high school education or less could still secure good paying union jobs with full benefits, learn manufacturing skills on the job, and begin a career path in which they could raise a family, and lay claim to their rightful share of the American Dream.

But history played a cruel trick on those Black industrial pio-

Little did they know that America was on the cusp of an economic revolution, a global race to the bottom where big corporations uprooted themselves from the communities that created their wealth in search of cheap labor to exploit down south and overseas.

This was not a natural economic process. Like the threat of climate change it was human made, led by a mostly white corporate elite grabbing a greater share of the economic pie and abetted by politicians of both

The new era of deindustrializa-

Paradise Memorial Funeral

Home & Cremation Services

Assumes Ownership of Leon

L. Williamson Funeral Home

Seeking to expand its commitment to provide the

death care experience with new traditions in Milwau-

kee and continue a legacy of service, Paradise Me-

morial Funeral Home & Cremation Services has

assumed ownership of the Leon L. Williamson Fu-

neral Home, Paradise Memorial owners Mr. Marcel

A. Clarke and Dr. Camelia L. Clarke announced Fri-

Mr. Leon L. Williamson has owned the Leon L.

Williamson Funeral Home for more than 63 years and

"We are proud to bring Leon L. Williamson into the

Paradise Memorial family, combining two legacy

Black businesses that are deeply committed to cele-

brating life within our Milwaukee community," said

Camelia, a licensed funeral director (LFD). "The Wil-

liamson name is synonymous with high standards,

something we will continue to uphold as we help

"It is a true honor and privilege for our family busi-

ness to go to our trusted friends and colleagues, Mr.

Clarke and Dr. Clarke. It was a natural choice to

make," Leon and his wife Mary Williamson said.

"The Clarkes' expertise, integrity, and compassion

Leon Williamson's father, the late Lamar, founded

the company in 1950 in a converted residence on

North 7th Street in Milwaukee. At the time, it was

one of only three funeral homes in the city serving

In 1960, Lamar moved the funeral home to its pres-

African Americans.

families with their loved ones' final transitions."

Move Continues Legacy of

Family-Owned Business

tion and deunionization brought on by these White elites, coupled with the steady toll of automation, decimated the supply of living wage careers, transforming Milwaukee from a beacon of opportunity into a massively unequal place where the entry points into the American dream were closed.

The era of inequality that has gripped Milwaukee for forty years harms everyone but the

Today, Milwaukee has the lowest Black median household income, adjusted for cost-of-living differences, of any of the nation's 50 largest metropolitan areas."

As bad as recent history has been, we now have a golden opportunity to restore prosperity to the northside.

The compelling necessity of heading off runaway climate change requires a rapid recon-

'IF OUR ELECTED LEADERS PURSUE THE **BOLD CLIMATE TRANSITIONS PLANS** THAT WILL BE PROPOSED, MILWAUKEE **WOULD BE AT THE FOREFRONT OF THE** GREEN ECONOMY REVOLUTION AND **RECLAIM ITS STATUS AS A BEACON OF** ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY. "

been unequal.

There is an old adage that when white folks catch a cold Black folks get pneumonia. Nowhere is this more true than in Milwaukee, which went from having the highest wages in the country for African Americans in the late 1970s to the major city with the largest gap between Black and White

According to a recent report by the UW-Milwaukee Center for Economic Development: "Black median household income in Milwaukee, adjusted for inflation, has declined by an astonishing 30 percent since 1979.

wealthy few, but the damage has struction of the economy to dramatically reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

If we do it right, this pending economic revolution has the potential to create tens of thousands of good jobs for Milwaukee's African American community.

A green transition could reproduce the current unequal economy, or it could be shaped by thoughtful government policy to spread the economic benefits to the people who need them most.

Fortunately, the planning to use a climate transition to create tens of thousands of jobs for the north-

side is well underway. (continued on page 4) Marcel and Camelia plan to continue Williamson's legacy of excellence by completing an entire interior

do not plan to change the Leon L. Williamson name. In 2001, Camelia L. Clarke, John O. Bell, LFD, William R. Stark, and Ava N. Carter founded Paradise Memorial Funeral Home. Camelia and Marcel Clarke became sole owners in 2016 and changed the name

and exterior renovation of the funeral home, including adding a full-service florist to the building. They

to Paradise Memorial Funeral & Cremation Services. Camelia has substantial expertise in death care, entrepreneurship, strategic management, diversity, inclusion, and equity. She has a Doctor of Business Administration from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, an executive MBA from Marquette University, an international business certificate from the University of Antwerp in Belgium, a Bachelor of Science degree from Cardinal Stritch University, and a diploma from the Worsham College of Mortuary Science. She has multiple national and international publications and working papers, including on minority-owned entrepreneurial organizations. Camelia has served on leadership councils and boards and was recently elected to the Board of Directors of Federated Insurance Companies, one of the largest mutual insurance companies in the country. In this role, she helps manage the organization's nearly \$20-plus billion in revenue, assets, and premiums.

Marcel has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Southern University A&M, a historically black college, a bachelor's degree in business management and entrepreneurial studies from Herzing University, an MBA from Cardinal Stritch University, and a degree in applied science from the Worsham College of Mortuary Science.

Marcel is extremely active in the Milwaukee community and has served on numerous boards of directors and community organizations, including the Beckum/Stapleton Little League Board of Directors and the Clarence Parrish Foundation.

"Every day, our Paradise team members ask themselves, 'How will you be remembered?' " Camelia said. "We will always remember and honor the excellence Mr. and Mrs. Williamson have given to the city and community, particularly as pioneering Black





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Reassessing my 'educational journey' as I review issues I've 'signified' about!

The end of the Community Journal's fiscal year is nearing, which means it's time to reassess our educational journey and for me to prioritize column themes on subjects that have intrigued me this past year.

Obviously, I can't get to them all (producing a weekly column is not as easy as it seems), so I thought I'd just throw out a few subjects I had planned to build articles around:

... Who says I can't wear Nike shoes with another brand's t-shirt?

My son recently told me it's inappropriate, and I have a public image to uphold. I agree, at least with the latter point.

I could care less about mixing and matching based on some arbitrary rule. Particularly if I'm the

Like most African Americans, my top priority when dressing is to ensure my clothes are clean, ironed, and color coordinated...

...Along the same lines, do y'all realize every time you purchase an item with a brand name attached, you are providing 'free' advertising for that company? And paying more to do it!

It's one of the most overt marketing scams within eyesight, although most folks apparently are blind to it.

Why would you pay extra for a brand-name item, which is generally of inferior quality, when you don't have to? Jordan's don't make you jump higher but cost many times more than generic. And you serve as a billboard to advertise the pro2021 - 2022 FISCAL YEAR REVIEW

duct and get nothing for it.

The next time you buy a car, tell the salesman if they want you to drive around with their name on the back of the vehicle, to pay you. Or reduce the price. Or both...

...Why don't government (aka public) school teachers correct the English of Black students? Isn't that part of their job description?

It makes no sense to me to make students take English classes and not correct them when they use double negatives ('I ain't got no money), the wrong tense, 'I 'scene' you yesterday,' or Ebonics, which is not to be confused with Black English.

Is there a conspiracy behind the unwillingness of the government's 'educracy' to allow poor children

to distinguish themselves with poor grammar? Maybe we should reread Woodson's 'Miseducation of the Negro...'

...Why are we still playing this game of misleading unemployment figures? If you believe the politicians (who are trying to deflect attention away from the highest inflation rate in His-story), the unemployment rate is 3.7%

However, not in the Black community, and definitely not among Black men. It's 10 times that per-

Moreover, the unemployment rate excludes folks who have grown tired of looking, those who work in the underground economy, and the majority who work in less than minimum wage jobs...

...Speaking of politicians, maybe congressmen and senators haven't moved on social security because they don't need it? They make well over \$400,000 when benefits are included; most retire as millionaires. Can they relate? ...I assume the sale of bulletproof vests will in-

crease significantly before the 2024 Republican Convention if Milwaukee is the selected site. After a GOP committee endorsed Milwaukee, liberal groups started planning ways to disrupt the conference. I'm exaggerating about the need for vests, but I don't think it's farfetched to recommend helmets, hip-wadders, and a lot of petroleum jelly... ...Are Korean nail technicians more artistic than

Black techs? I've been told (by those who crossed the picket line at Beauty Island) that they sell better horse hair for wigs and weaves, but can they paint a sister's nails better than a sister?

Apparently, they can, which explains why they prosper while Black nail businesses barely stay alive. I guess buying black doesn't include knowing how to expertly put red nail polish on nails... just sayin'...

...President Biden has the lowest performance ratings since Tricky Dick (the late, not-so-great President Richard 'Tricky Dick' Nixon).

Inflation is rampant, forcing many elderly to buy dry dog food instead of beef because it's cheaper.

...The John Lewis voting rights bill is still in limbo, as is the police accountability and reparations bills the 'commander-ain't-cheap' (President Joe Biden) promised to enact when he said you're not Black if you don't vote for him.

... You need a master's degree in math to figure out the deficit, and social security is as unstable as Donald Trump's moral code.

Those concerns have put a target on the back of Democrats and will probably result in Republicans (continued on page 5

How to Restore

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Three years ago, then Milwaukee Common Council President Ashanti Hamiltion and County Board Supervisor Supreme Moore Omokunde, working closely with Citizen Action and our coalition partners, had the foresight to push through legislation that created the Milwaukee City-County Task Force on Climate and Economic Equity.

The diverse 12 member body, which is authorized by city and county government to create a plan for Milwaukee to meet global climate targets in a way that dramatically improves economic equity, is completing its final report.

If our elected leaders pursue the bold climate transitions plans that will be proposed, Milwaukee would be at the forefront of the green economy revolution and reclaim its status as a beacon of economic opportunity.

The stars may be aligned for actually achieving this audacious

First, President Joe Biden is advocating for massive investments needed to jumpstart a large-scale climate transition.

Two already passed laws, the American Rescue Plan and the Bipartisan Infrastructure law provide seed money, and many observers believe half a trillion dollars in additional funding could pass this year.

This could fund job-creating and climate-benefitting projects like the weatherization and solar energy retrofitting of thousands of homes and apartments on the northside and a massive expansion and modernization of Milwaukee's declining mass transit system.

Second, Milwaukee just elected its first African American mayor, Cavalier Johnson.

With the climate transition resources President Biden and Democrats in Congress are providing, he could lead the economic restoration of the

northside.

The time is now to return opportunity and hope to Milwaukee's African community.

get involved.

rican American-led membership working to win a climate transition that creates tens of thousands of good jobs for the northside.

please leave a message at (414)

476-4501 and an Organizer will get back to you. Rafael Smith is the Climate &

American Equity Director and Robert Kraig is the Executive Director of Cit-But it can only happen if people izen Action of Wisconsin, a statewide grassroots organization Citizen Action is building a Af- headquartered on Milwaukee's west side. Citizen Action is buildchapter, North Side Rising, that is ing a new chapter, the North Side Rising Organizing Co-op. To learn more go to (put web link or perhaps an email or phone To learn more and get involved, *number for Valerie or Rafe)*



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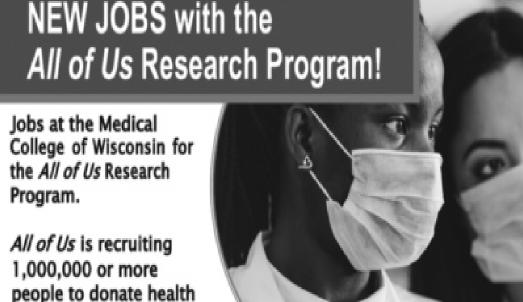
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Reassessing my 'educational journey' as I review issues I've 'signified' about

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gaining control of the house and senate this fall.

So, what is the DNC's solution? Elect more Democrats. Or at least that's the response made by a leading Democrat on Fox News Sunday.

And the alternative? There is none because, as one pundit explained, the best thing going for Dems this fall is that they are running against Republicans.

So, suppose I understand this plot correctly. In that case, voters say the country is heading in the wrong direction under Democrats. The alternative is Republicans, who decry the country's direction but offer no solutions to resolve any problems.

All we can do is throw our hands up and act like we just don't care...

...I was reading through old Negro Narratives and came across a statement about Abolitionist John Brown. He was, without a doubt, the most famous abolitionist of the 19th century. But what I found even more compelling was how this man of God was perceived by W.E.DuBois, civil rights icon and founder of the NAACP:

"John Brown was right," DuBois said in his autobiography. "Brown's (Harper's Ferry) raid stood as "a great white light—an unwavering, unflickering brightness, blinding by its all-seeing brilliance, making the whole world simply a light and a darkness—a right and a wrong."[154]

DuBois' comment was similar to positions taken by Frederick Douglass and Martin Delany but paled in both reverence and historical significance to that of Harriet Tubman, who said he was the "greatest white man who ever lived."

That's high praise. In fact, let me be the first to petition for a John Brown holiday. If not a government-sanctioned event, how about a Christian holiday.

Brown was compelled by his theological teachings, which were counter to the commonly accepted Christian dogma that supported slavery...

...A sister told me recently she supports term limits for the same reason she wants a young man to replace her recently divorced husband. Gotta' think that one through...

...Women throughout the country are up in arms over the Supreme Court's decision on abortions. Since I assume the Democrats will lose some seats this fall, there is little hope for a congressional solution. But that doesn't have to mean the verdict

"...Why don't government (aka public) school teachers correct the English of Black students? Isn't that part of their job description? It makes no sense to me to make students take English classes and not correct them when they use double negatives ('I ain't got no money), the wrong tense, 'I 'scene' you yesterday,' or Ebonics, which is not to be confused with Black English."

cannot be reversed.

Women are in the majority (even though they are treated like second-class citizens---third class for women of color). They could run and control the country if they would get together.

Want to restore abortion 'privileges?' It's easy. Organize an 'ain't getting none strike' before the fall elections. And keep it going as long as necessary (which will probably be about three weeks).

In Ebonics, that means to do what my mother told my sisters so they wouldn't need to have an abortion...It's called the old dime (quarter for Black women) celibacy tactic---put a dime between their legs and don't let it drop until you have a ring.

If men don't respond to anything else, they will do anything for sex...

...Speaking of abortions, I haven't been able to eat a boiled egg since the court overruled Roe. If you don't' get it, that's on you, or you're a vegetarian...

...Supposedly, women have an extraordinary intuition that men don't possess. So, where does that leave bi-sexual men or transexuals?

...A decade ago, a survey revealed over 40-plus percent of Black men would not marry a sister with two or more children. That figure increased significantly if the children had different fathers. I haven't seen a recent survey, but I assume little has changed.

To be honest, I think I dated very few women without a child during my adult life. Finding a sister without children today is about as challenging as finding a 20-year-old virgin. Actually, they

may be one and the same.

Over 70% of Black households are headed by a single mother, most of whom are poor.

The pool is much smaller for brothers who want to start their own families.

Given this reality, it shouldn't be surprising that marriage is on the endangered species list, primarily restricted to college-educated, higher income, and Christian couples).

I have to wonder what our community will look like in the future...

...In fact, I would be remiss in not mentioning that most---not all ---children brought up in low-income female-headed households are statistically handicapped economically, academically, and, some say, spiritually.

Which begs the question: why produce children if you can't provide them with a lifestyle better than the prior generation?

I'm not attacking single parents. I was one, so I offer blessings to the sisters who struggled and overcame the odds. But let's be honest, it's unnecessarily more difficult, and children brought up without a father are generally on a rocky and booby-trapped path...

...Since we've transgressed to that 'touchy' arena, can you be a 'true Christian' and not follow biblical tenets? That includes bedside Baptists and those who think listening to gospel music equals a sermon.

I am not among those who believe everything in the bible is to be taken literally.

Too many men have myogenic and prejudicial hands in writing the sacred words. Moreover, we

know there is a thin line between the 'Word' and Hebrew culture...

...And while we're on this subject, I finally started reading a copy of the Wisconsin Christian News.

That I picked up somewhere last spring. I previously scanned through the publication, but only this weekend began reading the articles.

When this right-wing propagands is so far right.

Whew, this right-wing propaganda is so far right that I can only assume the writers have fallen over the planet's edge.

The publishers follow the same denomination of Christianity that promoted White Supremacy.

No wonder Sunday, between the hours of 10 and 11 am, is the most segregated hour in America...

...What is the Black agenda? My answer will probably be different than yours since I have the advantage of attending two national conferences to develop a consensus agenda that would empower us and show us the road on the other side of Martin Luther King's mountain.

I ask the question partly because I've heard the Truth's Tory Lowe and his sidekick Elizabeth repeatedly say Black politicians are not following the Black Agenda. It would be beneficial to everyone if they could explain their Black agenda.

...Black approval of President Joe Biden is about twice as high as that of whites, according to two recent polls. The startling statistics are contained in a news article that asked 'why?' It is commonly assumed the answer to that question is that Black disdain for Republicans leaving Hue-men's with no alternative. I don't think that's correct. I believe we have no choice because if we don't approve of him, we're not truly Black. Or at least, that's what he told us.

...Why do historians (and His-storians) continue to perpetuate the falsehood that the first African slaves were brought here in 1619? The first slaves (captives, POWs, victims of White Supremacy) were brought to the Carolina's in 1526 by the Spanish. Depending on your source, they either 'liberated' themselves, or were freed by Native Americans who killed the racist slaveowners. In either case, the 'former' slaves integrated with the Native tribe, or were assisted in establishing an independent community.

Hotep.

Pam Walker, center, addresses the public for the first since Akron, Ohio, police killed her son, Jayland, by shooting him 46 times after a foot chase. Family lawyer Bobby DiGello, right, has requested the U.S. Attorney's Office to investigate Walker's death.

Jayland Walker's family observes his birthday with a plea for feds to investigate his death

An attorney said the family has lost trust in local and state agencies in Akron, Ohio, to probe the police shooting

On what would have been Jayland Walker's 26th birthday had Akron, Ohio, police officers not shot him 46 times, an attorney representing his family requested that the U.S. Attorney's Office investigate Walker's death.

"I have spoken with (U.S. Ohio) Senator Sherrod Brown as recently as last night," Bobby Di-Cello, the family's lawyer, said Wednesday.

"He is facilitating our dialogue with the Department of Justice. We have reached out to (U.S. Attorney General) Merrick Garland's office directly. The mail should be arriving on his desk today."

Eight police officers shot Walker 46 times after a brief car and foot chase last month. Walker failed to stop when police attempted to pull him over in the early hours of June 27, according to law enforcement.

Minutes later, police allege, he

fired a shot from his vehicle before exiting the car and running.

That's when multiple officers unleashed a barrage of bullets that hit Walker in his arms, legs, abdomen and face, the Akron Beacon Journal reported.

Last week, Derrick Johnson, president of the NAACP, made the same request of Garland. Judi Hill, president of that civil rights organization's Akron chapter, joined DiCello as he announced his plea to local media.

She stood with DiCello and Walker's family members outside the church that hosted Walker's homegoing last week for a press conference at which DiCello expressed doubt about the integrity of the state's investigating agencies.

DiCello said Clay Cozart, president of the Akron Fraternal Order of Police, spoke to local media last week and declined to provide "specifics of the shooting"

of my client, Jayland Walker." Di-Cello cited Cozart's statements as indicative of collusion between police, the state Attorney General's Office, and the state Bureau of Criminal Investigation.

"He shouldn't have any specifics," DiCello said. "Last I checked, he was not involved in either the shooting or the operations of the city police department...We are going to drill down to figure out exactly how you became a witness. Who is talking to you? ...How did you have the information that you gave to local media regarding this horrific shooting?"

The Akron Beacon Journal reported Cozart told its reporters that he talked to officers involved in the shooting before the Bureau of Criminal Investigation interviewed them.

"I am allowed to talk to my members as I represent them," he told the newspaper. DiCello, however, says the family has lost trust in local agencies. "The Bureau of Criminal Investigation, the Attorney General's Office was brought it to maintain some form of trust... You did not hear us initially ask for a different investigative body to get involved because we wanted to give that opportunity to the state to run this investigation. And we have given it that opportunity, and now we are calling for

the Department of Justice to replace the Bureau of Criminal Investigation."

In a statement emailed to the-Grio, Steve Irwin, a spokesman for Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost, responded to DiCello's remarks.

to get involved because we wanted to give that opportunity to the state to run this investigation. And we have given it that opportunity, and now we are calling for "BCI shall remain steadfast in our commitment to independent investigations regarding officerinvolved shootings, and this case is no different. No updates have

president or any other parties by BCI while the investigation is ongoing," Irwin wrote. "The officers involved in the incident have a constitutional right to legal counsel like everyone else would in this situation. The family and the community deserve a thorough independent investigation, and that is what they will get."

or will be provided to the FOF

The press conference served (continued from page 7



Nylah Brown, one of the two young girls who lawyers allege were ignored by a Sesame Place actor dressed as Rosita at Sesame Place in Philadelphia due to their race, stands with her mother, lawyers and community activists at a news conference on July 20, 2022 in New York City. (Photo by Spencer Platt/Getty Images)

THE 'SESAME PLACE' SAGA:

Parenting kids through rejection they shouldn't have to experience

As usual, little Black children were negatively affected by something no one can definitively say was race-related. This isn't just Sesame Place; this is America.

By Panama Jackson

Being a parent can be a difficult job. Of course, it's a joy watching your children grow; the internal moments spent watching and molding our children into their future selves make all of the sleepless nights (which, trust me, do not end just because your child is a toddler or older) and high-stress moments worth it

But there's the other part; the part where your child has to interact with the world that we try to shield them from for as long as possible, the part that threatens their innocence; the part where we have no control.

And that world can look different for Black parents and parents of color. There are racial and social landmines that we know our children will have to encounter and sidestep over time—especially in America—but we all hope it doesn't happen in spaces that seem specifically curated to maintain the happiness of their childhood. And yet.

That's why the Instagram clip that circulated this past week of the two little Black girls at Sesame

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CLASSIFIEDS AND LEGALS lark Drive SAN DIEGO, CA 92123. See Circuit Court Judge Wisconsin, 53233 DATE AUGUST 16,

(PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY **DIVORCE - 40101** Case No. 22FA2412

In Re: The marriage of Petitioner: DAISY DURHAM and Respondent EARNEST FRANKLIN III

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 de-

mand for a copy of the Petition within 40 days from the day after the first day of publication. The demand must be sent or delivered

to the court at: Clerk of Court, Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N 9th St Milwaukee WI 53233 and to DAISY DURHAM 7752 N POINTE ST MIL-WAUKEE WI 53224

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

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 im-

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.

(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 or-(b) The Circuit Court Commissioner

shall provide a party, for inspection or purchase, with a copy of the statutory provisions in this chapter generally pertinent to the action.

Date: 6-23-2022 BY: DAISY DURHAM 253/7-6-13-20-2022

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING

Case No. 22CV004120 In the matter of the name change of: GEORGE WILLIAMS III By (Petitioner) GEORGE WILLIAMS

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: GEORGE WILLIAMS III to: IASSELAH JEHRRAAH SHAVEH Birth Certificate: GEORGE WIL-LIAMS III

IT IS ORDERED

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

Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. CHRISTOPHER R FOLEY BR 14 Hearing to take place by phone. Please call (414) 278-4582 on the date and at the time listed below. PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee,

2022, TIME 8:45 A.M.

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 Wiscon-

Dated: 6-21-2022 BY THE COURT: HON. CHRISTOPHER R FOLEY Circuit Court Judge 249/7-6-13-20-2022

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 22CV004120

In the matter of the name change of: LOKI-JOSEPH TITAN REICHARTZ By (Petitioner) ANTONIO-RUIZ **CUELLAR ROGERS**

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: LOKI-JOSEPH TITAN REI-CHARTZ to: LOKI-JAMES TITAN **ROGERS** Birth Certificate: LOKI-JOSEPH TITAN REICHARTZ

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

Judge's Name: HON. CHRISTOPHER R FOLEY BR 14 Hearing to take place by phone. Please call (414) 278-4582 on the date and at the time listed below. PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE SEPTEMBER 6, 2022, TIME 9:30A.M.

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 Wiscon-

Dated: 6-30-2022 BY THE COURT: HON. CHRISTOPHER R FOLEY Circuit Court Judge 251/7-6-13-20-2022

> **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 22CV002598

In the matter of the name change of: MELISSA GRAFF EBBE

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: MELISSA GRAFF EBBE to: MICAH\ GRAFF EBBE Birth Certificate: MELISSA GRAFF

IT IS ORDERED

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

Judge's Name: HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY BR. 44 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE JUNE 7, 2022, TIME 9:00

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 Wiscon-Dated: 4-22-2022

BY THE COURT: HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY Circuit Court Judge 252/7-6-13-20-2022

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN **CIRCUIT COURT** MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING

Case No. 2022CV004099 In the matter of the name change of: SOPHIE LILIANNA MULLEN By (Petitioner) SOPHIE LILIANNA MULLEN

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: SOPHIE LILIANNA MULLEN to: FINN L MULLEN Birth Certificate: SOPHIE LILIANNA MULLEN

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit

Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. FREDERICK ROSA ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE AUGUST 11, 2022 TIME 1:30

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 Wiscon-

Dated: 7-5-2022 BY THE COURT: HON. FREDERICK ROSA Circuit Court Judge 250/7-6-13-20-2022 **SUMMONS**

(PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 22CV004354

In the matter of the name change of: ADRIANA ANGELICA RAUSA

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: ADRIANA ANGELICA RAUSA to: ADRIANA ANGELICA ASTRA Birth Certificate: ADRIANA ANGEL-ICA RAUSA

IT IS ORDERED

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

Judge's Name: HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY BR. 44 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE SEPTEMBER 26, 2022, TIME 9:00 A.M.

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 Wiscon-

Dated: 7-11-2022 BY THE COURT: HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY Circuit Court Judge 260/7-13-20-27-2022

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 22CV004321

In the matter of the name change of: AZIZA A'SHANAE RUSS By (Petitioner) ANTOINETTE BEN-

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: AZIZA A'SHANAE RUSS TO: AZIZA A'SHANAE BENTON Birth Certificate: AZIZA A'SHANAE

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

Judge's Name: HON. CARL ASHLEY ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: AUGUST 19, 2022 TIME 11:00 P.M.

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 Wiscon-

Dated: 7-8-2022 BY THE COURT: HON. CARL ASHLEY Circuit Court Judge 258/7-13-20-27-2022

CITATION FOR FREEDOM FROM PARENTAL CUSTODY AND CONTROL

Case No. 22AD000290C ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT **ATTORNEY** KRISTINE E COLBURN 3033 FIFTH AVENUE STE 430 SAN DIEGO CA 92103 ATTORNEY FOR SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFOR-

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO 2851 Meadow Lark Drive, San Diego

IN THE MATTER OF: Jacob Nickolis Voloshin DATE OF BIRTH: 10/09/2021 A MINOR

RESPONDENT(S) Lubco Atavesko

To LUBCO ATAVESKO You are ordered to appear in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of San Diego, in Department JC-02 at the court location indicated above on October 14, 2022 at 1:30 PM to show cause, why JACOB NICKOLIS VOLOSHIN should not be declared free from parental custody and control for the purpose of placement for adoption as requested in the petition.

This hearing will be conducted by video or telephone through the 2851 Meadow-

attached instructions and call the court to have the video link emailed to you. IMPORTANT: LUBCO ATAVESKO please call the court promptly for instructions on how to attend this hearing. (858)634-1671 M-F 8:30 a.m.-11:30

At the hearing, the judge will read the petition and, if requested, will explain the effect of the granting of the petition, any term or allegation contained therein and the nature of the proceeding, its procedures and possible consequences, and may continue the matter for not more than 30 days for the appointment of counsel, or to give counsel time to prepare.

The court may appoint counsel to represent the minor whether or not the minor is able to afford counsel. If any parent appears and is unable to afford counsel, the court shall appoint counsel to represent each parent who appears unless such representation is knowingly and intelligently waived.

Someone over the age of 18 – not the

petitioner – must serve the other party

with the forms and complete a proof of service form, such as Proof of Service (JC Form #FL-330 or JC Form #FL-335), telling when and how the other party was served and file that with the If you wish to seek the advice of an at-

torney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your pleading, if any, may be filed on time. Date: 7-5-2022 BY: ANA ESPANA 261/7-13-20-27/8-3-2022 **SUMMONS**

(PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 22CV001207

In the matter of the name change of: DESSIE LEE LONG aka DESSIE LEE By (Petitioner) DESSIE LEE LONG aka DESSIE LEE BRUMFIELD

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: DESSIE LEE LONG aka DES-SIE LEE BRUMFIELD to: DESSIE LEE BEY Birth Certificate: DESSIE LEE LONG aka DESSIE LEE BRUMFIELD

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of

Judge's Name: HON, WILLIAM SO-SNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE AUGUST 26, 2022, TIME 10:00 A.M.

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 Wiscon-Dated: 7-8-2022

BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY 257/7-13-20-27-2022

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 22CV003672

In the matter of the name change of: DEVIYON LAMAR MILLLS

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: DEVIYON LAMAR MILLLS to: DEVIYON LAMAR JORDAN Birth Certificate: DEVIYON LAMAR

IT IS ORDERED

MILLLS

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SO-SNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE AUGUST 11, 2022, TIME 10:30

This petition will be heard in the Circuit

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 Wiscon-

BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY Circuit Court Judge 262/7-13-20-27-2022 **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION)

Dated: 7-10-2022

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 22CV004005 In the matter of the name change of:

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: RACHEL ELIZABETH MUT-

RACHEL ELIZABETH MUTCHLER

Birth Certificate: RACHEL ELIZA-BETH MUTCHLER

CHLER to: RACHEL ELIZABETH

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit

Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin Judge's Name: HON. KEVIN MARTENS ROOM 403 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233. DATE: AUGUST 16, 2022 TIME: 3:30 P.M.

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 Wiscon-Dated: 6-24-2022

BY THE COURT: HON. KEVIN MARTENS Circuit Court Judge 256/7-13-20-27-2022

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)

CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 22CV004121

In the matter of the name change of: SAMUEL LEE SMITH By (Petitioner) EMILY ANN RAGS-By (Co-Petitioner) MAURICE ANTON RAGSDALE

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

From: SAMUEL LEE SMITH to: SAMUEL LEE RAGSDALE Birth Certificate: SAMUEL LEE **SMITH** IT IS ORDERED

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY BR. 44 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE SEPTEMBER 2, 2022, TIME 10:00 A.M.

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 Wiscon-

HON. GWENDOLYN CONNOLLY Circuit Court Judge 259/7-13-20-27-2022 **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT

Dated: 7-11-2022

BY THE COURT:

NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 22CV003799 In the matter of the name change of: SHAWN Q SUHR By (Petitioner) SHAWN Q SUHR

MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: SHAWN O SUHR to: SKUG YELLOW PARKER WIBBLY Birth Certificate: SHAWN Q SUHR

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit

Court of Milwaukee County, State of Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SO-SNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE AUGUST 10, 2022, TIME 11:00

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 Wiscon-

Dated: 6-16-2022 BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY Circuit Court Judge 263/7-13-20-27-2022

PUBLISHER'S STATEMENT THE MILWAUKEE COMMUNITY JOURNAL TO PUBLISH LEGAL NOTICES

The Milwaukee Community Journal, Inc. expanded its services to the greater Milwaukee community with the publishing of legal notices in the "WEEKEND EDITION". As a qualified provider of the publication of legal notices, MCJ will serve City, County and State offices for publishing community notifications.

Such notifications include: Public Hearings Public Meetings

Election Notices Divorce Proceedings Name Changes

Publication of Summons when personal services cannot be made to defendants Notice of Auction of unclaimed storage or property Probate Notices

Foreclosure Sheriff's sales notice of creditor listing of property for sale. Other general legal and public notices

ABOUT MILWAUKEE COMMUNITY JOURNAL (MCJ) WEEKEND EDITION

The Milwaukee Community Journal Weekend Edition is published weekly. Each week, MCJ Weekend focuses on different subjects, HEALTH, PERSONAL, FINANCE, FAMILY, MEN, AND WOMEN. THE WEEKEND EDITION now includes the publishing of records designated by the Milwaukee County Circuit Court for publication of legal notices, with added value in the Wednesday Edition. The Weekend Edition is a public newspaper of general circulation that complies with the laws of Wisconsin relating to publication of legal notices. MCJ Weekend Edition has published weekly over ten years, in the State of Wisconsin and Milwaukee County. We have a paid circulation of approximately 89% of our circulation, weekly. And our actual paid subscribers are over the 1000 required by State Statute.

ABOUT THE MILWAUKEE COMMUNITY JOURNAL (MCJ)

The Milwaukee Community Journal (MCJ) is a quality news organization published throughout Milwaukee and the surrounding suburbs. Established in 1976, the Milwaukee Community Journal has advanced the plight, struggles and victories of minorities in Wisconsin, with a passion for building community. The MCJ accentuates the positive, analyzes the negatives and advocates to seed success. The Milwaukee Community Journal stockholders are Patricia O'Flynn Pattillo (90%); Mikel Holt (5%); and Todd Thomas (5%) respectively, and is current in filing by the State of Wisconsin, effective October

Signed: Patricia O'Flynn Pattillo, President/Publisher

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 22CV4472

in the matter of the name change of: ANNA KRISTINA VERDIN

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person

listed above: FROM: ANNA KRISTINA VER-DIN TO: ANNA KRISTINA ELISE Birth Certificate: ANNA KRIS-TINA OUDAHL

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the

Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. CARL ASH-LEY ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: AUGUST 19, 2022 TIME 9:30 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 7-18-2022 BY THE COURT: HON. CARL ASHLEY

> **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN

Circuit Court Judge

264/7-20-27/8-3-2022

CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 22CV004291 In the matter of the name change of:

FLORIANE HUBANKS By (Petitioner) FLORIANE HU-BANKS LOIS ROSE LEETE

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: FLORIANE HUBANKS to: FLORIANE CARR Birth Certificate: FLORIANE

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. CHRIS-TOPHER R FOLEY BR 14 Hearing to take place by phone. Please call (414) 278-4582 on the date and at the time listed below. PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE AUGUST 24, 2022, TIME 2:00 P.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 7-7-2022 BY THE COURT: HON. CHRISTOPHER R FOLEY Circuit Court Judge 268/7-20-27/8-3-2022

(PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN **CIRCUIT COURT** MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 22CV004444

In the matter of the name change of: By (Petitioner) LOIS ROSE LEETE

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: LOIS ROSE LEETE to: MONTAGNA ROSE COSENTINO Birth Certificate: LOIS ROSE **LEETE**

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. KRISTY YANG BR 47 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE AUGUST 26, 2022, TIME 9:30 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 7/14/2022 BY THE COURT: HON. KRISTY YANG Circuit Court Judge 269/7-20-27/8-3-2022

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CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 22CV2518

In the matter of the name change of: LYDIAH ROSE PRZYBYLA By (Petitioner) SARAH VALEN-TINE KLISMET

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: LYDIAH ROSE PRZY-BYLA to: LYDIAH ROSE KLIS-Birth Certificate: LYDIAH ROSE **PRZYBYLA**

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. KRISTY YANG BR 47 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE AUGUST 18, 2022, TIME 9:30 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 7/6/2022 BY THE COURT: HON. KRISTY YANG Circuit Court Judge 266/7-20-27/8-3-2022

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN

CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 22CV004429

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In the matter of the name change of: MOHANAD QUTAIBA YAHYA By (Petitioner) ALYAA KAMIL **BARTTI** By (Co-Petitioner) KUTAIBA YAHYA ALITHAWI

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: MOHANAD QUTAIBA YAHYA to: MOHANAD KU-TAIBA ALITHAWI Birth Certificate: MOHANAD QU-TAIBA YAHYA

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE SEPTEMBER 2, 2022, TIME 10:00 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 7-13-2022 BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY Circuit Court Judge 267/7-20-27/8-3-2022

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CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 2022CV002974 In the matter of the name change of:

(PUBLICATION)

STATE OF WISCONSIN

NENECH LASHINE GILES By (Petitioner) ICEN JOHNSON

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

IT IS ORDERED

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: NENECH LASHINE GILES TO: NENECH JOHNSON Birth Certificate: NENECH LA-SHINE GILES

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. HANNAH DUGAN BR 31 RM #402 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: SEP-

TEMBER 7, 2022 TIME 4:00 P.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 7-6-2022 BY THE COURT: HON. HANNAH DUGAN Circuit Court Judge 265/7-20-27/8-3\-2022

Parenting kids through rejection they shouldn't have to experience

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Place who were ignored, shunned or simply rejected by the person dressed as the Muppet character "Rosita" struck a nerve, ESPECIALLY for Black

It is infuriating, as a parent, to have to witness your child being shunned by anybody. But being rejected by a character that they know and love from one of the shows that nearly all of Black America has spent years consuming SPECIFICALLY because of its warmth and familiarity? And then having to stuff down the immediate anger in order to hopefully redirect your child's emotions so they don't realize what just happened to them or are distracted enough to forget it??!

It's exhausting—but more importantly, who in their right mind treats little kids like that at a place you specifically bring your kids to BECAUSE it's all about the kids?

Sesame Place, the theme park where this all happened, is so named because of Sesame Street, the long-running educational PBS show that was created with inner-city children

I remember watching Sesame Street as a child and even though I didn't register it the way I do now, I saw people who looked like my parents and sang songs and danced and jammed like my

Sesame Street wasn't a show that was only for inner-city children; it's a world-famous show accessible to people from all walks of life.

But it was created with the in-

tent of ensuring that inner-city children—Black and brown children in New York City; the brownstone background is Harlem all day long—saw a bit of themselves on television, providing a relatable palate to learn from. And it worked.

I'm not saying Sesame Street raised all of us, but every Black person I knew growing up watched Sesame Street; Gordon and Luis (among others) were just as much part of the family as Big Bird, Oscar the Grouch and the big homie, Mr. Snuffleupa-

gus. To watch Sesame Street is

to watch your TV family help you navigate ideas, situations and learn at the same time. And Black folks love a good educational program.

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So when we take our kids to places like Sesame Place, we're doing so because of the nostalgia and the space that Sesame Street has taken up in our lives. Parents trust the brand and trust the space; it's not as if it's free, but we're willing to pay a premium to be in spaces that have contributed to our children's lives. It's why these very spaces even exist; parents trust the brands to care about the experiences of their children. It's why that clip and the aftermath have been puzzling and created such an uproar. book gaslighting, a gaslighting It's Sesame Street! Our kids are there excited to see the very characters they see on television who teach them lessons. And they're even MORE excited when those characters walk around and give them hugs and high-fives.

Here's a thing to note about little children: while they do love the characters on TV, seeing a 6foot version of this furry monster can be scary for them. But when they see other kids excitedly hugging and high-fiving their favorite character, they build up confidence and just might try to push aside that fear so their favorite character—almost always Elmo—can hug them and make their day. I don't know if that's the reality for those two little girls. There's a lot that isn't shown in a 10-second clip intentionally posted on Instagram to

make a point. But there is a lot you can gain from that video. You see Rosita high-fiving little kids. You see her walk towards the little girls, who Rosita CLEARLY saw. You see Rosita finger "no-no" to somebody in the background who isn't visible on that screen and THEN you see Rosita basically say "no" and move on from the little girls, whose arms are outstretched and are excitedly looking forward to an interaction. Instead, they were slighted. Shunned. Actively rejected. And that's the part that has pushed that video being

viewed over 9 million times.

Any parent can take a look at that video and see two little kids being unnecessarily rejected by a beloved character. But Black parents also see the little white kids who got high-fives and because of our history with these sorts of things, you can't help but wonder if those little Black girls, in particular, were ignored. And that's what sends Black parents into hyperdrive and why so many other videos have surfaced online of characters shunning lit-

tle Black kids. That's also why Sesame Place's first statement was such nonsense, and why they ultimately had to draft a second. That first statement was text-Black America knows all too well. The statement essentially said, "Hey, you didn't see what you think you saw; what really happened was this, so it's not personal or about you at all. We asked and our employee confirmed that we think we're right. We said 'my bad' and told the family they can come back on

Every Black person knows that response; America has been telling us that what we know to be true through experience is neither a thing nor has it ever existed. But social media is an engine that purrs, and Black people who organize on social media over slights to our children aren't inclined to let such gaslighting go unchecked. Which is clearly why Sesame Place released a second statement that was much more pointed and actionoriented—plus, it's hard to ignore ALL of the videos that surfaced amid the event hitting the news cycle. The second statement was much better. They acknowledged they need to do better, that they learned something and that they need to make sure all patrons are able to enjoy the same experience and that they need to do training to ensure that. Is it great? No. But it's better than telling people that their kids weren't actually wronged when we know what

I'm a father of four kids and my wife is the co-founder of District Motherhued, an organization that caters to millennial

moms of color in the Washington, D.C., area. Because of District Motherhued, I have a Dad's Chat group where we often talk about things happening so I posed some questions to the chat and asked my wife to do the same in her group: What would you have done in that moment and what would you say to your kids in response?

The responses varied, of course, but I think we all agreed that in the moment, no matter how annoyed or upset we'd be, the first order of business would be to attempt to dull the impact of the negative interaction on our children. Finding a new character to high-five or hug, or making it seem like maybe the character just missed them. The goal, however, is to lessen the blow (and permanent memory) for the child. Sadly, according to TMZ, that permanent memory is one the family in the viral post is now attempting to work through.

I think we'd all want to do exactly what Kelly Rowland alleged would've done—"burned the place down." But as mad as I'd be in the moment, my kid's peace would overrule any large-scale actions. That is also why I'm happy the mother of those children took it to social media: Those little Black girls were negatively impacted and now she has to deal with the potential of a lost space of innocence for her kids. Will Sesame Street now trigger her kids??? In what world is that OK? It's Sesame Street.

In my opinion, making the moment go viral was the smart course of action. Ultimately, it revealed other people have had similar experiences, though seemingly isolated, but have turned out to be emblematic of a certain pattern of behavior by certain characters (specifically, whoever is donning those costumes). The last thing Sesame Street—or Sesame Place needs is a ton of negative publicity.

The big question remains: how to explain and help your kids process their experience. Was it racial? Did the kids notice that the white kids got interactions? Do you point out to them that the white kids did? I'm not sure I'm personally ready to distinctly

point out the differences in a "you were treated in a less than" capacity yet. I'd be more inclined to explain that Rosita made a bad decision that was about Rosita and she should watch more Sesame Street to learn how to make good choices.

But as my wife and I polled our groups, some other parents did make mention of it being an opportunity to point out the racial dynamics at play. It should be pointed out that the ages of the folks' kids in question vary, so an older kid might internalize the racial part, whereas the younger kids' feelings are just hurt because they were rejected. Like most situations in life where race could be part of the problem, the solutions are nuanced. I just know that it sucks to HAVE to be concerned about that in the first place.

I shouldn't have to have a racial reckoning conversation with my kids because I took them to a physical re-creation of Sesame Street. I think my kids' feelings would be devastated but I also think some well-timed ice cream and getting a high-five from another character would fix it in

the short term, while my Twitter fingers got to work firing off a missive about unfair and inequitable treatment at the theme

What's most unfortunate about all of this is that those little children had to have an experience they didn't deserve from a person wearing a costume who perhaps should learn what their job entails. If you can't hug all the kids or high-five them all, then don't high-five them at all, and definitely don't reject kids with outstretched arms. Sesame Street is good for teaching kids lessons: one of them shouldn't be how to get over being rejected at Ses-

Panama Jackson is a columnist at theGrio. He writes very Black things and drinks very brown liquors, and is pretty fly for a light guy. His biggest accomplishment to date coincides with his Blackest accomplishment to date in that he received a phone call from Oprah Winfrey after she read one of his pieces (biggest) but he didn't answer the phone because the caller ID said "Unknown" (Blackest).

Jayland Walker's family pleads with feds to investigate his death

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two purposes, DiCello said: to make his plea to Garland public and to allow the family to observe Walker's birthday with the community from which it has received consistent support. After viewing a video of birthday wishes from family members, Walker's tearful mother addressed the audience and recounted his birth and a childhood birthday party she threw for him.

"He struggled to come into this world because he was a twin that survived a miscarriage," said Pam Walker, Jayland's mother. "Unfortunately, he had to leave this world the same way, tragically."

"I can only go on memories," she said before tears covered her cheeks. "The only thing I can share with you guys is a memory of one of his birthday parties." The Walker matriarch said her son loved WWE wrestling and "Stone Cold" Steve Austin in particular. So she hired a look-alike actor to attend his party. And when the actor entered her backyard, Jayland and his friends "froze in their steps, and their eyes were this big. Their mouths dropped to the ground, and they couldn't say anything," she recalled. "That's one of the best memories I have of Jayland on his birthday. That was a really great party." As her mouth quivered and her voice cracked, she concluded the anecdote with "I love you, Jayland," as she sobbed heavily. "I love you!"





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