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Holy Redeemer COGIC held a pre-Christmas toy giveaway in the gym of Holy Redeemer Christian Academy. They also provided **COVID** and flu vaccinations. There were also door prizes, music, food giveaway and the chance for children to have their photos taken with Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus.

Northcott Neighborhood House holds third annual family dinners and toy giveaway





MKE Fellows

MKE Fellows held a pre-Christmas holiday luncheon at the Aurora Heil Conference Center. Above is a group photo of the fellows with John Daniels, III (seated Holiday Luncheon! center), and his father, John Daniels, Jr. (far left). All photos by Yvonne Kemp

Colliers Training Institute, King Advi-

sory Inc., Pretty Girls are Educated

& Friends were sponsors of the

In a groundbreaking move to promote homeownership and empower low-income residents, Wisconsin-based developer Gorman & Company is set to sell 30 single-family homes previously used as rental properties to Milwaukee residents.

This homeowner initiative, in collaboration with nonprofit Acts Housing, aims to provide residents with a tangible path to homeownership, breaking barriers in traditionally underserved communities.

Gorman & Company, known for its significant contributions to affordable housing developments, especially through Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) ini-

tiatives, has committed to selling single-family homes constructed as part of this initiative to residents after the LIHTC 15-year (continued on page 2)

An unidentified new homeowner gets a hug from a Acts Housing official after she received news of her new home purchase thanks to the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC). Gorman & Company
Empowers Low-Income Renters Through nnovative ownership Initiative



launched a devastating campaign to tar-

get the Black community with its pro-

ducts, its primary tool being menthol

cigarettes.

deaths of millions. Understandably, health and social and racial justice advocates, among many others, saw great promise in the pro-

This sustained attack on

Black health has resulted in

profits in the billions and the

posal by the Food and Drug Administration to remove menthol cigarettes from the

Many saw the ban as a way to change that trajectory and put action behind the statement, "Black Lives Matter."

That promise is now tempered by disillusionment and utter disappointthe White House

announced recently that any action on menthol

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Developer helps low-income renters to become homeowners

(continued from front page compliance period, which began in 2007.

As part of the collaboration with Acts Housing, three homes have closed in 2023 and the remainder will be closed in 2024.

This homeownership initiative is set to continue over the next 12 years, which will include eight more phases of LIHTC housing within northside neighborhoods of Milwaukee, totaling over 200 homes that will be sold to qualifying residents.

This homeowner initiative significantly increases black homeownership on the north side of Milwaukee.

The lower purchase price of these homes allows the residents to realize instantaneous equity upon purchase and significantly decreases their monthly housing payment.

By leveraging the equity accumulated through LIHTC investments, residents have the opportunity to purchase homes at a fraction of their market value, providing residents with built-in equity and a more affordable path to homeownership.

To address potential skepticism and foster trust within the community, Gorman & Company enlisted Acts Housing to educate residents about the opportunity and provide essential support services.

By dispelling misconceptions, such as the belief that a 20% down payment is required to buy a home, the collaboration aims to

An official with Gorman & company presents a bouqet of flowers to the new homeowner during Acts Housing event.

ensure that residents are informed and empowered to make sound financial decisions.

Deatra Kemp, Vice President of Programs for Acts Housing, emphasized the transformative impact of the initiative.

"If I could get half of those people to convert (to homeowners), that will statistically change homeownership rates in built-in equity for each homebuying resident," Matkom said.

Milwaukee," Kemp said.

Ted Matkom, Wisconsin Market President for Gorman & Company, expressed the company's commitment to the initiative. "We are proud to be involved in a project that ultimately increases homeownership rates on the north side of Milwaukee and provides

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As this homeownership initiative unfolds, Gorman & Company and Acts Housing will collaboratively seek to streamline the process and address misinformation, contributing to a positive and transformative impact on Milwaukee's housing landscape.

Time for action! Time to end delay on menthol ban!

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won't happen until at least March.

It's no secret why the Biden Administration changed its tune, or at least muted it for now.

The tobacco industry and its powerful lobby have funded a campaign using false statements, some being carried by prominent Black activists, to stoke fears that a ban on menthol will cause more harm than good.

Think about that for a second.

Tobacco kills 45,000 African Americans a year and is a prime contributor to the three main causes of death among African Americans: heart disease, cancer and stroke.

Menthol, a product used by 85% of Black smokers nationally and

89% of Black smokers in Wisconsin, is the primary cause of this carnage, the direct result of a successful targeting campaign by the tobacco industry.

Banning menthol will save up to 650,000 lives in 40 years, including more than 200,000 Black lives, research estimates have found. How is this a bad thing?

I'm not here to say that the tobacco lobby arguments against the ban are baseless. They play upon legitimate fears of the Black community in regards to overpolicing and police brutality.

But, instead of addressing those legitimate concerns by standing behind social justice and taking actions such as ending their relentless targeting campaign of the Black community,

THE TOLL OF TOBACCO ON BLACK HEALTH

- Smoking claims 45,000 Black lives every year
- It's the #1 cause of preventable death
- Black Americans die at higher rates from cancer, heart disease and stroke

they're using the argument to keep our communities in harm's way. To keep profits rolling their way.

Here's the facts. The menthol ban will be enforced against manufacturers and retailers, not against individual consumers or smokers of menthol. It would not make it illegal to possess menthol cigarettes.

The menthol ban is also not a campaign issue and will not hurt Biden at the polls. The NAACP of Milwaukee, faith and community groups, residents and many others stand strongly in favor of the ban.

We know it will save lives and the tobacco industry and the Biden Administration know it too. It's time to stop talking about it and take action before more Black lives are lost to menthol tobacco.

WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN COMING AND PAST HAPPENINGS IN AND OUTSIDE OF YOUR COMMUNITY!



'DYNAMIC RANGE: PHOTOGRAPHS BY BILL TENNESSEN'

January 19 - May 12, 2024

Bill Tennessen was born in 1934 and grew up on North 39th Street in Milwaukee. He is a 1956 graduate of Marquette University's College of Business Administration. Tennessen is a self-taught photographer who began contributing photos to the Milwaukee Community Journal, Wisconsin's largest African American newspaper, in 1981.

He has documented the Ernest Lacy demonstrations, Juneteenth Day celebrations, activities of the Boys 8 Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee and the Ko-Thi Dance Company.

He captured many of Milwaukee's Central City storefront churches and the appearance in town of numerous important cultural and political personalities of our time. He has photographed the Milwaukee Bucks and Marquette University basketball and many other sports and community events.

Dynamic Range includes 48 photographs by Tennessen that highlight Milwaukee's Black community from the 1980s to the early 2000s.

The exhibition was curated by Lynne Shumow (Haggerty Museum Curator for Academic Engagement) in collaboration with Dr. Robert Smith (Marquette University Harry G. John Professor of History and Director of the Center for Urban Research, Teaching and Outreach—CURTO) and Mia Phifer (Education and Research Coordinator at America's Black Holocaust Museum). Additional assistance was provided by Kate Rose, Caroline Bielski, Sebastien Brown, Sophia Furman, Logan Glembin, Niktalia Jules, and Adamali De La Cruz.

Support for this exhibition is generously provided by the Marquette University Women's Council Endowment Fund.



A celebration of life will be held for Lena Jacquelyn Taylor ('Miss Jackie' pictured above at right), the mother of state Senator Lena C Taylor, Saturday, Dec. 30, at Holy Redeemer Institutional Church Of God In Christ, 3500 W. Mother Daniels Way.

Viewing will be at 10 a.m. Funeral at 11 a.m.

Save Milwaukee Healthcare Coalition to hold rally in recognition of one year anniversary of St. Francis Hospital Labor and Delivery Unit closure, Next Door Pediatrics's Sudden closure

The Save Milwaukee Healthcare Coalition will hold a rally and press conference Friday, Dec. 29—starting at 2 p.m.— at the intersection of 27th Street and Oklahoma Ave. to commemorate the one year closing of the Labor and Delivery Unite at St. Francis Hospital.

The rally and press conference will also bring attention to the very recent closing of Next Door Pediatrics unit at Children's Hospital.

On December 23, 2022, the Labor and Delivery Unite at St Francis unexpectedly closed, leaving the city's Southside with a healthcare desert for maternal care.

This left Milwaukee County with only three hospitals offering labor and delivery services, with none on the southside, where some of the highest maternal birth mortality rates are reported.

This trend of lacking healthcare in certain parts of the city was only exacerbated more by the sudden closure of Next Door Pediatrics Clinic at Children's Hospital, which served thousands of children and families who use Medicaid on the northside of Milwaukee.

This unexpected closure leaves parents in the dust when it comes to accessible health services, with many not having adequate transportation to other alternative clinics across the county or not being able to find providers that accept Medicaid.

The Save Milwaukee Healthcare Coalition (SMHC) formed in response to this, with efforts from the Milwaukee Inner-City (continued on page 4)



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The tobacco industry has targeted Menthol cigarettes to African Americans for decades

An FDA ban on the manufacture and sale of menthol cigarettes will increase health equity and could save up to 650,000 lives, including more than 250,000 Black lives within 40 years.

So, don't believe the tobacco industry hype about law enforcement coming for you to enforce this policy.

The FDA said it **can't and won't** enforce the ban against individual consumers for possession or use of menthol cigarettes.

Please join us in supporting this vital action to improve Black health.



The Milwaukee Community Journal • December 27, 2023 • Page 4 Our War Against Stupidity



Israel is at war with Hamas and several other terrorist groups. Ukraine is at war against the Racist Russian Roaches. Our brothers in Nigeria, Central African Republic, Sudan, and the Democratic Republic of Congo are at war with rebels and insurgents.

And here in the good ole U.S.A, Black America is at war with...drum roll, please...'STU-PIDITY!'

Yeah, you read that right. And while our war may be as much psychological as it is physical, it does leave a blood trail---mindless zombies, dysfunctional families, and a community in chaos in its

It is also a war for which humanitarian aid, technical advisors, or new munitions are useless.

What's more alarming is, we're losing this war.

For the record, knowledge is power, and the lack of it is ignorance. The refusal to properly utilize knowledge, or the abuse of it, is 'stupidity.'

Based on that premise, consider the following:

Stupidity is the only noun to describe the young brothers who blame racism for their disingenuous behavior, disregard for laws, and lack of civility.

I have a grandson who holds membership among the contingency of Millennials who believe they are being profiled because of

I'm sure race plays a role in their repeated detainments by police. But the cops wouldn't pull them over if they obeyed the laws about tinting windows, loud music, and expired license plates.

Don't give the 'po po' a reason to stop you. If you do, you eliminate the rationale for being pulled over and the excuse.

Everyone with common sense is upset with educational apartheid in Milwaukee---the lowest Black fourth and eighth-grade reading proficiency rate in the country, the wide academic achievement gap, and flirtation with the lowest Black graduation rates in the country. Parents not seeking solu-

tions are stupid, as are the 90% of 'concerned' Black Milwaukee who don't vote in school board elec-

I saw a 27-year-old 'brother' on television with 16 (yes, 16!) children who claimed he "took care' of all of dem."

The mother of one said the Neckbone sperm donor not only didn't know his eight-year-old's favorite color, but couldn't say where the child went to school or know his birthday.

He also doesn't pay child support.

Stupidity runs through that entire scenario. He's stupid for having children he can neither afford nor provide resources or time to.

But it's a double-edged sword. How stupid are the sisters for having children by this Neckbone?

By the way, the mother of the latest child is named 'LaPeaches.' I joked about that until my wife mentioned a sister being upset that her child's teacher incorrectly pronounced her name: La—sha. No, it's not pronounced the way you would assume. It's La 'DASH' Sha...dash being a word versus a punctuation mark.

There's a thin line between being creative—which we are and being stupid.

The most shocking result of my wearing a ball cap with a 'confederate flag' for a month last spring as part of a 'cultural experiment' was that so few people responded with anger or outrage.

But what shocked me most was the response I received walking through a public (government) high school. I was totally taken aback when I asked a group of students what the hat represented. One responded, 'Yeah, Malcolm X. right?'

That's not stupidity, per se, but ignorance.

But a teacher who overheard the conversation opened the door for stupidity when she said it's not the teachers' fault that the school hosts the lowest reading, writing, math, and science proficiency rate in the state---"everybody knows poor kids can't learn.'

Yeah, she said that.

She also said in response to a student's statement that they are not taught Black history, that he (the student) was wrong, "We have an excellent Black history pro-

gram. I teach it."

Her qualification for teaching Black history? She said she owned Black art! True story: I published her comment when I heard it.

By the way, the North Division high school teacher (educator) couldn't tell me who W.E.B. Dubois, Marcus Garvey, or Frederick Douglass were, leaving me to assume she was teaching that our ancestors were happy-go-lucky slaves, and Tarzan was king of the

James, the driver of the car who 'murdered' his two sons—Zapaulion and Paul Eison Vinson--- epitomized stupidity. And callousness, mental illness, and atheism.

What's also worth acknowledging is that this Neckbone's level of stupidity is shared by many brethren who collectively compose an urban terrorist army that has invaded our community.

These Neckbones have altered our driving habits, threatened the



Stupid is as stupid does!"

—Forrest Gump

jungle.

As Malcolm X once said: "Only a fool will let his enemy teach his children!"

We are obviously culturally dysfunctional because too few of us have a historical/cultural foundation to stand upon. And it's stupid to assume someone else will lay the cement.

The 93,398 Black Milwaukeeans with common sense remain distressed, frustrated, and angry about the state of educational apartheid in Milwaukee. The stupidity comes in when you look at our voting records. One out of 10 Black folks vote in school board elections. That's stupidity---and Black self-hatred---with a capital 's,' which is also the first letter of the word 'slavery.'

The fools and Neckbones who drive through funeral processions are not only stupid, they are disrespectful, uncivilized, and culturally deprived. So are their parents who passed on their stupid genes to their stupid children.

safety of innocent residents, and sparked senseless deaths.

Stupidity should lead to imprisonment. Or better yet, hell.

Continuing to vote in a twoparty system that is essentially represented by the two wings on

the same bird is stupid.

Maybe you can assume that blindly supporting the Democratic Party, which has a history of racism and apathy toward us, is justified by the alternative. But lacking the courage or common sense to create an independent political party cannot be dismissed by myopia. Instead, it is the byproduct of fear, political impotence, and you guessed it-stupidity.

You have to be more than 'naïve' to believe Black lives matter among Black folks. Truth is, we don't matter to anyone, including ourselves. And to believe otherwise is...yep...stupidity.

It's beyond stupid to believe there will ever be a time or occur-

rence when all Black people will

do anything collectively. It was a minority who fought for civil rights, school desegregation, and school choice.

Given our history, and even Hisstory, you have to be stupid to believe you can get all people of any race, economic status, color/hue, or even religion to do anything as an aggregate.

You could call those of you who gave up the keys to the Freedom Train to liberals and missionaries-thinking they would drive us to the promised land--ignorant, wishful, or even prayerful. But history will note that 'stupidity' best describes their decision.

Anyone who reads this column or knows me by physical recognition or voice know I have nothing but disdain for the noun/adjective/epithet 'nigger.'

But I won't condemn those who use it as a word of endearment or to blunt its impact through rebirthed ownership. But it's stupid to suggest that strategy has worked. Just as criticizing a liberal white or even biracial person for using it is hypocritical, if you get angry at a racist referring to you as one, it proves the hatred connected to the word is still alive and well.

Plus, I have a problem with y'all who say, Jesus, Yeshua was a nigger.

will pick up that litter in front of your home is stupid. Conversely, not understanding why suburbanites think we are filthy people after driving through our community is, you guessed it, stupid.

To assume or hope someone else

Thinking a teacher is going to

teach your child what he or she should have learned at home before entering school is not only stupid but irresponsible and negli-

Likewise, thinking your third 'sperm donor-produced child' is not traumatized by the absence of his or her father, who didn't buy Christmas presents when the other 'fathers' did is stupid.

To think someone or something owes you something—food, shelter, and dope money---is not only stupid, it's insanity.

Stupidity best describes those

who believe their gangsta rap god is more potent than my spiritual one is stupid. And dangerous. I don't think there is a 'hell' in the general sense, but you could end up living eternity on 18th and Reservoir, or 2nd and Keefe.

You gotta be stupid to believe the missionaries and conservatives (different wings on the same bird) who want to erase or rewrite history and defuse the impact of 'American apartheid,' including slavery, are doing so for your own good or that of mankind.

I oppose tearing down Confederate statutes and White supremacist heroes for that reason. Leave them up so we will be reminded of where we came from.

To those handful of folks who called me 'stupid' for seeking out the owner of a \$500 money order I found, you need to look in the mirror. Yes, I could have used the money, and given that the money order was not addressed, I was tempted for a microsecond.

But that's not how I was raised. Nor does it represent my culture.

I saw the money order and immediately thought of my late mother, who once returned to a Pick N' Save grocery store because the cashier had failed to include a loaf of bread on her checkout bill.

My saintly mother, Rev. Sideena Holt, stood in line to have the clerk add the \$2 to her cashier total to ensure her drawer was balanced at the end of the day. Unlike the majority today, I was

raised in a two-parent household, where we praised God and followed His/Her commandments, even as I later embraced and merged my Christian tenets with Kemetic Spirituality and Africentric paradigms. Thus, it was a nobrainer. And to those who think I was stupid, 'Ya'll need to reassess where you came from and what you're teaching your children.

Lastly, it is utter stupidity to assume 2024 will be any different than 2023, particularly if we continue to do the same old things over and over again. If nothing changes, nothing changes. It's a simple, proven fact.

And isn't that the definition of stupid? —Hotep.

Pick 'n Save Assists with Walgreens Closures The Pick 'n Save and Metro Market organization is

committed to the residents of Milwaukee. Following the recent announcement from Walgreens, we want to share how we can assist those impacted by these

Prescription Transfers (including Delivery service):

We want to make sure impacted Milwaukee residents can access their prescriptions. In addition to offering in-store consultations and pickups, eight of our nearby Milwaukee area store locations (listed below, visual map attached) will be offering FREE prescription delivery through Scrip Drop, which will be available for residents within a five-mile radius through June 2024. To transfer your prescription to Pick 'n Save, learn more about prescription eligibility and/ or enroll in delivery, patients should call their nearest pharmacy location. Phone numbers are pro-

Walgreens North (locations at Fond du Lac &

Hampton and Teutonia Avenue & Capitol Drive)

Pick 'n Save Milwaukee - Good Hope (7401 W. Good Hope Road) Pharmacy Phone: 414-760-3273 Pick 'n Save Milwaukee – 35th & North (2355 N 35th Street) Pharmacy Phone: 414-447-8117 Pick 'n Save Glendale at 17th and Silver Spring (1735 W. Silver Spring Drive) Pharmacy Phone: 414-247-8581 Pick 'n Save Milwaukee - Garfield (1100 E. Garfield Ave) Pharmacy Phone: 414-374-8769

Metro Market Shorewood (4075 N. Oakland Ave)

Walgreens South (locations at Forest Home &

Pharmacy Phone: 414-962-3744

Pick 'n Save West Milwaukee (2201

Lincoln Avenues)

Miller Parkway)

Pharmacy Phone: 414-384-2474 Pick 'n Save Milwaukee - Loomis (3701 S. 27th Street) Pharmacy Phone: 414-281-3622 Pick 'n Save Bayview – Holt (250 W. Holt Ave) Pharmacy Phone: 414-769-8990

We also have grocery delivery available throughout Milwaukee, utilizing refrigerated trucks and professional drivers. When residents place their orders online at picknsave.com and choose one of the delivery options with a blue truck icon, they are receiving a Pick 'n Save order fulfilled by Kroger Delivery giving them the same full, fresh and friendly delivery experience right at their doorstep.

Shoppers can also use their SNAP benefits with delivery orders. Online shoppers have full access to in-store pricing, weekly sales and digital coupons.

The delivery fee is \$6.95, or complimentary with a \$59 annual Boost membership which provides a free

Job Opportunities:

Grocery Delivery:

We welcome those team members displaced by the closure to begin a career on our team. Pick 'n Save and Metro Market stores are looking for friendly associates who are passionate about people and food, and who want to make a difference for customers, communities, and each other.

Hired candidates can begin their Roundy's career in as little as three days. Available benefits include next day pay, flexible scheduling, premium pay (third shift, Sundays, and holidays), Feed your Future tuition reimbursement up to \$21k, training and development, competitive wages, Health & Wellness benefits, and discounts on Kroger Brands, Android, and iOS technology streaming services and more. Interested applicants can find open positions, applications, registration, and additional details online at picknsave.com/careers.

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Congregations Allied for Hope (MICAH), Reproductive Justice Action-Milwaukee (RJA-M), The Milwaukee Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression (MAARPR), and the Wisconsin Federation of

Nurses and Health Profes- ceive basic care. sionals.

These organizations are all united on bringing health care back to the populations of Milwaukee, and removing the hurdles so many Milwaukeeans encounter when trying to re-

The Coalition recognizes there is a lot of work to be done forfamilies who deserve healthcare with restoration of services, and that people need to come before profit inthe healthcare industry.



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Analysis Reveals Republican Party Voter Fraud Crackdown is Simply an Effort to **Disenfranchise Black** and Hispanic Voters

By Stacy M. Brown

NNPA Newswire Senior National Correspondent

The Republican Party's assault on suspected and unverified widespread voter fraud has come into view for what it is: an attempt to disenfranchise Black and Hispanic voters.

According to a study by The Washington Post, Republican-led voter fraud crackdowns disproportionately target Democrats and minorities.

The newspaper's analysis found that Black and Hispanic people made up over 75 percent of defendants accused of voter fraud, while registered Democrats accounted for nearly 60 percent of those charged.

The analysis also revealed that the election integrity units established or expanded in six states after the 2020 election only obtained 47 convictions, most of which were for minor instances of voter fraud by individual

The analysis undermines claims by the twice-impeached and four-times indicted former President Donald Trump and Republicans that widespread voter fraud influenced the outcome of the 2020 election.

Among the key findings, registered Democrats com-

prised 58 percent of those charged with identifiable party affiliations, compared to 23 percent for registered Repub-

The remaining cases involved defendants not registered with a specific party. The researchers determined a defendant's race, ethnicity, or political party in approximately 70 percent of cases.

Contrary to assertions by Trump and some Republican allies, the analysis revealed that the election integrity units did not uncover widespread schemes that could significantly impact election outcomes.

Instead, the convictions were typically the result of small-scale fraud or errors made by individual voters, such as casting multiple ballots, falsifying registrations, or voting while disqualified due to a conviction.

The data also showed that many pursued cases ended in dismissal, acquittal, or dropped charges. Out of 115 resolved cases as of mid-December, 42 had such outcomes, nearly equaling the number of guilty verdicts.

All convictions occurred in Florida, Texas, and Ohio, with Virginia, Georgia, and Arkansas failing to secure any guilty verdicts despite substantial resources allocated. Experts and advocates expressed alarm over the find-

ings, with Heather Sawyer, executive director of the watchdog group American Oversight, describing the units as a waste of money undermining democracy. Republicans defended the units, emphasizing their role

in ensuring election integrity and instilling confidence in voters. Critics argue that the racial and political disparities in

the crackdowns, along with the limited number of convictions, question the necessity and fairness of election integrity initiatives. The analysis has prompted concerns about potential

voter suppression efforts under the guise of combating fraud, encouraging calls for reevaluating the allocation of resources in election integrity units. "At best, these 'election integrity' units are for show, de-

signed to placate far-right election denialists in the conservative base," Sawyer told the researchers. "At worst, they are used to justify new voting restric-

tions and to intimidate people—especially racial minorities—from exercising their right to vote."

APPLYING THE PRINCIPLES OF KWANZAA TO ADVANCE ECONOMIC DONALD, COURTESY

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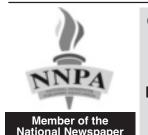
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From Dec. 26 to Jan. 1. many Black families across the United States will celebrate Kwanzaa, which means "first fruits" in Swahili or the agricultural harvest festivals that are found throughout Africa.

Growing up, my family didn't celebrate Kwanzaa or many holidays for that matter.

But over time, and especially in the last few years through my work with Black-led nonprofits, foundations and advocacy organizations, I have come to understand Kwanzaa's importance as a way to recognize the strength of Black communities despite systemic pressures meant to break

Stemming from the Black Power Movement and founded in 1966 by educator and activist Maulana Karenga, Kwanzaa is a time to honor Black people and celebrate our contributions, heritage and culture, while acknowlour unwavering efforts to overcome them.

The holiday encourages people to honor seven principles: unity, self-determination, collective work and responsibility, cooperative economics, purpose, creativity and faith.

Nearly 60 years since its creation the meaning and importance of Kwanzaa continue to resonate.

Despite achieving significant progress, Black communities continue to combat systems of oppression, institutional racism, and systemic inequities.

These inequities may be most apparent in the racial wealth gap.

As a result of centuries of systemic oppression in housing, our education systems and labor force, and insufficient access to capital and other business opportunities, Black people have faced significant barriers to building wealth.

In 2022, the typical white family had about six times as much wealth as the typical Black family.

This is not just a problem for Black communities but the entire economy. Over the last 20 years, the racial wealth gap has cost the U.S. economy about \$16 trillion.

Black people have made significant strides and demonstrated the power of community development efforts in the face of oppression.

The example of Black Wall Street comes to mind. In the early 1900s, the all-Black Greenwood community in Tulsa, Oklahoma — like many other Black communities across the South and Midwest during that time — developed their own stores, banks, schools, hotels, newspapers and a hospital.

Despite political limitations through Jim Crow laws and the threat of physical violence, Greenwood thrived — with every dollar circulating through the community 50 times before leaving — and became one of the country's most prosperous communities before it was demolished by a racist mob in the 1921 Tulsa Race massacre. The massacre killed hundreds of people and destroyed years of Black success and wealth-building.

Black Wall Street demonstrated the power and effectiveness of Black people working together to grow their community, which reflects the fourth principle of Kwanzaa, Ujamaa (cooperative

What's clear from this example and others is that when Black people have the freedom to use their agency to build power and create opportunity, Black communities and other communities of color can and do thrive.

What's also clear is that the United States owes these communities great recompense to right its historic wrongs against them.

The national racial reckoning spurred by the 2020 murder of George Floyd seemed like a step in the right direction, with politicians, corporations, banks and philanthropic organizations committing billions of dollars to advance economic opportunities for Black communities and dismantle systems of oppression.

Three years later, much work remains to realize these commit-

One avenue to advance economic opportunity for Black communities is through the support and funding of Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs), which are lenders with a mission to provide fair, responsible financing to com-

munities that mainstream finance (continued on page 7) The Milwaukee Community Journal • December 27, 2023 • Page 6

LEGALS/CLASSIFIEDS

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV9106

In the matter of the name change of: REBECCA LYNN LEONARD

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: REBECCA LYNN LEONARD to: REBECCA LYNN Birth Certificate: REBECCA LYNN LEONARD

IT IS ORDERED

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SO-SNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th

DATE JANUARY 10, 2024, 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 Com-

Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233

munity Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wiscon-Dated: 12-6-2023

BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY Circuit Court Judge 691/12-13-20-27-2023 **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN

CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV009179 In the matter of the name change of: HALEY REBECCA SEXTON

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: HALEY REBECCA SEXTON to: RYLEE ADDAMS

SEXTON IT IS ORDERED

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

Birth Certificate: HALEY REBECCA

Judge's Name: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE JANUARY 30, 2024, TIME 9:30 A.M.

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-

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Dated: 12-11-2023 BY THE COURT: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN Circuit Court Judge 692/12-13-20-27-2023

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN **CIRCUIT COURT** MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV009171

In the matter of the name change of: JU-LIAN MONTEZ POOLE By (Petitioner) JULIAN MONTEZ POOLE NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change

the name of the person listed above: From: JULIAN MONTEZ POOLE to: UMAR MUHAMMAD Birth Certificate: JULIAN MONTEZ POOLE

IT IS ORDERED

This petition will be heard in the Circuit 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 JANUARY 26, 2024, 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: 12-11-2023

BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY Circuit Court Judge 693/12-13-20-27-2023

(PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV008421 In the matter of the name change of:

SUMMONS

EMMA ROSE FLIESS

IT IS ORDERED

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: Carmen LaDalle Benford to: Carmen LaDalle Birth Certificate: Carmen LaDalle Ben-

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS RM 404 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE JANUARY 4, 2024, TIME 1:45P.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: 11-2-2023 BY THE COURT:

Circuit Court Judge 606/11-8-15-22-2023 STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY (SMALL CLAIMS) **PUBLICATION SUMMONS**

HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS

Case No. 22SC5388 Plaintiff(s) AUTOMAX FINANCIAL LLC, W133 N8569 EXECUTIVE WAY MENOMONEE FALLS WI 53051 vs DIUAN O STATEN 1750 S 61ST STREET WEST ALLIS WI 53214 Publication Summons and Notice of Fil-

AND NOTICE

TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S) You are being sued by the person(s) as named above Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. The lawsuit will be heard in the following Small Claims court: Milwaukee County Courthouse Telephone Number of Clerk of Court: 414-278-5362 Courtroom/ Room Number 400 Address: 901 N 9TH Street City: 53233 Milwaukee State WI Zip 53233 on the following date and time: Date: JANUARY 31, 2024, Time: 8:30 A.M If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A

copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgement may be enforced as provided by law. A judgement awarding money may become a lien against any real estate (property) you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment of seizure of property. You may have the option to Answer without appearing in court on the court

date by filing a written Answer with the clerk of court before the court date. You must send a copy of your Answer to the Plaintiff(s) named above at their address. You may contact the clerk of court at the telephone number above to determine if there are other methods to answer a Small Claims complaint in that county. Date: 12/18/2023 Plaintiff/Attorney AMY M SALBERG

Attorney's State Bar Number 1025449 SALBERG TUFFNELL, S, C 18 E. WASHINGTON ST. SUITE 101 WEST BEND, WI 53095 262-353-9556 695/12-20-27-2023/1-3-2024 **SUMMONS**

(PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN **CIRCUIT COURT** MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV009120

In the matter of the name change of: GI-ANNI ALEXANDER WOOD By (Petitioner) GIANNI ALEXANDER WOOD

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: GIANNI ALEXANDER WOOD to: GIANNI ALEXANDER GIARRA-LANO Birth Certificate: GIANNI ALEX-ANDER WOOD

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 JANUARY 10, 2024, 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: 12/7/2023 BY THE COURT:

Circuit Court Judge 700/12-20-27-2023/1-3-2024 **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE OF HEARING

HON. KRISTY YANG

Case No. 2023CV008756 In Re: the NAME CHANGE of: MOSES SAMUEL SHROCK

MOSES SAMUEL SHROCK 1226 W GLEN RIVER ROAD MILWAUKEE WI 53217

This case is scheduled for: Name Change hearing. Date: 01-22-2024 Time: 2:00 PM Circuit Court Judge Circuit Court Commissioner – KRISTY YANG-47 Location: Courthouse, Room 413 901 N 9th Street Milwaukee Wi 53233 Re: Name Change

This matter will not be adjourned by the court except upon formal motion for good cause or with the specific approval of the court upon stipulation by all This matter will be HEARD-IN-PER-

SON please plan accordingly.

If you have questions or concerns,

please call court at (414) 278-4486

AT LEAST (3) THREE DAYS PRIOR TO THE HEARING YOU MUST PRO-VIDE THE COURT WITH: PHOTOCOPY OF BIRTH CERTIFI-CATE PROOF OF PUBLICATION HAVE A PHOTO ID AVAILABLE TO DISPLAY AT THE TIME OF THE DOCUMENTS CAN BE MAILED TO ATTN: THE HONORABLE KRISTY YANG,901 N 9TH STREET, ROOM 413 MILWAUKEE WI 53233 or DROPPED OFF IMN ROOM 104 (CLERK OF COURTS) MILWAUKEE

COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 901 N 9TH STREET MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:30 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M. If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 414-985-5757 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation. Milwaukee County Circuit Court Date: November 27, 2023

697/12-20-27-2023/1-3-2024 **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE OF HEARING Case No. 2023CV008756 In Re: the NAME CHANGE of: ABIG-

ABIGAIL ELISABETH SHROCK 1226 W GLEN RIVER ROAD MILWAUKEE WI 53217

AIL ELISABETH SHROCK

This case is scheduled for: Name Change Hearing. Date: 01-22-2024 Time: 2:00 PM Circuit Court Judge Circuit Court Commissioner – KRISTY YANG-47 Location: Courthouse, Room 413 901 N 9th Street Milwaukee Wi 53233 Re: Name Change

This matter will not be adjourned by the court except upon formal motion for good cause or with the specific approval of the court upon stipulation by all

This matter will be HEARD-IN-PER-SON please plan accordingly. If you have questions or concerns, please call court at (414) 278-4486 AT LEAST (3) THREE DAYS PRIOR TO THE HEARING YOU MUST PRO-VIDE THE COURT WITH: PHOTOCOPY OF BIRTH CERTIFI-CATE PROOF OF PUBLICATION

HAVE A PHOTO ID AVAILABLE TO DISPLAY AT THE TIME OF THE **HEARING** DOCUMENTS CAN BE MAILED TO ATTN: THE HONORABLE KRISTY YANG,901 N 9TH STREET, ROOM 413 MILWAUKEE WI 53233 or DROPPED OFF IMN ROOM 104 (CLERK OF COURTS) MILWAUKEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 901 N 9TH STREET MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:30 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 414-985-5757 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation. Milwaukee County Circuit Court Date: November 27, 2023

698/12-20-27-2023/1-3-2024 **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE OF HEARING Case No. 2023CV008754 In Re: the NAME CHANGE of: GA-BRIELLE SHROCK

GABRIELLE SHROCK 1226 W GLEN RIVER ROAD MILWAUKEE WI 53217

This case is scheduled for: Name change Hearing. Date: 01-22-2024 Time: 2:00 PM Circuit Court Judge Circuit Court Commissioner - KRISTY YANG-47 Location: Courthouse, Room 413 901 N 9th Street Milwaukee Wi 53233 Re: Name Change

This matter will not be adjourned by the court except upon formal motion for good cause or with the specific approval of the court upon stipulation by all

This matter will be HEARD-IN-PER-

SON please plan accordingly. If you have questions or concerns, please call court at (414) 278-4486 AT LEAST (3) THREE DAYS PRIOR TO THE HEARING YOU MUST PRO-VIDE THE COURT WITH: PHOTOCOPY OF BIRTH CERTIFI-CATE PROOF OF PUBLICATION HAVE A PHOTO ID AVAILABLE TO DISPLAY AT THE TIME OF THE HEARING

DOCUMENTS CAN BE MAILED TO ATTN: THE HONORABLE KRISTY YANG,901 N 9TH STREET, ROOM 413 MILWAUKEE WI 53233 or DROPPED OFF IMN ROOM 104 (CLERK OF COURTS) MILWAUKEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 901 N 9TH STREET MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:30 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M. If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 414-985-5757 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation

Milwaukee County Circuit Court Date: November 27, 2023 699/12-20-27-2023/1-3-2024 **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY

NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV009323 In the matter of the name change of: AMY CHRISTIE SELIKOFF By (Petitioner) AMY CHRISTIE SELI-**KOFF**

NOTICE AND ORDER FOR

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: AMY CHRISTIE SELIKOFF to: AMY REBECCA CHRISTIE Birth Certificate: AMY REBECCA **CHRISTIE**

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit

Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. J.D.WATTS

ROOM 414 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE JANUARY 30, 2024, TIME 10:30 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 Wiscon-

BY THE COURT: HON. J.D. WATTS Circuit Court Judge 701/12-20-27-2023/1-3-2024 **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION)

Dated: 12-15-2023

STATE OF WISCONSIN **CIRCUIT COURT** MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV009404

In the matter of the name change of: ALEXANDER CANO By (Petitioner) ALEXANDER CANO NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: ALEXANDER CANO to: AL-EXANDER MARTINEZ CANO Birth Certificate: ALEXANDER CANO

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit 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 FEBRUARY 16, 2024, TIME 11:00 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: 12-19-2023 BY THE COURT:

HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY Circuit Court Judge 702/12-20-27-2023/1-3-2024 **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION)

STATE OF WISCONSIN **CIRCUIT COURT** MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR

Case No. 2023CV009355 In the matter of the name change of: KEILY YATZIRI GONZALEZ By (Petitioner) XOCHITL YADIRA **GONZALEZ**

NAME CHANGE HEARING

By (Co-Petitioner) GABRIEL GONZA-LEZ NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: KEILY YATZIRI GONZALEZ to: K-LOVE YATZIRI GONZALEZ Birth Certificate: KEILY YATZIRI **GONZALEZ**

IT IS ORDERED

BY THE COURT:

Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON, MICHAEL HAN-RAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE FEBRUARY 19, 2024, TIME 9:00 A.M.

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 Wisconsin. Dated: 12-18-2023

HON. MICHAEL HANRAHAN Circuit Court Judge 696/12-20-27-2023/1-3-2024 **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN **CIRCUIT COURT** MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV009290

By (Petitioner) RICHARD ALLAN BARTZ JR NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change

In the matter of the name change of:

RICHARD ALLAN BARTZ JR

the name of the person listed above: From: RICHARD ALLAN BARTZ JR to: RICHARD ALLAN BARTZ-MUL-HOLLAND Birth Certificate: RICHARD ALLAN BARTZ JR 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, Mil-

waukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE JANUARY 25, 2024, TIME 10:30 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

munity Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 12/20/2023 BY THE COURT: HON. KRISTY YANG Circuit Court Judge 703/12-20-27-2023/1-3-2024

the hearing in the Milwaukee Com-

STATE OF WISCONSIN **CIRCUIT COURT** MILWAUKEE COUNTY SUMMONS WITHOUT MINOR CHILDREN Case No. 23FA005526 **Divorce: 40101**

GIAVANNI LEE 2038 S 15th Street Milwaukee WI 53204, **Petitioner** and PIERRE ORLANDO LEE 3371 N 27th Street MILWAUKEE WI 53216, Respondent

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

You are hereby notified that your spouse has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Petitioner, which is attached, states the nature and basis of the legal action. Within 20 days of receiving this **Sum**mons, 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

The response must be sent or delivered to the following government office: Clerk of Court Milwaukee County 901 N 9th St. Rm 104 Milwaukee WI 53233.

The response must also be mailed or de-

livered 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 judgement 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 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin this 14th day of September 2023 BY: GIAVANNI LEE 705/12-20-27-2023/1-3-2024 **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV008853

In the matter of the name change of:

HAFSA HARUKI

TIME 10:00 P.M.

ZARIA HAFSA ALI NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: ZARIA HAFSA ALI to: CARIA

Birth Certificate: ZARIA HAFSA ALI

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON ROOM 402 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE JANUARY 25, 2024,

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: 12-20-2023 BY THE COURT:

HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON Circuit Court Judge 704/12-20-27-2023/1-3-2024 **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN **CIRCUIT COURT** MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING

KATHERINE GRACE RYBAR By (Petitioner) KATHERINE GRACE RYBAR NOTICE IS GIVEN:

Case No. 23CV009384

In the matter of the name change of:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: KATHERINE GRACE RYBAR

to: KATHERINE GRACE RICHTER

Birth Certificate: KATHERINE GRACE MERRISON IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of

Judge's Name: HON. KRISTY YANG BR 47 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE JANUARY 22, 2024, TIME 3:00 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: 12/18/2023 BY THE COURT:

HON. KRISTY YANG

Circuit Court Judge 706/12-20-27-2023/1-3-2024

TRUST REQUEST!

The Frances Baines Living Trust requests all creditors come forward or forever hold your Peace. Contact Mr. Keith Baines—in writing—at 6661 W. Locust Street, Milwaukee WI 53210 Phone (414) 871-4788 12-20-27-2023/1-3-2024

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT Welcoming the lives of Davina Douglas, daughter born 9/7/2019 to Dinasia Douglas weighing 7 lbs 12ozs at 7:45pm and Jahzara Douglas on 11/18/2021 weighing 6 lbs 12oz at 3:05am

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT We welcome the arrival and life of... son Lawrence Douglas Sr. 18th of March 1980, son Lawrence Douglas Jr., 8 lbs 3 oz born on April 12, 2006; daughter Asia D. **April 19, 2005**

7 lbs 15Oz; son Dejohntay Douglas April 23, 2003. The new addition to the family Jream Mitchell, 14th of February, 2022. All alive, well and healthy

APPLYING THE PRINCIPLES OF KWANZAA O ADVANCE ECONOMIC JUSTICE

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doesn't traditionally reach. In short, they are missiondriven institutions that provide financial services to traditionally underinvested communities.

Often situated within the communities they serve and made up of people from the community, CDFIs have a clear-eyed view of the resources communities need. Historically, traditional banking systems have deliberately excluded Black communities and deployed racist lending practices that preyed on Black and low-income people.

Today, systemic financial discrimination persists and Black communities are denied access to financial institutions or are faced with high-interest lending practices that prevent them from building and accumulating

My colleagues and I at Fenton, one of the nation's leading national full-service, public-interest communications agencies, are proud to work with organizations at the forefront of the movement to move capital to communities of color.

With Locus, formerly Virginia Community Capital Social Enterprises, we are partners in its work to ensure that everyone, no

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN **CIRCUIT COURT** MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV009262

In the matter of the name change of: DEZERAE ROZE CAHILL By (Petitioner) DEZERAE ROZE CA-

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: DEZERAE ROZE CAHILL to: DEZERAE ROZE EVERLY Birth Certificate: DEZERAE ROZE CAHILL

IT IS ORDERED

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

Judge's Name: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 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 Wisconsın.

Dated: 12-13-2023 BY THE COURT: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN Circuit Court Judge 709/12-27-2023/1-3-10-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN **CIRCUIT COURT** MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV009261

In the matter of the name change of: REBECCA RAYE BRUNETTE By (Petitioner) REBECCA RAYE BRUNETTE

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: REBECCA RAYE BRUNETTE to: REBECCA RAYE EVERLY Birth Certificate: REBECCA RAYE BRUNETTE

IT IS ORDERED

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

Judge's Name: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE JANUARY 22, 2024, 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: 12-13-2023 BY THE COURT:

"BLACK WALL STREET DEMONSTRATED THE POWER AND EFFECTIVENESS OF BLACK PEOPLE WORKING TOGETHER TO GROW THEIR COMMUNITY, WHICH REFLECTS THE FOURTH PRINCIPLE OF KWANZAA, **UJAMAA (COOPERATIVE ECONOMICS).** "

vestment Guarantee Pool (CIGP),

driven credit enhancement tool to

support small businesses, the cre-

ation of affordable housing, and

an innovative, racial equity-

matter their background, location or economic status, can live in healthy, thriving communities. We recently partnered with Locus to develop and unveil their new brand and their salient tagline, "community-focused capital."

Its project, the Community In-

SUMMONS

(PUBLICATION)

CIRCUIT COURT

MILWAUKEE COUNTY

NOTICE AND ORDER FOR

NAME CHANGE HEARING

Case No. 23CV008865

In the matter of the name change of:

CALLAHAN THOMAS JACOBSON

A petition was filed asking to change

the name of the person listed above:

Birth Certificate: CALLAHAN

THOMAS JACOBSON

FROM: CALLAHAN THOMAS JA-

COBSON TO: CALLAHAN THOMAS

This petition will be heard in the Circuit

Court of Milwaukee County, State of

Judge's Name: HON. DAVID BO-

ROWSKI PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street

Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE:

JANUARY 11, 2024, TIME 2:00 P.M.

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

munity Journal, a newspaper published

in Milwaukee County, State of Wiscon-

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

CIRCUIT COURT

MILWAUKEE COUNTY

SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT

SMALL CLAIMS

CLAIM FOR MONEY 31001

Case No. 23SC029430

PLAINTIFF(S) DANIEL C CROW-

DEFENDANT/S: AKRAM KHAN

LEY 3978 N 28th ST. MILWAUKEE

WI 53216 (I have severe dyslectic dis-

4716 N 22nd St. Milwaukee Wisconsin

This form does not replace the need for

by law, or the responsibility of court and counsel to ensure that persons with lim-

an interpreter any collogues mandated

ited English proficiency fully compre-

hend their rights and obligations. This

form must be completed in the English

If you require reasonable accommoda-

the court process, please call 414-278-

5712prior to the scheduled court date.

Please note that the court does not pro-

You are being sued as described below.

You must appear at the time and place

Claim for money (\$10,000 or less)

If you wish to dispute this matter:

If you do not appear or answer, the

TO THE DEFENDANT(S):

tions due to a disability to participate in

the hearing in the Milwaukee Com-

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Dated: 11-27-2023

Circuit Court Judge

order)

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685/12-6-13-20-2023

HON. DAVID BOROWSKI

BY THE COURT:

STATE OF WISCONSIN

HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN

708/12-27-2023/1-3-10-2024

Circuit Court Judge

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

KONIECZNY

IT IS ORDERED

climate financing in communities of low wealth, recently received nearly \$20 million from funders plaintiff(s) may win this case and a judgment entered for what the plaintiff

is asking. When to Appear /File an Answer

Date: JANUARY 30, 2024, Place to Appear/File and Answer: Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N 9th Street, Room 400 Milwaukee, WI

53233 Clerk/Attorney Signature: Plaintiff's Demand: The plaintiff states the following claim against the defen-

1. Plaintiff demands judgment for: CLAIM FOR MONEY/PERSONAL INJURY: \$9999.99

Brief statement of dates and facts: Has decimated against me because of my disabilities Physical as well as mental issues and also violated state law and ordinances regarding Landlord tenant retaliation after I went to bldg. inspectors within a week and had safety bars on inside windows and over inflated invoice trying to declaim \$359.99 see below

Dated: 11-3-2023 BY THE PLAINTIFF: DANIEL C CROWLEY 710/12-27-2023/1-3-10-2024 **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT

MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV008421

In the matter of the name change of: Carmen LaDalle Benford

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

I am the plaintiff:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: Carmen LaDalle Benford to: Carmen LaDalle

Birth Certificate: Carmen LaDalle Ben-

IT IS ORDERED

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

Judge's Name: HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS RM 404 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE JANUARY 4, 2024, TIME 1:45P.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: 11-2-2023 BY THE COURT: HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS Circuit Court Judge 606/11-8-15-22-2023

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

Case No. 23CV009531 In the matter of the name change of: invest in the financial growth of historically distressed communities in the Deep South. Hope recently received \$92.6 million in secondary capital from the U.S. Treasury Department's **Emergency Capital Investment**

Likewise, we partner with

headquartered in Jackson, Missis-

sippi, in its efforts to strengthen

communities, improve lives and

Hope Credit Union, a CDFI

Program (ECIP). These funds will enable the nation's leading Black- and womenowned financial institution to serve more than 150,000 people over the next 10 years.

To date, Hope has generated or leveraged more than \$3.6 billion in financing that has benefitted over 2 million people in Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee.

We also work with the African American Alliance of CDFI CEOs and leading philanthropies that aim to buttress the efforts of CDFIs, including the Annie E. Casey Foundation, the Kresge Foundation, W.K. Kellogg Foundation, and many more.

Finally, we work with organizations leading efforts to grow power in these communities and push policies to strengthen them, such as Black Voters Matter and

Color Of Change.

Our work with these organizations has shown us that communities thrive when they have equitable access to capital and systems of oppression are eradi-

Black communities and other marginalized ones have been able to overcome significant barriers through their own fortitude and principles like Ujamaa.

Imagine what Black Wall Street and its sister communities across the country might be today if our economic and political systems truly upheld the moral imperative to advance equity, racial justice and economic opportunity.

During this seven-day celebration, we reaffirm the history of Kwanzaa, the need for community self-determination and revolutionary social change so that all people can live healthy. prosperous lives.

Donté Donald is a vice president at Fenton, the largest full-service, public-interest communications agency in the country. At Fenton, he works on the firm's Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Justice practice, where he focuses on racial equity and economic justice issues in partnership with Black-led nonprofits, CDFIs, foundations, and advocacy organizations.

Case No. 23CV9158

In the matter of the name change of: SAMANTHA ROBBIN KING By (Petitioner) SAMANTHA ROBBIN

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: SAMANTHA ROBBIN KING TO: SAMANTHA ROBBIN KUBICEK Birth Certificate: SAMANTHA ROB-BIN KING

IT IS ORDERED

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. J.D. WATTS BR

15 ROOM 414 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: JANUARY 18, 2024, TIME 3:00 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: 12-8-2023 BY THE COURT: HON. J.D. WATTS Circuit Court Judge

707/12-27-2023/1-3-10-2024 **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN **CIRCUIT COURT** MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR

NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV009288 In the matter of the name change of: ALICE MARIE ANGELICA POLO HARVEY C By (Petitioner) ALICE MARIE AN-

GELICA POLO HARVEY C

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: ALICE MARIE ANGELICA POLO HARVEY C to: INTEL PAMELA POLO

Birth Certificate: ALICE MARIE AN-

GELICA POLO HARVEY C

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Judge's Name: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE JANUARY 30, 2024, TIME 10:30 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 Wiscon-

Dated: 12-14-2023 BY THE COURT: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN Circuit Court Judge 712/12-27-2023/1-3-10-2024

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

MacKenzie Scott and the Kresge

Foundation, increasing its capac-

ity to accelerate community in-

vestment and support equity in

financing for green energy. Since

its founding, Locus has generated

over \$2 billion in total impact in

local communities.

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

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Wisconsin.

11:30 A.M.

IT IS ORDERED

PAUL RICHARD KOEPNICK

By (Petitioner) PAUL RICHARD

A petition was filed asking to change

the name of the person listed above:

FROM: PAUL RICHARD KOEPNICK

This petition will be heard in the Circuit

Court of Milwaukee County, State of

Judge's Name: HON. J.D. WATTS BR

15 ROOM 414 PLACE: 901 N. 9th

Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233

DATE: FEBRUARY 20, 2024, TIME

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

munity Journal, a newspaper published

in Milwaukee County, State of Wiscon-

SUMMONS

(PUBLICATION)

STATE OF WISCONSIN

CIRCUIT COURT

MILWAUKEE COUNTY

NOTICE AND ORDER FOR

NAME CHANGE HEARING

the hearing in the Milwaukee Com-

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Dated: 12-26-2023

BY THE COURT:

HON. J.D. WATTS

Circuit Court Judge

707/12-27-2023/1-3-10-2024

TO: PAUL MAVERICK KOEPNICK

Birth Certificate: PAUL RICHARD

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

Foreclosure Sheriff's sales notice of creditor listing of property for sale.

Other general legal and public notices

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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



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