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Former Sixth District Ald. Marlene Johnson-Odom passes

Compiled by MCJ Staff

Former Milwaukee Alderwoman Marlene Johnson-Odom, who served the sixth aldermanic district on the city's north side for 24 years, died Monday. She was 79.

Cause of death was not available at deadline. She was living in Mississippi at the time of her death.

Johnson-Odom succeeded her first husband, Ben Johnson on the Common Council in 1980, and was frequently praised for working with developers to increase investments in her district.

For example, property values which were dropping when she took office increased under her leadership

and she was especially proud of the development that had taken place along Brewers Hill and Humboldt Avenue.

She credited these developments as turning around a depressed area. During her watch, total property value from 1980 to 2002 went from a minus seven percent to a value of plus 28%.

A lifelong resident of Milwaukee who had a historical view of challenges to the sixth district that go back to the 1960, Johnson-Odom often described herself as a "Kennedy Girl."

Johnson-Odom's goal in working with developers was to help flatten property tax rates because of the range of income brackets in the sixth district.



Former Alderwoman Marlene Johnson

Johnson-Odom received a bachelor of science degree from UW-Milwaukee. She held a variety of positions before entering politics.

She was a TV hostess at Channel 18 and a social improvement instructor for Milwaukee Public Schools.

A quiet leader, Johnson-Odom was always accessible and involved in the community. She eventually lost her aldermanic seat to Michael McGee, Jr.

The late alderwoman once noted the renaming of Third Street to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive was her proudest achievement.

She also expressed pride in her work with the two busienss improvement districts, BID 25 on East Capitol Drive and BID 8 on King Drive, as well as housing development that occurred in Brewers Hill, Hillside and Carver Park.

Johnson-Odom was involved in the community after leaving public

life, working quietly to facilitate change and make a difference in the community she called home.

Two current council members expressed their sadness at hearing the news of Johnson-Odom's death.

On her Facebook page yesterday, alderwoman Milele Coggs, who currently serves Johnson-Odom's sixth district, expressed her condolences: after hearing the unfortunate news. Coggs grew up in the sixth district during Johnson's tenure on the council.

"I am grateful for her service to the community and for the foundation she laid for me and those who follow. My sincere condolences to her family."

Ald. Michael Murphy, a former colleague of the Johnson-Odom on

the council, called the late alderwoman a "trailblazer and a conscientious, deeply committed public servant who served with genuine honesty and integrity."

"She was a tireless advocate for her constituents and for the poor and disenfranchised, and her gentle kindness came through in how she treated people."

"She will also be greatly missed by her family, friends, and former constituents."

Funeral services for Johnson-Odom will be held Saturday, January 21, at St. Marcus Luthern Church, 2215 N. Palmer St. The times for visitation and the funeral are pending.

For more information, call Reid's New Golden Gate Funeral Home at 414-358-0538.

"YES WE DID!"



(Photo by Scott Olson/Getty Images)

Obama bids farewell in nostalgic last speech

By Josh Lederman and Darlenen Superville, Associated Press | Posted on thegrio.com January 11

CHICAGO (AP) — President Barack Obama bid farewell to the nation on Tuesday in an emotional speech that sought to comfort a country on edge over rapid economic changes, persistent security threats and the election of Donald Trump.

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"Yes, our progress has been uneven," Obama told a crowd of some 18,000. "The work of democracy has always been hard, contentious and sometimes



WE Energies Thelma Sias retires!

Thelma Sias next to a portrait of herself done by artist Lena Walker during her retirement celebration at the WE Energies Public Service Building, 231 W. Michigan St. recently. Sias is retiring as its vice president of local affairs. She is highly regarded and respected in the corporate community and the grass roots community for her charitable work and memberships on a number of corporate and non-profit boards. She was recently honored by the MKE Fellows project with an award named after her. Many from the business and grass-roots sectors were on hand to honor her and thank her for her service to WE Energies and the city. --Photo by Yvonne Kemp

PULSE OF THE COMMUNITY

Photos and question by Yvonne Kemp

Yes. I am a die-hard Packers fan. With all of the injured players back in the line up, except for Jordy Nelson as a maybe. I think we can go all the way!"



Ronald Jackson

"I believe the Packers are going to win! It's been a great season so far!"



Rogerick J. Toombs

"No. Because I think there are better teams out there. Maybe next year!"



John Thorpe

"Absolutely the Packers will win! We have the best quarterback and the best team. That means Packers fans can expect the best result: a win! Next stop: Super Bowl!"



Lovelace Redmond

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

"Do you believe the Green Bay Packers will make it all the way to Super Bowl 41? Why or why not?"



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Register now for the MKE Business Now Entrepreneurship Summit

Aspiring entrepreneurs hoping to launch Milwaukee's next successful business enterprise should register now for the MKE Business Now Entrepreneurship Summit, Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs announced recently, order to receive the skills, training and networking they need to achieve success.

A showcase of resources available to help launch new business ventures and an opportunity to connect with established local business owners, the 6th annual summit will take place on Saturday, January 28 at the Business and Economics Academy of Milwaukee, 3620 N. 18th St.

Sponsored and founded by Alderwoman Coggs, the free event will include workshops, panel discussions and a resource fair with dozens of organizations that are available to help Milwaukee entrepreneurs.

"The MKE Business Now Entrepreneurship Summit has everything an aspiring business owner needs to start a business and succeed," Alderwoman Coggs said.

"Anyone could have the next great business idea with the power to reshape our city, so I hope to see many Milwaukeeans participate once again in this helpful event."

Alderwoman Coggs said summit participants should register early to participate by visiting <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mke-business-now-entrepreneurship-summit-tickets-30871811419> and filling out the registration form online.



Ald. Milele Coggs

President Obama's Farewell Address

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policies. He decried discrimination against Muslim Americans and lamented politicians who question climate change. And he warned about the pernicious threat to U.S. democracy posed by purposely deceptive fake "news" and a growing tendency of Americans to listen only to information that confirms what they already believe.

Get out of your "bubbles," said the politician who rose to a prominence with a message of unity, challenging divisions of red states and blue states. Obama also revived a call to activism that marked his first presidential campaign, telling Americans to stay engaged in politics.

"If you're tired of arguing with strangers on the internet," Obama said pointedly, "try to talk with one in real life."

With Democrats still straining to make sense of their devastating election losses, Obama tried to offer a path forward. He called for empathy for the struggles of all Americans — from minorities, refugees and transgender people to middle-aged white men whose sense of economic security has been upended in recent years.

Paying tribute to his place as America's first black president, Obama acknowledged there were hopes after his 2008 election for a post-racial America.

"Such a vision, however well-intended, was never realistic," Obama said, though he insisted race relations are better now than a few decades ago.

The former community organizer closed out his speech by reviving his campaign chant, "Yes we can." To that, he added for the first time, "Yes we did."

He staunchly defended the power of activists to make a difference — the driving factor behind Obama's optimism in the face of so much anxiety, he said. Though the coalition of young Americans and minorities who twice got Obama elected wasn't enough to elect Democrat Hillary Clinton to replace him, Obama suggested their day was still ahead.

"You'll soon outnumber any of us, and I believe as a result that the future is in good hands," he said.

Steeped in nostalgia, Obama's return to Chicago was less a triumphant homecoming than a bittersweet reunion bringing together loyalists and staffers, many of whom have long since left Obama's service, moved on



Milwaukee YMCA to Host 20th Annual Celebration Breakfast in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Largest Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day event in Wisconsin

The YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee will host its 20th annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Breakfast on Monday, January 16, from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. at the Italian Conference Center, located at 631 East Chicago Street in Milwaukee. The breakfast program will celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and recognize local organizations dedicated to serving others, just as Dr. King did.

"The Milwaukee Y is dedicated to strengthening our community by creating the kind of lasting and positive change to which Dr. King dedicated his life," said Jack Takerian, interim CEO of the YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee. "The Milwaukee Y has been an anchor in

this community for 159 years, creating safe and nurturing spaces, delivering life-changing programming, and establishing community partnerships with other mission-driven organizations."

The event will also honor two local organizations who demonstrate a longstanding commitment to making this city a better place for all, by supporting health, wellness, diversity and inclusion. Next Door will receive the

Harley-Davidson Healthy Citizenship Award, which was created to honor an organization or individual who is working to improve the health and wellness of Milwaukee's underserved. Next Door will receive the award for their work toward improving literacy and school readiness for children ages 0-5 in Milwaukee's central city.

St. Ann Center for Intergenerational Care will receive The Potawatomi Hotel & Casino Diversity and Inclusion Award which recognizes an individual or group, committed to supporting and enhancing diversity and inclusion in Milwaukee. St. Ann will receive the award for providing Franciscan-inspired, intergenerational, community-based health and educational services for children, adults, the elderly and people with disabilities.

The breakfast program will also recognize the winners of this year's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Spoken Word Contest, sponsored by Northwestern Mutual Foundation and Jammin' 98.3 Radio. Three finalists in each age category (5-9 years, 10-13 years and 14-18 years) were selected after writing an original spoken word piece based on the theme, "The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy."

A panel of judges then voted on the winning pieces. The first place in each category will present their original spoken word piece during the Celebration Breakfast and each will receive a prize.

Aurora Health Care is the lead sponsor for this event. The cost to attend is \$40 per person or \$400 for a table of 10.

For more information regarding attending or sponsoring this event, please contact Josh Wright at 414-274-0735 or by email at jwright@ymcamke.org.

Milwaukee Public Museum releases schedule of MLK events at its King branch

On Monday, January 16, Milwaukee Public Library's King Branch (310 W. Locust Street) will be open and hold a day of special programs to commemorate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Civil Rights Movement. The programs are free and open to the public. Celebrate Dr. King's legacy through a day of arts, crafts, live music and storytelling. All other Milwaukee Public Library locations will be closed on Monday, January 16.

Here is the lineup for the day:

Free Blood Pressure Screenings and Flu Shots from 9:00 am-12:00 pm (city employees are reminded that healthy rewards points can be earned)

Martin Luther King Day Timeline 9:00am -12:00pm

Visitors will be encouraged to share their personal experiences with those events and how they've been impacted and participate in a trivia quiz

Collage-Making for Teens with Artist Jasmine Barmore 9:00am – 12:00pm

Dream Books with Rochelle Melander 10:30am – 12:00pm

Participants can capture their dreams in tiny how-to books they create

Media Opportunity: Mayor Tom Barrett will give welcome at 12:00 pm

Afro-Brazilian Percussion Performance by Lancaster Elementary 12:15 - 12:30pm

Tribute to Dr. King by Alpha Phi Alpha 12:30 – 12:45pm

Kevin Hayden Band Performs 1:00 – 1:45pm

Ex Fabula Fellows 2:00pm- 2:45pm
Listen to true, personal stories told by community members

Signature Dance Company Performs 3:00 – 3:30pm

Peace Cookies for all ages 3:30-4:30 pm

End the day on a sweet note with cookie decorating. Complimentary water will be available courtesy of Roundy's and complimentary coffee will be provided by Stone Creek Coffee.

Visit www.mpl.org/MLKday or our Facebook page for more information.

First Stage presents WELCOME TO BRONZEVILLE

Welcome to Bronzeville, a world premiere play written and directed by local playwright and dramaturge Sheri Williams Pannell, will be presented by the First Stage theatre company, from January 13 – February 5, in the Todd Wehr Theater, Marcus Center for the Performing Arts.

Special events and extended talkbacks will be held in conjunction with most performances. For a complete schedule, please visit FirstStage.org/Bronzeville. Highlights include:

Performances

Friday, January 13 at 7:00 p.m. – OPENING NIGHT

Saturday, January 14 at 3:30 & 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 15 at 1:00 & 3:30 p.m.

Monday, January 16 at 3:30 p.m. – PAY WHAT YOU CHOOSE: \$5 minimum suggested donation

Saturday, January 21 at 3:30 & 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 22 at 1:00 & 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 28 at 3:30 & 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 29 at 1:00 & 3:30 p.m.

Friday, February 3 at 7:00 p.m.


Saturday, February 4 at 3:30 & 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 5 at 1:00 p.m.

ASL Interpreted Performance: Sunday, February 5 at 1:00 p.m. – This performance will be sign-language interpreted. Assistive listening devices are also available at the Todd Wehr Theater. Special events and extended talkbacks are held in conjunction with most performances. For a complete schedule, please visit FirstStage.org/Bronzeville

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PERSPECTIVES

Trump must exercise caution and strength when dealing with Russia’s Putin

Recently, the publisher of the MCJ recalled a friend of her’s asked her the other day, “Why is there all of this rig-a-ma-roll about (Russian President Vladimir) Putin and (President-Elect Donald) Trump?” Our publisher said she immediately thought, we (actually, some of us)—as U.S. citizens—are judging the president-elect before his full cabinet is intact.

Our publisher then recalled the news about Putin during the Obama administration and concluded there is a reason to watch this potential relationship closely.

Russia is a country with which the United States has had a definable history dating back to World War II. But it was during the years President Ronald Reagan was in office that the relationship came into sharper view, showing the realities of the “Cold War” years.

Who cannot remember President Reagan’s powering voice telling then Soviet Union (as it was once called) President Mikhail Gorbachev: “Mr. Gorbachev, tear down that wall!”

In many respects, the “Cold War” era shaped the way we lived and thought at the time until the Soviet Union’s fall. Many of our elders can recall practicing drills in school to protect themselves in case of nuclear war with Russia, the main nuclear threat of the U.S. in the 40s, 50s, 60s and 70s.

Today, North Korea and Iran have replaced Russia as the United States’ (and the world’s) “Boogie-men.

But in the last several years, the actions of Putin—his country’s invasion of a sovereign eastern European country, his heavy-handed alliance with Syria and its despotic president, Bashar al-Assad in his efforts to hold onto power and defeat rebels who want to end his

Peterkin’s quest and Fuller’s vision

“We shall not cease from exploration, and in the end we’ll arrive at the beginning and know it for the first time.”

I don’t remember the author of that sonnet but it has stuck in my mind like the 23rd Psalm for over 40 years.

Repeatedly over the years I have fallen back on those closing words, finding them apropos for dozens of stops on my life journey.

Recently, it came to mind as I pondered the current state of education in Milwaukee, the challenges facing Black students, administrators and lawmakers; the dichotomous and unnecessary divisions between public schools and private entities participating in the school choice program. That conflict has reached an unnecessary and defining epoch that is destroying our city.

One enlightened activist said recently it brought to mind the African adage of two elephants fighting—“where only the ground gets hurt.”

Interestingly, the tug of war and words is mostly one sided. MPS officials and Democrats aligned with the teachers union throw grenades at the choice program, but you will be hard pressed to name any supporter of school choice who has returned fire.

That’s because most supporters of choice and charters view themselves as competitors and alternatives to MPS, not adversaries.

But the teachers’ union, one pragmatic MPS board member admitted recently, has as its vested interest maintaining the status quo, and therefore jobs

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MCJ EDITORIAL

regime, and recent revelations of internet hacking that may have influenced the recent presidential elections—threatens to rejuvenate Russia’s boogie-man status.

That renewed status and its impact on Syria now threatens to shake things up in a region of the world—the Middle East—that is already walking a tight-rope between war and peace.

The United States needs to be ever vigilant, not only about the Middle East, but the rest of the world as Putin tries again to cast the shadow of the Ol’ Russian Bear upon it. Our nation must continue to promote democracy and opportunity and balance while at the same time exerting strong leadership. While past history need not dictate all of the future, we cannot ignore the future nor delete the past.

Our nation must be vigilant as to who we call friend and ally, and who we call enemy. If president-elect Trump can resurrect the U.S.’s relationship with Putin and Russia without compromising our principals, then the world will be able to breath a sigh of relief. However, rebuilding trust takes time and validated proof of good will and intentions.

Wealth and bullish shows of power may be a shared commonality between Trump and Putin which both men can use to build their relationship.

Hopefully Trump will follow another famous Reagan saying in dealing with Russia and Putin: “Trust...but verify!”



SIGNIFYIN’

By Mikel Kwaku Oshi Holt

and benefits for its members.

That’s why the union, which apparently has greater sway with the Democratic Party than Black people, has also opposed any initiative that threatens or inconveniences its members, even those that benefit students, who I was told were the reasons for public education.

That dichotomy was the primary motivation of an individual who probably had more to do with the establishment of school choice than anybody, the late former State Rep. Annette Polly Williams.

It was a quarter century ago that the most unlikely of people called together an unlikely group to present an unlikely plan that would forever alter the unlikely educational status quo paradigm.

Though some have tried to erase this important page from the local history books, it set the stage for events that led to the creation of the school choice program and the educational revolution against apartheid that followed.

And, there is little doubt—at least in my mind—that had special interests not intervened to thwart the plan, Milwaukee’s educational scene would have been completely different than it is today.

And who knows, we would have not wasted endless energy fighting each other at the expense of another generation of children who have slipped through the public/private school safety net.

The defining incident I mention occurred a decade after the failed school “desegregation” rip off of 1976.

It came a few short years after North Division high school alumni and civil rights activists orchestrated demonstrations to stop MPS from denying enrollment of neighborhood children at the newly constructed school.

And several years after Polly Williams introduced legislation to carve out an independent Black controlled school district.

That latter proposal was the byproduct of decades of distrust and dissatisfaction with the Milwaukee School Board and what was best described as a system of educational apartheid.

I worked closely with Polly on that initiative and the school choice proposal that followed and she was adamant that Black children would “not be educated by the oppressors,” as she once explained.

There existed at that time—and some believe to this day—a two tier educational system, with most Black students relegated to the left overs, layaways and hand-me-downs.

The only solution was to create our own district, Polly believed, staffed by people who love Black children and administered by Black educational experts who understood our unique culture. Surprisingly, the state assembly approved her proposal.

But like every other major reform or Black empowerment proposal, the teachers’ union screamed body murder, and “ordered” their Democratic Party cronies to kill the proposal on the senate side.

A few years later Governor Tommy Thompson, citing some of Polly’s concerns, introduced a voucher bill to free up the poor from the plantation politics where only the house Negroes learned to read.

At that time, it was well known that unless you were middle class, had con-

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URBAN My DIALOGUE...



By Torre “ToeJoe” Johnson

“REACH OUT!”

Many of us grow up together, but eventually grow apart. Growing up in America is written to be special, but in reality it’s often not. We grow up planning, dreaming and sharing. The caring that once took place for some of us, soon seems to stop for most of us. Once we started becoming adults, we also began to separate from our childhood.

For some, it was either going away to further education never to return again. For others it was joining the armed forces, experiencing and exploring the world. Many of us went on to become parents. As we began creating extended families we also failed to return to areas once used as floor mats. Places where each blueprint of our lives and life time goals were achieved.

For Some of us, once we mentally accepted the role as a person that is considered grown, it seemed to be the greatest moment in our lives. It was as if we were being born again, many of us even took the time out to celebrate our independence.

Although we do grow in age, sadly some of us never seem to fully develop in maturity. This soon becomes a challenge which forces us to become unable to understand or perform our responsibilities as well as other adults. Even at our best, there are times where we just can’t pass the test.

This inability has been known to result in rejection and forgetting to protect, and respect many of those same individuals that once surrounded our first worlds. These same individuals become burdens. It seems like they become the reason some of us do not return to the cities we once loved but now hate. These disabilities are the reason for lack of family gatherings and commitments.

I had, what I won’t say ‘the pleasure’, more like the privilege to sit in the cold in the Victory Over Violence Park with a few homeless individuals. The stories of each one were all touching. Most of them talked about lack of family and being mentally abandoned. Although they have much love to offer, they still have vacant hearts. One man dug through his torn clothes to show pictures of his youthful self, his children and his wife. Another woman said her son was a public official, but not in Milwaukee.


As I left, promising to return, I knew that some of them would move on to different areas. I thought about myself and how many of those I once stood with, who are now gone. I thought about some of the dreams we created together. I wondered if we would have known our lives would have wounded up so divided, would we have done things differently? What could we have done differently?

Today, and from now on, I will embrace not only each moment, but all those I share them with. If you haven’t done so lately, reach out and say hello to a family member or an old friend you haven’t heard from in a while. Be the reason for someone’s smile. They will be proud just to know they are being thought of. Peace.

--Torre M.Johnson Sr./ President of XMEN UNITED

MILLENNIAL MAGIC

By Paishance Welch



Step out of your comfort zone!

How many times have you been asked to try something new? You typically like to play it safe and stay in your comfort zone, but you also don’t like the position you are in right now. How many times have you been offered to try a new product, or become someone’s business partner, or even to go out on a date? My guess is, if it’s out of your normal comfort zone, you probably said no. With a closed mindset to new things, you could be cutting off possible life changing opportunities?

Each individual has the same 24 hours in a day that you do. So when you see someone you consider ‘successful’ what things come to mind? Did they have a plan? What opportunities did they take advantage of that contributed to their success? You may even subconsciously conduct a self evaluation. It is very natural to look at yourself and your actions when something or someone is in a place that you wish to be.

If you are in high school and you want to be a doctor or nurse, you know that takes furthering your education to be able achieve that. So why not look for chances to put yourself in places that will help you with those college courses?

If you have a specific talent that highlights your gifts, you must do things to showcase yourself so you can share it with the world. Take advantage of talent shows, and social media. If you dream of being the mayor of your city, you must strategically participate in events that take place in your community.

An opportunity does not guarantee success. Hard work, dedication and consistency is what gets the job done. Taking advantage of opportunities is just like taking a risk, taking a chance. Nothing is promised, even if it looks promising. In life it is okay to fall short of your goals and dreams. There is no way you can celebrate the victory if you have not yet experienced the struggle.

Time waits for no man. So why should man wait? The time to do what you’ve always wanted is now. It is time to build the foundation for your bright future. It is okay to play it safe sometimes. Playing it safe prevents mistakes, but an individual who’s never made a mistake has simply never taken a chance. So what will it be for you?

Opportunities are the gateway to a very lucrative and successful future. You must start a path that will guide you to it. Take a chance. Today, I challenge you to do some self exploration. I challenge you to think about your past, present and future. Think about the person you aspire to be, the person you were last year and the person you are now. Once you’ve thought deeply about it, ask yourself, “What opportunities am I passing up?”

Step out of your comfort zone. Take a chance and try something new. You never know. The next opportunity you take advantage of could be the one that changes your life forever.

RELIGION



An unidentified gospel group performing at last year's Milwaukee Gospel Jubilee at Turner Hall.--Photo courtesy of 88Nine Radio website.

4th Annual "Milwaukee Gospel Jubilee" to Benefit Progressive Community Health Centers

Event to Showcase Local Gospel Groups, Help Increase Access to Health Care for Underserved Milwaukeeans

The 4th Annual Milwaukee Gospel Jubilee will be held on Friday, February 3, 2017 at 7:30pm at the Historic Turner Hall Ballroom hosted by Progressive Community Health Centers.

A multi-generational event, the Jubilee will feature local Gospel performers ranging in musical styles for an evening of celebration and soul. The event benefits Progressive Community Health Centers, with all proceeds from ticket sales supporting the agency's work to increase awareness and vital health care access to underserved Milwaukeeans.

Milwaukee Gospel Jubilee will include appearances from the legendary Queens of Harmony, accompanied by local quartets Voices of Faith, The Sermonettes and O.W.'s Exalters.

The dynamic duo, SistaStrings, will also perform at the event, offering unique classical instrumentals paired with traditional gospel themes. In a world where it can be hard to find sources of praise and inspiration, Gospel music manages to be both joyful and exuberant.

The Historic Turner Hall Ballroom provides a perfect setting to experience and enjoy the down-home grace this music evokes.

The origins of the event came about in 2013 when a new Progressive CHC board member, musician/songwriter John Sieger (Semi-Twang, R&B Cadets and The Subcontinentals) was looking for a meaningful way to contribute to the organization's capital campaign to build a new clinic.

While listening to an interview with Aretha Franklin where she talked about her roots in Gospel, John recognized a striking connection – Progressive CHC ministers to the physical, while Gospel ministers to the soul. Using Gospel to raise awareness and financial support for Progressive CHC seemed like a natural fit to Sieger. He also saw an opportunity to shine a light on some of the remarkable Gospel talent in Milwaukee that is typically only experienced in central city churches. He called on a few friends to see if there was any interest in working on a creative collaboration like this and the event is now celebrating its fourth year.

Reflecting on the deeper significance of Gospel music,

Sieger added: "What Gospel music does is it elevates. Practiced in churches across Milwaukee and virtually every city and town in America, Gospel is a gift of massive proportions – yet it often remains hidden from mainstream public view. Subtract it from the cultural landscape, and nearly everything you love about modern music falls into a vacuum. It's not an exaggeration to say that, without Gospel, there would be little in Pop, Rock or Rhythm & Blues worth listening to. That includes everything from James Brown to The Beatles. Music that endures this long and influences so many is doing something worthy of our attention."

Tickets for the Milwaukee Gospel Jubilee are on sale now for \$20 each and can be purchased at the Pabst Theater box office at 144 E. Wells Street, online at pabsttheater.org or by calling the box office at (414) 286-3663.

The Milwaukee Gospel Jubilee is made possible through generous support from the following sponsors: Froedtert Health & the Medical College of Wisconsin, Aurora Health Care, John Shannon and Jan Serr, Black Shoe Hospitality, Children's Community Children's Community Health Plan, Colectivo Coffee, HGA Architects, Hunzinger Construction, Patterson Dental and UnitedHealthcare Community Plan.

About Progressive Community Health Centers

Progressive Community Health Centers is a federally qualified health center (FQHC) providing medical, dental and integrated behavioral health services to primarily underserved and uninsured populations in Milwaukee's central city. Serving the Greater Milwaukee area since 1999, Progressive CHC's mission is to improve the health and quality of life of the community by providing culturally competent services that address identified needs. In 2015, Progressive CHC cared for approximately 9,000 patients, 80% of whom were either uninsured or received subsidized health benefits. Progressive CHC currently operates two primary clinics on the city's northwest side (Hillside Family Health Center and Lisbon Avenue Health Center) and recently unveiled an innovative urgent care and primary care delivery model in partnership with Aurora Sinai Medical Center. For more information, please visit their website at www.progressivechc.org.

Course on Alzheimer's Basics Offers Insight on Impact of Memory Loss

WEST ALLIS - The Alzheimer's Association will present a program called "Memory Loss, Dementia and Alzheimer's Disease: The Basics" on Thursday, January 26 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. and Tuesday, January 31 from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. at Mt. Hope Lutheran Church, 8633 W. Becher Street, in West Allis.

This program will provide information that everyone

Support Group Offered by Alzheimer's Association

A newly-formed support group based in West Allis and sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association is welcoming attendees. The group's first meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 7 from 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. at Mt. Hope Lutheran Church, 8633 W. Becher Street in West Allis. The support group will meet regularly on the first Tuesday of every month.

A support group is designed to provide an open forum for caregivers or family members to voice their concerns

should know about memory loss and how it impacts an individual's life and family. Participants will learn about memory loss, dementia and Alzheimer's disease, as well as risk factors, research, treatments and steps to a proper diagnosis.

This program is being offered at no charge and is open to members of the community. Registration is required; to register please contact Deborah Klement at 800-272-3900, 414-479-8800, or dklement@alz.org

About the Alzheimer's Association

The Alzheimer's Association is the leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer care, support and research whose mission is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health.

For more information about Alzheimer's disease and local services visit www.alz.org/sewi or call the Alzheimer's Association 24/7 Helpline at 800.272.3900.

and ask questions about Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia. In addition to the emotional, educational and social support provided, the regularly scheduled meetings also allow participants to develop methods and skills to solve problems.

The support group is open to family members or caregivers of individuals with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia. There is no cost to attend. For more information, please contact the support group facilitator, Pastor Brian Halverson at 630-880-4935 or the Alzheimer's Association at 800-272-3900.

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Faith Community Leaders Pray that President Trump will Robustly Defend the Dignity of all People

WASHINGTON, DC - In advance of confirmation hearings on executive branch nominations, national faith leaders sent a letter to President-elect Trump sharing their hopes and prayers that he would advance American values and defend all people from torture,

genocide, and other assaults on human dignity.

The faith leaders, representing many different American faith traditions, wrote:

"We live in an era when fear and anger have eroded the common concern for human life and human dignity. Too often lines are drawn between people of different ethnicities, religions, and cultures, and some use those lines in an attempt to justify killing, torture, and other immoral acts of brutality.

While we represent a diversity of faith traditions, we stand together in a shared belief in the God-given dignity of each person and the conviction that America should reject the forces that divide people and should protect those who are at risk of torture, rape, genocide, and other violations of human dignity.

Our faith traditions teach us that standing up for the vulnerable and those in need is at integral to the well-being of our shared community."

Bible quote...

"You can make many plans, but the Lord's purpose will prevail."--Proverbs 19:21



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The year was 1968! The Nobel Prize recipient, advocate of Non-violent resistance; Baptist Minister from Georgia; creator The "I Have a Dream" speech, that remains unparalleled as a design for respect, justice, equality and love for all people; fell on a Memphis, Tennessee, Lorraine Hotel balcony.

An assassin, James Earl Ray, with one shot, brought down Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., that April 4th morning. However, his life, his "Dream" continues to propel us daily in subtle ways and ways ye: fulfilled.



The night President Obama was elected President, I cried. I cried for my Grandmothers, my Grandfathers, BIG MAMA (MY GREAT GRANDMOTHER). I would of never in my lifetime thought I would live to see a Black Man elected President of the United States. Dr. MLK, Jr. is who and what I was thinking of that night when I got home on my knees and said, "President Obama, I'm not dreaming anymore".

The Milwaukee Community Journal will be publishing a Special Supplement on January 18th. All Politicians, Judges, Lawyers, Doctors, Dentists, Churches, Business owners and citizens of the city of Milwaukee that would like to place advertisement in the supplement.

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Signifyin'

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nections or was brave and bold enough to get up in White folks faces, your children were sent to the oldest public schools with the least tenured and experienced teachers and fewest resources.

But the same forces that derailed the Black district used their laser swords on Thompson's proposal—aka 'The Empire Strikes Back.'

Which takes me to the defining meeting that indirectly changed the educational paradigm.

While the conditions that sparked various reforms continued to exist, private, community based schools like Harambee, Urban Day and Bruce Guadalupe were producing phenomenal results and scholarly and culturally attuned students.

I was on the board of Harambee, and while the school struggled financially, its Africentric curriculum, parental involvement and high expectations resulted in superior students. The same could be said of several other parent-controlled entities.

The meeting introduced a proposal to form a partnership; both sides working together for the benefit of ALL children.

Not only was the proposal to tap into the community school network of excellence unprecedented, but so was its catalyst: Robert S. Peterkin! ...Make that MPS Superintendent Robert S. Peterkin!

That's right, the superintendent of the "public" schools hosted a meeting with representatives of several private schools during which he not only admitted they were doing something consistently that MPS couldn't or wouldn't, but he also wanted to form a partnership to merge best practices and to provide resources to private schools that would open their doors to MPS students. And vice versa.

The public/private partnership would allow autonomy on both sides, by the introduction of resources and teacher collaborations. The private school enrollment would be attributed to MPS for state funding purposes, which would allow for greater financial resources to the schools.

It was a win/win situation that could have ushered in a new era of collaboration and empowerment for Black parents.

But then the obvious—the expected—happened. The teachers' union—the Darth Vader of intergalactic educational upheaval—interceded. Again.

The MTEA attacked the legislation

that grew out of those meetings, again pimp slapping their Democratic Party cronies until they introduced ridiculous amendments that included oversight over private school's curriculum (no longer could we teach African culture and history), cash kick backs, and stigmatizing participants.

The school reps quickly had a change of heart and withdrew their support. And within days, Polly Williams took up the issue, introducing a companion bill based on the original proposal.

Neither passed the assembly, but Williams' received more support. Days later a coalition appealed to Williams to reintroduce another bill, this time with subtle changes and an army of parents and activists ready to lobby for it.

After an unprecedented civil rights campaign the measure—the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program—was passed and signed into law.

Scan ahead 25 years and the divisions orchestrated by the MTEA continue, exacerbated by galactic battles over funding and whether the state should empower Black parents to determine where their children attend school. It is a schism that seemingly only God can resolve.

Or maybe not.

Choice has grown far beyond the concept envisioned by Polly and her supporters. And while none of the early supporters had viewed it as a cure-all, few could have envisioned the rape of the program by poverty pimps (many of whom are Black) who have failed the children while padding their pockets. Opponents cite their failure to defame a program that at the top end greatly benefits participants.

Those of us who value the program and its ability to empower Black people have sought mechanisms to weed out the mediocre schools, but members of a coalition of private schools have fought that effort tooth and nail.

They fear if that door were opened even slightly, opponents would exploit it, undermining the program and negatively impacting the children.

Conversely, the push to maintain the status quo has ill served a majority of Black children in public schools.

Only 58% graduate, and of those who do (a significant percentage) are in need of remedial education. Milwaukee is home to the worst reading proficiency rate for Black fourth and eighth graders in the United States and the lowest ACT test scores in the state (school choice students score a

full point higher).

Despite several reforms in recent years, thousands continue to fall between the cracks, as epitomized by North Division, once the focus of community support, but has never lived up to its promise. In a vicious scheme, the school board responded to the community demonstrations by making North a dumping ground for negativity and disruptive students. Various efforts to correct that injustice have failed and today the school is listed among MPS' failures.

As someone once prophesized, as goes North Division, so goes Milwaukee public education.

Making matters worse, the MPS response to Republican sponsored legislation to restructure 53 MPS failing schools (as identified by the Department of Public Education) was to attack a Black superintendent who volunteered to coordinate the reform of one of them.

Now, it is rumored those same Republicans plan to reconfigure the board, which they believe is the primary impediment to reform.

And since Republicans control the house, senate and governor's mansion, there is nothing anyone can do to stop them.

Which brings me back to the original poem.

".... And in the end, you'll arrive at the beginning and know it for the first time."

That adage provides a prophetic storyline to today's plot. And ironically, Peterkin's vision may prove to provide a remedy for what afflicts us.

Coincidentally, it was a successor to Peterkin who coined a phase that provides a remedy for what afflicts us.

Said former MPS Superintendent Howard Fuller in a speech several years ago, "we must begin operating as a system of schools instead of a school system."

Implicit in Fuller's comment was the realization that the two elephants need to come together for the betterment of the grass, which in this case symbolizes the children of Milwaukee.

That doesn't mean MPS should not fight for its students and staff, or seek additional state funding. But it does mean it could benefit from shared strategies, extra curricular resources and the political connections shared by choice operators and supporters.

It speaks volumes that three of the four top schools in Milwaukee are private schools in partnership with MPS.

Conversely, the private schools can benefit greatly from MPS resources and facilities, teacher training methods and funding sources.

And both sides can benefit from a "limited partnership" to fight the

pending upheaval Republicans are planning as well as support for a mechanism to weed out the 20 or so rip-offs that pose as private schools.

I assume there are some operators among that group who are well intentioned, but incompetent. But as the old saying goes, "just because you're a good cook doesn't mean you

should own a restaurant."

As for the pimps who are destroying lives, they should not only be terminated from the program, but also branded traitors and sent out of town on a rail. Or better yet, sent to Lincoln Hills as convicted pedophiles.

The point is, we need to come together around what is best for the

children, who should no longer be viewed as his or theirs, but ours. All of ours.

We can achieve that state of consciousness by starting 2017 with a modified version of Peterkin's quest and Fuller's vision.

Hotepe.

Bucks lose to Wizards



The Bucks' Jabari Parker goes for a layup against the Washington Wizards' Markieff Morris during the Bucks loss to the Wizards at the BMO Harris Bradley Center recently. --Photo by Bill Tennesen

Public invited to 16th Annual "King Fest" Celebration

Event to recognize 88th birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

On Monday, January 16, Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs will help mark the national holiday in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by leading the 16th Annual "King Fest" in recognition of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s 88th birthday at the Wisconsin Black Historical Society, 2620 W. Center St.

The celebration will start at 12 p.m. and will feature activities until close at 6 p.m.

The event's keynote speaker will be Attorney Rose Sanders, activist, historian, playwright and Alabama's first Black judge.

Alderwoman Coggs will also be a featured speaker during the event, which is free and open to the public.

"King Fest offers a great opportunity for engagement and reflection, a welcoming community event that celebrates the life and work of Dr. King while also bringing people together in a positive spirit of unity, justice, peace, and love," Alderwoman Coggs said.

Event special features:

· From: 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. – Vendors and video (Reflection 54 Years Later).

· From 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. – Drumming, spoken word, songs, Praise Dancers, and local/national keynote speakers.

The annual King Celebration was created by Janette Herrera, the late Mileka Ajuwani and Elizabeth Smith. The event's sponsors are Dr. Patricia McManus, President/CEO of Black Health Coalition of Wisconsin, City Treasurer Spencer Coggs, Congresswoman Gwen Moore, Rahim Islam, President/CEO at Universal Companies, and Northwest Funeral Home.

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**SUMMONS
(PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
DIVORCE-40101
Case No. 16FA0007305**

In Re: The marriage of LILLIAN LARA 9173 WEST ADLER STREET MILWAUKEE, WI 53214 Petitioner and Respondent KEVIN LARA, SR 3406A NORTH BOOTH ST. MILWAUKEE, WI 53212

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.

Within 45 days after January 13, 2017, exclusive of the date just stated, you must respond with a written demand for a copy of the petition. The demand must be sent or delivered to the court at: Clerk of Court Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N. 9th St. ROOM 104 Milwaukee WI 53233 and to The Law Office of Stefanie J. Novack, the petitioner's attorney, whose address is: 342 North Water Street, Suite 600 Milwaukee, WI 53202

You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not demand a copy of the Petition within 45 days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Petition and you may lose your right to object 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 hereby notified that if you and the petitioner have minor children, violation of the following criminal statute punishable by a fine or imprisonment or both 948.31, Wis. Stats. (Interference with custody by parent or others)

If you and the petitioner have minor children, a document setting forth the percentage standard for child support established by the Department of Workforce Development under Wis. Stats. 49.22(9), and listing factors that a court may consider for modification of that standard under Wis. Stats., 767.25(1m), is available upon your request from the Clerk of Court. You are further hereby notified of the availability of information set forth in Wis. Stats. 767.105 from the office of the family court commissioner. Date: January 10, 2017 Law Office of Stefanie J. Novack Attorney for Petitioner 017-008/1-13-20-27-2017

**STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
SMALL CLAIMS PUBLICATION
SUMMONS
Case No. 16SC035275**

To: VINCENT KOLE AWOSIKA 8924

W. HERBERT AVE MILWAUKEE WI 53225

You are being sued by the Plaintiff OLAKUNLE P. OGUNSANYA in the Small Claims Court for Milwaukee County, Milwaukee County Courthouse Courtroom 400, 901 N. Ninth St Milwaukee WI 53233. A hearing will be held at before a Small Claims Commissioner. If you do not appear, a judgment may be given to the person suing you. A copy of the claim has been mailed to the address above.

ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF-OR - PLAINTIFF: OLAKUNLE PETER OGUNSANYA 7235 W. SILVER SPRING DR. APT 4 MILWAUKEE WI 53218 (262) 412-1679 Dated: 1-9-2017 017-007/1-13-2017

**SUMMONS
(PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
DIVORCE-40101
Case No. 16Fa7598**

In Re: The marriage of NICOLA FAYE ADDISON, Petitioner and Respondent TREMAIN DONTE ADDISON
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, TO THE PERSON NAMED ABOVE AS RESPONDENT
You are notified that the petitioner named above has filed a Petition for divorce or legal separation against you.

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

The demand must be sent or delivered to the court at: Clerk of Court Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N. 9th St. ROOM 104 Milwaukee WI 53233 and to NICOLA ADDISON 2827 A WEST BOBOLINK AVE MILWAUKEE WI 53209

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

767.105 Information from Circuit Court Commissioner.
(2) Upon the request of a party to an action affecting the family, including a revision of judgment or order under sec. 767.59 or 767.451:
(a) The Circuit Court Commissioner shall, with or without charge provide the party with written information on the following, as appropriate to the action commenced:
1. The procedure for obtaining a judgment or order in the action.
2. The major issues usually addressed in such an action.
3. Community resources and family court counseling services available to assist the parties.
4. The procedure for setting modifying, and enforcing child support awards, or modifying and enforcing legal custody or physical placement judgments or orders.
(b) The Circuit Court Commissioner shall provide a party, for inspection or purchase with a copy of the statutory provisions in this chapter generally pertinent to the action.
Date: 1-10-2017
By: NICOLA ADDISON
017-007/1-13-20-27-2017

**SUMMONS
(PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 17CV000022**

In the matter of the name change of: DANIEL WILLIAM APPLEBEE By (Petitioner) DANIEL WILLIAM APPLEBEE

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: DANIEL WILLIAM APPLEBEE To: DANIEL NOAH CANNING Birth Certificate: DANIEL WILLIAM APPLEBEE
IT IS ORDERED:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON GLENN H. YAMAHIRO ROOM 402, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: FEVRUARY 17, 2017 TIME: 9:00AM

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: 1-6-2017
BY THE COURT:
HON. GLENN H. YAMAHIRO

Circuit Court Judge 017-005/1-13-20-27-2017

**SUMMONS
(PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 16CV009765**

In the matter of the name change of: LARON CHARLES WHITESIDE By (Petitioner) LARON CHARLES WHITESIDE

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: LARON CHARLES WHITESIDE To: CAMERON COLEMAN-WHITESIDE Birth Certificate: LARON CHARLES WHITESIDE
IT IS ORDERED:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON GLENN H. YAMAHIRO ROOM 402, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: MARCH 3 2017 TIME: 9:00 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Dated: 1-5-2017
BY THE COURT:
HON. GLENN H. YAMAHIRO Circuit Court Judge 017-004/1-13-20-27-2017

**SUMMONS
(PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 17CV000263**

In the matter of the name change of: STEVEN ANDRE HAYNES By (Petitioner) STEVEN ANDRE DANIELS

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: STEVEN ANDRE HAYNES To: STEVEN ANDRE DANIELS Birth Certificate: STEVEN ANDRE DANIELS
IT IS ORDERED:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON GLENN H. YAMAHIRO ROOM 402, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: FEBRUARY 10,2017 TIME: 9:30AM

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: 1-10-2017
BY THE COURT:
HON. GLENN H. YAMAHIRO Circuit Court Judge 017-003/1-13-20-27-2017

**STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
SMALL CLAIMS PUBLICATION
SUMMONS
Case No. 2016SC032564**

To: CHANTAL COX 8736 W CARMEN AVE #4 MILWAUKEE WI 53225

You are being sued by the Plaintiff GEO INVESTMENT LLC in the Small Claims Court for Milwaukee County, Milwaukee County Courthouse Courtroom 400, 901 N. Ninth St Milwaukee WI 53233. A hearing will be held at 2:30 P.M on 1/24/2017 before a Small Claims Commissioner. If you do not appear, a judgment may be given to the person suing you. A copy of the claim has been mailed to the address above.

ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF-OR - PLAINTIFF: GEORGE SELLER (LLC MEMBER) P.O. BOX 13393 MILWAUKEE WI 53213 (414) 588-5688 Dated: 1-3-2017 017-002/1-6-2017

**SUMMONS
(PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 16CV009334**

In the matter of the name change of: AMELIA BLOUNT By (Petitioner) AMELIA BLOUNT

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: AMELIA BLOUNT To: ARMELIA BLUNT Birth Certificate: AMELIA BLOUNT

IT IS ORDERED:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON JOHN DIMOTTO ROOM 401, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: FEBRUARY 16 2017 TIME: 9:45 AM

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Dated: 12-12-16
BY THE COURT:
HON. JOHN DIMOTTO Circuit Court Judge 017-001/1-6-13-20-2017

**SUMMONS
(PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT**

**MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 16CV009696**

In the matter of the name change of: FRANCISCO ESTEBAIN JUAREZ By (Petitioner) SARAI HERNANDEZ-SOTO

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: FRANCISCO ESTEBAIN JUAREZ To: ESTEBAN HERNANDEZ Birth Certificate: FRANCISCO ESTEBAIN JUAREZ

IT IS ORDERED:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON MARY M. HUHNMUENCH RESERVE BRANCH 10 ROOM 415, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: FEBRUARY 20, 2017 TIME: 11:30AM

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: 12-23-2016
BY THE COURT:
HON. MARY M. HUHNMUENCH Circuit Court Judge 016-305/12-30-16/1-6-13-2017

**SUMMONS
(PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 16CV009421**

In the matter of the name change of: JACQUELINE JANET DOTSON By (Petitioner) JACQUELINE JANET DOTSON

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: JACQUELINE JANET DOTSON To: MARY ANN DOTSON Birth Certificate: JACQUELINE JANET FORT

IT IS ORDERED:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON GLENN H. YAMAHIRO ROOM 402, PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: JANUARY 25, 2017 TIME: 9:00AM

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: 12-13-2016
BY THE COURT:
HON. GLENN H. YAMAHIRO Circuit Court Judge 016-304/12-23-30/1-6-2017

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Project No.: 5045-16651, A177-16661
Bid Due Date: February 1, 2017
See Bid Documents for details
Pre-Bid Meeting: January 19, 2017
BID DOCUMENTS FOR THE ABOVE PROJECT ARE AVAILABLE AT:
633 WEST WISCONSIN AVENUE, SUITE 1000 Milwaukee, WI 53203
For Further Information contact 414-278-4861 or www.county.milwaukee.gov

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NOTICE

Milwaukee Public Schools will receive sealed quotations for furnishing all labor, tools, equipment and materials necessary, including public liability and property damage insurance to perform all work necessary and incidental Division I-IV for Repair Materials for Access Control, Door Intercom, Public Address and Video Surveillance Systems at MPS Electrical Shop, 1124 N. 11th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53233 until 1:30 PM on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at the Division of Facilities and Maintenance Services; 1124 North 11th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53233; to the attention of: Mark Bethel, Project Specialist of Design and Construction.

The HUB, COIN and the Student Employment / Participation requirements for this contract are 0%.

The quotation requirements and guidelines may be obtained 7:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Monday through Friday from A/E Graphics, Inc.; 4075 North 124th Street, Brookfield, WI 53005; phone (262) 781-7744; fax (262) 781-4250. Call A/E Graphics, Inc. for availability of bid documents. Documents may also be viewed online at A/E Graphics, Inc. @ www.aegraphics.com.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or to waive informalities.

Darienne B. Driver, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

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OFFICIAL ADVERTISEMENT

Office of the Milwaukee Public Schools, DIVISION OF FACILITIES AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES, 1124 North 11th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, January 9, 2017.

Sealed proposals will be received at 1124 North 11th Street, directed to the attention of Mr. Travis R. Luzney, P.E., Director of the Division of Facilities and Maintenance Services, pursuant to Section 119.52(3) Wisconsin Statutes, until Tuesday, January 31, 2017 at 1:30PM, in accordance with plans and specifications for the following work:

All contractor(s) and subcontractor(s) are subject to the current livable wage rate, in accordance with the City of Milwaukee Ordinance 310-13. Per 2015 WI Act 55, prevailing wage rate laws have been repealed for all MPS Construction Projects beginning January 1, 2017.

BID GUARANTY TO ACCOMPANY BID: MPS Bid Bond, Certified or Cashier's Check: 10% of Contractor's Base Bid.

OFFICE RELOCATIONS AND ELECTRICAL UPGRADES

Special Service Center

6620 W. Capitol Drive
Milwaukee, WI 53216
MPS Property No. 412
MPS Project No. 3425

The HUB, COIN, and Student Participation Requirements for this project are:

0%

Deposit for Drawings and Specifications: \$25.00

MAILING CHARGE: \$35.00

The bidding documents may be obtained 7:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.; Monday through Friday from A/E Graphics, Inc.; 4075 North 124th Street, Brookfield, WI 53005; phone (262) 781-7744; fax (262) 781-4250. Call A/E Graphics, Inc. for availability of bid documents for pick up. Plans and specifications will be loaned to a prospective bidder upon receipt of the deposit listed, which deposit will be returned upon surrender of the plans and specifications in good condition, Bid documents must be returned only to A/E Graphics, Inc. Plans and specifications may not be examined at the Facilities and Maintenance Services' office or at A/E Graphics. Plans and specifications may also be viewed online at A/E Graphics, Inc. @ www.aegraphics.com. Each proposal shall be for a fixed lump sum.

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Upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals at the bid opening through sign language interpreters or other auxiliary aids. The following TDD number is available for the hearing impaired for questions prior to bid opening, (414) 283-4611.

Darienne B. Driver, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

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

The Milwaukee Community Journal, Inc. has 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 sale 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. Our 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 is 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's stockholders are Patricia O'Flynn Pattillo (95%) and Mikel Holt (5%) respectively; and is current in filing by the State of Wisconsin, effective 9/2016.

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