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Celebrating the Drum Major!



Drummers and dancers joined together to recreate the sounds and dances of the Motherland during the annual King Fest at the Wisconsin Black Historical Society/Museum.

The Wisconsin Black Historical Society/Museum (WBHSM) hosted the annual King Fest on Monday, the official celebration locally and nationally of the late civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday. A number of local entertainment groups and other artists were on hand to entertain, educate and inspire the impressive turnout in the WBHSM's great hall. The keynote speaker was attorney, civil rights activist and playwright Rose O. Sanders of Selma, Alabama.--Photos by Yvonne Kemp



Local poet and activists Muhibb Dwyer and his daughter joined children called up by the event's keynote speaker, Atty. Rose O. Sander of Selma, Alabama.

Cong. Moore explains why she will attend Trump inauguration

I want him to see exactly what his opposition looks like. When he sees me, I want him to see The Resistance.



Cong. Gwen Moore

Dozens of Democratic congressional representatives of various nationalities, races and both genders plan to join Georgia Congressman and civil rights icon John Lewis in boycotting the January 20 presidential inauguration of Donald Trump.

The boycott by the representatives is in response to Trump's comments about Lewis, who participated in the March on Selma and the legendary March on Washington, D.C. in the early 60s.

In a Twitter response, Trump slammed Lewis for questioning the legitimacy of his election as president last November in light of revelations by U.S. intelligence officials the Russians influenced the 2016 presidential elections. In his Tweet, Trump said the congressman

"should spend more time on fixing and helping his district, which is in horrible shape and falling apart (not to mention crime infested) rather than falsely complaining about the election results. All talk, talk, talk--no action or results. Sad!"

In response to questions regarding her attendance of Trumps inauguration, Cong. Gwen Moore released the following statement:

"I support my colleagues in their decision to boycott the Presidential Inauguration, but knowing how he operates, I suspect President-elect Donald Trump will use this expression of free speech as an excuse to bypass Democrats and to push his extreme agenda with utter immorality."
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PULSE OF THE COMMUNITY

Photos and question by Yvonne Kemp

"We must first unify as a people and learn how to love one another. This unification will then teach us the basics of general love. This will spark the development of understanding of the word 'human beings,' which is what we are all born, and therefore, love should exist for all."



Dynasty Ceasar

"It is mandatory that we walk in the unconditional love the Most High is allowing us access to, and by lead by His anointed spirit like King did; and unite as one. Learn how to communicate with each other; be better stewards with our economics and take care of our communities."



Ventae Parrow

"Why should we as African Americans alone do the arduous task of realizing King's dream when it was for all people to realize equally? Why should the oppressor and privileged live comfortably getting a day off of work for a man they do not believe in? African Americans need to take responsibility and heal regarding wellness and mental health. We need think tanks, super pacs and churches to rebuild our community."



Samuel Alford

"Get to work! Everyone find your role and do your part. Find out who is the power behind the laws and rules and place the attention on those people."



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QUESTION OF THE WEEK:
"What must we, as Black Americans do, to realize Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s dream?"

Changes in funding allow Milwaukee Public Schools to direct more funds to students

Decisions the Milwaukee Board of School Directors made have cut the district's liability for retiree healthcare and life insurance by \$3.63 billion over the last eight years.

In 2007, the liability for retiree healthcare and life insurance was \$2.31 billion and projected to rise as high as \$4.63 billion by 2015. As of 2015, it was \$997 million-a fifth of the original projected amount. The new savings figures come from a just-released independent actuarial report written by Gabriel Roeder Smith and Company.

To lower the unfunded liability and annual accounting costs, the Milwaukee Board of School Directors directed the district to pay ongoing annual costs and also to pre-fund each year into a trust at least five percent of the expected retiree claim costs.

The district also changed retiree healthcare and life insurance benefits and eligibility in 2012. The changes included raising the minimum retirement age, changing health plan benefits, and closing the post-retirement

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Riverworks selected for 2017 Mini Block Build MKE

A neighborhood in the 6th Aldermanic District has been selected as one of the Revitalize Milwaukee 2017 Mini Block Build MKE locations, Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs said today.

The Riverworks Development Corp. Mini Block Build will take place in October 2017 and will focus on N. 3rd and N. 4th Streets between W. Capitol Dr. and W. Abert Pl. at the north end of the Harambee neighborhood. During the Mini Block Build, volunteers and community partners will come together to enhance -- for free -- several homes via small repairs, as well as beautification and landscaping projects.

Alderwoman Coggs said the Riverworks Mini Block Build has been renamed by Revitalize Milwaukee as the "Shevitalize" Mini Build as it will emphasize women helping women. "More than sixty-five percent of the households that Revitalize Milwaukee served in 2016 were headed by women, and this mini build will highlight women business owners, women making donations, and women volunteers," she said.

The Riverworks area in Harambee was nominated for Block Build MKE last year by Alderwoman Coggs, and is one of three neighborhoods across Milwaukee that will receive a Mini Block Build during 2017. The featured or full 2017 Block Build MKE area will be in the Clarke Square Neighborhood on the near south side.

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Milwaukee's solution: Developers over the people

Something smells funny.

It smells like a shady, one-dollar-bill home sale, and the stench of fiscal irresponsibility is coming straight from City Hall.

You know the back story. Last summer, people from all over the city converged on Sherman Park after Milwaukee police officer Dominique Heaggan-Brown shot and killed Sylville Smith. The issue was community-police relations.

Milwaukee's solution is dollar houses to developers, not the people.

Will it put people like Sylville Smith's family into a rehabilitated home?

Nope.

Will it help families who have endured decades of disparities?

Nope.

Will it address the underlying issues that exacerbate racial disparities in Milwaukee?

Nope.

Will it build capacity for non-profit community-based organizations?

Nope.

The city is pulling a fast one. Unlike President Obama's American Recovery and Reinvestment dollars, which required government maintain its previously planned spending, the Governor failed to prevent the state from being duped into paying for a previously planned program. Fixing a roof doesn't magically create economic wealth for the family living under it, nor the community upon which it's in.

I was one of the first to stand alongside Governor Walker as he announced \$4.5 million headed to the city to address the city's racial disparities even though it was a drop in the bucket compared to the funding that we needed. I was also one of the first to warn of the pitfalls of being tricked into spending the money according to the city's plan. Now, I'm among the first to call for an immediate freeze to the agreement between the city and the state. Here's how to make the deal better:

- 1) Taxpayer dollars shouldn't be spent on projects the city was going to do anyways. Just like the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, I advocated for a maintenance of effort requirement to ensure we are providing new solutions to the crisis, not just helping the City offset a plan they were already going to fund anyways.
- 2) Targeted city-wide mapping. A failure to use targeting city-wide mapping

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FIRST PERSON
By State Sen. Lena Taylor



Sen. Taylor

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punity. With that in mind, I refuse to be a pawn in the president-elect's efforts to rally support from congressional Republicans. As a proud Democrat, I want President-elect Trump to see me front and center as he's sworn in. I want him to see exactly what his opposition looks like. When he sees me, I want him to see The Resistance.

"I did not come to this decision lightly. I weighed my responsibility as an elected official against my disgust over the president-elect's vile tactics employed to ascend to the presidency and the disrespectful treatment of revered civil rights icon Congressman John Lewis. I considered the multitude of supportive phone calls and tweets from my constituents in light of the embarrassing and ongoing petulance employed by the president-elect. I prayed on this and thought of First Lady Michelle Obama as she reminded us to refrain from abandoning decency in the face of intolerance and moral depravity.

"It's no secret that I find President-elect Trump and his policies repugnant and anathema to my efforts to pursue social justice, and I know a majority of my constituents feel the same. In November, Milwaukee sent a strong, clear message that Donald Trump was the wrong man to lead our country.

I intend to deliver that message with my presence at the Presidential Inauguration and serve as a symbol of opposition, not normalization."

First Person: Developers over people

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says to me that this project is more optics than solutions.

3) The issue was over community policing. Where is the solution to turn a foreclosed home into a COP House like they did in Racine? Or any other community-based house solutions to help address other social issues?

4) Residency Requirement. Why is there a residency requirement for worker training refunds but none for developers?

The answer is simple. This plan is more about the optics and not solutions. It sure is not about creating economic wealth amongst residents who are bearing the burden that living in Milwaukee brings today.

5) Lead abatement. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is providing hundreds of thousands of dollars to Milwaukee to get the lead



Frontiers give Drum Major awards

The Milwaukee Frontiers International handed out three Drum Major Awards to three students from North Division High School. The awardees are (starting second from left): Adrienne S. Jordan, Tiarra M. Bean, and Teyonda A. Hamier. The Frontiers are (standing left to right): James Kimble, James Green, John Moutry, Dr. Willie Hart, Richard Williams, Jim Copeland, and Donald Jackson. Flanking the students are (seated far left): Shelia Payton, outreach coordinator for the Milwaukee office of Cong. Gwen Moore; and (seated far right): Theresa Jemison, director of St. Matthew CME Church's board of education. The event was held at the Wisconsin African American Women's Center on Vliet Street. -Photo by Yvonne Kemp

Riverwest chosen for mini block build

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"I want to thank Revitalize Milwaukee for taking on this unprecedented number of projects across the city and especially the very positive Mini Block Build in the Riverworks area," Alderwoman Coggs said.

Revitalize Milwaukee's mission is to stabilize vulnerable neighborhoods and revitalize communities by providing free critical home repairs, acces-

sibility modifications and comprehensive services for low-income homeowners who are senior citizens, veterans and/or persons with disabilities who live in Milwaukee or Waukesha Counties. Since 2000, Revitalize Milwaukee has completed home updates for more than 1,700 homes with the help of more than 7,500 volunteers and invested more than \$12.5 million in Milwaukee area housing.

Yet, this plan has no lead abatement requirements to ensure lead faucets, lead pipes, lead paint, lead soil nor lead laterals are removed from the properties.

This would be a great training ground for skills, jobs and businesses to teach workers to help Milwaukee get the lead out and improve health outcomes.

6) Eliminate the subjective discrimination against ex-offenders. Milwaukee either is or competes to be the most segregated city in America.

One of the leading factors in that is that our city has created an environment that leads Wisconsin to have the highest incarceration rate of African American men in the nation.

I believe it is irresponsible and borderline immoral for the city to even consider telling the 3,000 - 6,000 individuals who return to society each year that we are going to shut the door of economic wealth to them.

7) Do not create a scoring system that prioritizes wealthy developers over individuals or community-based organizations.

With the amount of social ills that exist, the city clearly needs help. Organizations and individuals committed to helping rebuild our neighborhoods should move to the front of the line and dollars should not be given for the redevelopment of the property, but toward effective commitment to changing outcomes.

This should be a reinvestment model, not a more-of-the-same model.

It is fiscally irresponsible to release this money under a plan that does not maximize state dollars to build wealth, grow nonprofit and community organizational capacity, reduce the strain on social service providers, increase business development, increase worker training and promote the city's bottom line.

More funds to students

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health plan to employees hired after June 2013.

When calculated in 2007, the projected 2016 costs were \$337 million. In the most recent valuation, the 2016 costs were \$62.3 million. In addition, as of July of 2016, the district has accumulated \$127 million in a trust to pay future retiree benefit costs.

"By taking these steps, the Board ensured that we can direct more resources to educating our students and keep MPS financially sound while continuing to offer highly competitive benefits to our employees," said Dan Chanan, Chief Human Resources Officer. "We still have work to do, but we are headed in the right direction."

The district plans to continue lowering its unfunded liability, but does anticipate that annual costs could continue to rise with the rising cost of health care.

Unfunded liability is the difference between the amount of money needed to pay future retiree benefits as promised and the amount of money currently available to pay for those benefits.

The unfunded liability is calculated based on a number of factors, such as the investment return assumption, retiree demographics, and projected retiree healthcare costs including medical inflation.

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PERSPECTIVES

Getting comfortable with Trump

It's always hard to let go of comfortable slippers or a great pair of jeans, but sometimes new is the demand of the day. This must be hoped for in the new President, Donald J. Trump.

However, we congratulate and applaud the outgoing 44th President, Barack Obama, whom we shall forever respect and remember.

While soon-to-be President Trump gave many of us hiccups and even made us question how he could be a legitimate winner, he will be our president after January 20. And America remains the greatest country on earth.

During his campaign, Trump called Black communities "a lost cause" and recently verbally assaulted iconic civil rights hero John Lewis. While his blustery tweets about Lewis were not vetted or true, we believe there are opportunities to truly, as Trump says, "make America great again." His meetings with Martin Luther King, III; Steve Harvey and former football great Jim Brown implies he cannot ignore Black communities. The soon to be 45th president recently indicated he will meet with representatives of the Black press.

So in our opinion, how he proposes to invest, build, and create jobs in the "building of America" quotient of his "Make America Great Again" promise must be our focus and concentration now.

Our leadership must lead! Dr. Bernice King reminded us that sometimes we have to use long handled eating utensils and feed each other across tables of political differences.

Mayor Kaseem Reed of Atlanta said at that city's King commemorative celebrations: "I'm not going to let him (Trump) steal my joy." Reed's was referring to Trump's Twitter barrage denouncing Lewis' announcement he will not attend the inauguration this Friday because he doesn't consider the president-elect's election win as legitimate, thus doesn't consider his soon-to-be presidency legitimate.

Trump's Twitter slam of Lewis triggered a domino affect response by a number of other Democrats. Reed also said, as did King III, "we have to move on. "People can say things in the heat of emotion."

We must move on, as must our elected officials.

The central city of Milwaukee cannot be caught up in the current political fray. We must create new job opportunities for our residents. We must think of what we can produce, manufacture, or develop that has regional or national impact.

Milwaukee once had American Motors on Richards and Capitol Drive. Today, the Bader Foundation is investing over a million dollars on Martin Luther King Drive for new corporate offices. Could a furniture manufacturing company make chairs and sofas, or reupholster furniture, returning old sofas to "like-new."

Or should we be creating music production incubators that train aspir-

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ing musical talents and promote a mid-western vibe. Speaking of music, where are our central city bands and drill teams?

How we demand monies, initiatives, new strategies with this new presidential administration will dictate how our central city is going to change.

President Trump's impact on the departments of housing and urban development, education, transportation and small business development and health must be lobbied for by Milwaukee officials to ensure positive results for our community. Wisconsin has much influence with the incoming presidency, from White House Chief of Staff Rance Priebus, House speaker Paul Ryan to, of course, our own Gov. Walker.

The governing Trump needs to be less combative, less bullish (and less bullying), and more "presidential" than the campaigning Trump. Our country cannot remain as polarized as we are. The Twitter volleys launched by the campaigning Trump disenfranchised many segments of the "great community" that makes up our country...Blacks, women, Muslims, Hispanics, LGBT, Asians, the poor and each of his opponents.

From his campaign posture, we all felt we were targets of his iconic phrase: "You're fired"! But Trump has increasingly shown he is beginning to understand that once he takes the oath of office, he is President for all and will be judged accordingly.

How he responds to major issues, including the Affordable Healthcare Act, justice issues, protection of the Constitution, growing the economy while lowering the tax burden, protecting seniors, soldiers, children and families, the environment and our international dealings, including understanding the importance of allies, will be closely watched by his supporters and detractors.

Eliminating cyber-hackings while protecting our country and international relationships that enhance building not destroying, are major concerns also.

Our incoming president, like all presidents, has a high learning curve. That's why many of us felt a proven entity was best at election time last November.

However, like the comfy slippers and jeans, sometimes a new pair proves to be just as exciting, eventually equally comfortable and eventually judged over a long-term on the basis of effectiveness.

We shall be monitoring how this presidency feels, how it comforts and promotes our communities, and how it really builds a better America.

El Salute, Mr. President, Donald J. Trump. You've got four years. We wish you well.

The brilliance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

It was a blisteringly cold Monday morning in 1986, the first national observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

Even though the temperature was below freezing and the streets were covered with snow, sleet and ice, my eight-year-old son and I paraded back and forth across the driveway of the then-Capitol Marine Bank on West Capitol Drive for several hours.

We carried homemade signs protesting the bank's refusal to honor the King holiday, and a resolve to draw attention to the bank's insulting position.

My son—Malik—and I marched alone because my request to the local branch of the NAACP to stage a demonstration fell on deaf ears. So we marched back and forth across the driveway, in the freezing cold, on the first national holiday honoring an African American, taking breaks only to warm up in my car.

We stopped plenty of cars, and many of the customers—Black and White—turned around, several vowing to close their accounts.

At one point an ex-felon who saw the wisdom of our protest joined us. He wanted to confront the manager of the branch, but we talked him out of that strategy, although I did tell my son there was the possibility of our going to jail. I told him he should be willing, and even proud, to accept the "Man's" punishment for our attempt to cauterize a grave injustice.

Dr. King had undergone far worse during his life to prick White America's



SIGNIFYIN'

By Mikel Kwaku Oshi Holt

conscience and to open the doors of full citizenship for Black Americans, I told Malik, adding, as Black men we held a sacred duty to take a stand and to fight injustice.

We didn't go to jail that day, although two police officers showed up and questioned us.

One of the officers went inside the bank and apparently talked to the manager, who I guessed didn't want to pursue any charges for fear our arrest would draw attention to the bank's refusal to honor King, which was one of our goals.

By all measures we were successful, as the bank announced several days later that it would close in "honor" of King's holiday.

And not by coincidence, the NAACP took credit when a reporter asked about the scenario. I could have made an issue of that dishonesty, but I let it go—although I obviously have not forgotten.

Plus, my reward was much greater than a pat on the back or public recognition. I had taken my son through an aspect of his "rites of passage," a reward that would pay dividends in his future.

And, ironically, I did it for a Black hero whose philosophy I found fault with—at the time.

To clarify, I was not a big fan of MLK's philosophy of non-violence—turn the other cheek, love your racist neighbor even as he stands armed blocking the path leading to your God ordained human rights.

It was nonsensical, to me, not only to allow some racist scum to physically assault you, your women and children, without fighting back.

But even more preposterous was the assumption that you can cut off the anchor of racism that was forged over generations in a land where bigotry is as common as apple pie with a show of moral righteousness.

American history has clearly shown that the cancer of racism could not be exorcised even by divine decree.

In fact, those who viciously attacked peaceful disciples of King with water hoses, dogs, batons and guns, were the descendants of monsters who justified their genocidal policies toward Native Americans with false claims of manifest destiny and slavery based on biblical scripture.

(For point of reference, the Bible supports the institution of slavery and nowhere in that sacred book is it denounced. In fact, it is apparently condoned, although the justification based on Noel's condemnation of Ham is a misinterpretation.)

My opposition to the turn the cheek, moral righteousness tactic started early in my life, with my first experience as a pre-teen soldier in the civil rights army.

Our peaceful march across the 16th Street Viaduct in support of open housing legislation introduced to the Common Council by Alderwoman Vel
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URBAN My DIALOGUE...



By Torre "ToeJoe" Johnson

"Hey, mister! My Brother said..."

Hey Mister, do you know why when it comes to the black communities they are always speaking about diversity? Isn't it crazy to refer to a community as if it belongs to or represents a certain group of people that have very little to no ownership inside or surrounding it?

Hey Mister, my big brother is always speaking about the great white flight. A flight that is now in its reverse process. He says he is not afraid, but to be prepared because gentrification is at it's best.

He says the same places we say are dangerous, other races now are moving into them. Some, he says, are hiding behind bushes and trees. He said they have the greatest ability to buy the many city owned abandoned homes.

Hey Mister, do you understand any of this? He said once, they didn't even want to teach us but now they are cashing in on us. He said that the private schools, by choice, are becoming community giants and everyone acts as if they do not notice this. He says they are getting paid while we are being played.

Hey Mister, my brother is always wearing red, black and green. Some people say he is crazy. I wonder if it is because he says some of our people are lazy and selfish. He says many are afraid. My brother says that we can only save us, but first we must learn to trust in self and stop being dependent on those who control the systems. Why? Because they are designed for our failures.

Hey mister, my brother also says that drug dealers and pimps are hood terrorist and that we as a people must stop supporting this. He said no child deserves to be killed by any man. He becomes angry when a cop kills a brother. He also says it hurts when we keep killing one another.

Hey mister, my brother said our answers are connected to our problems. He also says that credit is important, but not as important as positive results and outcomes. He told me to stand proud and look forward.

Hey Mister, my brother told me that a lot of people talk and speak about togetherness, but practice separation. He says that he does a lot of great stuff that purposely goes unnoticed. He says there is no such thing as a non-profit if they have a budget.

Hey Mister, my brother says we must listen to the children but the children must also listen to the elders, and their peers. They must know that all elders are not counselors but we must respect them.

He says that our behavior is learned and can and must be corrected. He says his knowledge is based on life experiences, not what he learned while he attended college. Mister, my brother is always looking, watching, listening and wondering about this being normal for other people.

Hey Mister, are you okay? All you've been doing is nodding your head as if you agree with what I've said, my brother said..Peace

-- Torre M Johnson Sr./ President Of XMENUNITED...

MILLENNIAL MAGIC

By Paishance Welch



Change starts within!

As we take the time to observe Martin Luther King today, we naturally think about everything Dr. King has contributed to the world. In April of 1963, he gave his " I have a dream" speech. Martin shared with the world, unapologetically, what he believed would make the world a beautiful place.

Thriving on nothing but passion alone, he courageously called for an end to racism in the United States and called for civil and economic rights. Dr. King stopped at nothing to get his message across. If you took the time to really analyze Dr. King's message, purpose, and his call to action, would you say that he was motivated by something?

If you answered yes, then you answered correctly. Of course Dr. King was motivated.

When defined, we know that motivation is the process that commences, leads, and maintains goal oriented behaviors.

Whether the final action is good or bad, motivation is what causes us to act. Dr. King was overwhelmed with what he saw. He was not impressed by how society allowed the color of someone's skin to define their worth.

Dr. King saw an issue that he felt strongly about, critically analyzed the situation, and then he took action.

His passion for equality drove, or motivated him rather, to make a change. It wasn't long before his hard work paid off.

The Civil Rights Act of 1964 was considered one of the crowning legislative achievements of the civil rights movement. The Civil Rights Act of 1964 ended segregation in public places.

It banned employment discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, and national origin. This act may not have ended how

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RELIGION

Bishop Eddie Long dead at 63

Article courtesy of the New York Amsterdam News

Reports indicate that Bishop Eddie Long has died. The famed pastor was the founder and head of the 25,000-member New Birth Missionary Baptist Church in DeKalb County, Georgia, just outside of Atlanta. He was 63.

Long reportedly passed away Sunday, according to the church. Reports began surfacing on social media about the passing on Sunday morning. Gospel singer Byron Cage announced Long's death on Twitter.

"My heart is heavy, but God is in control. See you in the rapture Bishop Eddie Long. It was my honor to serve New Birth for 12 years," Cage said.

New Birth Missionary Baptist Church released the following statement:

"New Birth Missionary Baptist Church celebrates the life and legacy of Bishop Eddie L. Long who is now spiritually healed and home with the Lord.

Bishop Long, Senior Pastor of New Birth, transitioned from this life early Sunday morning after a gallant private fight with an aggressive form of cancer.

As a man of God with unyielding faith, Bishop Long maintained his commitment to our Heavenly Father as he proclaimed that cancer would not kill his faith nor his spirit.

"First Lady Elder Vanessa Long, Bishop Long's wife of 27 years offered the following: 'I am confidant through my belief in God that my husband is now resting in a better place.'

"Although, his transition leaves a void for those of us who loved him dearly, we can celebrate and be happy for him, knowing he's at peace.

"Deeply committed to his church, even in his last days, Bishop Long delivered his final message to New Birth as we ushered in 2017.

"He told the church that God was already working in our favor and what we have been praying for was already manifested. In his departure, we receive that and as faithful members of New Birth, we praise God for the life of Bishop Long.

"Bishop Long was known as one of the most influential faith leaders in the world. He stood strong as a Kingdom Builder, pioneering



Bishop Eddie Long

leader, and revolutionary mind changer.

"Long was a family man and spiritual leader who was well respected and loved for his passion to unapologetically and courageously preach the gospel of Jesus Christ.

"Long inspired thousands of believers around the world through his global ministry that literally changed lives.

"Through his earthly battle, Bishop Long believed that God was once again using him to help others see the power of the Holy Spirit through the love New Birth displayed to him and the countless

prayers sent up by others from every corner of the earth.Bishop Eddie L. Long was 63 years old.

"He is survived by his beautiful wife, First Lady Elder Vanessa Long, 4 children Eric, Edward, Jared and Taylor and 3 grandchildren. The Long family thanks you for your prayers, condolences and messages of love.

"The family appreciates your support and respect of their privacy, as they prepare along with New Birth, for the homegoing service to honor Bishop Long. The date and other details will be announced in the near future."

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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 yet fulfilled.



The night that **President Obama** was elected President of the United States of America, I cried. I cried for my Grandmothers, my Grandfathers, **BIG MAMA (MY GREAT GRANDMOTHER)**. I would of never in my lifetime thought or imagined 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 Dr. MLK, Jr. and historic presidency of Barack Obama in Special Commemorative Supplement on **January 25th**. 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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OPINION



Kevin E. Taylor

THE BEARING OF FALSE WITNESS:

How the LGBTQ Community is still used as a distraction for the hypocrisy in Black churches
by Kevin E. Taylor

As a Black man, I feel under suspicion almost everywhere I walk anywhere in proximity of police officers. Even when I'm well-dressed and about my business, the moment the police arrive there is that tinge of concern that because of something in the news or the potential for a bad cop to have a bad (or good) day, they might decide to find fault with me and stop and frisk or do a slow drive by.

As a Gay man, I feel fetishized and unseen sometimes in spaces where people who live and love differently have supposedly carve out a place of their own to be free and enjoy each other's company with freedom.

At 6' 2" and dreadlocks and my own sense of African and American style, which comes with swagger and some-

times kente- or mud-cloth,

I feel watched differently and especially when I bring up race in rooms with privileged white men who try to act like their queerness somehow eradicates their access to places that only see their white faces before they produce their rainbow flags.

As a Man of Faith, who is Black and who is Gay, I have been in the church, for me that was the Baptist church, since I was 10.

I found family there and refuge there and a relationship with God and grown folks who made me understand that God loved me, no matter what.

They saw my capacity to speak and used it to host programs and they stuffed my hands with wrinkled bills as I moved from high school to college and made them proud.

I learned in that sanctified space that God was about love and each of us was created for more than we could imagine.

I also learned how to study to show myself approved and how to ask questions and make sense of inconsistencies in the Bible because I could see the evolution of mankind and our faith.

So I am also shocked (and I used to be shaken, but I kept growing) when I heard outbursts and diatribes, outrageous ugliness that demonizes people when it comes from Black church folks, especially Black women, because I remember all of the sanctuary and grace that I got at shut-ins where we prayed for community and protection.

I remember all the times where I prayed and God answered me. I remember all the times that I watched powerful women take the pulpit and speak powerful words (and not just sing them) and I knew that I came from a community of women who led and did what they had to do to protect their families in the absence of husbands and fathers.

I also saw many women lead in the presence of husbands and fathers and pastors, knowing that the Bible said that they should have their heads covered and be seated in the back of the church.

I knew that God knew them and needed them and that they were being used and useful in spite of what some man interpreted in his mind and his version of the word.

As a boy, I remember asking my Sunday School teacher that if we are supposed to be against everything that the Bible says is wrong, why do we fry pork chops in the kitchen and how come we wear choir robes made of polyester?

Those kinds of questions always got me noticed, and sometimes not for good reasons, but I asked them because I was raised in BTU and Vocation Bible School and I loved to read, so I read the Bible, often.

Today, as a pastor myself, having done so for more than 15 years now, and a lifetime of social justice work, I am

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Millennial Magic

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people viewed minorities, but it was definitely the start of equality.

The passion, and vision Dr. King had for all people across the nation burned deep into his heart.

Brave, courageous and faithful, Dr. King fought a war that many would have never excelled in. He believed in something and he stood for it. His motivation initiated many chain events that led to the end of a terrible practice.

As we celebrate the great Martin Luther King today, I ask that

you begin to identify feelings, and strong passions that lay within your heart. I ask that you come to realization with things that motivate you.

The world is at your fingertips and we have nothing but time and opportunity to make a change. One man, one march, one dream and just like that the world was changed. I challenge you to be courageous. I challenge you to stand for what you believe in and be passionate about your morals and beliefs. At the end of the day, change starts within.

“One man, one march, one dream and just like that the world was changed. I challenge you to be courageous. I challenge you to stand for what you believe in and be passionate about your morals and beliefs.”

scheduled to provide free help in signing up at these locations:

- Center Street Public Library, 2727 W. Fond Du Lac Ave. on Monday, January 23 from 4 to 7 pm.
- Forest Home Pubic Library, 1432 W. Forest Home Ave. on Tuesday, January 24 from 4 to 7 pm.
- Zablocki Public Library, 3501 W. Oklahoma Ave. on Friday, January 27 from 1 to 5 pm.
- Martin Luther King Public Library, 310 W. Locust St. on Saturday, January 28 from 10:30 am to 1:30 pm.
- Centro Hispano – Hillview, 1615 S. 22nd St. on Saturday, January 28 from 10 am to 2 pm
- Community Advocates, 728 N. James Lovell St. on January 30 and 31 from 9 am to 4pm.

The Milwaukee Enrollment Network reminds consumers to be prepared when signing up for healthcare coverage, and to have the following information about themselves and their household:

- social security numbers or document numbers for legal immigrants
- employer and income information for every person in the home who needs coverage (from pay stubs or W-2 forms)
- policy numbers for any current health insurance plans covering members of the household

This is also an important time for BadgerCare Plus (Medicaid) re-enrollment.

Although consumers can sign up at any time during the year, it’s important that individuals renew their BadgerCare coverage on an annual basis.

Adults with income below 100% of the federal poverty level (\$11,670 per year for an individual) and children and pregnant women in households with income under 300% of the poverty level (\$71,550 for a family of 4), may be eligible for BadgerCare Plus.

Consumers can learn more about enrollment in the Marketplace as well as BadgerCare Plus, by visiting healthcare.gov or calling the Health Insurance Marketplace national call center at 1-800-318-2596 (open 24 hours, 7 days a week).

To get connected to free, in-person enrollment assistance in Milwaukee County, consumers should dial 2-1-1.

Funeral services set for former Ald. Marlene Johnson-Odom



Marlene Johnson-Odom

Funeral services for former sixth district Alderwoman Marlene Johnson-Odom will be held Saturday, Jan. 21, at St. Marcus Lutheran Church, 2215 N. Palmer St. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to noon, with the service immediately following.

On Friday, Jan. 20, Johnson-Odom will lie in state at Golden Gate funeral home, 5665 N. Teutonia Ave. from 9 a.m to 2 p.m.

For more information call St. Marcus Lutheran at 414-562-3369. Golden Gate’s number is 414-358-0538.

Deadline to Sign Up for Obamacare is January 31

“Last chance” events scheduled for the final week of open enrollment

With a new president taking office this week, and an uncertain road ahead for the Affordable Care Act, many consumers are signing up for health care coverage in 2017.

“We have seen a strong consumer response this open enrollment period and are preparing for a surge in last-minute sign-ups in the closing weeks of January,” says Caroline Gomez-Tom, with the Milwaukee Enrollment Network.

“Ninety percent of enrollees in our area receive financial assistance for their Marketplace coverage, so we are hearing from individuals who are eager to secure an affordable monthly premium for the year ahead.”

The Affordable Care Act guarantees that individuals cannot be denied coverage due to pre-existing medical conditions, and assures access to essential benefits such as preventive / wellness care, chronic disease management (like diabetes and asthma) and mental health care.

Free, confidential, in-person help is available to consumers to enroll and re-enroll in the Marketplace, as well as BadgerCare Plus, by dialing 2-1-1 to book an appointment with an enrollment assister.

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BUSINESS CORNER

It's Quality vs. Quantity with Social Media

Business owners know they need to have a presence on social media. A lot of us have Facebook, Twitter or LinkedIn business accounts. However, if your account is anything like mine was, many of these accounts are filled with friends and followers you don't really know or hardly interact with.

In order for your social media presence to be most effective, you need to interact with the people you are connected with. This means, it may be time for a purge of outdated and inactive friends and followers.

Understand, your social media strategy is a numbers game. But the game is based on the number of contacts you actually interact with and not the number of contacts who simply like your page or profile.

In other words, your profile may look good to the eye because it has thousands of followers but followers are no good if they do not convert to online sales or real life business interactions.

Get to know the contacts you have on LinkedIn. Re-introduce yourself and your company on Facebook and Twitter. You may find that many of the friends and followers you have are outdated or may have become more interesting to you because of life changes or new business roles.

When you friend a person or a person friends you on



Antoine Miller

Facebook, Twitter or LinkedIn, actually send them a welcome note or brief introduction. Explain what you do and find out what they do. Take it a step further, if the person is local, invite them for coffee.

Digital friends and followers are great but real life friends and followers are even better.

Like and comment on other people's activity. If you like another person's post they are more likely to check out your page.

Don't be stuffy. People love to see that your business is real and down-to-earth.

Your followers will be more interested in your material when they find it relevant to their life. Nobody is perfect and neither are you or your business. So find a way to let loose and have fun with social media.

Mix it up, reconnect with old contacts and don't be afraid to get rid of outdated followers. If you take this social media strategy to heart, you will have no problem finding new business opportunities online. Wishing you the best in 2017.

Antoine Miller develops businesses. As a consultant, Miller turns ideas into money making opportunities for individuals looking to start or grow their own business. Contact Miller at 414-939-9521 or email him at amiller@99salesideas.com

Three things to remember during tax time

By Julia Harris Robinson, MBA, CPA--Binson and Associates, LLC

1-Stamp Out Tax Season Stress!
Are you ready for tax time? There are a couple of steps you can take now to alleviate some of the stress of filing your return. Plan to get organized early.

Begin by putting together a tax folder with W-2s from your employer, 1099s for other income you may have earned, bank and other financial statements and receipts for things like medical bills and charitable donations.

Once you've gathered all your important paperwork, this is a good time to meet with your CPA to talk about changes in your financial situation or in tax laws that may have an effect on your return.

Having this discussion early is key to avoiding surprises at tax time and a great time to get started on planning that can potentially minimize your tax bite and strengthen your financial situation. Call us today!

2-The Internal Revenue Service announced that the nation's tax season will begin Monday, Jan. 23, 2017, and reminded taxpayers claiming certain tax credits to expect a longer wait for refunds.

The IRS reminds taxpayers that a new law requires the IRS to hold refunds claiming the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and the Additional Child Tax Credit (ACTC) until Feb. 15. In addition, the IRS wants taxpayers to be aware it will take several days for these refunds to be released and processed through financial institutions.

Factoring in weekends and the President's Day holiday, the IRS cautions that many affected taxpayers may not have actual access to their refunds until the week of Feb. 27.

For More information contact Binson and Associates, LLC

3-Statute of Limitations on Back Taxes

If you owe back taxes, how long does the IRS have to assess and collect them? The answer varies based on the situation.

In many cases, the IRS has three years from the date a return was due or when it was filed, whichever comes later, to assess how much you owe, and up to 10 years to collect that amount. When a very large item is



omitted from the return, the assessment period can last up to six years.

However, if fraud or attempted tax evasion is involved or if a return was never filed, then there is no statute of limitations on how long the IRS can take to make an assessment.

If you haven't paid taxes or filed

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Speedway is seeking to fill leadership positions, including shift leader trainees and co-manager trainees.

A variety of full-time and part-time field positions also are available, including customer service representatives, who primarily serve customers, and food service specialists, who help maintain food and beverage programs.

Speedway will hold open interviews at every store in Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Wisconsin and West Virginia on Wednesday, Jan. 25, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Additional details can be found at speedway.com.

Full-time Speedway employees have the option

to elect health, dental, and vision coverage immediately upon enrollment.

In addition, all Speedway employees enjoy the added benefit of a company-funded retirement plan as well as a 401k plan. Speedway matches 117

percent, up to the first 6 percent of an employee's 401k contributions.

This benefit is available immediately to all part-time and full-time employees.

Participants are considered to be vested immediately and will see the employer contribution deposited into their 401k accounts on a weekly basis. Speedway also offers flexible schedules, monthly bonuses and tuition reimbursement for all positions.

Interested candidates should plan to attend the open interviews in person.

Those unable to attend can complete an application at speedway.com or visit the nearest Speedway location for job information.

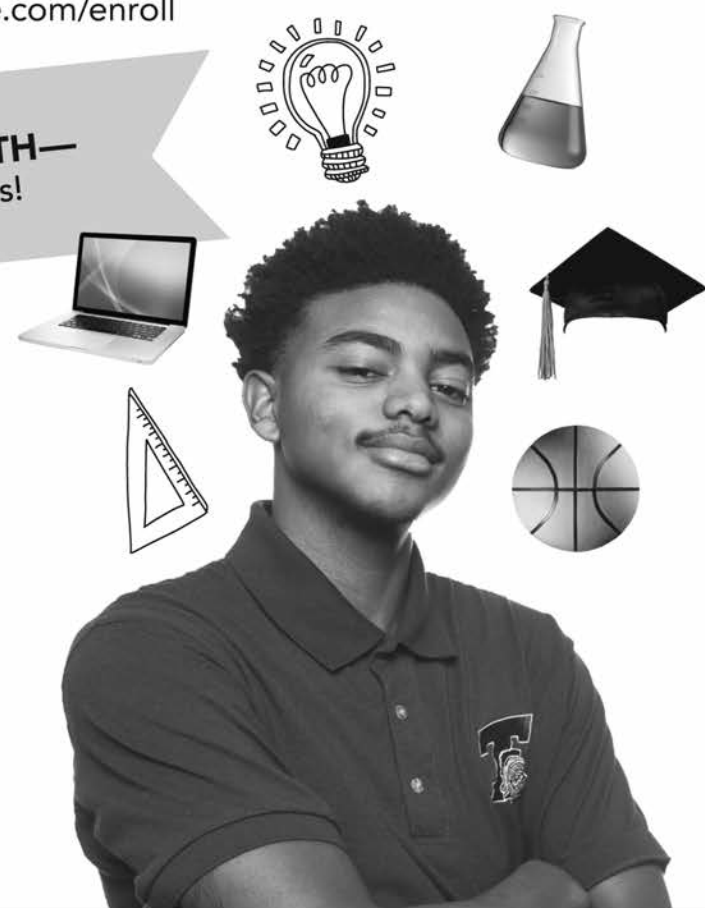
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Bill Sanders' blistering cartoons to go on exhibit

Ayzha Fine Arts Gallery & Boutique will showcase the hard-hitting editorial cartoons of legendary Milwaukee Journal cartoonist Bill Sanders on Gallery Night & Day, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 20 & 21.

Sanders' daughter, Denese Sanders of California, will be on hand to talk about her father's work.

Bill Sanders himself will make

a live, two-way video appearance from his home in Florida.

Sanders penned editorial cartoons for The Milwaukee Journal from 1967 to 1991.

His works upset important people, such as Mayor Henry Maier, who would go on harangues against the cartoonist at press conferences, once challenging him to a boxing match.

One bone of contention was an

open housing ordinance, which Maier opposed and Sanders pushed.

Now living in Ft. Myers, Fla., Sanders is still drawing cartoons for a blog. A book of his cartoons is in the works.

The exhibit is an alternative Inauguration Day event for those who fear that a Donald Trump presidency heralds a new Dark Age, stifling the movement for

social, racial and economic fairness, which Sanders' artistry promotes.

Milwaukee is the second stop in a travelling exhibit of Sanders' cartoons. The first stop was Seaside, Calif., at Open Grounds Studio, a gallery run by Sanders'

daughter Denese.

The exhibit is titled "Against the Grain: Timeless Impressions."

The Ayzha Fine Arts exhibit, however, will include cartoons about Milwaukee and Wisconsin, which were absent from the California show.

Gallery Night will run from 5 to 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 20, with a program at 7 p.m. Gallery Day will run from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 21, with a program at 2 p.m. The free event includes refreshments and entertainment.

OPINION THE BEARING OF FALSE WITNESS

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often asked to be the pro-voice in the anti-Gay conversations that happen on Black TV and radio shows, in churches and at conferences. I don't mind it because it's a conversation that I've had for years now.

I also say two things: that God made me and every time God blesses me, God knows it's me AND I ask the opposing view when they intend to picket tattoo parlors or clothing stores and to tell me where their wives and daughters sleep when they are menstruating or are they the ones who leave, as Leviticus makes tattoos, mixed fabrics and being around women on their cycle all abominable sins too.

When Kim Burrell--a woman whom I have interviewed when I was a producer at BET, cried with when her song "Here I Am" reduced me to tears, a woman I defended when another female gospel singer tried to be shady to her in my presence and the first person I called when Whitney Houston died because I wanted to pray with her through her personal loss--preached hate, I was confounded.

I wasn't vexed simply because I had seen her at events and knew that many gay men revered her and sometimes work with and for her.

I was also disturbed because as a Woman of Faith, I know still today that there are pulpits that will not receive her and men who will not sit under her anointing but she preaches nonetheless, as does Pastor Shirley Caesar and Bishop Vashti McKenzie and Bishop-Elect Juanita Bynum.

The struggles that people who have been blessed by God to preach the good news of Jesus Christ has always been mandated to be the realm of white men...by white men.

Nevertheless, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Sr. preached even when the Bible was used to tell Black folks

to be good slaves to a good master and when it suggested that young people had no place even as Elihu spoke into Job's heart.

Women were told and still are by many to know their place in the gospel, even as Mary was the one told my Jesus to tell his male disciples that He had risen.

See, that the power and the glory in being people of faith--we transcend the limits and the lack within men and women and aspire higher.

So while people when human being serving in the church distract from their own shortcomings by tossing gays and lesbians under the bus because it riles up the church folks into a frenzy,

I am still reminded that while being gay isn't listed in the Top 10 (Commandments), committing adultery against your wife is and so is stealing from God's people and so is bearing false witness.

I am reminded that the very reason I live in my truth is that as a young boy in Carron Baptist Church in Washington, DC, I knew that "bearing false witness" was about more than just lying but not standing up and in truth and so I remember that when we debate about men vs. women in the church or the rights or roles of people of faith who also happen to be LGBTQ.

I know that God knows my name and my heart and God keeps on doing great things for me. And if my back must continue to bear the weight of the bus that some folks continue to use to roll over people who love like me, then I'm thankful that God made me just like I am--strong, mighty, faithful and unshakeable.

About the Author

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SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 16CV009010

In the matter of the name change of:
SHANT'JAH MARIAH MARTIN
By (Petitioner) SHANT'JAH MARIAH MARTIN

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A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: SHANT'JAH MARIAH MARTIN To: SHANT'JAH MARIAH ANDERSON
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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 15, 2017 TIME: 1:30 PM

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.
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BY THE COURT:
HON. JOHN DIMOTTO
Circuit Court Judge
017-009/1-13-20-27-2017

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)
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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

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53233and 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

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 53233and 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: FEBRUARY 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:

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 16CV000263
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 16 2017 TIME: 9:45 AM

OFFICIAL ADVERTISEMENT
Office of the Milwaukee Public Schools, DIVISION OF FACILITIES AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES, 1124 North 11th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, January 17, 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, February 14, 2017 at 1:30 PM, 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.
TOT LOT REPLACEMENT
William Cullen Bryant Elementary School
8718 W. Thurston Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53225
MPS Property No. 094
MPS Project No. 4241
The HUB requirements for this project are 10%
The COIN requirements for this project are 20%
The minimum Student Participation requirements for this project are:
Paid Employment: 100 Hours
Educational Activities: 10 Hours
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.
The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or to waive informalities.
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.
Darienre B. Driver, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools
11250605/01-17-24-31/02-7

OFFICIAL ADVERTISEMENT
Office of the Milwaukee Public Schools, DIVISION OF FACILITIES AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES, 1124 North 11th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, January 17, 2017.
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BID GUARANTY TO ACCOMPANY BID: MPS Bid Bond, Certified or Cashier's Check: 10% of Contractor's Base Bid.
FY17 CYCLIC HEATING PLANT REPLACEMENT
Hamilton High School
6215 W. Warmimont Ave. Milwaukee, WI 53220
MPS Property No. 018
MPS Project No. 2092
The HUB requirements for this project are 20%
The COIN requirements for this project are 20%
The minimum Student Participation requirements for this project are:
Paid Employment: 400 Hours
Educational Activities: 10 Hours
Deposit for Drawings and Specifications: \$25.00
MAILING CHARGE: \$35.00
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Superintendent of Schools
11250605/01-17-24-31/02-7

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BID GUARANTY TO ACCOMPANY BID: MPS Bid Bond, Certified or Cashier's Check: 10% of Contractor's Base Bid.
FY17 CYCLIC HEATING PLANT REPLACEMENT
Hamilton High School
6215 W. Warmimont Ave. Milwaukee, WI 53220
MPS Property No. 018
MPS Project No. 2092
The HUB requirements for this project are 20%
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Each proposal shall be for a fixed lump sum.
The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or to waive informalities.
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.

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: LARON CHARLES WHITE-SIDE
To: CAMERON COLEMAN-WHITE-SIDE
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 16 2017 TIME: 9:45 AM

OFFICIAL ADVERTISEMENT
Office of the Milwaukee Public Schools, DIVISION OF FACILITIES AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES, 1124 North 11th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, January 18, 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 Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at 1:30 PM, in accordance with plans and specifications for the following work:
All contractor(s) and subcontractor(s) are subject to the prevailing wage rates and hours of labor as prescribed by the Milwaukee Board of School Directors of the City of Milwaukee consistent with provisions of Section 66.0903 of the Wisconsin Statutes.
BID GUARANTY TO ACCOMPANY BID: MPS Bid Bond, Certified or Cashier's Check: 10% of Contractor's Base Bid.
COIL AND UNIT VENT REPLACEMENT
Maple Tree School
6644 N 107th St.
Milwaukee, WI 53224
MPS Property No. 267
MPS Project No. 2002
The HUB requirements for this project are 20%
The COIN requirements for this project are 20%
The minimum Student Participation requirements for this project are:
Paid Employment: 300 Hours
Educational Activities: 10 Hours
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.
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Darienre B. Driver, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools
11251774/01-18-25/02-1-8

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:
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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.

The Forest County Potawatomi Foundation announced today that it has created a scholarship program for Wisconsin residents enrolled in a high school vocational / technical program, one of Wisconsin's technical colleges, or an accredited Wisconsin University / College.

A total of \$475,000 in scholarships will be awarded annually.

Since 1999, the Forest County Potawatomi Foundation has been supporting communities by assisting and enabling their efforts towards self-improvement. The Forest County Potawatomi Scholarship Program was created to continue to support communities by addressing the need for more affordable education and training in order to build a more educated and skilled workforce.

"The development of a strong and well-educated workforce is of paramount importance to our community and the state of Wisconsin," said Forest County Potawatomi Chairman Gus Frank. "We are proud to provide these scholarships to help students continue their education and ensure that Wisconsin's workforce remains robust and capable."

Three different scholarship opportunities will be available to Wisconsin residents:

- \$1,000 Chief Simon Kahquados Scholarship (25 scholarships available)
- Available to full-time Wisconsin high school students seeking to enroll in a Wisconsin Technical/Trade/Vocational school program hosted by a High School
- Awardees receive a \$1,000.00 scholarship and a one-time \$100 stipend \$5,000 Delores Pemma Scholarship (25 scholarships available)
- Available to Wisconsin residents enrolled in a full or part-time Associate Degree program at an accredited Wisconsin University/College/Technical College
- Awardees receive a \$5,000 scholarship and a one-time \$300 stipend \$10,000 Lois Crowe Scholarship (30 scholarships available)
- Available to graduating Wisconsin High School Seniors enrolled in a full-time Bachelor's Degree program at an accredited Wisconsin University / College.
- Awardees receive a \$10,000 scholarship and a one-time \$500 stipend

Scholarship applications are now available on the Forest County Potawatomi Foundation website at <https://www.fcpotawatomi.com/government/foundation/>. Applications must be received by March 30, 2017. Scholarships will be awarded in May 2017.

The brilliance of Dr. King

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Phillips was not only a defining event for me, but also an eye opening education I would never forget.

On the other side of the "bridge," was an angry mob of bigots—men, women and children—who pummeled us with bricks, bottles and racist epithets. Police looked on, some encouraging the bigots as they taunted us in hopes we would respond with a weapon other than our tears and blood.

Years later my military service sent me to Norfolk, VA and Jacksonville, FL where I learned even more of the nature of evil vented on Black people by bigots who sought to maintain their grip on a lifestyle and culture that would make then Apartheid loving South Africans proud.

The only differences between the north and south was that the southern bigots spoke with a drawl I couldn't fully understand and were supported by police with dogs who probably couldn't spell integration.

But they could spell White superiority and the "N" word, and appealing to their conscience, much less their religious tenets, was nonsensical and, could be painful as well.

While we didn't call it so, the system of bigotry upon which this country was built, produced a form of apartheid that was in many respects identical to what was the status quo in South Africa at the time.

Naw, my concern was not with King's courage, resilience or moral character. It was with his belief—his assumption—that moral authority could turn the hearts of the oppressors.

As I evaluated history, I learned you can't legislate attitudes and you can't change a leopard's spots. Various leaders have swayed those who straddled the fence, good Christians of all hues who sometimes needed to be reminded of their religious decrees.

But the generational bigots? It was a waste of time and energy.

The Southsiders, who threw the bricks and carried signs telling us to go back to Africa, never relented. And Milwaukee aldermen never had a change of heart. Instead it was a new federal fair housing law that eventually prompted the local ordinance change.

Likewise, it was not the hundreds of protests led by Black and White Milwaukeeans that ended school segregation, but a lawsuit led by Lloyd Barbee (primarily at his own expense). But the lawsuit didn't end racism or the two-tier education system. Indeed, Black students who were forcibly bused to Southside schools were confronted by racism, including marchers representing the local Nazi party who dared the children to venture into those neighborhoods. (Incidentally, a judge determined they had a right to do so.)

Nationally, it was a U.S. Supreme Court decision that ended the segregated busing policy in Montgomery, coupled with an economic boycott.

And a strong case can be made that King's moral authority was strengthened by the threat of an alternative offered by young, less patient and culturally attuned Black Nationalists.

Which is not to say King wasn't one of the greatest, or most significant Black champions as it relates to influencing "our" history and changing theirs.

The prince of peace was cut from the same cloth of great leaders like Frederick Douglass and John Russwurm, the founder of the Black Press of America.

I loved King, but my philosophy was closer to that of Martin Delaney and Marcus Garvey.

Back in the day, I declared myself a Black Nationalist and followed the rationality of Malcolm X who believed in taking what is rightfully ours, not trying to prick the conscience of individuals who showed through word and

deed that they would never move beyond their racist view that we were nonhumans, an inferior race.

Many in those days, including Malcolm, thought King a fool, although none questioned his courage.

Not in the sense of sheer bravery as in jumping on a hand grenade to save a fellow soldier or taking on the Black Mafia to save a neighborhood amid the surge of drugs. But courage as in standing up to an oppressor with your hands open, to accept an assault and smile back in their face. To walk into a firestorm knowing what was in store for you, but not blinking.

That's a rare courage—to stand against a constant barrage of racist taunts, insults and violence. And yet be uncompromising. And sometimes, tolerant beyond belief.

It took me decades to fully grasp the brilliance of King's non-violent strategy, and his role in alternating the course of history. While I reject the turn the other cheek strategy, his efforts opened the eyes of those who professed an allegiance for the Constitution of these United States. He exposed before the world the hypocrisy of the American mantra of democracy, justice and equality.

Moreover, King challenged the very soul of Christianity and forced those Whites who declared themselves to be of that faith to take a position and act Christ-like.

King's letter from the Birmingham Jail epitomized his most important role and purpose.

King obviously knew that a violent civil war would have ended with the obliteration of Black America. But given an alternative, America would go the route of the lesser of two (righteous) evils.

The "Drum Major" walked a political tightrope. And a study of his speeches—beyond the sanitized verbiage taught to pacify his exposure of white hatred—revealed a passionate visionary whose pragmatic strategies were intended to weaken the walls of apartheid with the cannon balls of moral righteousness.

In many respects, King paved the way for Barack Obama, who subscribed to his template when dealing with opposition that was grounded in racism and threats to White Supremacy emulating from both sides of the aisle.

I often found fault with Obama for not doing more specifically for Black America. I was pissed when I perceived he was being disrespected and "turned" the other cheek.

But like King, Obama had a strategy that would stand the test of time. And as explained by Michelle Obama, when they "go low, you go high."

Like his idol, President Obama pricked America's conscience. He challenged the status quo and took the high road. He also forced people off the fence.

Whether he was effective in getting the leopards to change their spots is debatable however. The "Whitelash" that resulted in the election of Donald Trump implies he didn't. But history will tell.

Just as it will describe King as a champion for American justice, and not J.U.S.T.U.S.

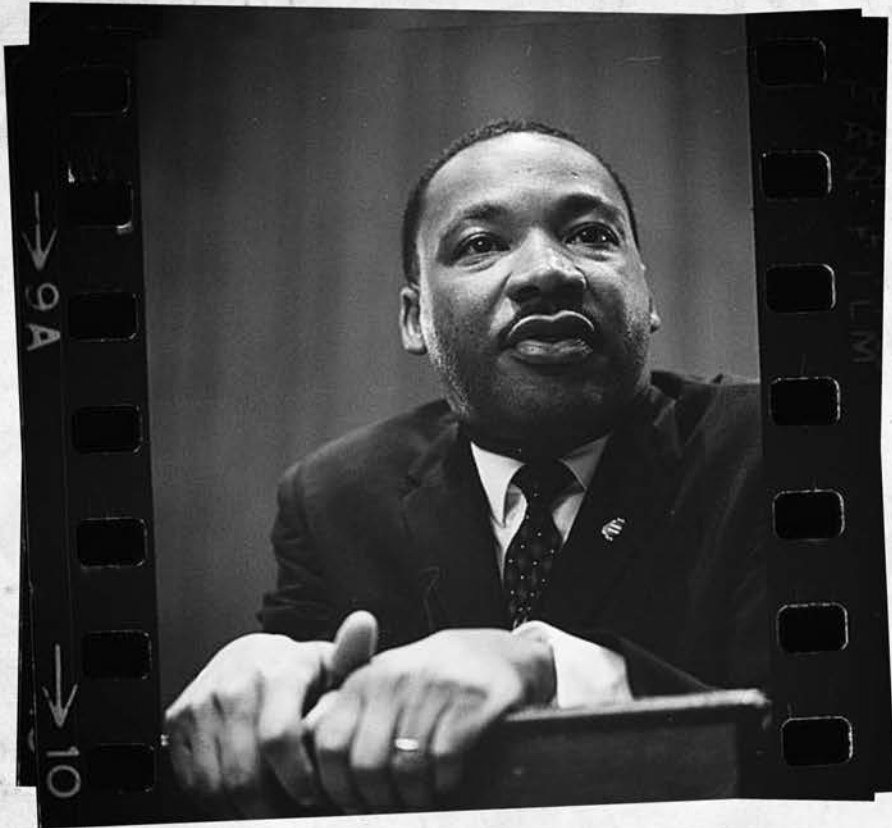
King fought for an integrated society. A colorblind America where all citizens were equal and loved their brother.

I spent most of my life fighting for Black empowerment. For equal opportunity. For cultural enlightenment and the power that comes from strength. For recognition of our unique place in the universe and history.

From that perspective, both sides compliment each other. And, while we were on the different trains, we were on the same track.

That's why my son and I withstood the freezing cold to fight for King's rightful place on the calendar, and in people's hearts.

Hoteb.



"We shall overcome."

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Thank you to all who participated and congratulations to the 2016 speech contest winners.



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2545 N. 29th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53210

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