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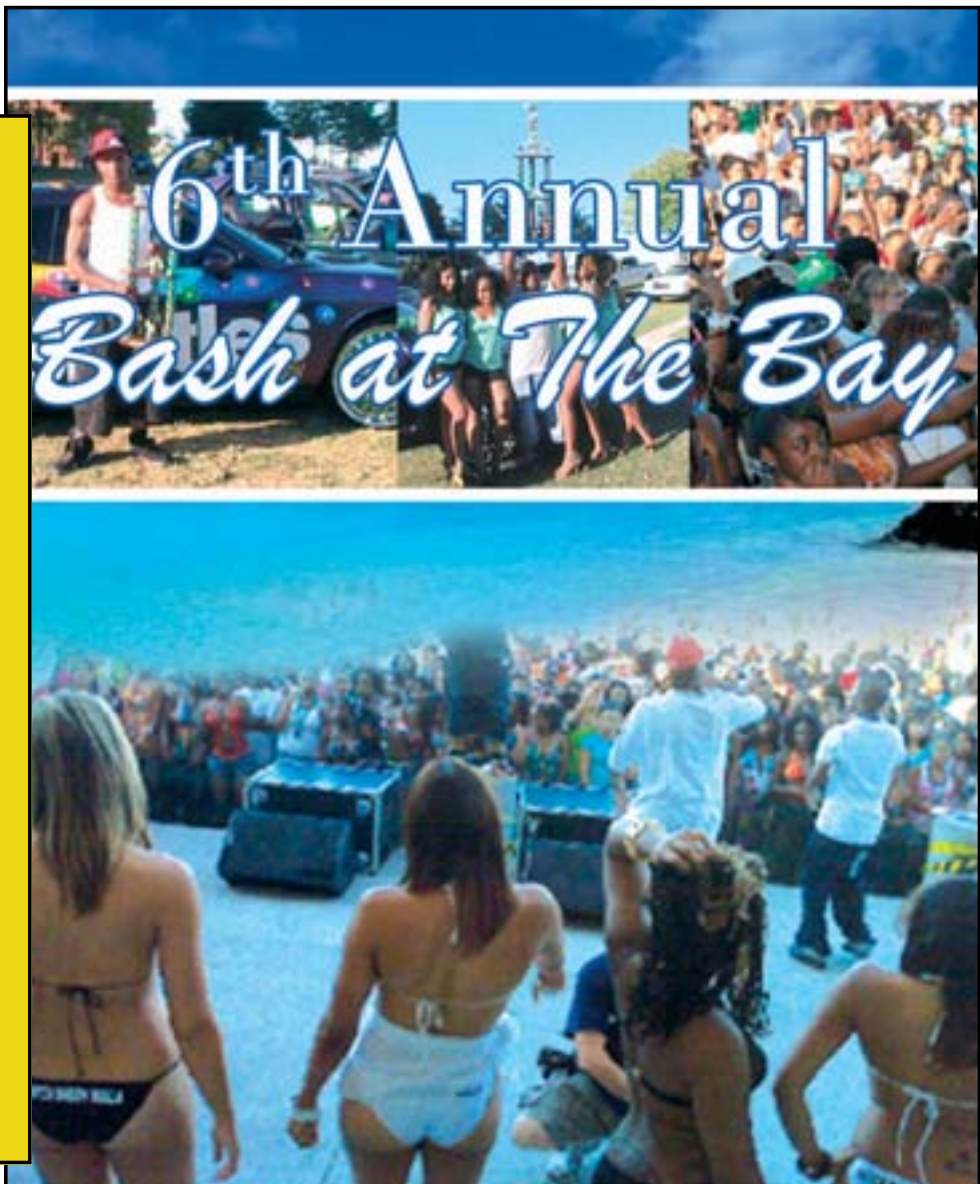
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This Strikes Us ...

A Sojourner's Truth Editorial

Don't get angry, just get it right.

Boy oh boy, this race stuff just doesn't get any easier, does it?

Take for example, oh ... Shirley Sherrod, the NAACP, the White House, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Bill O'Reilly – better yet, take everybody who followed the Sherrod incident last from Monday, when the story broke, to Tuesday night, when it was clear that the poor woman had been abused by all.

And we do mean *everybody*. Because there isn't a person in the world who happened to view that edited portion of Sherrod's speech when she admitted not giving a white farmer the "full force" of her power who did not believe that the woman had to go.

That was on Monday.

By Tuesday, the world had discovered that Sherrod was referencing an incident that occurred in 1985, when she was not working for the government; that she had indeed helped the white farmer save his farm and that she had learned from the incident that race was not the overriding issue in the struggle she had been waging for so long. An entire lifetime in fact.

It was a tale of revelation and redemption.

It was also an insight into the complexities of the race discussion. Here we are in 2010, a black president at the helm, and just when we thought things would be getting just a wee bit better from the racial perspective, we discover just how much more problematic the issue has become.

The administration, overly sensitive to such issues, jumped the gun and fired the woman without any semblance of due process. The NAACP was just as eager to condemn. And Bill O'Reilly? Well, we expect a certain triteness from a man who says things such as the Black Panther Party is planning to kill white babies.

Nevertheless, the administration, the NAACP and even O'Reilly did the right thing and admitted they had rushed to judgment and apologized to Sherrod.

But in the aftermath comes the finger pointing, a futile exercise at best since everybody, and we mean *everybody*, jumped to the same conclusion. It's particularly futile when those among us return to the Sherrod speech in order to figure out how this woman managed to cause such an uproar. And particularly futile when we try to redirect our frustrations back onto Sherrod.

One national pundit has pointed to Sherrod's reference in her speech to her efforts to send the farmer to someone of "his own kind" as an indication that she has racist tendencies. That's quite a stretch, especially when you consider that she made that reference in the context of explaining exactly how she was mistaken back then.

One of our readers calls Sherrod a "race-obsessed far left wing bureaucrat who thought her job included spreading the wealth."

Well, in fact, that's what her job did entail because that was supposed to be the mission of the USDA farm loan program – to spread the wealth. Every USDA official and bureaucrat must have thought the same thing, as did such presidents as Reagan, Bush I and Bush II who did nothing to end the program of such loans to farmers.

But "race-obsessed?" Well, it was after all a speech about race, wasn't it? To an organization whose mission it is to fight racial inequities. But, as if one still does not get the point, it was a speech designed to explain how important it is to move past race. How do you make that point without talking about race?

It's so easy to get angry about all of this mess but such anger is sorely misplaced.

It's easy to get angry at Agriculture Secretary Vilsack, the White House, the NAACP or even Bill O'Reilly, but what's the point? Everybody, and we mean *everybody*, overreacted. But just about everybody did the right thing and admitted his or her mistake.

We do live in a media culture, as President Obama noted, that makes such rapid-fire decisions inevitable, but there's no turning back the clock now. Ultimately such a media culture serves to minimize the real mistakes. It was, after all, the USDA which spent decades discriminating against farmers of color. That's a fact of life that Vilsack and his colleagues are trying to correct. The USDA was able to carry on such racial discrimination at least in part because there was no media spotlight on its officials and their actions.

If there is any lingering doubt about the point Sherrod was trying to make, one only needs to note this line from that speech.

"We have to get to the point where as Toni Morrison said: 'Race exists but it does not matter.'"

Community Calendar

June 21-August 20

Feed the Children Program: Majestic Praise Ministries; Free lunch – Monday through Friday; 11 am to 1:30 pm

June 22-August 5

Nu-Vizion Summer Kids Program: Tues, Wed and Thurs; 11 am to 2 pm; Fourth to eighth graders; Games, crafts, music, bible lessons, free lunch: 419-241-9358

July 28

RIF Summer Special – Ice Cream Reading Social: Monroe Street Neighborhood Center; Grades K- 8; Parents welcome; 3:30 pm

July 29-30

Praise Temple Ministries "Season of Restoration:" Pastor Randy Scott of Dayton; 7 pm nightly (inside of Pilgrim Church)

August 4-7

Bethesda Christian Center Cathedral Holy Convocation: Wednesday – Youth Explosion at 7 pm; Thursday 0 Intercessory prayer at 10 am, Bishop Dora Scott at 7 pm; Friday – Intercessory prayer at 10 am, men and women's sessions at 10:30 am, Apostle Michael Fields at 7 pm; Saturday – Intercessory prayer at 10 am, Elder Rance Allen at 7 pm

August 6

A Fundraising Cruise up the Maumee – Sunset and City Lights: 8:15 to 11:30 pm; A cruise up the Maumee on the Sandpiper: 419-392-1034

August 6-8

Big T-Weekend: Three-day fundraiser at Zeigler Habilitation Homes; Youth Hip-Hop Jam 5 to 9 pm; Saturday – The Joy of music, 2 to 9 pm; Sunday, Gospel Showcase 2 till close: 419-536-3825

August 7

Local 12 Women's Committee Garage/Flea Market Day: Local 12 Office; 10 am to 4 pm; Activities for kids as well

Word of Faith Ministries Annual Tent Crusade: 10 am to 9 pm; Food, activities for children, entertainment for all; Min Daryl Winters of Life changers Inter Ministries, Pastor Kevin Sutton

August 7-8

Phillips Temple CME 93rd Anniversary: "Raising Our Church Direction;" Saturday 4 pm banquet at the church; Sunday morning service at 11 am and a musical gala at 5 pm at the church: 419-654-1570

New Prospect Baptist Church: Pre-Men's Day musical on Saturday at 6 pm; Women's Day Service on Sunday at 11 am; Men's Day Service at 4 pm

August 8

Union Grove MBC Pre-Women's Day Service: "A True Woman of Faith – A household Necessity;" 4 pm; speaker Sis. Martha Mack of St. Mark's MBC: 419-531-1994
Southern MBC Pastoral Installation Service: Rev. Lemuel Quinn III; "My Call Is to Preach the Word;" 6 pm

August 14

The Josh Project Save a Life: "Learn 2 Swim;" 4th annual summer fundraiser; Indiana Avenue MBC; Noon to 5 pm; Fun, food, music, homemade ice cream: 419-973-1383

August 20-21

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Nobody's Child

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The Truth Contributor



I am invisible, understood, simply because people refuse to see me. – Ralph Ellison

"What's on your mind youngman," an elderly program director of a central city park probed an absorbed young male participant of a summer youth program.

"I'm just trying to figure out how I can break into that building," he shamelessly answered. "How old are you? Where is your mother," asked Bill Griffin, longtime local youth advisor and boxing trainer of international

prominence.

"I'm nine," the child answered. "And I ain't seen my mama. Don't know where she is."

Indeed as we see younger and younger children, either as victims or the perpetrators of crime and violence, the cry of those from previous generations is no longer "Ain't the baby cute (or fat)" but has become "These kids are terrible!"

"These kids today are BAD," bemoans a public school teacher. "They just get up out of their desks, call me a bald-headed so and so, walk out the room and slam the door on the way out! They are just BAD!"

The public has been quick to offer up a plethora of popularized cliches as social commentary. "It's the lack of parenting!" "The absence of the black male" and the "breakdown of the family" have been put forth as gospel. Others repeat the famous words of late comedienne Moms Mabley, "Ain't nothing wrong with these kids today that a good a**-kicking won't handle."

But as the details of more and more tragic outcomes manifest themselves, we are forced to admit that this issue is not so simplistic. And that we have known it for a long time.

We have, for years, known that one in 10 children and adolescents suffer from a major mental illness that significantly impairs them at home, school and with peers (U.S. Surgeon General's Report, 1999).

It is also widely agreed that more than half of these suffering children receive inappropriate services or no treatment at all, and that "failure to adequately treat such problems leads to later difficulties."

Yet, while there has been great technological advancement in treating illnesses of the body, illness of the mind and human behavior has not been a priority – resulting in human and financial outcomes more costly than that to provide effective treatment.

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My View

By Jack Ford
The Truth's Political Analyst



The month of July is a hot time to engage in political fundraising. Local candidates such as Harry Barlos, Michael Ashford, Anita Lopez, Edna Brown and George Sarantou have held events in the past 30 days.

It is wise to get fundraisers in as quickly as possible before the heat of August and the last-minute summer vacations. So, the gathering of money goes on full speed right now.

Mayor Mike Bell raised few eyebrows when he held a fundraiser for Republican George Sarantou, current city councilman and candi-

date for the Lucas County Board of Commissioners, at El Camino Real a few weeks ago. Bell ran for mayor as an independent, in spite of his Democratic affiliations of the past. Yet there he was helping a card-carrying Republican. This will pay off for the mayor when he runs again and needs Republican assistance.

Former Mayor Carty Finkbeiner is keeping his hand in the political game. He is part of the brain trust for State Rep. Edna Brown in her quest for the State Senate. Finkbeiner is also doing some major fundraising for Gov. Ted Strickland's re-election campaign and for Lt. Gov. Lee Fisher in his race for the U.S. Senate.

Let me say this again – Edna Brown's race is an historic opportunity. No African-American has ever served as a state senator for Toledo so the elevation of Brown would be a huge achievement if she can pull it off.

There are not many Dems in the Senate to begin with so

Brown would instantly be given plum committee assignments and a ranking leadership post.

I cannot emphasize how important this seat is to Toledo's future. Do not sit on the sidelines for this contest.

And, of course, pay attention to the election of our governor, state auditor and secretary of state. These three positions represent the power positions in the apportionment process in which legislative lines are re-drawn every 10 years after the census is completed.

This process determines, in large part, whether Republicans or Democrats control the Ohio House and Senate chambers. Control dictates the political agenda for the next few elections, if not for the entire decade.

Concerned about your PERS or SERS pension? Concerned about abortion rights? Concerned about K-12 education financing?

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Good Luck, Mr. Pecko ...

By Lafe Tolliver, Esq
Guest Column



Well, the die has been cast and we now have a new superintendent of Toledo Public Schools. Jerome Pecko, a seasoned educator from a northeast Ohio school district, who, at the age of 64, is willing to try to beat the odds and take a shot at righting the woefully listing TPS ship.

The selection of Mr. Pecko was not daring, brilliant or innovative...just the same ol' stuff of the district board playing safe and scared.

The selection of Mr. Pecko was within predictable boundaries of choosing someone that we could feel warm and cozy about. No edge. No drama. No pizzazz. No vibe. Just Jerome Pecko, one in a long line of "safe supers" who dutifully serve their time, polish their

shoes and only cross the streets at designated crosswalks.

Nice. Predictable. A yawn. Just what TPS does not need at this critical juncture in their dismal history of choosing super after super after super who simply can not or do not know how to make the 25 foot fade-away jump shot at the buzzer.

Don't get me wrong. Mr. Pecko is probably a lovely and wonderful man who enjoys watching *I Love Lucy* reruns or can recite the lines to certain *Ozzie & Harriet* programs; and for whom the *Ed Sullivan Show* was the highlight for Sunday Night TV viewing....but.

The educational climate in Toledo has reached *A Fistful Of Dollars* stage along with a clump of *The Matrix* and a barrel of *Mission Impossible*. Is Mr. Pecko up to such a stressful challenge or will he be a three-year super wonder and ride off into the sunset?

The educational system in Toledo is in need of a good snort of "educational coke" and that means we need a super who can go maniac at the dismal numbers that the local schools are producing in terms of student scholars and their ability to matriculate and go to college or a two-year school or a trade school.

For a city the size of Toledo and the attendant wealth within, the city-wide educational landscape is littered with too many casualties of opportunities spent or missed.

If I were to write the job requirements of Jerome Pecko, here is what they would like in a narrative format a/k/a *Mission Impossible*:

"Your job, Jerome Pecko, is to contact all business owners and leaders in Toledo and bring them on board with a unified city-wide educational program that

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Good Luck

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by the year 2015 Toledo Public Schools will graduate 95 percent of its enrolled students.

In addition, Jerome Pecko, you will meet with the local Catholic educational hierarchy and work out a sharing/lending/ swapping deal by which there is a flow of teachers, ideas, equipment and resources back and forth between the two systems.

Jerome Pecko, you are to seek the immediate dismantling of Washington Local Schools and blend that district into the unified city-wide concept of educational preeminence.

You are to take on the unions that are blocking progressive educational reform and if the unions choose to strike, let them strike.

Jerome Pecko, you are to reverse the image of the public school teaching corps being held hostage

by white female suburban teachers who in many cases have no vested interest in the urban schools in which they teach. They quickly run back to their homogenized suburban communities and bemoan the inadequacies of the ill-nourished urban school.

You will do this, Mr. Pecko, by pushing for a resolution that by the year 2013, all teachers, administrators, para-professionals, principals, superintendents and school board members are to have their school-aged children enrolled in Toledo Public Schools on the basis that if they can get a check from Toledo Public to fund their lifestyle, they can place their kids in the same system from which they draw their financial livelihood. No exemptions or exceptions.

Mr. Pecko, you will have to engage in hand-to-hand

combat with certain union heads who believe they have a divine right to serve forever and rule the roost over teachers according to their personal whims.

Mr. Pecko, your job will not be easy due to years of neglect and the tarnished image of Toledo Public Schools but should you succeed, you will be well rewarded.

Furthermore, you will bring in educators and advisors who will educate your teaching corps as to the methodology of urban schools being akin to a ministry.

As usual, if you or your team members are caught or thwarted by certain factions who want to keep things as usual and who fight against change, you are on your own and we will deny your calls for help.

This letter will self-destruct in five seconds."

There. That is a job description that will keep Mr. Pecko in the gym punching the heavy bag and skipping rope. If the school board will not back Mr. Pecko and his ideas of re-

versing the fortunes of Toledo Public Schools, then the board, at their next election, needs to be cleaned out and we start fresh and anew. Until Toledo Public starts putting

out a better and new and improved product... the educated student, Pecko is in for a long and bumpy ride. I wish you well.

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Child

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If we know better, and there is widespread agreement as to the magnitude and scope of the problem, including an understanding of its complex risk factors, why haven't we done better in terms of developing a more effective system to treat the unmet needs of children concerning their mental health?

The lack of a coordinated service system often leaves families trying to navigate a complex system of various fragmented agencies that provide services to children while trying to deal with the "personal, family, and financial stress brought on by the child's condition." Many children, as a result, fall through the cracks.

Schools, with the pressure to focus on achievement and teach to tests, often don't adequately understand stressors such as generational poverty or genetic pre-dispositions and thus misinterpret mental illness as a behavioral issue. Or they are often indifferent, ill-equipped and sometimes outright hostile to the plight of mentally-ill children.

"The structure in the school system does not

work for these kids," lamented a local mental health specialist. "They (public school systems) are not comprehending the 21st Century urban population where 20 percent of the district's children suffer from mild mental disorders and another five to nine percent have severe emotional impairments."

"The school system's response has been to ship them into the juvenile justice system where 75 to 80 percent of the population has mental health issues or suspend them. But what do you do, if their mom or caregiver is also mentally ill," the frustrated mental health professional asks?

Warehousing mentally ill children in juvenile detention centers or utilizing suspensions and out-of-school expulsion (24 percent of black and nine percent of white students in Toledo) rather than providing proper diagnosis, treatment and intervention is often the precursor to future tragic and "unthinkable" outcomes both for youth and a vulnerable public.

While the attitude of many in the public school system has been "I didn't sign up to work in a psyche ward," or

"I've already got my quota of crazies, and I'm not taking any more of them," the culture of charters such as Knight Academy or Maritime, has been more welcoming as they appear to be more competent in addressing mental health issues, according to sources.

It is obvious that more options are needed than expulsion, suspension or criminalization.

What is the solution?

Studies have shown that some childhood mental illnesses can be prevented and long-term damage thwarted from others if there is "early, prompt and appropriate intervention."

This requires a major paradigm shift including changing how we fund mental health, providing larger investments and implementing widespread developmental and behavioral screening.

However, schools, representing the first line of defense, are the key. They must learn to deal with students that "we didn't see a generation or two ago, acknowledge that it's a new day and change antiquated school structures" or develop alternative schools where comprehensive, quality care and support are available.

In addition to the 3 Rs, the curriculum or services should also include "counseling from psychologists and social workers; medication management and occupational therapy; handwriting and keyboarding, speech and language therapy."

And when psychological or episodes occur, doctors or other professionals should be on hand and available ensuring that these students get not only cognitive but the social and emotional development they need to thrive and survive.

We have seen the root of the problem. We have also experienced its shocking consequences. Now we just have to acknowledge the problem and act on it.

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My View

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What about gay rights? Higher education? Jobs? Crime?

All of these issues are in the hands of the Ohio legislature. So it means something when these folks campaign, fundraise and play politics. Your life is at stake.

As I travel the Toledo community, I see lots of signs for Cosme, Brown and Mandros. It seems as if the GOP does not want to be visible in Toledo's black and Hispanic communities. Big mistake.

Jon Stainbrook, chairman of the Lucas County Republican Party, would be smart to place some big boards touting "R" candidates front and center in the central city. Likewise, Republicans should hit the churches and social service organizations like Carty now knows how to do.

If Sarantou wins his county commissioner race, it will be in large part due to his past ties with the black community. Sarantou was a social worker early on at BVR and he served on the Frederick Douglass Community Association and the Neighborhood Health Service boards. People remember that service.

Look for that county commissioner board to go Republican over the next few years. Sarantou may get there. City Councilman Rob Ludeman may try again. City Councilman Tom Wisniewski may go for it if he loses his senate bid to Edna Brown.

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"This Is It:" A Celebration of the History of S.E.T.T.

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Sojourner Truth Reporter For 26 years, the Self Expression Teen Theater, or S.E.T.T., has helped keep children out of the streets by, in part, bringing them to the stage.

To celebrate the history and essence of this program, the event, "This Is It"



Conference attendees

Greg Campbell who joined the troupe at the age of 11. He went on to comment how it gave him confidence, his "training" in the program and how he gained a positive

black male role model, Charles Muhammad, the executive director of S.E.T.T.

Lavada Griswold, lead prevention educator, described how he gained a positive

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Charles Muhammad

to our young people as well as it is for all children or just black children?," Muhammad said. "Our answer to that is that as far as a state-certified prevention program goes, if you're looking for an excellent model then this is it."

An opening prayer and a welcome by Muhammad started the event. He continued to talk of the history, mission and vision of the SETT program.

The event took a turn to the personal level when Twyla Page, the parent coordinator of S.E.T.T., told of her experiences with working with the organization since it began and how it affected her children.

Page also commented on how parents need to be more involved with their children in order to ensure their suc-

cess in the future.

"Not to be politically correct, but we live in a community where we do not value black children," Page said. "With S.E.T.T., it gives them the strength to face the challenges of the world. We need to stand up for all children, especially black children."

Former participants added to the memories of how S.E.T.T. influenced their lives. One of these "graduates" was



Role playing

was held at the Frederick Douglass Community Association on Saturday, July 24 at 1:30 p.m.

Washington Muhammad, the program coordinator of S.E.T.T., cleared up some confusion with the title because many thought it re-

ferred to the termination of the program since it has been overlooked for funding from the city, state and county for next year.

"What we mean by 'this is it,' is that there have always been questions about S.E.T.T., about its relativity

S.E.T.T. 26-Year Run May Come to an End due to Lack of Funding

Sojourner's Truth Staff

After 26 years of after-school programs and summer sessions, the Self Expression Teen Theater may be forced to close its doors due to lack of funding.

In the past years the Lucas County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities LCBMRDD has been the main source of funding for the agency whose mission is to use theater and other programs to prevent teen violence and drug abuse.

"The decision of the Mental Health Board is misguided," said Keith Mitchell, local attorney and president of the S.E.T.T. board of directors noting that S.E.T.T. and the Urban Minority Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Outreach Program (UMADAOP) are the only two certified substance abuse prevention programs in the central city and LCBMHDD has denied funding to both agencies.

S.E.T.T.'s problem in staying afloat will be acute since it received upwards of \$180,000 from LCBMRDD which accounted for virtually all of its operating funds.

S.E.T.T. has filed a request for mediation with the Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services (ODADAS) in an effort to get the local decision reversed.

S.E.T.T.'s mission is to offer a "holistic approach to family life education." Rather than taking the passive approach of "just saying, no" the programs are geared to activities that present a range of positive choices.

A Summer Education Camp reaches out to students from age 11 to 17 to participate in and convey relevant information about substance abuse, violence prevention, community services and developmental opportunities to thousands of area high-risk youth.

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Old West End Day Care Expands into the Old South End

Special to The Truth

Celebrating preschool graduation at The University of Toledo becomes a tradition for the Old West End Daycare. However, Francis Dumbuya, Ph.D., points out that the action has been deliberate.

"I come from academia," he explained. What better way to show the value of education to little children and their parents than to graduate a preschool class at an institution that strives for educational success?

"Bringing the kids here," Dumbuya continued, "is one way to sow seeds that will yield fruits for later academic success."

When asked to explain the meaning of the celebrations, Dumbuya, who also holds an advanced degree in education, replied that "the entire process is to celebrate the kids' success and to prepare them children to become responsible citizens."

"What you see here today," Dumbuya added, "is the culmination of the daily hard work of our staff. They work tirelessly in providing the care that the children need. They hold meaningful conversations with parents; conversa-



Marquee Crosby gets ready for graduation ceremony

tions that enhance care for the children. Therefore, if the question is am I pleased with what we see here today, the answer is an emphatic "Yes!"

This year's guest speaker was the well-known Toledoan, Larry Whatley, who has been very supportive of the center. Whatley had this to say about progress at the Old West End Day Care: "Each year, I am delighted to speak at this event because of my sincere belief in the work that Francis and Patricia are doing. This couple works tirelessly each day to raise the level of care for our children by doing just a little bit

more each time. They are truly passionate about the children, and what we see here today is a testament to their commitment to educate our children. I want to salute this couple.

"I am especially impressed by the fact that in its 15-plus years the Old West End Daycare Center has served thousands of Toledo's children and continues to serve thousands more. I am equally delighted by the announcement that Dr. Dumbuya and his wife, Patricia, have decided to continue their mission of educating and caring for the community's children by way



of expanding the center to the building located at 539 Broadway, formerly known as 'A Child's Way' this Fall. This will serve the children in the old south end area."

Whatley also took the time to address the parents of the graduates. First, he thanked them for staying committed to the Old West End Daycare

to stay involved in the education of their children. He used the metaphor of an Olympic sprinter whose hopes for an Olympic medal were shattered by a knee injury 150 meters from the finish line.

Somehow, even though he did not win the race, his father ran from the stands to help him finish the race.

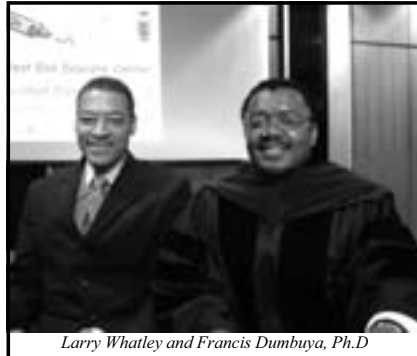
of priorities." Whatley's message to the graduates was plain and simple: "Have fun! Enjoy this day. And, the good thing is there are more moments like this to come."

He urged graduates to continue to listen to their parents, teachers and other adults who are helping them.

"We are all God's children, and praying to God is one way we show our Obedience to Him," said Whatley. "Good things happen to people who do these things. So remember, I want to hear you 20 years from now after you have become successful. Introduce yourself to me and remind me of this day."

In closing, Whatley again asked parents to continue to stay involved with their children's schooling even as they advanced to higher grade levels. It is not just enough to have your child do his or her homework. Meet your child's teacher regularly. Join the PTA, and volunteer sometime at your child's school.

He concluded by wishing the children a successful school year and the Dumbuyas great success in expanding childcare to the south end of Toledo.



Larry Whatley and Francis Dumbuya, Ph.D

Center, and for believing in the leadership of the Dumbuyas who are also close friends of his.

That being said, Whatley challenged parents, as he did the previous year, to continue

"As parents," he advised, "our children give us a reason for living, and we should be there (supportive) to help them win the race of life. We lose a sense of purpose when we fail to put them at the top of our list



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I LOVE MY ZOO

Got a Question??

Got a question that The Truth can help you find the answer? One of our readers, Otha Duerson, did. He also suggested that we start a regular feature in which our readers could call or email us their questions. So here we are ... doing both.

Reader Duerson asked us to find out why decorative islands are being constructed on Dorr Street rather than using those funds to repair neighborhood streets such as his that have been in dire need of repair for several years.

Here's the answer.

First, the funds for the island project came from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (stimulus funds) and were requested by the City of Toledo Department of Neighborhoods for that project. The department was able to request stimulus package funds from the federal government that would be specifically earmarked for shovel-ready beautification projects.

Once received, these funds could not be shifted to other capital improvement projects such as street repair.

The history of the project, however, has a bit of significance. The Dorr Street Coalition had originally sought funds for the islands back in 2008 as part of a larger strategic plan to revitalize Dorr and encourage both business and residential development.

The Department of Neighborhoods was not able at that time to come up with funds from city, state or federal monies. Months later when the ARRA passed, the Dorr Street project, along with several others in the city, was approved.



What Kills A City?

By Michael Hayes
Minister of Culture



What kills a city?

Most theories suggest that when the job opportunities diminish, the city starts to die.

Other theories shed light on how so many young, talented and educated people leaving an area can contribute to its demise.

You know, without new ideas and new companies things become stagnant. So, yes, whoever you are reading these words right now... I'm

sure you can think of at least 10 people you know who have moved out of Toledo in the last five years.

Our entertainment scene in many respects has grown leaps and bounds but still very few artists conduct themselves in a professional enough manner to stay relevant for long.

But what if all the theories are pointless?

What if it's not about the educated 20 and 30 somethings relocating their talents elsewhere? Perhaps the simple loss of jobs doesn't serve as a good explanation since most cities in the nation are struggling through economic reform in some way.

In these very pages I revealed that it is a lack of pride in a city, that kills a city.

I have urged entertainment professionals here to be more business-minded (wow, I should tell the story of what happened at Bash At

The Bay involving a certain woman who works for Hutch and how she nearly ruined one of our shows...smh.).

Years before this newspaper existed, I was a teen in the mid 90's running around Government Center presenting ideas to the men and women who lead this city.

I've tried to put in work to improve this city.

People like Imani Lateef, Kameron Kyser, William Keyser, Andre Savage and Andre Williams have done much to improve quality of life in this city.

But as I watch more and more struggle and get nowhere fast... as I watch one of the artists I produce pick up his family and move to Cleveland for better opportunity... it dawns on me.

Yes, we all have a love/hate relationship with this Glass City we call home.

I've tried to focus on the love for years, but it doesn't

seem to be enough.

So I realize it's not a matter of pride, it's becoming so disillusioned that you get burned out trying to tackle all the issues and keep your head afloat in an environment which is losing resources left and right.

It's a lack of solutions that will kill a plan, an idea, a company and a city. For all the good we can lay claim to, Toledo, Ohio just can't seem to overcome its biggest hurdle: the stigma of living here.

Without a solution to that, it's a wrap.

Some of us will leave, others will stay.

I'd always hoped to be somewhere in between... living in New York but with a place here and just traveling back and forth running my label and producing for artists.

But my own struggle with finding employment and the downturn in the music industry has me considering every feasible means of obtaining an easier existence no matter where it is.

Which brings up the ultimate point... it's not where you

live but how you live.

Are you even living... or are you merely existing?

My job writing for this paper is about the entertainment, art and culture of our people.

From my perspective... merely existing has become the new culture of Black Toledo.

People work jobs they hate and it's normal to not have any aspirations besides going to Vegas every now and then.

People have businesses they want to start, ideas they want to launch but it's hard to find proper backing and innovators end up being wage makers because making a living from your ideas in Toledo is damn near impossible it seems.

But deeper than jobs and money... the mindset of a city starts to show signs of erosion.

No longer concerned with the higher functions of the mind such as appreciating art, being of service to the community or passionately supporting causes... citizens sink into a self-serving stupor in which their own survival in-

stincts stagnate any ability to band together for any reason.

Cities die when the spirit of the people dies and, believe me, before pointing one finger at you, I'm first dealing with the man in the mirror.

Making a living, building a dream and maintaining pride has become exceptionally challenging for me. I don't mind sharing that with my readers because it's the truth, and it's a truth many of us share.

I value my friends and family, my business endeavors and related associates and this very publication you hold in your hands.

I'm not even sure how or when it will come, but even with all I value and cherish about this place I am ready for change.

I am going to write a song called "The Toledo Problem" though, and address

all of this in a much more direct fashion... at the end of the day, using my talents has to be done no matter where I live.

But damn, Toledo... it would've been nice if we could have gotten it right.

A Literary Bash . . . Up on the Roof

July 31 at Main Library

Special to *The Truth*

Join the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library for hot jazz, cool views, delicious grazing and rooftop fun! Guests can watch the sun set, the stars shine and the city lights sparkle when the Library Legacy Foundation and PNC Bank present **A Literary Bash . . . Up on the Roof**, one of the most exciting events of the summer!

This Civic Plaza rooftop event atop Main Library, the crown jewel of downtown, is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, **July 31**, at 325 Michigan St. Honorary Chairs are **Frank and Lynn Jacobs**, and **Tom and Dianne Walton**.

A Literary Bash will feature the electrifying sounds of jazz saxophonist **Jesse Coleman** and **JAMM band**, along with featured area authors, coupled with music, delicious grazing and cash bar, fundraising prizes and surprises for this perfect rain or shine event! Also, partygoers can view a watercolor and pen and ink exhibit titled **Mood and Mode: The Art of Jim Brower** located in the Main Library Gallery. Brower, an artist and illustrator, will attend A Literary Bash and autograph his book, **Mood and Mode: A Selection of Transparent Watercolor Paintings**, that will be available for purchase.

Seven featured authors will also be present at the event, and some of their books will be available for purchase, with the assistance of Barnes & Noble Booksellers. Each author listed below will donate a portion of the sale from books sold at A Literary Bash to the Library Legacy Foundation.

Featured authors scheduled to attend A Literary Bash include:

Denise Fleming (Children's) – (*In the Small, Small Pond, The Everything Book, Lunch*)

John C. Moore (Non-Fiction/Self-help) – (*Alvetta, A Positive Attitude is a Muscle*)

Jim Ravin, M.D. (Art) – (*The Artist's Eyes*)

Julie Rubini (Children's) – (*Hidden Ohio*)

Frank P. Stiles (Non-Fiction/Crime) – (*Evil Brothers, Blind Trust*)

Jan Wahl (Children's) – (*Candy Shop, Pleasant Fieldmouse, How the Children Stopped the Wars, Bear Dance, The Enchanted Sled*)

Sally Wright (Fiction/Mystery) – (*Code of Silence, Pursuit and Persuasion, Out of the Ruins*)

Tickets to A Literary Bash are \$75 each, with free parking. This important fundraiser supports Youth Services and books at the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library.

Don't miss this event! Come out and enjoy the outstanding panoramic view of downtown Toledo!

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Hutch Daddy Dolla's Bash at the Bay 2010

By Monique Ward
Special to The Truth

Fancy cars, unique fashion and celebrity guests are a few words to sum up the five days that took the city by storm this past week. Unless you've been living under a rock the last three years, Hutch Daddy Dolla's Bash at the Bay has been causing quite a stir in the state of Ohio.

On Wednesday, July 21, the festivities began with a Local Artist Showcase at The Vault. At this event artists performed to compete for a coveted position at the Bash at the Bay.

The entertainment and excitement continued on Thursday, July 22 with a comedy show at Fat Fish Blue that featured Special K of the Ricky Smiley Show. Friday night, a fashion show was held at Plush Ultra Lounge featuring Tiffany Richardson of America's Next Top Model (Cycle 4) and the Please Believe Me Girls. That same night, teens were able to party with Travis Porter at the Bash

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Jagged Edge Bash At The Bay



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Reconnect: 2010



The Dorr/Secor Neighborhood Facebook group is presenting "Reconnect: 2010" a reunion for everyone who attended Ryder, McTigue, Byrmedale Jjunio high schools and Rogers and Bowsher senior high schools.

The event will take place on Saturday, August 21, at the Park Inn Hotel.

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Writing Great Books for Young Adults by Regina Brooks**c.2009, Sourcebooks****\$14.99 / \$18.99 Canada****191 pages, includes index**Terri Schlichenmeyer
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When the kids were little, they loved hearing your stories.

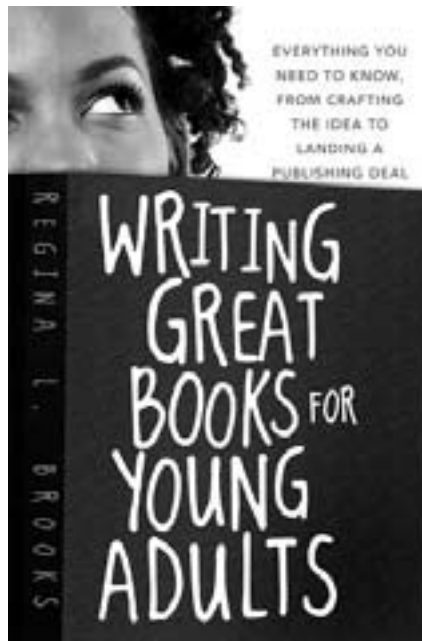
You lost count of the times they asked you about your brother, who pushed you down a hill on a broken wagon and skinned your nose. They laughed every time you imitated your mother tossing pie crust in the air. Even neighborhood kids begged to hear about when Grandpa fell off the pony.

All your life, you've been telling stories. Now that the kids are older, maybe it's time to use that pent-up creativity by becoming a real author. Start by reading *Writing Great Books for Young Adults* by Regina Brooks.

Having been a teenager yourself once, and having lived with some, you might believe that writing for the YA market would be a breeze. But it's really not that easy, says Brooks. Though YA readers live in the same world you do, their lives are worlds apart from

yours. Young adults – readers age 12 to 18 – demand au-

thenticity in their stories, and they can spot adult phoniness from the next county.



But you've done your homework. You've immersed yourself in teendom and you're itching to write. Before you start, remember that the success of your story depends on your ability to convince the reader that your main character is like her. Also, never be condescending to your readers and don't preach. YA readers hate that.

So how do you know when you've hit the right tone? Brooks says that in order to write well, you need to read well. Devour other YA novels. Ask a middle-school teacher what works and what kids are enjoying. Once you find out, don't be afraid to "forge new paths" with your idea. Just like you, kids love innovation.

Write like people talk. Be

willing to use storyboards and learn to edit and revise. Don't move too quickly, but don't be a snail, either. Let your characters tell you where to go next and give them emotions to get there. Understand the difference between plot and story, know what a JITNOT is (and don't use it), get feedback from peers, and get yourself an agent.

Lastly, work on *this* novel and ignore outside distractions and nay-sayers. Stop daydreaming about your next book, your movie deal or your writer's life. Focus and finish.

They say that everybody's got a book in them. *Writing Great Books for Young Adults* helps you pull that book out for the world to read.

As both a literary agent and author, Regina Brooks knows what works for the publishing industry and what doesn't, and she knows what editors are looking for in a YA novel.

I liked that this book includes real publishing jargon, exercises, ideas and testimonies from editors and published writers. That, and the abundance of advice, serves to immerse a budding writer in what may become a new and exciting career.

If you've always thought about becoming published but didn't know how to do it, *Writing Great Books for Young Adults* is a good beginning. For excited future authors, this book is all-write.

Social Media Seminar At Sanger Branch Library

A workshop designed to help small businesses, nonprofits and individuals get acquainted with and use social media as a mass media communication tool will be held at the Sanger Branch Toledo-Lucas County Public Library, 3030 W. Central Ave. on Saturday, Aug. 7 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Clyde Hughes, former Blade reporter and a writer/editor with Purdue University Marketing and Media in

West Lafayette, Ind., will facilitate the workshop, which will include handout material, group discussions, a power point presentation.

This workshop will show you how to marry old school and new school media technologies to create a comprehensive publicity plan, how to brand your product and yourself, and get people excited about your event and issues.

The workshop will present strategies and techniques that are being applied today by some of the country's leading institutions and how you can use these the moment you walk out of the workshop (and a few while you are still in the workshop!)

Who should attend?

- Small Business Owners
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PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Program Structure and Requirements

The program runs twelve weeks and requires an application (Survey Form), registration fee, attendance at one or both of the courses offered, including assignments, and completion of a project selected and approved by the program director. The course work runs for eight weeks consisting of four to eight hours per week of courses followed by four weeks of practicum where each student can select a Project and be mentored by resources professionals available to the program.

Business Management (40 contact hours)

This course takes a look at the fundamentals of business.

- marketing your vision and your business plan;
- finances and the structure of the business; and
- support services, the gasoline and oil that keeps the engine running smoothly

Marketing Model

Participants will be presented with and discuss how to strategically market their business and the importance of focusing their business and developing a niche in the marketplace based on project size, type, and client. Participants will be able to hear and discuss the importance of the corporate image they present with respect to the marketplace they target, the role and types of services provided, types of construction services they provide, whether traditional, factory-built, design-build, green, must be a singular image. Finally, participants are presented with the broad and specifics of increasing accessibility within the marketplace, whether it is their individual website, advertising, certifications, strategic alliances, partnering and website networking through available search engines.

Financial Models

Participants will have available to them seminars, online courses and discussion groups on understanding the interrelated nature of accounting/finances and the business structure. Participants will have and opportunity to get a clearer understanding of basic accounting principles and how they are used to manage a business; how differing business structures have differing costs; financial and professional liability; and overhead and accountability requirements to Federal, state and local governments.

In addition, the course will take a look at the importance of employees, and incentives for their skill development and retention in order to maintain a level of quality control to assure repeat business. Participants will see how cash only, line-of-credit without security and line-of-credit with security models affect the size and management of projects and the business.

Furthermore participants will gain an appreciation for what bonding companies and lending institutions are looking for with respect to requirements business and project management and documentation of the performance of a business and project. And finally we will discuss how a business may get off to a great start but may falter because of no backlog of work; low profitability because of too high an overhead; too low a margin; or just a failure to reinvest back into the business.

Support Services

This is an area of small businesses that is second to the quality of work is most important to marketing and sustaining the business. It runs and touches every aspect of the business from answering the phone, marketing, responding to leads, maintaining company and project files, estimating, billing, filing taxes, keeping the website current, writing letters, to generating and providing financial information for a line of credit, business certification or bond application. Yet it is the most vulnerable to failure because it is often times done by the same person responsible for doing the work and/or supervising the work crew. More business is lost by a lack of or untimely response than to poor workmanship.

The course of study will undertake a case study look at two models:

- Shared or consortium
- In-house support models that utilize either single person Jack-of-all trades; multiple-staff multi-discipline; or multiple staff single discipline resource plans in their comparative effectiveness in support of the business.

Business Capacity (40 contact hours)

This course seeks to address:

- management skills and
- technical skills to improve business capabilities and capacities.

This course brings the information learned in the Business Modeling course into the actual business and project management setting utilizing software resources as tools to increase both business and technical capabilities and capacities.

Management Skills Capabilities - Participants will look at the three interdependent areas of business services management that affect profitability and the capacity for long-term success. They are:

- business & financial management;
- project management; and
- quality control management.

Each of these areas requires the proper structure, proper resources, and diligence in maintenance, as well as, accountability mechanisms in order for them to be useful and effective for business owners, administrators and other personnel. Participants will see how to strategically structure the accounting system to the specific characteristics of the business and how it must be capable of providing information on income, expenses and cash flow, at both the project and business level to be a useful management tool.

Participants will gain an understanding of the project management strategies and processes, even in their simplest forms, as the only proactive and accountability tool that can estimate, plan and track the allocation and cost of human, financial and equipment resources to

assure profitability and/or to alert managers to slippages production that affects profitability and quality control. We will look at various levels of project management tools and how they make even the most simple of projects. Participants will see how project management assists in the initial (smart) bidding of a project.

Quality control means meeting and/or exceeding the expectations of the client with respect to the delivery of a quality product with the planned schedule. It is the human aspect and relationships established by a business that creates repeat clients, sometimes when the bid is not the lowest. We will discuss the differing expectations of quality control depending on the type of project and role in the project.

Technical Skills Capabilities

A typical construction services business utilizes a wide range of technical skills to stay competitive or ahead of their peers. Technical capabilities are like money. While they are not everything they determine the marketplace that the business will be successful in doing business. They are indicators of the business owner's commitment to a level of knowledge, efficiency quality and cost control expected whether it is in the residential, commercial, institutional, services or supply-side of the industry.

This part of the course will focus on the following areas:

- computer skills and software programs for business and project management;
- estimating and bid preparation strategies;
- quality control procedures; and
- continuing education required by the marketplace an industry.

Participants will have opportunities to see and gain some level of working knowledge of software that supports a well-oiled office/business support infrastructure and increases their accuracy, efficiency, and strategy in bidding projects. The course will also look at quality control procedures and how they increase profitability; assure clients of excellence and performance. Regulatory requirements are also changing incorporating materials and construction methods, as well as, management techniques of "green building techniques." With the advent of energy and environmental consciousness the entire building industry is seeing new and innovative materials, methods and management techniques introduced into almost every trade, even in the residential sector. Participants will be given access to a range of online courses and seminars that will be available even after the program course work is completed.



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In Memoriam

Charles William McDaniel, the oldest son of four brothers, was a native of Fairfield, Alabama.

Both of his parents were music teachers. His father, Charles A. McDaniel, was a student at Tuskegee Institute and his mother, Willie Viola (Selden), was the first female graduate of Miles College in Fairfield. His parents organized the Birmingham Sacred Symphony Orchestra in the 1920's.

Charles began to develop his musical talent at an early age when he played saxophone and piano with his father and brothers. During high school, he was appointed as temporary band director.

After serving in the Navy during World War II, he attended Miles College, where he played saxophone, clarinet and French horn in the marching and dance bands.

He moved to Toledo, Ohio and married Rose L. Bowen in 1949. To this union was born one daughter, Deborah, and two sons, Charles F. and Reginael.

In 1950, Charles organized the Royal Swanks Band, which played for



most area high school proms, the Ebony Fashion Show, the first black Cotillion and the Chere Amies dance. He also played gospel music at First Baptist Church in Fremont, Ohio, Second Baptist Church in Holland, Ohio and Indiana Avenue Missionary Baptist Church and the Gospel Jubilettes. He enhanced his

music education by attending the Bach Conservatory of Music in Toledo, Ohio.

His civil service began in 1952 as an employee at Rossford Ordinance Depot and ended 39 years later in Atlanta, Ga., as deputy director of logistics management directive at Headquarters Forces Command under the leadership of Gen-

eral Colin Powell.

Some of the many highlights in his illustrious career include working at the Pentagon and receiving a letter of appreciation from the White House signed by President Gerald Ford for saving the government over \$2 million.

Before his civil service advent, Charles was elected president of the black local 286 of the American Federation of Musicians. Since that time, the black and white music unions have merged into one union, Local 15-286.

After civil service retirement, he was elected a board member of Local 15-286. In 1999, Charles became the first black secretary/treasurer for Local 15-286 and one of only four black secretary/treasurers in the United States and Canada. He served in that capacity until 2010.

In this role, he was responsible for the day-to-day operations and job placement of musicians throughout NW Ohio and Southern Michigan, from Broadway plays and wedding receptions to circus acts. He traveled extensively throughout the United States as a representative of the local union.

In 2002, the local musicians presented a musical "Celebration of 911", in which he, at age 75 organized and over 6,000 people attended. In 2004, he planned the first nationwide musicians' convention ever hosted in Toledo, Ohio.

In years 2008 through 2010, he produced the "April is Jazz Month" for

the City of Toledo, with activities at the Main Branch of the Toledo-Lucas County Library and at many of the public schools. He was a former board member of the Toledo Jazz Society, was a current board member of the Ghanaian Foundation, DBA Step up, Toledo, the Jeremy Lincoln Foundation and was serving as vice-chairman and treasurer for the Frank J. Troy Center.

He volunteered for the Susan G. Komen for the Cure by playing for the Race for the Cure, playing for the breast cancer style show and playing for the survivors breakfast. He also played for the Northwest Ohio Cardiology Women's Heart Program. He was the founder of the McDaniel Family Reunion and recently celebrated his 50th reunion year. At the time of his death he was serving as the president of the family reunion.

In 1993, he organized a group of teen-agers into a Gospel Jazz group called Jelise and Company. This group was named after his granddaughter, Jelise, whom he had taught to play saxophone. They have traveled throughout Toledo and the states of Ohio, Michigan and Indiana bringing their unique, upbeat sound of praise to God to many churches and other venues.

In the 1980's, Charles was primarily responsible for introducing instruments, such as drums, horns, and the guitar into the Indiana Avenue Missionary Baptist Church. He was a musician at Indiana

Avenue, after retiring in 2009 from New Hope Baptist church, where he was a musician for 20 years. He was married to Rose L. (Bowen) for 61 years, father of three – Deborah Roberts, Charles F. and Reginael; grandfather of four – Jeremy, Cameron, Corey and Jelise and great-grandfather of two – Christian and Joelle.

He leaves to cherish wonderful memories, wife, Rose, daughter Deborah, (Derrick) Roberts, sons Charles F. (Diedre) of Indianapolis, IN and Reginael (Diann) of Atlanta, GA, Jim (Yvonne) Johnson, Rev. Dr. Willie L. (Monica) Perryman and Aaron (Cynthia) Wizgen all of Toledo, OH, brother Braxton (Renay) McDaniel of Birmingham, AL and sister-in-law, Mother Willie L. Jones of Toledo, OH, grandchildren, Jeremy Lincoln of Miami, FL, Cameron (Lori) and Corey McDaniel of Indianapolis, IN, Jelise Roberts of Columbus, OH, and great-grandchildren Christian McDaniel and Joelle Gregoire-Lincoln. Godchildren, Anthanette Thomas and Collin Wizgen, of Toledo, OH, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and many, many friends.

Special neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Larry and Ann Sykes and Ms. Jamie Mickens, the Jelise and Co. family, the new Hope Baptist Church family and the Indiana Missionary Baptist Church family. Special thanks to Sam and Althea Baldwin, Walter Starks, JerriLynn Hodges, Isom Sims and James Simpson.



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CAUTION: You Must Assert The Right to Remain Silent.

By Charles McKinney, Esq
Guest Column

It is absolutely alarming to defense counsel, how many people waive their constitutional rights to remain silent and to have an attorney present during custodial interrogations. Unfortunately, by the time many accused people hire a lawyer (or have one appointed), they have already made statements to the police which could be considered confessions.

Now, the U.S. Supreme Court has made it easier for law enforcement to get a confession even if it means finding the "confession" in answers to questions not related to the crime for which the person was arrested.

In the recent case of *Bergthuis v. Thompkins* (U.S. Supreme Court, June 1, 2010) involved a shooting of two men in Southfield, Michigan. One of the victims died. Van Chester Thompkins was arrested one year later in Ohio.

A person who is in cus-

tody has two fundamental constitutional protections: the right to remain silent and the right to counsel.

In the 1966 case of *Miranda v. Arizona*, the U.S. Supreme Court required law enforcement to advise a person in police custody of these constitutional rights. The notice of these rights has become known as the "Miranda Rights."

While waiting to be transported back to Michigan, Thompkins was read his Miranda Rights. Thompkins remained silent through most of this interrogation that lasted approximately three hours. However, Mr. Thompkins did supply detectives with limited verbal responses e.g. "yeah," "no," "I don't know," etc.

The detectives involved in the interrogation stated, that the defendant did not say he wanted an attorney, not to speak to the police, or



that he wanted to invoke his right to remain silent. Towards the end of the interrogation a Detective asked Thompkins "Did he believe in God?"

Thompkins stated, "Yes that he did believe in God."

Then he was asked, "Did he pray?"

The defendant again replied "Yes."

The detective went even farther to ask Thompkins,

"Did he pray to God to forgive him for shooting that boy down?"

Thompkins simply replied "Yes." Thompkins refused to make a written confession, and the interrogation ended shortly after his refusal.

The defendant was later charged with first degree murder, assault with intent to commit murder, and firearm-related charges. Thompkins moved to suppress his state-

ments made, arguing that he had invoked his Fifth Amendment right to remain silent.

He also argued that he did not waive his right to remain silent, and the statements that he made were involuntary, and the detectives should have ended the interrogation.

The U.S. Supreme Court held that had Thompkins stated that he wanted to remain silent, and not speak with the police he would have invoked his right to remain silent. In other words, you now have to state clearly and unambiguously that you are invoking your right to remain silent. You cannot assume that just being silent is enough. If you answer any questions, including "trick questions", your answers will likely be used against you.

Involuntary confessions cannot be used against you. It does not take much, however, for a prosecutor to establish a voluntary waiver. The Thompkins case makes the prosecution's even job easier.

In order for the prosecution to show that an accused person has waived his right to remain silent, they must first show that the waiver was "voluntary in the sense that it was the product of a free and deliberate choice rather than intimidation, coercion, or deception," and was "made with a full awareness of both the nature of the right being abandoned and the consequences of the decision to abandon it."

There is no evidence that Thompkins' statement was coerced. Thompkins did not argue that the police threatened, injured or made him feel fearful in any way.

The interrogation was found to be held within its standards, the conditions of the interrogation were normal. Thompkins was asked a question regarding his religious beliefs that did not require a response. The Fifth Amendment, the Supreme Court said, "is not concerned with moral and psychological pressures to confess emanating from sources other than official coercion."

Sadly, the Court held that Thompkins knowingly and voluntarily made a statement to the police; therefore he waived his right to remain silent.

Justice Kennedy delivered the opinion of the Court, in which Chief Justice Roberts, Scalia, Thomas, and Alito joined. Justice Sotomayor, filed a dissenting opinion, in which Justices Stevens, Ginsburg, and Breyer joined.

Again, the Supreme Court appears divided along party lines with the largely Republican-appointed/conservative justices, forming a majority to hand down a decision which appears to limit how an accused can claim the protections guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution.

The impact of this decision will likely be felt most adversely by the poor and the less educated accused that are not aware of how important these rights are and now, how easily those rights might be waived.

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the significance of tutoring within the program. She went to comment that "home-work is the number one priority and then it's S.E.T.T."

Lynne Hamer of the Padua House was an additional speaker—a surprise to her as well as the audience.

She continued the message of parents staying involved in their children's activities and schooling. In addition, she talked of the Padua House and its attempts to get students back on track with education and out of suspension.

A presentation of self-defense was staged to show how these moves could be

used in everyday situations. Yvette Muhammad, wife of Washington Muhammad, conducted this segment. Three teens from the troupe were also involved to illustrate proper execution of the karate moves.

Soon it was time for the performance from the teens. As a special treat, one of the skits that was performed was written by Campbell when he was a member of the troupe. It was inspired by the death of his brother — one he had not met before — due to violence and selling of drugs.

Along with the skits, there were plenty of raps, poetry

and dances to convey the message of making positive choices towards activities, attitudes and adventures. They also tackled the issues of alcohol abuse and being safe while driving.

The event concluded with a circle formed by the audience and all the participants. Charles Muhammad spoke of believing in oneself and accessing that "power" within oneself. Parents had the opportunity to introduce themselves and give an input on how this program has helped their children.

With joined hands for a moment of prayer, the program was completed.

"We wanted the community to know that our academic excellence in our program shows our commitment to details and also the type of young people that we produce," Muhammad said. "We will keep going with the program, but we always need volunteers to help mentor, we need financial support and prayers."

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A Bachelor's degree in mechanical or electrical engineering, or physics, or or astronomy (or equivalent experience) is required. Several years of experience in an academic or industrial R&D or engineering capacity is highly desired. The position requires a broad range of skills: mechanical, electronic, optical, and computer-related experience. Desired background includes experience with telescopes, preferably in a professional astronomical observatory, and experience with vacuum systems and with cryogenics. Workshops and similar experience are also desirable in computer repair and upgrade, preparation in handling of optical fibers, and handling and disposal of hazardous materials. Full time. Some night/weekend support work will be expected occasionally. Salary commensurate with education and experience.

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Bid Documents for the project may be examined at the F.W. Dodge plan room in Columbus, Builders Exchange in Toledo, University of Toledo – Capacity Building, E.O.P.A. – Hamilton Building, Northwest Ohio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, and The Plan Room in Ann Arbor, Construction Association of Michigan, Toledo Regional Chamber of Commerce and Ohio Construction News.

Bidders may obtain copies of the documents starting **July 21, 2010 which can be purchased from Toledo Blueprint, 6964 McMerney Road, Northwood, Ohio 43619, phone: (419) 661-9841. Drawings may be obtained on CD-ROM for no cost with the purchase of the specifications.**

A **Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting** will be held on **August 6, 2010 at 2:00 pm** at Toledo Public Schools Board Room, 420 E. Manhattan Blvd, Toledo, Ohio 43608.

If you have any questions or a need for additional information, please direct all questions in writing to **Olivia.Beebe@lgb-llc.com**, by phone at (419) 776-5600, or fax (877) 281-0784.

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Bash at the Bay 2010

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Hutch Daddy Dolla and DJ Drama

at the Bay Teen Splash held at J-Palace.

On Saturday, Woodville Auto Finance sponsored The Bash at the Bay Car Bike Show which featured custom cars and artists from as far away as New York City. The Wildberry Skittles car won "People's Choice" and a hot vehicle with a multi-color

paint job won for "Best in Show." Both winners were awarded with large trophies presented by Hutch Daddy Dolla and the Please Believe Me Girls.

Saturday night, the Omni was the venue to be for the grown & sexy. The Black & White Ball featuring multi-platinum R&B group Jagged

Edge was officially sold out by 7 p.m. Ladies and gentlemen wearing their finest in black and white attire were in line by 9 p.m. even though the doors weren't open until 10pm! By midnight the club was packed as Jagged Edge came out on stage to screaming fans. They performed hit singles "Let's Get Married,"

"Gotta Be" and "Where the Party At?"

The main event, the Bash at the Bay Concert, was headlined by national recording artists Britni Elise, DJ Drama, The Core DJs, Da Kennel, Rashad "Ray Ray" Morgan, DJ Q45 from B.E.T.'s Rap City

and local artists Tracy, the 419ers, Yung C. B.M.G., T-Diamond & Young Chuck.

Over 3,000 people attended the free event at The Maumee Bay State Park. The Bash at the Bay Weekend concluded with a packed house at the Zodiac for the Official B.E.T

After Party hosted by Frankie (Keysha Cole's mother).

The event featured the celebrities from the beach party as well as performances from local artists like Big P.I. who had the crowd pumped. A week to remember!

Owens Community College to Participate In National Project DEgree Student Success Program

Special to The Truth

Owens Community College has been selected by Gateway to College National Network to participate in a national pilot of Project DEgree to help students achieve success in their pursuit of a college education.

Owens will receive a \$250,000 grant as part of the prestigious Project DEgree initiative. Over 100 students are expected to participate in the initial two-year pilot phase of the educational program, which begins this upcoming Fall Semester.

Project DEgree is designed for 18-26 year olds who have earned a high school diploma or GED, but who still require further developmental education in order to be ready for college-level coursework. The program provides students with intensive individualized academic and social supports, offers an engaging project-based curriculum within a learning community, and helps students structure their lives so they can build and maintain the momentum necessary to complete their educational goals.

"Owens Community College is honored to be chosen by Gateway to College National Network and serve as a nationwide leader in the Project DEgree educational initiative," said Tamara Williams, Owens Interim Vice Provost. "A college education opens doors to endless possibilities and this grant will allow us to provide an innovative holistic approach to breaking down barriers for students who are in need of enhanced academic and support resources. Our faculty and staff are committed to advancing learning and student success and Project DEgree will enable Owens to further its mission of providing a superior educational experience through excellence, innovation and collaboration."

Once admitted to the program, Owens students will become members of a learning community with 20 to 25 other Project DEgree participants. Together, they will take developmental coursework in reading and writing, a college survival and success course, and receive supplemental tutoring

in math. After completing their initial courses, students will progress as a learning community. The group will participate in the next sequence of reading, writing and math classes, as well as a study skills course.

The second year of the Project DEgree initiative will see Owens students transition into college-level coursework and progress toward the certificate or degree of their choice. Students will be encouraged to take 12 credit hours of coursework each semester. Additionally, each individual will be supported by a completion advisor who works in collaboration with other advising staff, providing advising and connecting students to college resources and support services.

Gateway to College National Network is a national nonprofit organization that is tackling the dropout crisis and catalyzing change across developmental education in college. Organizational strategies include creating and replicating innovative programs, building partnerships, influencing systems, conducting research and sharing what they know, helping effect policy and regulatory changes, and providing customized consulting services. The National Network also offers training, technical assistance, and professional development opportunities to Gateway to College and Project DEgree programs across the country.

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