



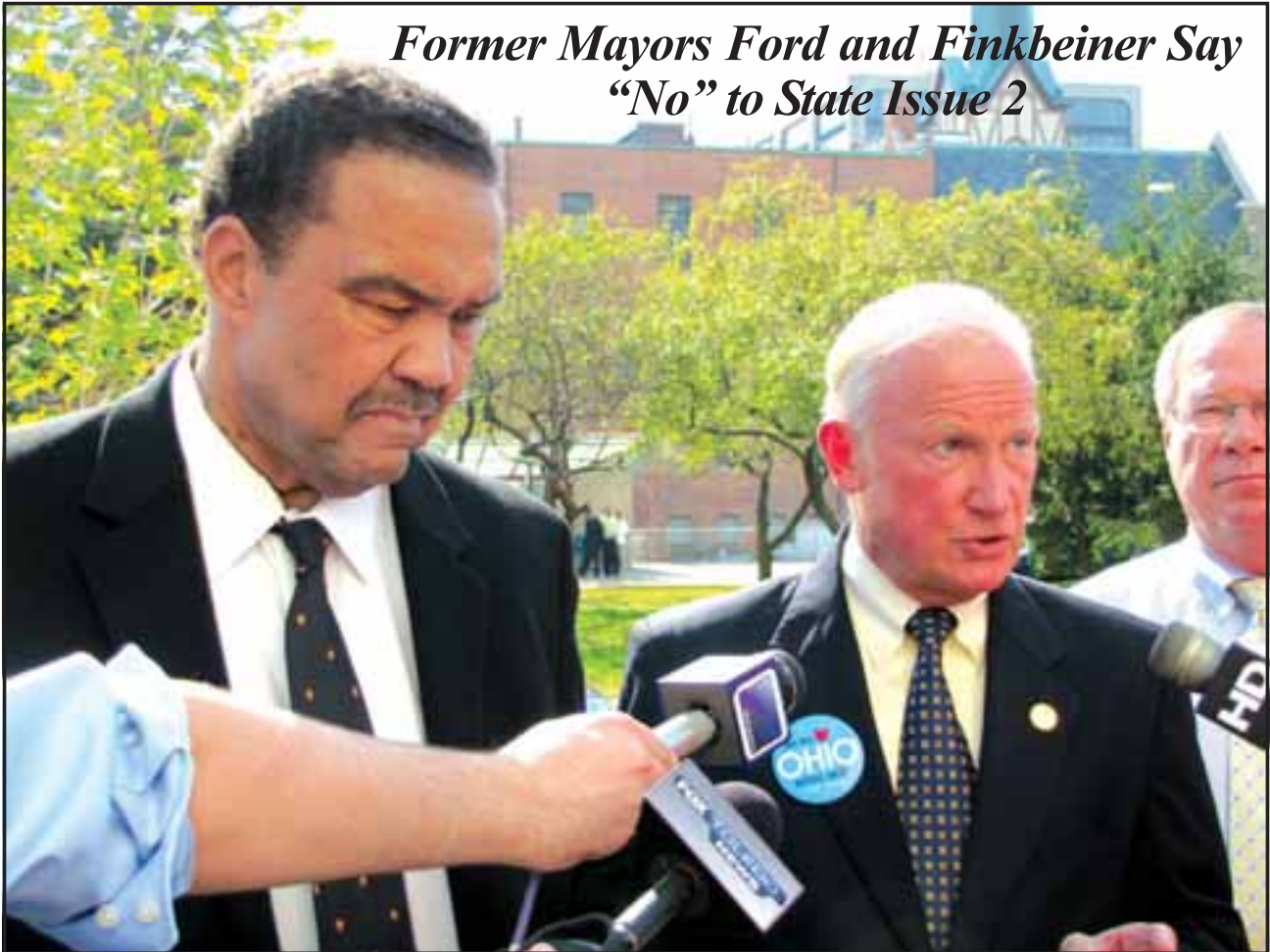
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Former Mayors Ford and Finkbeiner Say "No" to State Issue 2



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Black Leadership Abyss



By Rev. Donald L. Perryman, D.Min.
The Truth Contributor

You had to look hard to find a mention of Shuttlesworth's death in America's flagship newspapers. The death of Steve Jobs and Sarah Palin's political career grabbed the headlines. But no one did more to kill Jim Crow than the Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth. - Alan Bean

Olive Schreiner, the early 20th Century South African writer, recounts a dream where God had taken her soul to hell. Taken aback by its exquisite but unexpected beauty, Schreiner exclaims, "I like this place." And God said, "Really!"

....She went a little further and noticed a group of men busily at work among the trees. She said, "I should like to go and work with them. Hell must be a very fruitful place, the grass is so green."

God said, "Nothing grows in the garden they are making." Scrutinizing the workers more intently, she noticed that they were working among the bushes digging holes but setting nothing in them; and when they were a way off they would hide in the bushes watching.

She noticed that as each walked he set his foot down carefully looking where he stepped. She said to God, "What are they doing?"

God said, "Making pitfalls into which their fellows will fall."

"Why do they do it?" she asked.

God replied, "Because each thinks that when his brother falls he will rise."

She said, "How will he rise?" God answered, "He will not rise."

And she saw their eyes gleam from behind the bushes. "Are these men sane? she asked. God answered, "They are not sane; there is no sane person in hell" (Schreiner, 2011, 36).

The craziness and hell which Schreiner described nearly a century ago, could very well be applied to the black leadership state of affairs in contemporary Toledo, Ohio.

What is behind the dog-eat-dog, behind-the-scenes "don't tell anybody else about our proposal" secret deal-making attempts by some, and a new wave of suddenly-seen-the-light activist preachers? Not to mention the chilled relationships among those under-resourced religious and community organizations who battle each other with as much intensity as they do poverty, their common enemy?

Perhaps at the core of the problem lies a sick struggle for recognition and an excessive "need to be validated, honored and respected."

Possibly, years of standing above others while proclaiming "divine" dictates from behind a pulpit exposes one to an "insatiable passion for domination of others" or an unhealthy addiction and desire for applause.

Much more likely however, is the seductive smell of new funding opportunities to replace old financing paradigms which are rapidly becoming obsolete. Survival pressures have forced African-American leaders to become aware of the need to do things differently.

My thoughts on the black leadership hell?

Some indeed have become active in the community, as a famed biblical writer once reasoned, "even of envy, rivalry and dissension; and some of good will. Some of discord, not sincerely; but whether for show, pretense or in truth," I am glad that solutions for the community's problems are finally beginning to be addressed from within the community.

Yet while the competition and black-on-black organizational genocide continues, neither the community nor the status of its leaders and their institutions are likely to progress.

The challenge is to develop a new partnership paradigm among those of us who have entered into the civil, economic, social, educational, cultural and political promised land of American life with those who are at the "bottom of the social and economic heap and are still struggling to carve out an existence."

Also, there are some lessons that inform the black community from the youth struggle in Egypt or the Middle East and the gay rights and Occupy Wall Street movements.

None of these successful movements have an identifiable public leader or visible "face of the movement" ala the Martin Luther King Jr. single charismatic leadership model.

Therefore, only when black leaders, both notable and unsung, put aside their differences and partner among themselves to negotiate collectively, will they all benefit as well as the community itself.

But when we attempt to cut our own deals privately and separately, we all lose because individual power will never get the respect or results than that of our aggregate power.

"The undervaluation of the leadership role played by ordinary people corresponded to an over-concentration on the role of national leaders, Dr. King in particular. He (Shuttlesworth) had his enemies among black leaders in Birmingham, but his dramatic courage had won him a loyal following among ordinary people. In deciding that Shuttlesworth was not a part of the story, the press missed an opportunity to learn something about the historical depth of the struggle and the variety of leadership styles that sustained it." (from Payne, I've Got the Light of Freedom, 2007)

R.I.P. Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth (March 18, 1922 to October 5, 2011)

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October 12-31

Register for Free Tutoring: The Norman and Louise Jones Foundation; Math, English, reading: 419-72400888 ext40

October 15

Celebration of Love: Honoring Robert Huntley Sr; United MBC; 4 to 7 pm: 419-474-1952

October 15-16

First Church of God Ambassadors for Christ Reunion Weekend: First Church of God; "You Can Always Come Home;" Tailgate party on Saturday from noon to 4 pm; Sunday service at 10 am; For more information call 419-578-2447 or 419-867-1881

October 16

United Church of God Women's Day Program: 4 pm; Speaker Rev. Janet Orr of First Church of God: 419-729-3819

St. Paul AME Zion Connectional Lay Sunday: Speaker Deborah Rivers of Walls Memorial, 11 am; Speaker Valerie Thompson at 6 pm

Calvary Baptist Church 82nd Anniversary: 4 pm; Speaker Pastor Randall Parker
Christian Community Church 9th Pastoral Anniversary: 5 pm; Speaker Bishop Duane Tisdale

Glad Federated Club Fund Raiser Dinner: 3 to 6 pm; Ramada Inn Secor: 419-893-2228

October 17

Sexual Abuse Prevention Awareness Treatment Healing Coalition Circle: 11:30 am to 1 pm; Cordelia Martin Health Center: 419-729-0245

October 18-19

St. Stephens COGIC Fall Revival: 7 pm nightly

October 20

Soraya Mire Reading and Book Signing: People Called Women - 6060 Renaissance Place; "The Girl with Three Legs;" 7 to 9 pm: 419-469-8983

October 21-22

Mt. Zion Church of Christ Holiness Women's Day Conference: 6:45 pm on Friday, 8:30 am to 6 pm on Saturday; "Establishing Our Unity through Faith;" Includes praise dance workshop on Saturday: 419-389-4953

October 21-23

14th Ohio Underground Railroad Summit: South Briar Restaurant in Sylvania; Reception on Friday night at 7 pm; Sessions from 8 to 9 pm on Saturday; FOFS meeting on Sunday from 8:30 to 10 am: To register call 419-350-4231 or 419-882-4865

October 22

Pumpkin a Rama: Presented by City of Toledo; Liz Pierson open air shelter at Ottawa Park; 1 to 3 pm; Carriage rides, face painting, DJ, pumpkins and more: 419-245-3388

Norman and Louise Jones Foundation Coat Drive: "Warm Up Lucas County;" 10 am to 3 pm; Family Activities Club - 6202 Trust Drive; Donations accepted now 9 am to 4 pm daily: 419-724-0888 ext40

October 23

Calvary Baptist Church 82nd Anniversary: 4 pm; Speaker Pastor Chester Trail
Christian Community Church 9th Pastoral Anniversary: 5 pm; Speaker Rev. Pat McKinstry
Center of Hope Women's Day: 11:30 am; Speaker Rev. April Hearn of Detroit

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Cain....Raising Cain!

By Lafe Tolliver, Esq
Guest Column



Well, it was to be expected. Herman Cain, the former CEO of the Godfather pizza chain, is not happy with you being nappy.

That is, Herman Cain believes that under that nap of African hair, black Americans have been brainwashed into voting, in lockstep, for anything that is Democratic. Herman wants black vot-

ers to sidle over to him and at least give him a second look as a viable presidential contender.

Cain is "raising cane" about so many black folks being bound at the hip to Obama and to anything that walks around with a "D" (that is Democratic for the intellectually curious).

Herman believes that if you really look at his Republican policies, you will find a whiff of fresh air and you would come to your senses and vote for the elephant in the room (that means Republican for the intellectually curious).

As being a national correspondent for the nascent All Negro News Network a/k/a: ANNN, I was able to use my impressive press credentials to snatch a brief telephonic interview when

Herman Cain was recently in New York City winking and throwing kisses at Donald Trump.

Here is a summary of that interview. Determine for yourself who has really been brainwashed:

Question: Mr. Cain, why are you toadying up to Donald Trump? What can he do for your presidential run?

Answer: Donald is "The Man" and I need to pay my respects to him and tell him that I am at his service and will carry his water for him if needed.

Question: Mr. Cain, if elected President, would you have blacks and Hispanics in your cabinet and as your advisors?

Answer: Probably not. They have all been brainwashed and they would se-

cretly try to undermine my domestic agenda.

Question: Mr. Cain, is it true that if elected president you would eliminate welfare and also support for the historic black colleges and universities?

Answer: That is true. Welfare payments and the black colleges are brainwashing black people to accept both handouts and social and educational separation as being acceptable.

Question: Mr. Cain, what is your policy about foreign aid to the developing African nations?

Answer: No more aid. That money only brainwashes them to expect handouts from the US government and they will not try to do for self. Look at me. I am a self-made man!

Question: Mr. Cain, in light of the uneven application of the death penalty upon black men, would you advocate doing away with the death penalty when the evidence against a person is suspect or inconclusive?

Answer: No. If you do away with it, that will only brainwash people into thinking that they can do what-

ever they want and get away with it.

Question: Mr. Cain, if you were elected president and you had chances to appoint blacks to any Supreme Court openings, would you?

Answer: No. If I did that, it would only brainwash black people into believing if you have black judges that they would get a break due to their skin color. No more black judges.

Question: Mr. Cain, you indicated that if elected, you would do away with the EPA, the Department of Education and the Department of Commerce...why?

Answer: Those departments only brainwash people into thinking that they can get a handout from the government and that makes them indifferent about their own education, starting their own businesses or makes them careless about they being involved in fighting for clean air and water. There is nothing wrong with our air or water.

Question: Mr. Cain, in light of the gross negligence of Wall Street in causing the recent financial collapse and

the massive housing downturn, would you press for criminal charges against the perps that caused these financial meltdowns?

Answer: No. If I did that, it would only brainwash people into thinking that if you take risks and chances with other peoples money, that you could be punished for it. Let the free market take it course. I made my money. Go make your own.

Well, thank you, Mr. Cain, for this insightful interview.

Mr. Cain: You are welcome. Now, let me go so I can sing

some soulful gospel tunes to these rich white Southern folks and get me some mo' money!

ANNN Reporter: Well, there you have it folks. Mr. Cain,

uncut and unbridled and telling you that you are in fact brainwashed.

But tell me. Who is really brainwashed about life in America?

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Rep. Szollosi Applauds Decision to Prohibit Use of Federal Funds to Privatize Turnpike Letter by Congresswoman Kaptur and Democratic Delegation Key in Decision

Special to The Truth

Assistant Minority Leader Matthew A. Szollosi (D- Toledo) last week expressed enthusiastic support for the USDOT decision to prohibit the Kasich Administration from using federal resources to enable privatization of the Ohio Turnpike.

"The Ohio Turnpike belongs to the people of the State of Ohio, and that should not change simply because John Kasich wants a one-time infusion of cash for use by his administration. Based on what has happened in Indiana, motorists can expect a significant increase in tolls, maintenance of the turnpike will deteriorate, and toll workers can expect pink-slips. Privatization of the Ohio Turnpike is a bad idea."

"On Tuesday, October 4, 2011, Congresswoman Kaptur, along with U.S. Rep. Tim Ryan (OH-17) and others from the Democratic delegation sent a letter to Secretary LaHood and participated in a conference call challenging Kasich's authority to utilize federal resources to advance his privatization agenda. This morning, Secretary LaHood determined that federal resources may not be used for such purposes.

"I applaud the work of Congresswoman Kaptur and Congressman Tim Ryan for their efforts to fight for the best interests of their constituents and all of the people in the Northern part of the state. I remain adamantly opposed to these privatization efforts, and look forward to working closely with our congressional leaders to prevent this mistake from occurring."

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Ford and Finkbeiner In Agreement: Public Unions Are not the Problem

By Fletcher Word
Sojourner's Truth Reporter

Former Toledo mayors Carty Finkbeiner and Jack Ford joined forces last week to challenge current Toledo Mayor Mike Bell's contention that the city administration and taxpayers would benefit from the passage of State Issue 2 on the November 8 ballot.

"We think it's important that labor unions remain strong," said Ford. "I had a \$15 million deficit when I came into office and we worked the deficit out through a variety of techniques not through a demolition of collective bargaining groups."

Ford, a lifelong Democrat, who noted that his administration dealt with deficits by instituting hiring freezes and ending non-essential spending, defended labor unions for their historical role in growing the middle class. "Teachers and others have moved into the middle class because of collective bargaining rights," said Ford who served as mayor from 2002 to 2006.

Ford also asserted that Governor John Kasich was



using the collective bargaining issue to move himself into the national spotlight much as Wisconsin Governor Tommy Thompson did in the 1990's when he ended that state's welfare system in a widely publicized gesture.

"[Kasich] is catering to the right to work element," said Ford. "[Gov.] Taft never rose to the level of giving in to the right to work element."

Finkbeiner took the microphone to second Ford's sentiments.

"During the 16 years Jack Ford and I served as mayor, we negotiated six rounds of contracts with six unions in Toledo," said Finkbeiner who served two terms as mayor from 1994 to 2002 and a third from 2006 to 2010.

"In 1984 when collective bargaining [became] the rule, it worked right up to the present time," he said.

Referring to Kasich's previous career on Wall Street, Finkbeiner suggested that banking institutions were re-

sponsible for the economic decline of the nation over the past several years. "No teacher, no policeman, no fireman has had a hand in cutting the economic legs from underneath America," he said.

Finkbeiner also voiced his support for the Occupy Wall Street movement that has spread to other cities around the nation, including Toledo early this week.

"Young people in New York have it right," he said. "This is so clear to the aver-

age Ohioan, let city councils and mayors and unions bargain and bargain successfully.

Joining the two mayors at last week's news conference were Toledo City Councilman D. Michael Collins and Toledo Board of Education member Brenda Hill. Collins, a former policeman, and Hill, a former teacher. Both have an extensive history of involvement in their former unions.

"[SB5] would take us back to a time we need not return to," said Collins, an independent who represents Toledo's District 2. "The process works."

"We can't forget our history," said Hill. "Unions represent middle America. Toledo Public Schools has settled with five unions and we've all worked together. Unions have worked to help everyone earn a decent living and unions are not to blame for the crisis we are in."

State Issue 2 was placed on the November 8 ballot as a result of a successful referendum drive by opponents of Senate Bill 5. The issue

asks Ohioans to vote directly on whether or not SB5 should remain law. A no vote is being sought by opponents – such as former mayors Finkbeiner and Ford – on the issue.

SB5 was enacted by the Republican-dominated Ohio General Assembly and effectively changes what can be included in collective bargaining for public employees, eliminates automatic pay increases and requires employees to pay at least 15 percent of the health care benefit costs.

The 302-page legislation, which was signed into law by Kasich on March 31 also includes a prohibition against striking by such employees, changes sick leave and vacation benefits, makes it easier for members to decertify their union and creates the Ohio Commission for Excellence in Public Service that will establish programs that foster best practices in public service workplaces.

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Rep. Ashford Asks Mayor Bell to Step up Youth Activities

Sojourner's Truth Staff

Ohio State Representative Michael Ashford took Toledo Mayor Mike Bell to task this week for the administration's failure to engage the city's youth in programs.

"The mayor has had ample opportunity to develop a plan for our youth," said Ashford during a news



conference he held at the Lucas County Democratic Party's headquarters on Monday, October 10.

"When he campaigned, he said youth would be a priority," he continued in his opening statement. "Here we are two years later ... no youth programs. I'm still waiting for

a youth plan. Let me be clear, this is not a black issue, it's not a white issue, it's not a brown issue. Our youth are challenged by poverty, education and socially and there are no employment opportunities for our youth between the ages of 14 and 24."

Ashford noted that the past summer was the hottest on record and "no swimming pools were open" in the central city. Ashford suggested that

"The mayor has had ample opportunity to develop a plan for our youth,"

the mayor adopt his ideas for engaging youth.

"First, take the \$70,000 for the lobbyist in Columbus and restores the Youth Commission. Second, the CDBG [Community Development Block Grant]—federal dollars—that the city receives every year, earmark a certain percent

for youth, it will not cost our taxpayers a dime and won't come out of the general fund," said Ashford.

"Third, work closely with TPS and encourage your workforce employees to adopt a school and serve as tutors and mentors," he continued.

"Fourth, work closely with Lucas County Commissioners to address summer youth jobs—you have had a disappearing act on this."

Ashford further challenged the mayor to address the issue of fitness and wellness among city youth.

"One of the biggest health challenges of our youth is overweight," he said. "You promote 21st Century, promote a fitness/wellness program for our



Linda Alvarado

youth."

Ashford noted that his own background in working with youth over the years with the YMCA and the Boys and Girls Clubs

of America spurred his comments about the mayor's failure, after two years, to develop a comprehensive plan for the city's youth.

Attending the news conference was Linda Alvarado, executive director of the Toledo Board of Community Relations, who took exception to some of Ashford's characterizations of the administration efforts particularly in the area of wellness.

The Pioneering Healthy Communities program, said Alvarado, is one such initiative that the administration has been involved in since early in the Bell term in office. That program took a number of community leaders, including Bell, to Columbus to meet with Governor John Kasich about an all-encompassing government effort to work with youth on health.

"Things are happening," said Alvarado. "It seems like it takes a lot of time but it takes a while to get everyone together. It would be nice if we could snap our fingers and fix these problems."

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Assisting Your Child in the Classroom: Support and Successful

By Sharman Word Dennis, M.Ed., CEO of Global Enrichment Solutions
Guest Column



when this happens, contact the school and say

Y o u s h o u l d a s k t h i s q u e s t i o n : **What intervention strategies have been implemented prior to this request?** Why is this question important? It is important because all public schools and public charter schools have a process in place to provide intervention in the general education classroom when a student is having difficulty academically and/or behaviorally. Strategies are developed with a team, which includes the parents. These strategies are monitored and assessed to determine the next steps to



ensure the academic and behavioral success of the student.

This process or program is known by different names and/or acronyms throughout the country. Here are a few: in Washington, DC the process is known as the SST-Student Support Team; in Georgia - the SST- Student Support Team; in Montgomery County Public Schools, MD-CPS-Collaborative Problem Solving for Student Success; in Riverside County, CA - RTI-Response to Instruction; in San Francisco-SST-Student Success Team; in the New York State Education Department- SBIT-School Based Intervention Teams; in Rhode Island-CAP-Classroom Alternatives Process or CAST- Classroom Alternatives

Support Team; in Pennsylvania- IST- Instructional Support Teams; in New Jersey DOE-I & RS- Intervention and Referral Services; Toledo, OH and Roseville Joint Union High School District, CA-IRT- Intervention Response Team and RTI-Response to Intervention in many other school districts.

This program or process, by whatever name or acronym, is NOT a pre-referral process. To indicate that it is a pre-referral process assumes a student will be eligible for special education services. As noted earlier, this process or program provides intervention in the general education classroom when a student is having difficulty academically and/or behaviorally. Parents become

part of a team to develop strategies that are monitored and evaluated to ensure that a student has academic and behavioral success.

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In summary, this is the message to parents: "know

your rights and the rights of your child." There is available assistance for your child from the minute he or she steps into the classroom, assistance that is to be provided in the general education classroom. As the parent you may have to remind the schools about this assistance!

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New Anti-Bullying Resources Available for Grades Four Through Eight

Special to The Truth

Addressing bullying situations in schools can be challenging for administrators and teachers. Two new sets of materials—Peace2U and Peace Be With You—are now available to help teachers and students build leadership skills, reconcile conflicts, understand and deal with stress, and work toward creating an improved school environment

through pro-social skills. Peace2U is geared toward public and secular school districts, while Peace Be With You is written for Christian and Catholic school communities. Toledo author Frank DiLallo, a licensed professional counselor and prevention/intervention schools consultant for the Diocese of Toledo with over 30 years of experi-

ence, has conducted this unique program with hundreds of teachers and students in the Toledo area.

The teacher manuals contain research on the bullying dynamic and ways to address relational conflicts. The program empowers students with leadership skills, ways to recognize bullying situations, insights for repairing classmate relationships, and other pro-

social skills needed to understand and balance stressors in their lives.

The easy-to-use Student Workbooks complement in-class activities.

Both Peace2U and Peace Be With You teacher manuals and student workbooks are available from ACE Press at the University of Notre Dame. Copies may be ordered on line from the press at acepress.nd.edu or through Amazon.com.



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Professor Gilbert Returns From Fellowship

Special to The Truth

Charlene Gilbert, professor of Women's and Gender Studies at The University of Toledo, recently returned to campus after serving as an American Council on Education Fellow for the 2010-2011 academic year. Gilbert will be serving as the new Chair of the Department of Women's and Gender Studies in the College of Languages, Literature and Social Sciences.

Gilbert came to UT in 2007 from American University in Washington, D.C. where she was a documentary filmmaker and a tenured Associate Professor in the School of Communication. She is the past recipient of Harvard University's Radcliffe Fellowship and the Rockefeller Media Arts Fellowship. Her documentary films have been screened nationally on PBS and in film festivals across the country. She is also the co-author of **Homecoming**, published by Beacon Press, as a companion book to her highly acclaimed film of the same title.

Gilbert spent the past year exploring issues in higher education with a focus on leadership, strategic planning and best practices in retention and graduation. The fellowship program provided Gilbert with the opportunity to learn specifically about transfer policies and institutional partnerships while serving with President Larry McDougle at Owens Community College and visiting universities across the country including Wayne State University, Barnard College and DePaul University.

"I have gained a tremendous amount of respect for the challenges facing students who are arriving at universities from a variety of backgrounds, academic experiences and life circumstances," Gilbert said.

As part of the ACE fellowship Gilbert also developed a project based on her exploration of best practice models for transfer programs across the country.

Gilbert came to UT in 2007 as a tenured full professor in the department of Women's and Gender Studies to serve as the seventh director of the Catharine S. Eberly Center for Women. Gilbert led the Center through a sustained period of program growth and expansion with a focus on increasing the number of women faculty and students in the STEM disciplines as well as expanding the Center programs aimed at encouraging women in transition to pursue higher education.



Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund Awards \$693,568 in Need-Based Scholarships to 729 Students

Special to The Truth

The Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund, Inc. (NWOSF) has awarded \$693,000 in need-based scholarships to 729 students for the 2011-2012 school year so that they can attend a private school or be home-schooled. These students are attending one of 45 private schools in Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan including Rosary Cathedral, Emmanuel Christian, West Side Montessori Center, and others. The average scholarship per child is \$992.

NWOSF is one of 35 partners across the country along with the Children's Scholarship Fund that awards need-based scholarships in order that parents have a choice for their child's education. The Children's Scholarship Fund was founded in 1998 by Ted Forstmann and the late John Walton who saw a need for

educational alternatives for poor families. Since 1999, the Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund has awarded a total of \$8.97 million in scholarships to 10,998 students.

Deb O'Shea, principal at St. Patrick's of Heatherdowns School said of the scholarship program, "The value of a well-rounded Catholic education in the south Toledo area is priceless. At St. Patrick of Heatherdowns, I'm learning how well it is appreciated by our stakeholders. We are so blessed to be a viable alternative in the elementary school realm and we realize how fortunate we are to have our recipients of the Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund. This scholarship helps so many families afford this Catholic education that we are so proud to provide."

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- Faith Harrison,
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Mecca Court Honors Commandress Charlene Miller

By Artisha S. Lawson
Sojourner's Truth Reporter

Flowing gowns, gentlemen in tuxedos and glamour accessories highlighted the 48th annual Commandress Ball held at Park Inn Hotel on Saturday, October 8.

White lace and gold trim table cover, with elegant place settings welcomed guests near and far to honor Illustrious Commandress Dt. Charlene K. Miller. Having been an active member for seven years and held various

leadership positions in the organization, she was next in line following previous Illustrious Commandress, Dt. Debbie Dean-Mitchell.

This annual dinner and ball gives various chapters and lodges the opportunity to pay tribute to this local court leader, to fellowship and to raise funds to continue their scholarship program.

Through the years, Toledo area high school seniors are

awarded a scholarship. This year's recipient was Corinthia Coffey, a 2011 Start High School graduate. During her years at Start, she received third-place honors in a DECA competition and is currently attending Indiana State University pursuing a business degree.

"I was ecstatic when I heard I was awarded the scholarship," said Coffey. "I am extremely thankful to this



Illustrious Commandress Dt. Charlene K. Miller; Corinthia Coffey, scholarship recipient; Dt. Crystal Jones, scholarship chairman.



Scholarship Committee

organization for this and blessed to know that there is help out there."

Each year Mecca Court No. 73 donates to local charities, this year was no exception with contributions given to Aurora House, Pickett Elementary School, Family House Easter Egg Hunt and Liberty Nursing Home.

The court plans to continue the contributions through the Holiday season with a Christmas store for neighborhood kids at Mott Branch Library and Christmas baskets are donated as well.

The Daughters of Isis is an auxiliary of the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles Mystic Shrine of North and South America



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Madd Poets Society Dedicates Park Benches to Women Blessing Women

Sojourner's Truth Staff

On Saturday, October 1, as part of their RIZE project, the youth of the Madd Poets Society installed a flower garden and park benches decorated with inspirational words and artwork in the yard of the Women Blessing Women house on Page Street.

The Madd Poets Society, founded and led by Executive Director David Bush, is an organization formed to give voice to youth who enjoy expressing themselves through poetry and spoken word.

The flower garden and benches were installed at the Women Blessing Women house over a few summer weekends.



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Herzing University – Toledo Offers Free College Preparation Course to Help Potential Students Gain Skills To Succeed

Program Offered Nationwide by Herzing University to Help Connect People with Careers, as Unemployment Remains High, but Skills Shortages Emerge for Employers

Special to The Truth

Herzing University – Toledo announced today that it is offering a new, free College Preparation Course for individuals who have thought about continuing their education but aren't quite sure they're ready. The program is part of a nationwide initiative by Herzing University to lend a hand to individuals who need additional education and training to improve their career potential, but are reluctant to make the commitment due to fears about ev-

erything from study skills to work-life balance.

"We hear from so many potential students who really want to pursue additional education to help them move up to better jobs and careers, but they really need the support and confidence to proceed and make that investment in themselves," said René Herzing, president of Herzing University. "We're making this investment of free classes for students nationwide across all 12 locations

as well as Herzing University Online, in an effort to help both individuals and employers to succeed, with skills and education that are aligned with today's workforce."

Although the unemployment rate in the Toledo area remains high, employers are concerned about the inability to find skilled employees to fill jobs in many of the high-growth career areas where Herzing University – Toledo focuses its curriculum. The flexibility offered by

Herzing University – Toledo to take courses on campus, on line or a combination of both, is an important factor for working adults, particularly those with young families.

"This free college preparation course is designed to help everyone from high school students who want to see if small class sizes and one-on-one attention will help them be successful in college, to working parents who are concerned about whether

they can succeed in juggling the demands of work, school and family," said Greg Guzmán, campus president of Herzing University – Toledo. "We're giving them the opportunity to see what it's like to learn on campus or on line, and find a program that fits their interests and lifestyle."

The free College Preparation Course is offered as an eight-week program on-campus for individuals who prefer classroom instruction. For those who prefer the flexibil-

ity of on line classes, the College Preparation Course is also offered as a four-week on line class.

Limited space is available for the next class, which begins on October 31. Potential students can find more information and register for one of the free courses at www.herzing.edu/freeclass or by calling 1-800-596-0724.

Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund Awards \$693,568 in Need-Based Scholarships to 729 Students

Special to The Truth

The Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund, Inc. (NWOSF) has awarded \$693,000 in need-based scholarships to 729 students for the 2011-2012 school year so that they can attend a private school or be home-schooled. These students are attending one of 45 private schools in Northwest Ohio and South-east Michigan including Ro-

sary Cathedral, Emmanuel Christian, West Side Montessori Center, and others. The average scholarship per child is \$992.

NWOSF is one of 35 partners across the country along with the Children's Scholarship Fund that awards need-based scholarships in order that parents have a choice for their child's education. The

Children's Scholarship Fund was founded in 1998 by Ted Forstmann and the late John Walton who saw a need for educational alternatives for poor families. Since 1999, the Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund has awarded a total of \$8.97 million in scholarships to 10,998 students.

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By Terri Schlichenmeyer
The Truth Contributor



The phone rang. You were interrupted, but you barely noticed.

That's because you were looking on line for information on a project due that afternoon. You were also eating lunch when you answered the phone at the same time you replied to a colleague's email at the same time you texted your spouse.

You're light on your feet, an expert multi-tasker, despite that experts say it isn't possible. According to author **Cathy Davidson**, though, multitasking is the way of the future. In her new audiobook *Now You See It*, she says to get used to it.

Have you ever listened closely to those pharmaceutical ads on TV? You know they're created to spur you to want a prescription, but you might be surprised at the rest of the story. Next time, listen to the disclaimers: the tone and

speed of the announcer is meant to make your brain diminish or ignore the warnings.

Learning to pay attention to "what counts" begins literally at birth. Through actions and words, parents subtly teach infants what's important, and culture further underlines it. But by teaching infants and children to pay attention, we inherently teach their malleable brains what *not* to notice, too.

And then they go to school...

In 2003, Davidson and others at Duke University gave iPods to 1,650 first-year students - most of whom had grown up with technology - because educators were "intrigued" by what might happen. The students were merely asked to "dream up learning applications for this cool little white device."

Davidson says that, much to her delight, stu-

dents began spontaneously crowd-sourcing, a new method of learning and working that encourages collaboration. Schools that are not embracing this new method of learning, or that aren't allowing students to learn at their own paces or according to their personal strengths, are using outdated methods of education. Furthermore, they're not properly preparing young people for tomorrow's business world, she believes.

So how will this affect your business?

Get rid of old ways of working, Davidson says, and try crowd-sourcing to give your employees flexibility. Look for talents instead of focusing on limits. And stop allowing age to be an excuse for laziness.

Now You See It is meant as "a field guide and a survival manual for the digital age," and author Cathy Davidson hits that target

square.

Maybe a little too square. There's no doubt that this audiobook is intriguing. Davidson uses anecdotes and statistics to back up her ideas, offering lots of usable information that makes sense. She engages readers with wit and appropriate factlets, and it's hard not to be completely mesmerized by what she presents.

The problem is that this is a long audiobook to tackle and if you miss one sentence, you've missed a lot. Because you'll naturally be multitasking while listening, what you hear may sometimes feel repetitive and redundant.

Overall, though, can you afford to ignore such important information? If you're in business, I think not. For you, for sure, *Now You See It* is research to notice.

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Lucas County Children Services executive director Dean Sparks, second from right, and agency minority affairs and inclusion coordinator Marjorie Holt, second from left, met on October 3 with members of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance (IMA). The group of religious leaders endorsed Issue 16, the agency's 1.4 mill levy renewal. From left, Pastor William Lucas, IMA first vice president; Marjorie Holt; Pastor Cedric Brock, IMA president; Dean Sparks; and Bishop Nelson Clark, a member of both the IMA and the LCCS Diversity Advisory Committee.



Occupy Wall Street - Occupy Toledo – Occupy Common Sense

By Michael Hayes
Minister of Culture



Standing in protest against Wall Street doesn't mean you hate capitalism. Standing in protest against Wall Street is an exercise in the kind of common sense that could save this wretched country. Don't listen to the lies. This is not class warfare. The working class do NOT want to tax the wealthy into the poor house next door. This is NOT misguided

speaking out against the greed, corruption and immoral practices of the major banks and investment firms of Wall Street.

But while he and his staff struggle to find a legal way to make them pay, the American people have taken the first step by just demanding to be acknowledged.

Occupay Wall Street is exactly what it sounds like.

Demonstrators in the financial corridor of lower Manhattan simply occupying the area containing the richest and most affluent institutions in our country.

While these people have gone to work every day moving around stocks and investments with not a care in the world, now the people victimized by all their money-maneuvering have shown up at their front door. And the only plan is to grow.

Occupay Wall Street

rhetoric that any quick visit to youtube could easily disprove. The need to grow this movement beyond New York resulted in over 25 cities being "occupied". Even our very own Toledo, Ohio.

I have a fair amount of grassroots organizing and activism on my resume and I can tell you, I strongly doubt that Occupy Toledo's show of solidarity with O.W.S. will likely fizzle out by the end of this week. But bigger cities have had a microcosm of New York's success, with people settling in for as long as it will take.

Internationally, the countries of Venezuela and Iran have officially expressed support for Americans standing up to the corruption and greed that oppresses so many. It's true that so many messages may make it hard to have one or two clear demands.

It's true that overall, Wall

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blame by a bunch of left wingers looking for hand outs.

The need to Occupay Wall Street is a purely logical attempt at restoring accountability.

I'll say it again, accountability.

Wall Street is the financial epicenter of our country.

Wall Streeters made mistakes that caused a recession.

They made mistakes that caused a housing crisis.

They made mistakes that allowed a select few to profit from the misery of the majority.

President Obama has gone on record numerous times

doesn't have any central leadership, which I think is brilliant because that means that conservatives don't have anyone to easily attack.

Occupay Wall Street differs from the Tea Party town hall protests from a few years ago because this is peaceful and in the interest of awareness...not the disruption and juvenile yelling and other nonsense committed by the Tea Party when they first gained notoriety.

That's another thing... the media coverage of the 99 percent movement's Occupay Wall Street was slow to come and once it came it was biased as hell. Full of warped

Street will likely continue unimpeded by these demonstrations.

But at least something was done.

I mean this is one of those rare moments when the news you see on the tube is really about to affect your day to day life! Haven't you seen the state of life here?

Wall Street is a huge part of the problem.

And you don't have to be a financial guru to understand that.

This is for average, ordinary working class citizens of America.

This, is about COMMON SENSE.

It is purely common sense to hold Wall Streeters accountable after their derivative betting schemes used people's mortgages as stock market trading tools.

While a select few wealth mongers were betting that you would default on your bank loan so they could scoop in and prematurely foreclose on your property,

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stability until the job market forces them into lower wage positions where the education they just obtained is a non factor.

That America is a crime that has many culprits, but if one finger points to Washington at least two point to Wall Street.

The 99 percent movement is middle America having the life squeezed out of them but realizing that by sheer numbers they have the power in majority and therefore should have the common good of this country swing to their favor.

And I am one of the 99 percent.

If you are reading this, you are likely part of the 99

percent.

The remaining one percent of this nation's citizens who earn millions, hundreds of millions and even billions pay less taxes than the 99 percent who earn tiny fractions in comparison.

The need to Occupy Wall Street stems from this disparity. It's not an attempt to take wealth and re-distribute it until the rich are no longer rich.

That's not the point and once again, any Tea Party idiot that tells you that is lying. The so called "Taxed Enough Already" / T.E.A. Party isn't willing to give up even the smallest percent of their income in taxes, but if they were, this wouldn't be as necessary.

The American people are starting to get angry, starting to get mobilized.

And I love it. It couldn't have come at a better time.

One day, you should just take some time and educate yourself on how Wall Street works and what effect the decisions made in lower Manhattan can affect people in all aspects of American life.

Join @Occupywallst and @occupytoledo on twitter. Find ways to get aware and possibly get involved.

Because the numbers are truly on our side. If 99 percent of us every did make some real demands...they wouldn't have any choice but to comply.

And when I say "they," I don't mean President Barack Obama.

I mean the people who have been buying men like him for years.

Pay attention, people!!

My name is Michael J. Hayes, and I support Occupy Wall Street.

I am part of the 99 percent



you were experiencing their investment scenario as real life.

It wasn't just information scrolled across the bottom of a screen for you.

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From the mortgage scams that have brought undue fore-

closure to millions upon millions of working and middle class Americans. To the exacerbated costs of health care pumped up by greedy pharmaceutical and insurance giants.

It is well within the scope of logic and reason to arrive at the conclusion that Wall Street has declared war on America.

And not that America the dumb asses in the Tea Party speak of, that America

doesn't exist.

I mean the real, actual America.


The America where hundreds of thousands of jobs that were once here are now elsewhere.

The America where the typical two-income family still can't make ends meet.

The America where working/lower class individuals dig themselves deeper into debt earning degrees they hoped would bring financial

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Qualified candidates must possess a current LISW or LPCC and chemical dependency licensure. Must be competent in substance abuse assessment and counseling, have experience working with adolescents and families with mental health and substance abuse problems and have previous management experience. Must be able to work a schedule that may include weekends, evenings and holidays.

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1425 Starr Ave.
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AOD THERAPIST

Adolescent Residential Treatment Program

Opportunity is available for experienced AOD Therapist to work in our Adolescent Residential Treatment program providing individual, family and group counseling and case management services.

Candidate must possess a Bachelor's degree, Master's Degree preferred and have a minimum of two years experience working with youths with mental health and chemical dependency issues. Dual mental health (LSW, LISW, PC, PCC) and chemical dependency licensure (CDCA, LCDC II, LCDC III or LICDC) required. Must be able to work a schedule that may include weekends, evenings and holidays.

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Opportunity is available for experienced individual to work in the Adolescent Residential Treatment Program providing individual, family and group counseling, case management services, recreational activities and providing assistance with activities of daily living.

Candidate must possess a Bachelor's degree, a minimum of six months experience working with youths with mental health and chemical dependency issues and be at minimum a CDCA. Dual licensure as either a PC or SW preferred. Must be able to work a schedule that includes weekends, evenings and holidays

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Invitation For Bids Collingwood Green Phase I - Mid-Rise Senior Building IFB #08-07

The Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority (LMHA) will receive sealed bids for the construction of **Collingwood Green Phase I - Mid-Rise Senior Building**. Bids received in accordance with law until **Thursday, October 27, 2011 at 11AM ET. Pre-Bid Conference held October 13, 2011 at 11:00 AM ET, 201 Belmont Ave.** IFB documents available at City Blueprint of Toledo, 3455 Briarfield Blvd., Suite D, Maumee, OH 43537, 419-243-7271; Fax 419-243-6418; Newfax Corporation, 333 W. Woodruff, Toledo, OH 43697, 419-241-5157; Fax 419-241-2018; and www.lucasmha.org. All bidders required to meet the Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunity requirements as described in Executive Order #11246. (TTY 419-259-9529)



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Min. Ruby Radford to Be Ordained at Third Baptist

Sojourner's Truth Staff

Baptist churches did not start ordaining women as ministers until 1964 and, since that time, the historic Third Baptist Church on Pinewood has only ordained one female minister.

Until this weekend, that is.

On Sunday, October 18, Ruby Radford will take her place in the pulpit when she becomes the second woman minister at Third Baptist. Radford, a motivational speaker, author, singer and woman of God, has accepted her calling as a pastor.

The event this Sunday will present Radford with "a greater opportunity to use my gifts and talents in service to God's people for His purpose," she said.

Born in Pensacola, FL, Radford is a by-product of Southern teachings and Christian values. She attended the then-segregated Pensacola public schools and has since earned an associate of arts degree in business communications from the Cuyahoga Community College, a bachelor of science degree in Human Relations and a master's of education degree from The University of Toledo. She has also earned a master of family ministry degree from Winebrenner Theological Seminary.

In 1994, Radford left her employment as a customer services representative with Ameritech (now AT & T) to start RLR Enterprises, specializing in training and development. For seven years she worked as an independent training contractor with Ameritech as her largest client.

The recipient of numerous awards and honors, Radford has devoted herself to a variety of public service enterprises. She has designed and facilitated workshops for the Toledo Diocese, Suitably Attired, the Battered Women's Shelter and other churches, schools and sororities.

She has published two books of poetry and one CD along with two books for professionals – *Teaching ... But Nobody Is Learning* and *Remember Me ... I Am the Customer*.

Radford has been a member of Third Baptist since 1981 and has served as youth advisor, president of the Adult Fellowship Choir, deaconess and has written and produced many plays and programs at the church. She serves on the kitchen committee and is a member of the Unity choir.

Married over 42 years to retired Master Sergeant James Radford, Jr. USAF, the couple has two children – James Christopher and Diane Lynne and three grandchildren – Reanna Lynne, Ciara Christine Radford and Christopher Blu Murray.

Reflecting on her personal journey, Radford describes the Holy Spirit as a world traveler – she never leaves home without Him.



Cancer Survivor Celebration



If you are currently undergoing cancer treatment or are a cancer survivor, *please join* doctors, nurses and other patients, survivors and families for an inspirational evening to celebrate life after cancer.

Tues., Oct. 18

6:30 p.m.

ProMedica Flower Hospital
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Thurs., Oct. 20

6:30 p.m.

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Cake and refreshments will be served.

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