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### Racisms Without Racism III: Should the Worst Occur

By Rev. Donald L. Perryman, D.Min.

The Truth Contributor



Until the nation eradicates its legacy of discrimination. merely wishing colorfor blindness will not achieve it. - David Kushma, The

With white household wealth than more nine times that of African Americans and Latinos and black male incarceration seven times that of white males, it is obvious that racism has survived the more than 150-year-old struggle in the U.S. for its eradication.

"Racisms without Racism" is scholar David Theo Goldberg's concept to explain the persistence of racial inequities in our supposed "Post-Racial" society. This is the third and final segment of our conversation

Perryman: Earlier, you spoke about staterace-making centered processes around immigration, hiring and education that negatively impacted people of color. You also forecasted the likely extinction of race considerations and the

death of affirmative action as a legal recourse to address racial inequality.

Should the worst actually occur, what are some "Post-Racial" possibilities to neutralize the impact?

Goldberg: In the very PhD program you're in, affirmative action is not used in admissions, but rather people's credentials in fullest sense of the term. So, not merely scores on numerical tests but the whole range or portfolio that constitutes the full record of people's lives and contributions. So, you end up with a much more diverse student body or employment force than by trying to pay attention to this or that narrowlyconstructed certain criteria, race or otherwise.

When holistically about the criteria admitting into law or medical schools, for example, it's usually test scores and that sort of criteria but there are other ways that we will have to make a case. So, thinking about what would make doctors effective lawyers it's also about the capacity to make certain judgments and treat people well, given the minimum facility to be able to deal with the technical dimensions of the profession. When we include that, we open up a whole range of other possibilities of relevant criteria.

Perryman: Admission and hiring criteria often silently skew toward Eurocentric cultural habits

or what you have termed "presumptive whiteness." What "post-racial" possibilities apply to hiring policies for safety forces?

Goldberg: The range of criteria that one would want in a good police officer includes the capacity to make wise judgments, not to go rogue or to resort first and foremost to force. But also, safety forces should possess the ability to speak people down in crisis environments rather than to bark at them in anger, rally people and work well with others.

In addition, one of the abiding criteria is to be able to negotiate communities in ways that comprehend it rather than in confrontational ways.

It is a matter of representation of the community and certainly includes a capacity to both comprehend and engage and understand some of the dispositions at play including anger and frustration in that community in a way that would make for a better police person.

Perryman: How can municipalities transition from exclusive reliance upon test scores into a more comprehensive process?

Goldberg: The first way is to work at creating community trust, obviously. The second is that one would have to conduct a range of interviews and written and comprehensive tests to get more comprehensive

picture of the whole person.

When you think of judges for example, it's shown that those states where judges are elected end up with a much less effective judiciary than those where candidates have gone through a very rigorous process of interviewing, psychological assessments and have been trained, not just in the law, but also to be reflective about the community that they're engaging.

Perryman: Finally, how does the African-American community, which may have used racism as a crutch. transition into being more accountable and doing a better job with objective measures?

Goldberg: That's a quite complex question and obviously there are ways that, despite the structural conditions that African Americans have been subjected to, have still produced extraordinary outcomes. Not celebrate it, but often in those conditions people develop capacities that they otherwise wouldn't - such as resilience or the capacity for survival or to achieve despite difficult circumstances.

The old A frican-American wisdom that says "you have to be twice as what white folk. that's the only way you're going to get ahead" forces us to acknowledge that there are strengths that emerge from the crucible of difficult conditions that people of color and African Americans seem to possess.

At the same time. one recognizes that we also have to - through a common community engagement and reaffirmation of African-American community life - begin to get at the conditions that have eroded that sense of community the last 20 to 30 years.

Maggie Anderson. in her Our Black Year:

One Family's Quest to Buy Black in America's Racially Divided Economy, suggests that it takes more than individual but plans. rather. combining with others, in order for the black community to succeed.

This also ties in with Angela Davis' important notion of coalition, an alliance that is cross-racial so that African Americans aren't trying to address these conditions merely on their own, but that it's as much a responsibility for the rest of society to face it and to say something.

I think once you have that kind of inter-racial rather than merely intraracial sense of engagement it becomes easier to bust

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## **Community Calendar**

June 13

Toledo Art Walk: 6 to 9 pm; Visit 25-30 art studios in Downtown, Uptown and Warehouse districts: 419-254-ARTS

Bethlehem Baptist Church Community Meeting: Hosted by Councilman Tyrone Riley; 5:50 to 7 pm

3rd Annual Fatherhood Walk: Central Catholic High School: Guest Speaker Bill Harris: 419-377-1488

St. Paul MBC "Faith Friday:" 7 pm; Guest speaker Min. Colin Adams from World Over-comer Christ Church of Durham, NC: 419-246-2886

June 21-22

Toledo Area Ministries Couples Retreat: A "Keeping It Together" program: Fri - 6-9 pm; Sat - 9 to noon; FRE including dinner, breakfast, child care and transportation; RSV by Mon June 17; topics - communication, conflict management, blended families and keeping the F.I.R.E: 419-242-7401 ext 150

United Church of God Senior Saints Day: 11 am service 419-729-3819

New Prospect Baptist Church 48th Anniversary: 4 pm; Guest speaker Rev. Taylor of Beulah Baptist

United Church of God Women's Breakfast: 9 am: 419-729-3819

Movement Church "Hidden Treasures:" An outreach for young women; 2 to 4

St. Paul MBC Annual Youth Day: 10:45 am service; Guest speaker Min. Colin Adams of World Over-comer Christ Church of Durham, NC: 419-246-2886

United Church of God Annual Youth Day: 11 am service: 419-729-3819

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## Mayor Bell Announces 2012 Year End Financials, \$5 Million Fund Balance Anticipated

Special to The Truth

Mayor Michael P. Bell last week announced the 2012 year end financials that have been sent to independent auditors for review and certification. Those figures include a report of income tax revenues totaling \$158.5 million and an anticipated positive General Fund balance of \$5.008 million.

"We've come a long way from where we started when I took office in 2010," said Mayor Bell. "This city faced a \$48 million budget deficit and that required us to make a lot of difficult and unpopular decisions over the last four years. If we had done nothing we would be in

death rates from breast cancer, which are much higher among African-American women. Please contact me at amlsewell@gmail.com

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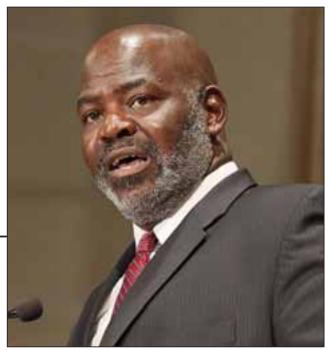
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the same position as Detroit or Cincinnati. Instead we are seeing growth, increasing our safety forces, cleaning up neighborhoods and paving roads."

The city faced a \$48 million budget shortfall as Bell took office in 2010. Since that time, the city has worked to balance the budget and to restore the rainy day fund. Additionally, 165 police officers and 172 fire fighters will have been hired between 2010 and the end of 2013, more than the previous 12 years combined. The city in 2012 built a new fire station #6, and in 2013 will renovate fire station #3

and build a new fire station #12. More than 1,150 blighted structures have been demolished since 2010 to eliminate nuisances in Toledo neighborhoods.

In contrast, Detroit facing bankruptcy and layoff of significant numbers in their safety forces. Cincinnati recently narrowly avoided police and fire layoffs after a onetime budget fix. Columbus in 2009 increased their income tax by 0.5 percent in order to restore services and forestall layoffs among safety forces. Toledo has not increased taxes or enacted mass layoffs under



#### **Dear Friends:**

I want to share with you a resource to help in the fight against high rates of breast cancer among African-American women in our community.

The Circle of Friends Sister-to-Sister Leadership Development Program is designed to train African-American women as health mentors and breast cancer education advocates.

Circle of Friends (COF) was recently awarded a grant to cover the costs of free mammograms for women age 40 and over who do not have health insurance.

Eligible women must register in advance with COF for the first upcoming screening date, scheduled for Friday, June 28, at The University of Toledo Medical Center. This is just one of many other free screening sessions we hope to sponsor in the community.

Would you be willing to find out if any women in your family, community, church congregation, or other group would like to take advantage of this program?

Then just forward their contact information to COF and we will arrange to follow- up with and register them for a mammogram.

Annual or once a year mammograms are an important screening tests for all women.

The mammogram will help to find breast cancer (and other breast problems) at early stages when it is usually easier to treat.

Early diagnosis is an important key to decreasing complications and

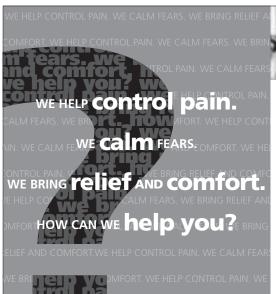
the Bell Administration. Unemployment in Toledo in January 2010 was 13.8 percent but has dropped to 8.4 percent; a net gain of approximately 4,500 jobs in the city.

The 2012 financials mark only the second time in a decade that the city's General Fund ending balance has increased two years in a row. The city ended 2011 with a General Fund balance of \$326,000. The strong financial position at the close of 2012 is attributed in part to income tax revenues coming in above budget and expenditure levels below budget.

In addition to the fire station construction, part of the City's 2013 capital plan includes 61 lane miles of street repaying and reconstruction. Major street reconstruction is already underway on both Secor Road in west Toledo and Collingwood Boulevard in the central city. In total, \$45 million will be invested in Toledo streets in 2013. Residential streets will comprise \$10.5 million of that, or 22.8 lane miles. Due to the positive fund balance the Mayor has requested the Division of Engineering Services to compile recommendations

for additional streets that could be addressed as part of the 2013 plan.

The 2012 financials have been submitted for review and await final confirmation from the independent auditor and the Ohio Auditor of State. Once certified they will be made available through publication of the comprehensive annual financial report. The city is projecting \$163 million in income tax revenues for 2013, up from a 2009 low of \$141 million, but still lagging from a 2007 high of \$169 million.



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## **Scott High School's Year-Long Centennial Celebration Continues**

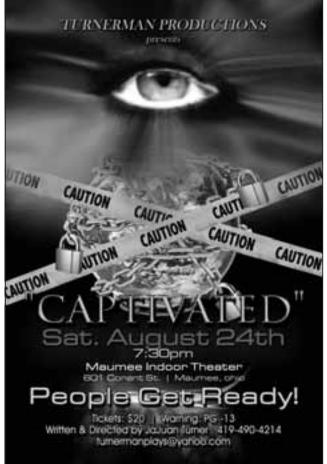
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Around 300 people dropped by Scott High School on June 1 for the school's Community Bash, part of a year-long celebration of the Centennial.

The event, from noon to 4 p.m. was coordinated as part of the annual Old West End Festival and featured school tours, food and slushes giveaways, performances by the Scott dance Team, the Scott Band, the Pickett Elementary School Band and the Fabulously Fit group.

According to Principal Treva Jeffries, the good weather during the day helped with the







fundraising efforts for the scholarship fund. The school is selling bricks and raising other money in sales by the knitting club.

The Centennial's big moment is the celebration on the weekend of October 18-20 with the banquet on that Saturday night, after the homecoming game, being the signature event. Tickets are already on sale for the banquet that will be held at the SeaGate Centre.

For ticket information call Scott high School – 419-671-4000



## <u>The Sojourner's Truth</u>

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### The Class of 2013: A Few of the Best and Brightest

By Sojourner's Truth Staff/Toledo EXCEL Staff

Faith Mitchell



"Faith, Hope and Love Tutoring, LLC is a tutoring company that I developed after my sophomore year in high school," says Mitchell of her endeavor to combine her love of learning and desire to help others. "It is a small business that has impacted some students' lives in extremely big ways. After almost two years of helping educate students, I understand the importance of following my passion to educate youth."

What a year Mitchell has had! What a four-year career she has had at Notre Dame Academy!

National Achievement Scholarship semifinalist, AP Scholar, National society of High School Scholars, basketball, track and field, musical productions, hours of volunteering with Kids Unlimited, Sparrows' Nest and The University of Toledo Medical Center.

For her academic prowess, Mitchell has earned a full scholarship to attend Howard University.

Somehow, amidst all those activities, Mitchell found the time to participate in the

49th Annual Debutantes cotillion

In fact, she did more than just participate, Mitchell brought home the gold and was named Debutante of the Year!

Mitchell is the daughter of Richard Mitchell, Esq, and Dr. Hope Mitchell, MD.

Cheyanne Dye, TOLEDO EXCEL Group XXI Valedictorian and graduate of St. Ursula Academy, has been named to the President's List and National Honors Society. Other awards and recognition she received was May Crowning Court, OMEA Solo and Ensemble Adjudicated

Event Rank 1, Class B, playing the violin.

Dye was also named as a 2013 National Merit Scholar through the National Achievement Scholarship Program, an academic competition to provide recognition to outstanding black American high school students. Fewer than 5,000 students nationwide are eligible for this honor. A member of the archery club, American Sign Language Club, stage crew, and the Anime/Japanese/Asian Culture Club (co-president and co-vice president), Dye cites her mom as one of her role models for always exhibiting and encouraging hard work.

She is also a four-year member of the SUA track and field team, JV and varsity.

She actively volunteers at the Toledo Zoo as a Zoo Teen and is a member of the junior usher board at Third Baptist Church and is a Delta GEM.

She says, "I've changed as a result of EXCEL by becoming more focused on things that are important. I pay attention to deadlines and set priorities now. I handle business first and



leave personal business until later."

Dye has been accepted into the Honors College at The University of Toledo, where she will attend in the fall and study global studies. Her career aspirations include working in an executive branch of government, living and working overseas and helping others, particularly children.

The daughter of Ivan, Sr. and Cynthia Dye, and sister of Ivan Dye, Jr. of EXCEL Group XXIV, Dye is also a recipient of the Rocket Scholar Award and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated Scholarship.

Camille Sturdivant , Salutatorian of TOLEDO EXCEL Group XXI, graduate of Notre Dame Academy and earned first honors every semester of high school. Other awards she received are National Achievement Finalist, Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award, AP Scholar, Art in TARTA Honorary Mention, and Apprentice of the Week for the Young Artists at Work Program.

Sturdivant was active as a member of the African-American Club, Photo Club, Student Council, the art club, cross country and track and field.

Her proudest accomplishment is having been accepted to study at The University of Pittsburgh. She has been volunteering at the Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Department.

Sturdivant, the daughter of Maurice and Staci Sturdivant, will attend

The University of Pittsburgh to major in bioengineering. Her career aspirations include becoming a biomedical researcher and medical doctor. She is also a scholarship recipient

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## Library of Congress Appoints Natasha Trethewey

### To Second Term as U.S. Poet Laureate

Trethewey Will Launch Project as Part of the PBS NewsHour Poetry Series



Librarian of Congress James H. Billington has appointed Natasha Trethewey to serve a second term as U.S. Poet Laureate Consultant in Poetry.

?The Library and the country are fortunate Natasha Trethewey will continue her work as Poet Laureate,? said Billington. ?Natasha?s first term was a resounding success, and we could not be more thrilled with her plans for the coming year.?

Trethewey?s second term will begin in September. She will follow previous multiyear laureates?such as Kay Ryan, Ted Kooser, and Billy Collins?and undertake a signature on the PBS NewsHour Poetry Series. Trethewey will join NewsHour Senior Correspondent Jeffrey

Brown for a series of onlocation reports in various cities across the United States to explore several large societal issues, through a focused lens offered by poetry and her own comingto-the-art.

The Poetry Series, featured on the PBS NewsHour, engages a broad audience through thoughfful, in-depth reports on contemporary poets and poetry. Online, the NewsHour features weekly poems on its Art Beat blog as well as on a special page dedicated to poetry.

Ms. Trethewey?s first term as the 19th Poet Laureate Consultant in Poetry was noteworthy for her ?Office Hours,? during which she met with the general public in the Library?s Poetry Room?harkening back to a tradition established by

her predecessors in the post from 1937 to 1986. For her second year, Trethewey will move beyond the capital to seek out the many ways poetry lives in communities across the country and addresses issues and concerns of Americans.

In that pursuit, she will draw on her own life experiences as a guide?visiting places she feels a personal connection to, such as a domestic violence center, an inner-city school, a prison or juvenile detention center, a nursing home, or places that have suffered natural or manmade disasters. The specific locations will be determined closer to the start of the Poet Laureate?s second term. In her travels to cities and towns for the series. Trethewey also intends to hold ?Office Hours on the Road??meeting with members of the general public as she did in the Library.

Trethewey is the author of four poetry collections, including her newest, ?Thrall? (2012). Her other collections are ?Native Guard? (2006), winner of the 2007 Pulitzer Prize Poetry; ?Bellocq?s Ophelia? (2002);and ?Domestic Work? (2000). She is also the author the nonfiction book ?Beyond Katrina: A Meditation on the Mississippi Gulf Coast? (2010).

Trethewey is also serving as the Poet Laureate of Mississippi, which holds a four-year term, and will continue in both positions next year. Her other honors include fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation,

the National Endowment for the Arts, the Rockefeller Foundation Bellagio Study Center, and the Bunting Fellowship Program of the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study at Harvard University. She is the fourtime recipient of the Book Prize from the Mississippi Institute of Arts and Letters and has twice received the Lillian Smith Award for Poetry. She is also the recipient of the 2008 Mississippi Governor's Award for Excellence in the Arts and was named the 2008 Georgia Woman of the

Born in Gulfport, Miss., in 1966, Trethewey earned a bachelor?s in English from the University of Georgia, a master?s in poetry from Hollins University, and a master of fine arts from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. In 2005–2006, she was named the Lehman Brady Joint Chair

Professor of Documentary and American Studies at Duke University and the University of North Carolina. In 2009-2010. she was the James Weldon Johnson Fellow in African American Studies at the Beinecke Library at Yale University. At Emory University, Trethewey is the Robert W. Woodruff Professor of English and Creative Writing and director of the Creative Writing Program.

The Library of Congress Poetry and Literature Center fosters and enhances the public's appreciation of literature. To this end, the center administers the endowed Poet Laureate Consultant in Poetry position, coordinates an annual season of readings. performances, lectures, conferences, and symposia, and sponsors high-profile prizes and fellowships for literary writers. For more

information, visit www.loc. gov/poetry/.

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# Dig Into Reading with the Library's Summer Reading Club

By Rhonda B. Sewell, Library Media Relations Coordinator Special to The Truth

Summertime is the perfect time to Dig Into Reading and fun with the kick off of the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library's 2013 Summer Reading Club (SRC).

SRC is a free reading program of fun activities and great prizes, which runs now through August 10. What better way to dig books of all topics in warm weather sun!

Lucas County residents of all ages can register now and participate. Four categories of reading levels have been established to encourage infants to adults to read this summer. SRC grand prizes will range from an iPad 2 for kids (preschool to 5th grade), or an iPad mini or Kindle for teens (6th to 12th grade) and adults.

Last year's SRC saw nearly 18,000 youth and adult participants!

For the 13th straight year, TARTA has offered free transportation to Preschool through 12th grade SRC participants, who need only show their SRC hang tag for free transportation to and from their favorite library in Lucas County.

To register visit any Library branch location or sign up online now at src.toledolibrary. org!

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# UT Expands Partnership with TPS to Bring Higher Education to Communities

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The University of Toledo is expanding a partnership with Toledo Public Schools that brings higher education to community members through their local schools.

The UT@TPS program will expand this fall to Leverette Elementary School where individuals can take UT liberal arts courses for lower costs at a convenient location.

Assistant Superintendent Romules Durant Lynne UT associate professor of education and theory social foundations of education and director of the UT@ TPS program, announced the expansion at a news conference Tuesday, June 11 at Leverette, 445 E. Manhattan Blvd

The UT@TPS

program currently allows individuals to business courses through the University at Samuel M. Jones at Gunckel Park School, 430 Nebraska Ave. The students at Jones work toward an associate's degree in business management technology with two courses per semester that meet 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

At the new program at Leverette, the liberal arts and general education courses can apply to any major and after four semesters participants can continue to pursue their studies on a UT campus. Those courses meet 3:30-6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Participants in UT@ TPS are fully-enrolled UT students with campus privileges. The classes taught by UT faculty members are held at TPS locations, which reduces the costs. For many students Pell grants completely cover their tuition costs.

established in 2010 to support parents and community members to continue their schooling and thus lead the way for Toledo's children and youth to stay in school. The program also works with Penta Career Center to offer Adult Basic Literacy classes at TPS schools to prepare individuals for the GED.

UT@TPS is currently enrolling students. Contact Lynne Hamer for more information at 419-283-8288 or lynne. hamer@utoledo.edu

## New Search Engine Helps With Education Decisions

There's good news for parents, adult learners and high schoolers who want a simple and effective tool to help them make important education decisions.

Finding the right educational opportunity can be costly, time consuming and intimidating. It's estimated that one-third of all students transfer schools at least once before earning a college degree. In addition, experts contend that many students drop out of school completely because the school they are in does not meet their needs.

Fortunately, there is a new, easy-to-use search engine that has collected extensive data on over 130,000 colleges and K-12 schools and hundreds of thousands of education providers.

Called Noodle.org, it provides recommendation tools and information in categories such as college and graduate programs—including law, business, medical and general academic subjects—K-12 schools, study abroad programs, interactive learning materials and tutoring and test prep help, and guidance counselors and consultants.

Users get free, unlimited access to information they can use to make crucial decisions about their education. For example, visitors can compare schools based on factors such as class size, student faculty ratios, financial aid or career outcomes; information, the site contends, that can help visitors make better decisions.

#### How It Works

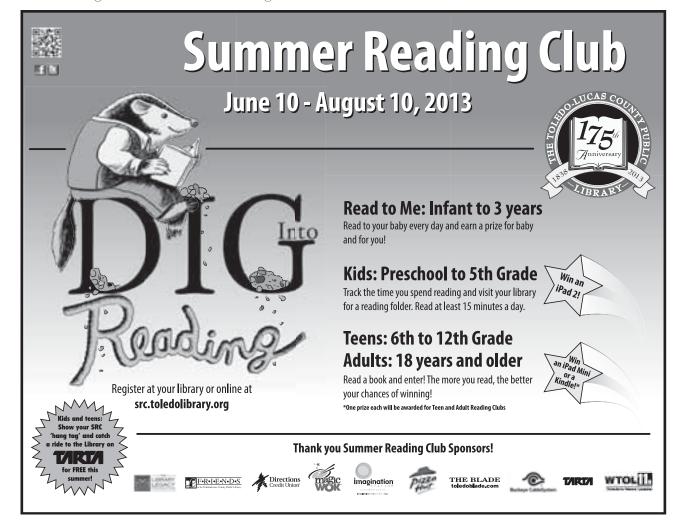
Visitors are asked to respond to a few simple questions, and based on the answers, the site will match users with the educational opportunities that best suit their interests, budget, location and personal preferences.

Noodle.org also allows users to share their favorite search results with family and friends, and connect with one another via Facebook and Twitter.

The site's rankings data is collected from a variety of sources, most notably U.S. News & World Report, The Princeton Review, Newsweek and Rugg's Recommendations.

#### Learning Materials

In addition, the site has over 350,000 free interactive learning materials covering a range of topics—collected from respected sources including National Geographic, the Smithsonian, Khan Academy and Big Think—with help from fractions to French, from piano lessons to Civil War history. Users can create playlists and share what they've watched with others.



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National Achievement Scholarship and the Donald K. Henderson University Engineering Scholarship to the University of Pittsburgh. She has earned a total of more than \$1 million dollars in academic scholarships.

Taliyah A. Jones, a graduate of Robert S. Rogers High School. She was on the honor roll and principal's list all four years of high school. She was the treasurer of Paragon, Rogers chapter of National Honor Society.

Jones has been a member of the homecoming and prom committee, senior class advisory, African-American Club, and Young Women of Excellence (YWOE).

Jones spent a lot of time volunteering at the Toledo Hospital in Inpatient Pharmacy, Northwest Ohio Kidney Foundation, and various walks for breast cancer, multiple sclerosis, and junior diabetes.

Her role models are Andrea Hill and LaTonya Boyd because of their ambition and determination to strive towards their respective careers.

Other family members in EXCEL include her brother, TreyVaunte' Jones, Group XX; cousin, Andrea Hill, Group XV; cousins, LaToya Morgan and LaTonya (Morgan) Boyd, Group XI; and cousin, Sanleda Morgan, Group V.

Jones, the daughter of Tracy A. Jones and Terri A. Jones, will attend The University of Toledo to study pharmacy and pharmaceutical sciences. She aspires to become a hospital pharmacist overseas. Her proudest accomplishment is staying active in EXCEL and her community and constantly striving to be successful.

Cameron McKelvin is a graduate of Rogers High School where he was named to the principal's list and honor roll, all four years. He is a member of Paragon, which is the Rogers High School Chapter of the National Honors Society.





Other achievements include being this year's vice president in Paragon, president of the Rogers' Chapter Student African-American Brotherhood, section leader of the Percussion section in the Rogers Marching and Concert Bands, one of the principle chairs in the Toledo Youth

Orchestra all while maintaining a 3.0 gradepoint average or higher all four years of high school. McKelvin was also an active member in yearbook and The Next Generation Youth Council. His most memorable community service project was at 29th Annual Conference for Aspiring Minority Youth where he had the opportunity to play a selection.

McKelvin, son of Ulysses and Belinda McKelvin, will

attend The University of Toledo to study accounting and music business. His career goal is to become a certified public accountant and also open his own recording studio.

McKelvin has received the UT Scholar Award, the Lempert Talent Scholarship, and six other TPS Foundation Scholarships.

Leah McCormick is a graduate of St. Ursula Academy. During her junior year, she was inducted into the National Honor Society, and also received a character recognition honor as May Crowning representative for the junior class.

She is proud of her successful run for Student Council and serving as the Senior Class Secretary. McCormick has been a member of the St. Ursula crew team for the past four years. As a freshman, she and her freshman eight boat mates won a silver medal at the National Scholastic Rowing Association's Championship regatta in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

In subsequent years, her boat went on to win numerous gold, silver and bronze medals at regional competitions including the Midwest Scholastic Rowing Association







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Championships

They also earned a position to row in the prestigious Head of the Charles Regatta in

A talented flutist, McCormick has performed with the Toledo Youth Orchestra for the past seven years. She was awarded a Toledo Symphony League Remembrance Fund Scholarship

Award as a flute soloist.

Leah has also competed annually in the OMEA Solo & Ensemble Competitions and received the highest rating of Superior 1 for flute solo. She is also a four-year member of the St. Ursula Academy Orchestra.

She has enjoyed volunteering throughout high school at the Holland branch of the Lucas County Library and the Lutheran Village at Wolf Creek assisted living center. Her most memorable volunteer experience was traveling to New York City on a mission trip with the Epworth United

Methodist Church

During this trip, she assisted in homeless shelters, food banks and in a single mothers' facility. The daughter of Stan and Kathy McCormick, she plans to attend The University of Pittsburgh to study business administration. She is the recipient of a four year Honors

Full Tuition Scholarship Award and plans to participate in the Institute for Entrepreneurial Excellence.

Her brother, Maxwell (Group XXIII) and sister Steffi (Group XXIV) are members of Toledo EXCEL.

Domenic Hudson is a graduate of Start High School and was named to the honor roll.

During his high school career, Hudson has been an active member of the Toledo String Orchestra, performed in Toledo School for the Art's Kaleidoscope, was a member of Central Catholic's String Orchestra and performed in the Jazz Combo band.

Hudson is proud to have played side by side with the Toledo Symphony while playing the guitar. He has done extensive community service at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Toledo working in the homework center, lunch and coatrooms assisting youth.

"Toledo EXCEL has taught me time management skills, writing skills and offered

a valuable experience of college life, while still in high school."

The son of Kendra Hudson and Jason Hudson, he will attend The University of Toledo to study business. He aspires to own a restaurant on Lake Erie.

His sister, Savanna is a member of EXCEL Group XXIV.

Lamar T. Lewis is a graduate of Rogers High School, where he was on the honor roll and the principal's list. He was a member of the Student African American Brotherhood group and Bible Bowl.

Lewis is proud to say his parents are his role models, and he strives to be more like them. He has volunteered for the Habitat for Humanity Restore Project, MS Walk Toledo, and tutored at Toledo Mennonite Church, among many other projects.





He believes TOLEDO EXCEL has contributed to his life by helping him meet new people, providing new experiences, good resources and career opportunities. He has gained friends, knowledge and appreciates history, as a result of his participation.

The son of Patrick and Elondia Lewis, he will attend The University of Toledo in the fall to study civil engineering.

Christian White is a graduate of Toledo Early College High School where she was a member of the National Honor Society and made the dean's list at UT.

Christian was named Top Student at Minority Introduction to Engineering at Purdue University. White is ranked third in her class.

Other activities she participated in include TECHS Health and Fitness and as a volunteer tutor to fellow students

Virginia Booth is her role model, director of the Minority Engineering Program at Purdue University who is black and has a strong faith, like Christian, as well as has accomplished many successes in a male-dominated field.

"Toledo EXCEL has taught me how to stand out in a crowd of students and be distinct. They have taught me to be confident in my skills and tackle any academic obstacle with impudence." The daughter of Nolan, Sr. and Sharon White, Christian plans to attend Purdue University where she will study chemical engineering. She also aspires to enlist in the US Navy to work with nuclear power and change the way we use energy today.

Bryttani Nycolle Harris is a graduate of Toledo School for the Arts and was named to the honor roll. Harris's proudest accomplishment has been playing the harp at Disney World. Harris's most memorable community service was the Juvenile Diabetes Walk.

"Toledo EXCEL has taught me to reach out in my community. I've gained a lot of long lasting friends and fun experiences from the program.

Harris, the daughter of Diane and Christopher Harris, will attend The University of Toledo to study sociology.

Her career aspirations include becoming a clinical psychologist. Her aunt, Belinda Wheeler, is Toledo EXCEL system administrator and an alumna of Group I.



## Ohio Humanities Council Awards \$16,000 for School-Community Workshop

Twenty-five teachers will receive full or half scholarships for the 3-credit graduate workshop

By Lynne Hamer, Ph.D.

Special to The Truth

Twenty-five area teachers and teacher educators will receive full or half scholarships to learn about how to reach their students by experiencing the communities that are important to them. The workshop "From Kuschwantz to Kwanzaa Park: Everyday Humanities in Urban Neighborhoods as a Basis for Culturally Relevant Pedagogy" brings together teachers, neighborhood religious and cultural leaders, and humanities scholars to learn garden lore, religious traditions, food lore, verbal arts and music, as practiced in an urban neighborhood—and to use these as the basis for lessons throughout

"All urban neighborhoods are full of the 'humanities of everyday life' and teachers can use these cultural treasures to create culturally relevant curriculum and pedagogy for teaching all subjects to neighborhood children, said Lynne Hamer, lead teacher for the workshop and a folklorist and associate professor in the University of Toledo Judith Herb College of Education.

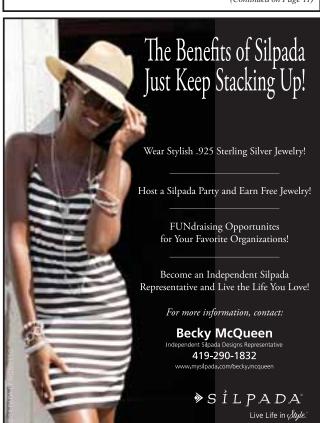
Sally Castillo, who teaches fourth grade at Old Orchard and is an intern consultant for new teachers in Toledo Public Schools, is participating in the workshop along with several of the teachers she mentors.

She explained, "I am finding a larger disconnect than ever before between myself and the young students in TPS. I appreciate the opportunity to learn more about the urban neighborhoods in Toledo. It is clear that though I was born and raised in Toledo, there are many places and things that I am unfamiliar with."

Castillo's situation as a teacher is the new normal. "Most teachers don't teach in their own communities like they did prior to World War II," Hamer said. "It is well-researched that teachers' lack of familiarity with families and community leaders is detrimental to students' success in school—especially in urban schools. It's not the teachers' fault; it's just the historic situation we are in. We need to help teachers learn to get familiar."

The workshop, which meets in the Padua Center in the Kwanzaa Park neighborhood of Toledo, includes daily fieldtrips to different sites within the neighborhood. There, teachers will interact with community leaders and parents, before returning to the

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## Tips for Parents to Prevent Summer Brain Drain

Special to The Truth

Each summer, parents look for ways to combat "summer brain drain," which occurs when children lose some of the knowledge they gained during the school year because they're not regularly exercising their brains. According to research from the Center for Summer Learning at Johns Hopkins University, students typically lose one to two months of reading and math skills during summer break.



"Children's brains develop at a remarkable pace, and don't take a

break from learning just because school is out," says neuroscientist Dr. Lise Eliot, an early childhood development expert and author. "Parents should offer children fun experiences that encourage learning and exploration, allowing them to absorb new skills and expand their knowledge."

To help parents avoid summer setbacks, VTech, a world leader in age-appropriate and developmental stage-based electronic learning products for children, is offering fun suggestions for summer learning:

- Look for teachable moments: Our daily lives are filled with opportunities to teach children. Following a recipe? Let your child read and measure the ingredients. Balancing your checkbook? Put your child's math skills to use. Going on a road trip? Let your child look for specific signs along the way and follow along on a map.
- Use learning toys: Learning toys are a great way to help children stay mentally sharp out of the classroom, while also having fun. On the go? Instead of waiting for kids to ask "Are we there yet?", look for an educational, developmental toy like InnoTab 2S Wi-Fi Learning App Tablet by VTech, which combines a camera, interactive e-books, creative activities, tilt sensor learning games, and a rich collection of applications.

While in the car or during downtime, children can use their tablet to play games, create art, take notes, or use the onboard calendar. Parents can track their child's progress on learning milestones and lessons and download high-quality, educational content wirelessly at the online Learning Lodge.

- Read: The benefits of reading to children are enormous, including helping language
  and speech development, expanding vocabulary and building a lifelong love of reading.
  Children who read more also perform better academically, so visit the library often and let
  children choose books that interest them, or consider downloading an e-book on InnoTab
  2S.
- Plan educational outings: You don't have to plan an extravagant vacation to teach children about science and culture. Visit museums, historical sites, the zoo or aquarium. Take advantage of free summer concerts to expose children to new styles of music and dance.
- Encourage savings: Saving money is a great way to put math skills to use. Let your children count coins in their piggy banks. Show them how much they'll need for something they're saving for, and teach them to create a budget to reach their goals. Clip coupons together, putting the money saved into their piggy banks. Play "store" with your child to practice math

More great parenting tips can be found at www.VTechKids.com/parenting.

This summer, give kids the tools they'll need to retain their knowledge for the next school year.



Hundreds of wood carvings from Ghana have recently arrived at The Truth Gallery – masks, statues, village scenes! All at unbelievably low prices!



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## He's Been a Monster All Day! by Denise Brennan-Nelson, illustrated by Cyd Moore

c.2013, Sleeping Bear Press \$14.99 / \$15.99 Canada 32 pages

By Terri Schlichenmeyer The Truth Contributor

Mama says you've been bad today.

She thinks you're not listening. She says you've done everything exactly the opposite of what she wants. You've used your outdoor voice inside, broken something valuable, made a big mess, fought with your sister, and you were sassy.

Mama's at the end of her rope, then she says something that's a little bit odd. In the new book He's Been a Monster All Day! by Denise Brennan-Nelson, illustrated by Cyd Moore, she says something that lots of Mamas might say.

The little boy's mother had enough!

She told the little boy's daddy that the boy was a monster, but the little boy didn't quite understand why. He thought he was good. He was just having fun. But if she thought he was a monster, well then... that was exactly what he'd be!

Monsters are scary and growly, they stomp and snarl, and they have fangs. Definitely, monsters scare people away. Maybe one of them would be Mon!

Yep, monsters are scary

but they're not scared. So the little creature that lived beneath the boy's bed wasn't so frightening anymore – in fact, that little under-the-bed monster made a good pet for a big-boy monster.

Maybe, he thought, he'd be the kind of monster that flies or has scales like a dinosaur. He'd be able to play in the mud, make lots of noise, and stay up all night because nobody tells a monster what to do. He could eat yucky things and be very silly if he wanted. And there's absolutely no need for a monster to have manners.

On the other hand, being a monster can be very lonesome. Who wants to play with someone who's growly and snarly, anyhow? Nobody likes monsters, really. And it's no fun to eat ice cream or go to the beach all by yourself.

Maybe he wouldn't be a monster after all. Maybe he'd just be a little boy.

He hoped Mom forgot about how naughty he was. Maybe she wouldn't remember and he could start all over tomorrow. Perhaps Daddy would have something good to say to help Mom feel much, much

Don't you sometimes look at your child and wonder what really goes on inside that little head – especially when frustration slips from your lips? He's Been a Monster All Day! is one cute possibility.

There's big imagination inside author Denise Brennan-Nelson's main character, as well as a mile-wide mischievous streak. Her little monster-boy lets his wild side go, thinking up all kinds of rowdy things to do — most of which, I'm sure, the average child has likewise considered.

Of course, half the fun of a picture book like this is in the illustrations, and Cyd Moore adds nothing but delight to this story. Kids and parents alike will love the vibrant colors and the giggle-making artwork.

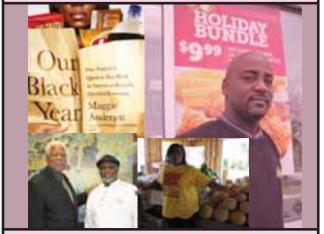
I think that if you and your child have ever had One of Those Days, then this is a book you'll want on your shelf. For three-to-six-year olds, He's Been a Monster All Day! ain't bad.



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Center to create ways to teach all subjects, including science and math, based in the cultural content they experience.

The community organization Kwanzaa Park Neighbors is hosting the workshop. Oscar Shaheer, president of Kwanzaa Park Neighbors, stated, "Today we can have a better understanding of each other, and we have to understand each other's cultures and religious beliefs." The workshop is intended to provide opportunity to increase that understanding.

Joe Martin, longtime member of Paradise Baptist Church and lifelong artist, will be participating in the workshop. "I think teachers are always a positive influence on any project, especially projects that involve children and the community. I learned a long time ago that children get one-third of their influence from teachers. The parents and others in the community give another third. The last third is from outsiders—peer pressure. It's very important that teachers and parents know each other and work together, and that parents let the teachers run the classroom instead of the children."

Ohio Humanities Council Senior Program Officer Jack Shortlidge noted that the Toledo workshop was highly ranked by the state panel charged with selecting the six workshops to receive funding. The six, to be held throughout the state, are featured on the OHC website at <a href="http://www.ohiohumanities.org/grants1/teachers-institutes.html">http://www.ohiohumanities.org/grants1/teachers-institutes.html</a>. Teachers from as far away as Zanesville have already registered to attend the Kwanzaa Park workshop.

One OHC reviewer noted, "[The] program as a whole is ambitious, creative, and relevant with a well-articulated theme that relates to OHC requirements and is carried through even into the lunch sessions." Lunches will include an Urban Chicken Fest barbeque, Collard Green and Combread Cookoff, Navy Bean Buffet, and traditional church BBQ dinner.

Thomas Barden, Ph.D.,English professor and former dean of the Honors College at UT, is one of three UT humanities scholars on the workshop faculty. Barden said, "When Dr. Hamer and I taught together in UT Humanities Institute summer classes in the 1990s, we had wonderful sessions with area teachers exploring how everyday life is full of art, and stories, and history, and wisdom. And I'm excited about getting back to those stimulating gatherines."

Scholarships for teachers are available due to support of the Ohio Humanities Council and the University of Toledo College of Graduate Studies. There are still a few scholarships available for the workshop, which will be July 22-26 from 8:30-4:30. Interested teachers should contact Hamer at 419-283-8288 or lynne.hamer@utoledo.edu.

#### **Social Security Column**

### YOUNG WORKERS, MEET SOCIAL SECURITY

By Phil Walton, Social Security Manager in Toledo, Oh

Special to The Truth

Welcome to the workforce, new workers! Whether you're beginning the career of a lifetime or just earning some extra money for the school year to come, there is one question that is likely to hit you when you see your first pay stub: "What is the FICA, and why is my paycheck less because

Generally, employers are required to withhold Social Security and Medicare tax from a worker's paycheck. Your employer matches the amounts you pay in Social Security and Medicare taxes. Usually the money we withhold is referred to as "Social Security taxes" on the employee's payroll statement. Sometimes the deduction is labeled as "FICA taxes," which stands for Federal Insurance Contributions Act, and sometimes OASDI, or Old Age Survivor and Disability Insurance. Name aside, what's important is how that money is being used, and what's in it for you down the road.

The taxes you pay now translate to a lifetime of protection, when you eventually retire or if you become disabled. If you die, your dependent children and spouse may be able to receive survivors benefits based on your work. Today you probably have family members - grandparents, for example — who already enjoy Social Security benefits that your Social Security taxes help provide.

You may be a long way from retirement now, so you may find it hard to appreciate the value of benefits that could be 40 or 50 years away. But consider that your Social Security taxes could pay off sooner than you think. Social Security provides valuable disability benefits - and studies show that a 20-year-old has about a three in 10 chance of becoming disabled sometime before reaching retirement age.

Don't be tempted if you're offered a job "under the table" or "off the books." If you work for any employer who pays you cash, you're likely not getting Social Security credit for the work you're doing and potentially missing out on future benefits. Want to learn more about Social Security and what it means to young workers? If so, we invite you to enjoy an online video: Social Security 101: What's In It For Me? The webcast will fill you in on the details you should know to get the most out of Social Security. Check it out at www. socialsecurity.gov/webinars/social\_security\_101.html. Here's another tip: open a my Social Security account so that you can access your Social Security Statement. That will allow you to make sure your earnings are recorded properly each year - and you can get estimates of what your future benefits may be. You can easily open a my Social Security account at www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount. If you have questions about Social Security, the best place to go is www. socialsecurity.gov.

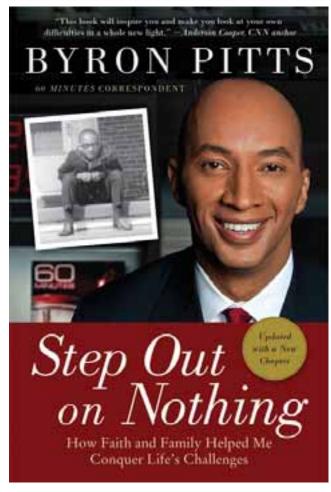
### The Library's Book Recommendation: Step Out of **Nothing**

Special to The Truth

For the month of June, and in observance of Father's Day, the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library recommends the book Step Out of Nothing, written by Byron Pitts. This amazing story describes the life of Byron Pitts, his struggle with reading as a child and his journey to becoming a leading news anchor.

Pitt's challenging youth establishes how much he evolved as an individual. After growing up with separated parents, a stutter and functionally illiterate, he was thought of as an inner-city kid who was bound to fail. This success story paves a path in where figures from his life "stepped out of nothing" to make a difference for him. Through perseverance and passion, he was able to land a job as a news anchor for CBS News. This uplifting and inspiring story proves that you should never give up, for there are many people out there who will help you along the way.

(SOURCE: Amazon.com)



## **Thursday Art Walk Kicks** Off on June 13th, 6-9pm!!

Join The Arts Commission to Explore Toledo Arts each 2nd Thursday of the month, June through September.

Art Walk is FREE and Open to the public

#### 2013 Art Walk dates are June 13, July 11, August 8, and September 12

The Arts Commission is excited to announce the launch of the 6th season for the popular Art Walk program.

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hundred guests from the region around attend the event to visit nearly 30 great local venues and to peruse and purchase the work of more than 100 local, regional, national, and international artists. Art Walks are free to attend and open to the public. There is no official starting point for Art Walks, guests are invited to come Downtown, download a map in advance or pick one up at a participating venue,

Each month, several and then walk, bike, or drive to explore the wealth of creativity and great local businesses that make Toledo a vibrant arts center.

> Art Walk is presented by The Arts Commission in partnership with the artists, galleries, studios, businesses, and arts enthusiasts of Downtown Toledo. A free, fun way to spend a summer evening while getting some fresh air and exercise, Art Walk offers guests a unique event featuring multiple galleries, local artist studios, eateries, hundreds of artists, and live entertainment each month. The event takes place at various locations throughout Downtown Toledo. To learn more, or to download a map, visit www. TheArtsCommission. org/Programs/Art-Walk. With questions, email us, or call 419-254-ARTS.

We look forward to seeing you out this Thursday, June 13th for the first Art Walk of the 2013 season!!

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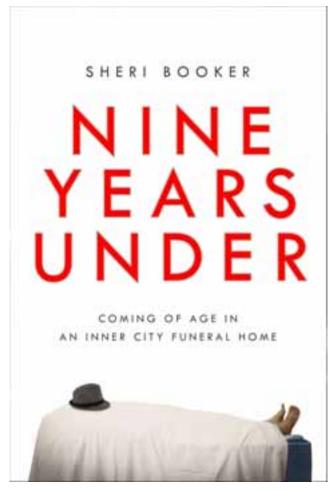
## **Nine Years Under by Sheri Booker**

c.2013, Gotham Books

\$26.00 / \$27.50 Canada

272 pages

By Terri Schlichenmeyer The Truth Contributor



Sitting around all summer would've been so wrong.

And that's why you found a job that year between classes. No more parental hand-outs, no more wearing clothes your mom bought you, no more borrowing the car. With your own job, you had your own money to buy your own things, maybe help out at home, or sock some away. Finding work, yep, was the right thing to do.

For then-15-year-old **Sheri Booker**, the savings from her very unique job went towards college. In her new memoir, *Nine Years Under*, she explains why it was a job she'd been dying to get.

Fifteen-year-old Sheri Booker felt "ignored by God."

## Teens Build Handicap Ramp, Provide Other Services at Toledo Outreach Center

Special to The Truth

Twenty-eight teens are participating in the Catholic HEART Workcamp this week and volunteering at Helping Hands of St. Louis Outreach Center, which includes a soup kitchen, food pantry and clothing center.

The teens are among more than 240 high school students from five states who are serving in Toledo this week as part of the program. At Helping Hands, students will build a handicap ramp entrance into the clothing center, fix a fence, landscape, paint, and clean and seal a parking lot. In previous years, students built the shelving for the clothing center.

"I look forward to these students coming every year," said Paul Cook, Helping Hands director. "They do such a great job and make an impact on the surrounding neighborhood. The students also seem to get a lot of fulfillment out of helping people. They don't often see this level of poverty, and it seems to open their eyes."

Catholic HEART Workcamp started in Orlando, Fla., in 1993 with 100 participants. The camp has grown to more than 13,000 participants nationwide.

Catholic Charities serves 40,000 people of all backgrounds in the Diocese of Toledo annually by providing food, shelter, prescription and emergency rent assistance as well as adoption services, jail and prison ministries and guardianship services to the elderly.

She didn't realize that "hospice care was the beginning of the end," so when her Great-Great-Aunt Mary died of cancer, Booker was surprised – and lost. Growing up in northeast Baltimore, she had few heroes. Aunt Mary was one of them, but Booker didn't feel like she had "permission to mourn."

She didn't feel like going to church, either, but her parents insisted. It was there that Booker ran into one of the church's deacons, Mr. Albert Wylie, who also owned one of Baltimore's many African-American funeral homes.

He didn't ask her how she was handling her loss. Instead, he offered her a job.

For four hours a night, a few nights a week, Booker answered the phones and the door at Albert P. Wylie Funeral Home. She thought it might be weird, but it wasn't – it was interesting, and she did her work well. Soon, she was assisting with viewings and she learned her first lesson: never let clients see you cry.

But that was difficult. Witnessing the grief of families who lost someone elderly was hard enough. Wylie Funeral Home also did a brisk business with the city's poor, the gang-bangers and drug addicts.

Still, it was a job Booker enjoyed and soon, she started doing errands for Mr. Wylie. Then she did paperwork, filing, and bookwork. Eventually, she dressed bodies and assisted as much as she legally could. She became an honorary member of the Wylie family for nine happy years, but in work – as in life - all good things must come to an end...

Looking for something with a great plot? Something different, delightful, but a little dark? Then you need *Nine Years Under*.

With knowledge, a willingness to disclose, and a good amount of humor, author Sheri Booker not only shares the story of her tenure as a funeral home assistant and the duties she assumed, she also gives readers a sense of what goes on behind closed doors there. She weaves this information – some of which is graphic – in with observations on mourners, neighbors, and the industry as a whole. I loved that Booker finds a certain amount of comedy in death and preparing for its rituals, and her musings on funerals are priceless.

This is a wonderful, wonderful book that sounds squirmy, yet is anything but. So grab *Nine Years Under* – because if you think you'll like it, you're dead right.





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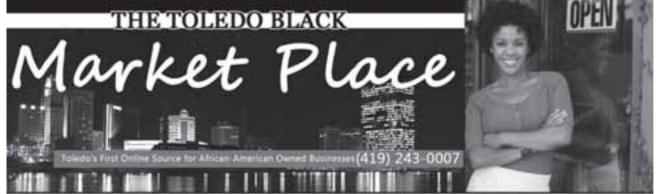
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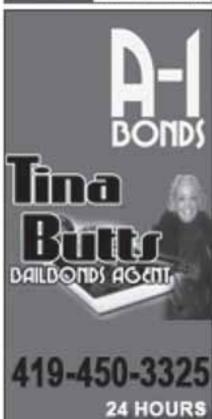
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No bids will be accepted after 3:00 p.m. on July 18, 2013; bids that are submitted via any method other than that described in the RFP will not be accepted.

The Request for Proposals will be available on **June 12, 2013.** It will be available for potential bidders to download by going to the site: <a href="http://www.co.lucas.oh.us/bids.aspx">http://www.co.lucas.oh.us/bids.aspx</a>.

An Electronic Question & Answer (Q&A) process will be from June 12, 2013 at 8:00 a.m. to June 26, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. **PARTICIPATION IS OPTIONAL, BUT IS HIGHLY ENCOURAGED.** Questions for the Q&A must be submitted in writing and received via email, by Michelle Niedermier at <a href="mailto:niedem@odjfs.state.oh.us">niedem@odjfs.state.oh.us</a> by June 26, 2013 at 12:00 p.m.; the posting of the Q&A will be on July 3, 2013. If any changes are made to the RFP as a result of the Q&A, an addendum to the RFP will be posted on the website address (noted above).

This notice is posted, as of June 12, 2013, at http://www.co.lucas.oh.us/bids.aspx.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

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SEALED PROPOSALS for bidding on Manor House Window & Roof Replacement, Wildwood Preserve Metropark, Toledo, Ohio will be received; opened; and read aloud at the Metropolitan Park District of the Toledo Area, Fallen Timbers Field Office, 6101 Fallen Timbers Lane, Maumee, Ohio 43537 Friday, June 21, at 3:00 p.m. local time.

THE SCOPE OF WORK consists of window & roof replacement for a 50 room mansion. General construction includes select demolition and disposal including asbestos shingle abatement, slate roof, copper flashings, replacement windows, associated prep & repair, finish carpentry and paint. Bidders may obtain copies of plans, specifications, contract documents and plan-holder's list through Newfax Corporation, 333 West Woodruff, Toledo, Ohio 43604 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (check made payable to Newfax Corporation) or via the Newfax Digital Plan Room at www.newfaxcorp.com. Newfax can be contacted at 419-241-5157 or 800-877-5157. A non-refundable fee of \$30 is required for each set of documents obtained. For additional information, please contact 419-360-9184, Jon Zvanovec @ jon.zvanovec@metroparkstoledo.com.

EACH BIDDER MUST FURNISH either (1) a bond for the full amount of the bid or (2) a certified check, cashier's check or irrevocable letter of credit in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the bid with its bid. The successful bidder must furnish a 100 percent (100%) Performance Bond and a 100 percent (100%) Labor and Materials Bond.

No bidder may withdraw its bid within thirty (30) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT OF THE TOLEDO AREA reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to waive any informality in bidding.

By order of the Board of Park Commissioners METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT OF THE OLEDO AREA

Stephen W. Madewell, Director

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#### CLINICAL COORDINATOR, PRE-FERRED CHOICE PROGRAM

Full-time position available for experienced individual to manage Preferred Choice Program. Responsibilities will include processing referrals, program marketing, diagnostic assessments, insuring appropriate documentation and reporting, group and individual counseling, consultation with and supervision of staff, maintaining ODADAS certification, development of relationships with external sources and other related projects as assigned.

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 individuals and families with mental health and substance abuse problems and have previous management experience.

Send resume with salary requirements or apply to:

Human Resources - cc Unison Behavioral Health Group, Inc. 1425 Starr Ave. Toledo, OH 43605 Fax: 419-936-7574 Email: hr@unisonbhg.org

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#### **DATABASE ADMINISTRATOR**

Full-time position available for experienced individual to maintain data in an electronic health record. This includes creating customizations to the electronic record, creating underlying data base objects to support those customizations and creating custom reports to maintain this data. Position will also provide end user support.

Desired candidate must be proficient in computer operations, have a thorough knowledge of SQL database administration, Crystal Report Writing, Microsoft Office applications and experience with hardware/software support. Previous experience in programming and database design required. Previous experience with billing software and electronic health record is preferred.

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## AKA Foundation Forges Ahead for the Rights of All Citizens

Special to The Truth

The Zeta Alpha Omega Foundation Inc. luncheon theme was "Forging Ahead for the Rights of All Citizens." The keynote speaker was Nina Turner, the Honorable Ohio State senator, along with Christopher C. Scott, youth speaker, at the Pinnacle on June 1, 2013 with over 250 in attendance. Edna Robertson, chairman and Joan Harris, Julia Holt, Barbara Tucker and Sheila Brown served as cochairmen.

Representing Ohio's 25th Senate District , including portions of Cuyahoga and Lake counties, State Senator Nina Turner has devoted her career to strengthening northwest Ohio and improving the lives of those who call it home.

Turner's message to the audience was "Deliverance Is on Deck" as she spoke about being accountable for our neighborhoods and the education of our children. Turner stated that "we are our brother's keeper" and she sees education as a crucial element of economic prosperity and believes that if individuals are provided the means, they will craft their own American Dream.

Addressing the issue of jobless rate which is steadily improving in Ohio and the nation as a whole, Turner noted that "the unemployment rate in Ohio is less than the national average but it depends on who you ask.

The youth speaker, Christopher C. Scott, was born in Ohio and is a graduate of East Technical High School in Cleveland, Ohio. He is now a junior at The University of Toledo and has been involved in many extracurricular activities during high school and at the college level.

Scott spoke to the audience about his struggles in coming from a single parent home with a family of seven siblings and spoke on how hard it was for his mother to survive, which gave him motivation to pursue higher education.

Scott goes around to youth and detention centers to speak to them about the "importance of education and what crime has gotten you". Scott says his dreams will not stop here and later he plans to pursue a graduate degree in educational administration where he can lead students in broken and single family homes by example.

Zeta Alpha Omega Foundation, Incorporated, Toledo, OH was organized by members of Zeta Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc, September 20, 1996 as a non-profit organization. The Foundation was organized exclusively for charitable, educational, religious and scientific purpose.

Its programs are designed to conduct and provide scholarships, health seminars, community service, cultural, historical and other services for the aged, disabled youth and economically disadvantaged individuals. The Foundation is presently under the leadership of Deborah Washington, Ph.d., president and Katina Johnson, vice president.









The King Toler Family would like to thank everyone for their words of encouragement and expression of kindness after the passing of our beloved sister.

Elaine F. King Brandon

April 21 1945-April 15, 2013