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# We Cannot Desert the Deserted

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



*No child is ever spoiled by too much attention. It is the lack of attention that spoils.*

— Bessie Blake

The topic of children who have experienced abuse, neglect and trauma is uncomfortable and a conversation that we often back away from.

Yet, with tax-overload a real threat to undermine the passage of many of the issues on the November 8 ballot, a vote FOR Issue 20, the Lucas County Children Services' (LCCS) levy represents an obligation and moral responsibility to children.

The request is a renewal of the existing 1.4 mill levy that expires December 31, 2016 plus a 0.4 mill increase that enables the agency to continue its mission to keep children safe from abuse and neglect. The money is used solely to address the care and placement needs of abused and neglected children, a population often overlooked in both policy and practice.

LCCS received over 12,000 calls for service in 2015 and through their intake and assessment process still have 600 children in foster care, 300 living with a relative, and another 100 living with parents while they receive services for domestic violence, homelessness and other problems.

A disproportionate amount of the children served are racial and ethnic minorities. This levy provides operating money that pays for foster parents, counseling, mentoring and other services for children and parents.

One third of the organization's 336 employees are African American. The agency also contracts with local media including Urban Radio, WJUC, Toledo Journal, The Sojourner's Truth, Interfaith Gazette and LaPrensa. In addition, LCCS pays for day-care services from 28 women or minority-owned day care centers and includes minority suppliers in its bidding pool for IT products and services.

More notably, this is not the LCCS a/k/a Children's Services Board (CSB) of two years ago. There is now a targeted mission, laser-like focus and bold passion with the leadership of new Executive Director Robin Reese, a homegrown Toledoan, who understands more than anyone that the protection of children

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# Double Standard? ...You Bet!

By Lafe Tolliver, Esq  
Guest Column



The New York Times, on October 7, ran a story by reporter Tim Egan in which it indicated that there seems to be a nascent national bipartisan trend to rethink the draconian drug laws in America.

Starting with reefer and on up to the dangerous non-prescription opiates, the article indicates that America wants to revisit the laws about mandatory imprisonment and loss of societal benefits for convicted drug users.

What, you say, has started this national discussion about the harshness of the drug laws and the penalties that can follow a drug user for the rest of their lives?

If you did not know it...I will break it to you very gently in three words that both sound alike and rhyme .... RACE...RACE...and RACE!

There...now wasn't that gentle?

In case you have not noticed, there have been media stories galore about the increasing use of opiate drugs and especially heroin with WHITE FOLKS!

Yes, more and more WHITE FOLKS are getting strung out and are dying due to heroin and meth and other damning drugs and WHITE society is not happy about it.

And this is especially so in regards to young WHITE FOLKS! Even in places like rural New Hampshire and Maine and other seemingly WHITE drug free enclaves, WHITE FOLKS are getting hooked on drugs and are dying at alarming rates.

Needless to state, this is causing pure havoc with state budgets regarding treatment facilities and the associated costs with social services as it relates to now broken or dysfunctional homes, children at risk, domestic violence and criminal activities to support a drug life style.

Remember the award winning TV series, Breaking Bad in which a WHITE high school chemistry professor and a WHITE student went "bad" and set up a extremely profitable drug lab and literally made a pallet size fortune of cash. Dem were WHITE FOLKS!

Seemingly, they were nice middle class WHITE FOLKS who lived in nice suburban homes with a swimming pool and with pool parties on the weekends.

But, as we are now seeing in the mass media and with special CNN reports, this drug activity, and the evils associated with it, have left the "ghetto" with the expected media faces of black and brown people and are now being replaced with WHITE FOLKS faces!

The new look of addiction is not a DeMarcus or a Tykyneskia but now it is a Julia and an Emily or a Mark and a Roger...dem are WHITE FOLKS!

Why, you ponder, is there a now sudden emphasis and shift away from the usual suspects of black and brown people being seen as dope fiends and now

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## Community Calendar

### October 12

Early Voting Begins: 1301 Monroe Street; 8 am to 5 pm

### October 14

Toledo Museum of Art and Alzheimer's Association Present "Art Tells a Story:" 1 to 2:30 pm; Part of the series "A Brush with Art" that is designed to provide a fun, meaningful experience for those with mild memory loss and their friends and family: 800-272-3900

### October 15

The Cross Church Community Fall Festival: 10 am to 3 pm; Health screenings, fire safety, fun & games, free food, pop and water: 419-794-3434

### October 16

Indiana Avenue MBC Youth and Young Adult Day Service: 10:50 am; "Watch M Worship Him in Praise;" Speaker Rev. Michel Wilpon of Indianapolis  
Calvary MBC 87th Church Anniversary: Guests Pastor Cordell Jenkins and Abundant Life Ministries; 4 pm  
St. Paul AME Zion Church Connectional Lay Sunday: 11:15 am; Speaker Frances Jackson of John Wesley AME Zion of Southfield, MI

### October 29

Calvary MBC 87th Church Anniversary: Gospel musical; 6 pm  
Healthy Relationships Conference: Zablocki Center; 11 am to 3 pm; Parents encouraged to attend and bring children ages 10-15; Offices represented – Health Department, UT College of Education, LC Prosecutors, Toledo Youth Commission: 419-245-3334

### October 30

Calvary MBC 87th Church Anniversary: NWA Moderator Elect B. Lamont Monford of Phillippians MBC of Lima; 4 pm  
Indiana Avenue MBC Fall Harvest Trunk or Treat: Ages 3 to 12; 4 to 6 pm; Horse rides, carnival games, face painting, food and fun

### November 8

Election Day!

# Rep. Ashford: Toledo Psychiatric Hospital to Receive \$1.8M for Technology Upgrades

*Lawmaker says modern equipment will improve quality of care for patients*

State Rep. Michael Ashford (D-Toledo) last week announced the release of \$1,827,843 in state funds to the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (MHAS) for upgrades to five of the state's mental health facilities. Among MHAS facilities selected to receive a portion of the Network Switch & Cabling Upgrade funds is the Northwest Ohio Psychiatric Hospital (NOPH) in Lucas County.



Rep. Michael Ashford

"These necessary upgrades will help enhance comprehensive healthcare services that patients at NOPH desperately need and depend on," said Ashford. "Aging and out of date technology can significantly reduce the quality of service that health care professionals are able to provide, potentially causing major setbacks on a patient's road to recovery. I'm pleased that the state is supporting NOPH in their commitment to providing the most effective and efficient care for Ohioans suffering with mental illnesses."

Upgrades for MHAS hospitals will include new analog telephone adapters, core switches, power supplies, cable installation, and vandal resistant

phones. The Network Switch and Cabling Upgrade project will help support hospitals' day to day communications, video surveillance, electronic medical record maintenance and even emergency communications.

The Northwest Psychiatric Hospital in Toledo is one of six regional psychiatric hospitals that operate under the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. These specialized facilities provide short-term, intensive treatment to patients in both inpatient and community-supported environments. They also deliver comprehensive care to patients committed by criminal courts.

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is the first line of defense for a community under the fierce assault of opiate addiction.

While we, rightfully, empathize and spend a lot of time and money to address addiction and the addicted, it would be morally irresponsible not to spend as much effort and money to address the needs of children and families left behind in the ruins of an addiction.

Thus, the passage of Issue 20 is a moral imperative to protect our children from the ravages of both the current heroin/opiate epidemic and crack cocaine, its predecessor.

This will be the first levy I will be voting for. Although there are several tax levies to choose from, we cannot desert the deserted children who have been abused, neglected or traumatized as a result of addiction. LCCS is a prime partner in this fight to save our children.

If this levy fails, then our community has failed. Vote FOR Issue 20.

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we have celluloid pictures of WHITE FOLKS acting the fool and getting hooked not on phonics but on hard drugs?

Because if we can show that the new and emerging numbers of new addicts are not from Hough in Cleveland, the inner city locales of Houston, Philadelphia or are not the societal dredges from Los Angeles, we can get legislatures to feel a kinship with fellow WHITE FOLKS drug addicts; and the money will start to roll out for treatment centers and other monetary benefits needed to fight this national scourge.

Regrettably, with this country so engrossed in everything race (notice my caps above about white folks), it sometimes takes "race" to cause the right thing to happen.

Black and brown people have been suffering for decades with the drug problem and efforts to increase treatment facilities and monies for accompanying social programs to help the addict and the families were met with resistance which was fueled by the right wing media labeling such addicted persons as people of no value and much less being voters to whom they had to campaign for their votes.

Now, with WHITE FOLKS and especially WHITE YOUTHS being the new face of the war on drugs, WHITE legislators can find cover and solace that they can do the right thing now because now the new face of the drug addict is now sitting in their own living room or across from the dinner table (or used to be before they were kicked out!).

This drug demon is even beginning to invade WHITE high schools with its needle and meth pipe and luring away the young with its hidden siren call to early graves and ruined lives.

WHITE FOLKS are now beginning to understand the depth of this menace and hopefully along with this knowledge, will come compassion for the black and brown families that have long been caught up in that drug net.

Maybe, just maybe, when we have a national dialogue about drugs and heroin addiction, the first images people will not locate in their memory cells will be a Dy'Rek or a Camulusia but now their own grandchild, nephew, niece or their neighbor's kid.

Maybe, just maybe, the lawmakers who dole out the bucks for social services will not be skinflints when rural counties in Ohio and farm counties in Nebraska and Montana cry out for funds to stop this plague because the plague has turned from almost solely black and brown bodies to WHITE bodies now included in the body count.

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**LUCAS COUNTY IN-PERSON EARLY VOTING**  
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# IMA Endorses Ballot Levies

*Sojourner's Truth Staff*

The Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance (IMA) endorsed six levy issues during their monthly meeting on October 3 and representatives of the affected agencies stepped forward to thank the local pastors for their support.

The six levies that the ministers endorsed are Issue 2 – the proposed municipal income tax that seeks voter approval for a renewal of the three-quarter temporary levy on income; Issue 18 – Toledo Area Regional Transit Authority' request for a 1.5 mill renewal; Issue 20 – Lucas County Children Services request for a renewal and increase – 1.4 mill renewal and 0.4 increase; Issue 21 – Imagination Station's request for a renewal of its 0.17 levy; Issue 22 – Toledo Lucas County Public Library's request for a renewal and increase – 2.9 mill renewal and 0.8 increase and Issue 23 – Toledo Zoo's request for a renewal and decrease – 0.75 mill renewal and 0.1 decrease.

Rev. Cedric Brock, pastor of Mt. Nebo Baptist Church and president of IMA, expressed the appreciation of the members for the agencies on the ballot and how they have contributed to the quality of life in the area.

All six of the representatives – Rev. James Willis, City of Toledo; Jim Funk, Library; Robin Reese, Executive Director LCCS; James Gee, president TARTA; Robert Vasquez, Zoo and Lori Hauser, CEO Imagination Station – thanked the IMA for the endorsement, each stressing what their organizations contribute to life in the Toledo metropolitan area.

"We all work together in making our community stronger," said Hauser wrapping up the thanks.

The IMA's mission is to promote unity among Christian denominations through fellowship and to foster evangelism, education, social political activism, economic development and family ties.



IMA members support local levies

# Northwest Ohio Leaders Assail Trump for Importing Steel Products from China

*Trump Has Long History of Outsourcing Jobs and Products*

*Special to The Truth*

Ahead of Mike Pence's visit to Rossford on Friday, October 7, northwest Ohio leaders State Representative Teresa Fedor, Wood County Democratic Party Chairman Mike Zickar, Laborers Local 500 Business Manager David Fleetwood and United Steelworker Randie Pearson came together to assail the apparent fact that Donald Trump imported steel and aluminum from China, instead of using Ohio or U.S.-made products, in his construction projects, as discovered in a Newsweek investigation last week.



David Fleetwood addresses concerns about Trump - Pence ticket

The investigation found that Trump opted to purchase steel and aluminum for at least two of his last three construction projects from Chinese manufacturers rather than United States companies. Northwest Ohio leaders contrasted Hillary Clinton's record as a lifelong champion of American workers with Trump's history of stifling working class families to make a personal profit.

"For Donald Trump, it's always Trump first and everyone else last. Trump himself has pretended to express concern about Chinese steel in our markets--but now it sounds like Trump has been buying Chinese steel for his buildings," said Laborers Local 500 Business Manager David Fleetwood. "This is just the latest example of Trump's craven hypocrisy when it comes to standing up for American workers. How can Donald Trump 'make America great again' when he won't even make things in America?"

"While Trump has been buying up Chinese Steel, Hillary Clinton has actually been fighting to protect American jobs. As Senator, Hillary Clinton went before the International Trade Commission on behalf of steelworkers in New York. As Secretary of State, she went toe-to-toe with the Chinese," said Ohio State Rep Teresa Fedor. "And in this campaign, she has spoken aggressively about the need to hold China accountable for its illegal trade practices. Unlike Trump, Hillary Clinton actually has a plan to support jobs in American infrastructure."

"As a steelworker, Trump's decision to buy Chinese steel and aluminum is personal to me. Every day, I work alongside men and women who can afford to pay their rent, put food on the table and support their families

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# Newly Appointed University of Toledo President Speaks at St Paul's

By Tricia Hall

Sojourner's Truth reporter

Historic St Paul Missionary Baptist Church, under the leadership of Rev. James H. Willis, pastor, welcomed newly-appointed University of Toledo president Sharon Gaber, Ph.D, on Sunday, October 2, 2016 during the morning service.

Willis and congregation member Ian Scotland serve on a university committee and Gaber decided to speak at St. Paul's as a result of a meeting. "We actually had a meeting over the summer, and Pastor Willis offered me the opportunity to speak to his congregation. I really want the City of Toledo to know, that the University of Toledo is Toledo's university. Also that we value every student, our retention rates have increased, we value diversity, and even hired a vice president of diversity. We want students to know that their concerns and interests are listened to and included within the university policies," said Gaber.

The University of Toledo President's Committee for African American Recruitment, Retention, and Scholarship Support, also known as PCARS, first launched a fundraiser in February 2016 at St. Paul MBC.

"The university is an important part of this community, it's important to have a more active relationship between the university and community. This type of outreach will benefit both the university and community," explained Scotland, fellow PCARS member.

In addition to Rev. Willis, several religious local leaders have joined forces on this cause including, Rev. Cedric Brock of Mt. Nebo Baptist Church, Rev. Waverly Earley of Wesley United Methodist Church, Rev. K. David Johnson of Third Baptist Church, Rev. John Walthall III of Mount Ararat Missionary Baptist Church and Sister Virginia Welch of St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church.

"I wanted the president to share her diversity and improvement plan with the members today, including the university's quality of life plan," explained Willis.



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**Lucas County Children Services...**

- Responded to more than 4,500 reports of child abuse and served more than 12,000 children in 5,000 families in 2015.

**Protecting children who are victims of the heroin/opiate crisis...**

- LCCS has seen a dramatic increase in cases, largely due to the heroin/opiate epidemic.
- Their cases are more complex and challenging due to the involvement of drugs.

**LCCS fights for a better future for our children...**

- LCCS is working to reduce the suffering from child abuse in the future with prevention programs in the schools and by working to prevent repeat referrals from first time families.

**A small investment to protect children with nowhere else to turn...**

- Renews Lucas County Children Services' current 1.4 mill levy and increases it by 0.4 mills for 5 years.
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UT's Willie McKether, Ph.D and Kaye Patten Wallace; Rev. James Willis, Sharon Graber, Ph.D; St. Paul's Ian Scotland and John Covington

Education Section • Education Section

# The Library Can Help Preserve Your Personal Stories

Special to The Truth

Do you have analog photos, letters and documents that you wish were digital? We're here to help! Now that libraries and archives are able to put materials online and make them easily available to the world, we are working to create a more complete online archive that documents the history of northwest Ohio.

While we have been digitizing our own materials, we need your help to create a more complete historical picture. Bring your photos, letters, and documents, and Preserve Your Personal Story here at TL-CPL!

Preserve Your Personal Story: Veterans will take place at Main Library on Saturday, November 5, 2016 from 12-4 p.m. Digitized materials will be made accessible via the Digital Collections of Northwest Ohio, our site that hosts primary resource content from and related to Northwest Ohio. To check out some materials recently lent to us by veteran John Gallagher, visit Ohio Memory ([www.ohiomemory.org](http://www.ohiomemory.org)).

If you have materials that are relevant to this theme, and wish to make them available, wonderful! If you do not wish to have your materials added to the Digital Collections of Northwest Ohio, that's perfectly fine too. We will be providing copies of all digitized materials on flash drives for all attendees.

We ask that customers limit their digitization requests to 10 pages

or photos. We are primarily interested in 2D materials, such as letters, pictures, postcards, documents, etc. Materials up to 8.5 x 11 inches are welcome. If you have materials larger than 8.5 x 11 inches that you are interested in digitizing or would like to digitize materials but cannot attend the event, please contact us (contact information below).

Don't have materials you want to digitize? This event may still be for you. We will be handing out brochures about how to preserve your digital files as well. While digitizing materials can help to preserve content, especially physical materials that are deteriorating, digital files require special attention in order to make sure that they are accessible for future generations. Topics covered in the brochure include file identification, organization, storage and backup.

We will be doing more Preserve Your Personal Story events in the future. If you have suggestions regarding topics or themes that you would like to see covered, please email us. The program is first come first serve, so be sure to arrive early.

Contact information:

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Education Section • Education Section

# Christopher Mabrey Visits Toledo for Book Signing

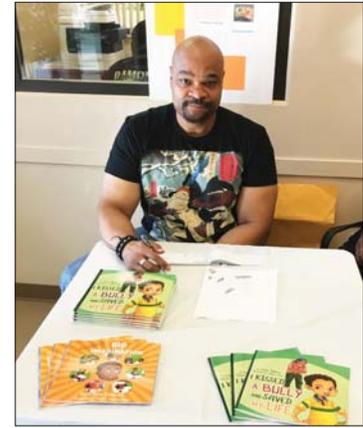
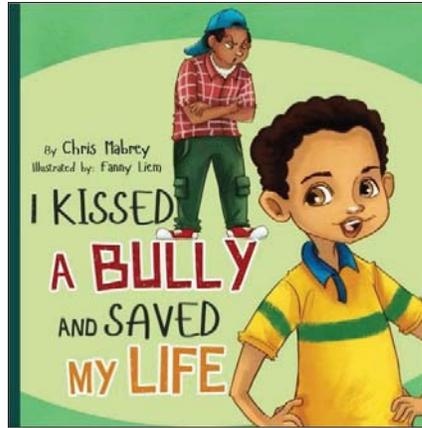
*Sojourner's Truth Staff*

Christopher Mabrey, a Toledo native and graduate of St. Francis de Sales High School, has just released his third book, a new bedtime children's story titled *The Monsters in My Closet*.

Mabrey, a licensed mental health therapist with a bachelor's degree in communications from the University of Toledo, a master's degree from Ball State University in information systems and a master's degree from Butler University in school counseling. He has spent several years in Indianapolis as a school counselor.

Mabrey's love for children was the compelling force that influenced him to write and publish his first two children's books – *Hakim's Big Imagination* and *I Kissed a Bully and Saved My Life*.

Mabrey was in Toledo last week and held book signings at Toledo Urban Federal Credit Union and the Toledo Lucas County Public Library – Reynolds Corner Branch



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because companies are still buying American-made steel," said United Steelworker Randie Pearson. "So when Trump pretends to care about working families, and then turns around and sends his money to China, he's turning his back on me--and the millions of manufacturing workers across our country. We can't send a President to the White House who sends his money overseas and stifles America's workers."

"Trump's decision to use steel and aluminum from Chinese manufacturers is just the latest in a long record of stifling hardworking Americans. Back when the auto industry was struggling, Trump said he would've been fine if the industry went bankrupt--and his running mate Pence flat out opposed the auto rescue," said Wood County Democratic Party Chair Mike Zickar. "Trump and Pence have never been a friend to working families. In Hillary Clinton, we have a lifelong champion of American workers with a track record of going toe-to-toe with China and coming out on top."

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Education Section • Education Section

# Local Girl Scout Council 2016 Kick Off

By Tricia Hall

Sojourner's Truth Reporter

Saturday, October 8, 2016, the Seagate Centre in downtown Toledo was filled with Girl Scouts, troop leaders and volunteers excited about the 2016 program kick off. Officially called The Big Event, the program provided a full day of interactive activities, vendors, services from local businesses, samples and laughter.

Old West End Academy Troop leader Kisha Freeman, walked around to all the stations with her troop throughout the day. "I love volunteering with the Girl Scouts, I believe we have 10 girls from our troop present. So glad to see some parents and of course my assistant troop leaders here too.

Community partners included: AAA NW Ohio, AJ Archery, American Academy of Martial Arts, American Red Cross, Appold Planetarium, BGSU Athletics, Body Fox LLC, Cold Stone Creamery, Cooper Moon Studio, COSI, Country Lane Tree Farms, Fab Lab, Field of Dreams Drive In, First Solar, Food for Thought, Fuzed/Klin formed glass studio, Juliette Low Trail, Hands on Studio, Heroes in Action, Heroes Party, I stopped the bully, Imagination Station, Laurel's Princess Parties, Toledo Metro Parks, Nature's Nursery, Pete Bones, Pumpkin Path, River Lures, Rock & Gem Club, Saisho Con LLC, Salon institution, Sauder Village, Scrap 4 Art, Schedel Arboretum, Seagate Food Bank, Snapology of Findlay, Sylvania STEM, SWIMS, Toledo Area Humane Society, Toledo Ballet, Toledo Blade, Toledo Botanical Gardens, Toledo Police Museum, Toledo Lucas County Library, Toledo Mud Hens and Walleye, Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo Repertoire Theatre, Toledo Zoo, Total Package Girl, Trophy Nut Company, United Way of Greater Toledo, UT Athletics, and Venturing Crew 457.

Girl Scout troop member Daijah McCabe, was a first time attendee and spent the day with her grandmother, Artina McCabe. "I want to come back next year, this was fun," shared Daijah McCabe.

Girl Scouts of Western Ohio follows the national mission of building girls

of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. Worldwide 1.9 million girls and 800,000 adult volunteers bring the mission to life. Locally, 42,000 girls in 32 counties are served through the Toledo office. For more information on upcoming cookie sales, volunteer opportunities, or finding a local troop visit their website [www.gsw.org](http://www.gsw.org).



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# How Classrooms are Changing to Better Teach 'STEAM' Subjects

Special To The Truth

The U.S. may be short as many as three million high-skilled workers by 2018, according to National Math + Science Initiative predictions. In response, more educators and schools are embracing the idea that today's curriculum must include Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math (STEAM), in order to adequately prepare children for the future.

With this shift comes the need for new educational tools. Here are three big ways that classrooms are changing to keep up with this year's curriculum.

## Cohesive Lesson Plans

You may remember shuffling from one class to another during your school days, learning subjects in a siloed style. After you graduated, you probably realized that's not how the

real world works. Luckily, schools that are focused on STEAM-related subjects appreciate this fact and, as a result, many teachers today are synthesizing the principles of multiple subjects at once for greater cohesion.

From art projects that incorporate math concepts to science projects that require an artistic hand, students today can expect their teachers to use games, hands-on learning stations and interactive digital technology to go beyond recitation in order to invent, create and discover.

## Projecting the Future

Today's teachers are saying goodbye to the old school projectors you may remember from your own childhood, and with good reason. New projectors are designed to bring lesson plans to life within seconds.

For example, Casio's line of Ultra Short Throw projectors offers teachers the ability to present interactive multimedia content directly from a mobile device, USB stick, laptop or even the internal memory of the machine itself. Plus, no time is lost in getting the lesson set up once the bell rings, as an image can be displayed at full brightness in a matter of seconds.

The icing on the cake is that these new projectors are environmentally-friendly and can be easy on a school's budget, reducing power consumption by up to 40 percent and offering an operating life of 20,000 hours. Savvy schools can use the saved money on other STEAM-related programming needs.

## Add it Up

Math class is more important than ever, and students and teachers are gearing up accordingly with up-to-date graphing calculators that can enhance understanding of mathematical principles. New calculators, such as the PRIZM fx-CG10 from Casio, are allowing students to create their own graphs over pictures of real-life scenes to better understand the functions from the graphs. Additionally, today's calculators feature color LCD with a full textbook-style display to make classroom learning, as well as homework, easier to digest. To learn more, visit Casio.com.

As the world changes, so does the classroom. New tools are helping educators prepare students for tomorrow and for challenges solvable by better STEAM knowledge.

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## Clyde to Husted: Enough is enough

*Heed court decision, restore 1.2 million voters now*

State Rep. Kathleen Clyde (D-Kent) last week called on Secretary of State Jon Husted to atone for his illegal purging of 1.2 million Ohio voters and restore them to their lawful, rightful ability to vote in the November election.

"Mr. Husted, for six years you have steadfastly put barriers up for voters in this state. Recently, the U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals admonished you for your illegal activity in purging 1.2 million voters from the rolls. Mr. Husted, enough is enough. Restore these voters now," said Rep. Clyde

"The clock is ticking for these voters in 2016. We are exactly five weeks from Election Day and eight days from the start of early voting. So it is imperative that Mr. Husted stop making excuses, do the legal and right thing and give back 1.2 million Ohioans their constitutional right to vote," continued Rep. Clyde

"Over the past five years, under Husted, Ohio has led the nation in purging voters from the rolls. That's not on accident. That's on purpose. And the court caught him," said Clyde.

On September 14, the U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that Husted acted illegally when he purged more than 1.2 million voters from the voting rolls.

### Commandress Ball... continued from page 16

the historic achievement of African-American women, exerts positive influence and utilizes role modeling for youth, teenage mothers, high school and college students.

The organization of 12 Courts in its inception has grown to over 200 Courts located in the United States, Canada, the Bahamas, Germany, Italy and Japan.

Mecca Court #73, with a present membership of 83, has been instrumental in numerous community involvement projects over the past 90 years, having been in the news, in the newspapers and on television, promoting charity and benevolence within the community and state and annually at the host convention.

This year, under the leadership of Dt. Davis, Mecca Court has been instrumental and very actively involved within the community which has included donations of school supplies and book bags to students, donations to the homeless and nursing homes, presenting items to the Ronald McDonald House, in addition to numerous fundraising activities, with additional presentations and holiday donations being made in the coming months.

At their Commandress Ball this month, Dt. Davis awarded a scholarship from the "Charlesena Harrison Smith Scholarship Foundation" to Mariah Hicks, a graduate of Toledo Early College High School who is currently attending Kent State University.

Mecca Court was honored to have elected Past Imperial Commandress – Dt. Charlesena H. Smith – who served as the 42nd Imperial Commandress of the Imperial Court, 2009-2011, and proud to have six appointed Imperial Officers presently serving in the Imperial Court.

The 53rd annual Commandress Ball honoring Dt. Davis on October 8 at the Radisson Hotel at the University of Toledo Medical Center commemorated the many years of their existence, charity and benevolence. Guests traveled from Cleveland, Elyria, Youngstown, Akron, Columbus, Cincinnati, Springfield and Dayton, as well as from Michigan, Indiana, Illinois and Kentucky to attend the gala event.

## Fedor Calls for Full Investigation of Online Charters Following ECOT Court Ruling

*Local districts should receive reimbursement for paying "charter fraud tax," says lawmaker*

State Rep. Teresa Fedor (D-Toledo), the highest-ranking Democratic lawmaker on the House Education Committee, responded to last week's ruling by Franklin County Common Pleas Judge Jennifer French that found that stopping a state attendance probe into the online charter school ECOT would be in violation of state policies. A state audit of ECOT attendance data revealed the online charter could be defrauding the state and taxpayers by some \$60 million during the last year alone by over reporting enrollment by 143 percent during the same period. Judge French's ruling comes as a response to ECOT's efforts to stop the state from obtaining additional and accurate attendance data from the online charter.

"Today's decision reaffirms what education experts, Democratic lawmakers, teachers, parents and I have been saying since the inception of the Republican-led charter school experiment: We cannot let our most vulnerable children be robbed of the opportunity for a lifetime of success just to line the pockets of failing charter school operators," said Fedor. "This ruling raises new questions as to how state leaders have turned a blind eye to online charter schools cheating our children, taxpayers and traditional schools since 2003. I believe Judge French's ruling confirms that online charter schools should be held to the same standards and rules as traditional schools to best protect our children's and the public's interest in guaranteeing high-quality educational opportunities for children from all backgrounds – especially our most vulnerable."

Last year, Fedor and others called for the state to investigate Ohio Virtual Academy (OHVA), another online charter, after a whistleblower contacted her office providing documents that allege OHVA receives more state tax dollars by padding its rolls with chronically truant students.

"It is time for state education officials to get serious about launching a full, statewide investigation of attendance fraud and data manipulation at all online charter schools," Fedor added. "ECOT is merely a wakeup call for elected officials who have been dragging their feet on enforcing the rules on charter schools while taking campaign cash from those same charter operators. All tax dollars that have been illegally funneled to online charter schools since 2003 should be returned to the local school districts that paid for what amounts to Ohio's charter school fraud tax."

Last year, Fedor and state school board members also called for an investigation into a top state education official, David Hansen, after it was discovered he scrubbed failing grades from many online charters. The deliberate omissions by Hansen boosted the ratings of charter school sponsors, potentially qualifying them for additional state benefits.



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# Small Great Things by Jodi Picoult

By Terri Schlichenmeyer  
The Truth Contributor

You can't.

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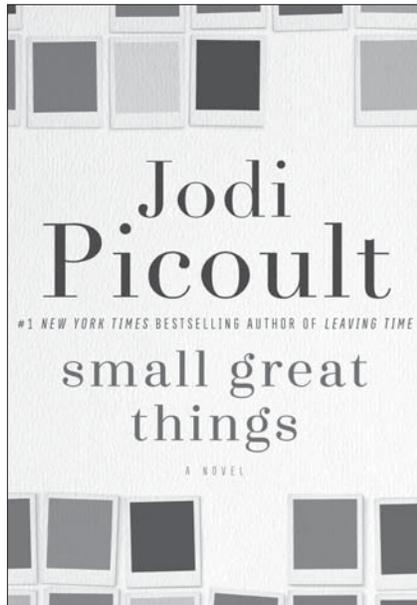
Few noticed that Ruth Jefferson was awash in a sea of white.

Because of the urgency, the frenzy, the sheer joy of new life in the Labor & Delivery department at Mercy-West Haven hospital, not many people noticed that Ruth was the only African-American nurse on-staff. She was a good nurse, a mentor and there was really no reason for anybody to see her skin.

But Ruth felt that singleness keenly in the comments made, the small slights, and the assumptions she was sure her colleagues made. Still, she loved her job and was too good at it to make too many waves – until shortly after Davis Bauer was born.

In many ways, Turk Bauer knew he was lucky.

He was married to Brittany, the most beautiful woman he'd ever known, and they were about to be parents. Turk: white supremacist, co-creator of LONEWOLF, skin-head, former leader of his own White Power organization was going to have a child to bring up as a good Aryan warrior. He would raise his child right.



And it started by telling the nursing supervisor that Ruth Jefferson was not allowed to touch his son. No black skin ever would, if Turk had anything to say about it, and a note to that effect went on the baby's medical records.

And that might've been the end of the issue, had Turk's son not gone into cardiac arrest. There might have been no discussion, had Ruth not been momentarily tasked with keeping an eye on the baby.

It might've been largely forgotten, if the child hadn't died....

Are we all just a little bit racist? That's the uncomfortable, but necessary, question at the root of *Small Great Things*.

Author Jodi Picoult wrapped a story around a nugget of news, and it's not a particularly relaxing thing: her stellar characterization – for Turk, especially – will make you squirm. He and his cohorts are given dialogue (beware!) that's laced with hateful words, and we're meant to dislike him intensely, in the courtroom and out.

Readers may also raise eyebrows at the friendship between Ruth and her lawyer; there were times when it and some of the more minor plotlines seemed contrived (and not purposefully so). You'll be excused for overlooking that, however, because you'll be too busy enjoying the way Picoult peppers her story with precisely-right extras, a properly-unwound trial, and a perfect ending to this glued-to-your-hands novel.

Fans of Picoult, get ready, set, go. You know you want this book – just as you will if you're a lover of make-you-think novels. Start *Small Great Things* and you can't put it down.

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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.

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## NHA Seeks a Few Good People

The Neighborhood Health Association is hoping to acknowledge the contributions of past board members and volunteers. If you were a board member or volunteer in the past with NHA, the Cordelia Martin Clinic or the Mexican-Americans United for Health, give us a call. 419-720-7883, ext 216.



# Mecca Court #73 Holds 53rd Annual Commandress Ball and Honors Daughter Lena M. Davis, Illustrious Commandress

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