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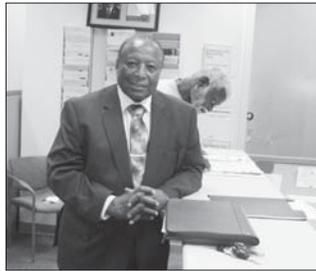
By Dominique Warren
The Truth Contributor



Everybody can be great because everybody can serve.

- Martin Luther King Jr.

Of the many candidates for an at-large council seat in the September 2017 primary, perhaps none possesses a more storied lineage of servant leadership than Harvey Savage. Yet it is also perhaps equally true that Savage, the son of late legendary Toledo activist/preacher Rev. H. V. Savage, is the most under-appreciated candidate in the race.



Harvey Savage, Jr

Nevertheless, voters and other candidates would do well not to sleep on the native Toledoan's campaign as it accelerates under the radar towards the rapidly approaching September 12 primary.

Savage, who has directed the Martin Luther King Kitchen for the Poor for the past four years, recently shared his story with me. I now wish to share it with readers of The Truth.

Perryman: Well, let me first say that it's a pleasure and a privilege to talk to you. I was born and raised right here in Toledo and aware of the legacy of your family's work. Please talk about your work and how that all got started.

Savage: In 1969 Dad decided to start the Martin Luther King Kitchen For The Poor. The story he used to tell and retell was that he had seen a man eating out of the garbage can in the back of our house and so he asked him to come on inside to have something to eat. Dad said it was at that time that he really realized he needed to do more and so he started the Kitchen based on that. And that would've been about April of 1969. Now for me personally, I worked with him for four years when he first started the K, but after four years there really wasn't a lot of money to be made working in nonprofits and so I went to work for Dupont but I still was kind of working at the kitchen behind the

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You Can Run...But You Can't Hide!

By Lafe Tolliver, Esq
Guest Column

There was a startling article in the July 25 issue of The New York Times in which a company called Three Square Market is offering to its 80 employees a chance to be implanted with a microchip.

The purpose of the implantation is to provide easy access to areas of the work plant including "swiping your hand" to pay for a work place lunch.

To date, about 50 employees have agreed to be implanted with the chip, purportedly the size of a grain of rice.

Promises have been made that the employees cannot be tracked by having the implant and their personal data is safe. Oh yeah?

For those who are novices to this proliferating cottage industry of implantation, be forewarned that all that seems well, may in fact not be well.

If you have read the prescient novel by George Orwell entitled 1984 there was the looming specter of "Big Brother" always watching you and monitoring your moves because of a hidden fear that rebellion could be afoot at any time and the government needed to know "what is what" and "who is where."

Unless for medical necessity, who in their right mind would want an implant of a microchip regardless of the alleged benefits of convenience and efficacies of certain services?

Allow me to act as a Chicken Little and say, "The sky is falling!" when one speaks of not being aggressively prudent in not allowing an implant in your body (in the above story, the implant is placed under the web of skin between the thumb and forefinger).

Am I being an alarmist? Certainly! And so should you because of the following scenarios that I learned of when my contact at the company that produces these implant chips told me of a hidden memo that came to light, by accident, when an implant went, "independent."

Going "independent" means that the chip was able to be controlled and respond to directions given by others than the intended first source.

I have listed below some of the concerns and horrors that such chip im-

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Community Calendar

August 18

New Prospect Baptist Church Appreciate Month: 7 pm; Guests Pastor John Williams and Eastern Star Baptist Church

August 18-19

Ninth Annual Sacred Strings Showcase Concert: Featuring African-American steel guitar players; First Alliance Church; 6:30 to 9:30 pm on Friday; 3 to 7 pm on Saturday 419-243-0564

August 26-27

Trinity Faith Tabernacle 54th Church Anniversary: Saturday 5:30 - Old Landmark Meet and Greet; Sunday services at 11 am and 4:30 pm

August 27

New Prospect Baptist Church Appreciate Month: 4 pm; Guests Pastor CL Mayes and Macedonia Baptist Church
Calvary MBC Annual Deacons' Program: 4 pm; Gospel choirs and soloists

September 3

Greater St. Mary's MBC Youth In Praise Dance Ministry 13th Annual Praise & Worship Service: 5 pm; Also featuring praise, mime and drill teams from around Toledo: 419-973-4197

September 9-10

Bibleway Church Re-Dedication for Apostle Thomas Mitchell and Co-pastor Vesta Mitchell: Guest speakers and guest choirs; 7 pm service on Saturday; 10 am service on Sunday, dinner at 2 pm, 4 pm service: 419-246-9357

PANCAKES, POLITICS & JAZZ

PANCAKES, POLITICS & JAZZ will be held at Our Brothers Place, 233 N. Huron Street, in downtown Toledo on Sunday, August 27, 2017 and Sunday, October 29, 2017 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Current elected officials will be on hand to discuss their perspectives and respond to probing questions from the participants. The public is invited to participate in these events for a cost of \$20.00 per person for each event which includes, breakfast, listening to and questioning elected officials and enjoying smooth jazz.

Come and hear from Mayor Paula Hicks-Hudson, City Council Members Cecilia Adams, Yvonne Harper, Tyrone Riley and Larry Sykes. This is your opportunity to meet and interact with current elected public servants—and the food will be delicious and the jazz will be smooth featuring our own "Lady K" (Karen Harris) and C.J. Manning.



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scenes.

So now the family, the Savage family, we had been raised by my dad and my mom in a way that required us to look out for the less fortunate and so I know I used to listen to him a lot and he would talk about how when he was going to school, and this was before welfare, his mom used to put an extra sandwich in their lunch for them to give to any kid that did not have lunch at school. So that's how he was raised and so that was kind of instilled in him to look out for the less fortunate.

Perryman: It is amazing how our life works and worldview are influenced so greatly by stories and traditions passed down from one generation to the next. How is the Kitchen doing today?

Savage: Now the Kitchen itself is 48 years old, we've sustained our operation. We're actually in the black, we don't owe anybody and so we've got a little money put up in case funding was totally stopped. We are actually in good enough financial shape to continue operations even if funding is slowed. We have been involved with the school system. Right now, we're dealing a little bit with Jones Academy; we've dealt with Martin Luther King Academy. We've worked with the Woodberrys and the chess club down at Jones, so we do some things there. We're also involved with the City Park League, which does the basketball tournaments each year and also working with the Frederick Douglass Center and with the Junction Coalition there. So we're doing quite a bit. We've also participated with the Swan Creek Neighborhood North Paving Project to put in some storm sewers and helping somewhat to direct that.

So, we've got a lot going on. We're in the process of looking at a new facility also. Behind the Kitchen, we've purchased several vacant lots and we'd like to build a facility so that we can move on to the next level. And what I mean by next level is that we need to do more to help bring people out of poverty and so we will look at mentoring single-mom families initially and then work with the kids and the violence.

Perryman: Are you still providing meals?

Savage: We're located at 650 Vance Street, right across from Savage Park. We are feeding probably somewhere around close to 100 meals a day and serving children as well as adults. We give away clothing and appliances and housewares and things like that also. We also provide close to 2,000

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plantation could lead to if not monitored by agencies that are not beholden to any commercial enterprises.

So, before you consider the implant thinking that it is hip or cool, you need to consider the following possibilities as reported in the memo I was able to recover and reproduce, in part, for your understanding.

To: ***** , director security at Bleppe-Dossen Industries

From: Vance ***** , chief compliance officer

Re: Irregularities with chip implantation program

Date: *****2017

Dear Mr. *****:

During a cursory examination of the safety features of chip No. RK-4366, I noticed that during a test run, that a controlled outside agency, some 300 miles from our plant was able with alarming detail to redirect the primary function of chip No. RK-4366.

As you know, chip No. RK-4366 was initially designed to allow a slow release of the drug Tymorin to stop the onset of a cardiac arrest.

Now, it appears that the chip's main function has been altered by this outside force to send irregular electronic waves to the heart and which can, in certain cases, cause a fatal heart attack.

I am bringing this to your attention with the hopes that you will report this mishap to Craig ***** , Office of Ethics, Manager, with the knowledge that this chip's security has been corrupted and now poses a real and present threat to any person who has had the chip implanted with the hopes of regulating irregular heartbeats.

Furthermore and to my consternation, I have accidentally discovered the following scenarios regarding the use of chip No RK-4366 and which intended uses are beyond the pale of ethics and have not been authorized by this company.

I fear that outside parties or agencies who do not share our mission statement will use chip No.RK-4366 for their own commercial or security purposes and will place in danger those persons who the chip.

Below are the scenarios that I have unearthed that need your immediate attention lest this malevolent use of the chip will cause tremendous distress, havoc and an invasion of personal liberties and freedoms.

Scenario One: the chip can migrate to other parts of the body and cause irreversible damage to the liver and kidneys and may cause a blood clot in the lungs leading to a stroke.

Scenario Two: the chip has the capacity to take on "duties" and "assignments" that are questionable in nature to wit: track the whereabouts of a person within three feet of an observing drone or a low flying satellite.

Scenario Three: any attempted removal of the chip causes an alarm to sound by which that alarm can alert local and national police forces and in cases of a person on parole or a person who is deemed a political protester, that is troublesome to say the least.

Scenario Four: Laws are being promulgated that would allow the chip to be implanted in the following persons or cluster group of persons following their arrest for any violations of federal or state laws: (1) civil rights protesters; (2) political dissidents; (3) parole and probation violators; (4) drug users and anyone applying for federal aid including social security benefits; (5) a requirement for all job applicants for city, state, county and federal employment including all registrants for the Selective Service.

As you can see, chip No. RK-4366 presents a host of problems and lends

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Polly Taylor-Gerken Opens Campaign for Re-Election to School Board

Polly Taylor Gerken, first elected to the Toledo Board of Education for a four-year term in 2013, filed her petitions for re-election on Wednesday, August 9, 2017. During the endorsed Democrat's tenure the school board has adopted a strategic plan to guide the Toledo Public Schools' efforts to change. As she filed, Taylor-Gerken emphasized her focus on that strategic plan which includes six goals: increasing student achievement and growth; developing district accountability; providing a safe environment; attracting a highly skilled staff; improving public confidence and ensuring effective district operations.



Polly Taylor-Gerken

Taylor-Gerken is a native of East Toledo, graduating from TPS. Her daughter also graduated from the district and she has another daughter currently enrolled. Additionally, Taylor-Gerken worked for 20 years for the district as a secretary. She has her master's degree in counselor education from the University of Toledo and spent 10 years as a school psychologist. Presently, she is a self-employed licensed school psychologist and psycho-educational consultant.

Taylor-Gerken is one of three endorsed Democrats running for election to the three open seats on the Toledo Board of Education including incumbent Bob Vasquez and first-time candidate Ruth Leonard. Incumbent Chris Varwig, the board president, is also running for re-election.



Board of Elections June Boyd explains process to Toledo Board of Education member Polly Taylor-Gerken as State Rep. Michael Ashford looks on

Early Voting For Sept. 12 Primary

- Monday, Aug. 14 - Last day to register to vote

- Tuesday, Aug. 15 - First day to cast early votes

- Tuesday, Sept. 12 - Primary election day

Lucas County early voting location: 1301 Monroe St., enter on the 13th St. side

- Hours: Aug. 15-Sept. 1, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., weekdays only; closed Labor Day; Sept. 5-Sept. 8, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Sept. 9, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Sept. 10, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Sept. 11, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Authors! Authors! 2017-18

Alan Alda

October 5, 7:00 p.m. @ Stranahan Theater

Tickets: \$20 (all tickets include a copy of his new book)

- Alan Alda has earned international recognition as an actor, writer, and director. He has won seven Emmy Awards, has received three Tony nominations, is an inductee of the Television Hall of Fame, and was nominated for an Academy Award. He is an active member of the science community, having hosted the PBS award-winning series Scientific American Frontiers for 11 years and founded the Alan Alda Center for Communicating Science at Stony Brook University. He is the author of multiple best-selling books including Never Have Your Dog Stuffed: And Other Things I've Learned, Things I Overheard While Talking To Myself, and his latest, If I Understood You, Would I Have This Look on My Face?: My Adventures in the Art and Science of Relating and Communicating.

Wil Haygood

November 1, 7:00 p.m. @ McMaster Center, Main Library

Tickets: \$15

- Wil Haygood is the Pulitzer Prize nominated journalist and award-winning, Ohio-native author of The Butler: A Witness to History (which became the basis for the award-winning film). His newest book, Showdown: Thurgood Marshall and the Supreme Court Nomination that Changed America, is a sweeping epic about the real-life events surrounding the heated appointment of Thurgood Marshall, the first African American Supreme Court justice.

W. Kamau Bell

November 16, 7:00 p.m. @ Stranahan Theater

Tickets: \$15

- W. Kamau Bell is a critically acclaimed sociopolitical comedian, host of the Emmy Award nominated hit CNN show United Shades of America, and author of The Awkward Thoughts of W. Kamau Bell: Tales of a 6' 4", African American, Heterosexual, Cisgender, Left-Leaning, Asthmatic, Black and Proud Blerd, Mama's Boy, Dad, and Stand-Up Comedian. Kamau is also the host of three podcasts: Denzel Washington is The Greatest Actor of All Time Period, Politically Re-Active, and Kamau Right Now!

Michael Pollan

March 27, 2018, 7:00 p.m. @ Stranahan Theater

Tickets: \$15

- Michael Pollan is the critically acclaimed author of multiple award-winning and best-selling books on food and agriculture, including Cooked: A Natural History of Transformation (which in 2017, has become a Netflix Documentary Series), Food Rules: An Eater's Manual, In Defense of Food: An Eater's Manifesto, The Omnivore's Dilemma: A Natural History of Four Meals, and The Botany of Desire: A Plant's-Eye View of the World.

Natalie Morales

April 19, 2018, 7:00 p.m. @ Stranahan Theater

Tickets: \$20 (all tickets include a copy of her new book)

- Natalie Morales has won multiple Emmy Awards, reported for all NBC News platforms including NBC Nightly News, Dateline NBC, MSNBC, and is currently the West Coast anchor of the TODAY Show. Her new book explores her multicultural roots and how she has learned to juggle being a busy working mom while keeping her family's well-being and nutrition in the forefront.

Piper Kerman

May 9, 2018, 7:00 p.m. @ Stranahan Theater

Tickets: \$15

- Piper Kerman is the best-selling, critically acclaimed author of Orange is the New Black: My Year in a Women's Prison, which has been adapted into the Emmy Award-winning Netflix series. She is a nationally recognized witness, educator, and advocate for justice reform, having spoken at the White House, the U.S. Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Human Rights to testify on solitary confinement and women prisoners, and the U.S. Senate Governmental Affairs and Homeland Security Committee to testify about the federal Bureau of Prisons.

Statement Regarding Charlottesville Attacks

Declaration of Independence

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The Ohio Association of Community Action Agencies condemns the domestic terrorist attacks in Charlottesville that killed three Americans and left dozens more injured. The violence stirred by "white supremacists" and neo-Nazi extremist groups are unacceptable and not what our country will stand for.

We fully believe that all Americans are created equal and that our government must stand up to those who threaten our countrymen. Here in Ohio and throughout this country, as part of our mission, we stand against discrimination— racial or other forms. We encourage the President of the United States to do the same and follow in the footsteps of our founding fathers and of our Declaration of Independence, by condemning those who threaten the lives and rights of American citizens.

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The Josh Project Celebrates a Decade of Service

By Tricia Hall

Sojourner's Truth Reporter

The Josh Project celebrated the teaching of water safety in Toledo.

The Josh Project was publicly recognized on August 8, 2017 by State Rep. Michael Ashford. Then immediately followed the presentation as all attendees enjoyed a brief reception with gifts and refreshments.

"I am extremely excited about making it 10 years, and we appreciate all the support from the community. Over the past 10 years, we have learned that operating a non-profit that provides water safety programs is hard. There are times we did not have enough swim instructors. However, USA Swim recently reported that the number of kids that lack swim ability has gone down. I would love to see a public indoor pool that we can access year-round, so kids can practice swim skills," said Executive Director Tankeeya Butts.

The Josh Project was founded in 2006 by Wanda Jean Butts after the drowning of her 16-year-old son, John Josh Butts, at Bird Lake Michigan, when the inflatable raft he was on capsized. Josh never had a swimming lesson and did not know how to swim at the time and could not save himself.

The Josh Project Inc. is a faith-based, not-for-profit organization founded to educate and empower youth, by offering educational opportunities in swim safety. Youth between the ages of four to 18, register for only \$10 and receive four swim lessons by qualified swim instructors at St Francis De Sales High School.

Carla Baucom, mother of three children between the ages of six-13 years of age, first registered her children three years ago and appreciates what the swim lessons have done for her children. "My two older ones can dive into deeper water now and that wasn't the case years ago. Wanda and I are members of the same church, Indiana Ave, and what happened to her son hit home for me, and Isiah Thomas in 2006. My kids needed to learn how to swim. As an educator, I urge the students in my class to learn water safety."

In addition to this public acknowledgement, the Josh Project has received the following honors: a City of Toledo proclamation in May 2011 and The Grio's 100 in 2013 and Wanda Butts was named one of CNN 10 heroes in 2012.

"I'm extremely proud of the work the Josh Project has done for the greater Toledo community, especially as it relates to promoting water



Wanda Butts, Tankeeya Butts, State Rep. Michael Ashford

safety education in minority communities. For the past 10 years, the Josh Project has helped hundreds of men and women, young and old, learn to swim and understand the importance of safe water practices. I have no doubt that their dedicated efforts have succeeded in saving lives," said Ashford.

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention nearly 80 percent of drowning victims are males, and children between the ages of one to four are the highest at risk of drowning. There are factors that impact these statistics: access to swimming pools, desire to learn water safety and lack of swimming ability.



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Democratic Women in Action Host Charity Golf Tournament

By Fletcher Word

Sojourner's Truth Editor

Sixty-one golfers hit the links on Saturday, August 5, in a tournament hosted by the Democratic Women in Action at the South Toledo Golf Club on Heatherdowns. What they happened upon was perfect golf weather, a wealth of raffle prizes and an abundance of delicious food when the rounds of golf were complete.

The second annual DWIA golf tournament is a way for the organization to raise funds for some of their pet projects – most notably the YWCA of

Greater Toledo's battered women's shelter. The DWIA has had a close relationship with the YWCA since the formation of the club five years ago and the tournament is a way to further increase their goal of assisting women in need.

"We're known for our consistency with the Y," said Essie Wiggins, founder of DWIA and the club president.

Wiggins founded the DWIA in order to bring like-minded women together

to help on elections, to assist on outreach to community projects and to support women candidates. There are about 40 members of the DWIA.

The golfers at the charity event represented a cross section of professions and callings – business men and women, non-profit leaders, union officials, elected officials and retirees. The event was catered by Michael Hailey of Ebony's Ribs, Chicken & Seafood who served grilled chicken, pulled pork, cole slaw and potato salad while the prizes were given out

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and the tournament winners were announced. This year's winning four-some consisted of Daryl Nash, Anthony Keyseeker, Rick Keyseeker and John Dygon.



And the winners are - Daryl Nash, Anthony Keyseeker, Rick Keyseeker and John Dygon.



Councilman Kurt Young and his campaign manager, Brittany Moore



DWIA President Essie Wiggins and VP Linda Kemp



DWIA Members - Front - Iris Redman, Linda Kemp, Essie Wiggins, Deadra Grace, Janet Kruse_ Back - Brenda Hill, Patricia London, Valerie Murphy, Brittany Moore, Lois Williams



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Don't Get Schooled, Get Smart about Social Security

By Erin Thompson Social Security Public Affairs Specialist, Toledo, OH
Guest Column

Your summer job might be ending soon. You might even hold a part time job while you're in school. You can easily jump to the head of the class and secure your future with a few simple steps. As a young worker, you're in the best position for planning, investing, and saving for your retirement, growing that nest egg as large as it can be. The sooner you start, the more money you'll have.

There are two easy ways to get started in preparing for retirement: Open a free online *my Social Security* account with Social Security. Having a personal and secure account is easy, but better yet, it empowers you. You can access the services you need in the convenience of your own home or on the go without traveling to a Social Security office. To open or access your account, go to www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount.

Many of our resources are available online and *my Social Security* is one of the best places to access vital information about your retirement. We are constantly adding new features to make your experience with us faster and more convenient. You can even replace your lost or misplaced Social Security card online in certain areas. You could also start a myRA account. myRA is designed for people who don't have a retirement savings plan through their employer, or are limited from other savings options. Check it out at www.myra.gov. If your employer provides a retirement savings plan, such as a 401(k), learn more about that plan's potential matching contributions or other benefits. It's never too early, and the more you save now, the more you'll have later.

Did you know that a 20-year-old has a 1-in-4 chance of becoming disabled before reaching full retirement age? Social Security will be there for you if you become disabled and cannot work. Accessing your online account can also help you determine your estimated future disability benefits. To learn more about disability and to apply, go to www.socialsecurity.gov/disabilityssi/apply.html. The earlier you start preparing for the future, the more comfortable that future will be. Like a good friend, Social Security has your back when it comes to retirement planning or in the unfortunate event of disability. Learn more at www.socialsecurity.gov.

Your Retirement Planning Starts with Social Security

By Erin Thompson Social Security Public Affairs Specialist, Toledo, OH
Guest Column

Right now is the perfect time to start planning for a secure, comfortable retirement. And you can count on Social Security to help you begin the process. First, we encourage you to set up an online *my Social Security* account so you can verify your lifetime earnings record and make sure you get credit for all of your contributions to the Social Security system through the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) payroll taxes. If you haven't set up your personal *my Social Security* account yet, you can do so at www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount.

Then, you can use your earnings history and our online retirement estimators and calculators to get a glimpse of what your Social Security retirement future looks like. You'll find important details such as your retirement age, life expectancy, and estimates of how much you may receive in future retirement benefits from Social Security.

As you look ahead to ensuring a secure, comfortable future for you and your family, it's important to keep in mind that Social Security replaces about 40 percent of your pre-retirement income, on average. So, a responsible retirement plan includes planning for more than Social Security.

Here are some more things you can do now to build your financial security:

- Contribute to pension plans offered by your employers;
- Maintain and grow savings accounts; and
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Kaptur Welcomes First Federal Investment in Toledo Marina District Park Development

Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur (OH-09), co-chairman of the House Great Lakes Task Force learned last week that Metroparks of Toledo will receive \$500,000 to assist in the redevelopment of Toledo's Marina District as an urban metropark. According to Kaptur, the metropark of Toledo's East Riverfront Restoration Phase 1 will receive the funding from Sustain Our Great Lakes, a public-private partnership that supports habitat restoration in the Great Lakes Basin, and is administered by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF).

The Toledo East Riverfront Restoration Phase 1 project will restore 21 acres of former brownfields along the Maumee River near downtown Toledo, with a total project cost of over \$2.7 million.

"The Toledo Metroparks and its public and private partners are to be heartily

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food baskets a year. People call in, they come in and pick up a food basket that is going to last a minimum of three days for a family. Also, our building is utilized by other community groups. For instance, the citywide missionaries association is going to use the building and be at the park doing hot dogs and things of that nature and passing out literature in the park for a good part of the day, so we work with them and others.

Perryman: Please talk about how your work at the Kitchen and now, the Martin Luther King Jr. Center, prepared you for your council candidacy.

Savage: I see City Council basically as an extension of my community service. I've been in community service for a number of years and so looking at where we're at and what we're doing, I think with the wealth of knowledge that I've obtained through the years that it's just a natural fit for me to step up into City Council. I've worked for DuPont, a major corporation, for 20 years and I've done extensive community service work through them. I was involved with addressing substance abuse; I was involved in organizational development. These are things that the city needs to get better at doing and I'm hoping to be able to step in there and take a look at improving the efficiency and effectiveness of what we're doing within the city. Now I know it can be done, we just have to step up to the plate and do those things that we need to be doing to make this community a lot better.

I've also been involved with several organizations and a past president of Community Shares, which is a federation of local nonprofits and we're together doing solicitations for our different organizations. So, I understand what people are looking for and what they want out of us, as council members. And so I'm prepared. I think we're competitive right now and I think that there's a good chance we're going to get in and so that's kind of where we're at right now.

Perryman: What would be your agenda or your vision for the city at large and how does that differ from your vision, if you have one, for the inner city?

Savage: Well, it's a combination. One of the largest issues for the city at large is maintenance of our streets. People are really complaining, so I think that we would put a plan together that would make a lot of sense. We should be able to budget and structure it in a way that we can effectively manage that. The other thing is safety. Safety is a major issue, particularly just recently, somebody went down the street shooting at somebody on a porch at a kid's party I believe, and they actually grazed a little girl and I think they hit an adult. And so we in the inner city, I think we're kind of tired of that, and so we would like to see a lot more community policing and we would like to do whatever we need to do to make this a safe city. I was born here and so I feel like this is my city and I feel like these kids that are really going off the deep end, these are our kids. We've got to step up within the inner city as well as people that are outside the city to support our city and get this city back on track. And so I see that happening and I just had to talk to police on Thursday. They understand what's happening and they want to help, but they cannot do it alone, they need the citizens to be a big part of what happens within the central city.

Perryman: Do you have specific proposals? How would you go about improving safety?

Savage: After talking to the deputy chief, right, we do need to get the staffing numbers up. It's great that they've got a class of 40 officers that they put together, but we need to continue to get those numbers up, and we need a lot more involvement from the citizens. The citizens need to be participating in what's going on and I think we need to be more effective in the block watches. The other thing that we have that's an issue within the community is lighting. The lighting is just not good in several areas, we're looking at that and we'll put together a list of things that we would like to see done and where we'd like the better lighting. The property, better control of the grass and things of that nature will make the community look a little better, but some of this the citizens will have to step up and help with and so that's kind of where we are.

Perryman: This is going to be a pretty tight race and you have a lot of competition out there, so finally, please tell The Truth readers what there is about you that separates you from the rest of the pack of candidates.

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congratulated for advancing an important and competitive application to receive these funds," said Kaptur. "Our local community is on the front line of caring for Lake Erie and has worked with federal partners to move this project forward. This major investment in open space in Toledo's core will have lasting impact on Lake Erie and the Great Lakes ecosystem."

Congresswoman Kaptur is a senior member of the House Appropriations Committee and its subcommittee on the Interior Department which funds the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation.

Additional information about the funded Ohio projects and the full 2017 Sustain Our Great Lakes 2017 Grant Slate can be found online.

Savage: I think there are a lot of people who are just getting started whereas I've been here, do you understand what I'm saying? I'm not just coming out getting started trying to learn the community, learn the people and those things. I've been here, I know the people, I understand what's here. I have a great wealth of knowledge with the things I've done in life and with the jobs I've held, so I come to the race running with a wealth of knowledge, and so that's what I think separates me from the others and I've got people that I think that support me and they have faith in me.

So that's the difference, with me having worked in the community for the number of years that I have, I think that's what I'm going to bring to the party that's different than a lot of the other candidates.

Contact Rev. Donald Perryman, D.Min, at drdperryman@centerofhopebaptist.org

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Terri Schlichenmeyer

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Meet Romeo from Italy.

He's eight years old and lives with his parents and siblings in a house with a vineyard out back. There, he has rock-throwing contests with his friends after school. Romeo loves to eat lasagna for dinner, he likes working on model cars with his father, and he goes to bed covered with a warm down blanket.

Meet Daphine, whose nickname is "Abwooli."

Daphine is seven years old and lives in Uganda "in a house made of wood and mud." At private school, she wears a red t-shirt and green shorts, just like every other student there. Because her school is very far from home, Daphine lives with her grandmother during the week; even so, she walks a half-hour to get to class.

Meet Ananya, who is called "Anu."

Eight years old, Anu lives in India and helps her mother after school by hanging laundry outside on a line to dry. Dinnertime for her family is at nine o'clock; afterward, Anu likes to play with her sister before bedtime; then, the entire family sleeps together in one huge bed.

Meet Kian, who is seven years old.

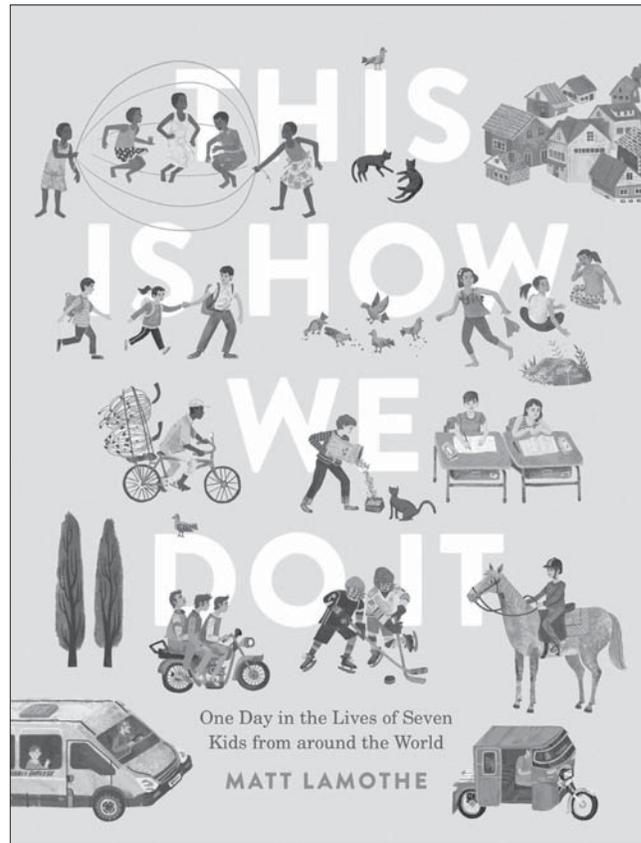
Living in Iran in an apartment near the Caspian Sea, Kian wears a uniform to his all-boys school, where he studies Farsi and the Quran. One of the things Kian likes to do after school is to go horseback riding, and he enjoys helping take care of his baby brother. He also loves to watch cartoons on TV before going to sleep beneath his favorite blanket.

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Based on seven real families living in countries around the world, *"This is How We Do It"* is a nice introduction to other cultures and a "typical day" that the worlds' children might experience.

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Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority (LMHA) will receive proposals for **Roofing Services Authority-Wide / RFP#17-R015**, Received in accordance with law until **Sept 5, 2017 at 3:00 PM ET**. For documents: www.lucasmha.org; 435 Nebraska Ave., Toledo, OH 43604; or 419-259-9446 (TRS: Dial 711). Proposers are required to meet Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunity requirements as described in Executive Order #11246. This contract opportunity is a Section 3 Covered Contract and any Sect 3 Business Concerns are encouraged to apply.



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Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority (LMHA), located in Toledo, OH is seeking experienced applicants for the following position(s): Senior Accountant I; Maintenance Coordinator. For complete details, visit www.lucasmha.org/Careers. Deadline: 08/20/17. This is a Section 3 covered position(s). HUD recipients are encouraged to apply and are to indicate on the application if you are a LMHA Public Housing client or Housing Choice Voucher Program participant. Persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply. NO PHONE CALLS. Equal employment opportunity shall be afforded to all qualified persons without regard to age, race, color, religion, religious creed, gender, military status, ancestry, disability, handicap, sexual orientation, genetic information or national origin.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Commissioners of the Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority (LMHA) is preparing to submit its Annual Plan 2018 to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2018. The Annual Plan 2018 is available for review at LMHA's Website (www.lucasmha.org). LMHA invites you to submit comments during the next 45 days. Please submit comments to cmorgan@lucasmha.org.

You are invited to a public hearing on **Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 4:00 p.m., McClinton Nunn Community Bldg., 425 Nebraska Ave., Toledo, OH 43604**. Interested citizens will be provided pertinent information regarding strategic goals and program activities of the LMHA. Citizens are encouraged to attend this public hearing and provide additional comments on the Annual Plan 2018.

Should attendees require auxiliary aids due to a disability, please contact LMHA at 419-259-9457 or TRS 711, at least one week prior to hearing date.



Hugh W. Grefe, Chairman
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Notice to Bidders: Inquiry # FY18-06, (Project # 1020-17-964) for Campus Infrastructure Improvements - Phase 3 for the University of Toledo. Sealed bids for this project must be clearly marked with the project number on all inner and outer envelopes and/or shipping containers. Bids must be addressed and delivered to the University of Toledo, Facilities and Construction, Plant Operations, Room 1100, 2925 E. Rocket Drive, MS 216, Toledo, Ohio 43606 before 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2017. Bids will be publicly opened that same day at 2:05 p.m. in the Plant Operations Building, Room 1000. Copies of Plans, Specifications, and Bid Forms may be obtained from Becker Impressions, 4646 Angola Road, Toledo, Ohio 43615. Call 419-385-5303 for an appointment to pick up bid package. A cost of \$85.00 will be charged per set. Any further information may be obtained from David Desjardins of JDRM Engineering at 419-824-2400. One Pre-Bid Conference will be held on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in the Plant Operations Building, Room 1000, at the University of Toledo, 2925 E. Rocket Drive, Toledo, OH 43606. Total Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond are required per section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. EDGE Participation Goal: 15%. Project Estimate: \$1,627,800.00; Breakdown: Exterior Mechanical Utility Upgrade: \$1,117,800.00; HVAC: \$450,000.00 & Electrical: \$60,000.00.

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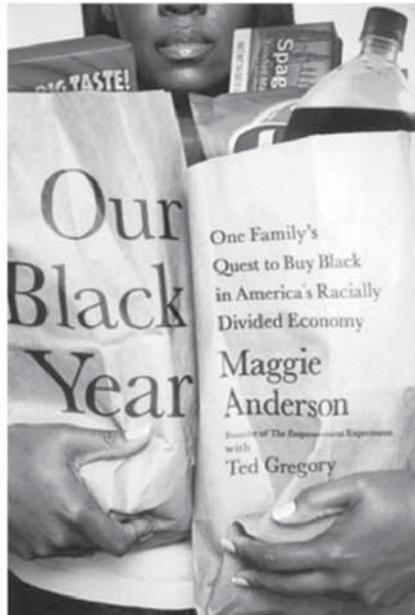
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Manning Family Pays Homage to a Lost Gift from Heaven

Sojourner's Truth Staff

About 30 family members and friends of Cethus Jerome "Jay" Manning II gathered on Tuesday August 8 at the Historic Woodlawn Cemetery to celebrate the 20th birthday of a young man who would have been with them had he not been gunned down by persons unknown last February 21.



Cephus Jerome Manning II

"It's not easy losing a gift from heaven," said CJ Manning, Jay's father, as he opened the afternoon dedication ceremony. "There is so much trouble in the world – we as adults have to lead the next generation into something positive ... no parent should have to go through what we have gone through. I miss him every day."

"This would have been Jay's 20th birthday," added Glenda Ellis-Manning, his mother. "We implore anybody, with any information, please call Crimestoppers ... he was a good son – he was just becoming a man, but he didn't get a chance."

After the remarks, balloons were passed out to the attendees so that they could write messages to Jay and release the balloons together.

Jay Manning was a 2016 graduate of Rogers High School and was a track star during his time there. He worked for Fed Ex and was also attending Penta Career Center under an apprenticeship program for welding. He loved to work on cars, welding crafts and was considered the "Playstation King."

Jay was an affiliate of several different committees. He was an officer of the Wardrobe Committee at Calvary Baptist Church; a member of the Youth Advisory Committee at Calvary; on the Advisory Committee for Robinson Elementary.

Jay was shot in the early morning hours of February 21 as he sat inside a car in the 100 block of Everett Street. There are no leads in the case according to the Toledo Police Department.

The family has opened a GoFundMe account to raise money for the case. If anyone has information regarding the fatal incident, the Crimestoppers number of 419-255-1111 can be called anonymously.



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- **3 North/South Crosstown**
- schedule adjustments
- **10 Rossford Call-A-Ride**
- downtown Toledo routing changes
- **10L Rossford via Hollywood Casino**
- Rossford and downtown Toledo routing changes
- **16 Alexis via Meijer**
- routing and schedule adjustments
- **27H Nebraska/Hill-Reynolds**
- **27N Nebraska/Angola-Wenz**
- weekday schedule adjustments; weekend timepoints clarified
- **28 Indiana/Smead**
- **28/30 City Park/Indiana/Oakwood**
- weekday schedule adjustments
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