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Pat Hogue Honored and Surprised by a Host of Friends
Service Changes Effective Sunday, January 7, 2018, Include New Weekday “Lineups”

Lineup service is currently only available evenings, weekends, and holidays

TARTA will implement its winter 2018 route schedule on Sunday, January 7 with improvements to include new daytime “lineups” for all TARTA weekday fixed-line service. Lineups allow for routes to meet at once on Jackson Street every 30 minutes for the majority of routes with the upcoming changes—so riders may catch other buses at the same time and location to make their trips more timely and efficient.

Downtown route connectivity will be increased to every 30 minutes on Jackson Street along four blocks from Summit to Erie streets. Currently, lineup service is only available evenings, weekends, and holidays. And weekday route connections presently occur every 30-50 minutes and don’t necessarily coincide with passengers’ other bus schedules.

Route change information is available at TARTA.com/Winter2018.

NEW daytime lineups for all TARTA weekday fixed-line services increasing Downtown route connectivity to every 30 minutes

- **BLOCK 1**: Seagate Station; Jackson St, between N Summit St and N St Clair St
- **BLOCK 2**: Jackson St, between N St Clair St and N Superior St
- **BLOCK 3**: Jackson St, between N Superior St and N Huron St
- **BLOCK 4**: Government Station; Jackson St, between N Huron St and N Erie St

Time schedule and routing adjustments as follows; select a route to download a PDF file of its timetable and map

- **1/4 Ottawa Hills/Sylvania/Sylvania Twp Call-A-Ride** - holiday service discontinued; Sunday hours adjusted from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. to 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- **2** (formerly 2/H/M) Franklin Park via Toledo Hospital-BLOCK 2: schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes with access to ProMedica Toledo Hospital on all trips; 2/H/M renamed to 2
  - **3 North/South Crosstown**: NO CHANGES
  - **5 (formerly 5/5R) Dorr via UT Main Campus/Walmart**: BLOCK 1: adjusted schedule for lineup and routing changes; no access to the Independence/Ohio/Thomkin loop; UT Transit Center: outbound only
  - **6/N/S King Road/City of Sylvania**: NO CHANGES
  - **8/29 Maumee/Waterhouse Call-A-Ride**: holiday service discontinued; Sunday hours adjusted from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. to 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
  - **10 Rossford Call-A-Ride**: schedule adjusted for lineup changes
  - **10L Rossford via Hollywood Casing**: NO CHANGES
  - **12 (formerly 12/13)** Front/Start-BLOCK 4: schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; all trips now clockwise; 12 renamed to 12
    - **14 (formerly 11/14)** East Broadway/Oak-BLOCK 4: schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; all trips now clockwise direction; 11/14 renamed to 14
  - **15A Summit/Suder/Alexis-BLOCK 4**: schedule adjusted for lineup changes
  - **15E Summit/Point Place via Alexis-BLOCK 4**: schedule adjusted for lineup changes
  - **16 Alexis via Meijer-BLOCK 4**: schedule adjusted for lineup changes
  - **17B LaGrange/Bennett via Miracle Mile-BLOCK 2**: schedule adjusted for lineup changes
  - **17E LaGrange/Eleanor via Miracle Mile-BLOCK 2**: schedule adjusted for lineup changes
  - **19F Cherry/Franklin Park-BLOCK 4**: schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; no access to Laskey/Secor
  - **19T Cherry/Tremainsville-BLOCK 4**: schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes to absorb Laskey/Secor
  - **20F (formerly 24) Central Ave/Franklin Park Mall-BLOCK 2**: schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes to absorb route 24 between Downtown and Delaware/Detroit; no access to ProMedica Toledo Hospital; Franklin Park via Central/Talmadge; no access to Executive Parkway/Secor Rd
  - **20M Central/Meijer Drive-BLOCK 2**: schedule adjusted for lineup changes
  - **20W (formerly 24T) Ottawa Hills via Westgate-BLOCK 2**: Ot... continued on page 11

Last week, following the public release of a Government Accountability Office (GAO) report entitled “Financial Services Industry: Trends in Management Representation of Minorities and Women and Diversity Practices, 2007-2015,” Congresswoman Maxine Waters (D-CA), Ranking Member of the House Committee on Financial Services, Senator Sherrod Brown (D-OH), Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, and Congressman Al Green (D-TX), Ranking Member of the House Financial Services Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, issued the following comments:

“It is important that we improve the racial, ethnic and gender diversity in the financial services industry workforce,” said Ranking Member Waters. “In this report, the GAO found only a modest improvement in the overall representation of minorities in management positions in the financial services industry from 2007 through 2015, and the report very troublingly shows that representation of African Americans actually decreased at various management levels, despite the increasingly diverse racial and ethnic demographic makeup of the American population. This is unacceptable. Diverse representation in the management of these institutions is essential in order to ensure that all consumers have fair access to credit, capital and banking and financial services.”

“The GAO report is troubling,” said Ranking Member Brown. “Improving diversity in these positions, particularly senior level positions, is critical to ensure all communities are well-served. American prosperity succeeds when everyone has access to financial services tools and are able to fully participate in the economy.”

“Although I am heartened to see that overall representation of women and minorities in the financial services industry has increased, I am deeply concerned that representation of African-Americans at various management levels has decreased,” said Ranking Member Green. “To continue

Overall representation of women was generally unchanged from 2007 through 2015. Representation of women among first- and mid-level managers remained around 48 percent and senior-level managers remained about 29 percent during this period.

The GAO report, which is an update to an April 2013 report, was requested by Ranking Member Waters, Ranking Member Brown, and Ranking Member Green.
YWCA Hosts Second Annual Unity March

The YWCA IRise Coalition will be holding a second annual Unity March on Sunday, January 21, 2018 from 3:30 p.m. – 6 p.m. in Downtown Toledo. The event will be peaceful and positive, no negative protesting.

The march will start at the Toledo Loves Love wall (1209 Adams St) at 3:30 p.m. and conclude at Trinity Episcopal (316 Adams). Participants who cannot march are invited to join us at Trinity Episcopal beginning at 4:30 p.m. for refreshments, a resource fair and additional speakers. The YWCA IRise Coalition encourages all citizens to join together and promote a clear message that Toledo/Lucas County stands for peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all. We march to demonstrate that we stand with all members of our community especially those most vulnerable. Last year the march had over 500 participants.

“We want to show that Toledo/Lucas County stands with all of the members of our community at a time when prejudice and divisiveness are on the rise nationally,” said March Organizer and YWCA Youth Development Director Penny Tullis. The YWCA of Northwest Ohio works to meet the diverse needs of women and eliminate racism by serving more than 15,000 individuals through various programs each year. Those programs include the Domestic Violence Shelter, H.O.P.E. (Rape Crisis) Center, Child Care Resource and Referral, Youth Development, Permanent Housing, and Healthy Connections.

For more information on the march please visit our Facebook Page I Rise, Toledo at facebook.com/toledoirise or call Penny Tullis at 419-241-3235 ext. 120. For more information on the YWCA please visit ywcanwo.org

GOP bill rewards employers who break the law, threatens worker safety

HB 380 creates loopholes for corporations who actively hire undocumented workers

State Rep. Michael Ashford (D-Toledo) last week voted in opposition to House Bill (HB) 380, a Republican-sponsored bill to deny workers’ compensation benefits to undocumented workers who get injured or killed on the job. The House passed the bill on a largely party-line vote.

“Though Republicans say employees and their families will have the opportunity to pursue legal action against employers if they get injured or killed on the job, the burden of proof is so high that the chances of winning a challenge are all but zero,” said Ashford. “The fallout from this bill will impact injured workers and their families, as well as everyday Ohioans, who will be stuck with the bills companies that cheat the system and hire undocumented workers will no longer be required to pay.”

Employers would not be liable for damages under HB 380 as long as the employee seeking damages is an undocumented worker or a non-citizen dependent of an undocumented worker killed on the job. The bill also creates the legal presumption that the employer did not hire a person knowing they were undocumented, placing the burden of proof onto the worker to prove the employer willfully made the hire knowing the applicant was unauthorized to work in the U.S.

HB 380 now moves to the Senate for consideration.
What’s Love Got To Do With It? Everything!!!

By Fletcher Word
Sojourner’s Truth Editor

Patricia Hogue, PhD – totally shocked when she was suddenly and unexpectedly greeted and surrounded by almost 100 friends, colleagues and students at a gathering in her honor on Saturday, December 9 – took quite a few minutes to grasp the reality of the situation and to calm down from the impact of the surprise and the outpouring of love. Earlier, at around 3:00 p.m., a number of Hogue’s friends had surreptitiously come together at the Kent Branch Library and Hogue’s husband, Ron Hogue – in on the surprise and using a ruse – had craftily guided her to the location for the celebration without giving away the secret.

There to celebrate her life and her countless gifts to so many parts of the community were University of Toledo colleagues and students; the Toledo Chapter of Links, Inc and Alpha Kappa Alpha, Inc. members; Friendship Baptist Church congregants, along with an assortment of longtime friends. The tribute was coordinated by Deborah Barnett, Rhonda Sewell, Pat Sloan and Kaye Patten Wallace, along with Ron Hogue, but it was, in fact, an effort of an entire community.

After her arrival and the many initial greetings, Hogue was treated to brief addresses from friends representing the many organizations Hogue has been associated with – The Links, AKA, Friendship, UT, among others. “You know how spiritual Dr. Hogue is,” said Barnett, a fellow Links sister and the mistress of ceremonies for the event. “She has impacted each and every one of our lives.”

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The Toledo Library Is Going to the Dogs!

All Library locations to offer Dog License Services

By Benjamin Malczewski, Media Relations Coordinator
Special to The Truth

The Toledo Lucas County Public Library, in partnership with the Lucas County Auditor and Lucas County Canine Care and Control, is now issuing dog licenses (and license renewal) at ALL of our library locations. Simply visit the Customer Service desk at Main Library or any Library Branch during hours of operation and our staff will assist you (your dog should not accompany you).

Lucas County Auditor Anita Lopez initiated and secured a partnership with the Toledo Lucas County Public Libraries to provide even more convenient, dog-licensing locations. The twenty, additional locations create a network of thirty-one dog-licensing locations and put more dog licensing vendors in areas densely populated with dog owners.

“We discovered that increasing community partnerships is a component of the Library’s strategic plan, so it made perfect sense for us to explore working together. Our new relationship improves our ability to service Lucas County, taxpayers and the relationship contributes to each of our organizational objectives,” said Anita Lopez. Neither of the partners believes that service will suffer because the number of vendor locations increases from 18 to 31. “As a community anchor with 20 locations countywide and outstanding customer service, we look forward to welcoming Lucas County dog lovers to the library to license their pooches,” said Jason Kucsma, Deputy Director at Toledo Lucas County Public Library.

Although, there are over 38,000 dog-owners who purchased over 53,000 licenses, Richard Stewart, Director of Lucas County Canine Care believes that there could be thousands of dog-owners with unlicensed dogs. “We want to make it very clear that there are many benefits to licensing your dog,” says Mr. Stewart. “First, the law requires dog-owners to purchase a license. If your licensed dog gets lost and our Canine Control Specialists find it, the pet will receive a safe and free ride home. Also, most dog-parks require a license.”

Reminders:
• Dog licensing for the 2018 season begins December 1, 2017 – January 31, 2018
• Licenses purchased after the deadline of January 31 will be assessed a
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How to Incorporate Learning into Your Child’s Daily Routine

Special to The Truth

Young children don’t need to be in a classroom to learn important skills. And the earlier you get started, the better. Here are some great ways to incorporate fun learning experiences into your child’s day.

Bath Time

Don’t miss the opportunity to make bath time a fun and engaging experience. Count rubber duckies together, sing “Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes,” complete with corresponding choreography, and read books – just be sure they are of the waterproof variety! Even just talking to your children during this time can be educational, helping them pick up new vocabulary and develop language skills.

Play Time

With careful consideration, your play area can serve double-duty, being a station for fun while encouraging a child’s curiosity and love of learning. Consider innovative learning toys that actively teach important skills, such as counting, shapes, colors and the alphabet, while introducing the problem-solving, creativity and social skills children will need to thrive as they grow.

Certain toy brands, such as LeapFrog, have created a variety of learning tools that are also fun to play with for young kids. For example, their new Scoop & Learn Ice Cream Cart can help children build memory and sequencing skills while they create ice cream cones with a scooper that recognizes colors and flavors. The brand also has a combination laptop and touch screen tablet called the 2-in-1 LeapTop Touch, which is designed to help kids learn letters, numbers and music.

“Childhood is a time of discovery, so seek out toys designed to foster children’s natural curiosity,” says Dr. Clement Chau, director of learning for LeapFrog. “Toys should provide a range of experiences that build a strong foundation of learning.”

Dr. Chau also recommends Step & Learn Scout, a pet pup that teaches kids letters and counting while they develop gross motor skills and get some exercise, as well as the Stack & Tumble Elephant, for building hand-eye coordination while learning songs, numbers and phrases.

Mealtime

Mealtime is the perfect time of day to teach kids about their health, as well as good nutrition habits. You can teach kids about the five food groups, as well as vitamin basics, so they learn that what they put into their body can have a positive impact on their growth and wellness. Kids can also develop motor skills by helping you in the kitchen. From pouring to mixing to measuring, there are many kitchen tasks perfect for little hands.

Bedtime

Help kids wind down before bed with some great books. Read to your children until they can read to themselves. You’ll be forming a lifelong habit of learning.

The right tools and habits can make it easy to seamlessly incorporate education into your child’s daily routine.

Courtesy StatePoint
AKA Sorority Welcomes New Members

On December 3, 2017 Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated, Zeta Alpha Omega Chapter welcomed 11 women into membership during a luncheon ceremony at the Radisson Hotel. This group of college-educated women represents a variety of professions and interests. The AKA president is Felicia Dunston and the membership chairman is Marie L. Bush, Ph.D.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority was the first African-American sorority founded at Howard University in 1908. It is international with over 1,000 graduate chapters throughout the world. The purpose of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. is to cultivate and encourage high scholastic and ethical standards, to promote unity and friendship among college women, to study and help alleviate problems concerning girls and women, to maintain a progressive interest in college life, and to be of service to all mankind. The local chapter strives to be a visible and viable community stakeholder while fostering communication, sisterly relations, and a commitment to serve all mankind.

The mistress of ceremonies for the New Members Luncheon was Morgannia Dawson. Marge Huntley, chaplain, offered the meditation and grace. This year’s new members are Annette Abbott Pope, Marcia Brown, Victoria McDuffie, Janae Miller, Constance Okoyo-Nantwi, Malinda Prowell, Ashley Smith, Leigh Utley, Alexis Vick, Stephanie White and Fionne Wright.

You’re Never too Little to Share the Love of Reading

By Lynne Hamer, PhD; Program Coordinator Teach Toledo

Special to The Truth

“Allison’s Books + Beanies” is collecting new children’s books and soft newborn hats to give to babies and their parents in area Newborn Intensive Care Units (NICUs) in Toledo. The effort is in honor of Allison Russell, a Toledo preschooler who loved books and who passed away in August at age four, and is led by Allison’s family.

Sisters Brooklynn, Kalei, and Erin Russell and mother Amy Russell spent many good times reading with Allison, who was born premature at 26 weeks, and who spent a lot of time in NICUs in Toledo and Ann Arbor.

Allison had five favorite books, the most memorable being It’s Okay to be Different (by Todd Parr), and she carried them around so much that they had to be replaced often. Her sisters said that she really enjoyed several “Find and Read” big board books as well.

Mom Amy recalled that in one book, Allison liked to point to the various animals, make their sounds, and at the end point to the sun, which was her cue to sing “Oh Mr. Sun, Sun, Mr. Golden Sun,” a favorite song on many preschoolers.

Sister Kalei said they liked to read to Allison because of her expressions: “When we read to her she would smile, get excited and laugh.”

Mom Amy explained the importance of reading to young children: “Even though she couldn’t maybe understand all the words, just to hear your voice developed her communication skills.”

This family knows that reading is an act of love, and so they intend to share that love with babies and their families in NICU units. They have asked the general public and also their schoolmates at Grove Patterson Academy and Toledo School for the Arts to help spread the love this holiday season. Each school has a donation box which is filling up with books, beanies, and other cuddly toys.

Readers can find “Allison’s Books + Beanies” on Facebook to share the call for donations with others. Donations need to be new items, as children in NICU have compromised immune systems. Donations can be taken to Grove Patterson Academy (3020 Marvin Avenue), Toledo School for the Arts (333 14th Street), or Pilgrim Church (375 W. Sylvania).
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Crossgates Elementary to Honor Student Volunteer with Scarlet and Gray Celebration

Students from St. John’s Jesuit High School (SJJ) visit Crossgates Pre-school each week for a two-hour block to work in classrooms and other capacities. Their goal is to earn 100 hours of Christian Service, which is a graduation requirement. The partnership between TPS preschool and SJJ has existed for 12 years. Dallas Gant, a senior at St. John’s, has earned his Christian service hours over the past two years. The students are celebrating his last day as a volunteer and early high school graduation by wearing scarlet and gray since he will be attending The Ohio State University in January 2018. Footage of Gant interacting with students will be featured in a video that will be shown during the Army Bowl Game.

Gant will be honored on Wednesday, December 13 at 9:30 a.m. at Crossgates, 3901 Shadylawn.

TPS Early Childhood Education to Host Second Annual Preschool Winterfest with Santa

Thursday, December 14 at 11:00 a.m., Santa and his two elves will deliver gifts to the students of TPS’ Head Start program. All gifts were donated by district staff members to make sure each student had a gift this holiday season. Santa and his elves are also TPS administrators. Students will receive gifts and a treat bag with more goodies to enjoy during the event. The event will held at 1500 N. Superior at the TPS Head Start.

Mom’s House to Receive a Donation From the Start Cheerleaders and Boys’ Basketball Team

The Start High School cheerleaders and boy’s basketball team are giving back to the community through a student-led charity drive in support of Mom’s House. The organization provided the cheerleaders with three different “wish list” items. Each team (Freshman, JV, and Varsity) are responsible for facilitating the collection of all requested items. The boy’s basketball team will be presenting Mom’s House with a check for $500 at 7:30 p.m. This is a surprise for Mom’s House representatives who plan to be at the game. The event will take place on Friday, December 15 at 7:30 p.m. at Start High School at 2010 Tremainsville Rd.

Waite High School Staff to Support 32 Families for the Holidays

For 86 years, Waite High School staff and alumni have been adopting families in need for the holidays. This year, in partnership with the East Toledo Family Center (ETFC), they will support 32 families with the help of the Waite feeder schools. ETFC identifies the families who need assistance which can range from a family of seven to a single senior citizen. Nearly all of the recipients are from the Waite High School District and will receive a robust basket including canned goods, milk, juice, rice, bread, eggs provided by the schools. Sponsors donate other types of food, clothing, toys and paper products. All deliveries will be on Monday, December 18 beginning at 11:30 a.m. Photo and media opportunities at 11:15 a.m.

Get in the Holiday Spirit with the First Ever District-Wide Musical Extravaganza

TPS will host an afternoon of fun and holiday cheer as students perform a medley of seasonal favorites. From orchestras to show choirs, TPS is bringing talent from various high schools across the district to Bowsher High School to help get the community in the holiday spirit. Sweet treats will be provided and the event is free to those 60 or better. Santa and one of his elves also plan to make an appearance on Monday, December 18 at Bowsher High School from 1 to 3 p.m.

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Addressing Hogue, Barnett added: “All of your best friends have come together. The community that loves you put this on. Our community needs heroes and sheroes whom we need to celebrate – that’s what we are doing this afternoon.”

Hogue, a longtime UT employee is an associate dean of Diversity and Inclusion and associate professor in the Physicians Assistants Department. A native of Norristown, PA, Hogue has been in Toledo for almost 30 years and, in fact, started the university’s PA program in 1993. Over the years in Toledo and with the university, Hogue has been fully engaged in such a wide range of activities. As this paper wrote almost 10 years ago:

“She teaches, she counsels, she sees patients, she serves as a faculty advisor to the on-campus chapter of the Student National Medical Association (the group that helps those members of underrepresented minorities), she publishes, she researches women’s health, minority health and geriatric issues, she holds licenses as a registered nurse and a board-certified physician’s assistance. ‘I’m a pack mule,’ she says. ‘I just do it all.’”

In addition to her work with The Links, AKA and Friendship, Hogue has also served on the boards of the Northwest Ohio Planned Parenthood, the Ohio Association of Physicians Assistants and te YWCA of Greater Toledo.

“You bring so much joy into our lives,” said Felicia Dunston, president of AKA, at Saturday’s ceremony, leading off the tributes, and summing up the theme that the rest of the speakers would repeat over and over again.

Then followed an assortment of praises for the guest of honor by so many others in the audience.

After the speeches, guests were able to feast on an assortment of goodies brought in for the love-fest.
The National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women’s Clubs, Inc. The Toledo Club and Maumee Bay Adult and Youth Clubs and the YWCA of NW Ohio

The National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women’s Clubs, Inc. The Toledo Club and Maumee Bay Adult and Youth Clubs and the YWCA of NW Ohio presented a Domestic Violence Panel Discussion entitled: Domestic Violence on Lockdown” on Monday, October 23, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the YWCA on 1018 Jefferson Avenue Toledo, Ohio 43604

Presidents Linda Collins (Maumee Bay Club) and Frances Collins, PhD, (The Toledo Club) welcomed the guests and spoke of the importance of having a program such as Domestic Violence that can benefit everyone.

The moderators were Brenda Holsey – NANBPWC, Inc., Maumee Bay event chair and Denise Black-Poon – Toledo Club first vice president and program chair. Holsey highlighted the purpose of the Domestic Violence Panel Discussion. She stated that The NANBPWC, Inc. National Mandated Project addresses current and critical issues within the country, including Triple Negative Breast Cancer, Heart decease, domestic violence, emergency preparedness and community policing.

Holsey also stated that women are much more likely to be victims of intimate partner violence with 85 percent of domestic abuse victims being women and 15 percent men. Too often women hide the fact that they are subject to violent conditions and information about available resources for individuals who are confronted with similar situations either directly or indirectly.

The purpose of panel is to dig a little deeper into some of the themes and real-life experiences being or working with community leaders with the specific experiences that deals with Domestic Violence/ Battered Women/ human trafficking. The organizations talked about what shaped their thinking, experiences, and the challenges they face.

Black-Poon and Holsey introduced a panel of specialists from the Toledo Area. The panelist were: Lisa McDuffie, president and CEO YWCA of NW Ohio and the Battered Women’s Shelter; Jessica Adkins-McCovey; Pastor Cherissie Smith; Augustine Carl Abbott, Family and Child Abuse Prevention Center; Dana Slay -Toledo Police Department; Deb Stoll - director of the Rape Crisis Center and Human Trafficking.

An informative question and answers segment followed and left the audience with a new outlook on certain issues about domestic violence, ready to share the information and also happy to know that there are many resources and ways to react in many situations.

McDuffie gave closing remarks and shared information on the “NO MORE” Domestic Violence Task Force of which that this program is a great supporter. The blue NO MORE program symbol is the first overarching, unifying symbol to express universal support for ending domestic violence and sexual assault. Survivor-inspired, the unifying symbol represents the NANBPWC’s goal of zero gender-based violence.

Domestic Violence is the wilful intimidation, physical assault, battery, sexual assault, and/or other abusive behaviour as a part of a systematic pattern of power and control perpetrated by one intimate partner against another.

“Domestic Violence on Lockdown”

It includes physical violence, sexual violence, psychological violence, and emotional abuse. The frequency and severity of domestic violence can vary dramatically; however, the one constant component of domestic violence is one partner’s consistent efforts to maintain power and control over the other.

Domestic Violence is an epidemic affecting individuals in every community, regardless of age, economic status, sexual orientation, gender, race, religion, or nationality. It is often accompanied by emotional abuse and controlling behaviour that is only a fraction of a systematic pattern of dominance and control. Domestic violence can result in physical injury, psychological trauma, and in severe cases, even death. The devastating physical, emotional and psychological consequences of domestic violence can cross generations.

51th Kwanzaa Anniversary
December 26 -29 2017

Time: 5:00 p.m. Vendors & Adults /
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Kids Christmas Books by Various Authors and Illustrators

By Terri Schlichenmeyer
The Truth Contributor

You’d better watch out. You’d better not cry.
Your child knows exactly what comes next, you can bet on it. You can also bet that he’s not about to take anything Santa-related lightly, so why not bring Santa home in a book this holiday season? Try one of these new stories, meant exactly for kids who love read-aloud time:

The little one who needs speed and craves All Things Automotive will want you to find The 12 Sleighs of Christmas by Sherry Duskey Rinker, illustrated by Jake Parker again and again. It’s the tale of a (gulp!) busted-up sleigh, discovered to be in bad shape with just days to go before the Big Guy takes off. So maybe it’s time for an upgrade up North? The results will have your three-to-seven-year-old motorhead revving his engine for the holidays...

Kids generally see Santa in a serious vein, but for the child who likes her holiday with a dose of humor, Missile Toe: A Very Confused Christmas by Devin Scillian, illustrated by Marty Kelley is a great book to have around this season. Through silly poems and pictures, your child will get a chance to laugh at Christmas carol parodies and beloved holiday must-haves. No, it’s not disrespectful – it’s hilarious, and elementary-school kids will eat it up.

For slightly older kids (ages eight-to-12, perhaps) who can sit still for a bit longer and who can appreciate beautiful artwork, Santa Calls by William Joyce will become an instant classic. Originally published more than twenty years ago but reintroduced now, this is an interactive book about a young boy who gets a call from the North Pole. Who wouldn’t take Santa up on an invitation to the workshop? And so Art Atchinson Aimesworth, his sister, and his best friend head north on an adventure that takes them – and your child – through a fantasy like no other, past guards, “Dark Elves,” and fanciful things that few kids ever get to see. Set at the turn of the last century, this book has an old feel that new audiences will absolutely love.

And finally, there’s no better Christmas Eve bedtime book to read aloud than Good Night, Reindeer by Denise Brennan-Nelson, illustrated by Marco Bucci. With quiet nighttime pictures in lush twilight colors and sparse, spare words that signify bedtime, this book will make any little one as sleepy as possible the night before the Big Morning. Here, Santa bids “Good Night” to each of his reindeer, as well as to the things in the workshop, thus making sure everyone gets a good nights’ sleep (including your little one). As the tale progresses, your 2-to-6-year-old will get a charming peek into the personalities of eight tiny sleigh-engines, which is adorable, and which sets the tone perfectly.

If these books don’t quite fill the bill for your holiday, then ho-ho-hook up with your local bookseller or librarian. There are lots and lots of books for children of every age, every faith, and every holiday. As for these four, above, watch out for them.

Letter to The Editor

I was saddened today when I read of a seven-year old boy who drowned at a hotel pool. ("Boy dies after being pulled from East Toledo pool" Toledo Blade 12/2/2017). I know how it feels to lose a child to drowning. That’s why I started The Josh Project, Inc. to provide affordable swim lessons and water safety education to children and their parents. In 2017 USA Swimming reported a 5 - 10 percent increase in swimming ability among the nation’s children. However, a recent poll of parents conducted by C.S. Mott Children’s Hospital reported that 37 percent of parents would allow their children to go into the water in a home/neighborhood pool or hotel pool without an adult present. Parents should insist that an adult is present in all situations to ensure the highest likelihood of safety, regardless of their perceptions of their child’s ability to swim. Swimming lessons and proper supervision are the keys to making sure time in the water is enjoyable for everyone.

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Wanda Jean Butts,
Founder - The Josh Project, Inc.
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Full-time opportunity available for experienced Licensed Practical Nurse to assist physicians in the Psychiatric Clinics such as greeting clients, taking vitals, reviewing medication lists, triaging phone calls, receiving lab tests and forwarding for review, scheduling exams/testing, referral coordination, client case closures, program discharges, initiation of prior authorizations and other duties as assigned. Work schedule for this position varies, may include evening hours and will require travel to various sites. Qualified candidates must possess certification as a Licensed Practical Nurse. At least two years’ experience required. Prior experience in a behavioral health setting preferred.

AOD THERAPIST FULL-TIME

Unison Health is seeking a full-time Therapist. Selected individual will provide individual, group counseling, complete diagnostic assessments, and office based case management as needed. Candidate must possess a Master’s Degree and have a minimum of two years’ experience working with adults with mental health and chemical dependency issues. Mental health license (LISW, LPCC, LSW, LPC) required. Dual licensure (CDCA, LCDC II, LCDC III or LICDC) preferred.

AOD CLINICIAN

Full time opportunity available for individuals to work as part of a treatment team providing chemical dependency treatment and a full range of case management services. Candidates must possess a Bachelor’s degree, a minimum of six months experience working with adults with mental health and substance abuse issues and be at minimum a CDCA. Dual licensure as either a PC or LSW preferred. Current CPR and First Aid certification required. Previous experience within a residential, MAT, or detoxification unit preferred.

PROGRAM MANAGER, NURSING SERVICES FULL-TIME

This is a management position responsible for planning, directing, supervising and evaluating all AOD and physical health nursing services provided at all sites. Primary duties will include some direct client care, ensuring quality nursing care is provided in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations, standards and practices, developing new programs and implementing nursing policies and procedures, ensuring compliance with certification standards, and monitoring the budget to ensure departmental goals are met. Must have current Ohio licensure as a RN, Must have Med/Surg, detox, MAT, physical health, withdrawal management experience as well as psychiatric nursing experience. Position must be able to work a flexible schedule and will travel to various locations where services are provided.

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THE ARTS COMMISSION

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS part-time nine-month contracted employment as Coordinator of Young Artists At Work, a six-week summer youth arts employment program. Deadline to apply is January 4, 2018. For position details and application, visit www.theartscommission.org/youth.

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Making memories that last a lifetime

Thank you for your interest in participating in this special holiday event. My goal is for families to come together and create lasting memories through crafting. The event shall take place at 1811 Adams St Toledo, OH 43604 on Dec. 9th and 16th from Noon-4pm. All participants should be able to assist with the following task:

- Check-in
- Santa helper
- Craft helpers
- Host assistant
- Co-host assistant

I’m currently looking for someone to be Santa and to take photos. Entry fee for this is $7 per person, children 5 & under are free. Feel free to promote how you like to gain more interest in this event. There is also an Facebook page you can direct everyone to or visit Eventbrite link https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sprinkle-this-sprinkle-that-holiday-keep-sake-ornaments-tickets-39677640892

I would also like to promote each participant, so in a return email, may I have the name of the organization and product/services. Another note: Moms House of Toledo may join us. Hoping to hear from them soon.

Thanks,
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RSVP DIRECTOR

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EEO/AAP, Bilingual applicants encouraged to apply.

Send resumes to: jobs@areaofficeonaging.com
Service changes effective January 7, 2018

TARTA.com/Winter2018

New daytime lineups for all TARTA weekday fixed-line services for increased Downtown route connectivity every 30 or 60 minutes; effective Sunday, January 7, 2018.

1/4 Ottawa Hills/Sylvania/Sylvania Twp Call-A-Ride — holiday service discontinued
2 (currently 2H) Franklin Park via Toledo Hospital — schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; no access to ProMedica Toledo Hospital on all trips, 2H/2M renamed to 2
3 North/South Crosstown — NO CHANGES
5 (currently 5R) Door via UT Main Campus/Wal-Mart — schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; no access to Independence Nebraska/Richards loop; UT Transit Center outbound only
6N/S King Road/City of Sylvania — NO CHANGES
8/29 Maumee/Waterville Call-A-Ride — holiday service discontinued; Waterville Call-A-Ride hours adjusted from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. to 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
10 Rossford Call-A-Ride — schedule adjusted for lineup changes
10L Rossford via Hollywood Casino — NO CHANGES
12 (currently 12/13) Front/Starr — schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; all trips now clockwise; 12/13 renamed to 12
14 (currently 11/14) East Broadway/Oak — schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; all trips now clockwise direction; 11/14 renamed to 14
15A Summit/Suder/Alexis — schedule adjusted for lineup changes
15E Summit/Point Place/Weaver — schedule adjusted for lineup changes
16 Alexis via Meijer — schedule adjusted for lineup changes
17B Lagrange/Bennett via Miracle Mile — schedule adjusted for lineup changes
17E Lagrange/Eleanor via Miracle Mile — schedule adjusted for lineup changes
19F Cherry/Franklin Park — schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; no access to Laskey/Secor
19T Cherry/Tremainsville — schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes to absorb Laskey/Secor
20F (currently 24) Central Ave/Franklin Park Mall — schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; to absorb route 24 between Downtown and Delaware/Detroit; no access to ProMedica Toledo Hospital; Franklin Park via Central/Tallmadge; no access to Executive Parkway/Secor Rd
20M Central/Meijer Drive — schedule adjusted for lineup changes
20W (currently 241) Ottawa Hills via Westgate — Ottawa Hills via Westgate; schedule adjusted for lineup changes; 241 renamed to 20W
20 (currently 20/24) Central/Westgate/Wal-Mart — no route or schedule changes; 20/24 renamed to 20
22 Bancroft via UT Campus/Franklin Park — schedule adjusted for lineup changes; no access to Harvest/Sylvania
26D Berdan/Douglass/Miracle Mile — schedule adjusted for lineup changes
26L Lewis/Alexis/Miracle Mile — schedule adjusted for lineup changes
27H Nebraska/Hill-Reynolds — schedule adjusted for lineup changes
27N Nebraska/South/Reynolds (currently Airport-Wenz) — schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; no access to Reynolds/Angola/Wenz/Airport loop to be covered by route 32R
28 Indiana/Smead/Oakwood (currently 28/30) — lineup schedule and routing adjusted; clockwise direction with 28/30; renamed to 28
29X Waterville Express — NO CHANGES
31G Glendale/Southwyck — schedule adjusted for lineup changes
31H Heatherdowns/Southwyck — schedule adjusted for lineup changes
32R South/Airport via Home Depot — schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; no access to Southwyck Blvd; Reynolds/Angola/Wenz/Airport loop added
32R UTMC/Southwyck — schedule adjusted for lineup changes
34 Detroit/Byrne/Western via UTMC — schedule adjusted for lineup changes
35 Airport/Maumee-Arrowhead — NO CHANGES
39 Franklin Park/City of Sylvania — NO CHANGES
39M Monroe/Sylvania-Centennial — NO CHANGES
41 Giendale-Southland/Maumee-Arrowhead — schedule and Downtown routing adjusted
43 Maumee-Arrowhead/Western via UTMC — NO CHANGES
44X St. Luke’s Hospital — NO CHANGES

School Day Routes

11A/B East Broadway Crosstown — NO CHANGES
18A/B C Sylvania Avenue Crosstown — NO CHANGES
20A/B Upton Avenue Crosstown — NO CHANGES
27A/B/C Reynolds Road Crosstown — NO CHANGES
34A/B/C Airport Highway Crosstown — NO CHANGES
36A/B HAwley Crosstown — afternoon schedule adjusted
37A/B Central Avenue Crosstown — NO CHANGES

TARTA serves the communities of Maumee, Ottawa Hills, Rossford, Sylvania, Sylvania Township, Toledo, and Waterville.