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Men of Integrity

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

The Truth Contributor

Character, not circumstances, makes the man.

- Booker T. Washington



It can be safely argued that a child's relationship to their father or a father figure – both good and bad – largely determines how they will feel about themselves in their adult years.

In honor of Fathers' Day, I have spent the month of June 2018 exploring how the lives of local men have been shaped or impacted by the relationship with their fathers.

This week I had the privilege of speaking with Will Lucas, a 38-year old father, husband and owner of CREADIO, a full-service marketing agency.

Perryman: What comes to mind when you think of your dad from your childhood?

Lucas: He was the hardest-working person I knew. Not only was he working full-time at General Motors' Hydra-Matic, but also he was very ambitious in the way that he always had something else going on as well to provide for his family. So whether it was fixing people's computers on the side, or a separate business in his spare time, he was always trying to make something else work besides just sticking to the main job that he had to support the family.

Perryman: What would you say that you learned most from your father?

Lucas: For me, his highest quality, in my mind, is his integrity. The thing that I've valued most is how he has always performed whatever he was doing with integrity.

Perryman: Right. And so when you speak of integrity, what do you mean? To me, the word connotes ethical principles, a missing component of much leadership that we see today. However, for others, the word integrity might suggest something more nuanced. Can you elaborate what you mean by integrity when used in the context of your father?

Lucas: Absolutely. I mean not only in the way that he did what he said he was gonna do, but also that the same person who he portrayed to be outside of the home, he was the same person inside the home. So he was never just two different people, creating a show for anybody. He also was just who he was and he is who he is.

Perryman: What a tremendous benefit to a child growing up with that kind of person as a role model. Are there any memories of special occasions when you might have done things together?

Lucas: I remember going to New York with him. This had to be the late 90s or early 2000s, the only road trip we had taken together. So, we

were going back and forth to different recording studios and I remember getting to Puff Daddy's in New York. He had songs on the radio at the time. But my dad -- he had a way with words -- people would let us in that normally, they probably wouldn't let people in to. Puff Daddy wasn't there. But his engineer was there. So I do have a picture of me inside with Leo where a lot of those records that Puff Daddy had produced were made. And it was only because my dad was able to hustle us in for a tour.

Perryman: He talked his way in, unannounced, to getting a tour of Diddy's (Sean Combs) studio?

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Community Calendar

May 30/June 28

Main Library Community forum about the ways the renovated Library space can best be used to provide lifelong learning and opportunities: 6 to 8 pm; Huntington Room; Each forum will build on community discussions from preceding forum/s, so attending all three forums will provide you with the broadest understanding of the renovation. However, if you are only able to attend one or two forums, your input will still make a difference! Areas of discussion will include:

- Overview of project and key decision points
- Serving community needs during Main Library's temporary closure
- How to use the new spaces following renovation

Discussions will be interactive, including the Library sharing information and seeking information from participants. The information shared and feedback provided will be shared on the Library's website (LINK) along with a tool for people unable to attend the meetings to submit feedback

June 19-22 & 24

Greater St. Mary's MBC 93rd Church Anniversary: 7 pm nightly – Mon – Fri; Monday Pastor Willie Knighten and Northwestern MBC; Tuesday – Pastor Frank Sherman and Servants' Heart Christian Church; Wednesday – Pastor Venson Simpson and the Shiloh MBC; Thursday – Pastor Sylvester Rome and Tabernacle MBC; Friday – Pastor Nathan Madison and Fourth Street MBC of Lima; Sunday at 5 pm – Pastor Curley Johnson and St. Mark's MBC: 419-973-4157

June 23

Juneteenth/Black Lives Matter Day: 11am to 4pm; Frederick Douglass Community Center; Join the Community Solidarity Response Network of Toledo as we celebrate Juneteenth/Black Lives Matter Day with black people, black love and black unity: 419-973-0248

June 23-24

Calvary MBC Men's Day Weekend: Saturday Men's Day Breakfast at 9 am – guest Pastor Robert Bass of United MBC; Sunday service at 10:45 am – guest speaker Rev. Manasses May

June 24

New Prospect Baptist Church Anniversary Month: 4:00 pm; Fourth St. Baptist Church will be the guest, Rev. Nathan Madison, pastor

June 30

One Way Community Church Community Day: 10 am to 4 pm; Free clothing, shoes, house wares for those in need: onewayctoledo@gmail.com
Calvary Baptist Church Concert: 6 pm; Under the direction of Brian Thomas: 419-242-9173

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Calvary Baptist Church "100 Women in White:" 4 pm; Guest speaker First Lady Linda Copeland of Bethel Baptist: 419-242-9173

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Trump Wants Your Attention...Now!

By Lafe Tolliver, Esq
Guest Column

Well, it is making its rounds on both social media and the news media.

It is a sensation and is causing a lot of energized talk about Herr Trump's latest desire and that is for, "his people" to sit up straight and pay attention" to him when he talks or comes into a room.

Trump, fresh from his photo-op trip to North Korea, is still bathing in the glimmer and glow of being in the presence of another despot/dictator, Kim Jung Un.

Trump, a wannabee authoritarian, was orange with envy when he noticed how Kim's "people" are delirious when Kim comes into a room or when he gives a command, they hop to it.

No back talk. No questions. Just pure unabashed obedience to their boy god-king.

Trump witnessed fawning and groveling and he was over the moon with envy and jealousy that "his people" are not similarly groomed or trained as empty-minded vassals.

Now, the question is: Who are, "his people?" Are they his hardcore 30 to 35 percent followers who would find him not guilty if he shot someone on Fifth Avenue in NYC?

Or, are they the rest of the GOP party which in a recent poll, support him at a mind boggling eighty-five percent!

If you know anything about despots, they crave and demand loyalty without reservation. They avoid anyone who is remotely intellectual and who could or would challenge and question their authority.

For those people, Kim Jung Un has the grim punishments of political prisons, murder or starvation diets.

If you notice a ugly and troubling trend with Herr Trump is that he also has a soft spot for world leaders that exercise autocratic powers, be it Putin, or Assad, Kim or the rulers in Turkey and the Philippines.

Trump has repeatedly demonstrated that he has little kindness or regard for world leaders that are democratic in their style and are considerate of other people.

Not Trump. He wants to grab you by the political throat and throttle you until you cry, "Godfather!"

Trump loves pomp and circumstance and he loves being the leader of his own parade. He loves it when people throw him kisses and swoon in his presence.

Trump, whom I believe is Putin's Manchurian Candidate (rent the movie by that title in which Frank Sinatra plays the lead role and you will discover the Putin Factor), coddles despots and tries in all ways to avoid causing them any grief or harm.

If there were a fan club for autocrats, Trump would be a paid up lifelong member.

To find out if you are a "Trumpette" that would be willing to become a mindless Trump political groupie, I have obtained the below questions to be answered by you.

These four questions, according to the national polling form of Ketter, Marcar & Dufoos, are designed to test whether or not you have the personality traits to be a stoogie or a flunky for bullies like Trump.

Circle how many may apply to you:

QUESTION ONE: While growing up circle which activities you did, even for only one

time:

(1) caught flies and ripped off their wings and watched them die.

(2) spied on your fellow classmates and told the teacher on them.

(3) when caught in a lie, you double down and continue to say that you are innocent!

(4) someone lent you lunch money and you never paid them back even when you repeatedly said you would.

QUESTION TWO: At a grocery store you did the following:

(1) secretly bruised the bananas and chuckled about it.

(2) ordered things from the Deli and left them on another counter and did not pay for them.

(3) ripped open bags of food and sampled them without paying for it.

(4) left your shopping cart in the parking lot in such a way that it block other cars from using available spaces.

QUESTION THREE: In a movie theatre you did the following:

(1) when the usher told you to stop talking, you threatened him with a fist fight.

(2) in the restroom, you jammed up the toilets with large paper wads.

(3) when you saw bullies picking on a smaller kid, you laughed at the small kid and went on your way.

(4) when the coast was clear, you would "bump" into girls and fondle their behinds and act as if were a mistake!

QUESTION FOUR: At the library, you would do the following:

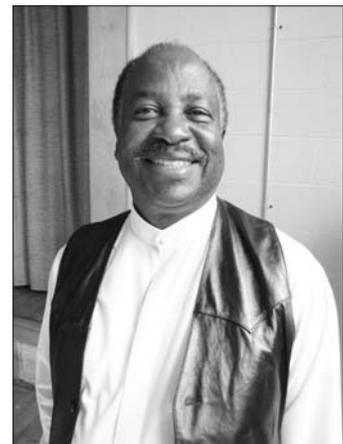
(1) pay the nerdy kids to do your homework.

(2) mix up the books on the shelves so no one could find them in their logical sequence.

(3) sneer at the Mexican kids and say out loud that they smelled like day old tacos.

(4) take selfies of yourself while you should be studying.

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Democrats Forge Plans to Offset Voter Purges

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Local Democrats held a press conference on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 to announce their plans to counter the impact of the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision upholding Ohio's voter purging activities. On the previous Monday, the Court, by a narrow 5-4 margin ruled that the Ohio actions are consistent with federal regulations.

Led by Kurt Young, who was recently elected chairman of the Lucas County Democratic Party, a number of elected officials gathered in support of the three point plan the party has adopted to offset the voter purges the Ohio Secretary of State – Republican Jon Husted –has sanctioned.

Those actions, declared Young, “can eliminate thousands of Lucas County voters and hundreds of thousands of Ohio voters.”

The first step of the Democrats’ plan, said Young, is to ensure that the next Secretary of State is Democrat Kathleen Clyde, who will be facing Republican Frank LaRose in November’s general election.

The second step will be to request public records in order to contact those registered voters who are in danger of being urged.

Thirdly, the party intends to mount a massive voter registration effort to offset the loss on the voter rolls of those purged.

Toledo City Councilwoman Yvonne Harper also addressed the issue and urged elected officials who were not on the ballot to help other elected officials by working the polls.

Councilman Nick Komives announced his plan to introduce legislation to make it easy for people to register. That legislation will be modeled after



Kurt Young speaks of plans to counter voter purging as Paula Hicks-Hudson and Councilman Nick Komives, Larry Sykes (behind Young) Peter Ujvagi and Yvonne Harper look on

the current voter registration activities by the Ohio Department of Motor Vehicles, which offers drivers an opportunity to register or change the voter registration information onsite.

Kaptur Slams Trump era Supreme Court for Backward Decision on Ohio Voter Purge Case

Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur (OH-09), dean of the Ohio Delegation, issued the following statement after news that the U.S. Su-

preme Court ruled that the State of Ohio can continue to purge Ohio citizens from the voter rolls.

“This decision by the Trump era Supreme Court emboldens those who want to disenfranchise voters and put up barriers to citizens exercising their constitutional right to vote,” said Kaptur. “Purging voters from the rolls is wrong, plain and simple and this 5-4 decision takes us backward. Voting should be easy and accessible, no matter who you are or where you live. It should not be a ‘use it or lose it’ privilege.”

The decision in the case Husted v. A. Philip Randolph Institute was decided yesterday. Kaptur spoke on the steps of the Supreme Court back in January stating Ohioans or any American should not be purged from the voter rolls. She spoke with Oak Harbor Mayor Joe Helle, a veteran, who was not able to vote because he was purged from the voter rolls. See those materials here.

“Voting is the cornerstone of our democracy” said Catherine Turcer, executive director of Common Cause Ohio. “This case highlights the importance of all Ohio voters being proactive and taking time to verify that they are in fact on the voter rolls. Voters can confirm that they are properly registered which is essential for their vote to count at MyOhiovote.com or by calling their local board of elections.

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NAACP - The Struggle Continues The Negro Holocaust - Lynching and Race in America - Part 2:

By Lunette Howell and Betty Valentine, NAACP Editorial Team
Guest Column

As we continue to address the subject of lynching, past and present, we must first acknowledge the fact that, even though times, methods and people are different, the threats and consequences can have the same fatal outcome today. Trayvon Martin, Tamir Rice and Michael Brown are no longer with us – the outcome is still the same – death with no consequences for the murderers.

The NAACP was created in response to the Springfield Riot in 1906 following the shooting of six black men and the lynching of two others (See Part 1). From that point on the NAACP investigated and recorded several high-profile cases. The following are a few of their major cases:

RAPE IS NOT THE ANSWER

A Lee County Farmer named McGuinn, shot by a mob, took refuge in old man Lake's house. The sheriff came for the wounded man while the Lake boys were out of the house and was shot by McGuinn. Although the mob knew the Lakes had nothing to do with the shooting, they returned the next night and hanged old man Lake, his three sons, and a nephew to "The Dogwood Tree," merely as an expression of white supremacy.



THE WACO HORROR

On May 8, 1916, Jesse Washington, a boy of 17, of deficient mentality, raped and murdered the wife of his employer. On May 15 he was tried in Waco, Texas, and condemned to hang that same afternoon. With the connivance of Sheriff Fleming and without protest from Judge Munroe, the mob took the prisoner from the courtroom to the square under the mayor's window, where cameras were set up to take photographs.



Fifteen thousand Texans shouted their approval while those near enough unsexed him; cut off his fingers, nose, and ears; and burned him alive; after which the remains were dragged through the streets of a city of 40,000, bouncing at the end of a lariat. The teeth brought five dollars each, and the links of the chain 25 cents.

FIVE FOR A HOG

On August 18, 1916, the sheriff went from Gainesville, Florida, at two o'clock

in the morning to arrest Boisy Long for hog stealing. Boisy shot the sheriff and escaped. In retribution next morning, the mob hanged Boisy's wife, Stella Long; Mary Dennis (pregnant), James Dennis, and Bert Dennis (neighbors); and Josh Baskin, a colored preacher – all to the same "Dogwood Tree." As an expression of white supremacy.

TOLEDO CONNECTION

Many people think that lynchings happened in the distant past, but that is far from the truth. Many people who migrated to the North during the Great Migration, 1915 – 1960, and their descendants still feel the pain created when a family member was lynched. One such local family still bares the pain of losing a family member. In August of 1926 the grandfather of George W. Hayes and great-grandfather of Brandi Quinn was lynched in Virginia.

As a young man George often had discussions with his mother, Ms. Hazel Beatrice Hayes, about her past. She told him that at the age of two or three her father was lynched by a mob in Virginia. Although she was too young to remember details, the information was not difficult to find as Byrd's lynching made headlines across the country in publications such as Time magazine, The New York Times, The Virginian-Pilot, and others. Between 1877 and 1926, more than 90 people were lynched in Virginia. The grisly murder of Raymond Byrd is historic because it was the last recorded lynching in Virginia.

The date was August 15, 1926, in Wytheville, Virginia when 31-year old Raymond Byrd was lynched for assaulting a white girl, the daughter of Grover Grubbs a local farmer for whom Byrd worked. Byrd was a native of Speedwell in Wythe County. He was married to Tennessee Hawkins, a black woman, and had three daughters, Edith, Lillian and Hazel. After serving in World War I, Byrd went to work as a farmhand for Grover Grubb.

On July 23, 1926, Minnie Grubb, Grover's daughter, gave birth to a biracial daughter. Grover immediately accused Raymond of raping his daughter. Minnie vehemently denied she was raped and insisted that the sex was consensual. However, even if consensual, sex between blacks and whites was illegal. On August 10, 1926, Byrd was imprisoned in the Wytheville jail for assault.

Early on the morning of August 15 a masked mob of about 50 men entered the jail and quickly located Raymond. They shot him in his cell. The mob then took Byrd's body and tied it to an automobile and dragged it for 12 miles to the scene of the alleged crime where they hanged his body to a tree.

A special grand jury was empaneled in Wytheville to investigate the lynching of Raymond Byrd. Many witnesses were questioned and it took some time before they got the name of one individual to arrest. On September 6, 1926, Herbert Huddle was arrested in Bluefield in connection with the lynching, as his initials were carved in the tree where Byrd was hanged (Harrisonburg Daily News Record) but was later released (Danville Bee). On September 9th, Governor Byrd offered a \$1,000 reward for the arrest and conviction of any other member of the mob responsible for the lynching of Raymond Byrd (Harrisonburg Daily News Record). On January 13, 1927, the special grand jury

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Announcing AIDS Walk Greater Toledo 2018 on June 23

The 2018 AIDS Walk Greater Toledo will take place on Saturday, June 23 at Ottawa Park. The 2018 event is part of the tri-city walk/run events that also includes Columbus and Dayton.

Since 1984 over 30,000 people have participated in the Walk, raising millions of dollars for HIV/AIDS prevention and care, saving countless lives, and improving the well-being of thousands still living with HIV/AIDS today.

AIDS Walk Ohio is still one of the largest public opportunities to raise awareness and critical funds for HIV/AIDS medical care and treatment, HIV prevention (which includes PrEP), and a variety of other services like primary care, behavioral health counseling, and dental care—one of the highest unmet needs for those living with HIV.

By supporting of AIDS Walk Ohio, you can make an important contribution to the fight against HIV/AIDS here in Greater Toledo. This year you can choose to designate your gift/fundraising to a specific local program. You can choose Toledo MPowerment, Toledo Compassion Fund, or where it's needed most!

Race day is a family-friendly experience with something for everyone. Strollers and wheelchairs are welcome on the trail, but please leave pets at home. Check-In will open at Ottawa Park at 9am on June 23. Remarks begin at 10am and the Walk steps off at 10:30am.

For more event information, please visit www.aidswalkohio.com. Please direct questions to Meghan Tubbs at meghantubbs@equitahealth.com.

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and exploitation problem and solutions on World Elder Abuse Awareness Day on June 15 at The Toledo Hospital Education Center Auditorium.

In part, this training focused on best practices for determining when older adults are able to protect themselves and when they need help protecting themselves. "The Area Office on Aging believes the work of protecting older adults in our community is of the utmost importance," said Billie Johnson, Area Office on Aging President/CEO.

Presenters at the training included Lucas County Probate Court Judge Jack R. Puffenberger, Lucas County Adult Protective Services, an elder law attorney and representatives from MemoryLane Care Services.

This training was part of a larger initiative to focus attention on the often times hidden issue of elder abuse, neglect and exploitation that face older northwest Ohioans.

Previously, the Area Office on Aging produced a local documentary called "You're Not Going to Beat Me: A Story of Elder Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation," which helped put a local face on this topic that is vague in the minds of many. This video let the viewer take a peek inside what is often the secretive world of elder abuse, neglect and exploitation victims. This eight-minute video provides a framework for viewers to begin to understand this topic better. The video can be viewed at the following Web page: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lqjGJVHW8cY>

The Coalition of Protecting Elders (COPE) hosted last week's training. COPE is a community-based team of organizations in Lucas County that address elder abuse, neglect and exploitation through enhanced collaboration and coordination of community resources.

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indicted Floyd Willard for the killing of Raymond Byrd; no other member of the mob was indicted (Danville Bee). However, in September 1926, Willard was acquitted, the jury returning its verdict after ten minutes of deliberation (Danville Bee).

Raymond is one of the 4,400 lynching victims who will be recognized as part of the new museum in Montgomery Alabama

Become a NAACP member - \$30/adult; \$15/youth annually and receive a Crisis magazine. Join our meetings every second Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. There will be no July meeting due to the National NAACP Convention in San Antonio, Texas. The August meeting will be at the Mott Branch Library at 1085 Dorr Street.

View our website at www.naacptoledo.org. Call us at 419-214-1551.



Raymond Byrd (1895-1926)
Tennie Hawkins Byrd Patterson (1902-1941)



Minnie Grubb Burkhardt
(1906-1972)

E. Michelle Mickens: Helping Others Transition to Where They Want to Be

Sojourner's Truth Staff

E. Michelle Mickens, CEO of Live 4 Change, LLC, is a consultant, speaker, writer and minister who founded her company in order to empower, enrich, enhance and educate other women entrepreneurs and CEOs in their roles. In her role with Live 4 Change, she addresses such topics as Corporate Social Responsibility, gender issues, ethics and leadership development.



The purpose of Live 4 Change, which Mickens founded in 2014, is to provide leadership and organize development for organizations that want to become more sustainable.

And "sustainability" is a concept that runs throughout the Mickens' formula for success.

"Corporate social responsibility is when organizations make an effort to implement principles that will sustain the planet, sustain people and make a profit," says Mickens.

Mickens has over 22 years of nonprofit leadership experience. She has written numerous articles on the subject and conduct workshops on forecasting, strategic planning and other organizational development concerns.

A native of the Cleveland, OH area, Mickens earned her undergraduate degree from Fisk University in political science and psychology before returning to her hometown to work at the Cleveland Clinic. She eventually moved to Atlanta, GA to work in the field of advertising sales before moving to San Diego, CA for eight years to manage a credit consulting firm. She ultimately moved to Toledo to join a sister who lived here and about 20 years ago started working at the

North River Community Development Corporation as the housing project manager.

In 2004, Mickens became the executive director of the Toledo Community Development Corporation completing housing developments and already was committed to the concerns that companies and nonprofits have with the green economy. At TCDC she assisted area residents in going "green."

After the demise of TCEC and virtually every other Toledo-area CDC as funding dried up, Mickens went back to school. She earned a masters degree in management from New England College with an emphasis on sustainability and a doctorate in strategic leadership and global consulting from Regent University following her long-time passion for green sustainable development and living.

She formed Live 4 Change in 2016 and has since focused on building corporate social responsibility by helping emerging and established business owners work towards a sustainable, profitable future.

Mickens just completed a six-week workshop at the University of Toledo's Eberle Center for women leaders throughout the community. She continues writing, blogging and speaking to groups about her core concerns. Booking requests are available now at www.live4changellc.com/speakingengagements and she can be contacted at e.michellemickens@live4changellc.com.

United Way's Free Backpack and Supplies Program

Start the school year off right with a new backpack and supplies. For Toledo Public School guardians/parents, please call 2-1-1 between June 1-29 to find out how your student can receive a free book bag, conveniently available to your child on their first day of school.

Students not enrolled in the Toledo Public School System are also encouraged to call 2-1-1 to locate the nearest community center, holding additional backpacks for qualifying families in financial need.

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Center of Hope ELEVATEs Students Through Music, Math and Reading

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A week of music, reading and math ended on Friday, June 15 when 40 kids heard the fruits of their labor – in this case a recording of a song they themselves had sung during their five days of fun and learning.

The Center of Hope Family Service's Summer Music Camp was held at Scott High School and funded by the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grants which enabled kindergarten through fifth-grade students from the Old West End Academy and the Martin Luther King, Jr. Academy for Boys to attend.

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Willetta Perryman (seated, center) and Tracee Perryman join students listening to recording of ELEVATE



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Summer Meal Partners Providing Summer Meals for Kids at No Cost

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Summer Meals Partners of NW Ohio is a community collaboration of over 35 organizations focused on increasing access to healthy foods for kids 18 and under. This is the fourth year of the collaboration and significant improvements have taken place around the region. This summer, Summer Meal Partners will have over 174 site locations where kids can get a healthy meal at no cost and, in many instances, kids can get to enjoy educational, enrichments or activities.

There are tens of thousands of kids who rely on free or reduced meals that they receive at school during the academic year so when summer arrives many do not consistently receive nutritious meals. One in four kids struggle with hunger on a regular basis.

“The work of Summer Meal Partners is critical because we have implemented community-wide solutions to fight childhood hunger and work collectively to help some of our most vulnerable residents – hungry kids. The reach of this group has expanded greatly,” said Wendi Huntley, president of Connecting Kids to Meals and the group’s spokesperson.

The meal program kicked off on June 5 at an event at Scott High School’s cafeteria which was an opportunity for members of the community to sample



some of the food items that kids will be eating this summer. Some of the supporters of the program include Pro-Medica, United Way of Greater Toledo, Mental Health & Recovery Services Board of Lucas County, Children’s Hunger Alliance, Connecting Kids to Meals, Buckeye Health, Fifth Third Bank, St. Luke’s Foundation and OSU Extension Center.

For more information on the program and the sites that will be serving meals visit partnerstoledo.org.



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If you chose certain answers to the above questions, it is a good chance that a Trump type person with his flawed character could woo you to his way of thinking and you would wonder, “What happened!”

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The Fair Housing Center Board Announces Departure of President and CEO Michael Marsh

Michael Marsh has accepted a position as President and CEO of Responsive Caregivers of Hawaii

Today, the Board of Directors of The Fair Housing Center announces the departure of long-time President and CEO Michael Marsh who is leaving to pursue an opportunity in Hawaii. "I'm not leaving fair housing. I'm taking it with me," stated Marsh, who will begin a new career as President and CEO at Responsive Caregivers of Hawaii on August 1, 2018.

The Fair Housing Center has engaged a consultant to assist the Board with strategic planning and facilitate a national search for a replacement for Mr. Marsh. "It will be difficult to replace Michael and his depth and breadth of knowledge of fair housing and our community," stated Louis Escobar, board chairman. "We wish him well in his new endeavors and believe that engaging in a thoughtful, strategic planning process will provide a framework to identify the skill set we need in a new leader at The Fair Housing Center to carry out the Board's vision and the agency's mission."

Marsh will continue to assist the Board and staff of The Fair Housing Center through the transition process to ensure seamless continuity of operations.

"During my tenure in fair housing, I witnessed a shift in demographics from race-based complaints to disability," said Marsh, who first began at The Fair Housing Center in 1996 as a volunteer. "I worked over the past five years to more closely align The Fair Housing Center with other agencies such as the Ability Center of Greater Toledo and the Toledo-Lucas County Commission on Disabilities. The work I've done in fair housing and the disability services community in Toledo will serve me well in my new role."

Regarded as a civil rights champion, Marsh has been with The Fair Housing Center for more than 20 years. Two of the organization's largest settlements have occurred under his leadership, resulting in the reinvestment of more than \$5 million in the urban core to revitalize and support homeownership in Toledo's underserved neighborhoods. "The Fair Housing Center has served as a national leader

in expanding opportunity. I'm proud to have been a part of that, and confident the organization will continue to play a critical role in our community long after my departure," said Mr. Marsh. "We're lucky to have a passionate and dedicated team of Board and staff who will continue to fight every day to keep Dr. King's dream alive."

"My life has been devoted to issues of equity, opportunity, and diversity and my academic, personal, and professional experiences have prepared me for my new role in Hawaii," stated Marsh.

Responsive Caregivers of Hawaii (RCH) is a nonprofit organization committed to empowering self-directed choices and expanding opportunities for adults with developmental disabilities and others with special needs. RCH aims to expand opportunities for people to fully participate in community life, to discover their talents, cultivate their interests, nurture their skills and interests, actualize their joy and the fullness of their lives. RCH strives to facilitate opportunities for families, caregivers, and natural supports—as a community—to learn, share, and experience together to fully support each person's needs.



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Tips to Stay Safe in Summer Weather

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Getting outdoors this summer? Keep in mind that weather patterns can be extreme at this time of year, introducing new safety hazards. Get weather-ready in the following ways.

Prepare for the Heat

When planning a day outdoors, most people pack items such as sunscreen, sunglasses and a hat. However, summer heat can be dangerous if you're not prepared, so consider the following: make sure your vehicle's air conditioning is in good working order well before a trip, have a rain umbrella on hand to shield you from the sun, as well as frozen water bottles and instant cold packs that can help cool you down quickly. Lastly, make sure you have plenty of water on hand when traveling with pets, and be sure to keep them out of unattended cars where temperatures can quickly reach fatal levels.

Know What's Coming

Before heading to the pool or packing that picnic lunch, check the weather report to make smart decisions about where the day will carry you. For 24/7 access to accurate weather information, you can keep the world's largest, fastest-growing and most trusted provider of weather forecasts and warnings at your fingertips with the AccuWeather app for your mobile device.

Available on iOS and Android, the app can help users prepare for intense heat, lightning, beach hazards and flooding prior to summer travel, events and activities. It also provides access to educational resources on the health impacts of different weather events, including safety tips and resources, personalized weather preparedness plans, detailed checklists and more.

Helpful year-round, the app can be particularly informative in summer, with its wealth of tips and resources on topics like avoiding rip tides, stay-

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Lucas: Yeah, yeah. And this is New York, so you can't get anywhere on the street without previously arranging something. He found a way. Just walking in from off the street.

Perryman: So what are some of the lessons that your father taught you, that you still carry with you?

Lucas: So here's one particularly that I'll never forget. I had to be in my early teens. He told me, 'Son, everybody pays in life. Some people pay now, some people pay later, but everybody pays. You don't get anything without paying.'

Perryman: What has been the impact of that sagacious advice on you today?

Lucas: In whatever levels of success that I've achieved, there's a lot of hard work that goes into getting it. To the outside, it may look like it's been easy and that it's been fast, but people don't see necessarily the work that you put in to achieve anything that you obtain. So I work really hard outside of what everybody sees publicly to make things happen. And so I don't expect anything to come easily. Once in a while, they do come easily, but to get anything meaningful and valuable, there's a lot of work that goes into it.

Perryman: What other lessons have you learned from your father?

Lucas: I got my entrepreneurial spirit from him. We'd always have a bunch of computer equipment just lying around in the basement. My room was also in the basement. And his office was next to my room. So there were always computer parts, like motherboards, main processors, or screens and monitors, that type.

My father would work on computers that belonged to people from church. And, you know, my desire for technology came from listening to him over the phone. This is before the days of being able to share your screen. So people from the church, would call and say I got the following, XYZ. He could talk them through, over the phone, telling them what to do and what was going to happen next. Without seeing their screen, he could say up in the left-hand corner this will happen, and when this happens, this will come up and you should do this, XYZ. I was always amazed at how he could do that not seeing the screen.

That gave me my initial appetite for technology and just the spirit with which he always had in doing something outside of his day job that gave me the entrepreneurial spirit to build something of my own.

Perryman: Talk about Will Lucas as a father, yourself, from your perspective as a young man. Describe the joys and challenges.

Lucas: I think for me, probably the biggest challenge, being an entrepreneur, is thinking past my world and developing a level of patience that I didn't have previous to not having kids. I'm learning to be a better teacher. It's, I think, developing that patience. And showing how things are done and being able to explain things about the world to a person who has experienced very little of it, and at the same time trying to protect them

from some of those things. That has been something that's been important. So today, I have three little ones that even when the house is loud and they're going crazy and all kinds of things like that, it's about trying to remember that they won't always be that small and to appreciate the time we have right now.

Perryman: Finally, what advice about fatherhood do you have for younger or new fathers?

Lucas: Probably the best advice I could give to a father is, I think, the presence of being there. Having resources to provide for them is important but all the time they don't even know what they have and what they don't have. But being there, I think, is the most important thing. And not just there physically but there, engaged in what they've (children) got going on. So it matters when you play with your son. Or it matters when you're talking to your daughter about dolls or it matters if you're helping your kids accomplish those things that matter to them.

But also, for as long as you have him, not only should you appreciate your own father but also to make sure that he knows that you appreciate the work that he's put in. Sometimes kids never fully understand all that it takes to provide for them and help shape their lives.

Contact Rev. Donald Perryman, DMin, at drdlperryman@centerofhpebaptist.org



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The Center of Hope Family Services offers programs year round designed to improve life outcomes for young people throughout the area such as: a 21st Century Learning Center for students at risk for academic failure; a health and wellness promotion and a juvenile re-entry and delinquency prevention program.

The centerpiece of the week's activities was the student's rendition of the song ELEVATE, which was written by the Family Service's Executive Director Tracee Perryman, PhD, and recorded by producer, videographer Marcus Devine in Scott's recording studio.

ELEVATE, said Devine, is an inspirational composition that encourages kids to "never give up." The kids, some of whom were reluctant to allow others to hear their voices when they first learned of the project, "had a sense of accomplishment when they heard their voices," he added. "Greatness is always on the other side of fear."



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Note to Self, collected and introduced by Gayle King

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The Truth Contributor

Listen up.

Pay attention. Eyes forward, ears open. You've heard those things before in your life, and now you say them to yourself, your kids, and your employees. But do they hear what you say now... or, as in the new book *Note to Self, collected and introduced by Gayle King*, will your words ring back in the future?

When she was just nine-years old, a classmate told Gayle King that she would be his slave, were it not for Lincoln.

Stunned, she ran home to tell her mother, who comforted her with words King still remembers – but it made King wonder what she, as the woman she is today, would tell that “skinny little nine-year-old girl...” if she could send her young self a message. In her Emmy-nominated series for *CBS This Morning*, she gives opportunities for others to do the similar.

Beginning with Oprah, King's best friend, there are words of comfort for a young woman who was dating the wrong man: “I use the word *beautiful* because... that's never a word you would call yourself.”

Kermit the Frog admits that he's “green with envy” for the possibilities ahead for the frog he once was. Former Vice President Joe Biden advises his 12-year-old self to look forward, because there's great adventure ahead. NFL player Ryan O'Callaghan advises his younger self to “Breathe.” From Dr. Ruth, who was orphaned by the Nazis: “... your bravery will be rewarded.”

Tyler Perry thanks his young self for thriving. Architect Frank Gehry says, “Once you find your passion... work your tail off...” John Lewis advises himself to always remember the words of Dr. King: “We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools.”

Surround yourself with those you love. Hug often. Examine your mistakes. Have fun. And remember that people can be “meaner or crueler or wetter or

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prettier... but they can't be more human than you.”

If you could, would you become 18 years old again?

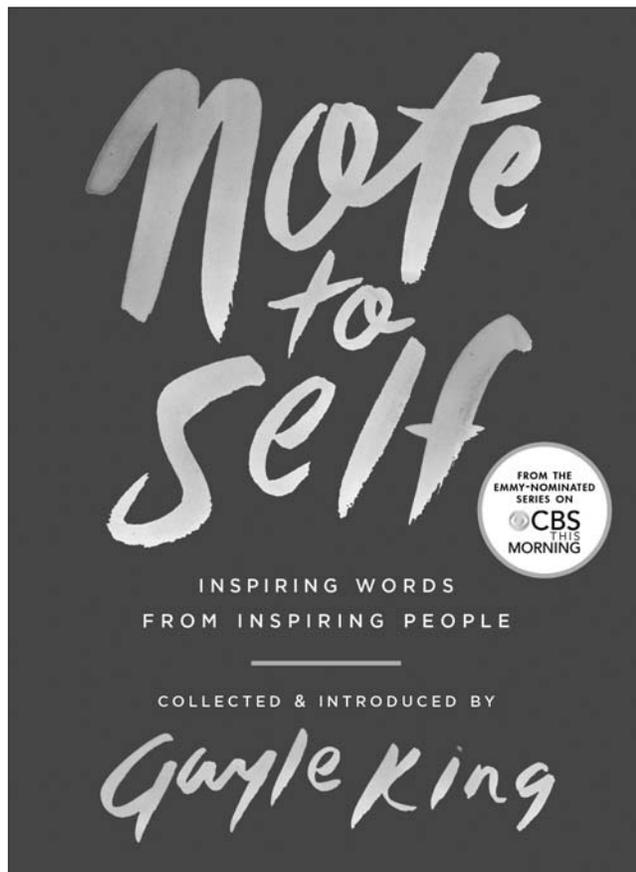
For most people, the answer is “yes,” but only if they can take their knowledge back with them. It's a moot point, of course – you can't, and you can't – but *Note to Self* sets forth an intriguing exercise.

It also offers a chance for reflection on a sleepy summer afternoon, too. There's a good mix of inspiring, gracious and grateful tales inside this book, from those with stardom already in-pocket, to a few that may not be household names quite yet. Some of the tales are exactly what you'd expect, while others may surprise you with candor and reasoning. TV Host and story collector Gayle King explains how she received these stories and others like them; she then lays down a few rules, and leaves blank pages for readers' own Notes to Self.

This is not a difficult book to read. With its short, quick chapters, it practically begs to be browsed in office or commute, and it'll make a great grad gift. Truly, *Note to Self* is a book you'll pay attention to.



Author Gayle King, photo courtesy John P.



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ing safe in extreme heat and preparing for tropical storms. To access these resources and download the app, visit AccuWeather.com/Ready.

Don't Be Bugged

Take precautions against bug bites, particularly mosquitoes, which can be carriers of the Zika virus. Experts are warning that those located in or traveling to the southern United States should take precautions to guard against the disease, especially if you are already or planning on getting pregnant.

Be sure your backyard is drained of standing water. Use citronella candles to ward off bugs. Apply insect repellent on hikes and other times you're in buggy areas, and if possible, avoid skin exposure during dusk, when mosquitoes are most active.

If you're looking to travel this summer, check out AccuWeather's first-of-its-kind Mosquito Zika Risk Index in advance, which gives users an easy way to view the likelihood of mosquito infestations that could lead to greater risk of contracting the Zika virus within the contiguous U.S. This new interactive Index, available now on AccuWeather.com, as well as the AccuWeather app on iOS and Android, showcases a week-by-week risk index for the next seven weeks that can help you make more informed decisions to stay out of harm's way.

With a little preparation, you can make the most of the summer and your travel plans by dodging common weather risks and hazards.

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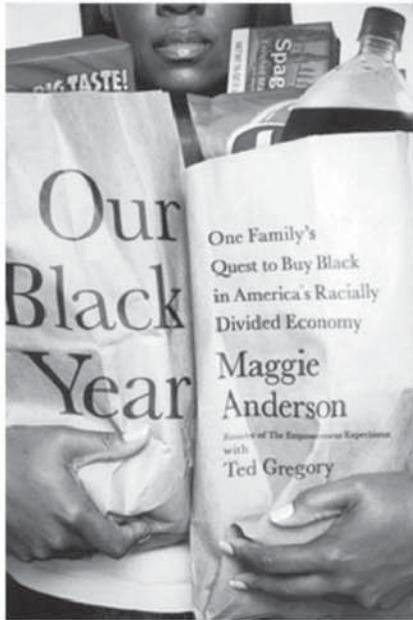
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The Arts Commission is proud to present the second year of the Accelerator Grant program, offering financial support with quick turn-around for area artists to advance their creative projects and careers. Upcoming 2018 deadlines are June 25, July 23, August 27, and September 24. The first round of Accelerator Grantees from the May deadline will be announced later this month.

The Arts Commission will present an information session on June 25, 2018 to detail guidelines for eligibility and review the online application process. The session is recommended for artists across all media- literary, performing and visual who live or hold a studio or creative space within 25 miles of downtown Toledo. Attendees should come prepared to ask questions. Artists who applied for an Accelerator Grant in 2017 are also encouraged to attend.

Find more details in the attached media release or on our website. Questions may be directed to Michelle Carlson, Artist and Youth Services Coordinator, 419-254-2787 x1015, mcarlson@theartscommission.org

JUNE ART LOOP

The Arts Commission is pleased to present the June Art Loop I Craft & Culinary to take place Thursday, June 21 from 5:30-9:00 p.m. Classic cars, art cars, Jeeps, and all sorts of creative machines are a part of our culture here in northwest Ohio and southeast Michigan. From design studios at the Big 3 to garages in nearly every neighborhood, there's an oft-overlooked art to our car culture. The June Loop features a downtown Toledo car show and special exhibitions celebrating the Art of Automobiles!

Art Loop is free and open to all. Wristbands to ride the Art Loop bus are \$1.25 and include unlimited bus rides all evening. There are over 50 creative spaces, galleries and restaurants that participate in the Art Loop each month. For additional information and complete June Art Loop offerings, see the attached release or visit www.theartscommission.org/artloop.

Questions may be directed to Ryan A. Bunch, Communications & Outreach Coordinator, 419-254-2787 x1013, rbunch@theartscommission.org or Natalie Traneli-Jacobs, Event & Volunteer Coordinator, 419-254-2787 x1017, njacobs@theartscommission.org

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Toledo Native, Ziyne – Kid of Pop to Perform at the Apollo Theater in New York City

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Ziyne - Kid of Pop is no stranger to the Apollo Theater as he is a 2-time First Place winner there. The Kid of Pop is one of the Apollo Theater's Childstars.

Ziyne - Kid of Pop joins the ranks of many who have graced that legendary stage including: Ella Fitzgerald, Billie Holiday, Aretha Franklin, and the Jackson 5.

Ziyne - Kid of Pop has performed on many stages and is a world class performer having performance requests from as far away as Indonesia and the Netherlands. He has even performed with the most iconic group in entertainment, The Jacksons!



Ziyne - Kid of Pop

This show at the Apollo Theater will be hosted by the comedian Capone and is sponsored by Coca-Cola. The show starts at 7:30 PM, and there will also be a festive pre-party featuring video and music by DJ Jess and the “Set It Off Man” Joe Gray.

Ziyne - Kid of Pop looks forward to representing Toledo as he takes the stage at the Apollo Theater in New York City on Wednesday, June 27, 2018.

Advocates for Older Adults Hold World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

An estimated 18,219 older northwest Ohioans are abused, neglected and/or exploited. First responders, social workers, health and human service professionals, attorneys and others serving older adults joined together to raise awareness about the community's elder abuse, neglect

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- Google Maps Android/iOS
- moovit Android/iOS
- Transit Android/iOS

online providers

- Apple Maps Connect
- Bing Maps
- Google Maps

TARTA route information



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Summer 2018 updates effective June 3.

On Sunday, June 3, 2018, the TARTA summer route schedule will begin. While some routes will be affected by routing and time changes, new timetables and maps are available at TARTA.com/Summer2018

- **3 North/South Crosstown** - schedule adjustments with additional routing and timepoints for Brookview Dr via Airport Hwy; Food Town on Central Ave via UT Transit Center, Palmer Hall, and Douglas Rd; and routing changes at UT Health Science Campus for improved access via Glendale Ave
- **5 Dorr via UT Main Campus/Walmart** - schedule adjustments
- **10 Rossford Call-A-Ride** - schedule adjustments; Meijer bus stop moved to east side of store
- **10L Rossford via Hollywood Casino** - schedule adjustments
- **12 Front/Starr** - Sunday inbound schedule adjustments
- **15A Summit/Suder/Alexis** - Sunday inbound schedule adjustments
- **20F Central Ave/Franklin Park Mall** - schedule adjustments
- **20M Central/Meijer Drive** - schedule adjustments
- **20W Ottawa Hills via Westgate** - schedule adjustments
- **22 Bancroft via UT Campus/Franklin Park** - weekday evening schedule adjustments
- **27H Nebraska/Hill-Reynolds** - schedule adjustments
- **27N Nebraska/Angola-Wenz** - schedule adjustments
- **28A Indiana via UT** - schedule adjustments with additional service to UT Transit Center
- **28B Oakwood via UT** - schedule adjustments with additional service to UT Transit Center
- **28C Art Museum** - schedule adjustments with additional service to Toledo Museum of Art and UT Transit Center



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