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Democratic Ohio Supreme Court Candidates Committed to Restoring Trust and Confidence in Judicial System

By the Ohio Democratic Party

Ohioans deserve a justice system that they can trust and be confident will treat everyone equally under the law, which is a primary motivating force behind the Democratic Party candidacies of Judges Melody J. Stewart and Michael P. Donnelly for the Ohio Supreme Court.

Currently, the all-Republican Ohio Supreme Court fails to truly represent the interests of all Ohioans.

"The decisions made at the Ohio Supreme Court affect everybody, either directly or indirectly," said Stewart, who sits now on the Eighth District Court of Appeals in Cuyahoga County, in an interview last week. "The Supreme Court gets to decide which cases to hear, and so from the very beginning it's important that there are diverse perspectives on the court to decide which issues are of great importance to the state, because that's how cases get in for review."

If you have a group of Supreme Court justices comprised of individuals who are all from the same political party, she said, that lends itself to group-think. It's better, she said, to have justices with diverse perspectives and backgrounds to represent those perspectives and backgrounds on the court when cases are being considered for review as well as when they are being decided.

Stewart is a native Ohioan, born and raised in Cuyahoga County, who received her baccalaureate from the College-Conservatory of Music at the Uni-



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The Sojourner's Truth, 1811 Adams Street, Toledo, OH 43604 Phone 419-243-0007 * Fax 419-255-7700 thetruth@thetruthtoledo.com versity of Cincinnati -- "What else would I study in college with a name like Melody?" she joked.

Stewart then earned her law degree from Cleveland State University's Cleveland-Marshall College of Law and her Ph.D. from Case Western Reserve University's Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences.

After working as an assistant law director, Stewart began a career in education. She lectured, taught, and worked as an assistant dean at the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. She later joined the faculty there and taught classes on ethics and professional responsibility, criminal law, criminal procedure, and legal re-



Judge Melody Stewart

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Community Calendar

September 11-13

Calvary Missionary Baptist Church Fall Revival: Bring in blessings to the Lord; Tuesday - 7:00 P.M. with Pastor Otis Gordon of Warren AME Church; Wednesday -7:00 P.M. with Pastor Robert W. Lyons, Sr. of Greater St. Mary's Missionary Baptist Church; Thursday - 7:00 P.M. with Elder Jimmy Jordon of Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church.

September 12-14

Walls Chapel AME Zion Fall Revival: Held at St. Paul AME Zion; Presiding Elder Rev. Dwight Gutridge of St. Luke AME Zion of Grand Rapids, MI; 7 pm nightly; Youth Night on Friday

September 14-16

Beulah Baptist Women's Explosion 2018: Friday – 6:45 pm with speaker Preacher Elder Patrece Tolbert; Saturday 5:45 pm with speaker Preacher Elder Tanya Lee; Sunday – 10:45 am service with Preacher Evangelist Teresa Allen

September 15

St. Mark MBC Pre-Women's Day Luncheon: 11 am; "I Choose Love: Choosing to Follow Christ;" Speaker Arielle Johnson and panel: 419-460-0389 or 419-536-5656

September 15-16

St. Paul MBC Annual Women's Day Weekend: Saturday luncheon 11 am to 2 pm – speaker Min. Anita Bass of United MBC; Sunday service at 10:45 am – speaker Elder Janae Hicklin from Canaan Manifested Word

September 16

Indiana Avenue MBC Annual Women's Day: 10:50 am service with speaker Deaconess Cynthia Wizgen; "Time Is Now" St Paul AME Zion Church Welcoming Celebration of New Pastor Elder Ronald Bailey: 3:30 pm: 419-243-1065 National Prison Strike Roundtable: 6 pm; 1416 Nebraska: 419-973-0248

September 21

UT President's Committee for Recruitment and Retention of African American Students (PCRRAAS) Reception for Pharmacy Students: 6 to 8 pm; UTMC Hospital Mulford Cafe

September 22

Flanders Road Church of Christ Clothing Give-away: 10am to 1 pm; For men, women, children of all ages

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The Campaign Opens for Ballot Issue 11

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The campaign in support of Issue 11 for the Mental Health & Recovery Services Board (MHRSB) of Lucas County, got off to an impressive start on Thursday, September 6, as dozens of supporters gathered outside the Toledo headquarters of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI) to cheer on the board and its campaign.

Issue 11 is a request of Lucas County voters to approve the renewal of a 1.0 mill levy. The levy, if approved, will be renewed for 10 years, will raise \$7.1 million per year and will cost the homeowner of the property valued at \$100,000 \$30.22 annually.

"This is a renewal, not a new tax," said Rev. D.L. Perryman, D.Min, board member and the chairman of the Citizens for Mental Health 2018 Levy Committee (Issue 11). "This is the 50th anniversary for the Mental Health Board. That's five decades of helping people find their way. It's safe to say our job has never been tougher - the opiate crisis, suicides are up 20 percent in the last two years, the demand for mental health services is rising ...

Dr. Donna Woodson, MD, a primary care physician who is serving as the honorary cochairman of the of the renewal effort said: "Issue 11 will help badly needed recovery services get to people in the community ... this will make our community healthier and safer."

Also speaking at the kick-off event were Lucas County Sheriff John Tharp and NAACP President Ray Wood, among others.



MHRSB is authorized by the Ohio Revised Code as the community safety net for uninsured, underinsured or indigent persons who need mental health and/or substance abuse recovery services. In the current fiscal year, MHRSB is projected to spend about \$24.5 million in public funds to support 67 programs that will provide prevention, treatment and recovery support services to an estimated 32,000 Lucas County residents. The programs are provided by 27 organizations that employ 1,800 local residents.

Sixty-nine percent, or about \$17 million, of the MHRSB revenue is provided by three property tax levies: a 1.0 mill levy, first approved in 2012 for a period of 10 years; a .5 mill levy last approved in 2014 for a 10 year period and the expiring 1.0 mill levy, last approved for a 10 year period in 2008. The total 2.5 mills generate \$17.78 million revenue annually.

The MHRSB does not provide prevention, treatment or recovery support services directly to residents but serves as a financial resource for organizations that do provide such services. Out of each dollar MHRSB takes in, 93 cents goes to such providers.



Rev. D.L. Perryman addresses Issue 11



Sheriff John Tharp and Johnny Mickler, CEO of Big Brothers, Big Sisters converse

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In Memoriam Calvin Lawshe – January 24, 1947 – September 5, 2018

Calvin Lawshe, Toledo native, former star athlete at Macomber Vocational High School, former University of Toledo professor and administrator, retired City of Toledo administrator, died Wednesday, September 5 at St. Luke's Hospital.

Lawshe was born to Josephine Moore and Calvin Lawshe in 1947. He graduated from Macomber in 1965 where he was a standout basketball player and high jumper on the track and field team. He attended UT on a basketball scholarship earning an undergraduate degree, and a mastrs degree, in business administration.

In 2008 he was inducted into the City League Hall of Fame.

He began his academic career at UT in 1974 as an instructor of business technology, eventually becoming an assistant professor, then a full professor, teaching accounting, finance and management.

He went into administration at the university in 1995 and remained an assistant to the president until his retirement in 2006.

During his university career, Lawshe was a partner – with the late Waymon Usher – in a firm that was involved in construction management and project development. Among other projects Lawshe and Usher developed years ago was the Franklin Plaza strip mall at the corner of Franklin and Bancroft.

In 2007, Lawshe entered city government, appointed director of the Plan Commissions by Mayor Carty Finkbeiner. He served in that position until 2012. In





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Lawshe is survived by his wife Vickie whom he married in 1989; daughters, Kamaria Boatman and Kara Lawshe-Fullen; son, Lance; sisters, Emma Wardlaw and Carol Cole; brothers, Charles Cole and David and Larry Lawshe and five grandchildren.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, September 12 at Perfecting Church Toledo from 5 to 8 p.m. Services will be held at Perfecting Church on Thursday at 11 a.m.





Calvin and Vicki Lawshe

Lawshe and Boule brothers, Thomas Winston and Alfred Baker



KJ Boatman, Kara Lawshe Fullen, Calvin, Vickie, Lance Lawshe



Celebrating 25th Wedding Anniversary



Momentum: A Free Three Day Arts & Musical Festival This Upcoming Weekend

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The Toledo Arts Commission's 2018 Momentum Festival will be held Thursday September 13 to Saturday, September 15, encompassing Promenade Park, as well as spaces linked to Imagination Station. The free three-day festival, expanded this year, will feature new interactive art works by regional artists, commissioned specifically for Momentum; Friday will feature a concert by Havana, Cuba-based Orquesta Akokan, performing for the first time in Toledo and on Saturday the Toledo Opera will be on the stage performing Tan Dun's "Water Concerto."

And that's just a small part of it.

The festival opens on Thursday with a Hot Glass Awards Ceremony in the lobby of 300 Madison. Other events on Thursday include the INTER/ACTIVE Projects Launch, outdoor yoga, a Birds Eye View Circus, Fantastic Planet and Arts in Public Places.

One artist whose work has been woven into the landscape of the Glass City is Yusuf Lateef, who, in partnership with fellow artist Julia Labay Darrah, will be presenting an interactive piece.

On Friday, the Orquesta Akokan will headline the concert on the Promenade Park stage, starting at 7:30 p.m.

Orquesta Akokan is a big band comprised of some of Havana's top musicians, young and old, who have joined forces with some of the talented artists from New York's Latin music scene. The band is a product of a collaboration of singer Jose "Pepito" Gomez, producer Jacob Plasse and arranger Michael Eckroth. The group reinvigorates the sound of the golden era of Cuban mambo with new energy.

Gomez began his musical career in Camaguey, a province in central Cuba. He has sung and toured with a variety of Cuban groups such as Maravilla de Florida, Cole-Cole, Azucar Begra and, ultimately, Pupy y Los Que Son, Son, working on his own music.

Plasse and Eckroth wanted to put Orquesta Akokan in order to work with Gomez. They began their venture in New York but were unable to capture the sound they were seeking and eventually Gomez talked them into going to Cuba with him. The musicians there brought the project to life.

There they brought on board musicians who had long been heroes and inspirations to Plasse and Eckroth: A saxophone section made up of Jamil Shery and José Luis "El Chewy" Hernandez on tenors, with Evaristo Denis on baritone, and of course César Lopez on alto. On trombones, Carlos "Afrokán" Alvarez Guerra of Cubanismo fame, Heikel Fabián Trimiño, and Yoandy Argudin. Santiago Ceballos Seijido and Harold Madrigal Frías on trumpets. Itai Kriss on flute. Eduardo Lavoy Zaragoza on bongo, with Otto Santana Selis on conga and sharing timbale duty with Carlitos Padron. Coros would be sung by Eddie Venegas and Luis Soto. Though Plasse himself rose to the occasion to play a bit of tres, and Eckroth handled the lion's share of keys with inspired prowess, they did convince Pedroso to lend an inspired piano performance on "Cuidado con el Tumbador." These musicians, armed with Eckroth's hard-boiled arrangements and fronted by Gómez' soaring vocals, were to be the backbone of Orquesta Akokán.

Akokan is a Yoruba word used by Cubans to man "from the heart" or "soul."



On Saturday, the INTER/ACTIVE projects, the Hot Glass, Fantastic Planet on View continue and a wide range of musical acts will be performing: Delta blues, rock 7 pop, rock and jam, hip-hop, drum corps, soul and R & B, belly dancing and Middle Eastern folk dance, electro-pop, New Orleans-style brass band.

The headliners will be the Toledo Symphony Orchestra performing Tan Dun's "Water Concerto." Tan Dun, an Academy Award winning– for *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon* – classical music composer created the music for the 2008 Beijing Olympics medal ceremonies.

Many of Tan Dun's works call for instruments made of materials such as paper, stone, or water, but the compositions that he classifies as "organic music" feature these instruments most prominently. According to the composer, the sounds made by the soloist are inspired by the sounds of everyday life growing up in Hunan, China. Basins are filled with water, and the contents are manipulated with bowls, bottles, hands, and other devices. Other water instruments used include the waterphone. Various means of amplification are used, including contact microphones on the basins.

Momentum starts Thursday at 5:00 p.m; on Friday at 9:00 a.m. and on Saturday at noon. For more detail, call the Arts Commission at 419-254-2787, check out the website at momentumtoledo.org or email cphelps@theartscommission.org.







Education Section • Education • Educat

Imagine Clay Community School, Hosts Annual Back to School Celebration

By Megan Davis

Sojourner's Truth Reporter

Imagine children excited about starting school, and parents engaged in locating and reviewing their child's schedule. Imagine a school that is designed to meet children where they are, offering them an opportunity to learn, grow and develop based on their individual needs. Picture a school where students, especially those with learning disabilities, are improving each year, adding value to their education and accountability with the state of Ohio.

Clay Community School is a place that children are working through their many challenges, striving for greatness; and it's in the heart of Toledo's North End.

On Thursday, August 16, Imagine Clay's staff partnered with community organizations and businesses to bring forth a wealth of resources for students and their families as the new school year commenced. Whether you were a parent seeking employment, or a little boy who needed a haircut, these resources were available to parents and students as they attended the



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back to school fair.

When you make a turn off Stickney Avenue onto Clay, you can feel the difference as you drive down toward the school. The doors and windows were open and you could hear music, playing, children's voices ringing. Immediately upon arriving inside the school, there were teachers and staff members greeting students and their parents with smiles, all set with important information for the celebration.

The overall culture of the school exudes positivity, hope and commitment. It is seen throughout the halls and in the classrooms, and on the faces of the students and staff of the school. During the back to school celebration, each family was given an outline of all the resources available as well as tickets for a free meal consisting of a hot dog, chips, a drink and free ice cream from the ice cream truck stationed in the back lot of the school.

They also provided a bounce house for the children with DJ Doww Jonez providing an exciting soundtrack for the families to enjoy. Because the school has two campuses – the second being on 2729 124th Street at Summit St. (grades 5-8) – the school even provided a shuttle from one campus to the next periodically, for families who have students at both locations.

According to Jamin Sulivan, the dean of Culture, the school serves approximately 400 students between the campuses. Their partnership with Brightside Academy gives families with children at the preschool level an opportunity to have a place for their younger children to attend who shares the same positive culture Imagine Clay has.

The school staff were thoughtful in setting up an air-conditioned mobile barber shop in one of the classrooms where several area barbers lent their services, free of charge, for students to receive. Other community resources available at the schools were Fed Ex which is now hiring for their distribution center as well as Brightside Academy, A Step Beyond Mental Health Services which also is housed inside each of Clay Community's campuses throughout the school year and The Kitchen Salon, natural hair care resources for parents and their children.

Establishing a positive culture for personal growth, self discipline and academic achievement is the mission Sullivan is implementing daily, utilizing shared values such as justice, integrity and fun. He believes that children need support in all those areas in order to thrive in school. Although he is responsible for disciplining students who struggle with behavioral challenges, he stated that ,"One of the biggest challenges youth are facing today is overcoming diffcult situations, sometimes within their home or community environment, knowing they have to still come to school and perfarm. Although they tend to carry their pain or frustration to school, we remind them that our school is a safe place and we encourage them to find ways to cope with their feelings so that they can focus, get motivated and be productive each day."

This why, when referring to the shared value of justice, he ensures that each student is held to the standard that best suits the individual; meaning that two students who have displayed similar negative behaviors may not be held to the same level of accountability and responsibility. In that, the school is able to maintair its integrity in providing appropriate accommodations for each of its students without bypassing their shared values and measures of excellence. This too, is what makes the partnership with A Ster Beyond an important piece to the puzzle. They are an on-site resource directly assisting students with coping with and moving beyond their circumstances to achieve their personal and academic goals.

Sullivan also stated that it is common with the chater school, that sev-

Notre Dame Academy Offers Free Financial Meeting for Parents

Families invited to learn how to afford the private education

Parents of girls in grades five-to-eight are invited to Notre Dame Acad- explain the recent changes to tax law that allows families to use 529 Savings emy on Monday, September 17 from 6-7:00 pm for an information session to learn how to afford the best education for their daughter.

"Where Do I Start? Three Ways to Afford the Best Education for Your Daughter" will explain how to apply for the scholarships and tuition assistance that 75 percent of Notre Dame Academy families receive. Parents will also learn about the advanced curriculum that enabled NDA's Class of 2018 to receive \$22 million in college scholarships. Financial professionals will

plans to pay for private school education. RSVP online at nda.org or call 419.475.9359. Free babysitting and light refreshments will be provided.

Notre Dame Academy, a Catholic college preparatory school for grades seven-12, sponsored by the Sisters of Notre Dame, promotes the holistic development and empowerment of young women for leadership and service by providing an exceptional educational experience permeated with Gospel values.

Lourdes University Launches Instructional Excellence Initiative Today

Faculty develop evidence-based techniques to promote student success

On August 22, Lourdes University is excited to launch the first of two academic courses focused on instructional excellence in support of student success. The comprehensive, yearlong program immerses 20 Lourdes faculty in the most effective and proven research-based teaching techniques. Taught by an instructor from The Association of College and University Educators (ACUE), the course is facilitated by Lourdes University Instructor and Director of Field Education Michelle Rose.

"The University and our faculty are known regionally for delivering an exceptional private education that graduates individuals with workforce

readiness. As a learning community, we are delighted to participate in the consortium, learn the most innovative 21st century teaching methods and prepare our students to succeed in the classroom and beyond," says Ms. Rose.

Just one of 26 U.S. institutions selected by the Council of Independent Colleges (CIC) in partnership with the ACUE, Lourdes University faculty will complete 27 modules which includes two modules specifically focused

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Owens' Nursing Program Earns Maximum Award by the Accreditation Commission for **Education in Nursing**

The Owens Community College registered nursing program has received the maximum award of eight-years' accreditation from the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) and will have a scheduled site visit in the spring of 2026.

"This is an amazing accomplishment for our program and highlights the hard work of our faculty and staff," said Cathy Ford, M.Ed., R.T., dean, School of Nursing and Health Professions. "Being awarded accreditation for the maximum eight-years emphasizes the high standards we set for the program and acknowledges our program as one of the best in northwest Ohio.'

Owens nursing students who have taken the National Council Licensing Exam for registered and practical nursing (NCLEX-RN and NCLEX-PN) have pass rates and placement rates among the highest in the country and routinely outperform the state and national average.

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MLK, Jr. Academy for Boys Opens for School Year

On August 20 the Toledo Public Schools opened for the first day of the 2018-2019 academic year and at MLK Jr. Academy, the boys of destiny were greeted by Toledo's men of distinction when they arrived to start the school year.

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eral of the students enrolled are one to two grade levels behind. But they commit to students that, if given at least two years, those students will see growth and improvements in academic and personal performance. With the leadership of principal, Sarah Bennett at the elementary school and Jodi Johns, leader at the middle school, they follow Six Measures of Excellence:

• Academic Growth, which is the belief that students' progress toward proficiency and beyond is the most accurate indicator both of a student's and a school's academic strength.



• Academic Excellence Framework, whereby Imagine educators design their instruction to empower each student to make significant academic progress that is both measured and celebrated.

• **Character Development**, which is lead by the teachers who help students set personal and academic goals so that they may grow in becoming responsible while pursuing academic success.

• **Parent Choice**, which is a privilege in that parents have chosen their school to nurture and cultivate their child's academic career. Teachers and staff work with the parents to fulfill a collaborative responsibility for the academic and personal growth of their children.

• Economic Sustainability, which requires the stewarding of public funds to optimize the students' educational outcomes as well as taking care of the building and facilities. With these responsibilities, the school provides free transportation for its students.

School Development, dedicating resources to improve the schools and enhancing their ability to serve students in a safe, ethical, joyful culture for learning.

Imagine Clay Community School is located at 1030 Clay Ave. Toledo, Ohio 43608. To learn more about the school, please call 419-727-9900 or visit www.imagineclayavenue.org.



Sarah Bennett, Principal and Jamin Sullivan, Dean of Culture, stand with Juan Baker, Marcus Crawford, Resean Watkins, Jamal Sherman, and Jesus Castilleja from Thurmond's Barber Shop in Toledo.

Ashley Taylor 2021 Columbia Law School Bound

Special to The Truth

Toledo native Ashley Alan Taylor is about to embark on a new journey as one a few select students chosen for the class of 2021 Columbia Law School in New York City.

According to the law school, over 6,000 candidates applied for the 370 spaces in the 2018 entering class.

The daughter of Darrell Taylor, Sr. and Marlene Harris-Taylor, she will be following in the footsteps of some notable Columbia law graduates including Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and former U. S. Attorney General Eric Holder.

Taylor graduated from The Ohio State University in May, summa cum laude, with a 3.9 grade point average, after just three years as an undergraduate student. Her undergraduate degree is in public policy.

She is also a member of the Ohio National Guard having joined the armed forces her sophomore year at OSU. Taylor graduated from military training at Fort Jackson in Columbia S.C. as the distinguished honor graduate, which means she had the highest GPA in her company. For this honor she received an Army achievement medal.

During her undergraduate career, Taylor also volunteered for many organizations and worked diligently to help register students to vote as a member of the campus student Democrat club.

Her hard work was recognized by the Hillary Clinton presidential campaign. She was selected to give a short preliminary speech to a crowd of 18,000 when Mrs. Clinton visited OSU during the 2016 presidential campaign.

Taylor also worked as a Page for the Ohio Legislature in Columbus and for the Ohio Unity Coalition in Toledo to help increase African-American voter turnout. She also spent her summers working with young students at the Toledo Boys and Girls club and volunteering for Legal Aid in Columbus.

A 2015 graduate of Maumee Valley Country Day school, Taylor is the granddaughter of Lula Harris and the late Luther Harris, Carenthia Higgs, Charles Taylor and the late Cathy Taylor.



Ashley plans to pursue a career as a public service attorney because as she said, "To whom much is given much is expected." Ashley feels she has been blessed with opportunities, great parents and a great education so she wants to give back.



Ashley Taylor



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Millennials of Color Believe the Trump Administration Has Made "No Progress at All" at Ensuring All Children Are Given Equal Access to a Quality Education

A survey released last week by The Genforward Survey Project at the University of Chicago found that majorities of millennials of color believe that the Trump administration has made "no progress at all" at ensuring all children are given equal access to a quality education. However, nearly half of millennials believe the Obama administration made "some progress". The survey also found that 30 percent of African-American, 43 percent of Asian-American, 27 percent of Latinx, and 32 percent of white millennials have a "very unfavorable" opinion of U.S. Department of Education Secretary Betsy DeVos. And as teachers in one of the largest school districts in the country prepare to strike, overwhelming numbers of millennials across race and ethnicity, when given the choice between strengthening teachers' unions or weakening them, support strengthening them.

A breakdown of key findings per race and ethnicity follows at the bottom of this article.

When given 14 choices that ranged from increasing school choice to more testing, African American, Asian American, Latinx, and white millennials, across race and ethnicity, named increasing school funding and increasing teachers' pay as among the most important ways to improve public education in their local school district(s). The same study found that a majority of millennials of color support race-based affirmative action programs designed to increase the African-American and Latinx/ Hispanic students on college campuses. However, a substantial number of millennials of color also indicate that race should not be an appropriate factor when making admissions decisions.

"What our findings tell us is that when given a range of choices to improve public education, from starting more charter schools to returning to a back to the basics curriculum, young adults of color believe that if we adequately funded our schools and supported the teaching staff that would do the most to improve education. Clearly, these young people are willing to support such efforts like charter schools, but they do not believe more charter schools to be the most effective way to improve public education," said Cathy Cohen, Principal Investigator and Founder of The GenForward Project.

"These results, especially those related to affirmative action show us that millennials of color have complex and seemingly contradictory opinions on affirmative action," Cohen. "I believe they understand the need and support the existence of affirmative action programs today, but aspirationally they would prefer if race, ethnicity and gender did not need to be considered in admission for the equal treatment of students of color."

Other findings from the survey:

• Nearly two-thirds of millennials believe that students with fewer eco-



nomic resources get a worse education than other students.

• Significant numbers of millennials, ranging from 53 percent of African American and Latinx millennials, to 57 percent of Asian American and 59 percent of white, also believe that good schools can make up for the effects of poverty on educational outcomes.

• 65 percent of African American millennials, 60 percent of Asian American millennials, 59 percent of Latinx millennials, and 46 percent of white millennials believe students of color get a worse education than White students.

Nearly 2,000 African American, Asian American, Latinx, and white millennials were polled in the survey. The GenForward Project releases surveys bi-monthly, paying special attention to how race and ethnicity shape how millennials experience and think about the world. Other topics the participants were polled on include: government-funded school vouchers; charter schools; the return on investment and affordability of college; student loan debt; and school safety.

Special Community Meeting

Many residents in Lucas County central city are unaware of the services and resources available to them.

To help support our community, you are cordially invited to a *special community meeting* that will provide an overview of resources available and introduce contacts from agencies that serve the area. It is hoped that this event will be a catalyst in joining efforts from Toledo Urban Federal Credit Union with your agency and others like it to reach out and educate the people in our community.

Date: 9/18/2018

Time: 4:00 PM - 8:00 pm

Location: Woodward High School

701 E. Central Ave (Cafeteria)

Toledo, OH 43608

Tables will be provided at no cost to agencies/organizations attending the meeting.

Our event aims to provide our community with a basic understanding of the range of services and resources that may support their quality of life for them and their families. These services include, but are not limited to, healthcare, disability compensation and pension, educational and vocational support, home loans, and burial and memorial benefits.

We will bring together a range of people representing agencies/ organizations in our community to support and to help the residents understand what agencies are already providing in services. In order to maximize our efforts and reach we hope you will come and by working together, we can ensure that our community becomes educated and empowered.

If you are unable to attend, we encourage you to send an alternate representative from your agency. Please feel free to disseminate the invitation to your colleagues who may have an interest as well.

To register for this event, please RSVP by no later than 9/14/2018

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Confirmation and further information will be sent out no later than September 11, 2018. Thank you for your time and we hope to see you at the meeting!

How to Recognize and Avoid College Scholarship Scams

Special to The Truth

Average college costs have doubled in the last two decades, and this financial pressure along with new technologies makes today's students particularly vulnerable to financial aid and scholarship scams.

"Scammers know to take advantage of those who are stressed," says Robert C. Ballard, president and CEO of Scholarship America, the nation's largest nonprofit scholarship and education support organization. "Fortunately, there are some ways you can avoid getting duped."

To help you spot scams, Scholarship America offers the following insights.

Fees and Other Red Flags

Scholarship programs charging a fee to apply often look legitimate. But look at the bigger picture: if the provider is awarding \$500 in scholarships and collecting fees from thousands of applicants, it's not funding education so much as making money. Your chances of earning a scholarship are slight if not impossible -- sham providers often collect fees and disappear.

Some providers claim to have a no-strings-attached grant or an incredibly low-interest loan to offer, as long as you pay a tax or "redemption" fee in advance. Others offer to match you with guaranteed scholarships -- if you pay for a premium search service. Keep in mind, there's no such thing as a "guaranteed scholarship."

Free, comprehensive scholarship searching and matching services like Fastweb and Cappex will connect you to legitimate, competitive scholarships that don't charge application fees.

Too Good to Be True

Be wary of the "too-good-to-be-true" scam model: an official-sounding organization tells you about an incredible opportunity, offers you a coveted

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As has now become a tradition, dozens of Toledo professionals lined up outside the school and greeted each boy with a handshake and some words of encouragement – the last greeter was TPS Superintendent Romules Durant, Ed.D.

The meet and greet is not intended to be a one-time event. The men have all been offered an opportunity to stay involved with the boys during the school year by adopting a class.





spot at a scholarship seminar, or just sends you a check with a note of congratulations, using messaging designed to get your adrenaline pumping and make you act fast.

Remember, scholarship providers aren't in the practice of sending funds out randomly; it's likely the check will bounce, or you'll be asked to send money back for "processing" or an "accidental" overpayment. Your safest bet? Tearing up the check and, if you have time, filing a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission.

Often unexpected "opportunities" are attempts to get you to divulge personal information. Even clicking on links can expose your data to scammers.

Be cautious: Google the name of the scholarship or organization. Scams have often been flagged by the FTC or Better Business Bureau.

Social Scammers

A new scam making the rounds starts with a random friend request on Facebook, Instagram or Snapchat. Accept, and your new friend will start messaging you about a foolproof way to make money for college: they work for a scholarship provider and have found a loophole. They just need to enter you as a winner and you can split the money.

If this was real, it'd be incredibly unethical. However, in the midst of stress, you may be tempted -- and that could cost more than money. While you may be asked to send cash as an advance, most such scammers are phishing. Give them enough info, and you'll be worrying about getting your identity back.

For more scholarship tools, resources and opportunities, including the annual Scholarship America Dream Award, please visit scholarshipamerica. org.

"Scholarship scams seem to work just enough for people to keep trying it," says Ballard. "However, two main rules will help you avoid them: never pay to apply and if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is."

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Toledo Kwanzaa House Committee Mott Library & Kent Library Presents

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MOTT Branch LIBRARY Monday, **September 24, 2018** Time : 6:30 p.m. & KENT BRANCH LIBRARY Saturday, **October, 20 201**8 Time : 1 -3 p.m.

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Toledo Jazz Orchestra Announces New Season

Special to The Truth

Do you miss the days of the great jazz clubs in Toledo like Murphy's and Rusty's? The Toledo Jazz Orchestra will be back in September with the first of their "Black&White Transportation Bistro Series" concerts, to re-create those cool jazz nights of great music. The concerts take place in the ballroom behind the downown Toledo restaurant Registry Bistro on North Superior Street from 6:00 to 7:30 P.M., and are set up in cabaret-style (small tables to share with friends) with free light hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

On Thursday, September 20, Scott Lavender and Dr. Jim Young are featured. Scott is the Music Director for Johnny Mathis, and will accompany Jim's vocals and share stories about his life on the road. Next up, on Thursday, October 25, is the great Ramona Collins singing with a combo. It's her birthday but we will leave it up to her to tell you which one!

The TJO big band concerts will follow; starting on Saturday, November 5, at 8:00 at the Valentine Theatre with the Toledo homecoming of conductor Gary Urwin. Gary is a Rogers High School grad made good; he directs a big band in L.A composed of the best studio musicians around, and will be bringing his arrangements to Toledo as well as his saxophonist friend Pete Christlieb. Pete played on the Tonight show with Johnny Carson for 20 years, and was the featured sax soloist on Natalie Cole's big hit, "Unforgettable". This will be an "unforgettable" concert!

Last of the 2018 concerts will be the perennial favorite, the annual Holiday Concert. On Saturday, December 15 at 8:00 at the Valentine, bring the

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search, writing and advocacy.

Stewart highlighted a number of ways courts can increase trust and confidence in the justice system, first pointing toward the need for more efficiency.

"It takes cases a very long time to wind through our court system," she said. "I think we in the judiciary need to be more responsive to the people we serve. We need to improve our use of technology. Where you live in the state should not dictate whether you can file a court document electronically."

She also emphasized the need to create better access to the justice system regardless of financial means, not only for criminal matters but also for some civil cases like those dealing with consumer matters.

"We need more legal aid and assistance available to help people get out of some dire circumstances that may be remedied simply by having legal counsel, having someone who knows how to help remedy collateral consequences of criminal convictions, credit issues and the like," she said.

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ment; use active learning techniques; promote

higher-order thinking; and utilize assessments to

inform instruction and promote learning.

She suggested working with groups toward more workshops and clinics throughout the state where legal professionals are available to give consultation and advice.

Stewart said she isn't running for the Ohio Supreme Court to advance her career but rather because she believes in good government and good public service which she has constantly demonstrated throughout her career and have some balance on the Supreme Court. She thinks that it's na-



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family to hear the entire Duke Ellington Nutcracker Suite, along with other holiday favorites. Santa's visit and the usual array of surprises will keep your family entertained! Season tickets are

Season tickets are available for both the Bistro series and the Valentine series, and may be purchased at the Valentine Theatre Box office by calling 419-242-2787, or in person. Individual tickets to the Bistro concerts are \$35 and from \$30 to \$40 for the Valentine series.



Ramona Collins

ACUE's Community of Professional Practice provides continued support for educators to grow in the scholarship of teaching through member forums, expert webinars, weekly newsletters, the 'Q' blog, and "office hours" with leading scholars in college instruction.

The Lourdes University program is made possible by the CIC and a \$1.2 million grant from Strada Education Network, a national nonprofit dedicated to strengthening America's pathways between education and employment.

ive at best and maybe insulting at worst to believe the public can have confidence in the highest level of our judiciary being comprised of justices who all belong to the same political party.

"I'm running because, in addition to my diverse background, experience, education, and perspectives, a value-added component of my candidacy is that I am a nominee from a party that is different from the entire makeup of our Supreme Court," she said. "I am also running because I am committed to improving our judicial system. When you are privileged to have attended some of the best colleges and universities our state has to offer, gain a wealth of work and people experiences, operate in a way that does not abandon common sense and always try to constantly be aware of your own implicit or unconscious bias in making decisions, those things operate together to produce better outcomes all the way around. That's what the people of Ohio deserve -- and that's exactly what they'll get with my election to the Supreme Court."



John Woman: A Novel by Walter Mosley

By Terri Schlichenmeyer

The Truth Contributor

Clothes, as they say, make the man.

So do his language and demeanor – but what else? Did his parents or teachers make him who he is? Is it income, peer pressure, the movies he sees, jobs he holds, or his favorite music? Or, as in the new novel **John Woman by Walter Mosley**, is a man made purely of his actions – including murder? c. 2018 Atlantic Monthly Press \$26.00 / \$38.95 Canada 320 pages

Cornelius "CC" Jones had always adored his mother.

Some of his best memories were of having tea with her in her apart-



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For example, during the second quarter of 2018, 145 students who took the NLCEX-RN passed on the first attempt, resulting in a pass rate of 96.67 percent and 2 students who took the NCLEX-PN passed on the first attempt, resulting in a pass rate of 100 percent. Both pass rates exceeding the national and state passage rates.

"The quality of nurses that come out of Owens can be seen in the students pass rates," said Irene Jones, MSN, RN, chair, Nursing Department. "We have excellent students in our nursing program and we are extremely proud of their accomplishments."

The ACEN is the national accreditation agency for all types of nursing education programs and is recognized by the United States Department of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation.

For additional information about the College's nursing programs, please call 567-661-2387 or 1-800-GO-OWENS, Ext. 2387 or visit www.owens.edu/sonhp.

ment, listening to her blithely reminisce about past loves, kisses and passion, and the night she was almost killed but instead met CC's father.

Those memories framed one side of CC's childhood, and his father framed the other side. Herman Jones was a slave in Mississippi before he taught himself to read. He had a great love of books and philosophy, and he demanded much from his son: CC learned to speak correctly, to think widely, and to love history. He became a respected, responsible boy who quietly assumed his father's job when Herman fell ill.

It was a job that saved them both, in many ways, but it wasn't to last.



Walter Mosley

When Herman died and CC's mother vanished, CC left New York, attended college under an assumed name, and then reinvented himself again as John Woman, professor at New University of the Southwest in Arizona. There, because of his brilliant hypotheses and his cutting-edge deconstructionist history classes, students flocked to his classroom.

But not everyone loved John Woman.

John Woman never fit in, nor did he try. Several of his colleagues wanted him gone from the NUSA, though others were highly intrigued by the way his mind worked. A barely-transparent "cult" of elites that ran the University had their eye on Woman because they recognized his extreme genius. And then there was the NYPD, which was looking for John Woman for a murder they were sure he'd committed....

The very first thing you need to know is that John Woman is absolutely not an easy book to read.

In many ways, fans of author Walter Mosley will know this: Mosley likes to create unique situations, deep philosophers, and thinkers, and in this book, he's totally accomplished that. There's a weird super-educated "cult," for example, that serpentines through the plotline, but it's a largely-unexplained tease. More prominently, the title character here is so deep in his ideas that what he says is sometimes indecipherable but it'll still tickle your mind until well, well into the book. At that point, the sheer brilliance of it all becomes clear, as does his next step - and yours, for that matter, as this book's meaning lingers and your mind is blown.

Needless to say, despite the drama and bedroom scenes within, this book isn't a fluff-bit that you can set down at a whim. This novel is going to force you to think, as well as gasp, smile, and chuckle. If you're ready for a 10-ton-heavy novel, *John Woman* will make you very happy.



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September 12, 2018

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CONSULTANT WANTED

The Mental Health and Recovery Services Board (MHRSB) of Lucas County seeks to acquire the services of a consultant who can develop recommendations for ways the Board can effectively enhance and expand its current data collection process and information systems. Additional information is available at http://www.lcmhrsb.oh.gov/ publicnotice. Proposals must be received by September 21, 2018 at 5:00pm.

SNOW PLOW OPERATORS WITH VEHICLES

The City of Toledo, Streets, Bridges, & Harbor Division is interested in contracting with owners/operators of snow plow vehicles for plowing on residential streets during heavy snow conditions. All bids must be received by **1:30 PM October 16h, 2018**, for a copy of the bid proposals and specifications visit https://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal. cfm?CompanyID=22576 or contact:

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THE SCOPE OF WORK consists of resurfacing of 24 feet x 6,025 linear feet of Pearson Drive using ground tire rubber modified asphalt. General construction includes minor full-depth pavement alterations with curb, catch basin repair & adjustment, pavement planing, modified asphalt paving and pavement marking. Bidders may obtain copies of plans, specifications, contract documents and plan-holder's list through Newfax Corporation, 333 West Woodruff, Toledo, Ohio 43604 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (check made payable to Newfax Corporation) or via the Newfax Digital Plan Room at www.newfaxcorp.com. Newfax can be contacted at 419-241-5157 or 800-877-5157. A non-refundable fee of \$20 is required for each set of documents obtained For additional information, please contact Jon Zvanovec @ 419-360-9184, jon.zvanovec@ metroparkstoledo.com.

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

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By order of the Board of Park Commissioners METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT OF THE TOLEDO AREA Dave Zenk. Director

NOTICE OF JOB VACANCY

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Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority (LMHA) **Receives Two Awards of Merit from NAHRO**

The National Association of Housing and Redevelopment (NAHRO) recently honored Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority (LMHA) with two 2018 Awards of Merit. The winning projects were: Coffee Cafes "Coffee and Conversation" in the Resident and Client Services category and Well2Unity Bootcamp also in Resident and Client Services

Coffee Cafes, located at the senior/disabled developments (Robert Dorrell Manor, Glendale Gardens, Vistula Manor, TenEyck Towers, Ashley Arms and Parqwood) allow residents to enjoy a cup of coffee and conversation. Topics including health and wellness, current events and resident concerns are discussed. Starbucks® provides a monthly donation of various coffees to the cafes

Well2Unity Bootcamp was sponsored by a grant from the Toledo Walleye Foundation. The Bootcamp was an 8-week fitness program focused on physcial fitness and nutrition. Fabulously Fit conducted fitness instruction, while nutrition classes were conducted by Ohio State University Extension Program.

When referencing the award winners, NAHRO President Carl S. Richie, Jr. stated "These agencies have put a lot of thought, creativity and hard work into helping residents improve their lives and into revitalizing their local communities. I am proud to celebrate their achievements."

The NAHRO Awards of Merit program was created 19 years ago to recognize agencies who found innovative ways of making a difference in their communities and in the lives of the people they serve by creating affordable housing, revitalizing their neighborhoods and developing initiatives such as job readiness programs, public-private partnerships, disaster prevention projects and more

"Our industry is continuously innovating to address changing local needs and to create new opportunities in their communities," said NAHRO CEO Adrianne Todman. "Congratulations to this year's top innovators!"

NAHRO, established in 1933, is a membership organization of nearly 20,000 housing and community development agencies and professionals throughout the United States whose mission is to create affordable housing and safe, viable communities that enhance the quality of life for all Americans, especially those of low and moderate income. NAHRO's membership administers more than 3 million housing units for 7.6 million people.

Established in 1933, Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority (LMHA) continues to provide affordable housing to adults, seniors and children in its Public Housing, Housing Choice Voucher, Mixed-Income and market rate housing units. LMHA also provides myriad programs and opportunities designed to improve the total quality of life for our residents, with the ultimate goal of achieving self-sufficiency. The programs and services are the result of successful collaborations with numerous community partners.



Left to right: NAHRO Senior Vice President Sunny Shaw (Executive Director, Housing Alliance and Community Partnerships, Pocatello, ID), LMHA Vice President of Resident Services Coleena Ali, LMHA Board Vice Chair Alisha Gant, LMHA President and CEO Demetria Simpson, and NAHRO President Carl S. Richie, Jr. (NAHRO Fellow, Commissioner, Housing Authority of the City of Austin, TX).

