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Rep. Cleaver's Anti-Money Laundering Bill Passes House

(Washington, D.C.—The United States House of Representatives on Tuesday passed H.R. 2513, the Corporate Transparency Act of 2019, by a vote of 249-173. Included in the text of H.R. 2513 was legislation introduced by United States Representative Emanuel Cleaver, II (D-MO), known as the COUNTER Act. Cleaver's legislation would implement a number of changes and additions to the to the Bank Secrecy Act (BSA), which dictates banks' responsibilities to help the government detect and root out illegal financial transactions. Cleaver's bill passed out of the Financial Services Committee with unanimous support (55-0) and would be the largest reform to the BSA since 2001.

"After a lot of hard work to come to a bipartisan consensus, I'm extremely proud that we were able to pass the most significant anti-money laundering reform since 2001," said Congressman Cleaver. "So much has changed in the past two decades, and the national security challenges we face today are profoundly different from those we faced at the turn of the century. It's critical that we bring our banking regulations into the 21st century and give financial institutions the tools necessary to protect American consumers and companies from modern threats. I believe this bill is a big step forward in that regard."

"The COUNTER Act, by bettering the Bank Secrecy Act, would protect our national security and make our anti-money laundering regime more effective, and I'm proud that we were able to combine this key bill with the Corporate Transparency Act," said Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney (D-NY). "Together, this package is a huge win for transparency and anti-money laundering

Congressman Emanuel Cleaver II

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Thousands Expected for Rep. Elijah Cummings Funeral



Rep. Elijah Cummings' body lies in State today (Thursday) at the Capitol. PHOTO/Screen shot



Rep. Elijah Cummings (D-Md.), seen here recently at the National Press Club in D.C. He died Oct. 17 at age 68. He was chairman of the House Oversight Committee. Getty photo

Courtesy, *The Washington Informer*

Thousands of mourners and well-wishers are expected to flood the New Psalmist Baptist Church in Baltimore on Friday, Oct. 25, when funeral services for Rep. Elijah Cummings is scheduled to begin at 8 a.m.

The longtime Maryland congressman died Oct. 17 at the age of 68.

Expected among the list of attendees are former President Barack Obama and former first lady Michelle Obama, former President Bill Clinton and former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, California Democratic Rep. Maxine Waters, Maryland Democratic Sen. Ben Cardin and many others.

"As Chairman of the House Oversight Committee, he showed us all not only the importance of checks and balances within our democracy but also the necessity of good people stewarding it," Obama said in a statement. "Steely yet compassionate, principled yet open to new perspectives, Chairman Cummings remained steadfast in his pursuit of truth, justice, and reconciliation. It's a tribute to his native Baltimore that one of its own brought such character, tact, and resolve into the halls of power every day.

"And true to the giants of progress, he followed into public service, Chairman Cummings stood tallest and most resolute when our country needed him the most," Obama said. "May his example inspire more Americans to pick up the baton and carry it forward in a manner worthy of his service."

Born in Baltimore on Jan. 18, 1951, Cummings received a bachelor's degree in political science from Howard University in D.C. in 1973, and a law degree from the University of Maryland in 1976.

One of seven children of working-class parents who had migrated from a farm in South Carolina, Cummings grew up in a rental house, but often recalled the family "scrimping and saving" to buy their own home in a desegregated neighborhood, according to a biography posted on blackpast.org.

When the family moved into that home in 1963, when Cummings was 12, he recalled that he had "never played on grass before."

In 1983, Cummings won election to the Maryland State House. In 1995, he was named speaker pro tem, the highest state office ever held by an African American in Maryland.

During his 13 years in the Maryland legislature, Cummings achieved a reputation "as both a dedicated liberal and a skilled census-builder," according to blackpast.org.

RACISM: DEFINITION

Prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people on the basis of their membership in a particular racial or ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized.

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Cummings represented a predominately Black district in West Baltimore, where he was a supporter of better inner-city health care and gun control. He also worked to get private sector employers involved in partnerships with the government to enhance urban economic development and improve local schools.

Cummings helped lead the fight to ban liquor advertisements from inner-city billboards. He also led legislative efforts in the

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THESE EVENTS AND MORE INSIDE!

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Does President Donald Trump's Personal Lawyer Bear Bad Fruit?

"Can an Ethiopian change his skin or a leopard its spots?"

Neither can you do good who are accustomed to doing evil."

Jeremiah 13:23
Holy Bible, New International Version

As fate would have it, a few years ago, my schedule ushered me into the presence of New York City's first African American mayor—David N. Dinkins. Stupefied, dumbfounded and overwhelmed are adjectives that immediately leap from the file of my memory as descriptors of the emotions that took possession of me as I struggled to engage in the moment. Despite the significance of being the only African American elected to hold the office of mayor of New York City, his demeanor was soft-spoken and polite with humility dripping from each word he employed to put me at ease. Our conversation gradually drifted to his book—*A Mayor's Life: Governing New York's Gorgeous Mosaic*. Craving more of his time, but noticing that others at this book fair were standing patiently in a line behind me for their moment with him, I collected my autographed copy of his book and followed the path of others who had gone before me.

My desire to learn more about Dinkins—the 106th mayor of New York City—was fulfilled as I journeyed through the pages of his book. In 1989, as the Democratic

A COMMENTARY



By Dr. Roger C. Williams, Jr.

candidate, Dinkins campaigned to become mayor of New York City against President Donald Trump's personal lawyer—Republican Rudy Giuliani. Sadly, plans put into motion by the 1989 Giuliani campaign promptly confirmed that he was not a paragon of virtue. Using his reputation as a tough prosecutor, he launched various schemes to smear Dinkins. "Rudy was a cold, unkind person..." wrote Dinkins. "He was the kind of man who went for the jugular." His campaign portrayed Dinkins as personally corrupt and financially negligent. According to Dinkins, Giuliani's mud-slinging splattered onto his son David. When Dinkins transferred stock in a broadcasting corporation to his son without reporting it as a gift on his tax returns—an independent investigator found no wrongdoing—Giuliani charged that Dinkins was guilty of malfeasance. Following the example of many that labor to discredit blacks, Giuliani endorsed campaign messages that accused Dinkins of "sloppy bookkeeping", a code word meant to trigger discomfort with hav-

ing a black man in charge of city finances. Despite Giuliani's efforts to defeat Dinkins, he failed and history was made when Dinkins won the mayoral election. Unfortunately, Dinkins was unsuccessful in his bid to win re-election in 1993. But, his exhibit of strong moral character—objecting to engage in negative campaigning against Giuliani—serves as an incredible model of self-respect and decency.

In *Rudy Giuliani's Role In Ukraine's Investigation Of Joe Biden*, Bill McCarthy and Miriam

Valverde corroborate the reasonableness of observations Dinkins made about Trump's personal lawyer. During the course of the 1989 mayoral campaign, Giuliani attempted to tarnish the reputations of Dinkins and his son David. Giuliani and Trump, according to McCarthy and Valverde, have charged, without evidence, that Biden forced Ukraine to remove its lead prosecutor in order to protect Biden's son Hunter, who worked for a Ukrainian company that had been under investigation. Trump and Giuliani are the poster boys for the expression: "Birds of the same feather flock together." Giuliani's past history speaks for itself. Politics needs more like David Dinkins.

Dr. Roger C. Williams, Jr. is a retired principal who has an interest in history and politics. You may comment on his column by sending an email to kcglobe@swbell.net. On the subject line put ATTN: Dr. Roger C. Williams, Jr.

-October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month-

Fannie Lou Hamer Died of Untreated Breast Cancer



Fannie Lou Hamer, American civil rights leader, at the Democratic National Convention, Atlantic City, New Jersey, August 1964. This image is available from the United States Library of Congress's Prints and Photographs division. Photo/ Warren K. Leffler, U.S. News & World Report Magazine; Restored by Adam Cuerden / Wikimedia Commons

During October, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the proliferation of pink ribbons starts, Predatory capitalists make breast cancer their cause, producing pink t-shirts, pocketbooks, everything. It's a mixed blessing, this awareness, because too many make this both a marketing and a profit-making opportunity, while others wonder how they can use their health insurance to afford a mammogram. Health equity is a major issue, and there is a gap in health care and health access. It is especially sharp when we address the issue of breast cancer.

While Black women get breast cancer at a lower rate than white women, we are 42 percent more likely to die from it. And young Black women, those under 35, are twice as likely as white women to get breast cancer, and three times as likely to die from it. Black women are also three times as likely as white women to get triple-negative breast cancer, an especially aggressive form of breast cancer.

I am privileged to know Ricki Fairley, a triple-negative breast cancer survivor, and marketing maven who now holds a leadership role at the nation's oldest and largest black women's breast cancer network group. Sister's Network, describes itself as a "survivorship organization" that provides support for Black women who are diagnosed with breast cancer. Ricki only recently joined the organization as its Vice President for Strategic Partnerships and National Programs, and she



By Julianne Malveaux NNPA Newswire Columnist

is on a mission to raise awareness about breast cancer in the African American community. Propelled by her own survivorship story, but also by the many women she has provided support for, she is passionate about the reasons that African American women must be informed and engaged around breast cancer issues. Our civil rights icon, Fannie Lou Hamer, died of untreated breast cancer. She was just 59 when she made her transition, and one can only speculate about why this fearless leader had an untreated disease. Her untreated breast cancer was not the first collision she experienced with our racist health care system. At 44, she had surgery to remove a tumor, and the hospital also gave her a hysterectomy without her consent. These unconsented sterilizations happened to lots of Black women in southern states. It eroded the trust that many Black women had in our health care system. Had Fannie Lou Hamer noticed a lump, would she be inclined to return to the health care system that had already oppressed her? Probably not.

Fannie Lou Hamer was poor and vocally Black in the

South. Serena Williams is wealthy, Black and an international superstar. Despite her privilege, Williams also experienced the differential way the health care system treats Black women. Serena might have died giving birth to her daughter, Alexandra. Because Williams was gracious enough to share her story, we are reminded that Black women are all too often ignored or dismissed by health care providers. Racial bias in the medical field is not only real, but also life-threatening. Reference Fannie Lou Hamer. Ask Serena Williams. Consider the thousands of Black women that are being sidelined by a health care system that does not hear our voices.

What must we do to ensure that Black women don't carry the heavy burden of health disparities? We must be mindful and aware of the risks of breast cancer. We must talk about breast care with our sisters and our young 'uns. We must engage in a policy conversation about the ways health insurance can support our breast health. Too often, health insurance covers some, but not all, of the cost of screening. We must engage our civic organizations in breast health education.

We must remember Fannie Lou Hamer, who said she was "sick and tired of being sick and tired." That means as tired as we are of being tired, we must also be committed to taking care of ourselves. Too many studies say that Black women ignore self-care for the care of others.

Fannie Lou Hamer was a leader and an icon. She was also a Black woman who gave voice to her tiredness and the way it impacted her. In saying that she was "sick and tired of being sick and tired", she challenged us all to be less sick, less tired, and more self-aware. If we celebrate her, we must hear her. The health care system is biased against Black women, and we must take our health care in our own hands. Neither sick, nor tired, just empowered. And in October, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, be supportive of organizations like the Sister's Network, an organization that provides opportunities and services for the Black women who are diagnosed with breast cancer. We must do this in the name of Fannie Lou Hamer.

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Importance of Educators of Color for Black, Brown Students

I have been a Black student, education policymaker, and now an advocate for providing the best educational opportunities for all our children. One reality that I've had

to face and embrace through each of these stages in my life and career is that the prevalence of leaders of color like me is a major contributor to educational success and whose

lack thereof stifles that potential. As a student of color, those examples helped me thrive; and today they inform my advocacy.

This month, my organi-

zation, the National Alliance of Public Charter Schools released its highly-anticipated report, "Identity and Charter School Leadership: Profiles of Leaders of Color Building an Effective Staff" which examined the ways that school leaders of color's experiences and perspectives influence how they build school culture, parent and community relationships, and effective staff. This needed report affirmed what I and many fellow school leaders of color have witnessed first-hand in schools from New Jersey (where I advised the state Department of Education) to Massachusetts, California, Louisiana, Missouri, Wisconsin, and North Carolina, where school leaders of color were studied. The report's finding is clear: our children of color thrive with diverse and experienced teachers who understand their challenges and have a personal,



By Ron Rice, Senior Director, Government Relations at the National Alliance of Public Charter Schools

unwavering dedication to their success.

Most importantly, our report is instructive as well because it sheds light — through

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KC Calling on Startups to Develop Custom Solutions to Civic Challenges

“The startup-in-residence program provides Kansas City the opportunity to be at the forefront of both municipal procurement and equity,” says Mayor Lucas.

If technology is your thing and you’ve got ideas about how to improve City government, then here’s your chance. The City of Kansas City is asking local startups to jump into the game by applying for its Startup in Residence Program. The City is pairing with City Innovate and STIR to sponsor InnovateKC (formally known as The Innovation Partnership Program or IPP). The program connects City departments with technology startups for a 16-week, voluntary in-residence period to develop technology-based solutions to address operating challenges. Startups can apply at StartupinResidence.org

to address one or more of the challenges posted by the City of Kansas City or another partner in the network. The application process ends on Nov. 20. Kansas City established IPP in July 2013 to engage the local startup community and develop, test and demonstrate innovative solutions to operational problems. For its 2019-2020 cohort, the City is posting five (5) challenges it hopes startups will take on, including solutions for community engagement, automated barricading and signage systems, data-visualization of surface and underground assets, a digital platform for resources and referrals, and business development solutions for minority-owned businesses. There is also an opportunity for startups to pitch innovative solutions to City operations.

“InnovateKC is bringing creative problem-solving partnerships with our growing startup community to City departments,” said Rick Usher, assistant city manager for small business & entrepreneurship. “Our City staff are creative and working closely with entrepreneurial-thinking startups will accelerate our progress towards implementing technology driven public services.”

The residence program includes an educational component for the selected startups and corresponding City agencies consisting of in-person and web-based sessions. This will help participants learn about navigating government partnerships, procurement processes, open data and systems integration and civic tech trends. The educational component also helps City leaders learn about the technology marketplace, how to develop technology product solicitations, and how to approach building a technology product. “The Startup in Residence (STIR) program is a model for civic innovation and national collaboration,” said Jay Nath, former Chief Innovation Officer for San Francisco and Executive Director for City Innovate.

“This program is a unique opportunity for government agencies and startups to think creatively about how we can all work together to modernize government to benefit residents.”

First piloted by the City of San Francisco in 2014, STIR evolved into a nonprofit called City Innovate. Since then, over 50 startups from around the world have joined government departments in cities including San Francisco, Oakland, Washington D.C. and Houston. The startups shared technological solutions that were developed to address civic challenges and improve the quality of life for their residents. Projects have included working on issues such as streamlining the foster care application process, smart sensors on trash cans, homeless health services, volunteer engagement tools and developing tools to assess the damage in the aftermath of an emergency like an earthquake or flooding.

The City of Kansas City is one of about 30 government partners participating in the Startup in Residence program. Since 2013, Kansas City’s residence program (IPP) has brought many positive results to participants - many of these successful collaborations ended up as a contract with the City. Part of the 2018 cohort, DataKC’s pairing with MySidewalk strongly impacted how the City analyzes data.

“During the 2018 IPP, our office worked with local firm MySidewalk on a project that addressed a current need of the city - a platform for visualizing key data insights - and which resulted in a contract relationship and the development of several new city dashboards,” said Kate Bender, deputy performance officer/DataKC.

“We are looking forward to being involved with the upcoming InnovateKC program, which is aiming to strengthen the connection between the city’s business needs and solutions from the entrepreneurial community.”

The program clearly benefits both the City and the startup. After working with a significant client such as the City, a startup tends to be more successful while doing business and developing new products. RFP 360, another past participant, helped innovate the way the City issues, evaluates and contracts goods and services. “The City has been a great partner,” said David Hulsen, RFP 360 Co-founder/COO. “This program allowed us to get in front of the right audience quickly, and then the proof of concept was our part. I wish all cities were as open to new technologies as Kansas City continues to be.”

Dr. Eva McGhee Donates Portrait of Henrietta Lacks to Black Archives of Mid-America

Mayor Lucas to Unveil Painting Sunday, Oct. 27 at 3 p.m.



Eva McGhee, Ph.D., M.S., Leslie Fields, MD
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Mayor Quinton Lucas

Dr. Eva McGhee a faculty member in the College of Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine, Division of Cancer Research, and HIV Pathogenesis at Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science (CDU), Los Angeles CA. Dr. McGhee has donated a portrait of Henrietta Lacks to the Black Archives of Mid-America. Lacks is the African American woman whose cancer cells are the source of the HeLa cell line, the first immortalized and the most important human cell line in medical research. Kansas City, Missouri Mayor Quinton Lucas will unveil the portrait at a program this Sunday October 27, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

There will also be a conversation with Dr. McGhee and Black Archives board member Dr. Leslie Fields of St. Luke’s Hospital on the Ethics of Women’s Health Care.

About Dr. McGhee

Dr. McGhee received her Ph.D., from the University of Kansas (KU), in Cellular and Immunogenetics. She completed a Postdoctoral Fellowship at the University of California San Francisco (UCSF) in Molecular Cancer Genetics, and a Clinical Fellowship at UCSF/Stanford University in the Department of Pediatric in Medical Genetics (Clinical Cyto-

genetics and Clinical Molecular Genetics).

Dr. McGhee was invited to join the faculty at UCSF, and through a very competitive process, Dr. McGhee was selected to become a Visiting Professor at Harvard Medical School, Department of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases. While at Harvard, Dr. McGhee worked on cervical cancer-the human papillomavirus16 (HPV16) E6/E7 oncoproteins, and genomic instability-DNA repair. Her research focus is on women health, health disparities, Infectious Diseases, Cancer Genetics, and Vaccines, as they relate to HPV, HIV, cervical, oral, and breast cancer diseases. Dr. McGhee has published several important manuscripts. And has been the PI on several funded HIV, genetics and HPV research studies. As a Postdoctoral Fellow at UCSF, Dr. McGhee discovered the candidate region for Coffin Siris, which is a rare Mendelian Syndrome; this work was published in the Journal of Medical Genetics, 2002.

In 2017, Dr. McGhee and her team published work on the uptake of HPV vaccines, which was later featured in an interview on oral cancer and HPV by CNN. Dr. McGhee is

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Neighborhood Clean-up, Prescription Drug Take Back Oct. 29

COMBAT and the Jackson County Prosecutor’s Office will be hitting the streets—33rd Street and Indiana Avenue in Kansas City for a neighborhood clean-up event around Central High School on Tuesday, Oct. 29, from 10 until noon. To volunteer, contact COMBAT Program Manager Tammie Jordan tjordan@jacksongov.org. As part of the clean-up, Jackson County Sheriff deputies will be on-site to safely dispose of any expired or unused medications that individuals may wish to turn in. Furthermore, dumpsters will be available for household waste, small appliances, small automobile parts, furniture, TVs, beds, mattresses, cabinets, rugs, garage doors and more. Visit jacksoncountycombat.com for more details.

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This program introduces kids to the sounds and styles of jazz, America’s art form! JAZZ Storytelling features an internationally renowned cast including vocalist Lisa Henry, storyteller Brother John, bassist Tyrone Clark, and drummer Mike Warren.

18th & Vine Neo-Soul Feat

The Br. John Duo Friday, November 8th at 11:00am American Jazz Museum - FREE Complement your lunchtime groove with The Br. John Duo. Made up of tribute vocalist Br. John and guitarist Rick “Pretty Ricky,” Cole, their repertoire includes classic hits, R&B, soul, Motown, easy listening, traditional jazz, and smooth jazz.



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-THIS WEEK'S SPOTLIGHT-

Saxophonist Christopher Burnett Set to Release Standards Album On ARC Label

Courtesy of Artists Recording Collective, LLC

Christopher Burnett is preparing the release of his fourth album as a leader titled "Standards Vol. 1" — scheduled to be released commercially and distributed worldwide on the ARC record label in 2020. — Artists Recording Collective

Kansas City based alto saxophonist, composer and educator, Christopher Burnett has announced the recording of his fourth album as a leader titled, *The Standards, Vol. 1* on the Artists Recording Collective (ARC) label. The album

of mostly post-bop compositions will be released in 2020 to purposely coincide with the 100th birth year of bebop pioneer, Charlie Parker.

"I have at least 50 jazz masterworks that I really love for various reasons," Burnett said. "And obviously, as a composer, I hope to record my own original compositions. But, I also want to record the work of other composers I grew up listening to as a jazz artist and student of the music."

Burnett says that with the standards project, he selected 17 of his favorites by other composers to arrange along with four of his own original works to ultimately record with Christopher Burnett Quintet and five guest musicians (CbQ+5).

The first recording is volume one of a planned total of three albums in this series and it contains six individual works. The noted recording engineer, Bill Crain, of BRC Audio Productions in Kansas City is producing the album. The augmented ensemble appears on Burnett's thoughtful arrangements of the Chick Corea composition, "Windows" and the Herbie Hancock composition, "Dolphin Dance."

"I'm using the additional instruments to supplement the music," Burnett said. "But a primary consideration is to retain the jazz quintet aesthetic and feel of the music too. I hope listeners enjoy our presentations, but I'm equally just happy to finally be able to document my renditions on an album."

Burnett's jazz ensemble had been performing this music each month for an entire year during a year-long residency at Black Dolphin in Kansas City on the first Saturday of each month. His reasoning for working a regular casual gig with essentially the same band was to achieve a more refined aesthetic as an ensemble.



Album cover for Standards Vol. 1

"The musicians in my ensemble are great players by any standard," Burnett said. "I really appreciate John Scott at Black Dolphin for letting us have those first Saturdays during the year he was still fleshing out the venue concept. That monthly residency helped establish the musical aesthetic of an actual working group, rather than the sound of a random assemblage of great players."

Post-bop is best described as a jazz style existing from the mid-1960s onward. Post-bop assimilates hard bop, modal jazz, avant-garde and free jazz without necessarily being immediately identifiable as any of those styles. It is also primarily a concert music that is still widely appreciated the world over.

"As a child of the US Civil Rights Era, post-bop music is the modern jazz that first resonated with me both as a person and as an artist," Burnett said. "Jazz music reflects what is going on in all facets of modern society. These are beautiful and timeless works of music, harmonically and melodically."

Burnett has performed alongside and worked with many wonderful artists. He has shared the stage and studio

with great musicians such as Bobby Watson, Will Matthews, Bob Bowman, Marcus Hampton, Ahmed Alaadeen, Greg Carroll, Bill Crain, David Basse, Sumi Tonooka, Erica Lindsay, Dino Massa, Marco Zurzolo, Lutz Herbig, Michael Session, Jeff "Siege" Siegel, Michael Jeffrey Stevens, Stanton Kessler, Jim Nesbit, Keith Philbrick, Dr. Jerry Coker, Kevin Cerovich, Roger Wilder, Bill McKemy, Charles Gatschet, Gerald Dunn, Dennis Winslett, Kerry Strayer, Harold O'Neal, Clarence Smith, Matt Otto, John Kizilarnut, Dr. Craig Treinen, Dr. Arthur White, Dr. Mike Pagan, Dr. David Aaberg, Dr. Louis Neal, and Gerald Spaits among many others.

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SISTERLY SUPPORT--Members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority were among those attending services at Community Fellowship Church of Jesus Christ in Kansas City, Mo. last Sunday. They are shown being greeted by their soror, Bishop Sandra McFadden Brown Weaver (standing, second from left) pastor of Community Fellowship Church which was celebrating its 23rd Church Anniversary. Others shown are seated, from left: Linda Ragan and Conella Coulter Brown. Standing, from left: Beverly Pendleton, June White, Denise Jordon and Dr. Karla Houston-Gray.

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The African Centered College Preparatory Academy and John T. Hartman School Designated as Institutional Ambassadors for the 400 Years of African American History Commission



Shown from left: Mrs. Claire Thornton-Poke, principal of the African Centered College Preparatory Academy, Dr. Janice M. Cade, the NAFJ, Kansas City, MO Affiliate and Area Consultant for Missouri, and Dr. Jessie O. Kirksey, principal of John T. Hartman School.

On January 8, 2018, President Donald J. Trump signed into law, Public Law 115-102, the 400 Years of African American History Commission (400 YAAHC). "By law, the 400 YAAHC is federally authorized to plan, develop and carry out programs and activities throughout the United States to recognize and highlight the resilience and contributions of African American since 1619". This is the 400th Anniversary of the African American arrival in the United States of America.

While there are over 148,000 schools, colleges and universities in the United States, only 400 of those schools will be designated and commissioned as Institutional Ambassadors for the 400 Years of African American History Commission. The

principal of the African Centered College Preparatory Academy is Mrs. Claire Thornton-Poke and principal of the John T. Hartman School is Dr. Jessie O. Kirksey. They are proud to be the leaders of two of the 400 designated schools. Their responsibility will be to have their scholars assist in leading the efforts to educate the public about the arrival and encourage civic, patriotic, religious and histori-

cal organizations to join the movement to educate America's youth and adults by articulating the message.

The John T. Hartman School and the African Centered College Preparatory Academy (AC PREP), both Kansas City, Missouri Public Schools, have been honored by being selected as two of the prestigious 400 schools to give voice to this public law.

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SUMNER ACADEMY'S VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TEAM RECOGNIZES SENIORS DURING TUESDAY'S GAME AGAINST SCHLAGLE--LEFT PHOTO: As Coach Yessa (far left) looks on, Kennedy Thompson #17 (third from right), co-captain of the Summer Academy Sabres Volleyball team is shown with her mom (Carmita Ragan-Thompson (second from right) and siblings Kyley (left) and Kerrington (far right) who held posters honoring their sister during a break from Tuesday's game against Schlagle where Summer Academy Sabres senior team members were recognized. The Sabres won both games. RIGHT PHOTO: Kennedy gets a hug from Coach Yessa.

Dr. McGhee

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also leading research to expand awareness for Precision Medicine (All of us program) and this work is in collaboration with the John Hopkins University-School of Medicine. Dr. McGhee is passionate about trying to find ways in the community to increase the HPV vaccines uptake with the hope of eliminating cancer health disparities-associated with HPV. Chancellor Sam Hawgood

honored Dr. McGhee at the UCSF 150th Anniversary Celebration for receiving both, the Chancellor Award for research, public and community service, and the Thomas N. Burbridge Award for Social Justice. Both awards were presented by Nobel Laureate J. Michael Bishop, then Chancellor at UCSF.

Dr. McGhee is currently a Senator for the College of

Medicine, and the Academic Senate Chair for the Committee on Clinical and Community Programs at CDU. Dr. McGhee's board commitment include: The past Vice President of the Board for Huckleberry Youth, located in San Francisco, and the Past Chair of the board for Henrietta Lacks House of Healing.

Dr. McGhee is an American Medical Geneticist and philanthropist, and a lover of the arts. She is being honored

with the 2019 KU Leader and Innovators Alumni Award during this month.

The Black Archives of Mid-America is located at 1722 E. 17th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64108. Dr. Carmalotta Williams is executive director. For more information on this and any other events call the office at 816-221-1600.

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Cummings

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1 Maryland House to prevent and treat AIDS and to establish a “boot camp” program to help former prison inmates find jobs.

He pushed the connection of all schools, but especially those in minority communities, to the internet.

In February 1996, Cummings won the Democratic primary, defeating 26 Black and white opponents. Two months later and with more than 80 percent of the vote, he defeated Republican Kenneth Konder for a seat in Congress.

Elected to his 13th term in Congress in November 2018, Cummings became chair of the House Committee on Oversight and Reform, which gave him wide-reaching authority to investigate the Trump administration.

“Those of us who called Elijah a close friend will remember him for the irony of his commanding presence in a man with such a gentle spirit,” said D.C. Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton. “His tenacity in serving his District and the nation was always on display as he led the Oversight and Reform Committee with rare bipartisan support in today’s polarized Congress. But Elijah’s service was never the full story. He held a deep respect for and maintained friendships with Republican and Democratic members alike.

“I am especially thankful to Elijah for his unceasing and principled efforts towards statehood for the residents of the District of Columbia, which he was carrying forward as chair of the committee of jurisdiction,” Norton said. “The District, his neighbor down the road from Baltimore, also held a special place in his heart after attending Howard University. As the nation remembers Elijah Cummings, may we all seek to follow Elijah’s lead and example during these polarizing times.”

Cummings is survived by his wife, Maya Rockeymoore Cummings, who is chair of the Maryland Democratic Party, and three children.

Cleaver *From page 1*

efforts and I hope the Senate will act quickly to send it to the President’s desk.”

The COUNTER Act would empower the U.S. Treasury Department to protect our national security and safeguard our financial systems by codifying an information-sharing program between law enforcement, financial institutions, and the Treasury Department, enabling the detection and capture of illegal activity. In addition, the bill will provide needed relief to small banks and credit unions by updating outdated regulations weighing on these smaller institutions while still reinforcing our national security. The bill would also close a number of loopholes that have allowed for financial crimes to be committed, helping to pull our banking regulations into the 21st century and positioning us to face the challenges of tomorrow.

Congressman Cleaver and the Financial Services Committee have been proactive in researching and regulating the innovative technologies of the 21st century, creating taskforces to look into FinTech and Artificial intelligence, one of which Congressman Cleaver has been appointed. One way the COUNTER Act fosters innovation is by creating “Innovation Labs” which encourage financial regulators to work with companies to implement inventive approaches to meeting lawful requirements. These innovation labs ensure companies will have the flexibility needed to implement new technologies while still complying with existing law and fortifying our national security

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Michael Mwenso (above) and the Shakes host Harlem 100

Overland Park, Kan.— The 2019 - 2020 season of the Carlsen Center Presents Series continues with *Harlem 100 – A Celebration of the Harlem Renaissance*, on Sunday, November 10, 7 p.m. in Yardley Hall.

One of the country's greatest artistic eras, the Harlem Renaissance gave us the music of Duke Ellington, Billie Holiday and more. Soak in the sights and sounds of the legendary artists who made Harlem the cultural center of the country. Created in collaboration with the National

Jazz Museum in Harlem and JMG Live, *Harlem 100*, celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Harlem Renaissance, is a multimedia homage to musicians, singers and dancers of the Harlem Renaissance who performed in such famed venues as the Apollo Theatre and Cotton Club. Featuring the music of Fats Waller, Duke Ellington, Billie Holiday, Bessie Smith and more, *Harlem 100* celebrates one of the most influential artistic movements of our country and gives insight into Harlem then and now. Hosted by Michael Mwenso

and the Shakes, *Harlem 100* will also include guest vocalists Brianna Thomas and Vuyo Sotashe and featuring Michela Marino Lerman, tap dancer extraordinaire.

Community Events
FREE reception and Harlem 100 lecture at the Black Archives of Mid-America in Kansas City, 1722 E. 17th Terr., K.C. Mo. 64108, Wed., Nov. 6 at 6 p.m.

Hors d'oeuvres, wine, beer and soft drinks provided. Tour the Black Ar-

chives exhibition hall, then hear a short lecture about the history of the Harlem Renaissance, presented by Dr. Carmaletta Williams, Execu-

tive Director. Reservations required. **KC Rep Ticket Information** Tickets may be purchased

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BEU DECLARES NEWS DISTORTION!



The Black Economic Union has been at the forefront of economic development in Kansas City since its birth at the Ali Summit of 1967 in Cleveland, Ohio through the leadership of Curtis McClinton and Jim Brown as shown in this archive photo. PHOTO/BEU FILE

WHILE DEFENDING ITS FOUNDERS' 50 YEAR LEGACY FROM HOSTILE TAKEOVER

(A Statement from the Black Economic Union (BEU) Board of Directors)

Over the past two years, The Black Economic Union (BEU) has suffered enough from hostile attempts to take over the leadership and the organization's assets. And now to be subject to yet another "smear campaign" we feel is totally inappropriate. Such unethical behavior has made it difficult for BEU to manage its day to day operations currently housed in the Lincoln Building in Kansas City's Historic 18th & Vine District, despite the hostile attempt to be evicted from its legendary home.

A news story appearing in a local Kansas City newspaper last year (June 8, 2018) contained several disparaging allegations and untruths against the historic Black Economic Union (BEU). It is notable that the newspaper's reporter and/or editor did not contact any current members of the BEU for comment before publishing the false statements, did not attempt to verify the allegations in the article, and did not make any discernable attempt to understand the court document from which it quoted. Despite these wrongs, the BEU has chosen at this time not to take a heavy-handed approach toward the newspaper, preferring instead to seek a fair opportunity to present an explanation of the facts.

The June 8, 2018 newspaper article was published as the current BEU board of directors prepared to file a lawsuit against its former attorney, Henry Service whose law office is The Service Law Offices of Kansas City, now title owner with BEU having a 50% equity interest in the Historic Lincoln Building at 18th & Vine. Service attempted to evict BEU from the building after committing to a public/private partnership that he and the former president Mr. Marvin Lyman announced in a front-page article of the same newspaper that was published on May 18th, 2018, prior to the June 8, 2018 article. Since then, Attorney Henry Service and the Black Economic Union participated in a mediation process and that is now complete. Both the Black Economic Union and Attorney Henry Service are not able to discuss the outcome of the mediation because the settlement terms are confidential.

The Black Economic Union maintains an office in the Lincoln Building and remains committed to serving the community. The Black Economic Union understands that a new property manager has been hired to manage the Lincoln Building; and the organization is looking forward to working with the new property manager.

Meanwhile, within the past several weeks, a reporter for a Kansas City television station, apparently basing his news broadcast on mis-information contained in the June 8, 2018 newspaper article, is subsequently painting the BEU organization and its volunteer advisor Vewisser Dixon in a negative light in the community and among BEU's private partners. Much of this distorted information was based on comments filed in Mr. Service's wrongful eviction attempt from the now removed former BEU chairman William Harris, and on events that happened 17 years ago. When City officials commented about the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds allocated to BEU for renovations of the Lincoln building during the tenure of both former BEU presidents Chester Thompson and Marvin Lyman, the television re-



" The LINCOLN BUILDING " at 18th & Vine 1940's

porter affirmed the truth—that the unused remaining funds were repurposed and no malfeasance was found on the part of BEU.

During the same television news broadcast, the reporter stated that the Interim Director of BEU Ms. Cathy Brodhurst "syphoned" monies to Mr. Dixon's personal real estate projects, apparently basing his report on mis-information. In fact, at no time during Ms. Brodhurst's service did this occur. This statement is inaccurate, misleading, and simply untrue. As a matter of fact, the false allegations by Mr. William Harris against Mr. Dixon were dismissed by a Missouri Court. Mr. Dixon has chosen to respond to that false accusation by "taking the high road."

He says, "My spiritual convictions prevent me from publicly disparaging those who have made false statements against me as I try to practice my faith daily in accordance with the Holy scripture found in Matthew 18:15-35."

Conclusion:

Inspired by the spirit of BEU's founding fathers when they united together to help Muhammad Ali during a critical time of "Turmoil and Trouble" in his life, we, the current BEU board of directors, Charles Parker, Martinez Denmon and Cathleen Brodhurst, along with the help of our volunteer advisor, businessman and Marketplace Minister Vewisser Dixon, remain committed to "save and serve" the legacy of the oldest black Community Development Corporation in America.

Through BEU's efforts, affordable senior housing units have been built in Kansas City's Black community including Centennial Villas, D.A. Holmes I, Vine Street Manor, and Martin Luther King Village. The organization also led the redevelopment of the Stonegate Meadows Apartments in the late 90's giving hundreds of families an affordable living option. Equally important is the redevelopment of Basie Court. The mixture of townhomes and apartments also gives children and families an economical housing opportunity that is much needed in the face of rising downtown rents and gentrification.

The Black Economic Union of Greater Kansas City (BEU) has served the Greater Kansas City community for more than 50 years by providing low-income housing, affordable office space in the Historic Lincoln Building, facilitating tax abatement for newly constructed homes on Kansas City's east side, serving as the conduit for financing the development of Home Depot and Costco, and by housing a Minority Business Incubator in partnership with the City of Kansas City. BEU has been at the forefront of economic development in Kansas City since its birth at the Ali Summit of 1967 in Cleveland, Ohio through the leadership of Curtis McClinton and Jim Brown.

Since the airing of the recent television broadcast mentioned above, other local and national community advocacy groups have now come forth to offer their assistance to BEU in seeking a formal retraction and public apology.

BEU is being represented by the Levy Craig Law Firm and Ramsey Barhorst Law Firm and on the advice of our legal counsel, we will make no further comment.

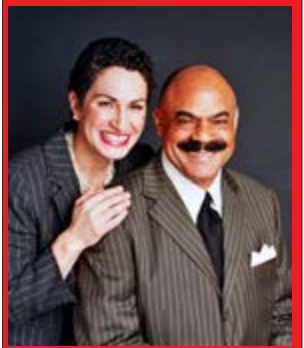


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Creating a Sense of Urgency

Fundraising Good Times



a column by SAAD & SHAW

Have you ever wondered why your fundraising efforts seem to stall, not get off the ground, or never come to an end? We suspect your campaign isn't working with a sense of urgency.

There are so many things that need to go right in order for a fundraising campaign to be successful. One of them is creating a sense of urgency. This should be set during the planning phases: you cannot recover once you set another standard.

If you want to increase momentum within your fundraising, we have 11 suggestions to help you get started.

1. Establish a time duration for your anticipated

fundraising campaign, and stay with it.

2. Prior to launch, create an agreed upon list of campaign milestones.

3. When recruiting volunteers and staff, let them know what you are asking them to do, and that the team works with an expectation that time and dates are honored.

4. Reinforce the importance of due dates during meetings and through written communications. When key dates are missed, take the time to focus on this fact, discuss what happened, and come up a work-around solution.

5. Encourage all who are involved with your campaign to think about back up plans: encourage the develop-

ment of a Plan B and Plan C to offset time lost working on Plan A. Things will go "wrong" – that's part of the process. Don't worry about it: plan for it.

6. When a member of your fundraising team shows a pattern of disregard for meeting dates and accomplishments, speak with them about it directly. Be in a position to replace that person with a more responsible volunteer or staff person if needed.

7. Acknowledge and honor those individuals – both volunteers and staff – who meet their commitments in a timely fashion.

8. Don't forget the "meeting before the meeting." Before each meeting, take time to individually contact participants to ensure that key assignments are progressing, and to learn what issues – if any – may need to be addressed.

9. After each meeting send out highlights or minutes documenting commitments, results, new plans, and alternative strategies.

10. As a fun element, put in place rewards and penalty programs. Plan to celebrate when team members meet – or exceed – their commitments. Build in fun, non-shaming "penalties" for when people slack on their responsibilities.

11. Be clear in all your communications that the opportunity to volunteer with a nonprofit should be viewed as an honor and a privilege. The same professional importance should be given to volunteer service as to your career.

Believe it or not, people can fulfill commitments if they are reasonable, specific, within their capacity and interest, and time-defined. Creating a sense of urgency actually supports a team in reaching its goals. Here's the hard part: you have to set the standard and live up to it, and before you ask / demand others to do the same.

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chuck's PICKS
 NFL FOOTBALL GAME PREDICTIONS

By Chuck James

The Chiefs must look toward tomorrow with Matt Moore at quarterback. Please explain to me why a coach would allow his star quarterback to run a sneak when he is already dealing with a bum ankle. I've been critical of Andy Reid in the past but this decision is scary! I guess the past cannot be relived but I'm wondering if it can be repaired. Now they must face Green Bay without their general at the helm. The question at this point is, how long can they hang on without Mahomes? I suppose time will tell!

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 Washington at Minnesota Pick= Minnesota
 Arizona at New Orleans. Pick= New Orleans
 Tampa at Tennessee. Pick= Tennessee
 NY Giants at Detroit. Pick= Detroit

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the profiles of three public charter school leaders of color from Louisiana, North Carolina, and California — on the principles that can help match our best current and future teachers with our nation's students. Three of those principles that resonated with my two decades in education policy are:

First, fill our school leadership pipeline with talented educators of color who come from nontraditional backgrounds and fields of study. But how do we dispel the myth that there are not enough qualified and passionate people of color who can and want to fill this educational pipeline? One way to do this comes from Eric Sanchez, co-founder of Henderson Collegiate — a network of three schools serving elementary, middle and high school in Henderson, North Carolina. Instead of only recruiting future educators from traditional education programs, Eric also recruits graduates from university programs focusing on social justice and ethnic studies. And this encouragement doesn't end once the teachers reach the classroom — we must provide clear pathways for

these teachers to pursue school leadership.

Second, school leaders and education policymakers of all colors must be committed to seeing and promoting diversity as an asset, not a deficit; an opportunity, not an obstacle. Imagine how better prepared our children will be for the world of tomorrow if they have been taught the history behind their identity, the language behind their culture, and the geography behind their journey. While nearly all schools struggle with activating this principle for the benefit of our students, our report demonstrates that public charter schools are making substantial progress where traditional public schools haven't.

Third, achievement and demonstrated success — not myths, preconceptions, and inherited political biases — must be the basis upon which we support the best educational opportunities for all our children. For example, by their design, public charter schools have the flexibility to create and finetune curricula, teaching methods, and optimal outcomes that traditional public schools do not. So, why would we ever consider putting obstacles in any educational paths that are showing real achievement?

Race and identity of both our educators and students is only one factor in the holistic successes we are all working towards. However, it's also true that

all schools across our country in every community have historically not valued students' diversity and identity as assets to enrich the education they receive. Public charter schools are making real progress to expose this blind spot and make the needed course corrections to ensure the success we've seen for some students are the norm for all.

Ron Rice Jr. is a former two term Newark, NJ city councilman, chief advisor to the New Jersey Department of Education, and is currently Senior Director, Government Relations at the National Alliance of Public Charter Schools.

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FAMILY FEATURES

Whether you prefer watching your favorite teams in-person or on TV, tailgate season means it's time to break out your party's favorite foods from appetizers and snacks to all-out meals.

Go long for a touchdown-worthy tailgate or settle in for game day on the couch with these recipes for a bold burger, sweet-and-spicy wings and creamy coleslaw. For an appetizing pregame warmup, try this assortment of macho toppings to give your whole party something to cheer about.

Find more recipes to amp up your tailgate atmosphere at Culinary.net.

Homemade Nachos Worth the Hype

Perfect for pairing with game day dishes of nearly any variety, nachos allow a special amount of personalization for guests of all ages and taste preferences. Along with tortilla chips, of course, try nibbling on these topping options throughout your party:

- Shredded cheese
- Melted nacho cheese
- Sour cream
- Guacamole
- Salsa
- Black olives
- Shredded meat
- Sliced peppers
- Diced tomatoes
- Corn
- Beans



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Take Down a **Tantalizing** Tailgate



A Flavorful, Exotic Spin

No tailgate is complete without a game day staple: burgers. For a twist on tradition, try serving a different style of beef to give guests a new take on an all-time favorite.

This Grass-Fed Wagyu Burger with Red Radish Chili Pickles uses First Light 100% grass-fed Wagyu beef from New Zealand, home to some of the world's most natural tasting beef and lamb. With cattle allowed to roam and graze freely over lush green hills and pastures all day, every day, the result is a tender, flavorful meat that tastes as nature intended.

Remember to cook the patties quickly over high heat to help retain juiciness, tenderness and flavor. With a touch of chili pepper in the pickles, you can add just enough spice with a sweet kick.

Find more recipes for game day gatherings at beefandlambnz.com.

Grass-Fed Wagyu Burger with Red Radish Chili Pickles

Red Radish Chili Pickles:

- 2 tablespoons white wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons water
- 1/2 teaspoon sugar
- 2 tablespoons sliced fresh red chili peppers
- 1/2 cup sliced red radish

Wagyu Burgers:

- 1 1/3 pounds First Light New Zealand Grass-Fed Wagyu Grind
- salt, to taste
- pepper, to taste
- 1 teaspoon grainy mustard (optional)
- 2 tablespoons rice bran oil
- 4 hamburger buns
- 2 tablespoons mayonnaise
- 4 lettuce leaves
- 2 vine-ripened tomatoes, sliced
- 2 tablespoons onion jam

To make Red Radish Chili Pickles: In small saucepan, heat vinegar, water and sugar. Add chili and radish; remove from heat.

To make Wagyu Burgers: Season Wagyu grind with salt and pepper, to taste. Mix in mustard, if desired. Form into four patties.

Lightly brush both sides of burgers with oil. In frying pan, sear burgers over high heat then reduce heat to medium and cook until well caramelized. Flip and repeat process on other side.

In frying pan, lightly toast burger buns.

Spread mayonnaise on buns; top with lettuce, tomato and burger.

Spread spoonful onion jam on each burger then finish with Red Radish Chili Pickles.

Crunch into Coleslaw

Appetizers, main courses and snacks may dominate many tailgate parties, whether at home or the stadium, but don't forget to incorporate sides that can accompany all the flavors of your festivities.

This Honey-Dill Coleslaw, for example, makes for a complementary dish to just about any protein from burgers to wings and beyond. Plus, with only a few simple ingredients, it's an easy side to whip up yourself or enlist help from an eager guest.

Find more sweet side recipes at honey.com.

Honey-Dill Coleslaw

Recipe courtesy of the National Honey Board
Servings: 4

- 1/4 cup honey
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1/2 teaspoon dried dill weed
- 1 package (16 ounces) coleslaw mix
- 1/4 cup thinly sliced onion
- salt, to taste
- pepper, to taste

In small bowl, combine honey, sour cream and dill.

In large bowl, toss coleslaw mix with onion and honey-sour cream mixture. Season with salt and pepper, to taste. Serve immediately.



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A Sweet-Hot Handheld

Ditch the plates and dive right into a sweet and spicy snack perfect for the whole party with these Honey-Sriracha Grilled Wings.

To help simplify prep, try grilling ahead of time and keep in the oven until guests arrive. Or, if you're tailgating in style at the stadium, toss into a pan and cover with foil to keep them warm until it's time for a bite.

Visit honey.com to find more tailgating recipes.

Honey Sriracha Grilled Wings

Recipe courtesy of the National Honey Board
Servings: 8

- 4 pounds fresh chicken wings
- water
- 3 cups rice wine vinegar
- 1/4 cup Sriracha sauce
- 2 tablespoons salt
- 2 cups honey, divided

Heat grill to 225-240 F.

In large bowl, rinse wings with cool water. Add rice wine vinegar, Sriracha, salt and 1 cup honey. Fold to incorporate all ingredients and coat wings evenly. Place wings on grill, cover with lid and cook 12-14 minutes before turning once and cooking additional 15-18 minutes.

Open lid and turn wings. Brush remaining honey on wings. Cook 5-8 minutes, remove from heat and serve.

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What Do Angels Do?

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PASTOR LAVENDER

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The media's portrayal of angels is that of an innumerable host of grotesque looking creatures flying throughout the heavens waging war against each other, supposed "super-heroes," villains, and of course, mankind. Is this how God's word depicts the function of angels? Of course not! This week's article will address

the order and specific ministry of angels to Christians.

The Hierarchical Order of Angels

While all angels seem to have the same essential components (personhood and angelic nature), they are distinguished by their moral character. There are holy angels and evil angels. Within this group there is a hierarchical order or rank, with Michael as the leader of the holy angels (Jude 9) and Satan as the leader of the evil angels (Matthew 25:41).

Angels were given time to decide whom or what they would serve. The majority chose to serve God; others rebelled against Him and now serve Satan, God's adversary. Both holy and evil angels appear to be well organized.

The Ministry of Angels to Christians

Basically, and essentially, holy angels are servants (Hebrews 1:14). God sends them out for service or help to believers. According to the Bible holy angels perform a variety of services to the Church, the body of Christ:

- They bring answers to prayers (Acts 12:5-10)
- They aid in winning people to Jesus Christ (Acts 8:26; 10:3)

Scripture of the Week:

1 John 2:15 -- "Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him."

- They observe Christian order, work, and suffering (1 Cor. 4:9; 11:10; Ephesians 3:20; 1 Peter 1:12)
- They encourage in times of danger (Acts 27:23-24)
- They care for Christians at the time of death (Luke 16:22)

NOTE: God in His sovereignty chooses to use angels to serve His people but is not obligated to do so. As Christians, we recognize that it is God who does whatever is being accomplished and therefore we render praise to Him and not to angels (Rev. 22:8-9). There is no biblical command for us to pray to angels. All our prayers, praises, and thanksgivings are to be addressed to God.

Wilbert Morris, Pastor of True Vine Fellowship COGIC Retires



Elder Wilbert Morris

Sedalia, MO—Wilbert T. Morris, pastor of True Vine Fellowship Church of God in Christ Sedalia, Mo. has decided to retire. Elder Morris is a former member of Jones Holy Temple Church of God in Christ in Sedalia, Mo. when the Lord inspired him to open a church in Knob Noster, Mo. He later built a new church there by the name of Bethel Temple Church of God in Christ. In 1974, at the passing of Elder B. Jones and Elder James Brown, Elder Mor-

ris was asked to lead Jones Holy Temple. During this time, Elder Morris pastored Bethel Temple and Jones Holy Temple, at the same time. In 1993, with a vision from God, Elder Morris would begin the construction of a new church building for Jones Holy Temple. In 2001, the current building was completed, and the name was changed to True Vine Fellowship COGIC.

Elder W.T. Morris has served in several capacities in the church including Superinten-

dent of the Sedalia District and Third Administrative Assistant to Bishop John M. Johnson, Prelate of the Missouri Western Second Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction. While pastoring, he has also been involved in community outreach and has been a pillar in the communities of Sedalia and Knob Noster. Elder Morris has served as president of Diversified Community Outreach and vice president of the local NAACP.

Superintendent W.T. Mor-

ris is considered a pioneer in the church and a great general of the faith. He has touched many lives during his journey in the church and in the com-

munity. Superintendent Morris lives by the motto in Mark 12:31, "Love your neighbor as you love yourself" and he has done just that.

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Aser Lee Brownlee



Note: Services for Ms. Aser Lee Brownlee were arranged by Lawrence A. Jones & Sons Funeral Home.

Mrs. Aser Lee (Edward) Brownlee slipped quietly from this life into everlasting on October 14, 2019 in Kansas. She was born on May 17, 1928 to Julia McNairy and John Edwards in Aberdeen, Mississippi. She was the youngest of three children. Her parents, maternal and paternal grandparents, husband, siblings and four children (Willie McNairy, Willie J. Brownlee, Doris Brownlee, Norris Brownlee) preceded her in death. Aser was educated in the Aberdeen, Mississippi school system. She was united in holy matrimony to Eddie Brownlee on September 29, 1945. To this union nine children were born. They were married for 56 years. Her confession of faith was acknowledged at Baptist Grove Missionary Baptist Church in Prairie, MS at the age of ten. Aser spent time with her sister Mary Westbrook singing at various churches. When she came to Kansas City, she united with Tabernacle Baptist Church. She was in the choir and served on the Mother Board until her health failed. Aser worked as a Histology Tech for twenty-eight years at St. Margaret and Providence Hospitals, retiring in 1988. She loved music, quilting, watching "Law and Order", cooking and spending time with her family. Her greatest love was traveling. She visited Canada, Mexico, The Caribbean Islands, and forty of the United States. She was a member of The Heart of America Sisterhood, Inc. for over twenty years. This group allowed her to help those in need and promote sisterhood. She also helped start a group called Saints and Sinners that would socialize and help those in need. Aser Lee Brownlee, Willie Thomas, and Alma Jean Price, lovingly known as "The three Amigos". These women were like sisters. They lived in the Armstrong Community, attended church together, and now they're with The Master in Heaven. Left to cherish her memories are three sons, Eddie Jr., Dennis, Julius (Rhiana), all of K.C.Ks. three daughters, Bessie Jackson, Joyce Brownlee, Wanda Paige, of K.C.Ks. and one sister in law Georgie Powell of K.C. MO. A special niece Maxine Madison, 33 grandchildren, 73 great-grandchildren, 15 great-great grand, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives and friends. **Funeral Services will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 26, 2019 at Forest Grove Baptist Church 1417 North 9th Street Kansas City, Kansas. Visitation 9:00 a.m. Interment Highland Cemetery.**

William Earl Russell, Sr.



William Earl Russell Sr. was born on March 18, 1956 to Rebecca Stewart and William E. Russell. William Earl was a lifelong resident of Kansas City, Missouri. He attended Central Senior High School where he graduated as a "MIGHTY BLUE EAGLE" in 1974. William Earl enlisted with the United States Army being honorably discharged in 1975. He was employed for many years with the Kansas City Fire Department, KC Public Works and the Post Office. William Earl was united in marriage to his love Wanda Ann, on April 9, 2009. William Earl loved to bowl and spend time with family and friends. William Earl departed this life on October 9, 2019. He was preceded in transition by his parents William E. Russell and Rebecca Stewart; aunt Martha Siggers; uncle Earl Russell; grandparents William and Fannie Russell, Frances Reid; sister Billie Russell; brothers James and David Stewart. William leaves to cherish his memories wife Wanda Ann Russell, son William Earl Russell Jr; one brother Richard Stewart; two sisters Patsy Hutton and Dinna Russell; niece Donna Hyché, Martrice Hutton and Felecia Harrison; nephews Derrick Hutton, Michael Harrison, and James Stewart; 14 great nieces and nephews; special friends Stan Harrison, Timothy Gethers, Roger Harrison and Clifford Jones. **Funeral Services were held Saturday, October 19, 2019 at Lawrence A. Jones and Sons Funeral Chapel KCMO. Interment was Monday, October 21, 2019 in Leavenworth National Cemetery.**

-NOTICE-

Mr. Marquette R. Kearney at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, October 25, 2019 at Lawrence A. Jones and Sons Linwood Chapel. Visitation 9:00 a.m. Private disposition.

SERVICES ARE INCOMPLETE FOR:
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Bertha P. Jones



Bertha P. Jones was born on May 12, 1922 in Wy-Bark, Oklahoma where she received her education. She moved to Kansas City, where she had various occupations. She excelled Christ at an early age and continued to share her love for Him with others. She was truly blessed with longevity of life. When her health began to fail, she needed assistance. Therefore, in 2015 Bertha became a resident in a nursing home facility. She was an avid reader of all types of literature. Especially of the Holy Bible. She kept up with local and national current events until her calling to glory. Her most treasured moments was when family and friends surrounded her. She was preceded in death by her parents; Husband McKinley Jones Jr. (a.k.a June), two sisters: Juanita Campbell and Adlene Lenzy; Grandson Lawrence Pettit (a.k.a. Chubby) and granddaughter Tina Harris. She leaves to cherish her memories one son, Leroy Harris of Kansas City, Missouri; two daughters Edna Pettit of Kansas City, Mo and Gloria Reeves of Apopka, Florida; 6 grandchildren Sherry Brown, Lewis Alita Gunn (Terrance), Toloria McClain several great-great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews relatives and friends. Her loyal and devoted God-daughter Vanessa Woods. **A Visitation only will be held from 10:00 a.m. thru 12:00 p.m. on Monday, October 28, 2019 at Lawrence A. Jones and Sons Linwood Chapel. Interment Forest Hill Cemetery. Kansas City, Missouri.**

-NOTICE- Ossie Burris, Sr.



Mr. Ossie Burris Sr. born on August 20, 1915 and died on October 21, 2019 at 104. Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 30, 2019 at St. Mark Baptist Church 4300 East 31st Street. Visitation 9:00 a.m. Interment in Leavenworth National Cemetery.

Carol Evon Speed-Wells



Carol Evon Speed-Wells of Kansas City, Kansas passed away peacefully among family and friends on Sunday, October 20, 2019 in Overland Park, Kansas. Carol Dixon was born July 12, 1949 to Arthur H. and Margaret E. Dixon who preceded her in death. She was a lifelong resident of Kansas City, Kansas except for a brief period when her parents resided in Kansas City, Missouri. Carol was educated in both the Kansas City, Missouri and Kansas City, Kansas School Districts. For over 35 years, Carol owned and operated "Speed's Tots Daycare" where she humbly touched the lives of youth throughout the Greater Kansas City area. Her daycare children and family were most important to Carol. She treasured her children and because of her gifted communication style, playful spirit and straight forward dialogue, Carol could connect with family and friends of all ages in addition to her immediate family. She was especially fond of young people and they found a refuge in her, someone with whom they could share their innermost thoughts and get great laughs. She was a friend and confidant to many throughout the years in her community and was sincerely loved by those who knew her. Carol embraced her role as a family matriarch and was always available for those in need. She was a giving friend and a sharing person that one could count on in a pinch. She was an outstanding cook and her specialty was the dinner roll recipe, which was specifically handed down to Carol from her mother. Carol enjoyed watching the shopping network, baseball and especially the Kansas City Royals of which she was an avid fan. She was a longtime member of Greater Jerusalem Baptist Church in Kansas City, Kansas. Carol was preceded in death by her son, Bryant K. Dixon, brothers Donald B. Dixon, Howard A. Dixon and Jon Preuit. She is survived by her husband Eddie Wells of the home, four sisters, Elaine Perry of Atlanta, Georgia, Margaret J. Liggins, Kansas City, Missouri, Patricia A. Madison, Kansas City, Kansas, Wendolyn R. Dixon, Kansas City, Missouri and brother Phil S. Dixon (Kerry); her three daughters Lashaunda Poindexter, Kansas City, Kansas, Marquita R. Poindexter, Kansas City, Kansas and Anntoinette N. Poindexter, Olathe, Kansas, and a son Robb J. Madden also of Kansas City, Kansas: five grandchildren, Brian Poindexter (Lizette) Xavier A. Johnson, Veltrea C. Poindexter and Adarius T. Williams, Journey A. Null, and a host of great-grandchildren, family and friends. **Funeral**

Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, November 4, 2019 at Greater Jerusalem Baptist Church 1610 North 10th Street Kansas City, Kansas. Visitation 9:00 a.m. Interment 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2019 in Leavenworth National Cemetery.

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Ollie Roberta Mae (Morton) Johnson



Ollie Roberta Mae (Morton) Johnson, a loving mother and grandmother, passed away on October 21, 2019 at the age of 86. She was born to Milford Devin Morton and Willetta Bryant on May 11, 1933 in Kansas City, Missouri. She was the second of four children born to that union. Ollie attended R.T. Coles Vocational High School where she trained as a seamstress. She worked as a seamstress and for Lee Jeans and owned a dress shop where she made custom outfits for men and women. On May 29, 1950, she married Albert P. Smith in Kansas City, Missouri. The ceremony was performed by her uncle the late Rev. Edward A. Morton. Albert preceded her in death in 1978. Ollie accepted Christ at an early age. She sang as part of a gospel quartet which consisted of three of her five siblings; Marvin, Ruby and William. The quartet accompanied their mother, who was an evangelist in the Spiritual Church, as she preached the gospel to area churches. Ollie later became a member of St. Therese Little Flower where she served as a Eucharistic minister and won several Altar Society chili cook-off's. She married Richard Johnson on March 31, 1981 in Kansas City Missouri at St. Therese Little Flower. The ceremony was performed by her son Pastor Cedric L. Smith. Ollie was preceded in death by her father, mother, one sister, Mary (Morton) McKay, three brothers George, Marvin J., and William Morton; husband Richard Johnson and two children Faye L. (Smith) Montgomery and Cedric L. Smith. She is survived by her sister Ruby Clinton, eight daughters, Hazel McAllister, Helen (Mal) Brewer, Ophelia Smith, Stephanie Smith, LaWanda Lamar, Donna (Stanford) Wheeler, Willetta

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Frankie Gilmore, Sr.



Frankie S. Gilmore Sr. 63 was born in Jacksonville Florida on September 25, 1956. Both parents Frank Roland Sr and Lillian (Gilmore) of Lambert Mississippi preceded him in death. Frankie attended Manuel High School and later received his General Education High School Equivalency Diploma and earned college credits. Frank had multiple jobs, one working at Deffenbaugh waste management in his youth and later in his adulthood. He was blessed to have many talents; craftsman and was self-employed He married his childhood sweetheart Deborah Bledsoe and became a widower in 2015. Frankie was a Phenomenal person who spent his time helping others. Frankie loved to spend time with his children and grandchildren. He enjoyed fishing, bar-b-q, sports, outdoors, telling stories and traveling. Frank will be remembered by: his children, Natashia Walker (Cynthia Walker), Frankie S. Gilmore Jr., (Margie Griddine) Matthew Gilmore Sr., and John Gilmore, Stepdaughters Brenda Dunbar (Mariann Dunbar), brother's, Hubert Roland, Anthony Gilmore, Wilbert Johnson, Anthony Roland, Franklin Joseph Roland, Marcus Roland (All of Kansas City, Mo), Larry Roland (St. Louis, Mo), Charles White (Marks, Ms), sister's Lillian Gilmore, (of Columbia Maryland), Cynthia Gilmore, Karen Roland, Crystal Roland, Christina Roland and Cecily Roland (all of Kansas City Mo) a host of grandchildren, cousins, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his sisters Diane Gilmore, Mary Ann Roland, brothers Travis Roland Sr and Frank Roland Jr. **Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 26, 2019 at Watkins Heritage Chapel. Visitation 10:00 a.m. Interment Brookings Cemetery.**

OBIT NOTICES

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Jamesha M. Glass, 24, passed away on October 12, 2019. Funeral services Saturday, October 26, 11:00 a.m. at Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist Church. Interment XII Gates Memorial Gardens. Visitation 10:00-11:00 a.m. at the church.

Rodney Radeolu Omodehinde, 31, passed away on October 16, 2019. Funeral services Saturday, October 26, 11:00 a.m. at First Regular Baptist Church. Interment XII Gates Memorial Gardens. Visitation 10:00-11:00 a.m. at the church. rs.

L.E. Glenn, 69, passed away on October 18, 2019. Funeral services Saturday, October 26, 2:00 p.m. at Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church. Interment Mt. Moriah Cemetery. Visitation 1:00-2:00 p.m. at the church.

Bobby Franklin Roberts, 86, passed away on October 16, 2019. Funeral services Monday, October 28, 10:00 a.m. at Duane E. Harvey Funeral Directors. Interment Leavenworth National Cemetery. Visitation 9:00-10:00 a.m. at the chapel.

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(Ralph) Eskridge, Larice Smith, three sons Albert (Paula) Smith, Frederick Smith, and Robert Williams, one daughter-in-law, Brenda Smith, 33 and children, 60 great grandchildren, 11 great-great grandchildren and many nieces, nephews and friends. The family would like to thank all the care givers for their loving, caring and attentive care shown to our loved one for the past two years.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, October 28, 2019 at St. Therese Little Flower 5814 Euclid Avenue Kansas City, Mo. 64130. Visitation 10:00 a.m. Interment Mt. Moriah Cemetery.



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WEDNESDAY
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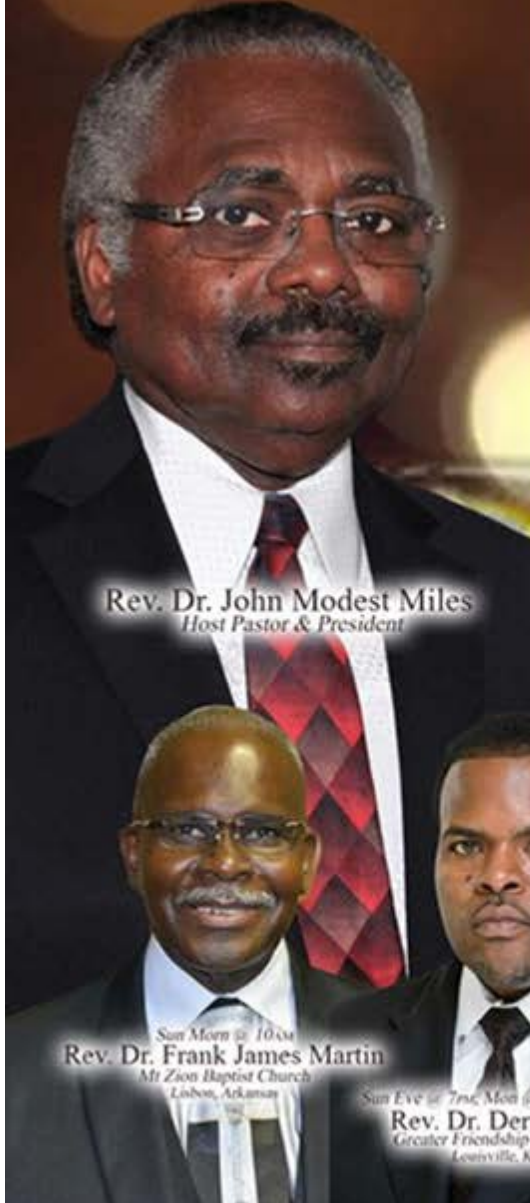
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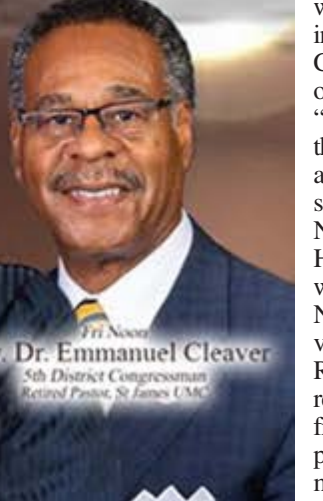
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