



Members of the city-county council's Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee met Feb. 5 to discuss, among other things, a Republican-backed proposal to create a commission to study violent crime. Democrats rejected the proposal. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

Marion County schools test positive for lead

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Fifty-four percent of 295 schools — both public and private — in Marion County tested positive for lead in water supplies. The schools were included in a study by the Marion County Public Health Department, which began in 2017. Schools with contaminated water sources were notified in 2018.

In many cases, however, parents and guardians were not informed of the issue until the study was made public in January 2020.

The Metropolitan School District (MSD) of Warren Township had the highest lead concentration among local public schools, according to an internal health department report, which was obtained and published by the Indianapolis Star earlier this year. The district had more than 50 water sources throughout the township surpass lead levels deemed acceptable by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The MSD of Warren Township — along with several school districts in the county — waited until the study was released publicly before informing parents of the problem. Dennis Jarret, director of media and community relations for the district, declined to make school officials available to discuss the issue, instead forwarding a statement from the township, which was released when the study became public:

“In 2016-17, the Marion County Health Department offered all Marion County school districts free voluntary water testing in their schools,” the statement reads. “MSD Warren Township accepted this opportunity to test water samples in all of our schools. After the initial water sample testing results were provided to the district, 56 faucets/fixtures were replaced. A full report was published by the

Robinson lays out public safety plans after Dems reject commission to study crime

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Indianapolis City-County Council member Leroy Robinson laid out public safety plans that include new proposals, policy changes and improving communication over the next year.

Robinson told the Recorder of his plans about a week after Democrats on the Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee rejected a Republican-backed proposal that would have created a commission to study violent crime and its disparate impact on African Americans. Robinson, a Democrat who represents District 1, is the chairman of that committee.

PROPOSALS

Robinson will introduce three proposals as early as the next committee meeting Feb. 26, which will be at 5:30 p.m. at the Fay Biccard Glick Neighborhood Center, 2990 W. 71st St. Robinson said Marion County Prosecutor Ryan Mears and Indianapolis Metropolitan Police

Department (IMPD) Chief Randal Taylor will be there.

One proposal would create a “super-utilizer data system,” which would show exactly which people are using the criminal justice system — courts, jail, arrests, etc. — at a high rate. Robinson said it’s difficult to know who those people, known as super-utilizers, are right now.

“Once we do that,” he said, “we can get that person some help and some assistance on how to stay out of the system.”

A second proposal would amend the focus of the Community Crime Prevention Grant Program, which the council allocates funds annually. Robinson said the \$3 million awarded to organizations will be used for violence reduction instead and will address issues such as trauma associated with violent crime.

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Grassroots effort to fight food insecurity



L-R: Raimeka Graham, president, and Jeannine McMillan, vice president and program chairman of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. Chi Chi Omega Chapter stand, with the 2019 Positive Educated Achievers Reaching Leadership and Sisterhood or P.E.A.R.L.S. Club next to the Haughville Community Library Food Box that Chi Chi Omega Chapter sponsors as a service project for the program.

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Using old Nuvo newspaper racks, 24-year-old Sierra Nuckols has been creating food pantries, known as the Community Food Box Project, for communities struggling with food insecurity throughout Indiana for the past three years.

After studying apartheid in South Africa as a student in the Desmond Tutu Center Youth Fellows program, Nuckols returned to Indianapolis with a new perspective on food insecurity, or as she called it, “food apartheid.” Nuckols prefers this term to “food desert,” because she said the former forces people to look at the historic and social reasons food insecurity exists.

“If you look at the problem as a food apartheid and look at the systematic reasons why food insecurity and food deserts exist in the first place,” Nuckols said, “it’s clear that the issue is a social justice issue.”

African Americans are more likely to live in an area with food insecurity than any other demographic, with poverty be-

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Drake withdraws from state House race, will run for Senate instead

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Belinda Drake withdrew her campaign for the Indiana House of Representatives in District 89 and has filed to run instead for the Senate in District 32.

Drake, a Democrat, filed to run for the Senate seat Feb. 4.

One of the reasons Drake decided to run for the Senate instead is because of the additional time those lawmakers have to push for their agenda. Lawmakers in the House hold their seat for two years, but those in the Senate get four.

“I think at the end of the day, it’s just about our communities having that representation and that voice in the General Assembly,” she said in an interview. “I’m the person that’s gonna do that and get it done.”

Drake’s campaign platform is LIFE*, which stands for legalizing and decriminalizing marijuana, improving gun regulation, fair and inclusive policies, equitable education, and environmental justice.

Other Democrats filed to run for the District 32 seat, but all eventually disbanded, so Drake will run unopposed in the May 5 primary.

Republican Aaron Freeman is the incumbent. He is in his first term.

Drake began her run for the Indiana Legislature following an unsuccessful campaign to run as an independent candidate for a seat on the city-county council. She didn’t get enough signatures to make the ballot.

Drake had to run as an independent because the local Democratic Party did not allow her to run as a Democrat because she hadn’t voted in a primary, which is partly how county parties verify affiliation.

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Innovation advocates agree: This stuff is complicated



Proponents of the IPS innovation school model took part in a panel discussion Feb. 6 that partly dealt with why the topic is complicated. L-R: Mariama Shaheed, founder and principal of Global Preparatory Academy; Patrick McAlister from the Office of Education Innovation; and Jamie VanDeWalle from the IPS Portfolio Management Team. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

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As community members and education advocates continue a heated debate about the merits of Indianapolis Public Schools’ innovation model, one glaring issue remains: It’s hard to talk about because of how complicated it is.

Advocates of the innovation model said as much during a panel discussion Feb. 6 at Little Bethel Baptist Church.

The panel included representatives from the mayor’s office, IPS, The Mind Trust and two innovation schools, as well as an IPS parent.

Part of the reason people get confused talking about innovation schools is because of the jargon. For

example, there are multiple branches of innovation schools including new, restart and conversion.

Innovation schools are operated by outside charter or nonprofit partners and have access to district buildings and services. In exchange, IPS gets credit for those schools’ enrollment numbers and other performance data.

“When you start throwing words like restart and conversion, I’m out,” IPS parent Cesar Roman said when asked about challenges with the innovation model.

The comment drew a laugh, but it’s a serious issue for parents like Roman who want their children to get the best educational opportunities available to them. Roman said he comes from a family that didn’t

understand the value of education, and he’s trying to change that for his children.

A 2019 study by Public Impact, an education consulting group in North Carolina, looked at four elementary restart innovation schools and found “it is not yet clear what impact IPS’s restarts will have on student performance outcomes,” but added there is “reason for optimism.”

Patrick McAlister, who leads the Office of Education Innovation, which authorizes mayor-sponsored charter schools, said “clarity” has been a challenge from his position.

Not everyone understands Indiana charter schools are public schools, for example, and that they must have open enrollment policies like traditional public schools.

“This stuff’s really complicated and messy,” McAlister said.

Brandon Brown, CEO of The Mind Trust, a nonprofit that has played a big role in driving the district’s path to innovation, said he doesn’t really care what schools are called; what matters is quality and access.

“Sometimes I think adults complicate it,” he said. “... That complexity has created a vacuum.”

Enrollment estimates from IPS released in 2019 showed about 26% of students attend innovation schools, which have helped the district stabilize enrollment numbers following years of decline.

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A third proposal would create a juvenile justice task force to focus on reforms specific to juveniles.

SPECIALIZED SAFETY PLANS

Robinson said each council member will work with criminal justice agencies to create a public safety plan specific to their district, since a blanket plan may work for some districts but not others.

Robinson said each district would get the same amount of money, regardless of how much crime and violence actually happens in each district, but added the proposal could be changed to make it so districts that need more resources would get more money.

He declined to say how much money would be dedicated to these plans.

GETTING MORE FEEDBACK

There will be a bigger focus on hearing from “experts” in criminal justice, including those in the community who have been impacted by violence, according to Robinson.

Officials from agencies such as IMPD and the prosecutor’s office have been asked to pull data relevant to disparities in criminal justice and figure out what policies they can enact to “balance things out,” Robinson said.

Robinson said the committee will work with criminal justice agencies to hold all-day events around the city, where there will be resources for people who need help getting their driver’s license reinstated and getting their criminal record expunged.

Robinson said there will be more details about those events at the Feb. 26 committee meeting.

The Marion County Criminal Justice Planning Council — which is supposed to study and make recommendations regarding law enforcement and criminal justice — has monthly public meetings and will also have “experts” come talk to members about how to reform the criminal justice system, Robinson said.

Marion County Clerk Myla Eldridge, who heads the planning council, joined the mayor’s office, sheriff’s office and prosecutor’s office in showing support for the public safety plans.

Robinson had released statements that included some of the plans, but not everything was known.

“We’re moving forward,” he said in the interview. “We have an agenda. ... This is not just a council-led initiative. This is something that involves all stakeholders that are interested in reducing violent crime.”

The plans are the result of a years-long effort on the part of councilors to better understand how criminal justice reform should look.

That included feedback from the Criminal Justice Reform Task Force and meetings with the Government Alliance on Race and Equity, which took place up to December 2019.

The Republican-backed proposal Democrats turned down at the committee meeting would have established a commission to review the status of the city’s short- and long-term response to violent crime, recommend proposals and gather information to recommend policy changes.

The proposal failed, 8-3, along party lines.

Republicans, along with the Indianapolis Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) and two Democratic councilors, announced a new “citizen-driven group” that will bring together residents, stakeholders and neighborhood associations to figure out solutions to violent crime.

These developments coincide with a quadruple homicide that happened Feb. 5 shortly after the committee meeting.

Democrats’ main rebuttal to Republicans at the committee meeting was that it’s time for action, but that sparked criticism because the public didn’t know what that action would be.

Robinson said the plans he’s laid out is the action.

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Book fair gives spotlight to Black children

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Only about 11% of children's books are about African or African American characters, according to a 2018 analysis from the Cooperative Children's Book Center School of Education at the University of Wisconsin.

That's more than past years — it was about 5% in 2002 — but it still means Black children don't see nearly as many books centered around people who look like them as compared to white children. (Native American, Asian American and Latinx children have less representation than Black children.)

The Black Child Book Fair aims to get those books in front of Black children and families.

The traveling book fair started two years ago. It traveled for the first time this year to St. Louis and Chicago and will make a stop in Indianapolis 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Feb. 15 at Flanner House, 2424 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. St.

There will be about 20 authors at the book fair, according to Darryl Harvey, who founded the Black Child Book Fair Tour because he felt there hasn't been a big emphasis on teaching children about Black history, especially in schools.

"We know that, historically, schools don't promote Black history, and historically there's not enough positive Black images for children to find," he said.

This kind of event is apparently in high demand. Harvey, who's also a children's book author, said other cities have requested a stop along the tour, and the plan is to branch out from the Midwest and make it nationwide as early as next year.

"There appears to be a calling, or a need, in urban neighborhoods to have this literature," he said.

The analysis from the University of Wisconsin showed a stagnant proportion of books featuring Black characters until around 2015, when

it started to rise. There aren't enough of these books, but there appears to be an upward trend.

"We want to provide positive images for Black children," Harvey said. "We want them to read stories that are being created in the new millennium for them."

Kionna Louise, a local author whose book will be featured, said she hasn't ever been part of or even seen an event like this.

She published her first children's book — "Jamila Pearl: The Architect Girl" — in 2018. The book is based on a 6-year-old version of her now-9-year-old daughter who's curious about becoming an architect.

"This increases the representation needed for our young readers to see themselves in a larger spectrum," Louise said.

Louise is owner and CEO of Next Great Architects, which introduces architecture to children as young as kindergarten. It can be difficult, she said, to get in front of students and tell them architecture can be a career dream like any other. Having a children's book is an extension of that mission.

Louise said she wants her daughter to learn from events like the book fair about how to "trust her creativity ... not just in her ability to do something, but creating the life she wants to have."

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BLACK CHILD BOOK FAIR

The traveling book fair that highlights children's books with Black characters will make a stop in Indianapolis.

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The Black Child Book Fair Tour will bring its traveling event to Flanner House on Feb. 15, where Black children will get to see plenty of books featuring characters who look like them. (Photo provided)

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Husband, wife duo host Valentine’s Day, Black History Month event



Earl and Ro Townsend

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Earl and Ro Townsend understand Valentine’s Day can be stressful for a lot of people, and that’s why they came up with the idea to host BLACK, a three-course meal in a laid-back setting at Cleo’s Bodega and Cafe on Feb. 14.

“My wife and I are event planners,” Earl said, “and we try to do events circled around inclusivity and make sure that there’s always something for people in our community to do. We know that not everyone celebrates Valentine’s Day in a traditional sense ... so we wanted to create a relaxed atmosphere for the event.”

The menu will include two options for an entree by Chef Oya Woodruff of Chef Oya’s The Trap, including an option for vegans. The appetizers and dessert will be made by Earl and Ro Townsend, and drinks will be provided by Sip and Share Wines and Phases by Fazle. Local singer Ashlee Baskin will perform through the night. Photographers and videog-

raphers will capture memories from the event.

During the event, visual artist Ratat Rayay will create a painting based off of the mood of the event, Ro said.

While this event is sold out, the Townsends, who are co-founders of TwinFlame Inclusive Events, plan to offer similar events every quarter.

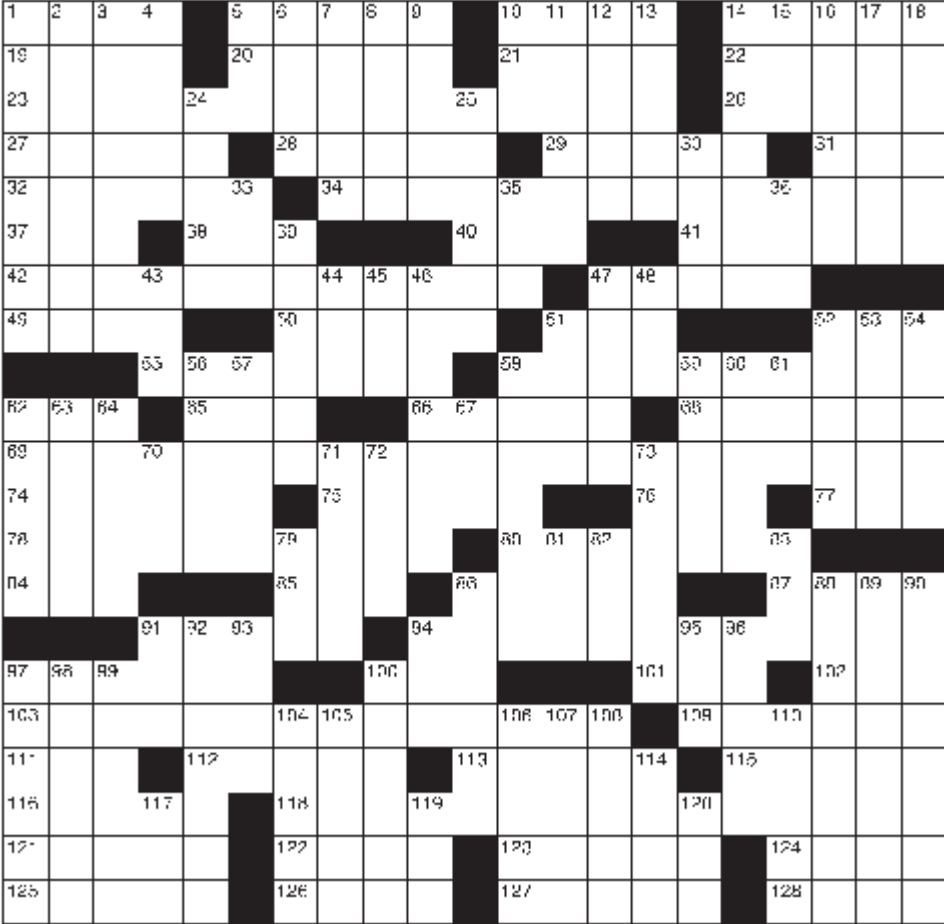
“We are planning an awkward social so those who feel socially anxious can have a safe space to hang out,” Ro said. “We are also planning an event for special needs families, and an adult recess party in April. ... There’s always an event,” she added.

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DATE NIGHT
Although BLACK is sold out, TwinFlame Inclusive Events, married couple Earl and Ro Townsend, plan to host similar events. Visit their Facebook page for future event.

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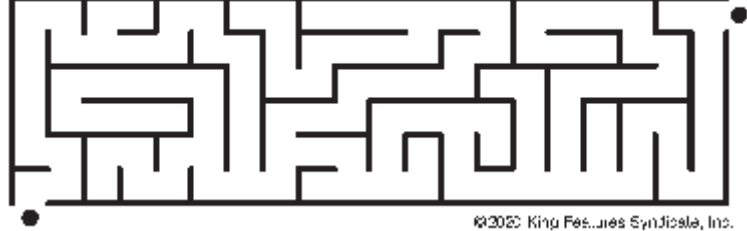
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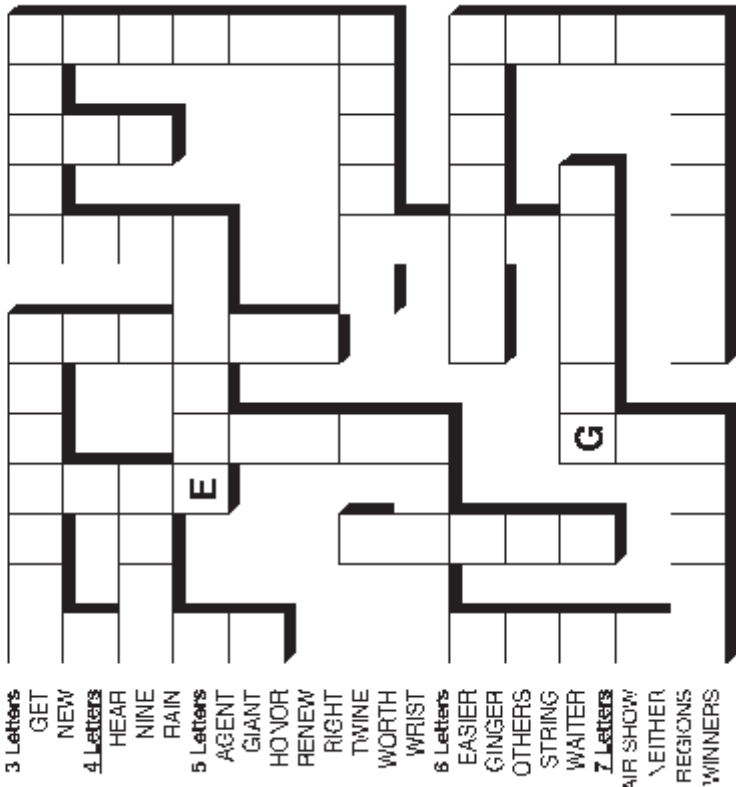
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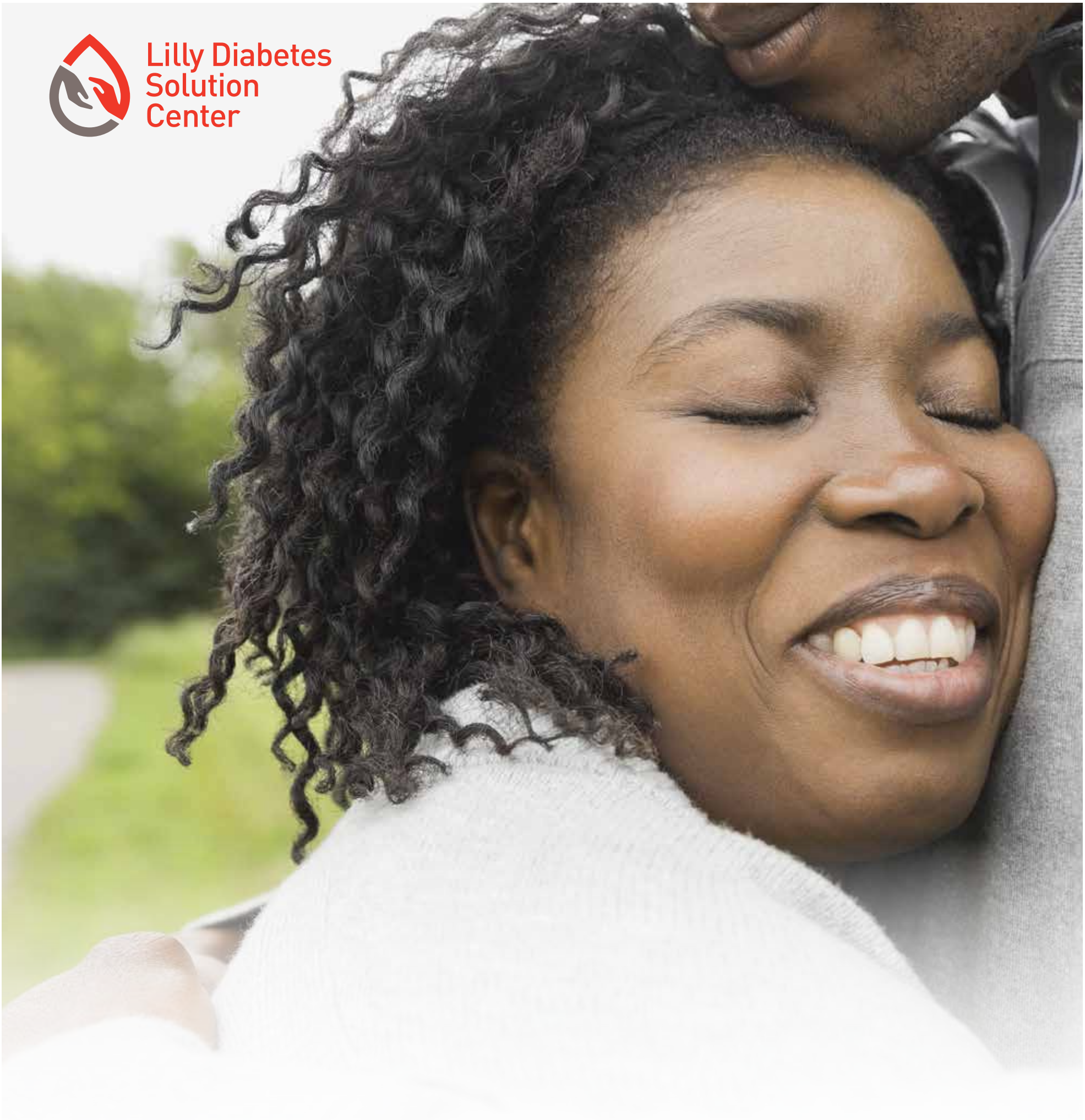
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Educational tour at Martin University



The Black Girls Rock, a mentoring group for girls in seventh grade at IPS #43, recently took a tour of Martin University. In addition to the tour, the girls met Martin University President Dr. Sean Huddleston and ate lunch with representatives of the National Council of Negro Women Education Committee, which sponsors the group, and Martin University Alumni Association. Those members include: Carol Craig, Malotte Hall, Lynda Montgomery, Alfred Perrish, Abby Robinson, Dorothy Herron, Loraine Morris, Martin student Shirley Jackson. The students include: Ebonie Gee, Matayla Griggs, & Makayla Griggs, Oum'Uniquik Owens, Jamiya Turner-Smith, Ma'Kenzie Wilford, Chyna Lynem, Myia Casanova, Kayla Carlyle, Timyuh-Sianel Emery, Isabelle Graves, Jazmine James, Aniah Jones, Neveah Kelly, Ja'Janise Luke, Keshawna Meyers, Taniyah Nelson, Ja'Lasha Welch. (Photo/Ezell Marrs)

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Marion County Health Department acknowledging that the identified areas of concern had been addressed and that all of the faucets/fixtures in our schools were in compliance with EPA standards at the time of the second testing.”

Other school districts with high lead levels include the Metropolitan School Districts of Lawrence, Pike and Wayne.

Mary Lang, a chief of communications for Wayne Township schools, said 23 faulty water sources were replaced within two weeks, but no mass communication was shared with families.

Officials from Lawrence Township schools confirmed that every contaminated water source in the district was repaired. Director of Communications Dana Altemeyer declined to explain why the school administration failed to inform parents of the contamination sooner.

While the faulty water sources throughout Marion County schools have been repaired or disassembled,

the short- and long-term impact on students has yet to be determined.

Karla Johnson, an administrator for the Marion County Public Health Department and leader of the study, said this was the first comprehensive test of water in Marion County schools, and as a result, there is no way of knowing how many children were exposed to lead at school.

The short-term effects of lead exposure include a lower IQ and difficulty with attention and learning, as well as long-term effects such as high blood pressure, kidney disease, reduced fertility and possibly cancer after prolonged exposure.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, children younger than 7 are most susceptible to lead poisoning, and African American children are more likely to have high exposure to lead due to risk factors such as poverty.

Despite the developmental and health impacts lead exposure can have on children, Johnson seemed to downplay the findings of the study.

“People should keep the water report in perspective,” Johnson said. “Schools were extremely cooperative and were as concerned as any parent. ... Children are more likely to be exposed [to lead] at home, because that’s where they spend most of their time.”

The United States Department of Health and Human Services estimates American children spend more than seven hours a day in school, factoring in after school activities. This adds up to more than 35 hours a week children risk being exposed to lead-contaminated water. In addition, contaminated water causes up to 20% of lead poisoning cases in the United States, according to the EPA.

Because of the long hours spent at school and the risk of exposure, some lawmakers believe schools should take more responsibility for tracking lead levels and students who have lead poisoning.

State Sen. Jean Breaux of District 34 proposed Senate Bill 286, which would require schools to test any

child enrolling for lead poisoning, and continuously monitor students who test positive.

“Lead is a problem in multiple Hoosier cities, and we know that children in low-income, minority communities around the state are more susceptible to lead poisoning,” Breaux said in a statement. “... Hoosier kids should have the right to a safe environment at home and in their schools. ... Our state has the opportunity to pursue impactful public health policies to reduce these racial inequalities in our children’s health. My proposal, Senate Bill 286, aims to provide transparency and make sure parents know if their children have high amounts of lead in their blood.”

SB 286 did not receive a hearing in the Senate before the deadline to advance it to the Indiana House of Representatives, effectively killing the bill this session.

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ing the main cause of food insecurity.

“Grocery stores and corporations can look at a map and know where they wouldn’t make money, and they won’t take their businesses there,” Nuckols said. “It creates this kind of segregation of food and resources.”

The idea for the pantries came from the “Little Free Libraries” that are scattered throughout the city, offering free books for people, often in exchange for one they leave behind. After hearing about a movement in Arkansas to create food pantries in a similar fashion, Nuckols decided to create food boxes in Indiana.

After Nuvo ceased printing in March of 2019, Nuckols worked with the news outlet to refurbish its newspaper boxes into pantries, often having children and prisoners help paint them.

“The boxes are put in areas with food insecurity, and then the community and partnered organizations donates food to the boxes,” Nuckols said. “It’s the responsibility of the organizations to keep the boxes filled when the community can’t.”

The pantries are always in need of non-perishable food items, canned food, diapers, hygiene products and ready-to-eat foods.

“The boxes don’t tackle the food desert issue,” Nuckols said, “but it does tackle the issue of immediate and emergency food needs.”

Among the partnered organizations are IPS School #87, Amber Woods Apartments and the Martin Luther King Community Center and the Indianapolis Recorder.

Recorder staff member and president of the Indianapolis Chapter of Indiana Black Expo (ICIBE) Jeana Ouattara has taken up the cause, getting the Indianapolis Recorder and ICIBE involved. She hopes more long-term solutions to food insecurity come from the effort.

“This is just a Band-Aid,” Ouattara said. “This problem can’t wait. People need to eat everyday. I used to work in education, and some kids only eat when they’re at school. Knowing there is a box with noodles in it or green beans for your kids helps to get by.”

Three years into the project, Nuck-

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ols has found the conversations started because of the food boxes to be the most impactful aspect of the project.

“You can think about how people are hungry,” Nuckols, who has never dealt with food insecurity, said. “But you don’t really know what it’s like unless you go through it. The learning experience of talking to people that are actually hungry and how much it affects them in their daily lives. ... That’s what sticks with me the most.”

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EDITORIAL

More questions than answers when it comes to solving homicide crisis

By OSEYE BOYD



“Mother, mother
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you crying
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you dying
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here today”
Those lyrics are from the classic Marvin Gaye song, “What’s Going On?” The song was released in 1971. After seeing police violence against Vietnam War protestors, Four Tops member Ronald “Obie” Benson wrote the initial lyrics. Benson gave the lyrics to Gaye, who had family members who fought in the war, and he developed it further. The Vietnam War is over, but the song is still relevant today. I can’t help but ask the question “What’s going on?” and think of the opening lyrics to this song when I consider the state our city is in right now. I’m referring to the number of homi-

cides involving Black people, especially Black males. The data is stark. African American males were 75% of homicide victims in 2019. Out of 153 murders last year, 115 involved victims who were African American. Only one-and-half months into 2020, and the outlook appears bleak. If things don’t change, Black males could be the majority of homicide victims again. Too many mothers continue to shed tears over the deaths of their sons and daughters. Their deaths don’t just affect their mothers, children and other family members. Our entire community is affected. There’s been a lot of discussion from city leaders and law enforcement about who’s doing what and who’s not doing enough. Is this conversation just a ploy to make it look as though certain groups are trying to fix the problem but other groups are impeding the process? Is it a ploy to make it look as though work is being done when it’s really not? We don’t need political posturing. We need effective tactics that bring solutions. As a citizen of this city, I get really

sick of city leaders pointing the finger at each other, holding meeting after meeting or studying the problem ad nauseam. It’s time for some action, not lip service. I recognize there are efforts in place to stop violent crime, and I’m not discounting those efforts, but the conversation surrounding the issue is problematic and unproductive. While I will never disregard systemic racism and the countless issues it creates that work against Black people, none of these issues makes us inherently murderous. What is it that makes Black people kill Black people more so than any other ethnic group in this city? We have to take responsibility for our actions and our community. I’m not trying to turn this into a Pound Cake speech, but I can’t ignore the fact that it’s us against us — usually over nonsense. We have to stop and ask ourselves, “What’s going on?” Is there something we need to do as parents, family, community that we’re not doing? I believe everything starts at home. Parents have to teach children to value

life — not just theirs but others. But it doesn’t end there. What do we as a community need to do? We have wonderful programs in our city that give our youth an outlet, but these programs don’t reach all of our children. Do we need to reach out to more young people? Unfortunately we don’t live in a bubble. The actions of others could come knocking at our door even when we’re not involved. How many times have we heard of an innocent bystander being caught in the crossfire? If we resolve to make sure our juveniles have positive activities and influences, what do we do when the perpetrators are people well into adulthood? How do you reach this group? We say we need to do something. But what is “something”? I realize I’ve posed more questions than answers. If we had the answers, we wouldn’t be in this predicament. We need to figure out what “something” is, work together and do it. Now. We can’t let another year pass where African Americans make up the majority of homicides.

OPINIONS

Black history makers of tomorrow

By ANDRÉ CARSON



Happy Black History Month! Though we should celebrate the amazing contributions of African Americans year-round, February presents a special opportunity to honor our collective history and proud legacy. And

what a legacy it is! This year’s celebration is especially poignant as we recognize 401 years of Africans in America — long before America became America. African Americans helped found this country. African Americans have enriched our nation through hard physical labor, by clearing the fields for colonial crops, by fighting the British in the Revolutionary War, and by building the edifices of new nation — from Mount Vernon to the United States Capitol. African Americans have made amazing contributions in the arts, business, public service, sports, science and much more. Our story is one of pain, perseverance and triumph, and it’s still being written. During Black History Month, I’m particularly reflective of these iconic Af-

rican Americans, whose achievements define “Black excellence.” They fought bondage, discrimination, bigotry, and hatred to achieve what many believed was unachievable for African Americans. Though these heroes and sheroes lived in many different eras of history, come from a wide array of backgrounds, and boast many different achievements, they all dared to dream, and they had the gumption to go after them. Much of this fortitude grows out of the reality that only the strongest were able to survive the interminable Middle Passage. Only the strongest survived the physical chains of slavery. But amazingly, we drew on the strength and spirit of our ancestors. All of this helped to build the heart and soul of our community — a community that strives to take care of all people and give all of our kids a solid foundation. This foundation sets the stage for success and achievement. For example, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., who came of age in the heart of the segregated South, was deeply involved in the community of Ebenezer Baptist Church. There, he gained a strong sense of compassion and a commitment to social justice, which helped him grow into the moral leader of the Civil Rights Movement.

Michelle Obama developed a love of dance during her early years, and as first lady, she used that passion to inspire all Americans to live more active lives through her “Let’s Move” campaign. As a child, Denzel Washington found inspiration and role models through his involvement in the Boys and Girls Club. And as an adult, the award-winning actor has used his platform to support the organization. It’s clear that for African Americans, and for all Americans, the opportunities we have as children help shape our entire lives. This is especially true when kids are up against enormous obstacles. A club, a sport, a job or a volunteer position can be a lifeline that helps lead someone to a brighter future. That’s why for seven years now, I have hosted my Youth Opportunities Fair, to connect young people with educational and inspiring experiences right here in our community. It is one of my favorite events of the year, because it has been so successful in enriching the lives of countless young Hoosiers. The event will be held noon to 7 p.m. Monday, March 16 at the Indianapolis Central Library. Attendees will be able to chat with organizations offering a wide array of enrichment opportunities for ages 5 and up, plus businesses

offering jobs for working age youth. For young people seeking work opportunities, professional volunteers will also be there to offer helpful tips for success, such as how to impress employers, create or improve a resume and more. The event is free and open to the public with no RSVP required. I encourage kids, parents and caretakers to attend this great event. You may find a program that sparks a passion, or a first job that launches a rewarding career, and you will definitely leave with a greater appreciation for all our community has to offer our kids. The next icons of Black history, and American history, are right here in our own community. Through events like the Youth Opportunities Fair, we are helping to shape them into the leaders they are meant to be. Rep. Carson represents the 7th District of Indiana. He is a Member of the Congressional Black Caucus and one of three Muslims in Congress. Rep. Carson sits on the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and the House Intelligence Committee, where he is chairman of the Subcommittee on Counterterrorism, Counterintelligence and Counterproliferation. Contact Rep. Carson at carson.house.gov/contact.

Déjà vu all over again

By LARRY SMITH



I was in graduate school as the presidential election of 2000 got into full swing. That epic (and highly controversial) contest was the first one that I personally recall in which an almost manic sense of urgency seemed to grip the public — in the U.S. and abroad. Indeed, several of my classmates who were citizens of other countries were nearly as invested in the outcome as Americans were. At least one of them said, “This election is too important for just Americans to vote in!” This person genuinely wanted people who weren’t U.S. citizens to have a say. (Russia, are you listening?) Obviously, the world didn’t end — even though many people felt like it would if former Vice President Al Gore lost. Similarly, in 2008, the Great Recession engendered angst among a majority of the electorate. It again seemed that the fate of the world depended on

the outcome of the election. The late Sen. John McCain argued, reasonably, that the times called for a president who had a long track record of working to resolve political crises. He also argued, reasonably, that then-Sen. Barack Obama was untested. Unfortunately for McCain, then-President George W. Bush — who was a member of McCain’s party — had historically low approval ratings. In fact, it turned out that Bush would ultimately defeat McCain twice. The first time was the 2000 presidential primary race, which saw Bush prevail over McCain to secure the Republican nomination. The second time was in the 2008 general election, when Bush’s legacy hung around McCain’s neck like a lead albatross. (Incidentally, pundits still debate whether adding former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin to his ticket helped or hurt his bid.) Fast forward to four years ago. Former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, the Democratic nominee, charged that Republican businessman Donald Trump was too emotionally unstable, too boorish, too ignorant, too divisive and too inexperienced to assume the massive responsibilities of the U.S. presidency. Though she did convince roughly three million more Americans that she was the more qualified candidate, the results of the Electoral College — which was forged in esoteric and inconsistent rules — determined otherwise. Her defeat was as unexpected as it was stunning. So, here we are in 2020, enduring what is shaping up to be a schizophrenic and fraught Democratic primary contest. (Perhaps we’ll know by late summer who actually won in Iowa.) The incumbent president is the most divisive U.S. head of state in living memory. Emboldened by his “total acquittal” in the Senate, Donald Trump offers no evidence that he will approach his role differently than he has heretofore. And why would he? Trump knows as long as he has an approval rating among Republicans that is north of 90% he has carte blanche. (Just this week his anger about long-time friend Roger Stone’s recommended prison term prompted the Justice Department to lower said recommendation.

This is the type of scenario one would expect in a so-called banana republic.) What’s my point? The stakes are historically high in this year’s presidential election. For better, and for worse, the United States remains the only indispensable nation. Despite our severely tarnished brand, most of the world expects — and needs — us to lead. No other nation possesses the critical combination of “hard power” and “soft power” required to intervene in seemingly intractable political, economic, social and environmental challenges that exist around the world. For example, what takes place in the next few years will determine whether we can halt, or possibly even reverse, the damning effects of climate change. (As the saying goes, “There is no Planet B.”) Further, the execrable immorality of the yawning wealth gap — here and abroad — threatens to cause a global “French Revolution.” The mainstreaming of proto-fascism in the U.S., Europe and Latin America could overturn the very fragile de facto armistice that has prevented (or perhaps only forestalled) another world war. Who do we want as the captain of our ship as we navigate these gale-force headwinds? Am I being hyperbolic? Maybe. (But I doubt it.) In any case, as a student of history I understand that the results of many bygone presidential contests have demonstrated that the more “dangerous” or “risky” nominee often prevails over the “safer” one (e.g., Trump vs. Clinton, Reagan vs. Carter, etc). Of course, depending on who secures the Democratic nomination, the notion of “risky” will be a very complicated one. Nonetheless, as the race for the Democratic nomination unfolds, a fractious Democratic Party will need to rally around its chosen standard bearer — no matter who it is — if it hopes to fare well in a very tough fight against a surging incumbent. So, please, vote. It really does matter this time. Seriously.

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Recorder Women’s Auxiliary held annual Black History Program



The Recorder Women's Auxiliary held its annual Black History program Feb. 1 at Rafael Health Center. Rosalyn West was the keynote speaker.



Women's Auxiliary members dressed in traditional African apparel. Guests enjoyed a soul food menu, which included red beans and rice. (Photos/Diana Penn).

32nd annual Meet the Artists kickoff



Epiphany Dance Collective performed at the 32nd annual Meet the Artists kickoff at Central Library. Meet the Artists spotlights the artwork of visual artists during Black History Month. The opening ceremony features performances by dancers, artists and a fashion show. (Photos/Lenny White)



Faye Clerk-Moseley, founder of FLAIR, walked the runway during the fashion show at the Meet the Artists celebration.



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Play shines light on discrimination, Black experience



Five local actresses shared the stories of 10 local women’s experiences in health care in “Same Blood.”

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“I just hate the fight.” This statement was reiterated several times in the Feb. 6 reading of “Same Blood: Stories of Inequity of 10 Black Women Living in Indianapolis” at Trinity Episcopal Church. For an hour, five local actresses shared the stories of 10 local women who have experienced discrimination in the health care system.

Lauren Briggeman, co-founder of Summit Productions, a local, female-based theater company, took interviews conducted by Dr. Sally Wasmuth, an assistant professor at IUPUI, with Black women from around the city and pieced together the interviews to create the play. The play features conversations regarding medical treatment, obstacles in recovery for Black women and how the issue of race permeates most areas of

life for African American women.

The reading was part of Trinity Episcopal Church’s Social Justice and Reconciliation Committee’s effort to address social issues within the community.

Bill Coleman, chair of the committee, said focusing on racial disparities in health care was an easy choice after hearing about maternal and infant mortality in the news and after visiting the Indiana Minority Health Coalition.

According to the Office of Minority Health, African American women have a life expectancy of 78, as opposed to 82 years for white women. The likelihood of death among Black women following a stroke, asthma attack, giving birth and pneumonia are all higher than the rates of death for white women.

It was this underlying theme that connected the experiences of the 10 anonymous women who shared their

stories through what Wasmuth called “narrative medicine.”

“Listening to stories of people who have been through something is a predictor of better health outcomes,” Wasmuth said.

Evoking empathy and understanding was one of the reasons Coleman and the committee wanted to bring the play, originally performed at Phoenix Theatre, to the church.

“Same Blood” wove together horror stories of being left in the hallways of an emergency room, not being offered medical tests when symptoms arise and being ignored by doctors. The women went on to talk about discrimination they’ve faced in the workforce, including a gay, Black woman who felt ostracized by her peers, a biracial woman who felt she had to choose between being Black or being white, and a woman with a teenage son, constantly worried he will have a fatal run-in with a police officer.

While the play offered multiple examples of the problems Black women face in health care and beyond, no solutions were offered. In this instance, art imitates life. According to the National Women’s Law Center, racial bias causes doctors to spend less time with Black patients, underestimate their pain and provide them with less effective care, increasing their risk of dying unnecessarily.

But, despite discouraging statistics and experiences, the actresses left the audience with the message that self-advocacy and standing up for others facing discrimination can make positive change for African Americans.

“You have a voice,” actress Enjoli Desiree said. “Use it.”

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Acidic Drinks Can Harm Children’s Teeth

In recognition of National Children’s Dental Health Month in February, the Marion County Public Health Department wants to teach children and adults about the harmful effects of acidic drinks on teeth.

“Many drinks aren’t as healthy as you may think,” said Tonya Stewart, D.D.S., director of Dental Services at the Marion County Public Health Department.

“Sports drinks and juices contain as much or more enamel-eroding acid as soda.”

Dr. Stewart wants parents to realize that the healthiest drinks their children can consume are water and milk.

When the acid in many popular drinks comes in contact with teeth, it softens the enamel and causes dental erosion.

The increased use of these drinks is causing a rise in the dental problems that 50 years of public health initiatives—such as fluoridated water and dental sealants—were previously guarding against.

Many drinks that are high in acid also contain a lot of sugar. Sugar feeds the bacteria that causes tooth decay and overwhelms the positive effects of fluoride.

There are some things you can do to minimize the effects of sugar and acid when consuming soda and sports drinks:

- Drink the beverage in one sitting quickly. Slowly sipping on a soda causes a steady stream of enamel eroding acid. It is much better for one’s teeth to drink a soda quick rather than slow.
 - Use a straw. This will minimize the drink’s contact with teeth and gums.
 - Drink water after finishing a soda or sports drink. Doing this rinses the mouth removing some of the acidity and sugars.
- Dehydration also plays a role in acid erosion. After working up a sweat, it is always better to reach for water before a sports drink. Acid in sports drinks causes more damage in a dry mouth than a hydrated one.

“Sports drinks have their benefits, but they are harming your teeth,” said Dr. Stewart.

Outreach through dental clinics, the Smile Mobile program, and other education efforts allows the Marion County Public Health Department to help kids develop good dental habits as early as possible.

For more information, contact the health department’s Dental Services program at (317) 221-2329.

FREE ABCS OF DIABETES CLASSES IN MARCH

ABCs of Diabetes is a four-part series offered by the Marion County Public Health Department. Classes include instruction on medications, nutrition, exercise, monitoring, complications and available community resources.

Those who sign up will also receive individual consultations with a registered dietitian, registered nurse and a health educator.

In March, ABCs of Diabetes classes will take place at two locations: Glendale Branch Library, 6101 N. Keystone Ave., on Wednesday, March 4, 11, 18 and 25 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.; and, Haughville Branch Library, 2121 W. Michigan Street, on Tuesday, March 10, 17, 24 and 31 from 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Participants should plan on attending all four classes in the series at the location they choose. The program is open to anyone with diabetes or pre-diabetes. Family members and friends are also welcome to attend.

Classes are free, but registration is required. Please call (317) 221-2094 or visit MarionHealth.org/diabetes.

The Marion County Public Health Department has earned accreditation for ABCs of Diabetes through the American Association for Diabetes Educators’ (AACE) Diabetes Education Accreditation Program.



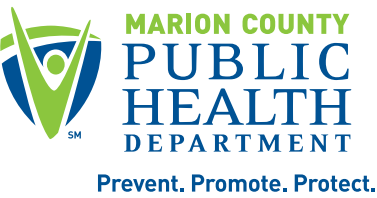
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The rich Gullah Geechee roots of the spiritual 'Kumbaya'



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By SHELIA M. POOLE
The Atlanta Journal-Constitution

DARIEN, Ga. (AP) — Griffin Lotson, a seventh-generation Gullah-Geechee, grew up on the old spirituals that sprang from the suffering and hope of African Americans.

As a child, he listened to his mother and others in the congregation of Carneghan Emanuel Baptist Church in Darien sing “Come by Here,” a haunting hymn that beseeches God to help those in need, perhaps as a call to those who are oppressed, dying or sick.

“Come by here, my Lord, come by here. Come by here, my Lord, come by here.

Come by here, my Lord, come by here. Oh Lord, come by here.”

It wasn't until 2011, as a middle-aged adult, that Lotson started digging deep into the song's history and meaning.

“It meant zero to me growing up,” said Lotson, 65, Darien's former mayor pro tem, vice chairman of the Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Commission, and manager of the Geechee Gullah Ring Shouters.

Once he started researching the song, though, “I really went down the rabbit's hole,” he said. “There was a direct connection to enslaved African Americans, the Gullah Geechee culture and even my own family. This song means a lot. It's one of the most known songs in the

world.” The language in “Come by Here” over time evolved into the more popular “Kumbaya.” It's also sometimes called “Come by Ya.” Ya, said Lotson, is commonly used in the Gullah Geechee culture for “here.”

“Kumbaya my Lord, kumbaya Kumbaya my Lord, kumbaya Kumbaya my Lord, kumbaya Oh Lord, kumbaya”

The modern version has been popularized at civil rights events and by such performers as Joan Baez; Pete Seeger; Sweet Honey in the Rock; Peter, Paul & Mary; and the Australian folk, pop and gospel group The Seekers.

It's also heard at Girl Scout campouts, youth gatherings, and outdoor Protestant religious revivals known as camp meetings.

In 2017, “Kumbaya” was recognized as Georgia's first state historical song through a resolution sponsored by state Sen. William Ligon (R-Brunswick) as a nod to its roots in the Gullah Geechee culture along the Georgia coast and the Sea Islands.

U.S. Rep. Earl L. “Buddy” Carter (R-Ga.) also acknowledged that the song most likely originated in the Gullah Geechee culture.

Others trace its origins to West Africa, although most likely it was the other way around with missionaries taking

the spiritual to Africa.

“Even today, ‘Kumbaya’ means something different to different groups of people, but we should never forget the original meaning of the song and who we believe may be the original creators of the song, the Gullah Geechee people,” Carter said in his comments to Congress when talking about the song. “There are many aspects of their culture that are unique, complex, and beautiful. Their language is based in creole and is the only distinctly African creole language in the United States.”

The question of who composed the song has been debated for decades.

In 1970, a white preacher from New York took credit for penning the spiritual, said John Fenn, head of research and programs at the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress, but that is in “deep question.”

He claimed to have written the song at the age of 18 in 1936.

Strangely, as popular as the spiritual was, no one else had claimed composition of the song.

What is known is that according to historical accounts and the resolution, folklorist Robert Winslow Gordon lived in Darien in 1926 and traveled the area to record folk songs in the Gullah dialect.

Henry Wylie (also referred to as H. Wylie), who was of Gullah Geechee

heritage, was recorded singing “Come by Here,” said Stephen Winick, a folklorist at the American Folklife Center of the Library of Congress and editor and creator of the blog “Folklife Today.”

The song's history fascinated Winick, who became the folklorist version of Sherlock Holmes.

He recalled that Seeger had publicly mentioned several times that he had heard a wax cylinder of the song. In 2007, during a symposium to honor the Seeger family, Winick had a chance to ask the famous singer where he had heard the cylinder.

His answer? “Here, at the Library of Congress.”

It wasn't the first time there had been rumblings of the cylinder's existence, but no one was able to find it.

Then Winick, with the help of two archivists, struck gold. They located the first recording, which helped set the record straight.

For his part, Lotson recalls the time he held the original wax cylinder in his hands.

“It was the eureka moment,” he said. “It was touching real history. This dispelled all the myths. There it was, just sitting there.”

According to the Library of Congress, in later years, use of the word “kumbaya” came to take on political and cultural symbolism meaning “weak consensus-seeking that fails to accomplish crucial goals. Socially, it came to stand for the touchy-feely, the wishy-washy, the nerdy, and the meek.”

That bothers Lotson. “It came to mean something bad, and I will never use the words ‘a kumbaya moment,’” he said. “I know the true meaning and I know the history. I won't use it in a condescending way.”

Oral Moses, professor emeritus of voice and music literature at Kennesaw State University, is an expert on African American music and traces his family history to the South Carolina coast.

Moses recently returned from a recital in Germany, and one of the songs he performed there was “Kumbaya.”

“Kumbaya’ is worldwide,” said Moses, who is also artistic director of the Georgia Spiritual Ensemble. “They know that song in China, they know that song in Germany, they know that song in Russia. That song brings about unity, peace and a sense of really working together. There's nothing negative about that.”

25th Street Baptist Church appoints new pastor

The congregation of 25th Street Baptist Church recently celebrated the appointment of Rev. Kenneth Manuel Sr., also known at “Pastor K,” with an installation service. Phillip Shobe, pastor at St. John Missionary Baptist Church, delivered the installation message and the charge to the church. Rev. Gary Manuel delivered the charge to the pastor and turned over the keys to the church. St. John’s senior choir provided the musical selections for the celebration.



Rev. Kenneth Manuel Sr. and his wife, LeTonda “Tiny” Manuel, standing for the charge to the pastor from Rev. Gary Manuel.



Pastor Phillip Shobe delivered the installation message.



St. John Missionary Baptist Church senior choir performed during the installation service. (Photos/Curtis Gynn).

SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING

Hold fast to hope

By MARION J. MILLER

“Let us hold tightly without wavering to the hope we affirm, for God can be trusted to keep his promise.”

Hebrews: 10:23

My family traveled one weekend from Indiana to Arkansas. At the start of the trip, everyone soon realized that we would experience some foggy weather. Have you driven in thick fog recently? Well, I have. And wow — is it hard to see. It requires the driver to slow down, focus hard and trust what you know.

While riding along in the car, suddenly it came to me that we need to do the same thing when life gets foggy. We must slow down and trust the promises of God, especially when challenging predicaments arise that are hard to see clearly.

How do we beat fog?

In foggy weather there is no choice but to “hold fast to hope.” Then focus our attention on God. And whenever life seems confusing like the fog — and things become hard to see and understand, remain steadfast and trust the promises of God — through the power of hope.

The Hebrew scripture was writ-

ten to prevent its readers from abandoning their hope in Jesus Christ. It's to encourage us — not to forsake our confession of faith and hope in Jesus Christ. He is far greater than the angels. He is the perfect sacrifice for our sins. Though we may be persecuted, don't turn away from Jesus Christ — simply "hold fast to hope."

We can endure a lot when we have hope! Without hope, we easily would have caved in to that foggy weather. So when we have pressures and trials in life, don't cave in. For we know that someday — things will be better, if we hang on in there — through tough times.

There is an illustration about hope that researchers performed in an experiment years ago. They wanted to see the effect and power of hope — undergoing hardship. Two sets of laboratory rats were placed in separate tubs of water. The researchers left one set in the water and found that within an hour they had all



drowned.

The other rats were periodically lifted out of the water and then returned. When that happened, the second set of rats swam for over 24 hours. Why? Not because they were given a rest, but because they suddenly had HOPE! Those little animals somehow hoped that if they could stay afloat a little longer, someone would reach down and rescue them.

If unthinking rodents have that kind of hope, how much greater effect should hope have on your life or

my life? When you are at the end of your rope, your back is up against the wall, and you can't think straight — God will periodically reach down, lift you up and rescue you, just like the researchers did for those rodents. So, through the efforts of faith — “hold fast to hope.”

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Self-love and sisterly love vs. frenemies

By CATHY HOLLOWAY HILL



Why do women judge before we know who or what we are judging? Why do we compete, betray, criticize, gossip and backstab our female “sisters”?

In this column, I want you to look deep within yourself, remove the mask and denial, and acknowledge when and where you have been the one judging someone unfairly

or the one being judged unfairly. My purpose is to bring awareness to this monumental problem so that we can begin to heal ourselves and our communities.

You can’t pick up a book, magazine or read much in the media about female relationships without a level of competition involved. Why does it happen? Can it be prevented? If so, what can you do to prevent it? Will it strengthen relationships among women if we fix it? Or will it even matter? These and many other questions will be answered in this series. Most women have no idea they are demonstrating this behavior, which is why I felt this series of columns was necessary. We can’t fix what we can’t face, so we’re already conquering the first challenge — facing it.

As a life design strategist and psychologist, I’ve helped many women understand and heal. And, I also discuss these issues in my book, “Secret Betrayal — How to Heal Female Rivalries.” One example that comes to mind is an experience I had during the spring of 2007. I was very excited when I had an opportunity speak at a women’s conference in Cincinnati. I was optimistic, excited, enthused and ready to empower the women. However, when I walked onto the stage, I was met with stares and facial expressions that clearly demonstrated bad attitudes which was something I didn’t expect. As I began my presentation, I launched into an upbeat opening to get the energy up by starting off with positive comments, statements and affirmations. I asked the women to repeat after me: “I am beautiful! I am brilliant! I am successful!” Of the 1,500 women present, I only heard a small number of women repeating the statements. Instead, I continued to receive stares and blank expressions.

Regardless of my energetic attempts, I was met with looks of judgment, disapproval and curiosity. I didn’t understand why there was so much obvious unhappiness since they came to be empowered. I pretended not to notice the obvious looks of hatred and displeasure. As I continued my presentation, I started telling the ladies about my personal journey and how I overcame many obstacles early in life in a dysfunctional family and then later in an abusive marriage. Then, I noticed that the hardened looks began to soften until it turned into looks of interest, intrigue and finally compassion. It was obvious at that moment that the women had, unknowingly, judged me unfairly based on factors unknown.

As I’ve said in my workshops and seminars, painful life lessons come to our lives to make us better, not bitter. If we are courageous and strong enough to look deep within the pain, there within lies our purpose. Living a life of purpose is why we we’re born; it’s the reason for our existence. Others around us are here to support; we are here to support each other. If we can understand and embody this concept, we will discover that collaboration, instead of competition, is the goal. Therefore, if we all do our part, we can come together in a unified manner because women are the mothers of mankind.

Cathy Holloway Hill is a life design strategist, psychologist and author of “Secret Betrayal — How to Heal Female Rivalries.”



Create your business and financial plans

By NNPA

Starting a business can be exciting, but that excitement may be overshadowed by anxiety if you start this new adventure without detailed research and plans to guide you along the way. In addition to guidance, a business and financial plan can help to attract investors and open up more options for funding your idea.

After you’ve determined that you have a viable business idea and your market research has given you enough insights, it’s important to apply this information to your business planning — especially as it relates to money.

CREATE YOUR BUSINESS AND MARKETING PLAN

Using the results of your market research, you can outline:

Details for your service or product: This means a description of what it is and what the market is for it.

Branding: This is the personality and messaging behind your business. Maybe you want the public to see your business as innovative and cutting-edge, or maybe your business is more about establishing a trusting relationship with customers.

Market trends: These are the challenges facing your potential industry, what’s most popular with your competition and how you plan to address those factors.

Objectives: What is your top priority in each aspect of your business, including, funding, marketing and day-to-day operations?

Strategies: How do you plan to accomplish everything? Remember to be very detailed.

By incorporating the results of your market research into the overall vision of your business, you can better align your marketing efforts to drive sales and give yourself a competitive edge.

For instance, if your target market is everyday families with toddlers, you’ll have to create a marketing plan to reach them in places they’ll be. This could mean physically locating to where they are, like down the street from a school or park, or paying for ads on websites they use most.

Another example could be dealing with your competition. If you plan to compete based on price, you’ll need to see how price cuts might impact your income. There’s no use making sales while losing money, since your business likely won’t be able to survive it.

Your business plan may also be useful when you reach the stage of hiring staff. You will want to hire people that fit the personality of your business and whose values align with it. Referring to your plan can help guide you in that process.

UNDERSTAND THE FINANCIALS

Next, analyze what it’ll take to start, grow and

manage your company. A great source for business finance insights is the Hands on Banking website. Fundamentally, you should know:

Startup costs: How much you’ll need to pay to get your idea going. Free resources like the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) can help you calculate these costs. You should also consider speaking with current professionals in your industry, such as vendors, suppliers, and industry groups.

Break-even point: When your business brings in just enough money to cover expenses. If you need help figuring that out, The Balance offers a good rundown. Setting up a consultation with an accountant to help you estimate costs could also be helpful in the long run.

Projections for profitability: Predictions about future income. It’s important to be realistic with these: Forbes gives a helpful guide on how to best forecast the revenue your business will likely bring in. This is also where the market research you’ve done can play a big role by helping you determine market size and the demand for your business.

Once you have these estimates, it will be much easier to pin down whether this is a worthy business opportunity.

EVALUATE YOUR FINANCING OPTIONS

There are many ways to fund your business, but you have to choose the one that works for you. “You can put in sweat equity, use credit, raise venture capital, or even solicit funds with crowdfunding,” says Dr. Dennis Kimbro, a business professor and best-selling author. “But which way is best for your business?”

The SBA suggests considering both your personal and business resources to help you arrive at the right financing strategy.

For instance, do you have:

Savings that you can draw from to get started?

Depending on your situation, you may think about investing your own savings. Although this may not pay for everything, doing so shows lenders how much you believe in your own idea.

Collateral to secure a business loan request?

If yes, you could be ready for a loan or line of credit from a financial institution. For this option, you’ll want to have a good relationship with your banker so they can assist you in setting it up.

When starting out, all of these questions may not apply to your business just yet. However, if you approach a bank or investors, these are the questions they’ll likely ask. They’re also factors to keep in mind should your business outgrow your initial plan.

As you get closer to launching, your financial and business plans may change, and that’s OK. Regardless of how they evolve, having a plan in place to guide you on this venture could make all the difference for your success.

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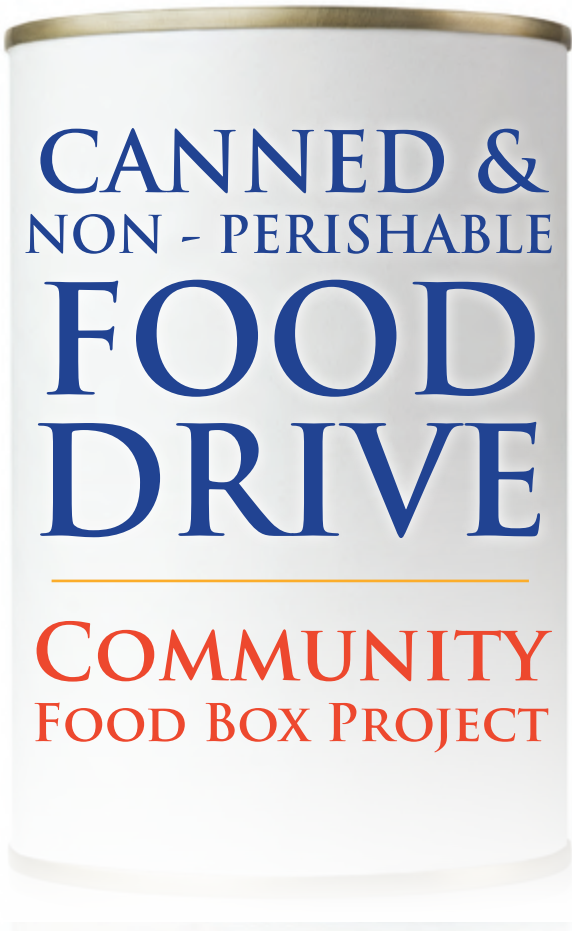
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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
State of Indiana
County of Marion
In the Marion Superior Court
Probate Division
IN THE MATTER
OF THE ESTATE
OF FAYE J. MCDANIEL,
Deceased.
Cause No.
49D08-2001-EU-002793

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Regina F. Majors, was on the 22nd day of January 2020, appointed personal representative of the Estate of Faye J. McDaniel, deceased, who died on the 19th day of December 2019.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 22nd day of January, 2020.
Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk
02/07/20
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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
IN THE MARION COUNTY COURT
STATE OF INDIANA
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF
CAUSE NO.
49D08-2001-EU-004775
ROBERT WAYNE SMITH,
DECEASED

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that on the day of January 31, 2020, Wanda Kay Seidler was appointed personal representative of the estate of Robert Wayne Smith, deceased, who died on the 12th day of January, 2020. All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Johnson County, Indiana, this January 31, 2020.
Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk
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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION
IN MARION PROBATE COURT
ESTATE CAUSE NO.
49D08-2001-EU-003394
IN THE MATTER OF
ESTATE OF MARY F.
DEWITT,
Decedent.

Notice is hereby given that Brenda Black Wilkes was on January 29, 2020, appointed as personal representative of the estate of Mary F. DeWitt, deceased.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claim will be forever barred.

Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this January 29, 2020.
Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk
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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
State of Indiana
County of Marion
In the Marion Superior Court
Probate Division
IN THE MATTER
OF THE ESTATE
OF MARJORIE C. PARKER,
Deceased.
Cause No.
49D08-2001-EU-003484

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Thomas N. Parker, was on the 27th day of January 2020, appointed personal representative of the Estate of Marjorie C. Parker, deceased, who died on the 26th day of November 2019.

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Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 27th day of January, 2020.
Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk
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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice of Unsupervised Administration
In the Marion Superior Court, Probate Division
In the Matter of the Estate of Gene M. Arthur, deceased.
Cause Number:
49D08-2001-EU-003399
Notice is hereby given that Sarah E. Shaw was on January 24, 2020, appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Gene M. Arthur, deceased, who died on the 18th day of November, 2019.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file claim in the office of the clerk of the court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana this date January 24, 2020.
Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk
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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
CAUSE NO.
49D08-2001-EU-002124
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF
PATRICIA L. WHITE,
deceased.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Martha F. White, was appointed personal representative of the Estate of Patricia L. White, deceased.

All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the same in said Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, January 15, 2020
Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk
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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
ESTATE DOCKET:
49D08-1912-EU-053242
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF
MICHAEL VANCE
WILLIAMS, Deceased.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Michael Vance Williams was on the 26th day of December, 2019, appointed Executor of the Estate of Michael Vance Williams-deceased.

All persons who have claims against this estate- whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Indianapolis-Indiana, this day of 2020.
Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk
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PUBLIC NOTICE
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
The Trustees of Purdue University will receive sealed bids for the following projects until 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) on the 5th day of March 2020 in the Purdue Technology Center Aerospace (PTCA), 1801 Newman Road, West Lafayette, IN 47906. 1. West Lafayette Campus - Russell Street South of Harrison Renovation - 2020 Bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud in Room 106 of the Purdue Technology Center Aerospace (PTCA), 1801 Newman Road, West Lafayette, IN 47906. Bids received after this time will be returned unopened. Bids may be withdrawn prior to such time, but no bids shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days thereafter. The Principal Subcontractor Questionnaire listing the names of the bidder's principal subcontractors shall be submitted with the bid. The remainder of the Questionnaires and Material Lists shall be submitted prior to 3:00 p.m. (EDT) on the 12th day of March 2020, to: Capital Program Management, Purdue Technology Center Aerospace, 1801 Newman Road Suite 208, West Lafayette, IN 47906-4510 Phone (765) 494-0580 Bids shall be submitted on Form 96, accompanied by executed Form 96A (as prescribed by the State Board of Accounts) giving financial data as recent as possible, and a Non-Collusion Affidavit together with other documents as required by the Instructions to Bidders and addressed to The Trustees of Purdue University, clearly marked with the project and the name of the bidder. Each bid must be accompanied by the Contractor's written plan for a program to test the contractor's employees for drugs in accordance with IC 4-13-18. Each bid must be accompanied by a Contractor's Combination Bid Bond and Bond for Construction in the form included in the specifications made payable to The Trustees of Purdue University in an amount equal to the maximum total of the base bid and any alternate bids, guaranteeing the execution and faithful performance of the contract for the work it awarded. The Instructions to Bidders contained in the specifications and the products are by this reference made a part hereof, and all bidders shall be deemed to have agreed to the provisions thereof, and of the General Conditions of the contract, specifications, plans and drawings for the project. A voluntary pre-bid meeting for Project No. 1 will be held on February 18, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. (EST). The meeting will be held in Room 208K of Purdue Technology Center Aerospace (PTCA), located at 1801 Newman Rd, West Lafayette, IN. A voluntary pre-bid meeting for Project No. 2 will be held on February 18, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. EST. The meeting will be held in Room 102 of Utility Plant Office Facility (UPOF), located at 419 S. Grant St., West Lafayette, IN. The architectural/engineering firms for these projects are: Project No. 1 Butler Fairbro & Son, Inc., 301 South Street, Suite 200, Lafayette, IN 47901-1205 Phone (765) 423-6602 Fax (765) 742-5321 Project No. 2 CE Solutions, Inc., 10 Shoshone Dr., Carmel, IN 46032 Phone (317) 818-1912 Fax (317) 818-1911 To view or obtain bid documents online: Refr Graphics Inc., 437 N. Illinois St., Indianapolis, IN 46204 Web: PurdueFive.com Phone: 1-800-718-0035 Email: ePlanRoom@Reprographics.com A \$300 deposit will be required for each hardcopy set of bidding documents. One compact disk or download is available at no charge. Postage and handling fee may apply. All orders must be placed online but bidders may choose to pick up orders at Purdue Print & Digital Services delivered by Xerox: 698 Ahlers Drive, West Lafayette, IN 47907 Phone: 765-494-2006 Bidding Documents are on file in the office of: Senior Vice President for Administrative Operations, Purdue Technology Center Aerospace, 1801 Newman Road Suite 208, West Lafayette, IN 47906-4510 Phone (765) 494-0580 The Board of Trustees of the Trustees of Purdue University reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive, to the extent permitted by law, any of the terms, conditions and provisions contained in this Advertisement for Bids or the Instructions to Bidders or any informality, irregularity or omission in any bid, provided that such waiver shall be at the discretion of the Board of Trustees. THE TRUSTEES OF PURDUE UNIVERSITY By James K. Keefe, Senior Director of Capital Program Management Date: 1/15/2020
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Corna Kokosing Construction is seeking prequalified sub-contractor bids for the Stewart Center Window Replacements, Center Stage Lift and Elevator Repair for work associated with the following bid packages:
Bid Package No. 01 - Elevator Replacement and Repair
Scope includes: selective demolition, Interior Cab refurbish-replace elevator controls and equipment.
Bid Package No. 02 - Electrical
Scope includes: selective demolition of existing elevator and stage lift equipment, new electrical service to new stage lift and upgraded elevator, lighting and general power.
Bid Package No. 03 - Window Repair
Scope includes: selective demolition of existing Stewart Center windows and replacement w/ new windows.
All Tier 1 bidders must request invitation, receive, complete and submit a Pre-qualification form prior to bid submission deadline. Bidders may request the Pre-Qualification Form and Bid Documents electronically by emailing request to e-mail: Mike Isabel (mji@corna.biz) or David Rossi (djr@corna.biz).
Bidders will be able to download, at no cost, Construction Documents from SmartBid.net upon request. Hard set of Construction Documents will be available for purchase through reprographics.com.
Each bid over \$200,000 shall be accompanied by a bid security in the amount of 5% of the total base bid amount. Bids are due Tuesday March 10th at 10am. Sealed bids shall be submitted to Corna Kokosing Construction, Attention: David Rossi at Corna Kokosing Construction, 3862 North Central Parkway, Greenfield, IN 46204.
Pre-Bid Meeting will be held February 20, 2020 at 2pm; starting at the Stewart Dock.
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Indiana's Finest Wrecker will be having an auction/public sale on February 24th, 2020 at 8AM, 7576 W Washington St Indianapolis, IN 46231. List of vehicles to be included in the sale:
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PUBLIC NOTICE
BIDDING OPPORTUNITY
Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation aka IndyGo New Training Facility
Bid Date: March 3, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.
Contact: Ketaki Shiralkar, ketakishiralkar@iawilhelm.com
Project Description: This is a 9,400 square foot single-story building that will house classroom training and contingency equipment for IndyGo's IT equipment, and a large concrete lot for off-street parking.
Wilhelm is seeking diversity participation on this project, for 15% - MBE
8% - WBE
3% - VBE
1% - DBE
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PUBLIC NOTICE
African-American/Black teens spend an average of \$96 dollars monthly, 20% more per month than the average U.S. teen.

PATERNITY
STATE OF INDIANA
IN THE MARION COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT
IN RE: PATERNITY OF:
MIA JOHNSON,
AUBREY JOHNSON,
Minor Children,
WILLIAM JOHNSON,
Petitioner,
and
CAREY BORSZEM,
Respondent.
CAUSE NO.
49C01-1111-JP-42231

ALIAS ORDER TO APPEAR
COMES NOW Petitioner, William Johnson, by counsel, Elisha M. Comer and heretofore having filed his Emergency Verified Petition to Modify Parenting Time and the Court having examined said Petition and being duly advised therein now finds a hearing shall be held in this matter.
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED by this Court that an emergency hearing is set for March 26, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. (L.G./prelim) 1 hour/ Rm. E-154). Both Parties are hereby ordered to appear on said date and time.

Dated January 22, 2020.
Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
The Trustees of Purdue University will receive sealed bids for the following projects until 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) on the 5th day of March 2020 in the Purdue Technology Center Aerospace (PTCA), 1801 Newman Road, West Lafayette, IN 47906. 1. West Lafayette Campus - Russell Street South of Harrison Renovation - 2020 Bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud in Room 106 of the Purdue Technology Center Aerospace (PTCA), 1801 Newman Road, West Lafayette, IN 47906. Bids received after this time will be returned unopened. Bids may be withdrawn prior to such time, but no bids shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days thereafter. The Principal Subcontractor Questionnaire listing the names of the bidder's principal subcontractors shall be submitted with the bid. The remainder of the Questionnaires and Material Lists shall be submitted prior to 3:00 p.m. (EDT) on the 12th day of March 2020, to: Capital Program Management, Purdue Technology Center Aerospace, 1801 Newman Road Suite 208, West Lafayette, IN 47906-4510 Phone (765) 494-0580 Bids shall be submitted on Form 96, accompanied by executed Form 96A (as prescribed by the State Board of Accounts) giving financial data as recent as possible, and a Non-Collusion Affidavit together with other documents as required by the Instructions to Bidders and addressed to The Trustees of Purdue University, clearly marked with the project and the name of the bidder. Each bid must be accompanied by the Contractor's written plan for a program to test the contractor's employees for drugs in accordance with IC 4-13-18. Each bid must be accompanied by a Contractor's Combination Bid Bond and Bond for Construction in the form included in the specifications made payable to The Trustees of Purdue University in an amount equal to the maximum total of the base bid and any alternate bids, guaranteeing the execution and faithful performance of the contract for the work it awarded. The Instructions to Bidders contained in the specifications and the products are by this reference made a part hereof, and all bidders shall be deemed to have agreed to the provisions thereof, and of the General Conditions of the contract, specifications, plans and drawings for the project. A voluntary pre-bid meeting for Project No. 1 will be held on February 18, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. (EST). The meeting will be held in Room 208K of Purdue Technology Center Aerospace (PTCA), located at 1801 Newman Rd, West Lafayette, IN. A voluntary pre-bid meeting for Project No. 2 will be held on February 18, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. EST. The meeting will be held in Room 102 of Utility Plant Office Facility (UPOF), located at 419 S. Grant St., West Lafayette, IN. The architectural/engineering firms for these projects are: Project No. 1 Butler Fairbro & Son, Inc., 301 South Street, Suite 200, Lafayette, IN 47901-1205 Phone (765) 423-6602 Fax (765) 742-5321 Project No. 2 CE Solutions, Inc., 10 Shoshone Dr., Carmel, IN 46032 Phone (317) 818-1912 Fax (317) 818-1911 To view or obtain bid documents online: Refr Graphics Inc., 437 N. Illinois St., Indianapolis, IN 46204 Web: PurdueFive.com Phone: 1-800-718-0035 Email: ePlanRoom@Reprographics.com A \$300 deposit will be required for each hardcopy set of bidding documents. One compact disk or download is available at no charge. Postage and handling fee may apply. All orders must be placed online but bidders may choose to pick up orders at Purdue Print & Digital Services delivered by Xerox: 698 Ahlers Drive, West Lafayette, IN 47907 Phone: 765-494-2006 Bidding Documents are on file in the office of: Senior Vice President for Administrative Operations, Purdue Technology Center Aerospace, 1801 Newman Road Suite 208, West Lafayette, IN 47906-4510 Phone (765) 494-0580 The Board of Trustees of the Trustees of Purdue University reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive, to the extent permitted by law, any of the terms, conditions and provisions contained in this Advertisement for Bids or the Instructions to Bidders or any informality, irregularity or omission in any bid, provided that such waiver shall be at the discretion of the Board of Trustees. THE TRUSTEES OF PURDUE UNIVERSITY By James K. Keefe, Senior Director of Capital Program Management Date: 1/15/2020
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Corna Kokosing Construction is seeking prequalified sub-contractor bids for the Stewart Center Window Replacements, Center Stage Lift and Elevator Repair for work associated with the following bid packages:
Bid Package No. 01 - Elevator Replacement and Repair
Scope includes: selective demolition, Interior Cab refurbish-replace elevator controls and equipment.
Bid Package No. 02 - Electrical
Scope includes: selective demolition of existing elevator and stage lift equipment, new electrical service to new stage lift and upgraded elevator, lighting and general power.
Bid Package No. 03 - Window Repair
Scope includes: selective demolition of existing Stewart Center windows and replacement w/ new windows.
All Tier 1 bidders must request invitation, receive, complete and submit a Pre-qualification form prior to bid submission deadline. Bidders may request the Pre-Qualification Form and Bid Documents electronically by emailing request to e-mail: Mike Isabel (mji@corna.biz) or David Rossi (djr@corna.biz).
Bidders will be able to download, at no cost, Construction Documents from SmartBid.net upon request. Hard set of Construction Documents will be available for purchase through reprographics.com.
Each bid over \$200,000 shall be accompanied by a bid security in the amount of 5% of the total base bid amount. Bids are due Tuesday March 10th at 10am. Sealed bids shall be submitted to Corna Kokosing Construction, Attention: David Rossi at Corna Kokosing Construction, 3862 North Central Parkway, Greenfield, IN 46204.
Pre-Bid Meeting will be held February 20, 2020 at 2pm; starting at the Stewart Dock.
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Indiana's Finest Wrecker will be having an auction/public sale on February 24th, 2020 at 8AM, 7576 W Washington St Indianapolis, IN 46231. List of vehicles to be included in the sale:
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Plaintiff
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Remy R. Jones; and U.S. Bank National Association
Defendants

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Number 20883-45
Attorney for Plaintiff
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Shame on college football for lack of Black coaches



Nevada head coach Jay Norvell works the sideline during the second half of an NCAA college football game.

By PAUL NEWBERRY
AP Sports Columnist

Colleges around the country wrapped up their football signing classes this week, proudly touting scores of African American athletes as the next big stars.

It's a whole different situation on the sideline.

Segregation still rules the coaching ranks. And not just the top guys.

A review of all 130 Football Bowl Sub-division schools found shockingly low numbers, with Blacks still largely shut out of head coaching positions and, to an even greater degree, the prime coordinator spots.

While the NFL has come under fire for its lack of minority coaches, the situation appears more dire at the college level.

Frankly, there's little reason to believe the sport will ever become more inclusive beyond the field, even though roughly half the players are African Americans.

“College coaches are expected to fund-raise and schmooze with alumni as well as coach,” said Mark Naison, a professor of African American Studies and History at Fordham University. “The rich alumni, most of whom are white, feel more comfortable with people who look like them. So long as alumni dollars drive college football funding, white coaches will have a huge hiring advantage.”

This much is clear: Blacks are less likely to be hired as a head coach, offensive coordinator or defensive coordinator.

Blacks rarely get a chance to shine at the most prominent schools.

Blacks generally get a shorter time frame to prove their coaching skills.

Blacks find it more difficult getting a second chance if things don't work out in their initial jobs.

At college football's top level, there are 13 African American head coaches at FBS schools, down from 15 two years ago and roughly in line with the NFL's puny numbers (three out of 32).

The rates are downright alarming when it comes to offensive and defensive coordinators, who make up the prime pool of candidates for future head coaching jobs.

Only seven FBS schools have an African American running the offense, while four others have Black coaches who carry the co-coordinator title. Those numbers are especially troubling in today's world of high-scoring spread offenses, which means those calling the plays are often the hottest coaching prospects.

The minority numbers are higher on the defensive side of the line, but still show an appalling lack of diversity. There are 16 African American coordinators, with another six Black coaches listed as co-coordinators (including job-sharing between two coaches of color at both Arizona State and Charlotte).

Amazingly, Rice is the only FBS school that has African Americans in

both coordinator spots. Jerry Mack is in charge of the offense and Brian Smith runs the defense for head coach Mike Bloomgren, who is white.

The Pac-12 has the greatest head coaching diversity of any conference, with African Americans holding five of 12 positions. There are three Black head coaches in the 14-team Big Ten.

Beyond that, the Power Five head jobs are almost entirely white. There is one head coach of color in the 14-team Southeastern Conference (Vanderbilt's Derek Mason), one in the 14-team Atlantic Coast Conference (Syracuse's Dino Babers) and none in the 10-school Big 12.

In fact, the only coordinator of color in the entire Big 12 is Kasey Dunn, who is biracial. He was recently promoted to run Oklahoma State's offense next season.

Among the next tier of schools, known as the Group of Five, the numbers are more minuscule. Just three of 65 head coaches are African American: Jay Norvell at Nevada (Mountain West), Thomas Hammock at Northern Illinois (Mid-American) and Willie Taggart at Florida Atlantic (Conference USA).

There are no Black head coaches in the American Athletic Conference or the Sun Belt.

Norvell spent 31 years as an assistant coach, going through countless interviews for head coaching jobs, before Nevada finally gave him a chance at age 53.

After enduring a 3-9 mark in his inaugural season, Norvell guided the Wolf Pack to bowl appearances the last two seasons.

“Most schools interview a minority candidate,” Norvell told the Reno Gazette Journal shortly before his first game in 2017. “A lot of times I felt like I was that guy, the guy they had to interview, and at the end of the day they weren't really serious about hiring me.”

That has become a familiar complaint regarding the “Rooney Rule,” the NFL's ballyhooed but deeply flawed attempt to bolster minority numbers in the coaching ranks.

Pro teams are required to interview at least one minority candidate for head coaching jobs, but it's clear that many teams are simply going through the motions with the intention all along of hiring a white coach.

There is no such rule at the college ranks, not that it would likely do any good.

Norvell can attest to that. He took part in plenty of sham interviews before someone finally looked at him as a legitimate prospect.

“That becomes frustrating as a candidate because you don't want to go through the process unless you're being

taken seriously,” he said. “There were several of those I went through, but we just have to keep pushing.”

The most prominent schools are even less inclined to put a Black coach in charge of their program. There are exceptions — Tyrone Willingham at Notre Dame, Charlie Strong at Texas, Taggart at Florida State — but African Americans usually face huge obstacles when they land a head job.

The most glaring example is at Vanderbilt, where Mason has little chance of seriously competing in the mighty SEC. The Commodores have just managed just seven winning seasons over the last 60 years.

It's not a unique situation. When Mel Tucker took over a year ago at Colorado, the Buffaloes were mired in a stretch of just one winning mark in 13 seasons. Babers was handed a Syracuse program that had managed only three winning seasons in its previous 14 years, which was exact same predicament that Lovie Smith faced at Illinois. Mike Locksley was hired by Maryland in the tragic aftermath of a player's death. James Franklin arrived at Penn State just two years removed from the Jerry Sandusky scandal.

Also, there are notable examples of Black head coaches getting less time to prove themselves than their white counterparts.

Willingham was fired by Notre Dame after just three seasons even though his winning percentage was on par or slightly better than Gerry Faust, Bob Davie and Charlie Weis, white coaches who all got five-year stints before they were dismissed.

Taggart admittedly had a miserable run at one-time powerhouse Florida State, but it's hard to envision a white coach — no matter how poor the results — getting dumped after just 21 games.

Beyond that, a December report by fivethirtyeight.com found only seven cases since 1975 where an African American received a second chance to be a head coach at a top-division school after being fired from his first job. (It's now eight with Taggart's hiring by Florida Atlantic, though admittedly that's a big step down from the Seminoles.)

When Jon Embree was fired by Colorado in 2012 after just two seasons as the head coach, he knew he'd never get another opportunity to run an FBS program. Since then, he has settled for staff jobs in the NFL, currently serving as assistant head coach for the NFC champion San Francisco 49ers.

“I understood that when I took the job,” Embree said shortly after getting the boot by his alma mater. “People can get mad all they want, but those are the facts. We don't get second chances.”

Compare that with Todd Graham, who bolted from two of his head coaching jobs after only one season — which should've raised some red flags — and was fired by Arizona in 2017.

Career over? Hardly. He recently landed the top job at Hawaii, which became the fifth FBS school to hand him the keys to its program.

Graham, of course, is white. College football, have you no shame?

Sweet, luscious snacks for loved ones

VALENTINE’S DAY EATS AND TREATS

(Family Features)

Valentine’s Day naturally brings thoughts of hearts, flowers, sweetness and love. Because it also occurs during American Heart Month, it’s a perfect opportunity to start taking care of your own heart and the hearts of loved ones.

Part of the charm of the day’s celebrations is in giving family and friends flavorful foods to enjoy from chocolates and candies to other sugary treats. However, the festivities don’t have to be completely focused on unhealthy bites in order to make someone feel special.

This year, it can be easy to share in the fun of Valentine’s Day by serving those you love with sweet, seasonal treats. For example, these Frosted Watermelon Cutouts make for ideal snacks for children and adults alike whether it’s an after-school treat or a sweet dessert with just three ingredients, heart-shaped cookie cutters and minimal time spent in the kitchen.

If you’re really looking to impress that special someone, this Watermelon and Chocolate Dessert Board calls for creativity and plenty of tasty morsels like berries, cashews, almonds and dark chocolate. Without any baking or cooking required, simply spread out the ingredients for a platter that’s just as visually appealing as it is appetizing.

Both recipes include the benefits of watermelon, which boasts plenty of vitamin C to boost the immune system’s defenses as a cholesterol-free, fat-free and sodium-free food. Plus, watermelon draws its red color from the powerful antioxidant lycopene (12.7 mg per serving), which may help protect cells from damage, and the healthy treat is American Heart Association Heart-Check Certified with just 80 calories per serving, making it the perfect centerpiece for Valentine’s Day recipes.

Find more Valentine’s Day inspiration and recipes at watermelon.org.

Frosted Watermelon Cutouts

- 1 seedless watermelon, cut into 1/2-3/4-inch thick slices
- 4 brownie bites
- 1 cup frosting (any flavor)

Using heart-shaped cookie cutters, cut shapes out of watermelon slices or simply use cut watermelon wedges, if desired. Top heart shapes with brownie bites and add frosting as desired.



Watermelon and Chocolate Dessert Board

Servings: 6-8

- 1/2 medium seedless watermelon, cut into wedges and cubes
- 1 cup fresh raspberries
- 1 cup fresh red cherries
- 1 cup strawberries, trimmed and halved
- 1/4 cup dried cranberries
- 1/3 cup roasted, salted cashews
- 1 cup chocolate covered almonds
- 1 bar dark chocolate, broken into squares
- 1 cup coconut chips
- mint leaves, for garnish

On serving board, arrange watermelon in center and surround with raspberries, cherries, strawberries, cranberries, cashews, almonds, chocolate and coconut chips. Scatter mint leaves around board for garnish.

Marion County Democrat party 2020 pre-primary convention



Democratic candidates running for office in 2020.

Marion County Democrats gathered recently at the Primo Banquet Hall to hold the 2020 pre-primary convention to select candidates for 2020 elections. Kate Sweeney Bell, convention chair, welcomed nearly 400 delegates to cast their ballots for the contested office choices for the fall election. Uncontested candidates were also present and seeking support for their respective positions, including those who hold seats in the U.S. Congress, Indiana Legislature, as well as county-wide offices and township advisory boards.



Cordelia Lewis-Burks, vice chair of the Indiana Democratic Party, (left) received the Jacobs/Carson Award from André Carson and Kate Sweeney Bell.



Mayor Joe Hogsett



Congressman André Carson. (Photos/Curtis Guynn)

Handful of elite programs hoard most top recruits

By RALPH D. RUSSO
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McKinnley Jackson, a huge and talented defensive tackle from Mississippi, was one of the few five-star recruits whose college choice was a mystery coming into signing day.

"I'll keep this short, simple and sweet," Jackson said during a news conference recently at George County High School in Lucedale, Mississippi. "For the next three to four years, I'll be attending Texas A&M."

The five-star prospect picked the Aggies over Alabama and LSU, allowing one more school to break into a small group that landed the majority of the top available players. Signing day is typically about the rich getting richer, and this year the best classes were especially top heavy.

According to 247 Sports' composite rankings, there were 31 five-star prospects in this year's class. Six schools signed 22 of those players. Clemson led the way with five as part of the highest-rated class coach Dabo Swinney has ever signed. Alabama and Georgia each landed four five-star players. National champion LSU, Ohio State and Oregon each had three.

For the second time in three seasons, 247 Sports crowned Georgia the recruiting champion, with Alabama and Clemson close behind.

Looking at the top 100 players rated by 247 and again a handful of schools cleaned up. Georgia (11), Alabama (10), Clemson (10), LSU (9) and Ohio State (7) signed 47 of them.

By landing Jackson, Texas A&M became the sixth school with more than four top 100 players in its new freshman class. The Aggies came away with six, which means 53% of the top 100 players signed with just six schools.

Last year, seven schools signed at least five of the top 100 for a total of 48 players. Five more schools landed four top-100s.

In 2018, eight schools had at least five top-100 signees and five schools (Georgia, Ohio State, LSU, Clemson and Texas) signed 46 of those players. That year, 12 of the 29 five-stars signed with either Georgia (7) or Clemson (5).

DONE DEAL?

Is five-star defensive end Jordan Burch heading to his hometown school?



McKinley Jackson chose Texas A&M over Alabama. (Photo/courtesy Biloxi Sun Herald)

Burch committed to South Carolina during the early signing period, but never actually signed a national letter of intent with the Gamecocks and he took a late visit to LSU.

At a signing day ceremony recently at Hammon School in Columbia, South Carolina, Burch had only a Gamecocks hat. South Carolina coach Will Muschamp, whose son plays on the same high school team with Burch, was sitting just a few feet away.

Burch never made an announcement nor did any interviews, simply saying: "For the next three or four years I'll be with my friends."

When South Carolina posted a list of 21 signees a few hours later, Burch's name was not among them. The signing period ends April 1.

FLIPS

It's been three years since the early signing period in December was implemented in college football, and it is clear the February frenzy is gone for good.

"Today used to be the craziest day on the face of the earth," Florida coach Dan Mullen told reporters.

Signing day surprises are now rare as most teams have their classes complete or close to it in December. Ohio State, for example, signed one player Feb. 5 to complete its class.

Two of the few decisions that could be called surprises involved Florida schools.

Four-star safety Avantae Williams from Deland, Florida, signed with Miami instead of the Univer-

sity of Florida. And Florida State lost out on four-star receiver Malachi Wideman, who flipped from a longtime verbal commitment and signed with Tennessee.

Oregon finished off the top class in the Pac-12 by flipping 340-pound defensive tackle Jayson Jones from Caldera, Alabama. The four-star player had been a verbal commit to the Crimson Tide, but Oregon head coach Mario Cristobal, a former Alabama assistant, was able to lure him to Eugene.

FAMILY TIES

New FAU coach Willie Taggart once said when asked whether his son, quarterback Willie Taggart Jr., would play for him in college: "Only if I need him."

Taggart Jr., a three-star prospect, signed with the Owls on Feb. 5.

Virginia coach Bronco Mendenhall's son, wide receiver Breaker Mendenhall, decided to go to school close to his roots. The younger Mendenhall signed with Utah State. Bronco Mendenhall is a Utah native and was coach at BYU for more than a decade before taking over at UVA in 2017.

Memphis is getting another Gainwell. Running back Kory Gainwell from Yazoo County High School in Mississippi signed with the Tigers to play with his brother, Kenneth, who was one of the leading rushers in the nation as a redshirt freshman last season.



Catchings to the HOF

Indiana Fever legend Tamika Catchings will be inducted into the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame class of 2020. (Photo/Walt Thomas)



'Cats celebrate sectional win

Lawrence North High School girls basketball beat North Central High School, 61-58, to win its second consecutive sectional title. The Wildcats lost in the state championship last season. (Photo/David Dixon)



Pacers fall to Pelicans

The Pacers lost to the New Orleans Pelicans, 124-117, on Feb. 8 at Bankers Life Fieldhouse. Malcolm Brogdon (7) finished with 17 points, eight rebounds and six assists. (Photo/Walt Thomas)