

Higgins chosen 2022 COABE fellow of the Coalition on Basic Education



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Contributing Writer

As the nation celebrates women achievers this month, *The Mississippi Link* extends hearty congratulations to its former Reigning News religion editor Daphne Monix Higgins who has recently been selected as a fellow of the Coalition on Basic Education's (COABE) second cohort of State Advocates for Adult Education. Higgins is currently a Holmes Community College Adult Education/High School Equivalent (HSE) instructor.

COABE selected Higgins to serve as a 2022 State Advocate for Adult Education Fellow (SAAEF).

According to the Holmes Community College release, "The Coalition on Adult Basic Education's State Advocacy Fellowship focuses on the development of leadership, advocacy skills, research capacity and network of influence for adult educators, educational staff and/or administrators. The purpose of this fellowship is to help build a robust network of leaders and advocates focused on the advancement of adult literacy across the country."

"We are extremely proud and happy for Daphne," said *The Mississippi Link* publisher Jackie Hampton. "When it came to her passion for people, she exemplified it weekly in her column while with *The Mississippi Link*."

When news of Higgins's selection hit social media Tuesday night, it received numerous positive reactions. Her district director of Adult Education/HSE at Holmes Community College, Earline Smith, who is also an achieving woman, commented on HCC's social media page: "Congratulations

Daphne Monix Higgins. We are very proud of you."

Smith described Higgins' selection as "a big achievement" for their department and the students because they now have someone advocating for adult learners at the state level who understands, appreciates, and has the passion for the important needs of adult education.

From her Madison home, Higgins told *The Mississippi Link*: "My initial reaction to learning that I was chosen for the advocacy fellowship was surreal. The director of the Adult Education Department at Holmes Community College, Earline Smith, contacted me stating that a representative from the Mississippi Community College Board had observed my interaction with my students and thought this would be a great next step. I was overjoyed just to be tapped as a potential candidate. I did have to complete an application, interview and selection process. I'm looking forward to the work ahead."

The Clarksdale native and JSU mass communication alum said her husband John, and adult children, are excited and supportive of her work ahead.

"My husband knows that when I take on a task, I'm totally in so he's buckling up for the ride," she said.

The fellowship is part-time, but year-long. Higgins and other fellows will engage in national and regional policy discussions and join a growing number of peers dedicated to building advocacy. The COABE State Advocacy Fellowship comprises a series of federal-and state-related train-

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The Black Press of America celebrates 195 years of pleading the cause of African descendants everywhere

By Stacy M. Brown
NNPA Newswire Correspondent

On March 16, 1827, Samuel E. Cornish and John B. Russwurm founded the first black-owned newspaper in the U.S. They did so because there were no black voices in the debate over the abolition of slavery. In their first editorial, Cornish and Russwurm wrote: "In short, whatever concerns us as a people, will ever find a ready admission into the *Freedom's Journal*."

"One hundred and ninety-five years later, the mission of the Black Press has not changed," *Washington Informer* Publisher Denise Rolark Barnes wrote in an editorial. "No matter whether Black Press journalists are invited to a seat at 'their' table, the voices of those the Black Press represents will always have a seat at ours," Rolark Barnes wrote. From *Freedom's Journal* to the *North Star* to John Abbott's *Chicago Defender*, African American-owned newspapers have sparked fires for truth and equality that have burned with the passion of fighting for freedom throughout history.

Wednesday, March 16, 2022, marked the 195th anniversary of the Black Press of America,



whose global impact remains undeniable. It all began with *Freedom's Journal*. On March 16, 1827, they announced its presence with a front page that contained these words: "We wish to plead our own cause. Too long have others spoken for us."

The 4-page edition included stories about the struggle to end the horrors of slavery, lynching and social injustice. It also informed the African-American community of international news of particular interest like Haiti and Sierra Leone events.

Freedom's Journal featured African-American men and women biographies, schools, jobs and housing opportunities.

For nearly two centuries, the 230 African-American-owned newspapers and media companies, represented by the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA), have proudly carried that legacy. The bond between Black America and the Black Press remains strong.

"Relationships, which have been the cornerstone of the black community and the Black Press for 195 years, have al-

ways been its messenger in cementing that bond," remarked *Westside Gazette* Publisher Bobby Henry.

Dr. Toni Draper, the publisher of the 130-year-old *AFRO* in Baltimore and Washington, also noted the enduring value of the Black Press.

"The contribution of the Black Press is invaluable. If not for the Black Press, there would be a lot of things we would not have documented in terms of the African American

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Dr. Michael T. Williams, keynote speaker at Shady Grove's annual Men's Day Service

By Jackie Hampton
Publisher

Shady Grove M. B. Church, located on Ridgeway Street in Jackson, celebrated their annual Men's Day Program Sunday, March 13 at 11 a.m. in the church sanctuary. The theme for the occasion was "Possessed Men Delivered."

Rev. Lee R. Clincy is the interim pastor.

The speaker of the hour was Dr. Michael T. Williams of South Haven, MS. Williams is a member of St. Paul M. B. Church of Olive Branch, MS where he serves as Pastor of Discipleship.

Devotional services were led by the Deacon's Ministry.

Deacon Frank Figgers, prior to sharing 'Moments of Remembrance' said to laymen and visitors in the congregation, "The seats you occupy are seats of honor." He said, "They are seats of honor because you occupy them."

Music was provided by an ensemble of the male chorus.

Williams, who retired as pastor of College Hill Baptist Church in 2020, was introduced by Vic Sexton who is a member of the trustee ministry at College Hill Baptist Church. Sexton stated that Williams served as pastor of Col-



Williams (center) was happy to see members he once pastored (pictured with him).
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lege Hill for ten years and that the church is better off as a result of his ten years as pastor.

Williams chose as his subject, "Men of Faith, In a Faithless Generation." He told the men of Shady Grove, as well as others in the congregation, that God has given each person a measure of faith and each individual needs to understand how to activate their faith. He demonstrated how recently, he made an attempt to use a new credit card, but because he had not activated the card after receiving it, the purchase he attempted to make was rejected; however, once activated, (with a simple phone call) the card was



Williams delivering Men's Day message at Shady Geove.

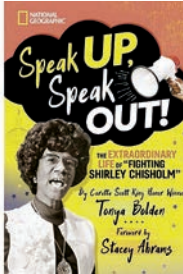
no longer denied. From that example Williams developed how to activate one's faith in a faithless generation.

Williams was very pleased to see members of College Hill at Shady Grove. He said their presence was heartwarming.

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TSA PreCheck enrollment initiative to launch at Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport

Mississippi Link Newswire

The Jackson Municipal Airport Authority (JMAA) announced the launching of a new type of TSA PreCheck enrollment initiative during its joint press conference TSA and IDEMIA, the global identity leader and longtime authorized TSA PreCheck® enrollment provider. The initiative kicked off at the Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport (JAN) on Wednesday, Mar. 16.

IDEMIA I&S North America is bringing TSA PreCheck enrollment to the traveler as they depart for their trip. This will facilitate better access and awareness to the many benefits of TSA PreCheck, which helps keep travelers moving through security while also improving aviation security, beginning Thursday, Mar. 17.

“This is absolutely a game changer for enrollment efficiencies, and we are incredibly excited to roll it out this week at JAN Airport in Jackson, Mississippi,” said Lisa Sullivan, SVP, Travel and Transport for IDEMIA I&S North America. “We are giving passengers greater access and flexibility, making the whole process easier, quicker and more efficient.”

The new enrollment initiative at JAN Airport will be tested across three operational scenarios to evaluate various locations in the airport: pre-security, post-security and in the gate area.

“TSA PreCheck has transformed travel for millions and benefits both traveler and airport operations,” added Robert Martin, chairman, Board of Commissioners, Jackson Municipal Airport Authority. “We are excited for Jackson to be at the center of this new



TSA PreCheck mobile cart managed by teams inside airport.



Cong. Steven Palazzo (L) and JMAA CEO Paul A. Brown (R) at the TSA PreCheck launch. PHOTOS BY L.SHERIE DEAN

and important evolution of the program and look forward to supporting efforts to get more travelers enrolled in TSA PreCheck.”

“This is an exciting development for TSA, the TSA PreCheck Application Program, and the traveling public. We’ve listened to travelers’ feedback and worked with IDEMIA to make enrolling more accessible,” shared Kim Jackson, Federal Security Director with the TSA for the State of Mississippi.

Beginning March 17 and running through March 28, IDEMIA enrollment teams stationed throughout JAN airport will manage mobile carts equipped to enroll passengers for TSA

PreCheck in five minutes or less. Most passengers will receive their Known Traveler Number (KTN) within 3-5 days.

“I am elated that Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport is the first to roll out this new TSA PreCheck enrollment initiative. TSA PreCheck is an opportunity to provide the public a way to shorten their time at the airport. The goal of TSA PreCheck is to help decrease passenger wait times at security checkpoints while providing constituents and others who are traveling, the chance to advance through potentially long lines and have a successful flight,” said U.S. Congressman Bennie Thompson (MS-02), chairman of the

House Homeland Security Committee.

Congressman Steven Palazzo (MS-04) stated TSA Pre-Check is an outstanding program created to provide the best combination of traveler safety and incredible convenience. “Thank you to IDEMIA and TSA for using our wonderful state and incredible residents for this launch,” said Congressman Palazzo.

“TSA Precheck streamlines security checkpoints at airports for the many Americans who are looking forward to traveling across the country for work, vacation or to see their loved ones,” said Congressman Michael Guest (MS-03), Vice Ranking Member of the Committee on Homeland Security.

“The new TSA PreCheck initiative will ensure that TSA is enrolling more people, resulting in protecting the traveling public, while making air travel easier for all Americans.

IDEMIA I&S is a leader in identity security and authentication services to governments and private companies, operating in North America. Our mission is to help people access what matters most more quickly, more safely, and more securely, in both the physical and the digital worlds. Our best-in-class technology helps to authenticate and secure physical and digital transactions. IDEMIA is recognized by the National Institute of Standards (NIST) as a top-ranking participant in the Institute’s passenger facilitation simulation testing as well as in its regular Face Recognition Vendor Test (FRVT) rankings, reinforcing the trustworthiness and reliability of IDEMIA’s facial recognition solutions for government and consumers alike.

About JMAA The Jackson Municipal Airport Authority (JMAA) operates two airports: Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport (JAN) and Hawkins Field Airport (HKS). JAN is the busiest airport in Mississippi, situated in the Central part of the state and serving the Capital region of Jackson with over 3,000 acres of property. JAN has service to several of the world’s busiest global hubs and is home to the Mississippi Air National Guard 172nd Airlift Wing. HKS is a general aviation airport that houses two emergency response medical air transporters and the Civil Air Patrol. It is also home to the Mississippi Army National Guard 185th Aviation Brigade.

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Postpartum medical care dies again

By Chris Young
Contributing Writer

Another year, another death, figuratively and ultimately literally, for poor postpartum moms in Mississippi. On February 2 the Mississippi Senate overwhelmingly passed Senate Bill 2033 “to authorize and direct the division of Medicaid to provide up to 12 months of continuous postpartum coverage for any individual who qualifies for Medicaid.” The vote was 46 yeas, 5 nays, and 1 absent, including 30 Republicans in favor. The legislation then went to the House on February 7 and died on the calendar on March 9 without a vote, under MS House Speaker Philip Gunn.

The Mississippi Maternal Mortality Report (2013-2016) found that nearly 40% of pregnancy-related deaths happen after the baby is six weeks old. In February 2021, the Center for Mississippi Health Policy reported key findings: “3 in 5 maternal deaths in the U.S. are preventable, and that 86% of maternal deaths in Mississippi occur postpartum, and that black women are 3X more likely to die from pregnancy complications than white women.”

It’s important to note that loss of postpartum life seems perfectly acceptable to both Gov. Tate Reeves and Gunn (R-56), yet they staunchly support the MS Attorney General’s Anti-abortion efforts.

Here in the poorest state in the country, poor postpartum women die every year, leaving motherless children – despite the Federal Government paying over 85% of infant and mother’s healthcare costs through Medicaid.

The Kaiser Family Foundation reports that 39 states (DC included) have adopted Medicaid Expansion, and 12 have not. No other state has a higher African-American population than Mississippi at 38%, and just under 38% of citizens here live below the poverty level; with nearly 13% of those being white.

I visited the Capitol parking

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lot early Friday, March 11, in hopes of speaking to legislators about their votes (senators), and lack of votes (representatives) and was met with a mixture of responses. After introducing myself and indicating that I was working on a story for *The Mississippi Link*, I was only able to speak with eight representatives. One of them informed me that the Senate had gavelled out the previous night.

A white female representative that I have been unable to identify stated, “No – I don’t speak to reporters,” and then informed security about me as if I had done something wrong by asking for one minute of her time.

I found it interesting that she installed a steering wheel lock when her car was parked only twelve or so steps from the side entrance to the Capitol.

Representatives Jody Stevenson (R-4) and Rob Roberson (R-43) brushed me off stating they were too busy. Representative Scott Bounds (R-44) did pause for a moment and when I asked about what it was like being a member of the lower chamber and not even being permitted an opportunity to vote on the postpartum legislation, he stated, “I’m not on Medicaid, it never came up.” I said that I understood, and then asked if he had an opinion, and he stated, “I don’t have an opinion.” When I stated that poor postpartum women are dying in Mississippi year after year, he stated “Like I say, I’m not involved.” Summoning inner strength, I thanked him for his time because courtesy is part of the ethos in the Hospitality State.

Representative Mac Huddleston (R-15) took up time with me despite initial reluctance, telling me of a recent example where a reporter had recorded him and had never mentioned that he was being recorded, leaving a very negative impression on him. Moreover, he indicated that it is a crime in Mississippi to record people without their

knowledge. I assured him that I was not recording and that I only had my steno-pad and pen to take notes.

When asked for his reaction to his chamber not even being given an opportunity to vote on the postpartum coverage issue, he stated, “I would have been fine with discussing it.”

When I asked Representative Oscar Denton (D-55) the same question, he answered, “You need to be talking to the Republicans,” as he hurried by with his arms quite full.

Representative Bryant Clark (D-47) gave freely of his time, and when we got past pleasant-ries, he stated, “I’m on the Medicaid Committee and we passed it out of committee with no problem. I thought it was a done deal. But then it got sent to Rules Committee, and then dropped to the bottom of the calendar.” He said, “Two months is just not enough. It’s not unusual to have health issues that either preceded pregnancy or came after delivery including diabetes, asthma, cardiac and so forth.”

When I shifted to Gov. Reeves and Speaker Gunn’s well publicized opposition to expanding Medicaid in any way, he indicated they are going about it the wrong way. “Increasing the minimum wage, more job training, and more opportunities for lower working-class people would reduce Medicaid rolls. Finding ways to kick people off the Medicaid rolls does nothing to reduce peoples’ need in Mississippi. We have one of the lowest Medicaid rolls in the country and we are the poorest state in the country.” When I asked about the apparent contradiction between limiting abortion rights and expanding postpartum services for poor mothers, he stated, “They are talking out of both sides of their mouth. Just yesterday we were asked to authorize \$50,000 for a person to provide support to the attorney general in her 15-week abortion ban efforts.”

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experience,” Dr. Draper said.

“The Black Press was founded in 1827, and African Americans were not in any of the pages of the white-owned press unless there was an advertisement of our sale, of our resale, or us having run away from slave owners or plantations.” Dr. Draper continued:

“The Black Press is one of the only places where you can find news and information and commentary about, by and for African Americans across the spectrum. You don’t have to do anything wrong to make the pages of the Black Press; you don’t have to do anything famous. The Black Press covers the totality of the black experience in the United States and beyond.”

Jackie Hampton, publisher of *The Mississippi Link*, said, “We often focus on telling positive stories about the achievements of African Americans in our community. We pride ourselves in sharing stories about the positive things that our businesses, churches and civic organizations are doing in our community as well as the accomplishments of individuals regarding promotions, graduations, etc.”

Hampton continued, “Yet, at the same time, we must report on the many disparities that continue to take place in our community such as issues dealing with health, the lack of equal business opportunities, fair and equal pay, and the awarding of government contracts to qualified black businesses.”

“*The Mississippi Link* wants to make a difference in the community by highlighting issues that should be of interest and concern to all of its’ citizens in order to influence change when we do things that are wrong, and promote a sense of pride when we do what is right,” she stated.

The anniversary of the Black Press is a re-

minder of the contributions that remain indelibly associated with the fearlessness, determination and success of the Black Press. Those contributions include the works of Frederick Douglass, WEB DuBois, Ida B. Wells, Patrice Lumumba, Kwame Nkrumah, and former NNPA Chairman Dr. Carlton Goodlett.

Douglass, who helped enslaved people escape to the North while working with the Underground Railroad, established the abolitionist paper, *The North Star*, in Rochester, New York. He developed it into the most influential black antislavery newspaper published during the Antebellum era.

The North Star denounced slavery and fought for the emancipation of women and other oppressed groups with a motto of “Right is of no Sex – Truth is of no Color; God is the Father of us all, and we are all brethren.”

Today, the Black Press continues to tackle domestic and global issues, including the coronavirus pandemic and its effects on all citizens – particularly African Americans.

“This is an important story about the history of the Black Press of America that has consistently been the freedom fighting voice of African people in America and throughout the world for 195 years without waiver or distortion of the truth,” stated NNPA President and CEO Benjamin F. Chavis, Jr. “Today, in 2022, the Black Press remains the vital source of news and information for 50 million African Americans,” he added.

Chavis continued: “On this momentous anniversary, the NNPA salutes all the African American-owned newspapers and media companies that are affiliated with the NNPA’s expanding network of over 230 media properties and channels.

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ing sessions focused on building advocacy and leadership skills.

The 2022 SAAEF fellows will spend the next year learning how to become better advocates for adult education across the country and better leaders, with the ultimate goal of providing the best adult education systems for the students they serve.

Higgins explained that many adult learners have been branded as people who don’t or didn’t care about their education or future, so that they just gave up. “That couldn’t be further from the truth. I want everyone to understand that situations can cause delays in all of our lives but given the opportunity for betterment we can all ascend to new levels of achievement,” she stressed.

She said that having had a prior career in both journalism and print advertising sales, adult education has really become an excellent fit for her.

“During my communications era, I had the opportunity to speak with and record the thoughts and actions of people from all backgrounds,” Higgins said. “I’ve tried to take the experiences of others and use them in classroom activities. As a journalist, you have to be versed in a multitude of things so that training has helped me to acquire a technique that helps to present all of the subjects we review in a more relatable format.”

While most women would be looking forward to retirement, Higgins is looking forward to advocating for adult learners. “I look at this honor as being just that, an honor. I can help take the trials and successes of our Adult Education programs across the state of Mississippi and help create a broader platform, educating

and elevating residents of the state,” Higgins stated.

She has been a Holmes Community College adult education instructor at the Yazoo Teen Center site for 4.5 years.

Prior to Holmes, Higgins began her company, C. Alexander Enhancement Services, a soft skills and job readiness training enterprise. Professionally, she has worked as a reporter for newspapers in Mississippi and Tennessee, an advertising sales manager, and project manager with Dress for Success Metro Jackson. Additionally, she still occasionally freelances for *The Mississippi Link* newspaper.

A member of College Hill Missionary Baptist Church of Jackson, Higgins currently serves as a board member for the Mississippi Association of Adult and Community Education (MAACE) and South Central Community Action Agency (SCCAA) and holds membership in COABE and the NAACP. She is a past editorial board member and chair of Diversity Committee for the *Clarion Ledger*. She is also an active member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

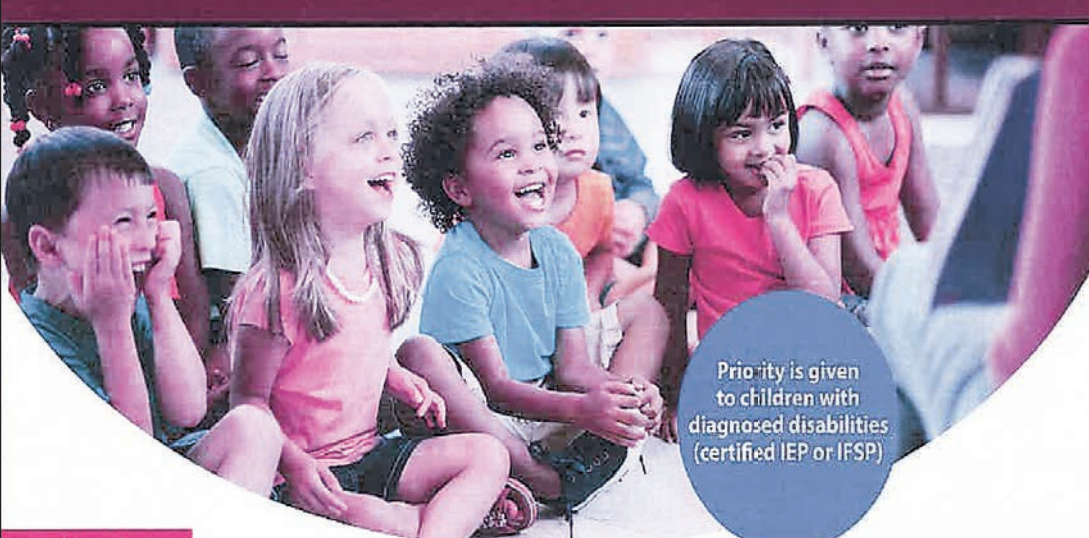
In the released information, Sharon Bonney, chief executive officer for the COABE, said, “This program has proven successful in increasing funding and visibility at the state level.” Bonney cited the recent Collective Impact Report that was published by COABE noting the accomplishments of the first cohort of the fellowship.

Special thanks to program sponsor, Dollar General, for supporting this effort.

For more information about the SAAEF program, visit <https://coabe.org/legislative-center/state-advocates-for-adult-education-fellowship/>.



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Emmett Till relatives seek renewed probe of ‘55 lynching

By Emily Wagster Pettus and Jay Reeves

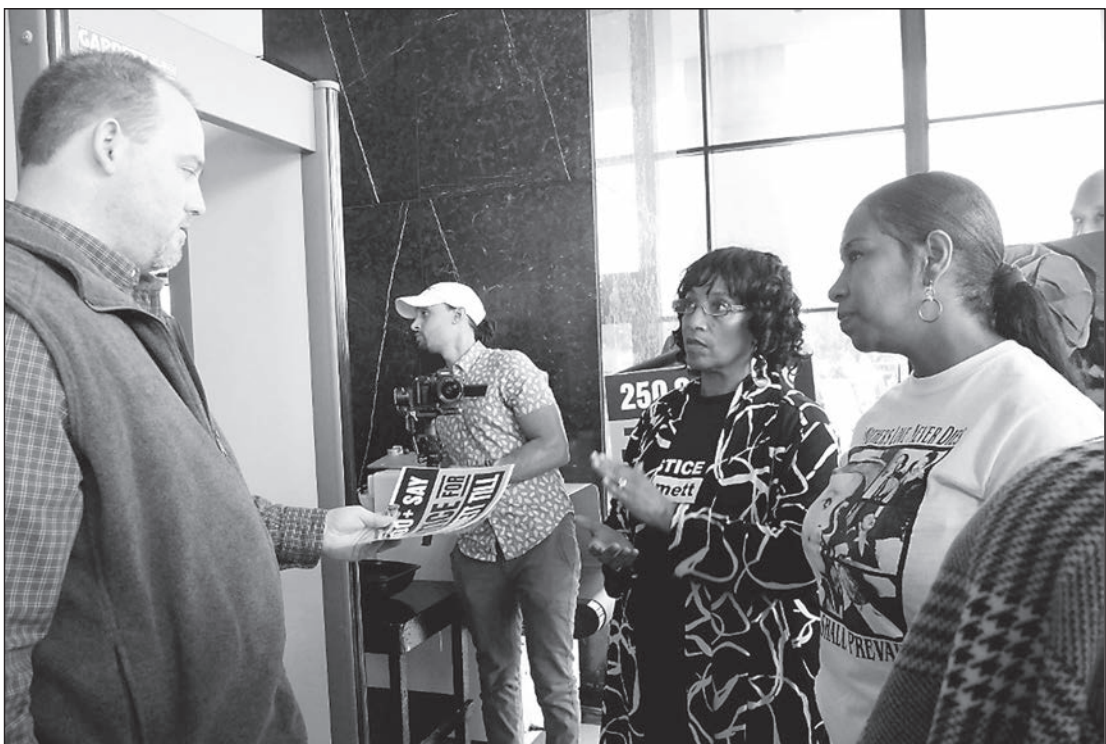
Relatives of Emmett Till joined with supporters Friday in asking authorities to reverse their decision to close an investigation of the black teenager’s 1955 lynching and instead prosecute a white woman at the center of the case from the very beginning.

Authorities have known for decades that Carolyn Bryant Donham, now in her 80s and living in North Carolina, played a key role in Till’s slaying, and they need to act immediately to bring her to justice before time runs out, said Deborah Watts, a cousin of Till.

“Time is not on our side,” Watts, who lives in Minnesota and heads the Emmett Till Legacy Foundation, said during a news conference that included a saxophone serenade of a civil rights anthem at the Mississippi Capitol.

Relatives presented Mississippi authorities with a petition signed by about 250,000 people seeking a renewed probe of the killing, which came to demonstrate the depth of racial hatred in the South to the world. Other petition drives continue.

Michelle Williams, chief of



Deborah Watts, second from right, a cousin of Emmett Till, the black 14-year-old from Chicago who was abducted, tortured and lynched after he allegedly whistled at a white woman in her family store in rural Mississippi, hands Mississippi Attorney General Office representative Wayne Lynch, a poster and accompanying thumb drive that allegedly has almost 300,000 signatures on a petition seeking a renewed probe of the 1955 lynching, Friday, March 11, 2022, in Jackson, Miss. AP PHOTO/ROGELIO V. SOLIS

staff for Mississippi Attorney General Lynn Fitch, cast doubt on the possibility of a renewed investigation. In a statement, she said the Justice Department had worked with a local district attorney’s office in a re-examination that ended in December.

“This is a tragic and horrible crime, but the FBI, which has far greater resources than our office, has investigated this matter twice and determined that there is nothing more to prosecute,” Williams said.

The Justice Department announced in December it was

ending its renewed investigation into the killing of Till, a 14-year-old from Chicago who was abducted, tortured and killed after witnesses said he whistled at Donham, then known as Carolyn Bryant, at a family store where she worked in rural Money, Mississippi.

Federal officials had reopened the investigation after a 2017 book quoted Donham as saying she lied when she claimed Till accosted her. Relatives have publicly denied that Donham recanted her allegations, and Donham told the FBI she had never changed her story, the Justice Department said.

The Justice Department also said historian Timothy B. Tyson, author of “The Blood of Emmett Till,” was unable to produce recordings or transcripts to substantiate his account of Donham allegedly admitting to lying about her encounter with the teen.

The FBI investigation included a talk with one of Till’s cousins, the Rev. Wheeler Parker Jr., who previously told The Associated Press in an interview that he heard Till whistle at the woman, but the teen did nothing to warrant being killed.

Donham’s then-husband, Roy Bryant, and his half-brother J.W. Milam, were tried on murder charges about a month after Till was killed, but an all-white Mississippi jury acquitted them. Months later, they confessed in a paid interview with *Look* magazine.

The Justice Department found Bryant and Milam were not the only people involved, however, and estimates on the number of people who might have played a role in Till’s killing range from from a half-dozen to more than 14.

Although it’s unlikely a governor would have a role in deciding whether to reopen an investigation, Mississippi Gov. Tate Reeves was asked during a Friday news conference about Till’s family seeking justice for the teenager’s lynching.

“The lynching of any teenager is of significance and certainly something that we as a society should do anything in our power to make sure that we bring anyone that committed that crime, or any other, to justice,” said Reeves, a Republican.

On Monday, Congress gave final approval to legislation that for the first time would make lynching a federal hate crime, sending the bill to President Joe Biden. Years in the making, the Emmett Till Anti-Lynching Act is among some 200 bills that have been introduced over the past century that have tried to ban lynching in the U.S.

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Casey Elementary counselor named 2022 JPS Counselor of the Year

JPS Newswire

During National Counseling Week, February 7-11, the Office of Climate and Wellness saluted several JPS counselors for their dedication to the core values of equity, excellence, growth mindset, relationships and relevance.

Tiffany Agee Johnson, a counselor at Casey Elementary School, was named 2021-2022 Counselor of the Year. She has served in education for over 22 years and at Casey for 6 years, with four years as a school counselor. Johnson was named Casey’s Teacher of the Year in 2017 and JPS Rookie Counselor of the Year in 2021.

She advocates for every student and believes all students have the right to be heard and treated with respect. Her professional goal is to nurture all scholars’ social and emotional well-being and to encourage academic development for future success.

Johnson has a bachelor’s degree in elementary education from Jackson State University, a master’s degree in elementary education from William Carey University, and a specialist in school counseling from Jackson State University. She is a member of the American School Counseling Association (ASCA), Mississippi Counseling Association (MCA), and Mississippi Professional Educators (MPE).

Other counselors honored include Jennifer Tanner, Angela Powell, Phyllis Ross, Millicent Steverson and D’Atra Gater.



Tiffany Johnson



Obama, Rookie of the Year, Jennifer Tanner



Isable, Innovative Counselor Award, Millicent Steverson



Blackburn, Growth Mindset Award, Angela Powell



Boyd, Collaborating Counselor Award, Phyllis Ross



Lanier, Bomb.com Award, D’Atra Gater

Robert F. Smith, Oprah Winfrey, Michael Jordan, Frank Baker and William Pickard top list of black donors to HBCUs

By Benjamin F. Chavis Jr.
President and CEO of the NNPA



Billionaire philanthropist and novelist MacKenzie Scott’s \$560 million donation last year to 23 Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) made headlines across the country at a time when racial equity has become front-page news. However, for decades black leaders in business, entertainment, education and other fields have been the main sources of philanthropic donations to HBCUs.

A recent *Washington Post* story found that black Americans donate a higher share of their wealth than their white counterparts – to the tune of around \$11 billion each year.

Given their cultural and educational importance to the black community, HBCUs are the repository of much of these donations with a number of household names – and some you may not know – making big-dollar contributions to these institutions.

Here are some of the most prominent black philanthropists to donate to HBCUs:

Robert F. Smith – chairman & CEO, Vista Equity Partners
Smith, the billionaire investor behind the software private equity firm Vista Equity Partners, drew widespread praise in May 2019 when he announced that he and his family would pay off the entire student loan debt of the 2019 Morehouse College gradu-



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ating class of 396 students. Along with paying off the student debt, Smith’s \$35 million donation also helped establish the Student Success Program to reduce or eliminate debt for all Morehouse grads. The private equity guru also gave the school an additional \$1.5 million to create the Robert Frederick Smith Scholars Program and build a park on campus.

As board chair of the Student Freedom Initiative—a plan to provide STEM students at HBCUs with a family-centric, income-contingent payment alternative to high-cost, fixed-payment debt – Smith pledged \$50 million. Smith’s donation jumpstarted the initiative, which hopes to raise \$500 million for the effort and began operations in the fall of 2021 at eleven HBCUs.

“Each year, thousands of black graduates from HBCUs across America enter the workforce

with a crushing debt burden that stunts future decisions and prevents opportunities and choices,” Smith said. “The initiative is purposefully built to redress historic economic and social inequities and to offer a sustainable, scalable platform to invest in the education of future black leaders.”

Oprah Winfrey, Television personality, philanthropist, author, entrepreneur and actress
Most people may know the philanthropic acts of Oprah – who, like Beyoncé, Prince and Zendaya needs no further introduction – through the infamous “You get a Car!” episode of her talk show, but she is also quietly, one of the biggest donors to HBCUs in the country.

In 2019, Oprah donated \$13 million to Morehouse College to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Oprah Winfrey Scholars Program at the HBCU. Overall, Oprah has donated at least \$25

million to the Atlanta school.

“I felt that the very first time I came here,” Oprah said. “The money was an offering to support that in these young men. I understand that African-American men are an endangered species. They are so misunderstood. They are so marginalized.”

Besides her gift to Morehouse, Oprah also donated \$1.5 million to the United Negro College Fund to help pay for scholarships for black students and general scholarship funds for 37 private HBCUs.

Frank Baker – founder and managing partner of Siris Capital
Baker, the founder of private equity firm Siris, along with his wife, interior designer Laura Day Baker, donated \$1 million in May 2020 to establish a scholarship fund at Atlanta’s Spelman College, the oldest private historically black liberal arts college for women.

Initially, the scholarship paid off the existing spring tuition balances of nearly 50 members of Spelman’s 2020 graduating class and the remaining funds are meant to ensure that future high achieving graduating seniors have the financial resources to graduate.

“We are all aware of the headwinds that people of color — especially women — face in our country, the challenges of which are made even more apparent by the economic and health impact of the COVID-19 pandemic,” the couple said in a press release.

“We believe it is critical that talented women finish college and confidently enter – free of undue financial stress – the initial stage of their professional careers.

William F. Pickard – businessman, co-owner of Real Times Media

Detroit businessman and philanthropist Pickard has a long history of donating to HBCUs across the country. Most recently Pickard and his cousin, Cincinnati businessman Judson W. Pickard Jr., donated \$2 million to Morehouse College to create the Pickard Scholars Program. This program will recruit and support black students from metro Detroit, Flint, greater Cincinnati and LaGrange, Georgia to attend the Atlanta HBCU.

“People have uplifted and helped me grow and I believe in blessing others,” Pickard, whose children attended Morehouse, told the *Atlanta Tribune*. “Our gifts are given to where we are

from and those who have invested in us and who we are.”

The Pickard Family Foundation also donated \$100,000 to the National Black MBA Association to create the William F. Pickard Business Scholarship Fund. The fund is open to qualified business student members at several HBCUs who need help financing their education.

Michael Jordan – Former NBA superstar

Michael Jordan is arguably the greatest basketball player of all time and is almost single-handedly responsible for transforming the game into the global phenomenon it is today. So, if anybody knows how to make an impact on HBCUs, it would be His Airness.

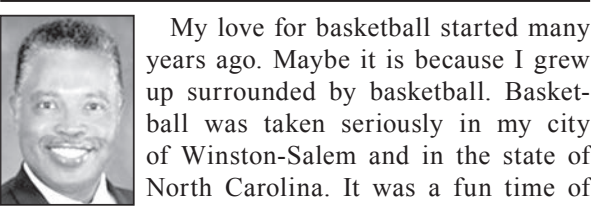
The six-time NBA champion and five-time league MVP, along with Nike’s Jordan Brand, donated \$1 million last year to Morehouse College to boost the school’s journalism and sports-related studies program. The donation is meant to bolster a program launched thanks to the donation of another icon, director Spike Lee.

“Education is crucial for understanding the black experience today,” Jordan said in a press release. “We want to help people understand the truth of our past and help tell the stories that will shape our future.”

The donation to Morehouse is part of a pledge made by Jordan and his brand in 2020 to donate \$100 million over the next ten years to combat racism across the country.

March Madness has arrived and it is time to crown

By James B. Ewers Jr.
President Emeritus
Teen Mentoring Committee of Ohio



My love for basketball started many years ago. Maybe it is because I grew up surrounded by basketball. Basketball was taken seriously in my city of Winston-Salem and in the state of North Carolina. It was a fun time of year and bragging rights were at stake. This was before the moniker “March Madness.”

Back in the day, schools like Winston-Salem Teachers College (now State University) and North Carolina A&T (now State University) were simply called black colleges. The slogan, HBCU had not been popularized. It is recent and is now widely used.

Within an 85-mile radius there were other black colleges like North Carolina Central University, Shaw University and Johnson C. Smith University. There were white colleges like Wake Forest University, Duke University and the University of North Carolina that were also within that radius. They are now called Predominantly White Institutions (PWIs).

The black colleges were in the CIAA (Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association) and the white colleges were in the ACC (Atlantic Coast Conference).

For black people like me, the rivalry between Winston-Salem Teachers College and North Carolina A&T was hugely popular. People from all over the region would be there. My friends and I would walk to the game because we lived so close to the campus.

In fact, I lived around the corner from legendary coach, Clarence “Big House” Gaines. His wife, Mrs. Clara Gaines, was my high school Latin teacher.

There were outstanding players over the years on both teams. Earl “The Pearl” Monroe and Ted Blunt for Winston-Salem and Hugh Evans for NC A&T.

Monroe had an outstanding career in the NBA. Critics have called Blunt the greatest point guard in CIAA history. Hugh Evans was a great basketball player at NC A&T and later became a stellar NBA official.

If you are old school like me, and familiar with basketball in North Carolina, you know the term “tobacco road.” This term was attributed to basketball because tobacco was an economic staple in the area. While originally coined as a white term, I believe it applies equally to black basketball in the state as well. North Carolina was and still is a hot-bed of basketball.

The black colleges participated in the CIAA Tournament and the white colleges in the ACC Tournament. The CIAA Tournament had its early beginning in Winston-Salem. It was held recently in Baltimore, Maryland.

If you have never attended a CIAA Tournament, please put it on your to do list. It is a must-see event.

Tournament winners and at large selections go to either the NCAA tournament or to the NAIA tournament. The selection shows are worth getting your soda and popcorn as they produce both joy for the winners and heartbreak for those not selected.

There are other sporting events yet when all is said and done, nothing beats March Madness. This is my opinion.

HBCU fans, find out where your favorite teams are playing. Some could be in the NCAA tournament divisions while others could be in the NAIA tournament. Increasingly, teams from the CIAA, MEAC, SWAC and SIAC are getting more television time. This is good for alumni and their overall college communities.

If you are interested in the biggest dance at the NCAA Division I level, then scream for your favorite team. Right now, in my opinion, there are no clear favorites. If you get in, you have a chance.

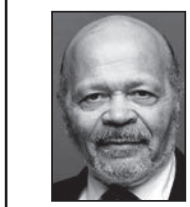
If you recall, Hampton University upset Iowa in 2001 and in 2012 Norfolk State University upset Missouri. As another bit of history, UMBC (University of Maryland Baltimore County) upset Virginia in 2018.

Will there be upsets? Oh yes, there will be upsets. That is the beauty of it. The exhilaration of victory and the pain of defeat.

That is why it’s called “March Madness.”

My name ain’t “Toby!”

By Oscar H. Blayton
Pres. Black Chamber of Commerce



Almost everyone of a certain age has memories of watching “Roots,” the television adaption of Alex Haley’s epic novel that first aired in the 1970s.

One of the most painful scenes in this drama is when the white plantation overseer demands that the enslaved Kunta Kinte accept the slave-name “Toby,” and has him whipped to the point of near death until he does.

The erasure of the identity of the people of Africa and its diaspora is a major contributing factor to the asymmetrical relationship between people of color and the ethnic European benefactors of global colonialism. If you are robbed of your identity, it is easier for an oppressor to ignore your humanity.

This asymmetry can be clearly illustrated by two similar and distinct tragedies taking place in the world right now.

The tragedy with which most Americans are familiar is the Russian invasion of Ukraine, which has forced refugees to flee to Poland and other nearby nations. The depiction of the human misery and loss suffered by the Ukrainian people is being broadcast on American news channels almost 24 hours every day, and the United States has opened its wallet to the tune of \$13.6 billion to provide aid to these people.

On the other hand, there is little notice given to the refugees fleeing violence in the West African nation of Burkina Faso.

According to the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, due to violence that has spread over the area just south of the Sahara Desert, known as the Sahel – as well as portions of central Africa – more than 1.7 million people have been displaced internally in Burkina Faso.

To learn about the tragedy in Burkina Faso, readers must seek out reports from organizations such as the office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Refugees International, Norwegian Refugee Council or Deutsche Welle, which in its self-description states that it presents “off-beat stories” along with other news and analyses of German and international affairs. It should be noted, however, that *TIME* magazine saw fit in mid-2021 to run a commentary about the Burkina Faso refugee crisis written by Academy Award-winner Angelina Jolie.

On the other hand, one cannot help but wonder if that commentary would ever have seen the light of day without the star power of the author.

The Western press does not care about Burkina Faso. It is a faraway land whose capital city has a name, Ouagadougou (pronounced “Waa-gaa-doo-goo”), that is alien to European tongues. But most importantly, it is a coun-

try populated by a group of people who are of little interest and no concern to the West. When the French invaded that land in 1896, forced it into compliance and made it a colony, they took away its name and gave it a new name – a French name – “Haute Volta,” which translates into “Upper Volta” and describes the upper region of the Volta River and its tributaries. But to add insult to injury, “Volta” is the name given to the river by Portuguese gold traders in Ghana. “Volta” is Portuguese for “twist” or “turn,” and the river may have been named thus because of its extremely curved course.

In 1984, the nation shed its colonial name and adopted the name Burkina Faso, which means “Land of Incorruptible People.” This was a great step forward for a people whose identity had been stolen almost a century earlier. But there are lingering effects of the French colonial period. The spelling of the name of the country’s capital, “Ouagadougou” is based on the conventional spelling system of the French language, not the language of the indigenous people. In written form, Ouagadougou is still being called outside its name.

In addition to the partial erasure of its cultural identity, Burkina Faso also is made economically invisible to some degree. France still controls Burkina Faso’s currency, along with the currency of several other former French West African colonies. The cur-

rency in use in those countries is the “Franc of the Financial Community of Africa,” which was originally termed the “Franc of the French Colonies in Africa.” Burkina Faso’s former colonizer is its current economic “handler,” and it is difficult to see around France’s involvement to get a clear view of this West African nation as an economic entity.

Colonialism and post colonialism have made Burkina Faso all but invisible to the Western gaze. And it is extremely difficult to have empathy for something that is invisible to you.

Burkina Faso is a part of the global community, but for so long it has been made invisible by cultural choices and economic policies of the West. As the land disappears from the minds of Westerners, so do the people who live there.

People of color must work together and with our honest allies to assert our identity and our presence in the various national communities, as well as in the global community as a whole. We cannot let our oppressors define us in a way that erases our identities. And no matter the economic, social and political lashes they bring down upon us, we must stand strong and confirm that we are not Toby.

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Ukraine, refugees and racism

By Dr. John Warren
San Diego Voice and Viewpoint/NNPA Member



Our hearts, prayers and support are with the people of Ukraine. No one should suffer such violence and loss in what is supposed to be a civilized global society. We as members of humanity are doing the right thing in providing support for all we can help.

But there is also an even greater tragedy occurring which we have seen played out repeatedly in the midst of human suffering and loss. That tragedy is the one of “racism” and we see its presence in the midst of this war.

First, the incidents of African students residing in the Ukraine being denied departures even though they have been waiting as long as the Ukrainians. The reason given: Ukraine citizens first. The test of citizenship, the color of the skin of those seeking to leave. The Nigerian mother and

her daughter who waited just as long as the white Ukraine mother should not have been denied exit because she was black. The 1700 black students in the Ukraine should not be denied exit because they are students or black, when such tests have not applied to any Ukrainians other than the men being required to report for military service between the ages of 18 and 60.

Next, we see the president of Ukraine put out a call for military help in terms of manpower to fight the Russians. Would-be fighters from several African countries seek to volunteer as “mercenaries” but are told they must pay \$1000 and get visas in order to come to the Ukraine. Reason given: the fee is for airfare and visas to neighboring countries since they can’t fly directly into the Ukraine. But none of this became an issue until Africans volunteered.

As if Africans were not alone, a number of students from India, some in medical school, have also complained of being denied transportation to make room for

“white” Ukrainian citizens when all were waiting equally for transportation. This is racism.

It is interesting to see how the European (white) world appears to have no limits on the outpouring of housing, food, clothing and every need that such refugees are having. This is truly the humanitarian thing to do. But where was the same level of outpouring for the Afghan people when America pulled out or, even closer, how is it that at the Mexican/American border of San Diego, California and Tijuana that Haitians who have been waiting, some as long as two to three years, are still denied refugee status under the same Title 42 used by President Trump to keep people out?

It now appears that border officials have some discretionary authority under that very law, which is now being used to admit Ukrainian refugees who have made it to the very same Mexican border where Haitian and other refugees are still waiting to cross.

Here is the pattern of racism: in the Ukraine, if you are black,

you are denied exit. At the Mexico/American border, if you are black, you are denied entrance because the Ukraine refugees can go ahead of you in the line. The common factor in all these cases is the racism of putting white refugees ahead of people of color for no reason other than the color of their skin.

Here we sit in America with white Republican lawmakers blocking dollars for Child Tax Credits which will help working families; universal school lunch funding expiring; and the failure to fund so many things needed by the American people seeking to exit the pandemic, but we appear to have funds with no limit for Ukraine. We should help them, but “charity starts at home and then spreads abroad.”

If we are going to provide global help, and we should, then let’s make sure that we have policies that treat all fairly without making the color of one’s skin the determining factor in establishing their humanity.

Something to really think about.

P R E S E R V E D

Spring cleaning

By Shewanda Riley
Columnist



“Hi! My name is Shewanda. And I’m a pack rat.” I felt like I should be saying these words as I continued my number one priority last year at the beginning of my Spring Break week: Spring Cleaning.

What I thought would take me a few hours ended up taking me four days. With careful consideration, I went through the piles of papers and folders, sheets of paper I didn’t realize I had and some I didn’t remember why I kept.

The inspiration for cleaning came because I was tired of looking at the stacks of plastic tubs full of files, photos, and other mementos in my garage.

I even told myself before I

started cleaning that I would not talk myself out of throwing stuff away (like I usually did). I soon realized that it was going to be harder than I anticipated when I opened one storage bin with the expectation that it would not take me long. After all, it was just full of what looked like flyers of events that I’d participated in, created and hosted. However, one hour later, I was still going through the first one. Eventually, my box of garbage bags quickly filled as I threw away old cassette tapes, flyers and photos. One bag was so full that it nearly burst when I tried to pick it up.

Even though I watched many talk shows with self-professed hoarders and pack rats, I never saw myself as one of “those” people. Sure, I like to hold onto stuff for sentimental reasons (like all my report cards starting at kindergarten or my Girl Scout sash and beret). I just figured since I had good reasons for keeping these things, it didn’t matter how much it was. How wrong I was: I didn’t realize until after I took over 150 pounds of old files, taxes and papers to Office Depot to shred that it did matter.

Being sentimental doesn’t mean embracing clutter or junk. But I had to admit one thing after I’d bagged the trash up and placed it in my garbage and recycling bins: I felt so relieved without the clutter. I was amazed at how I’d allowed myself to get used to the clutter. Of course, I noticed it building over time, but I was always able to excuse it away.

Why did I hold onto those things that I said I needed, but didn’t ever use? And why was I afraid to throw them away? The more I thought about it, I had to admit my fear was

that I didn’t want to be unprepared. Keeping those items gave me a false sense that I’d be ready...for what I wasn’t sure.

John 15:2 says, “He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful.”

Throwing away the clutter felt like I was being pruned to make room for new things. I now try to look at it this way: throwing away what I didn’t need now leaves room for God to give me what he wants me to have in this next season of my life.

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What will you do with Jesus?

By Pastor Simeon R. Green III
Special to The Mississippi Link



When the brethren of the Morning Church preached the Gospel, the people who heard said: “Men and brethren, what shall we do?”

Then Peter said unto them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the Name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.” (Acts 2:37-38).

imagine, but that will not compare to what God has prepared in Heaven for those who are willing to pay the price. There is a price, not just to give up sin now, but a continual dying out to self and what we want daily. There will be times when things are going to occur. Possibly imaginations that we must deal with and get rid of in our lives.

I trust that God will bring across our minds the things that we need to do so that we can become purer. The preaching of the Gospel is for the perfecting of the Saints. If we want to make it to Heaven, we can do it. However, we cannot do it in our own strength. It is going to take some work and prayers.

Do we have it in us to do what we need to do to make Heaven our home? Heaven is attainable. God sent Christ to help us make it if we will listen and obey.

The Christian has the vehement desire to do what is right and is against that which is wrong. Dear one, how heartbreaking it is going to be when some people stand before the judgment bar of God and find out that they have been rejected. Human comprehension cannot take that in. When we think about eternity, time without end, do we not want to go to Heaven?

If we are not ready, now is the perfect opportunity for us to settle the account.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A USE PERMIT

ZONING CASE NO. 4165

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Lamar Outdoor Advertising, Inc. has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Use Permit to allow for the placement of a single face 14x48 digital sign within a C-3 (General) Commercial District on property located at 3906 I-55 South (Parcel: 862-365), in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

South 54 degrees 59 minutes 11 seconds East fr 19.72 feet to an iron pin at a fence corner; run thence, along the west line of U.S. Highway 51, South 38 degrees 25 minutes 00 seconds West for 479.08 feet to an iron pin; run thence, West for 341.41 feet back to the iron pin marking the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Parcel 7
Being situated in Lot 30, The Meadows, as recorded in Plat Book 3, at page 92, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County, Mississippi, and also situated in Lot 7, Block C, Robertson's Subdivision as recorded in Plat Book 7, at page 38, in said Chancery Clerk's office and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the SW corner of Lot 3 of the aforesaid The Meadows and runs N 00 degrees 22 minutes 37 seconds E, along the Westerly boundary of sad Lot 31 and the eastern R.O. W. line of Elton Road as it is unimproved in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, 549.84 feet to the Point of Beginning for the property herein described; continue thence N 00 degrees 22 minutes 37 seconds E, along said easterly R.O.W. line of Elton Road (unimproved) and the western boundary of aforesaid Lot 30, The Meadows, and Lot 7 Block C, Robertson's Subdivision, 370.03 feet to an iron bar marking the southern limits of the Cany Creek Floodway; run thence N 75 degrees 00 minutes 37 seconds E, along said southern limits of Floodway, 517.33 feet to an iron bar marking the beginning of a curve run thence easterly clockwise, along the arc of said curve having the following characteristics: central angle of 33 degrees 46 minutes 00 seconds and a radius of 63.57 feet, run thence S 71 degrees 13 minutes 23 seconds E, along said southern limits of Floodway, 66.39 feet to an iron bar in the western R.O. W. line of Interstate Highway 55, as it was in use on April, 1980; run thence S 23 degrees 28 minutes 05 seconds W, along said westerly R.O.W. line, 528.41 feet; leaving said western R.O.W. line, run thence N 89 degrees 29 minutes 36 seconds W, 391.48 feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing 5.02 acres, more or less.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A USE PERMIT

ZONING CASE NO. 4166

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that John W. Craig & Lynn Nguyen has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Use Permit in a C-3 (General) Commercial District the operation of a graphic arts studio with professional tattooing located in Suite 147 of the property located at 6351 I-55 North Frontage Rd. (Parcel 710-1), in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

TRACT I
A tract of land consisting of 12.421 acres situated in the West Half (W ½) of the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼) and the East Half (E ½) of the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of Section I, Township 6 North, Range I East, Hinds County, Mississippi being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Commencing at a found iron rod marking the Northwest corner of Beverly Heights, Part I, according to the map or plat thereof, on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi in Plat Book 7 at Page 17; said point also being on the East right-of-way line of U.S. Highway Number 51; thence run North 27 degrees 27 minutes 25 seconds East, for a distance of 1238.00 feet to a point on said right-of-way line; thence run North 26 degrees 37 minutes 25 seconds East, along said right-of-way line, for a distance of 114.17 feet; thence run South 63 degrees 22 minutes 35 seconds East, along said right-of-way line for a distance of 29.89 feet; thence run North 26 degrees 37 minutes 25 seconds East, along said right-of-way line, for a distance of 338.14 feet to a point in the centerline of White Oak Creek as it existed prior to its relocation in June 1995; thence run South 50 degrees 49 minutes 23 seconds East, along said right-of-way line, for a distance of 10.24 feet; thence run North 26 degrees 37 minutes 25 seconds East, for a distance of 367.69 feet to the intersection of said right-of-way line with the South right-of-way line of County Line Road, thence run South 86 degrees 52 minutes 15 seconds East, along said South right-of-way line, for a distance of 166.83 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument; thence run South 31 degrees 38 minutes 22 seconds East, along said right-of-way line, for a distance of 52.00 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument on a curve to the left, said curve better described as having a Delta of 14 degrees 37 minutes 19 seconds and a Radius of 836.20 feet; thence run along said South right-of-way line and the arc of said curve to the left, for a distance of 213.34 feet (Chord South 79 degrees 50 minutes 50 seconds East for a distance of 212.76 feet) to the point of tangency of said curve; thence run South 87 degrees 11 minutes 48 seconds East, along said South right-of-way line, for a distance of 126.97 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument; thence run North 04 degrees 35 minutes 23 seconds East, along said South right-of-way line for a distance of 68.11 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument; thence run South 86 degrees 26 minutes 45 seconds East, along said South right-of-way line, for a distance of 37.18 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument at the intersection of said South right-of-way line with the West right-of-way line of Interstate Highway Number 55; thence run South 35 degrees 04 minutes 32 seconds East, along said West right-of-way line, for a distance of 141.90 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument and the point of curvature of a curve to the left, said curve being better described as having a Delta of 08 degrees 05 minutes 34 seconds and a Radius of 1232.23 feet; thence run along said West right-of-way line and said arc to the left for a distance of 174.04 feet (Chord South 14 degrees 07 minutes 32 seconds East for a distance of 173.90 feet) to a found iron rod at the point of tangency of said curve; thence run South 18 degrees 24 minutes 32 seconds East, along said West right-of-way line, for a distance of 284.20 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument and the POINT OF BEGINNING of the property herein described; thence run South 01 degrees 54 minutes 28 seconds West, along said West right-of-way line, for a distance of 103.72 feet; thence run South 81 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds West for a distance of 282.96 feet; thence run South 08 degrees 22 minutes 18 seconds East for a distance of 269.50 feet; thence run South 81 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds West for a distance of 81.00 feet; thence run South 08 degrees 22 minutes 18 seconds East for a distance of 283.50 feet; thence run North 81 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds East for a distance of 393.85 feet to a point on the aforementioned West right-of-way line of Interstate Highway 55; thence run South 18 degrees 09 minutes 42 seconds East, along said West right-of-way line, for a distance of 38.56 feet; thence run South 81 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds West for a distance of 270.41 feet to the point of curvature of a curve to the left, said curve being better described as having a Delta of 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds and a radius of 10.00 feet; thence run along the arc of said curve to the left for a distance of 15.71 feet (Chord South 36 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds West for a distance of 14.14 feet) to the point of tangency of said curve; thence run South 08 degrees 22 minutes 18 seconds East for a distance of 204.96 feet; thence run South 81 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds West for a distance of 287.00 feet; thence run North 08 degrees 22 minutes 18 seconds West for a distance of 37.96 feet; thence run South 81 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds West for a distance of 9.00 feet; thence run North 08 degrees 22 minutes 18 seconds West for a distance of 133.42 feet; thence run South 81 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds West for a distance of 572.69 feet; thence run North 00 degrees 41 minutes 02 seconds West for a distance of 258.28 feet to the point of curvature of a curve to the right, said curve being better described as having a Delta of 02 degrees 19 minutes 55 seconds and a Radius of 300.00 feet; thence run along the arc of said curve to the right for a distance of 12.21 feet (Chord North 00 degrees 28 minutes 56 seconds East for a distance of 12.21 feet) to the point of tangency of said curve; thence run North 01 degrees 38 minutes 53 seconds East for a distance of 1 10.66 feet to the point of curvature of a curve to the right, said curve being better described as having a Delta of 23 degrees 26 minutes 30 seconds and a Radius of 150.00 feet; thence run along the arc of said curve to the right for a distance of 60.06 feet (Chord North 13 degrees 06 minutes 57 seconds East for a distance of 59.66 feet) to the point of tangency of said curve; thence run North 24 degrees 35 minutes 20 seconds East for a distance of 76.85 feet; thence run South 70 degrees 13 minutes 59 seconds East for a distance of 379.35 feet to a point in the centerline of White Oak Creek as it existed prior to its relocation in June 1995; thence run along the meanderings of said centerline the following bearings and distances: North 07 degrees 20 minutes 52 seconds East for a distance of 151.26 feet; thence North 50 degrees 37 minutes 22 seconds East for a distance of 42.59 feet; thence North 65 degrees 41 minutes 08 seconds East for a distance of 60.45 feet; thence North 48 degrees 21 minutes 21 seconds East for a distance of 51.18 feet; thence North 13 degrees 08 minutes 05 seconds East for a distance of 35.46 feet; thence North 16 degrees 06 minutes 22 seconds West for a distance of 36.91 feet; thence North 52 degrees 48 minutes 12 seconds West for a distance of 33.35 feet; thence South 76 degrees 18

Parcel 9
Being situated in Lot 7, 16 and 17, Block C, Robertson's Subdivision, as recorded in Plat Book 7, at page 28, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the SW corner of Lot 31, The Meadows, as recorded in Plat Book 3, at page 92, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County, Mississippi, and run N 000 22' 37" E, along the Eastern R.O.W. line of Elton Road, as it is unimproved in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, 919.87 feet to an iron bar marking the southern limits of the Cany Creek Floodway, said point is in the western boundary of aforesaid said Lot 7, Block C, Robertson's Subdivision and said point also marks the SW corner of and the Point of Beginning for the property herein described, continue thence N 000 23' 37" E, along said eastern R.O.W. line of Elton Road (unimproved) and said western boundary of Lot 7, 207.42 feet to the centerline of said Cany Creek; run thence N 75 0 00' 37" E along said centerline, 462.34 feet to the beginning of a curve, run thence, clockwise, along the arc of said curve, 155.32 feet to the point of tangency, said curve having the following characteristics: central angle of 33 0 46" and a radius of 263.57 feet, run hence S 71 0 13'23" E, along said centerline to Cany Creek, 82.80 feet to the western R.O.W. line of Interstate Highway 55 as it is now (April 1980) in use; run thence S 23 0 28'5" W, along said westerly R.O.W. 00 0 6 feet to an iron bar marking the aforesaid southern limits of Cany Creek Floodway; commence N 71 0 13' 23" W, along said southern limits, 66.39 feet to an iron bar marking the beginning of a curve, run thence counter-clockwise along the arc of said curve 37.46 feet to the point of tangency, said curve have the following characteristics: central angle of 33 0 46' and a radius of 63.57 feet; run thence S 75 0 00' 37" W, along said southern limits of Floodway, 517.33 feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing 3.034 acres, more or less.

Parcel 10
A parcel of land situated in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, being part of Lots 5, 6 and 7, of Block C, Robertson's subdivision, as recorded in Plat Book 7, page 38, of the Chancery Clerk's records of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at an iron pipe marking the NW corner of Lot 5, Block C, Robertson's Subdivision, and run Easterly along the North boundary of Lot 5, 613.64 feet; run thence South 22 degrees 41 minutes West, parallel with the West R.O.W. Line of Interstate Highway 55, 351.94 feet to the centerline of Cany Creek, run thence Southwesterly, along the arc of the curve to the centerline of Cany Creek, 30.41 feet to the point of tangency; said curve having a radius of 263.57 feet; run thence South 74 degrees 13 minutes West, along the centerline of said creek, 462.34 feet to the East R.O.W. line of Elton Road (abandoned), run thence North O degrees 25 minutes West, along the East R.O.W. line of Elton Road, 456.97 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 4.772 acres, more or less.

TOGETHER with easement for ingress and egress over and upon lands described as follows, to wit:

A parcel of land situated in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, being situated in Lots 6,7,13 and 14, Block C, Robertson's Subdivision; as recorded in Plat Book 7, at page 38, of the Chancery Clerk's records of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at an iron pipe marking the Northwest corner of Lot 5, Block C, of said Robertson's Subdivision, and run Easterly along the North boundary of Lot 5, 613.54 feet; run thence South 22 degrees 41 minutes West parallel with West R.O.W. line of Interstate Highway 55, 205.80 feet to the Northern boundary of Mississippi Power and Light Company's easement as recorded in Deed Book 2088, at page 344, of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's records and the point of the beginning for the property herein described, run thence N 74 degrees 36 minutes 30 seconds East, along the Northern boundary of said easement, 254.18 feet to the West R.O.W. line of the Interstate Highway 55, run thence South 22 degrees 41 minutes West, along

the West R.O.W. line of Interstate Highway 55, 63.52 feet to the centerline of said Mississippi Power of Light easement, run thence South 74 degrees 36 minutes 30 seconds West, along the centerline of said easement, 254.18 feet; run thence North 22 degrees 41 minutes East, parallel with the West R.O.W. line of Interstate Highway 55, 63.52 feet to the point of beginning.

NOTE: This easement is across and over the land described as Parcel No. 12.

PARCEL 11
Lot Four (4) Block "C", Robertson's Subdivision, a subdivision according to the map or plat thereof which is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, in Plat Book 7, at page 38, thereof reference to which map or plat is hereby made in aid of and as a part of this description.

PARCEL 12
Being situated in Lots 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, Block C, Robertson's Subdivision, Jackson Hinds County, Mississippi, and recorded in Plat Book 7, at page 38, of the Chancery Records of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at an iron pipe marking the Northwest corner of Lot 5, Block C of said Robertson's Subdivision and run easterly along the North boundary of said Lot 5, 613.64 feet to the Northwest corner of and the Point of Beginning for the property herein described, continue thence easterly along the said northern boundary of Lot 5 and the easterly projection thereof, 216.77 feet to the West R.O.W. line 1-55, turn thence through an interior angle of 67 degrees 19 minutes and run southwesterly along the West R.O.W. line of 1-55, 389.96 feet to the centerline of Cany Creek; turn thence through an interior angle of 94 degrees 41 minutes and run northwesterly, along the centerline of Cany Creek, 82.77 feet to the beginning of a curve, said curve having the following characteristics: central angle of 33 degrees 46 minutes, radius of 263.57 feet; run thence westerly, counter-clockwise, along the arc of said curve, 124.92 feet, run thence northeasterly, parallel with the aforesaid West R.O.W. line 1-55, 351.94 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, March 23, 2022, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

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WITNESS my signature this 28th day of February 2022.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

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minutes 04 seconds West for a distance of 66.05 feet; thence South 47 degrees 10 minutes 27 seconds West for a distance of 69.12 feet; thence North 46 degrees 56 minutes 49 seconds West for a distance of 20.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 29 minutes 36 seconds West for a distance of 62.46 feet; thence North 49 degrees 57 minutes 25 seconds East for a distance of 50.56 feet; thence North 37 degrees 02 minutes 04 seconds West for a distance of 35.12 feet; thence North 81 degrees 34 minutes 47 seconds West for a distance of 28.82 feet; thence South 76 degrees 18 minutes 50 seconds West for a distance of 34.84 feet; thence North 77 degrees 54 minutes 44 seconds West for a distance of 66.06 feet; thence North 70 degrees 31 minutes 11 seconds West for a distance of 29.74 feet; thence North 48 degrees 59 minutes 29 seconds West for a distance of 59.00 feet; thence North 46 degrees 35 minutes 12 seconds West for a distance of 42.63 feet; thence, leaving said centerline of White Oak Creek, run North 81 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds East for a distance of 181.17 feet; thence run North 08 degrees 22 minutes 18 seconds West for a distance of 10.00 feet; thence run North 81 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds East for a distance of 242.34 feet; thence run South 08 degrees 22 minutes 18 seconds East for a distance of 57.10 feet; thence run North 81 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds East for a distance of 136.00 feet; thence run South 08 degrees 22 minutes 18 seconds East for a distance of 44.00 feet; thence run North 81 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds East for a distance of 229.77 feet to a point on a curve to the right, said curve being better described as having a delta of 20 degrees 44 minutes 24 seconds and a radius of 50.00 feet; thence run along the arc of said curve to the right for a distance of 5.97 feet (Chord South 10 degrees 25 minutes 42 seconds East for a distance of 5.96 feet); thence run North 81 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds East for a distance of 40.55 feet to the Point of Beginning.

TRACT 2
A tract of land consisting of 3.444 acres situated in the West Half (W 1/2) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) and the East Half (E 1/2) of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of Section I, Township 6 North, Range I East, Hinds County, Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows, to wit: Commencing at a found iron rod marking the Northwest corner of Beverly Heights, Part I, according to the map or plat thereof, on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi in Plat Book 7 at Page 17; said point also being on the East right-of-way line of U.S. Highway Number 51; thence run North 27 degrees 27 minutes 25 seconds East, for a distance of 1238.00 feet to a point on said right-of-way line; thence run North 26 degrees 37 minutes 25 seconds East, along said right-of-way line, for a distance of 114.17 feet; thence run South 63 degrees 22 minutes 35 seconds East, along said right-of-way line for a distance of 29.89 feet; thence run North 26 degrees 37 minutes 25 seconds East, along said right-of-way line, for a distance of 338.14 feet to a point in the centerline of White Oak Creek as it existed prior to its relocation in June 1995; thence run South 50 degrees 49 minutes 23 seconds East, along said right-of-way line, for a distance of 10.24 feet; thence run North 26 degrees 37 minutes 25 seconds East, along said South right-of-way line, for a distance of 367.69 feet to the intersection of said right-of-way line with the South right-of-way line of County Line Road, thence run South 86 degrees 52 minutes 15 seconds East, along said South right-of-way line, for a distance of 166.83 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument; thence run South 31 degrees 38 minutes 22 seconds East, along said right-of-way line, for a distance of 52.00 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument on a curve to the left, said curve better described as having a Delta of 14 degrees 37 minutes 19 seconds and a Radius of 836.20 feet; thence run along said South right-of-way line and the arc of said curve to the left, for a distance of 213.34 feet (Chord South 79 degrees 50 minutes 50 seconds East for a distance of 212.76 feet) to the point of tangency of said curve; thence run South 87 degrees 11 minutes 48 seconds East, along said South right-of-way line, for a distance of 126.97 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument; thence run North 04 degrees 35 minutes 23 seconds East, along said South right-of-way line for a distance of 68.11 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument; thence run South 86 degrees 26 minutes 45 seconds East, along said South right-of-way line, for a distance of 37.18 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument at the intersection of said South right-of-way line with the West right-of-way line of Interstate Highway Number 55; thence run South 35 degrees 04 minutes 32 seconds East, along said West right-of-way line, for a distance of 141.90 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument and the point of curvature of a curve to the left, said curve being better described as having a Delta of 08 degrees 05 minutes 34 seconds and a Radius of 1232.23 feet; thence run along said West right-of-way line and said arc to the left for a distance of 174.04 feet (Chord South 14 degrees 07 minutes 32 seconds East for a distance of 173.90 feet) to a found iron rod at the point of tangency of said curve; 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feet to the point of curvature of a curve to the left, said curve being better described as having a Delta of 41 degrees 50 minutes 00 seconds and a Radius of 200.00 feet; thence run along the arc of said curve to the left for a distance of 146.03 feet (Chord South 21 degrees 36 minutes 00 seconds East for a distance of 142.80 feet) to the point of tangency of said curve; thence run South 42 degrees 31 minutes 02 seconds East for a distance of 152.17 feet to the point of curvature of a curve to the left, said curve being better described as having a Delta of 33 degrees 17 minutes 04 seconds and a Radius of 200.00 feet; thence run along the arc of said curve to the left for a distance of 116.19 feet (Chord South 59 degrees 09 minutes 34 seconds East for a distance of 114.56 feet) to the point of tangency of said curve; thence run South 75 degrees 48 minutes 06 seconds East for a distance of 450.63 feet to the point of curvature of a curve to the right, said curve being better described as having a Delta of 61 degrees 47 minutes 33 seconds and a Radius of 125.00 feet; thence run along the arc of said curve to the right for a distance of 134.82 feet (Chord South 44 degrees 54 minutes 14 seconds East for a distance of 128.37 feet) to the point of tangency of said curve; thence run South 14 degrees 00 minutes 23 seconds East for a distance of 67.02 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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A tract of land consisting of 0.059 acres situated in the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section I, Township 6 North, Range 1 East, Hinds County, Mississippi being more particularly described as follows, to wit: Commencing at a found iron rod marking the Northwest corner of Beverly Heights, Part 1, according to the map or plat thereof, on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi in Plat Book 7 at Page 17; said point also being on the East right-of-way line of U.S. Highway Number 51; thence run North 27 degrees 27 minutes 25 seconds East, for a distance of 1238.00 feet to a point on said right-of-way line; thence run North 26 degrees 37 minutes 25 seconds East, along said right-of-way line; thence run North 26 degrees 37 minutes 25 seconds East, along said right-of-way line, for a distance of 114.17 feet; thence run South 63 degrees 22 minutes 35 seconds East, along said right-of-way line for a distance of 29.89 feet; thence run North 26 degrees 37 minutes 25 seconds East, along said rightof-way line, for a distance of 338.14 feet to a point in the centerline of White Oak Creek as it existed prior to its relocation in June 1995; thence run South 50 degrees 49 minutes 23 seconds East, along said right-of-way line, for a distance of 10.24 feet; thence run North 26 degrees 37 minutes 25 seconds East, along said right-of-way line, for a distance of 367.69 feet to the intersection of said right-of-way line with the South right-of-way line of County Line Road; thence run South 86 degrees 52 minutes 15 seconds East, along said South right-of-way line, for a distance of 166.83 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument; thence run South 31 degrees 38 minutes 22 seconds East, along said right-of-way line, for a distance of 52.00 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument on a curve to the left, said curve better described as having a Delta of 14 degrees 37 minutes 19 seconds and a Radius of 836.20 feet; thence run along said South right-of-way line and the arc of said curve to the left, for a distance of 213.34 feet (Chord South 79 degrees 50 minutes 50 seconds East for a distance of 212.76 feet) to the point of tangency of said curve; thence run South 87 degrees 11 minutes 48 seconds East, along said South right-of-way line, for a distance of 126.97 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument; thence run North 04 degrees 35 minutes 23 seconds East, along said South right-of-way line for a distance of 68.11 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument; thence run South 86 degrees 26 minutes 45 seconds East, along said South right-of-way line, for a distance of 37.18 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument at the intersection of said South right-of-way line with the West right-of-way line of Interstate Highway Number 55; thence run South 35 degrees 04 minutes 32 seconds East, along said West right-of-way line, for a distance of 141.90 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument and the point of curvature of a curve to the left, said curve being better described as having a Delta of 08 degrees 05 minutes 34 seconds and a Radius of 1232.23 feet; thence run along said West right-of-way line and said arc to the left for a distance of 174.04 feet (Chord South 14 degrees 07 minutes 32 seconds East for a distance of 173.90 feet) to a found iron rod at the point of tangency of said curve; thence run South 18 degrees 24 minutes 32 seconds East, along said West right-of-way line, for a distance of 284.20 feet to a found concrete right-of-way monument; thence run South 01 degrees 54 minutes 28 seconds West, along said West right-of-way line, for a distance of 103.72 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING of the property herein described; thence continue along the aforementioned right-of-way line South 01 degrees 54 minutes 28 seconds West for a distance of 98.20 feet to a point; thence run South 81 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds West for a distance of 17.77 feet to a point; thence run North 08 degrees 22 minutes 18 seconds West for a distance of 96.63 feet; thence run North 81 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds East for a distance of 35.29 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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WITNESS my signature this 28th day of February 2022.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

3/3/2022, 3/17/2022

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NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTY

CITY OF JACKSON

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk of the City of Jackson, Mississippi before 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 29th, 2022, for the purchase of certain City-owned property: parcel 77-22, located at 516 N. Mill Street in Jackson, Mississippi. Bidding for the property will start at \$750.00. The City will retain all mineral rights it owns, together with the right of ingress and egress to remove same from said property. For additional information or for a “bid form”, contact Vic Sexton at (601) 960 1055 or e-mail vsexton@city.jackson.ms.us.

BID INSTRUCTIONS: All bids must be placed in a sealed envelope and delivered to the City Clerk of the City of Jackson (located in City Hall at 219 S. President St. Jackson, Mississippi 39201). The outside of the envelope must be plainly marked to identify the parcel number being bid on along with the bidder’s name. Enclose one (1) original and one (1) copy of the bid. Bids will be opened on Tuesday, March 29th, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 219 South President Street, Jackson, Mississippi. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

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Information-2022 Special Election for Greater Belhaven Community Improvement District

Election Date
• All registered voters residing in the proposed Greater Belhaven Community Improvement District will vote on the creation of a Special Local Improvement Assessment District to be held on April 5, 2022.
• Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Ballot Information
The ballot proposition is as follows:
Shall residents within the Greater Belhaven Community Improvement District establish a Special Local Improvement Assessment District through an additional property tax assessment of 6 mills?

Absentee Voting
• The last day to vote by absentee ballot is Saturday, April 2, 2022 at 12:00 (noon). To accommodate the absentee voting process, The Department of Municipal Clerk will be open on Saturday, March 26, 2022 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 (noon), and on Saturday, April 2, 2022 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 (noon).

Qualified Electors
• All registered voters residing in the proposed Greater Belhaven Community Improvement District (Belhaven and Belhaven Heights) will be eligible to vote in this special election. The participating polling places are as follows:

- Precinct 1- Eudora Welty Library- 300 N. State Street
- Precinct 8- Fire Station #5- 1810 North State Street
- Precinct 9- Belhaven College Library- 1500 Peachtree

3/10/2022, 3/17/2022, 3/24/2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A USE PERMIT

ZONING CASE NO. 4171

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Ashley Johnson has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Use Permit within a C-2 (Limited) Commercial District to allow for a drive thru sno biz business on property located at Parcel 638-41-1 on Dixon Rd. in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

BEGINNING at the intersection of the South right-of-way line of Clinton Blvd and east right-of-way line of Dixon Road; thence South 0 Degrees 48 Minutes West along the East right of way line of Dixon Road a distance of 200.0 feet to the true point of beginning. Thence South 72 Degrees 40 Minutes East a distance of 250.0 feet to a point; thence South 0 Degrees 48 Minutes West a distance of 409.0 feet to a point; thence due West a distance of 239.9 feet a point on the east right-of-way of Dixon Road; thence North 0 degrees 48 Minutes East along the East right-of-way line of Dixon Road a distance of 482.5 feet to the true Point of Beginning.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, March 23, 2022, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

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WITNESS my signature this 24th day of February 2022.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

3/3/2022, 3/17/2022

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Jackson, MS will conduct Public Hearings regarding the development of its Home Investment Partnership Program – American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Allocation plan for submittal in the 2021 Annual Action Plan. The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires that the City provides for and encourages citizen participation in the development of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan.

The Public Hearings will explain the purpose of HOME-ARP; discuss eligible activities; the qualifying population and receive input from the public. The Public Hearings will be held on the following dates and times via ZOOM:

Initial Public Hearing
Join Zoom Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/97900748743?pwd=VlIiVTZ0QlFkZ2FUWm9kY1NEc2hMdz09>
Meeting ID: 979 0074 8743
Passcode: 415823
Dial by your location - +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)
Meeting ID: 979 0074 8743
Passcode: 415823

April 12, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Final Public Hearing
Join Zoom Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/92693855223?pwd=b2VZK3h2ekh1MG1ROGRDTRkloWk1sQT09>
Meeting ID: 926 9385 5223
Passcode: 658433
Dial by your location - +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)
Meeting ID: 926 9385 5223
Passcode: 658433

May 31, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

The draft HOME-ARP Allocation Plan will be available for review at the final public hearing and on the City’s website at www.jacksonms.gov on May 31, 2022. The City will be accepting public comments on the draft HOME-ARP Allocation Plan until no later than 5:00 p.m., on Wednesday June 15, 2022. Residents with disabilities are encouraged to notify the City at least five (5) days before the public hearing of any needed accommodations. For more details contact the Office of Development Assistance Division at 601-960-2155.

3/3/2022, 5/12/2022

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LEGAL NOTICE
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

CITY OF JACKSON

Notice is hereby given that Proposals will be received by the City Clerk of the City of Jackson, Mississippi until 3:30p.m., Tuesday, March 29, 2022. The City of Jackson, Mississippi requests proposals from art groups and other community development groups providing services to the citizens in the City of Jackson.

Financial assistance is available to support arts and community development activities designed to increase awareness, understanding and appreciation of the arts and improve the quality of life among the citizens of Jackson. This solicitation seeks proposals with an emphasis on community exposure, history and education.

Grant awards offered by the City of Jackson shall only represent supplemental funding in support of arts projects and community development based projects. To be eligible for funding, proposing organizations must have verifiable cash match contributions that equals to at least 50% of project cost.

All proposals for General Funds Arts and Community Based Grants must be submitted online. Complete application requirements are available on the City of Jackson, Department of Human & cultural Services webpage. Visit <https://www.jacksonms.gov/departments/human-and-cultural-services/> to submit your application. Proposals must be submitted online by 3:30pm on March 29, 2022. The city reserves the right to reject any and all proposals. Request for Proposal documents can be downloaded from the City of Jackson website listed above.

By: Adriane Dorsey-Kidd, Director
Department of Human and Cultural Services

3/10/2022, 3/17/2022, 3/24/2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A USE PERMIT

ZONING CASE NO. 4170

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Cherry Grove MB Church has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Use Permit within a C-2 (Limited) Commercial District to allow for a car wash/detail shop on property located at 1250 Martin Luther King Dr. (Parcel: 105-195). in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

A certain parcel of land being situated in Block 19 of Woodland Park Subdivision, Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at the Northwest corner of Lot 1 of Block 19 of said Woodland Park Subdivision and run easterly along the South line of Oak Street 175 feet; thence, turn to the right through an angle of 90 degrees and run southerly 171.87 feet to a point in the Northern line of Whitfield Mills Road; thence, turn to the right through an angle of 134 degrees 29 minutes and run Northwesterly along the Northern line of Whitfield Mills Road for a distance of 245.29 feet to the point of beginning.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, March 23, 2022, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

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WITNESS my signature this 28th day of February 2022.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

3/3/2022, 3/17/2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING

ZONING CASE NO. 4172

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that DMG Real Estate Holdings 319 Meadowbrook, LLC has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from R-1 (Single-Family) Residential District and C-3 (General) Commercial District to CMU–1 (Community) Mixed-Use District, Pedestrian Oriented to allow for the redevelopment of property as high end lofts for the property located at 315 3 Meadowbrook Rd. (Parcels: 430-310) in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

A certain piece or parcel of land situated in Section 23, Township 6 North, Range 1 East, City of Jackson Hinds County, Mississippi, being Lot A-2 in Meadowbrook Resubdivision, and being part of Lots 4-23, including that portion designated as Seminole Avenue, in the Stokes Subdivision and Lots 1, 6 and part of Lot 7 of the Seminole Gardens Resurvey, said property being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at a ½” iron rod set at the intersection of the Northerly right of way line of Choctaw Road and the Easterly right of way line of North State Street; thence North 06 degrees 27 minutes 00 seconds East along said Easterly right of way line a distance of 310.60 feet to a ½ ” iron rod set on the Southerly right of way line of Meadowbrook Road, as it now exists; thence South 89 degrees 50 minutes 01 seconds East along the said Southerly right of way line a distance of 197.00 feet to a mag nail set on said right of way line for a POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continuing South 89050’01 “ East along said right of way line a distance of 724.11 feet to a ½ ” iron rod set; thence South 00009’19” West a distance of 245.07 feet to a point; thence South 02003’52” East a distance of 60.92 feet to a point on the Northerly right of way line of Choctaw Road; thence West along said right of way line a distance of 2.36 feet to a ½ ” iron rod found; thence continuing West along said right of way line a distance of 724.17 feet to a ½ ” iron rod set; thence North 00 degrees 09 minutes 59 seconds East a distance of 308.06 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; containing an area of approximately 5.105 acres more or less.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, March 23, 2022, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

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WITNESS my signature this 28th day of February 2022.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

3/3/2022, 3/17/2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING

ZONING CASE NO. 4167

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that East Ridge, LLC has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from R-1A (Single-Family) Residential District to R-3 (Townhouse and Zero Lot Line) Residential District to allow for a construction of seven (7) patio homes for the property located at 0 Douglass Dr. (Parcel 540-344-1) in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

79.525.5 Square Feet or 1.8256 Acres consisting of part of the property in Lot 36 of the E.D. Fondren Estate, a subdivision in Section 24, T6N/R2E, the City of Jackson, First Judicial District, Hinds County, Mississippi the Record Plat of which is filed in Plat Book 7 at Page 30 of the Hinds County Land Records for the said First Judicial District, said property being more fully described as follows:

Begin at the NW corner of Lot 1 of Hazlevern Heights, a subdivision in Section 24, T6N/R1E, the City of Jackson, First Judicial District, Hinds County Mississippi the Record Plat of which is filed in Plat Book 10 at Page 20 of the Hinds County Land Records for the First Judicial District, said point being on the South line of the right-of-way for Douglas Drive and proceed thence:

S11° 14’ 44”E along the West line of Lots 1 and 4 of Hazlevern Heights for 572.30 feet to a point on the North line of the property conveyed to Dorothy D. Johnson by the Warranty Deed filed in Deed Book 2554 at page 320 and Deed Book 2552 at page 693 of the Hinds County Land Records for the First Judicial District; thence,
S 80° 16’ 17”W along the North line of the above cited Dorothy D. Johnson property for 200.0 feet to a point on the East line of Lot 26 of Eastwood Place, Part 2, a subdivision in Section 24, T6N/R1E, the City of Jackson, First Judicial District, Hinds County Mississippi the Record Plat of which is filed in Plat Book 21 at Page 6 of the Hinds County Land Records for the First Judicial District; thence,

N 11° 19’ 00”W along the East line of Lots 26, 25, and 24 of Eastwood Place, Part 2 for 315.81 feet; thence,

N 78° 41’ E for 140.33 feet; thence,

N 11°14’ 44”W for 274.64 feet to a point on the South line of the right-of-way for Douglas Drive; thence,

S 79° 40’ E along the South line of the right-of-way for Douglas Drive for 65.51 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, March 23, 2022, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

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WITNESS my signature this 28th day of February 2022.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

3/3/2022, 3/17/2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A USE PERMIT

ZONING CASE NO. 4168

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Byron & Octavia Poindexter has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting an Use Permit to operate a rooming house within a R-4 (Limited Multi-Family) Residential District on property located at 210-12 W. Ash St. (Parcels 95-64 & 95-65) in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Lots 15 and 16 Ideal Home Plot, a subdivision (according to a map or plat thereof which is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, in Plat. Book 3 at Page 30, reference to which to which map or plat is hereby made in aid of and as a part of this description.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, March 23, 2022, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

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/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

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March 19th Auction City of Jackson

INVENTORY NUMBER	CASE NUMBER	YEAR/MAKE/MODEL/COLOR	VEH IDENTIFICATION	INVENTORY NUMBER	CASE NUMBER	YEAR/MAKE/MODEL/COLOR	VEH IDENTIFICATION	INVENTORY NUMBER	CASE NUMBER	YEAR/MAKE/MODEL/COLOR	VEH IDENTIFICATION
1	20293	13-067894	1999 FORD MUSTANG (SILVER)	130	28867	19-025904	POLARIS ATV (BLACK)	259	40300	20-095211	2015 DODGE CHALLENGER (GRAY)
2	22883	14-235083	1999 TOYOTA CAMRY (BLACK)	131	28894	19-030073	2000 INFINITI I30 (GREEN)	260	40304	20-095992	2001 DODGE RAM (SILVER)
3	23130	15-030058	YAHAMA MANNING STAR (BLACK)	132	28920	19-036112	HONDA FOREMAN (RED)	261	40310	20-096595	2012 FORD FEIST (SILVER)
4	23205	15-040095	1998 DODGE RAM	133	28937	19-039128	2006 CHEVY AVED LS (SILVER)	262	40324	20-098267	2004 HYUNDAI SANTE FE (BLACK)
5	23297	15-054651	2006 ARTIC CAT 4WHEELER (GREEN)	134	28949	19-040798	CHEVROLET 2500 (MAROON)	263	40347	20-062730	2009 DODGE RAM 2500 (BLACK)
6	23326	15-061010	2005 CHEVROLET IMPALA (TAN)	135	28951	19-042096	2011 SCION TC (GRAY)	264	40370	20-104573	1998 TOYOTA CAMRY (GOLD)
7	23428	15-075477	2001 FORD F-150 (BLACK)	136	28953	19-042962	2005 RENDEZOUS SUV (MAROON)	265	40374	20-105418	2000 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN (GRN)
8	23432	15-076127	BASKETBALL GOAL (BLACK)	137	28956	19-040577	2003 HYUNDAI ELANTRA (GRAY)	266	40381	20-106587	2013 HONDA ACCORD (SILVER)
9	23697	15-111487	2004 VOLVO C70 (SILVER)	138	28986	19-046651	BASKETBALL GOAL	267	40382	20-106635	2006 CHRYSLER 300C (GREEN)
10	23725	15-115149	LOAD CS8 TRAILER (BLACK)	139	29015	19-050879	2003 DODGE STRATUS (BLUE)	268	40383	20-106786	1998 TOYOTA CAMRY (TAN)
11	23740	15-117489	HAMMERHEAD GO-CART (RED)	140	29033	19-017865	2014 FORD F-150 RAPTOR (WHITE)	269	40387	20-107337	2016 NISSAN ALTIMA (GRAY)
12	24393	15-216086	1999 TOYOTA COROLLA (SILVER)	141	29042	19-057720	2006 BMW 650I (BLACK)	270	40391	20-108329	2000 CHEVY SILVERADO (GRAY)
13	24431	15-220174	SUZUKI ATV (GREEN)	142	29069	19-062953	2007 LEXUS ES (BLACK)	271	40398	20-109041	2010 DODGE JOURNEY (WHITE)
14	24529	15-235130	2013 NISSAN MURANO (BLACK)	143	29076	19-064574	2008 NISSAN ALTIMA (GREEN)	272	40421	20-113152	2007 CHEVROLET AVEO (RED)
15	24602	16-008611	1995 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN (GREEN)	144	29084	19-066810	2007 CHEVROLET HHR (GRAY)	273	40424	20-094427	2009 KAWASAKI ORV (BLK/GREEN)
16	24615	16-009801	1997 LINCOLN TOWNCAR (GREEN)	145	29087	19-067109	2003 PONTIAC MONTANA (BLACK)	274	40425	20-113352	2016 CHEVROLET TAHOE (BLACK)
17	24640	16-006577	1995 GMC SIERRA (GREEN)	146	29094	19-066484	2002 CADILLAC DEVILLE (SILVER)	275	40441	20-115578	2005 CHEVROLET IMPALA (BLACK)
18	24659	16-015071	2007 DODGE CHARGER (BLACK)	147	29094	19-066484	2002 CADILLAC DEVILLE (SILVER)	276	40442	20-115594	1997 NISSAN ALTIMA (SILVER)
19	24779	16-030275	1999 ACURA 35R (BLACK)	148	29104	19-070865	2002 NISSAN ALTIMA (TAN)	277	40444	20-115670	2016 HONDA ACCORD (GRAY)
20	24831	16-037517	2000 FORD TAURUS (GREEN)	149	29113	19-068660	2002 FORD EXPLORER (BLACK)	278	40445	20-115672	2007 HONDA 450R (WHITE)
21	24862	16-041752	2003 PONTIAC VIBE (WHITE)	150	29133	19-074372	1988 CHEVY SILVERADO (BLK/GRAY)	279	40447	20-115778	1999 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS(SILVER)
22	24896	16-046727	2010 KIA RIO (WHITE)	151	29147	19-081084	2002 MERCURY SABLE (SILVER)	280	40462	20-117919	2010 HONDA ACCORD (BLACK)
23	25003	16-060297	1989 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE (WHITE)	152	29149	19-082156	2015 HONDA CRF450R (YELLOW)	281	40464	20-118275	2005 PONTIAC GS GT (WHITE)
24	25027	16-063236	1993 BUICK CENTURY (GREEN)	153	29171	19-086722	2014 CHEVROLET TAHOE (GREEN)	282	40467	20-118570	2010 FORD FUSION (BLACK)
25	25028	14-093499	2007 HONDA CBR (RED)	154	29199	19-091305	2016 CHEVROLET MALIBU (BLACK)	283	40469	20-119220	2006 CHEVY IMPALA (SILVER)
26	25103	16-071880	GO-KART (GREEN)	155	29203	19-079402	2005 CHEVROLET AVALANCHE (BLUE)	284	40471	20-119819	2008 SATURN VUE (BLUE)
27	25387	16-113150	2014 CHEVROLET CRUZE (RED)	156	29205	19-095341	1995 FORD RANGER (WHITE)	285	40486	20-121919	2004 CHEVY AVALANCHE (TAN)
28	25435	16-120042	2011 KAWASAKI MOTORCYCLE (RED)	157	29216	19-096313	1998 HONDA ACCORD (BLACK)	286	40487	20-121978	2007 CHEVROLET COBALT (BLACK)
29	25480	16-125889	1995 HONDA ACCORD (WHITE)	158	29217	19-093093	1998 CHEVROLET SILVERADO (MAROON)	287	40490	20-122110	2003 FORD MUSTANG (RED)
30	25553	16-135488	2005 PONTIAC GRAND AM (GRAY)	159	29219	19-098598	2005 CHEVROLET EQUINOX (BLACK)	288	40497	20-122751	1995 HONDA CIVIC (GRAY)
31	25691	16-156165	2004 UNCLON NAVIGATOR (BEIG)	160	29232	19-100692	1999 SUZUKI GSXR (RED)	289	40500	20-123022	2012 KAWASAKI DIRT BIKE (GREEN)
32	25759	16-168264	1998 CHEVY 1500 VAN (WHITE)	161	29272	19-107710	1985 BUICK PARK AVENUE (GREEN)	290	40502	20-161929	2008 HONDA CIVIC (BLUE)
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2020 Census called ‘Worse Undercount’ in decades as bureau misses millions of blacks and Hispanics

By Stacy M. Brown
NNPA Newswire Contributor

According to many experts, the COVID-19 pandemic and an administration that displayed a complete disregard for ensuring accuracy led to a consequential undercount in the number of black, Hispanic and Native American residents during the 2020 U.S. Census.

Further, Census officials admit that they overcounted white and Asian residents.

The bureau reported the overall population as 323.2 million.

“The undercounting of black, Latino, Indigenous and other communities of color rob us of the opportunity to be the directors of our fate, reducing our representation and limiting our power while depriving policymakers of the information they need to make informed decisions about where the next hospital will be built or where the next school should be located,” said Damon Hewitt, the president and executive director of the Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law.

“In addition, the undercount exacerbates underfunding of our communities because Census data is used as the basis for



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hundreds of billions of dollars of federal, state and local appropriations each year,” Hewitt said.

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It also decides how much federal funding communities receive for roads, schools, housing and social programs. Hundreds of billions of dollars are at stake each time the census

occurs.

Robert L. Santos, the bureau’s director, displayed little regard for the undercount of minorities. He said the 2020 results were consistent with recent censuses.

“This is notable, given the unprecedented challenges of 2020,” Santos said in a statement. “But the results also include some limitations – the 2020 Census undercounted many of the same population

groups we have historically undercounted, and it overcounted others.”

“We remain proud of the job we accomplished in the face of immense challenges,” Santos said. “And we are ready to work with the stakeholders and the public to leverage this enormously valuable resource fully.”

Terri Ann Lowenthal, a leading expert on the Census and consultant to governments and others with a stake in the count,

told the *New York Times* that the results were “troubling but not entirely surprising.”

“Overall, the results are less accurate than in 2010,” she said.

The bureau estimated that the 2020 census incorrectly counted 18.8 million residents, double-counting some, wrongly including others, and missing others entirely, even as it came extremely close to reaching an accurate count of the overall population.

The *Times* reported that the “estimates released on Thursday – in essence, a statistical adjustment of totals made public last year – are based on an examination of federal records and an extensive survey in which the bureau interviewed residents in some 10,000 census blocks – the smallest unit used in Census tabulations. Bureau experts then compared their answers to the actual Census results for those blocks.”

Officials claimed that the survey enabled the bureau to estimate how many residents it missed entirely in the 2020 count, how many people were counted twice, and how many people – such as deceased persons or short-term visitors to

the United States – were counted mistakenly.

Officials began the count after the pandemic shut down operations in April 2020. After other starts and stops, the Trump administration pressured census takers by inexplicably moving up the deadline to finish the count.

Trump also attempted to add a citizenship question to the census, further muddying attempts at an accurate count.

Many experts complained that more time was required and called the count unreliable. Some called on then-incoming President Joe Biden to order a recount.

“This is the worse Census undercount I’ve seen in my 30 years working on census issues,” Arturo Vargas, CEO of the National Association of Latino Elected Officials Education Fund, said during a news conference.

“I can’t even find the right word. I’m just upset about the extent of the undercount that has been confirmed by the post-enumeration survey,” Vargas said.

“This is a major step backward on this.”

All smiles, Jackson tries for Senate reset on Supreme Court

By Mary Clare Jalonick
Associated Press

Engaging in lawyerly small talk, Missouri Sen. Josh Hawley was telling Supreme Court nominee Ketanji Brown Jackson this past week how he met his wife while clerking at the high court.

Jackson already knew the story, he discovered. She even “filled in some of the details for me.”

“So I thought – she’s very well prepared.”

Jackson was prepared, as well, for the Republican senator’s questions about Guantanamo Bay detainees she represented 15 years ago as a public defender and, after that, in private practice. Hawley said after the meeting that he is still concerned about that part of her record but found her forthcoming and engaging, with a “very high degree” of legal acumen.

“I think her hearings will be very substantive,” he said.

Jackson, who sits on the federal appeals court and would replace retiring Justice Stephen Breyer, is unlikely to need support from Hawley or any other Republican to be confirmed, and may not win over any of them. But as she makes the rounds at the Capitol, traversing from one Senate office to the next before her confirmation hearings later this month, Jackson is networking with zeal, restoring a collegial tone to a confirmation process that had grown increasingly embittered during the Trump era.

“I want to make this a bi-



Jackson

partisan vote,” Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Dick Durbin said after Breyer announced his retirement. “I think it is not only good for the Supreme Court, it’s good for the Senate.”

Democrats and the White House are hoping that Jackson’s enviable resume, empathetic style and historic potential as the first black female justice will win at least a few crossover votes. And because her confirmation to replace the liberal-leaning Breyer wouldn’t shift the ideological balance of the court, Republicans aren’t expending much political energy opposing her.

Durbin and President Joe Biden have been reaching out to some GOP senators personally,

promising to answer any questions and give them extended time with the nominee.

The most gettable Republican vote is Maine Sen. Susan Collins, who has already received three calls from Biden and met Jackson for more than 90 minutes on Tuesday. Collins, one of only three Republicans to vote for Jackson when she was confirmed to the circuit court last year, called the meeting “lengthy and very productive.” She signaled that that the nominee is likely to have her vote.

“She takes a very thorough, careful approach in applying the law to the facts of the case, and that is what I want to see in a judge,” Collins said.

Jackson was prepared for the small talk in that meeting, as

well, telling Collins in the first few minutes that she got engaged to her husband in Maine.

“She passed that test,” Collins joked to reporters in her office as the two women smiled together for the cameras.

Even if other Republicans don’t vote for Jackson, it’s clear that she has impressed many of them as she has navigated the awkward ritual of the meet and greet. Texas Sen. John Cornyn praised her experience as a public defender and said she was “charming.” North Carolina Sen. Thom Tillis noted how prepared she was, a move he said was “wise.” Nebraska Sen. Ben Sasse shook her hand and congratulated her while the two smiled for cameras under a large buffalo head on his office wall.

The effusiveness from some Republicans is a sharp departure from the last several Supreme Court nominations.

In 2016, after the death of Justice Antonin Scalia, the Republican majority denied a vote on President Barack Obama’s nominee, now-Attorney General Merrick Garland, and most Republicans refused even to meet him. Democrats’ frustration over their jilted nominee was ever-present when President Donald Trump nominated Neil Gorsuch to fill the post the next year.

In 2018, Trump nominated Brett Kavanaugh to replace retiring Justice Anthony Kennedy; his confirmation came after an explosive, combative hearing in which Christine Blasey

Ford accused him of sexually assaulting her in high school, which Kavanaugh denied.

And Democrats had few words of praise for Justice Amy Coney Barrett, who Trump nominated to replace the liberal icon Ruth Bader Ginsburg after her death just weeks before 2020 presidential election.

Republican reaction to Jackson hasn’t all been positive. Before Biden named her as the nominee, several Republicans, including Hawley, criticized the president’s pledge to nominate a black woman to the post. Hawley called the pledge “hard woke left.” Texas Sen. Ted Cruz said it was “offensive” to have that criteria. Mississippi Sen. Roger Wicker likened it to affirmative action.

The good vibes could dissipate in the hearings, as well, if race moves to the forefront or if some Republicans make more personal arguments against her. Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell has so far signaled to his ranks to avoid that kind of questioning and keep the focus on issues they see as more damaging to Democrats, like inflation.

Asked about Biden’s pledge to nominate a Black woman, McConnell replied: “Honestly, I did not think that was inappropriate.”

Still, Republicans are sure to question Jackson aggressively at her confirmation hearings, which begin March 21, and criticize her for any rulings that they see as too far to the left. Hawley, Cornyn and Tillis – all

members of the Senate Judiciary Committee – said they have questions about whether Jackson is guided by any specific judicial philosophy.

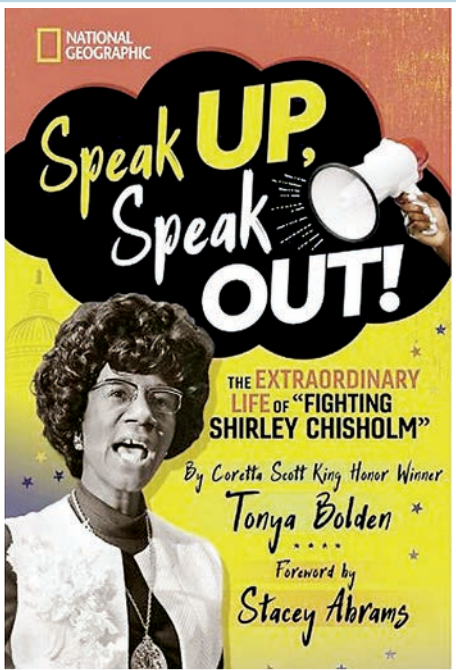
Democrats who have met with the nominee appear thrilled with Biden’s choice, gushing over Jackson’s eight years as a federal judge, her time as a public defender and her ability to connect with others – a quality they say could help her bring the Supreme Court closer together, as well.

Democratic Sen. Mazie Hirono, a member of the Judiciary panel, said that when she met with Jackson she asked the judge what stood out to her most about Breyer, whom she had clerked for many years ago. She said Jackson replied that it was the justice’s ability to reach out to other members of the court.

“Even if she can’t convince other people to her way of approaching a case, I think that that willingness to talk, and understanding another perspective, is a very important aspect of the kind of person she is,” Hirono said.

Another Democrat on the committee, Connecticut Sen. Richard Blumenthal, said after his meeting that Jackson has a “really engaging personality” as well as a superior intellect.

“What really struck me most was her personal depth and warmth, and her intuitive interest in how real people are affected by her decisions beyond the abstract legalisms,” Blumenthal said.



BOOK REVIEW:

SPEAK UP, SPEAK OUT!: THE EXTRAORDINARY LIFE OF ‘FIGHTING SHIRLEY CHISHOLM

BY TONYA BOLDEN, WITH A FOREWORD BY STACEY ABRAMS

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By Terri Schlichenmeyer
Columnist

Sometimes, you just gotta say what you’re going to say. Sometimes, you can’t keep quiet. You simply just have to speak up, especially when you can make a situation better or fix what’s wrong. Those are the times when it’s right to state your opinion and be firm, and in the new book “Speak Up, Speak Out! The Extraordinary Life of ‘Fighting Shirley Chisholm’” by Tonya Bolden, you’ll have good, strong shoulders to stand on while you’re doing it.

Charles Christopher St. Hill

had guts and determination.

He needed it. In early 1923, at age twenty-two, he boarded a ship in Cuba to come to the U.S. to be a shoemaker on Long Island. He “regarded himself” as a Barbadian man and he “fell in with Brooklyn’s tight-knit Bajan community,” but he was happy to become an American.

At about this same time, Ruby Seale boarded a steamer in Barbados to come to New York City, and the two were married in late 1922. In the winter of 1924, they welcomed their first daughter, a girl they named Shirley.

For most of her life, Shirley

and her sisters heard their father say, “God gave you a brain; use it.” He didn’t tolerate laziness or time-wasting – as proof, Shirley’s parents worked constantly, with a goal of buying a house and sending their daughters to college. To give them room to do that, they sent Shirley and her sisters to live with their granny in Barbados. She was “strict” but life was wonderful. Barbados was nothing like Brooklyn.

Once back home, though, Shirley and her sisters settled down to become young ladies and “good Christians.” They attended church and school and

when she graduated, Shirley was ready for college, just like her parents dreamed. She was tiny in stature but big on joining, and she was active with causes she cared about. She fell in love and married but by then, a flame had been lit in the new Mrs. Shirley Chisholm.

Says Bolden, “She had become alive to politics.”

For a kid who’s just learning about the ins and outs of politics, “Speak Up, Speak Out” is a great book to have because it does double-duty: not only does it give children a historical look at what it was like to launch a

political campaign some fifty years ago, but it also introduces them to the first black woman to run for the office of President. It’s lively and relatable.

And somewhat too relaxed.



For much of the first half of this book, author Tonya Bolden repeatedly refers to Chisholm as “Shirls,” which was apparently her childhood nickname. To include it is good, and makes the narrative more child-friendly; to overuse it seems somewhat disrespectful, given the rest of the story. A little less casualness would have gone a long way here.

Still, though this book is good

for 9-to-14-year-olds, and adults who don’t remember Chisholm’s career or her presidential bid will find it useful to read.

Find “Speak Up, Speak Out!” and say yes.

For younger readers who want to know about influential women in history, “Stand Up! 10 Mighty Women Who Made a Change!” by Brittney Cooper, illustrated by Cathy Ann Johnson, is a great book to find. With its mini-biographies and its you-GO-girl tone, it’s a winner for 5-to-9-year-olds.



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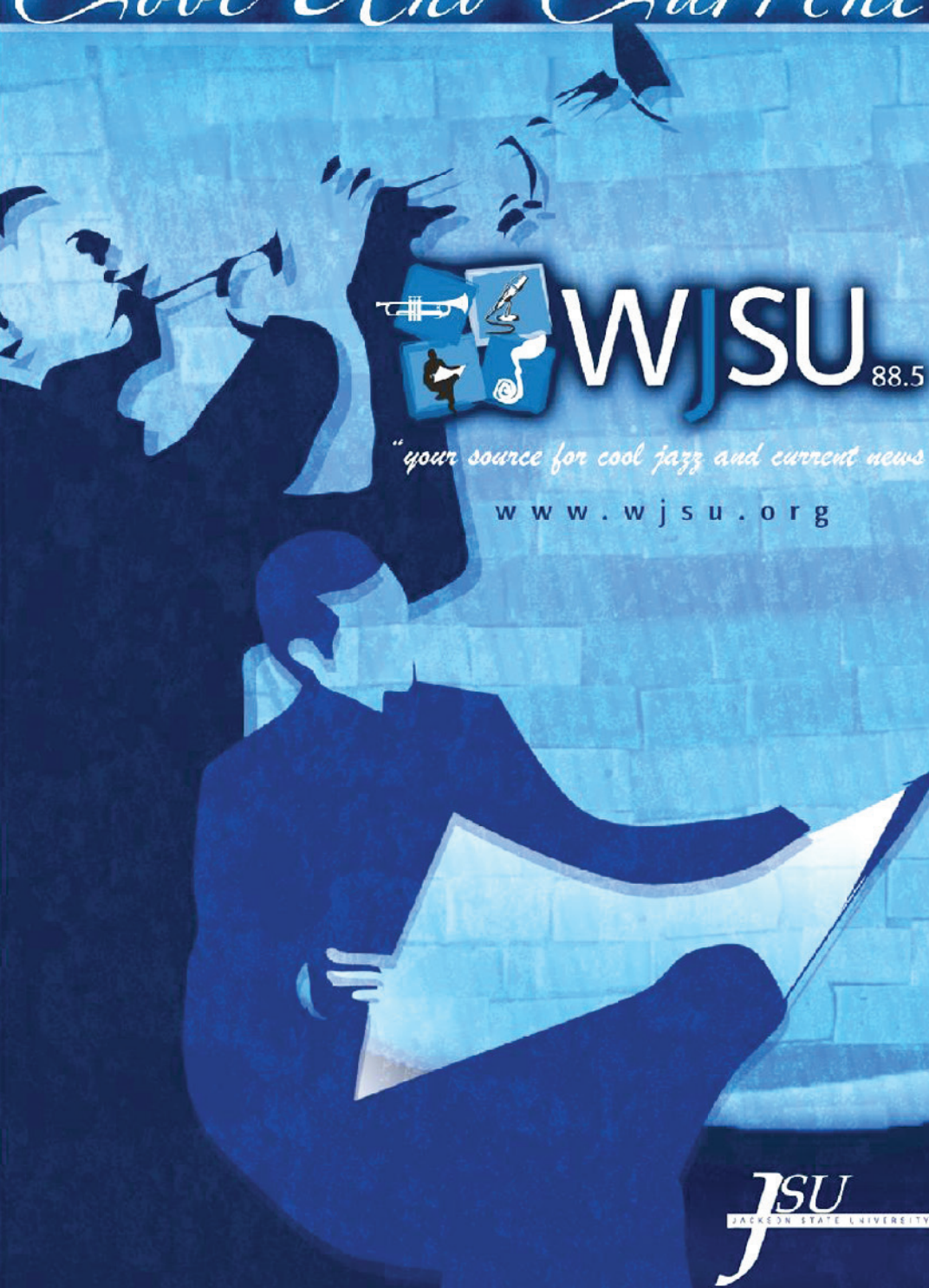
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Hinds County School District Weekly Update

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Raymond High School celebrated Black History Month with a program focusing the talents of the Raymond Arts programs. From monologues, to interpretive dance, to the band, to the choir... Raymond students celebrated the history of the arts of African Americans throughout American history.



Gary Road Intermediate held their Black History Month program on Feb 28, 2022. The program featured a variety of the arts programs from the school. The program was as follows:

