

A two-part series: Senator David Lee Jordan, ‘a maladjusted man’

Part 1: Long-serving, historic lawmaker squashes retirement rumor



Jordan

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There had been an occasional rumor circulating that State Senator David Lee Jordan, Democrat, of Greenwood, was

considering retirement after the current Mississippi legislative session. Apparently, that is all it was: a rumor.

On Tuesday, Feb. 22, (also referred to as 2.22.22), *The*

Mississippi Link sat down in a virtual interview with Jordan from his Senate Office in Jackson to hear first-hand his intentions regarding his career future.

Jordan, a retired educator, has served as one of Mississippi’s leading, history-making lawmakers since 1993. An active member of the Greenwood Voters’ League, Jordan repre-

sents the 24th Senatorial District.

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Jordan

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President Biden nominates Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson for the U.S. Supreme Court



Brown

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For the first time in American history, a black woman has been nominated to serve on the U.S. Supreme Court.

By selecting Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson on Feb. 25, President Joe Biden completed his pledge to select a black woman for the court for the first time in history.

A black woman has never served on the U.S. Supreme Court since it was created in 1789 – over 232 years ago. Since then, only two other black persons have served on the Supreme Court, Thurgood Marshall, who was appointed by President Lyndon Johnson in 1967, and Clarence Thomas, who was appointed by President George H. W. Bush in 1991 amid significant controversy.

In over two centuries, 114 justices have served on the Supreme Court and 108 of them have been white men.

Jackson, 51, currently serves on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. That federal court is seen as a feeder for nominees to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Jackson was born in Washington, D.C., and raised in Miami, Florida. She attended Harvard University for college and law school and was the editor of the *Harvard Law Review*.

She began her legal career as a clerk to U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Stephen Breyer.

In what may have been a clue that Jackson would be nominated, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia broke with tradition on Feb. 24 and issued an opinion on a Thursday. That scheduling change was noted by the media since the court typically only issues opinions on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Only one other woman of color has served on the Supreme Court, Associate Justice Sonia Sotomayor of New York, who was appointed by President Barack Obama in 2009. Three other women have served on the Supreme Court: Sandra Day O’Connor, who was appointed by President Ronald Reagan in 1981; Ruth Bader Ginsberg, who was appointed by President Bill Clinton in 1993; Associate Justice Elena Kagan, who was appointed by President Obama in 2010; and Associate Justice Amy Barrett who was appointed by President Donald Trump in 2020.

In 1958, just 3 percent of law school students were women. In 2020, women made up 54 percent of law students in the United States.

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Russia and inflation take centerstage at SOTU as President briefly mentions voting rights

By Stacy M. Brown
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When President Joe Biden took the podium for the annual State of the Union Address, it marked the first time two women – Vice President Kamala Harris and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi – sat on the dais for the official address.

The President began by addressing the elephant in the room – or at least Eastern Europe.

He declared that the West had united in tackling Russia’s invasion of Ukraine, noting that America would join a host of nations in banning Russian aircraft from its airspace.

“[Russian President] Putin’s war was premeditated and unprovoked. He rejected efforts at diplomacy,” President Biden declared.

“He thought the West and NATO wouldn’t respond. And he thought he could divide us here at home. Putin was wrong. We were ready.”

In both a symbolic move and a show of solidarity, the President entered the Joint Session of Congress escorted by Congresswoman Victoria Spartz (R-Indiana), a Ukrainian-American.

Outside the Capitol, a host of



National Guard soldiers on high alert were stationed to provide extra security.

Domestically and briefly, President Biden called on the Senate to pass voting rights legislation.

“Tonight, I call on the Senate to pass the Freedom to Vote Act

and the John Lewis Voting Rights Act,” President Biden insisted. “And while you’re at it, pass the Disclose Act so Americans can know who is funding our elections.”

He also spelled out his goal of putting a lid on inflation. He pro-

posed cutting the cost of childcare, noting that those living in major cities pay as much as \$14,000 per child each year.

“Middle-class and working folks shouldn’t have to pay more

SOTU

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Henderson

Valerie “Judy” Henderson, born in December of 1954, departed this earthly realm, late in the evening on February 15, 2022 in Jackson, Mississippi. She was 67 years old and a servant of God. Valerie was the 5th of 7 children born to Eugene II and Clara Henderson in Meridian, Mississippi. She was given the nickname, Judy, by her Big Daddy, Washington “Wash” Wilson.

Valerie attended West End Elementary, George Washington Carver Junior High, Kate Griffin Junior High, Meridian High - T. J. Harris Campus and Meridian High schools.

Valerie’s father shared his love of music with her at an early age. For 7th grade band at Carver, he

bought her a new, sterling silver saxophone with pearl buttons. She played that saxophone from Carver all the way through high school.

Valerie graduated from Meridian High School in 1972 where she was a member of the Wildcat Marching Band and Instrumental Music Club. Valerie was also a member of the Hostess Club, in which a select group of female seniors would serve as hostesses during community events. Valerie kept in touch with a lot of her childhood, neighborhood and school friends. She made an effort to actively participate in reunion activities organized by her high school buddies.

Upon graduation from high school, Valerie matriculated to Ole Miss. In 1976, she received her Bachelor of Arts in Education and in 1977 she received a Masters in Library Science from the University of Mississippi in Oxford. She

loved her Alma Mater and kept in touch with several of her college friends.

She returned to Meridian to start her professional career as a librarian and media specialist. She was the head librarian at Poplar Springs Elementary School from 1978 to 1982. She was also a librarian at Meridian Junior College during this time frame. Valerie was then recruited by Hinds County Public Schools and relocated to Jackson. She worked at Byram High School and Edwards Attendance Center.

In addition to her normal duties, she was the advisor for the Library Club and the Media Center Pageant, a sponsor for the yearbook and assisted the newspaper staff.

From 1988 to 1992, she was the librarian and media specialist at Lake Elementary for Jackson Public Schools (JPS). In August of 1992, she continued her career with JPS and began working at

Siwell Road Middle School. She would work there as the librarian and media specialist until her retirement in 2017.

While at Siwell, she was the sponsor for the Reading Fairs, Book Fairs, Paw Print Reading Club and Spelling Bee. She served as PTA treasurer and was on various committees – one of which was the Courtesy Committee that welcomed new teachers to Siwell, amongst other duties.

Over the years she mentored many of her library student assistants. She adored them and the feeling was mutual. She worked tirelessly to encourage and inspire the Siwell students over those 25 years and kept in touch with many.

Valerie’s professional memberships included the American Library Association, the American Association of School Librarians,

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Mississippi police roadblocks violate rights, lawsuit says

By Emily Wagster Pettus
Associated Press

Married couple LaQuenza Morgan and Lauren Rhoades say police officers conduct roadblocks every few months in their mostly black, working-class neighborhood in Mississippi’s mostly black capital city, usually during the busiest times of day when people are going to or from work.

He’s black and she’s white, and they said officers treat them differently. Rhoades, who works at a tourist site in Jackson, said she tries to have her ID ready to show officers and they often don’t even look at it.

“They’ll just say, ‘Go ahead, go through,’” she said Thursday.

Morgan, a banker, said he can’t recall officers ever waving him through without checking his license. Asked if he thinks he faces more scrutiny because he’s black, Morgan said: “Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah. 100%.”

Jackson – which has a black mayor, a black police chief and a mostly black police force – has been using roadblocks for years, with multiple officers stopping vehicles to check for driver’s licenses and auto insurance and to try to find people who are wanted on arrest warrants. During a Feb. 14 news conference, Democratic Mayor Chokwe Antar Lumumba described them as “useful tools” to the police department.

“These roadblocks are important when we have communities that have been plagued by carjackings, plagued by various forms of violence,” Lumumba said.

Morgan and Rhoades are among several named plaintiffs in a lawsuit



Lauren Rhoades (l) and her husband LaQuenza Martin (r), claim the Police Department is violating people’s constitutional rights by using roadblocks to check for driver’s license and car insurance in majority black and low income neighborhoods.
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that the Mississippi Center for Justice filed Thursday to challenge the constitutionality of police roadblocks in Jackson.

The class-action lawsuit says Jackson police are violating people’s constitutional right to be free of unreasonable search and seizure by using roadblocks in majority-black and low-income neighborhoods to try to catch crime suspects.

The Police Department started its latest roadblocks in January in an initiative it calls “Ticket Arrest Tow.”

“By routinely stopping people in certain neighborhoods for crime control purposes without any reason to believe they have committed crimes, (the initiative) treats them like wanted suspects as they drive to and from school or work or for other legitimate reasons,” said the lawsuit.

A spokesman for the mayor’s office, Justin Vicory, said Thursday that the city does not comment on pending lawsuits. He referred to Lumumba’s Feb. 14 remarks about roadblocks.

Last Friday, WLBT-TV reported that Jackson Police Department Chief James Davis said the checkpoints are set up in areas with high rates of violent crime.

“People think that it’s roadblocks,

and people took it wrong that we’re targeting a certain group of people,” Davis said. “Our intent is to get wanted individuals off the streets. We have outstanding warrants where people once again are wanted for murder, aggravated assault, carjacking, rape, drive-by shootings.”

The Police Department said more than 100 felony arrests have been made at checkpoints since January.

Mississippi Center for Justice president and CEO Vangela M. Wade said the lack of a driver’s license, auto registration or liability insurance “hasn’t been shown to be indicative of criminal behavior or intent.” She said she understands the police chief and people in Jackson want to curb crime.

“Our lawsuit is not intended to detract from the city’s efforts but to ensure that everyone’s rights are respected and that disruptive measures are not unfairly imposed on majority black and low-income neighborhoods,” Wade said in a news release Thursday.

Morgan and Rhoades said the roadblocks don’t make them feel safer, and they wish the city would spend money on other services. They have a baby daughter, and they said the park in their neighborhood has rickety bridges that are dangerous for strollers.

Morgan also said poor people might face cascading problems if they are caught without a driver’s license during a roadblock. They might have to miss work to get a new license or to have an outdated one reinstated.

“That can throw your finances into a world of hurt,” he said.





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LaTosha Brown and Flonzie Brown Wright, pacesetters for No Vote-No Voice: Your Choice, Part 2/New Hope Baptist Church’s Eleventh Annual Back in the Day Black History Celebration

By Janice K. Neal-Vincent, Ph.D.
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Six-hundred-forty-three viewers tuned into YouTube and witnessed the grand finale of New Hope Baptist Church’s Eleventh Annual Back in the Day Black History Celebration. The second phase of No Vote-No Voice: Your Choice happened Thursday, February 23 at 6:45 p.m.

Timothy Lloyd, presiding official, wasted no time appealing to African Americans to understand “where we’ve come from because of our forefathers.” He then prayed to God to “empower our citizens to overcome the barriers that have been set to make voting more difficult.”

“Our theme [No Vote-No Voice: Your Choice] is to inform and solicit cooperation and participation in preserving the right to vote. National leadership is good, but indigenous leadership, those folks at the ground level who make a difference in getting people elected to offices in this country, fueled the discussion of generational conversations on voting,” said the Rev. Wendell Howton Paris, prior to introducing the evening’s conversationalists who have Mississippi roots.

Daphne Chamberlain Wilson (Ph.D.), Associate Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs and Associate Professor of History at Tougaloo College, pulled responses regarding African American voting significance from noted rhetoricians: guest LaTosha Brown (co-founder of Black Voters Matter) and Dr. Flonzie Brown Goodloe Wright (Doctor of Humane Letters from Tougaloo College and first African-American female to be elected in the bi-racial town of Canton, Miss. in 1968).

Questions from Wilson, the New Hope Christian School and family were included within the “generational conversation” which led to the following.

“In the 1950s and 60s, many illegal practices continued to discourage blacks from voting. [These practices] continued, even after the passing of the 1965 Voting Rights Act,” said Wright. Wright continued, “Whites had to answer 6 questions to become voters. Blacks had to answer 21 questions. Questions had to be answered to the white registrar’s satisfaction. Examples of questions included: “How many bubbles are in a bar of soap? How many jelly beans are in a jar? How many feathers are on a chicken?”

Recalling illegalities and what she did to help gain the right for African Americans to vote, Wright attested to marching with many national leaders, testifying in court in Washington D.C., campaigning from door-to-door, organizing and conducting mass meetings, organizing the Vernon Dahmer Choir to steer young people to vote and ran “against all odds, including voter suppression” [for the position of an election commissioner in 1968]. The activist explained that the election commissioner’s job is important in training poll workers, designating polling places, counting and certifying final votes to the Secretary of State.

On the other hand, Brown called for a “new democracy” because of acts designed to “induce fear,” “restrict access to polling sights” and “to create laws on the book that have no value.”

Without hesitancy, Brown stated succinctly that African Americans are responsible for creating an environment that they want. “We’ve got to reduce the harm happening in our community



Flonzie Brown Goodloe Wright PHOTOS BY JANICE K. NEAL-VINCENT, PH.D.



Kelsi Rigsby, New Hope Elementary School, questioner



Derrick Aziz, New Hope Cristian School, Questioning Wright and Brown



LaTosha Brown



McKenna Danielle Wheatley receives Obadiah Myles Award from Terrance Myles



George and Ethel Brooks

by giving our people hope and provision. This country owes us, as we have built [its] wealth. We’ve got to hold our elected officials, despite party-affiliation, accountable, and we’ve got to dream the kind of system we can create to serve all the peoples.”

Brown maintained her view: “This isn’t about democracy or a means to an end. The advancement of humanity is what I am submitting.”

Brown then explained to children their value in the voting process. “You are one of the most powerful influencers of your parents. You can tell them to take you to the voting polls... Say ‘Vote for me until I can.’”

Wright and Brown stressed the significance of being vigilant in protecting voting rights. Said Wright: “We must not allow

what we’ve gained to be taken away. As people of color, if we don’t vote, we have no voice and consequently, we have no choice.”

“It is important that you vote. It matters who’s making decisions about our tax dollars. It matters what businesses are able to get government contracts. It matters what counselor determines how much people get paid. It matters where your schools are built,” said Brown.

The rhetoricians concluded that African Americans are the “conscience” of the nation and that unification is the key to creating a new community. Unification produces love for a new community, the kind that “we” rightfully deserve. Love [for the soul of America] can be portrayed at the ballot box.

Terrance Myles – son of Obadiah Myles – presented the Obadiah Myles Award to McKenna Danielle Wheatley, outstanding servant at New Hope Baptist Church and a graduating senior honor student at St. Andrews School. Dr. Myles was a distinguished educator in the Jackson Public School System serving as principal of Siwell Junior High School and Provine High School. A Back in the Day committee member, he modeled endurance, compassion and humility.

George Brooks brought forth youth presenters of famous female inventors who spoke of their accomplishments. Kaitlin Sutton shared that ophthalmologist Patricia E. Bath invented a new device for cataracts and recovered sight of persons who

were blind for 30 years. Ahyana Banks, sophomore at North West Rankin High School, mentioned that Marie Van Brittan Brown invented the first home security system. Victoria Atkins, junior at St. Andrews, noted that Madam C. J. Walker was the first female self-made millionaire.

Entertainment was provided by Grammy nominated songwriter, musician, producer and director, Jerry Smith and the Children of Israel. Heart-warming renditions of Negro Spirituals – Wade in the Water, Swing Low, Sweet Chariot and Queen of Soul, Aretha Franklin’s version of the gospel song – How I got Over (led by feisty Katie Graham) charmed the audience.

Black History Month committee chair, Wright, thanked the committee for their perse-

verance in bringing the program to fruition, along with all that they had done over the years for success. The Rev. Jerry Young (New Hope’s pastor), expressed gratitude to the Mississippi Humanities Council, guests LaTosha Brown, Jerry Smith and the Children of Israel, program participants and viewers.

New Hope Baptist Church is located at 1555 Beasley Rd, Jackson, MS 39206, 601-366-7002.

The program was financially assisted by the National Endowment for the Humanities through the Mississippi Humanities Council.

Visit LaTosha Brown @ <http://www.mslatoshabrown.com> & Flonzie Brown Goodloe Wright @ flonziebrownwright@att.net or @ 937-470-0627.

Democrats express objection to House Universities & Colleges Committee advancing CRT measure to calendar ahead of legislative deadline

Mississippi Link Newswire

The House Universities & Colleges Committee passed the Critical Race Theory (CRT) measure out of committee February 28. Following the committee action to advance SB2113 to a House Floor vote, the Mississippi House Democratic Caucus released the following statement:

Democrats believe that our children deserve an accurate, honest, and quality education, no matter the color of their skin or where they call home.



Rep. Robert L. Johnson

SB2113 seeks to undermine the ability of our educators and hinders our students' ability to better position themselves for the future. The authors of this

measure continue to purposefully mislead and incorrectly define CRT, choosing to divide instead of uniting.

"Democrats are anti-censorship and pro-first amendment. We believe in the right to share ideas, and to receive information and knowledge. We must protect this right, including educators' and students' rights to discuss and learn about history and race in schools," said House Minority Leader Rep. Robert L. Johnson.

"We're calling on the Re-

publican Leadership to allow this measure to die on the calendar. This measure is regressive and is counterproductive to the progress we've made as a state."

Johnson continued, "Should the bill be called up on the Floor within the next coming days, Democrats in the House stand ready to defend the freedom of our educators and students during floor debate and will vote against this measure."

Congressman Thompson announces offer of appointment to the United States Military Academy West Point

Special to the Mississippi Link

On Monday, U.S. Representative Bennie G. Thompson (D-MS) announced an offer of appointment to the United States Military Academy West Point for the Second Congressional District.

Ravion M. Lightfoot has been nominated by Congressman Thompson to the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, the U. S. Naval Academy, the U. S. Air Force Academy and the U. S. Merchant Marine Academy. He has received an appointment to the U. S. Military Academy at West Point.

Lightfoot will graduate from William B. Murrah High School, Jackson, MS in May 2022.

He is currently a member of the National Honor Society where he has consistently maintained high honor roll status every year in high school. He has a GPA of 4.2 and has an ACT composite score of 29.

He has earned the Scholastic Gold Key Winner 2019-2020; earned the highest grade in AP Comp Principles from 2020-2021 School Year; and ranked #1 in the District Academic Bowl. He is also a member of the JROTC staff, Civil Air Patrol, a three-year member of the Robotics Club, Quiz Bowl Team and Rocket League E-Sports Team. He attended Boys State, where he won the position of State Senator.

He is the founding member of the newly organized Rooted Heritage Club which supports and advo-



Lightfoot

icates for minority populations. He serves as student council parliamentarian for 2021-2022.

Additionally, his athletic pursuits include varsity soccer, where he achieved top goalie status in the state, member of the Cadet Fitness Team, which he won district championship and cross country. He has proven academic and leadership skills as well as excellent analytical skills.

He has performed volunteer work for the Stewpot, 5K Run for Little Ones, volunteer for CAP (Civil Air Patrol), and Wellsfest with Wells United Methodist Church. His hobbies include, reading, sports, music and athletic training.

He is the son of Lasonya Lightfoot residing in Jackson, Mississippi.

Lightfoot received a "Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition" in recognition of his offer of appointment to the United States Air Force Academy and for outstanding academic achievement.

Congressman Thompson stated if anyone is interested in attending a Military Academy, they may contact his academy representative, Shander Gund, at (662) 741-9003 or via e-mail at shander.gund@mail.house.gov

Congressman Thompson announces nomination to the United States Air Force Academy

Mississippi Link Newswire

On Monday, U.S. Representative Bennie G. Thompson (D-MS) made an announcement regarding an offer of appointment to the United States Air Force Academy for the Second Congressional District.

Gracie Lay has been nominated by Congressman Thompson to the U.S. Air Force Academy. She will graduate from Central Hinds Academy, Raymond, MS in May 2022. She is currently a member of the National Honor



Lay

Society, Science National Honor Society Student Council and Mu Alpha Theta. She has a GPA of 4.3 and has an ACT compos-

ite score of 21. Additionally, her athletic pursuits include track and field, football and rigorous physical fitness and strength training and flight lessons. She was named Most Valuable Offensive Player and Team Captain for 2021 varsity soccer.

Her hobbies include reading, flying, sports and being a fitness guru. She has also performed volunteer work for the Mississippi Animal Rescue League (MARL), Toys for Tots and Joni & Friends. Additionally, Gra-

cie helps to cook and distribute food and clothing to the homeless at Raymond United Methodist Church.

Gracie is the daughter of Robert and Tiffany Lay residing in Raymond, Mississippi.

Congressman Thompson stated that if anyone is interested in attending a Military Academy, they may contact his academy representative, Shander Gund, at (662) 741-9003 or via e-mail at shander.gund@mail.house.gov



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Mississippi physicians address misinformation about COVID-19 and vaccines

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The Institute for the Advancement of Minority Health, IAMH, is hosting a panel discussion with two local doctors at 7 p.m., Tuesday, March 15, 2022. Dr. Timothy Quinn and Dr. Fred Kency Jr., will talk about misinformation, lies and myths regarding COVID 19 and vaccines.

Asia McCoy, IAMH program manager, will moderate the conversation.

Dr. Kency was selected as the American Academy of Emergency Medicine's (AAEM) first Black Young Physicians Section director during AAEM's 27th annual Scientific Assembly in St. Louis, Missouri.

Dr. Kency, a board-certified emergency medicine physician, is also one of AAEM's 2021 Board of Directors.

Dr. Kency is a community emergency medicine physician at Baptist Medical Center in Jackson, Mississippi. He is an assistant professor of emergency medicine at the University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC), and also served as a physician for the U.S. Navy from 2011-2015.

Dr. Timothy Quinn is medical director of Quinn Healthcare, PLLC. As a family physician, he thoroughly understands the human condition



Dr. Kency

adutilizes effective communication, teaching and interpersonal skills to empower patients to make significant

lifestyle changes to improve their health. Dr. Quinn serves as the principal investigator of multiple clinical



Dr. Quinn

trials for Merck and Eli Lilly Pharmaceutical Company.

During the past two years, Dr.

Quinn has worked with the Mississippi State Department of Health on several grants including Pre-Diabetes and Chronic Disease Quality Initiatives.

He is a member of the City of Jackson Medical Taskforce, as well as the collaborating physician for the City of Jackson Employee's Clinic. Dr. Quinn is also a collaborating physician for Cigna Health Springs. He developed and is currently leading the Children's Health Initiative, to raise awareness of the importance of childhood physicals, partnering with MS State Medical Association, MS Academy of Pediatrics and MS Academy of Family Medicine.

The public is invited to register for a #TruthCheck discussion by using the link below:

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/Cpa3tH7/truthcheckevent>

The Institute for the Advancement of Minority Health was established in 2019 to reduce health disparities among disadvantaged and underserved minority populations in Mississippi through the development of collaborative partnerships with community stakeholders and the implementation of evidence-based public health interventions with a particular focus on health equity.

Living to be 100; I have 29 years to go

By Vince Faust

Tips to Be Fit

If I told you that it was possible to live to 100 in good health you would probably think I was trying to sell you something or not believe me at all. Science and the Bible point out we can live to be 100. The number of centenarians in the U.S. has grown 65.8 percent over the past three decades, from 32,194 people who were age 100 or older in 1980 to 53,364 centenarians in 2010.

Remember, genetics explain only 20 to 35 percent of an individual's chance of living to 100. I can never guarantee that any one will live to be 100 but I can help you reduce your risk of issues that reduce your life expectancy.

Most of the scientific findings indicated that communities with mixed-age were beneficial for everyone. Communities that made streets more walkable for exercise, easier for grocery stores and medical care had healthier seniors. Cites offered more age diversity than urban areas and seniors were less likely to experience isolation and had more community support. Women are more likely than men to reach age 100.

A lot of other lifestyle issues will affect your longevity and the probability of your aging gracefully include lifelong learning, volunteerism, care giving, leisure time activities, a good career and access to transportation.

Here are some tips that can help increase your life expectancy. If you follow my column you know most of them:

Drink in moderation

Aging slows down senior's ability to break down alcohol. Alcohol will remain in an older person's system longer. Because of this reason some seniors can feel an increase in the effects from the same amount of alcohol they drank when younger. This can



cause more accidents. This can include falls, fractures and car crashes. Older women are more sensitive than men to the effects of alcohol. **Turn off the TV**

A study published in the *British Journal of Sports Medicine*, stated that every hour of TV you watch after age 25 cuts your lifespan by about 22 minutes. They also found that people who spent an average of six hours a day watching TV died nearly five years earlier than people who didn't watch any TV at all.

Sleep naked

Sleeping nude could help you live longer. A study published in the journal *Diabetes* stated that because as we

sleep, our bodies cool slightly, causing reparative growth hormones to be released. If you're too warm, you get fewer of those hormones. Being cooler reduces your body's level of cortisol, the stress hormone that can lead to overeating, diabetes and disease-causing inflammation.

Sleeping nude might not be your cup of tea but you need your sleep. The amount of sleep needed each night varies among people. Research has shown that when healthy adults are allowed to sleep unrestricted, the average time slept is 8 to 8.5 hours. Some people need more than that to avoid problem sleepiness.

Move to Hawaii

A 65-year-old Hawaiian can expect to live another 16.2 years in good health. That's compared to the 10.6 years of good health that a 65 year old in Mississippi can expect, according to 2013 data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). I haven't written an article about the best state to live in. If you can't move, get involved in making your city or state a better place to live. This will help increase your lifespan.

Lift weights

A study in *Archives of Gerontology and Geriatrics* found that muscle strength helped improve participants

bone density. This reinforces the idea that weight training can have positive effects on the aging process. Stronger bones help you lead a healthier lifestyle. Older people who exercise regularly defied the aging process, have better immunity levels, have greater muscle mass and lower cholesterol levels.

Walk fast

According to a 2019 study published in the journal *Mayo Clinic Proceedings* found that participants that put a little pep in their step lived longer. A 30-minute brisk walk is a very good aerobic activity. Studies show that walking promotes heart health, helps with weight loss, boosts mood and even helps to reduce your risk for cancer.

Brush and floss

Did you know that if you have problems with your teeth and gums it can affect your health in a number of adverse ways. A number of studies show that good oral health can play a major role in preventing a number of serious health conditions that include heart disease, diabetes, pneumonia, dementia, rheumatoid arthritis and some types of cancer.

Eat less but eat right

In the city of Okinawa in Japan they found two reasons their population had a large concentration of centenarians. These Japanese ate smaller portions and less frequently over-ate.


Your daily basics

Protein -----	2 servings
Vegetables -----	4 to 6 servings
Fruit -----	3 to 6 servings
Grain -----	2 to 4 servings
Dairy products -----	2 servings

Before starting your fitness program, consult your physician.

We must celebrate the achievements of African Americans every month of the year

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

 Knowing about the history of African Americans has been an important part of my life. It is my cultural obligation to know about my past, present and understand what may happen in the future.

I am black and I am proud. Musical icon James Brown had a hit song especially for people who look like me. There are still occasions now when I listen to that song. If you haven't for a while, go ahead as it will make you feel good about yourself.

We recently celebrated Black History Month. February is the designated month. Is one month enough? Of course not.

First, we had a Black History Week and now Black History Month. Obviously, there is great merit in having this month set aside just for us.

Last month, we had various programs and events which highlighted the accomplishments of African Americans. Commercials on radio and television along with contests filled our appetites for culturally relevant content.

During February, professional basketball and football fulfilled their obligation to stay current with the times. Will you see or hear any of those commercials in March? That is a question at the rim and on the goal line.

They created special apparel with an African American focus. Financial support in the form of scholarships was targeted for Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

The NCAA was not to be outdone as they created special messages about Black History Month.

So, everyone had a Black History Month advertisement or slogan.

As we know, President Gerald Ford officially recognized Black History Month in February 1976. Before that "official recognition," we still honored our heroes because we knew our history and the importance of it.

I never thought Black History Month would be a political conversation piece, but it is.

Black History Month has now spilled over into Michigan politics. Just think, when you think that you have seen it all, there is always something new.

Austin Cheng is running to become Michigan's next governor. He wants to end Black History Month in the state of Michigan. He wants to establish the American History Month in February. Is he serious? Apparently, he is.

Chenge said, "We don't need to have multiple history months for the Black History Month, or any other history month for that matter. All that should matter is the American History Month because that's what binds us together." His proposal has resulted in a strong response from the Lansing Michigan NAACP.

Second vice president, James McCurtis said, "I think when you come in and attack a full body of history of people that made great contributions to this country, that, to me, is the approach of divisiveness and not an approach of bringing people together."

He added, "There were many years of history lessons in schools in books that excluded black history, as if it didn't exist, and that's the reason why Carter G. Woodson started Black History Week and then you know, became Black History Month."

We have made contributions from stop lights to science and from civil rights to equal rights.

Children in our schools, both black and white, need to know about Garrett Morgan and Charles Drew. These men improved the quality of life for all Americans.

Now, as we leave Black History Month, we cannot let black history leave us. Because the month has gone, we must still celebrate the achievement of African Americans.

I believe places of worship must create a "Moments in Black History" segment in their services. This type of initiative will keep the awareness and we will learn something as well.

Community centers and media outlets must develop campaigns and posters that feature us. Let us not have another year go by when we de-emphasize Black history once February is gone.

Our ancestors made our contributions possible, and we stand on their shoulders. Now it's our turn to have today's contributors stand on our shoulders.

Ukraine's President Volodymyr Zelensky epitomizes authentic patriotism and bravery

By Leon Williams
Contributing Writer



It's been reported that while his country is being assailed by rocket fire, missiles and the threat of nuclear annihilation, Ukraine's President Zelenskyy has been offered opportunities to access a personal escape hatch by the United States and NATO (North Alliance Treaty Organization). Zelensky's unwavering refusal to run for cover is no minor development, particularly since he's been personally named as a direct target for eradication by Russia's President Vladimir Putin's unlawful invasion of Ukraine.

The fact that the relatively young Zelensky, at only 44 years old, has held no prior political office and comes to politics as a novice is even more startling. He holds a degree in law from the Kyiv National Economic University and prior to becoming Ukraine's President Zelensky was a successful producer of TV shows. His personal net worth of over \$700 million makes his position of unlikely warrior mind-boggling!

Zelensky's unwavering response to the U.S. when offered a way out was, "The fight is here: I need ammunition, not a ride." This development, given its convoluted circumstances, clearly



Zelensky, pictured above, told the U.S., "The fight is here; I need ammunition, not a ride," according to the embassy.

brings into question what personal conditions allow one to internalize patriotism as a guiding principle, particularly the willingness to sacrifice fortune, life and limb for one's country.

Ukraine, Europe's second largest country by population (44 million), is nearly 100% Caucasian, which may offer some insight into the patriotism being displayed by not just Zelensky, but also millions of ordinary citizens who have taken up arms to help defend their country.

The patriotic engine driving Zelensky and his compatriots is an innate sentiment they have

everything to lose and nothing to gain by not defending their country. On the other hand, far too many people of color in the U.S. feel they have nothing to gain and nothing to lose.

The United States, populated by diverse ethnic groups, presents a more convoluted narrative when the question of patriotism arises. In fact, there is no straight-line narrative about how U.S. patriotism is defined. Political sloganeering and waving the red, white and blue does little to negate the harsh day-to-day realities confronted by people of color.

The ever-growing conservatism in the U.S. court system, expansive assaults on voting rights, banning of culturally sensitive books in libraries, local schools and universities and the steadily rising personal attacks on people of color and their institutions, further obscures the definition of true American patriotism.

Unfortunately, there is no silver bullet for how this dilemma is reconciled. One thing for sure; without a social course correction, adversaries of the U.S. may not have to invade the United States, but simply wait for America to internally self-destruct.

Let's talk about Celia

By Oscar H. Blayton
Pres. Black Chamber of Commerce



At 2:30 p.m. on Dec. 21, 1855, Celia was hung in Callaway County, Missouri.

Her crime: Defending herself against a rapist who had sexually assaulted her for years.

There is no documentation of Celia's birthdate, birthplace or parentage. Her recorded history begins when she was purchased at the age of 14 in 1850 by a man named Robert Newsom. Records show that Newsom purchased Celia in Audrain County, Missouri, but the record is unclear as to whether the first time he raped her was on the return trip to his farm in Callaway County or immediately upon arriving at his farm.

A year after his wife's death, Newsom bought the 14-year-old for the explicit purpose of sexual exploitation. And for the next five years, he subjected Celia to repeated rapes. Newsom placed Celia in a brick cabin near the main house for his convenience and abused her often.

It is reported that Celia had appealed to Newsom's white adult daughters to intervene and stop their father's repeated assaults. But there is no evidence that they did anything to aid her.

At 16, Celia was pregnant with her first child by Newsom, a daughter. Within two years after

that, she gave birth to a second daughter by her enslaver. In the summer of 1855, Celia, now 19, was having difficulty during her third pregnancy by Newsom and was sick much of the time.

On June 23, 1855, she was desperate and appealed directly to Newsom to leave her alone. His response was to tell her that he was coming to her that night to rape her.

Unable to endure the sexual abuse any longer, Celia found a large tree branch to use as a club and took it back to the cabin she shared with her two small daughters.

That night, when Newsom entered Celia's cabin while her two children were present, Celia pleaded with him to leave her alone. He ignored her, but she managed to grab the club and struck him in the head. This blow did little more than anger Newsom who lunged at her. She delivered a second blow to his head that killed him. Realizing the extreme danger she was in for killing him, Celia attempted to dispose of Newsom's body by rolling him into the cabin's fireplace. She spent the night reducing his body to ashes and a few small fragments of charred bone.

When Newsom's family became aware of his disappearance, they instituted a search and discovered ashes that Celia had scattered along the path leading from her cabin to the stables. After intense questioning and threats by mem-

bers of the family, Celia confessed to the killing and was arrested.

The record of the trial in the Callaway County court is evidence of the inhumane way enslavers denied justice to the enslaved. Celia was not allowed to testify in court. Instead, the court appointed two investigators to take her statement and present it to the court through their testimony.

At the time of Celia's trial, Missouri law forbade anyone "to take any woman unlawfully against her will and by force, menace or duress, compel her to be defiled." However, the presiding judge, William Augustus Hall, refused to instruct the jury that the enslaved Celia fell within the meaning of "any woman," which prevented the jury from considering Celia's killing of Newsom as a justifiable act of self-defense. In most of the antebellum slave states, sexual assault of an enslaved woman was considered a trespass, and owners could not be accused of trespass on their own property.

Celia was sentenced to death by hanging on Nov. 16, 1855. The execution date was set to allow for the birth of Celia's third child by Newsom. Under Missouri law, a pregnant woman could not be executed until after the birth of the baby.

Court records indicate she delivered a stillborn baby while in custody. While Celia was not afforded the protection of the law so she could defend herself from

rape, she was considered a woman when she was carrying a valuable unborn baby to be enslaved.

Celia managed to escape from jail before the November execution date, but she was captured, and she was hanged on Dec. 21.

We should remember Celia to honor her as someone who was denied justice in so many ways during her short life. But we should also remember her trial as representative of the American judicial system.

Contrary to the mythical narrative, laws are not neutral. They are created by certain individuals within a community to establish and maintain a particular public order. And that public order is most often designed to serve those who make the laws and those voters who put the lawmakers in power.

The enslaved, like Celia, had no vote in 1855 Missouri, and what was considered justice was delivered to Celia at the end of a rope. Who knows what type of justice will be delivered to marginalized Americans if we allow the vote to be taken away from us? For this reason, we must struggle with all our might to protect the votes of people of color, poor people, members of the LGBTQ community and other marginalized peoples.

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P R E S E R V E D

Ukraine and the power of persistence

By Shewanda Riley
Columnist



These words are an English translation of words that were spoken to a heavily armed Russian soldier by a furious Ukrainian woman. The video of this confrontation circulated via social media just days after the Russian invasion of Ukraine last week. This confrontation was hailed by many as an indication of the fierce determination of the Ukrainian people to resist the illegal occupation of their country.

Even if you do not understand the Ukrainian language, you can tell by the tone of her

words and her body language that she is not afraid of the armed soldier. In fact, as the soldier repeats that he does not want it to escalate, she does not change her tone and persisted in talking to him. Eventually, she walks away.

Much like the Joshua and his men at the battle of Jericho in Joshua 6:1-27, the Ukrainians are following a specific strategy of persistence even if it looks odd to the rest of the world.

The soldiers at Jericho received their strategy from the Lord in Joshua 6, verses 2-5, "But the LORD said to Joshua, "I have given you Jericho, its king, and all its strong warriors. You and your fighting men should march around the town once a day for six days. Seven priests will walk ahead of the Ark, each carrying a ram's horn. On the seventh day you are to march around the town

seven times, with the priests blowing the horns. When you hear the priests give one long blast on the rams' horns, have all the people shout as loud as they can. Then the walls of the town will collapse, and the people can charge straight into the town."

The men followed God's order to march around the city walls seven days.

Can you imagine being one of those men who marched in silence around the walls for six days? Imagine what they were thinking." This is stupid." "Joshua has lost his mind." They persevered and, in the end, their collective efforts paid off for them. On the seventh day, they walked around the wall seven times. On the seventh time, they shouted and as God had promised, the walls came down.

In looking at news coverage of Ukrainian citizen response

to the Russian invasion, I noticed that there seemed to have an unshakeable focus on one thing: active resistance. From President Zelensky to sports teams, there are numerous stories of citizens getting guns and making Molotov cocktails to defend their country. It is that persistence at the early part of the occupation that is giving Ukrainians an edge over the powerful military weaponry of Russia.

We pray that God intervenes swiftly to bring peace to Ukraine and bring an end to the strife.

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Stumbling blocks that Satan uses

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



We read in Isaiah 1:18, "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

If you are not saved, let us reason together. I ask you to open your heart for a few minutes and reason this out in your mind. It seems so easy when, in essence, the Lord said: "I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing. Choose you this day whom you will serve."

have the power to do. However, God's power and God's Spirit are strong enough to break the bondage of those sinful habits.

Friend, if you are bound by the tobacco habit, you might say, "I have tried to quit, but I can't do it." You cannot quit; however, God's power can give you the victory to overcome that stumbling block.

A stumbling block for some people is that they are unfaithful to their spouse. They want to get saved, but they know that if they get saved, they will have to make it right with their spouse. The fear of that keeps them from getting right with God. God can work out any situation. The devil make that look so impossible and so hard. Friend, with God's help you can get through that difficulty.

Another stumbling block for some people is that they are unwilling to give up the world. My friend, God can and will change your heart and make you a new creature. Then old things will pass away, and all things will become new. With God's help, you will want to give up that sin. He will give you the power to give up whatever it might be.

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Many times, after hearing God's Word preached, I have observed individuals with tears streaming down their faces, yet they held on to the pew in front of them and refused to move to the altar. Sad, Satan made the decision seem so difficult by placing stumbling blocks before them. The devil put before me reasons that I needed to wait and get saved some time later.

A stumbling for some is the addiction to drugs or alcohol. They know if they get saved, they will have to stop drinking or stop using drugs, and that is something they do not think they



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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, 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 on a curve to the left, said curve 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.

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.

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 ¼) and the East Half (E 1/2) 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 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, 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 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 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.

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.

WITNESS my signature this 28th day of February 2022.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
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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.

TRACT 3

A tract of land consisting of 0.059 acres situated in the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼) of Section I, Township 6 North, Range 1 East, Hinds County, Mississippi being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

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1	20293	13-067894	1999 FORD MUSTANG (SILVER)	1FAFP4041XF233267	130	28867	19-025904	POLARIS ATV (BLACK)	UNKNOWN	259	40300	20-095211	2015 DODGE CHALLENGER (GRAY)	203DDZAG68FH758114	20293
2	22883	14-235083	1999 TOYOTA CAMRY (BLACK)	JT2BG22K9W0118497	131	28894	19-030073	2000 INFINITI I30 (GREEN)	JNKCAC31A7Y1123614	260	40304	20-095992	2001 DODGE RAM (SILVER)	2GCEC19V021334134	22883
3	23130	15-030058	YAHAMA MANNING STAR (BLACK)	UNKNOWN	132	28920	19-036112	HONDA FOREMAN (RED)	UNKNOWN	261	40310	20-096595	2012 FORD FEIST (SILVER)	3FADP4EJ2CM169966	23130
4	23205	15-040095	1998 DODGE RAM	187HC16X4WS738627	133	28937	19-039128	2006 CHEVY AVED LS (SILVER)	KL1TD6686B632653	262	40324	20-098267	2004 HYUNDAI SANTE FE (BLACK)	KM8SC13D74U659823	23205
5	23297	15-054651	2006 ARTIC CAT 4WHEELER (GREEN)	UNKNOWN	134	28949	19-040798	CHEVROLET 2500 (MAROON)	N/A	263	40347	20-062730	2009 DODGE RAM 2500 (BLACK)	3D7KS2T899G514182	23297
6	23326	15-061010	2005 CHEVROLET IMPALA (TAN)	2G1VH52K759163894	135	28951	19-042096	2011 SCION TC (GRAY)	JTKJF5C7683016139	264	40370	20-104573	1998 TOYOTA CAMRY (GOLD)	4T1BG22K6WU285850	23326
7	23428	15-075477	2001 FORD F-150 (BLACK)	1FTRX17L61N837926	136	28953	19-042962	2005 RENDEZOUS SUV (MAROON)	UNKNOWN	265	40374	20-105418	2000 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN (GRN)	2B4GP44G2YR63047	23428
8	23432	15-076127	BASKETBALL GOAL (BLACK)	UNKNOWN	137	28956	19-040577	2003 HYUNDAI ELANTRA (GRAY)	KMHND45D63U561477	266	40381	20-106587	2013 HONDA ACCORD (SILVER)	1HGCRTF59D0A129521	23432
9	23697	15-111487	2004 VOLVO C70 (SILVER)	YV1NC63D74J047311	138	28986	19-046651	BASKETBALL GOAL	UNKNOWN	267	40382	20-106635	2006 CHRYSLER 300C (GREEN)	2CEKA63H66H441943	23697
10	23725	15-115149	LOAD CS8 TRAILER (BLACK)	4ZECH182XE1058373	139	29015	19-050879	2003 DODGE STRATUS (BLUE)	1B3EL36X24N146350	268	40383	20-106786	1998 TOYOTA CAMRY (TAN)	4T1BG22K1WU323761	23725
11	23740	15-117489	HAMMERHEAD GO-CART (RED)	N/A	140	29033	19-017865	2014 FORD F-150 RAPTOR (WHITE)	1FTFW1R64FCF48116	269	40387	20-107337	2016 NISSAN ALTIMA (GRAY)	1N4AL3AP9GC198326	23740
12	24393	15-216086	1999 TOYOTA COROLLA (SILVER)	1NXBR12ESXZ021761	141	29042	19-057720	2006 BMW 650I (BLACK)	WBAEK13406CN77877	270	40391	20-108329	2000 CHEVY SILVERADO (GRAY)	2GCEC19T1Y1204399	24393
13	24431	15-220174	SUZUKI ATV (GREEN)	N/A	142	29069	19-062953	2007 LEXUS ES (BLACK)	JTHBJ466G72004486	271	40398	20-109041	2010 DODGE JOURNEY (WHITE)	3D4PF481AT102229	24431
14	24529	15-235130	2013 NISSAN MURANO (BLACK)	JN8A21MW6DW320505	143	29076	19-064574	2008 NISSAN ALTIMA (GREEN)	1N4AL21E58N461524	272	40421	20-113152	2007 CHEVROLET AVEO (RED)	KL1TD666778793285	24529
15	24602	16-008611	1995 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN (GREEN)	1GNEC16K4S1316792	144	29084	19-066810	2007 CHEVROLET HHR (GRAY)	3GNDA2D3D475511231	273	40424	20-094427	2009 KAWASAKI ORV (BLK/GREEN)	JKAAXMWC69A011499	24602
16	24615	16-009801	1997 LINCOLN TOWNCAR (GREEN)	1LNLM82W8VY707269	145	29087	19-067109	2003 PONTIAC MONTANA (BLACK)	1GMDX13E73D277568	274	40425	20-113352	2016 CHEVROLET TAHOE (BLACK)	1GNSK8C3GR107448	24615
17	24640	16-006577	1995 GMC SIERRA (GREEN)	1GTEC14H82S553089	146	29094	19-066484	2002 CADILLAC DEVILLE (SILVER)	1G6KD54YS2U277543	275	40441	20-115578	2005 CHEVROLET IMPALA (BLACK)	2G1WFS2E59381849	24640
18	24659	16-015071	2007 DODGE CHARGER (BLACK)	2B3KA43G37H785160	147	29094	19-066484	2002 CADILLAC DEVILLE (SILVER)	1G6KD54YS2U277543	276	40442	20-115594	1997 NISSAN ALTIMA (SILVER)	1N4B031D8V2C527824	24659
19	24779	16-030275	1999 ACURA 35R (BLACK)	JH4KA9657XC004745	148	29104	19-070865	2002 NISSAN ALTIMA (TAN)	1N4AL11P82C130652	277	40444	20-115670	2016 HONDA ACCORD (GRAY)	1HGCRTF51GA055922	24779
20	24831	16-037517	2000 FORD TAURUS (GREEN)	1FAPP5S58YA226361	149	29113	19-068660	2002 FORD EXPLORER (BLACK)	1FMYU60E12UC04075	278	40445	20-115672	2007 HONDA 450R (WHITE)	JH2TE32097K106644	24831
21	24862	16-041752	2003 PONTIAC VIBE (WHITE)	5Y2SL628232474764	150	29133	19-074372	1988 CHEVY SILVERADO (BLK/GRAY)	2GDCD14KAJ1200332	279	40447	20-115778	1999 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS(SILVER)	2MEFM75W7X688870	24862
22	24896	16-046727	2010 KIA RIO (WHITE)	KNADH4A31A6646363	151	29147	19-081084	2002 MERCURY SABLE (SILVER)	1MGFM50U32A632792	280	40462	20-117919	2010 HONDA ACCORD (BLACK)	1HGCP2F49AA025555	24896
23	25003	16-060297	1989 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE (WHITE)	1G2H545C5KW285573	152	29149	19-082156	2015 HONDA CRF450R (YELLOW)	JH2PE0537FKA01312	281	40464	20-118275	2005 PONTIAC GS GT (WHITE)	1G2AN18877357537	25003
24	25027	16-063236	1993 BUICK CENTURY (GREEN)	1G4AG55N6P6484647	153	29171	19-086722	2014 CHEVROLET TAHOE (GREEN)	1GNEC13V44R232118	282	40467	20-118570	2010 FORD FUSION (BLACK)	3FAHP0HAXR233287	25027
25	25058	14-093499	2007 HONDA CBR (RED)	JH2C527037M304145	154	29199	19-091305	2016 CHEVROLET MALIBU (BLACK)	1G1ZB55T5GF352593	283	40469	20-119220	2006 CHEVY IMPALA (SILVER)	2G1WC581T69136273	25058
26	25103	16-071880	GO-KART (GREEN)	UNKNOWN	155	29203	19-079402	2005 CHEVROLET AVALANCHE (BLUE)	3GNEC12286G139951	284	40471	20-119819	2008 SATURN VUE (BLUE)	3G5CL3P285690857	25103
27	25387	16-113150	2014 CHEVROLET CRUZE (RED)	1G1PCS585E7120403	156	29205	19-095341	1995 FORD RANGER (WHITE)	1FTCR1A0DSUA95723	285	40486	20-121919	2004 CHEVY AVALANCHE (TAN)	UNKNOWN	25387
28	25435	16-120042	2011 KAWASAKI MOTORCYCLE (RED)	KJAZXB0101B513198	157	29216	19-096313	1998 HONDA ACCORD (BLACK)	1HGCC1651WA048676	286	40487	20-121978	2007 CHEVROLET COBALT (BLACK)	1G1K55F37T154270	25435
29	25480	16-125889	1995 HONDA ACCORD (WHITE)	1HGPC7257SA014396	158	29217	19-093093	1998 CHEVROLET SILVERADO (MAROON)	1GCEK19TX1E161530	287	40490	20-122110	2003 FORD MUSTANG (RED)	1FAFP40413F357078	25480
30	25553	16-135488	2005 PONTIAC GRAND AM (GRAY)	1G2NE52E65M179520	159	29219	19-098598	2005 CHEVROLET EQUINOX (BLACK)	2CNDL13F356081696	288	40497	20-122751	1995 HONDA CIVIC (GRAY)	2HGFE12335H58912	25553
31	25691	16-156165	2004 LINCOLN NAVIGATOR (BEIGE)	1LMFU27R34J138006	160	29232	19-100692	1999 SUZUKI GSXR (RED)	J51VP52A9X2100790	289	40500	20-123022	2012 KAWASAKI DIRT BIKE (GREEN)	JKAAXMWC2CA017921	25691
32	25759	16-168264	1998 CHEVY 1500 VAN (WHITE)	1G8FG15R9W1019401	161	29272	19-107710	1985 BUICK PARK AVENUE (GREEN)	1G4CW6932F1511168	290	40502	20-1161929	2008 HONDA CIVIC (BLUE)	1HGFA16848LH15943	25759
33	25775	16-165998	YAHAMA 4WHEELER (GRAY)	N/A	162	29277	19-108892	2010 FORD F-150 (BLACK)	1FTFW1E4VAFD10993	291	40506	20-123309	1994 MAZDA B300 (GREEN)	4F4CR16UGRTM52989	25775
34	25878	16-187725	1988 GMC SIERRA (GREEN)	1GTF24K0J2S09284	163	29294	19-111975	2002 FORD EXPLOR							

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4. Type of gasoline
10. Wing
11. Moaner
12. Male sheep
13. Beverage
14. White-flowered plant
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17. Jab
18. Personal computer (abbr.)
20. State of being
22. Psych up
26. Female sheep
29. Loan shark
31. Injury
33. Second day of the wk.
34. "Pathfinder" maker
35. South southeast
36. Storm
37. Japanese money

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1. Heats leftovers
2. Braid
3. Mother
4. Has
5. Tacky
6. Facial twitch
7. Negative (prefix)
8. Peachy
9. Goofs
15. Kimono sash
19. Computer part
21. Berried shrub
23. Salaam
24. River
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Week of February 27, 2022

‘The Defenders: How Lawyers Protected The Movement’ premiered at Two Mississippi Museums

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On Thursday, February 24, at 7 p.m., the Mississippi Department of Archives and History (MDAH) aired the premiere of *The Defenders: How Lawyers Protected the Movement*. It was held in the Craig H. Neilsen Auditorium at the Two Mississippi Museums and presented by Butler Snow and the Foundation for Mississippi History.

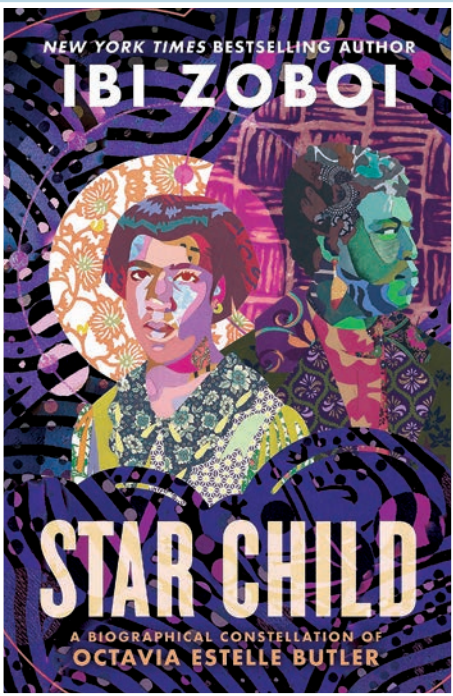
The documentary film was produced by Red Squared and MDAH.

The *Defenders* focuses on Mississippi lawyers who represented African Americans in the years leading up to and during the Civil Rights Movement. Few in number, and with limited resources, lawyers representing African Americans in Mississippi lost more cases than they won during the 1950s and 1960s. Though circumstances were difficult, hundreds of lawyers were inspired to work in Mississippi and transformed its legal infrastructure for future generations. Their work demanding equality of treatment under law for black citizens also changed the nation.

“We knew when we opened the Mississippi Civil Rights Museum in 2017 that there were stories we had not finished telling, including the story of the role of lawyers in the movement,” said MDAH director Katie Blount. “We are proud to join our partners and the lawyers themselves in highlighting this fascinating and critically important story.”

A question and answer panel followed the premiere and featured former State Supreme Court Justice Reuben V. Anderson, former State Supreme Court Justice Fred Banks, attorney Martha Jane Bergmark, attorney Mel Leventhal and director Roderick Red.





BOOK REVIEW:

STAR CHILD:
A BIOGRAPHICAL CONSTELLATION
OF OCTAVIA ESTELLE BUTLER

BY IBI ZOBOI

C.2022, DUTTON BOOKS FOR YOUNG READERS

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By Terri Schlichenmeyer
Columnist

Twinkle, twinkle, little... What? Natural elements, space dust and turbulence that makes it all look sparkly? Or maybe other creatures, planets or whole other worlds with new ideas and inventions? In the new book “Star Child” by Ibi Zoboi, you’ll read about one author who came from stars, wondered what was beyond them and dared to dream about it. Laurice James Butler and his wife, Octavia Margaret, tried and tried. Oh, how they tried

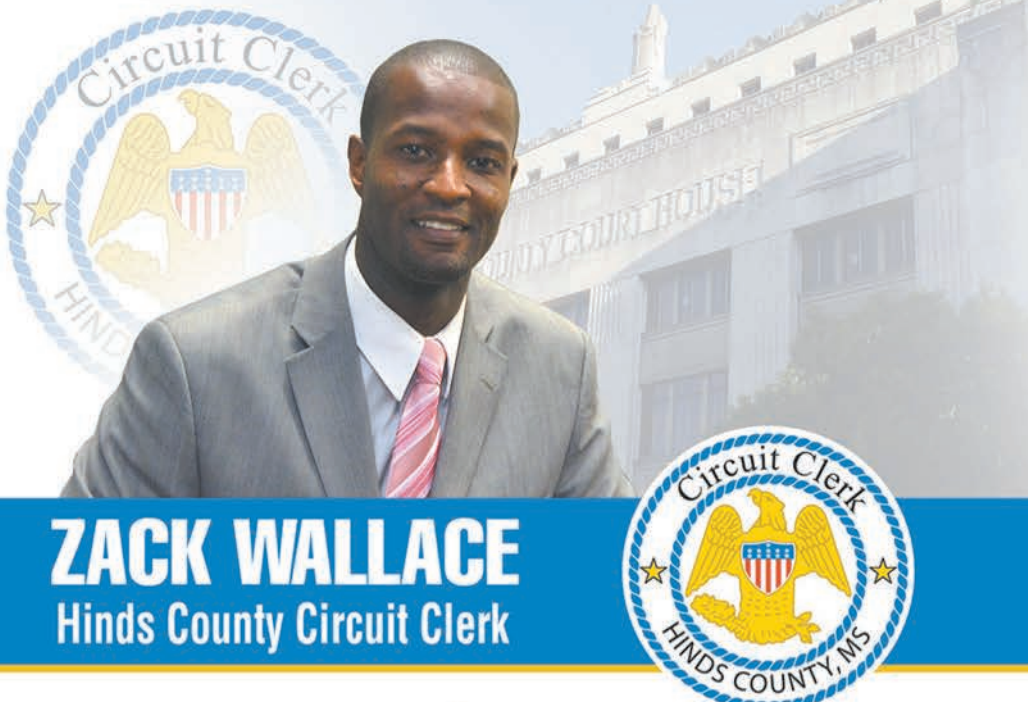
to have a child together but the stars weren’t ready to let that happen. It took nearly sixteen years after they were married before the universe said they were ready, and little Octavia Estelle Butler was born in June of 1947. Just days later, a UFO crashed in the desert near Roswell, New Mexico; a year after that, the big bang theory was formulated. Three years after her birth, little “Junie” lost her father and from then on, she was raised by strong women: her grand-

mother, and her mother, who was “the greatest constant in her life.” Her mother protected her, and Junie wasn’t often allowed out of the house alone. Perhaps that was why she was a bit of a loner, preferring her books to almost anything else. Or she might have been an introverted child because she was very tall for her age, or because she was not a good student. Segregation might have had something to do with it, too. At any rate, she was quiet, observant, and bookish.

At some point, shedding the nickname, young Octavia began to devour books on horses and fairy tales, and she jotted down stories of her own that never ended. She wrote tales about traveling to Mars and exploring space. She created other worlds and universes that pleased her. She “copied boys’ books” and the plots that she made into a book series later. At age thirteen, Octavia discovered an abandoned writer’s magazine that someone had left on a bus seat. Curious, she read it all. It was then that she

learned that it was possible to make money from the stories she told... In latter chapters of “Star Child,” author Ibi Zoboi explains how she formed a friendship with Octavia Butler, and why she felt that she and the author were “kindred.” It’s a story that kids will love – what child hasn’t dreamed of meeting the person who wrote their favorite tales? – and it absolutely adds to this book. What may fall flat, however, is its poetry. Zoboi says that Butler told her

“Poetry simplifies” things but here, the “biographical speculative poems” seem to be too full of imagery to be helpful – particularly for kids on the lower end of the targeted age group for this book, some whom may not grasp the meanings of the fantasy-filled stanzas. Think twice, then, before handing this book to a kid ages 10-13 unless you intend to help them understand it. Older kids and adults will appreciate it more, especially if they’re fans of poetry. For them alone, “Star Child” will shine.



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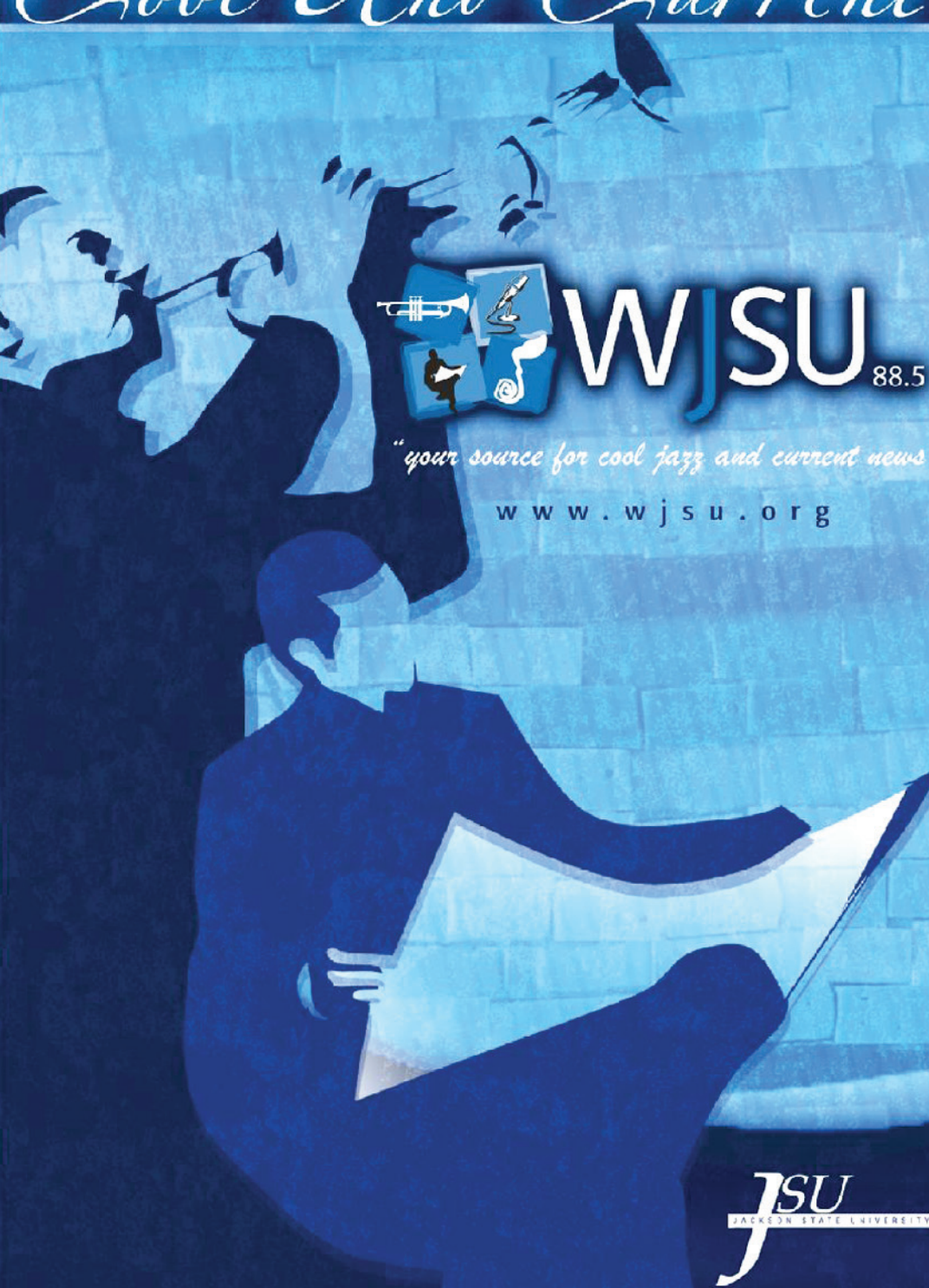
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College Hill awards annual Sam Bailey Scholarship and honors Louise Marshall as youth concludes celebration of BHM

By Jackie Hampton
Publisher

As the Youth Ministry of College Hill concluded their month-long celebration of Black History Month, church members were asked to wear ethnic/cultural attire to worship service on February 27. As one looked amongst those in the sanctuary, almost everyone attending Sunday service wore a touch of ethnic attire.

Youth Ministry leader Linda Rush stated she couldn't be any more pleased with the month-long celebration led by the youth. With a month-long theme of "Breaking Every Chain: Celebrating Black Excellence Through Faith and Fervor" Rush said, "What I liked most is the collaboration and cooperation of not just the Youth Ministry but other members and ministries of the church."

The 2022 Samuel L. Bailey "Ordinary Man" Scholarship, named in honor of the late Civil Rights Activist Sam Bailey who served as a deacon at College Hill, was awarded to Lanae Williams, a senior at Clinton High School. A book Stipend given in the name of Bailey's daughter, Shirley Bailey Johnson, was presented to Ashley Knight, a senior at Germantown High School. Both awards were presented during Sunday morning worship service by Jeraldine Watts.

Special recognition was given to Louise Marshall, a long time church member, that opened the first African American Christian Bookstore in Jackson. Youth member Zoe Nash portrayed Marshall as a living legend. Nash had the congregation laughing as she portrayed Marshall, "You can tell by the way, I walk, that I am a little sassy."

Marshall opened her book store on Farish Street in downtown Jackson in 1940. After being escorted to the podium by her son, Herbert Marshall, a crown was placed on her head by Lashanda Jordan, first lady of College Hill. She said to Marshall, "You are our queen."

Timothy Rush presented Marshall with a bouquet of flowers and said, "We want to give you your flowers while you live."

In her remarks of appreciation to the College Hill family, Marshall said, "At the age of 96, I don't let age bother me, I bother age."

Prior to delivering his morning message, Pastor Chauncy L. Jordan congratulated Marshall and the scholarship winners for their achievement.

College Hill Baptist Church, located at 1600 Florence Avenue, will celebrate its 115th-year church anniversary and the dedication of the new sanctuary Sunday, April 11, 2022.



Lanae Williams and Ashley Knight
PHOTOS BY JAY JOHNSON



Marshall (seated) with First Lady Jordan and Pastor Chauncy Jordan



Hinds County School District Weekly Update

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Gary Road Intermediate recently celebrated TWOSday. On 2/22/22, teachers dressed up to mark the once in a lifetime occasion



Danielle Lee, Kendra Gibbs, Audra Madison, Lakendra Wright



Recently, principals, counselors and district staff participated in a Social Emotional Learning (SEL) workshop conducted by Katie Boyd of Kids First. SEL is an initiative that helps students of all ages to better comprehend their emotions, to feel those emotions fully and demonstrate empathy for others. The purpose of this particular session is to make school officials more aware of the social and emotional needs of the students and teachers of the HCSD.



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