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A police precinct for South

Lawmakers hope to curb crimes in area

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Special to the Miami Times

A planned new police precinct has mixed response from residents of South Miami-Dade.

The new legislation was passed by the Miami-Dade County Commission in an attempt to reduce crime.

South Dade residents who heard that a precinct – the exact location will be disclosed later – could be coming to their community acknowledged that



Dennis Moss

Daniella Cava

it could increase dialogue between officers and residents but wondered if more police is the answer to the uptick in crime in the area.

Romania Dukes has been a passionate children's advocate since her 18-year-old son De'Michael Dukes was killed by a stray bullet in July 2014. He was sitting outside their apartment with his sister when the tragic incident occurred.

"That changed my whole life, everything changed. I heard the gunshot that killed my son so that affected me on all levels," she said.

No one was arrested for De'Michael's death, but the loss of her fifth child spurred Dukes to start Mothers Fighting For Justice three years ago with women who have suffered similar tragedy.

"I was going to meetings with other moms and I like what I heard. It helped me so I stayed," said Dukes, 46.

The West Perrine native liked the March 6 resolution passed by the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners, aimed at reducing crime in

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OPA-LOCKA

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BLAME GAME LAID BARE

Tit for tat erupts between Opa-locka officials over adult entertainment club

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Two months after a 24-hour strip club set up shop in Opa-locka, city officials still do not know how it got there and who is to blame.

Meanwhile the finger-pointing contest among several officials continues.

The latest in the war of words are two memos – each trying to debunk the other. The writers: City Attorney Vincent T. Brown and City Manager Ed Brown, who are not related.

Both Browns point fingers away from themselves. In their memos, they blame numerous departments and personnel

for Klub 24 opening its doors in the city Jan. 17. The owner had been seeking to open the business since December 2015.

HERE ARE THE PLAYERS:
Klub 24 owner Eddie Dean: After investing more than \$1



Pigatt

V. Brown

million in Klub 24, Dean was issued a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy for a restaurant,

lounge and cabaret. The business is located at 3699 NW 135th St. Klub 24's occupancy certificate is set to expire on April 4.

Director of Community Development and Planning Gregory Gay: He sent memos to Dean and City Manager Ed Brown and telling them in order to have an adult business in Opa-locka, the business needs to be approved by the Planning and Zoning Board and approved by the City Commission.

Commissioner Matthew Pigatt: He says the club violates Opa-locka's code and wants to know how it got a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy.

City Attorney Vincent Brown: Vincent Brown agrees

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Haitians say Trump is a racist

TPS recipients serve up case against president

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President Donald Trump is racist, alleges Haitian Temporary Protective Status holders who have been told the designation ends July 2019.

They believe the administration wants more than 50,000 Haitians to leave the United States because Haitians are of the African Diaspora.

"It is based on racial animus to deny Haitians TPS," said Clarel Cyriaque, a Haitian attorney. "The laws of TPS definitely show that the Haitians should have TPS and be extended."



Marlene Bastien

Now, the Trump administration must show in court that ending TPS for Haitians was not based on racial bias. The case of Patrick Saget, et al. vs. Donald Trump et al. filed last week in the U.S. Eastern District Federal Court in New York brings 12 plaintiffs against the Trump administration. The suit claims that the decision to end Haitian TPS was racially motivated and did not follow the proper guidelines used to determine a country's eligibility for TPS.

During a press conference held last week to announce the March 14 lawsuit, derogatory and racially tinged comments that President Trump has made in the past toward Haiti were mentioned. Last year, during an Oval Office meeting, Trump said Haitians had AIDS. In January, he participated in a discussion about a bipartisan deal to give legal status to immigrants who had been illegally brought to the United States as children. When finding out the deal could bene

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Poinciana project approved in state budget

\$2 million allocated for Hardemon's transportation and logistics center

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For decades, activist Roy Hardemon dreamed of bringing commerce to the dormant Poinciana Industrial Park, a huge parcel of land tucked off in an industrial area near Northwest 27th Avenue and 79th Street.

He and members of a local advisory board came up with

an idea of building a hub for trucking and shipping interests that could create jobs for Liberty City residents.

After his election as state representative in 2016, Hardemon unsuccessfully sought millions for the project. He came back immediately with a new bill for Poinciana in November.

"It didn't make it through committee last year," Hardemon said.

In the just-completed legislative session he found success: a \$2 million allocation for the economic development project. The plan, if successful, would bring new industry to one of the most-underserved communities in Miami-Dade County.

"Poinciana is in there," Hardemon said late Fri-



State Rep. Roy Hardemon shows his copy of the 2018 Florida budget. Gov. Rick Scott approved funding for the Poinciana Industrial Park.

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Roy Hardemon

day. "This is the first time in decades that we got some resources for this community when it comes to job creation. I'm delighted. I'm pinching myself to see if it's real. It's actually real."

Today, Hardemon will meet with the county's top budget

officer to talk about how the money could be spent.

"We're going to meet on Wednesday to talk about what they have to offer," said Hardemon, the Democrat whose House district includes parts of Liberty City, Little Haiti Upper Eastside.

The allocation is a victory for Hardemon who is wrapping up his first term in the Legislature. He said Jennifer Moon Glazer, the director of the Miami-Dade Office of Management and Budget reached out to him, and that others are paying attention.

Glazer said she was pleasantly surprised that the \$2 million windfall escaped Gov. Rick Scott's veto pen. The governor historically has frowned upon large-sized local projects.

"I was sort of shocked. It was a big ticket item," Glazer said.

She pointed out that the county has long viewed

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Poinciana Industrial Park: A win for Liberty City

Quietly, the governor allotted \$2 million for a tract of land in Liberty City, dormant since the 1980 McDuffie riot.

Gov. Rick Scott was a scrooge to some, but he has opened the door to jobs and economic development in one of Miami's poorest neighborhoods.

Turning Poinciana Industrial Park into a transportation hub was the brainchild of state Rep. Roy Hardemon. Immediately, he had the support of the Model City Community Advisory Committee.

To create an intermodal facility, Hardemon said it'll cost a cool \$25 million. He is \$23 million short.

Hardemon worked hard on the bill, even inviting the Speaker of the House to stop by the site to envision his dream.

Scott always advocates for "jobs, jobs, jobs." Maybe that is what caught his attention. Hardemon predicts the site could generate about 1,000 jobs. That's good news.

Hardemon worked hard on getting the bill to appropriations. His first effort in 2016 got shot down. His second netted \$2 million.

While the Miami-Dade County Commission ceremoniously threw their support behind the effort, Jennifer Moon, the county's budget director said she knew nothing about Hardemon's effort but has agreed to learn more. She also expressed surprise because the governor doesn't usually support large-scale projects. But he did. And the county should, too.

Miami-Dade County made the tract a debris heap after Hurricane Irma. Residents who knew of Hardemon's lofty plans were miffed. Soon cleared, the site is now ready for new activity.

Here's an opportunity for the county to shift funds to support a community of hardworking folks who have to travel out of their neighborhoods to find work. It's not a museum — the county has appropriated billions of dollars for those — or the 10-mile Underline, which will cost \$35,886 per mile per year to maintain. But hopefully commissioners can see past that and fund economic development.

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Message sent: Get in line or get out

KIMBERLY ATKINS, Boston Herald

President Trump's axing of Secretary of State Rex Tillerson — delivered via Twitter for maximum humiliation — sends a clear message to everyone else in Trump's administration: If you don't fall in line with Trump, your time is running out.

Tillerson's firing capped off a tumultuous tenure at the helm of the State Department, marked by private tensions with Trump that often spilled out into the open — including a report of Tillerson referring to Trump as a "moron."

The president, speaking briefly to reporters about his decision to fire Tillerson, made his reasoning clear: He wanted someone who would agree with him.

"We got along quite well, but we disagreed on things," Trump said of the former Exxon Mobil CEO, who was given the position at Fog-

gy Bottom at the behest of heavy-hitting establishment Republicans, including former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

Tillerson's ouster bodes ill for those in Trump's administration who were not a part of his campaign team, business life or family. The president has frequently hinted that more shakeups could be forthcoming, and is reportedly already pondering replacements for members of the old GOP brass, including national security adviser H.R. McMaster, chief of staff John Kelly and even Defense Secretary James Mattis.

The one thing all those men have in common is they have been willing to disagree with Trump, privately and publicly. But Trump has a growing distrust of outside advice and increasing gut-level reliance on the America-first themes

he campaigned on. His embrace of others who express the same views make the working relationships with anyone outside of that orbit harder to sustain.

Unlike others in the administration who have long been within Trump's orbit, Tillerson didn't know

Trump well at the start of his tenure and his independence was seen as a problem.

"When you look at the Iran deal, I think it's terrible. I guess he thought it was OK," Trump said. "I wanted to either break it or do something, and he felt a little bit differently. So, we were not really thinking the same."

By contrast, Trump praised his pick to replace Tillerson, CIA Director Mike Pompeo, saying: "We have a similar thought process."

"We're always on the same wavelength," Trump said of Pompeo, a former member of Congress who has earned Trump's trust by echoing his political rhetoric and personally delivering oral intelligence briefings at the White House in lieu of a written report. "The relationship has always been very good and that's what I need as secretary of state."



Any civility on social media is dead

BILL FLETCHER, JR., NNPA Newswire

I have found myself increasingly wondering whether social media, particularly Twitter and Facebook, constitutes a vehicle for civil dialogue. The number of attacks that I have either witnessed or experienced has been astounding. It has gotten to the point that I rarely respond to comments on either Twitter or Facebook unless I have concluded that the original writer/author was interested in a response.

The situation has gotten way out of control. The insults that are thrown around; the demeaning language; the condescension; I could go on and on. About a year ago, I awakened to a Twitter storm attacking me for my support of the Palestinian people. It was not just one tweet; it was one tweet after another,

accusing me of being everything, but a child of God. There seemed to be no way to stop it.

Just recently, a good friend of mine came under a vicious Twitter attack by someone whose sanity I have been forced to question. My friend could not figure out a way to stop it, so it continued until the attacker ran out of steam.

Social media makes it easy to be obnoxious. Among other things, there are few, if any, penalties. In the old days, if you read something with which you were in disagreement in the paper; magazine; or even saw something on television, you would write a letter to the editor. To write such a letter you had to do some thinking prior to composing it. You then had to mail the letter. This entire process

gave you at least a moment to contemplate your reaction and whether it was worth responding to something and, if so, how to respond.

In today's social media world, filters seemed to be reserved for photos and videos. When it comes to dialogue, people read something online and react! You can react immediately by sending an email, tweeting, posting on Facebook, or Instagram, etc.

You don't have to really stop and think. You just hit "Send." And if you are really angry and want to be nasty, there are no penalties! You can, in effect, curse someone out, because what are they going to do? You can literally say whatever you want to anyone and the worst that they can do is "block" you from future exchanges. But that need not

stop you because you can post around them or even create another account and continue the verbal onslaught.

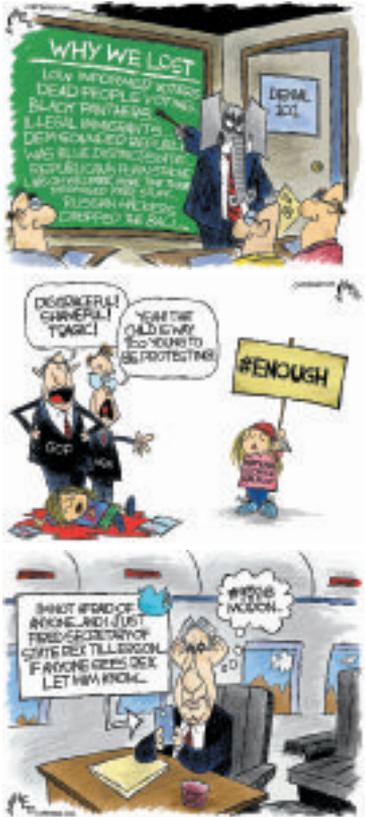
The result is that, rather than a medium for rational exchanges and debates, social media is more about "trolling" or making assertions. In a Facebook, exchange I had with someone a few months ago, after I refuted their argument they simply dismissed me by saying: Well, that's what I believe, and I have a right to believe what I believe.

Really? So, when it comes to social media, should we really just say to hell with the facts?

Each day, when I turn to social media, I feel that I must dress in psychological battle armor, preparing for yet one more poison dart to come flying.



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Dear America: You cannot be serious

CHARLES BLOW, The New York Times

The ongoing saga over a president, a porn star and a payoff is so low and tawdry that it can't simply be added to the ever-expanding list of horrible misbehaviors of a womanizing misogynist.

It's not even the infidelity that most bothers me. I view that as an issue between spouses and with the other person involved. I contend that we on the outside never really know what understandings may exist in a marriage, unless the two parties within reveal it.

In this case, Melania knew exactly the kind of man she was getting.

When Donald first meets Melania, they are at a New York Fashion Week party to which Donald has been invited by the wealthy Italian businessman who brought Melania to America on a modeling contract and work visa. According to GQ, sometimes, to promote his models, the businessman "would send a few girls to an event and invite photographers, producers and rich playboys."

Trump is on a date with another woman that night. He is



First daughter Ivanka, left, and first lady Melania, with President Trump.

also in the process of divorcing Marla Maples, his second wife, with whom he had had an affair while still married to his first wife, Ivana Trump.

According to GQ, "He sent his companion to the bathroom, so he could have a few minutes to chat up the model he'd noticed. But Melania knew of Trump's reputation — which was immediately confirmed by the fact that he had come to the party with a date and was now asking for her number."

That's right, Melania knew. In April 2004, Donald proposes to Melania at the

Met Gala.

By the way, just to underscore how vile this man is, in September 2004, Trump goes on Howard Stern, and while discussing with Stern how beautiful they both find Trump's daughter Ivanka, Stern says, "Can I say this? A piece of ass." Trump responds, "Yes."

Trump married Melania in January of 2005. They had signed a prenuptial agreement. Nine months later, in September, "Access Hollywood" records Trump boasting about sexually assaulting women — kissing and groping them

without prior consent — and claiming: "When you're a star they let you do it. You can do anything."

Six months after the tape is recorded, on March 20, 2006, The Trumps son Barron is born. (That means that Melania was pregnant when Trump was making his lewd remarks about assaulting other women.)

Four months after Barron is born, porn star Stephanie Clifford, whose stage name is Stormy Daniels, alleged that she and Trump initiated a consensual, sexual relationship after meeting at a golf tournament.

Clifford alleges that the "intimate relationship" began in July 2006 and continued "well into the year 2007."

Trump also goes on "The View" in 2006 and says of Ivanka: "She does have a very nice figure. I've said if Ivanka weren't my daughter, perhaps I'd be dating her." His daughter! And remember, he is newly married! And Melania, who will give birth to Barron just 14 days after his appearance on the show.



SHATTERED SENSE OF SAFETY

TEENAGERS FROM THE INNER CITY, AND A TONY SUBURB RAP ABOUT GUN VIOLENCE

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Jaclyn Corin knew she had advantages in her Parkland enclave that Black students did not have. But, she said, she still was very aware of violence in places like Liberty City, Chicago and Baltimore.

And with her recent ordeal as a mass shooting survivor at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, 17-year-old Jaclyn fully embraces her Black counterparts. In fact, she and other Stoneman Douglas students and alumni are reaching out and learning first-hand about the senseless gun violence that has long-plagued Black communities.

"I knew about the violence... but I never said anything because it didn't affect me," said Jaclyn, an outspoken president of the MSD junior class. "I'm glad I'm sticking up for them now."

Black inner-city teenagers and their white suburban counterparts came together in Liberty City on March 14 for a two-hour rap session about gun violence and how deadly weapons have shattered their sense of safety.

The Stoneman Douglas students also have held similar discussions with Black teenagers from Baltimore and Chicago. As a result, the Stoneman Douglas students are using their massive social media campaign to embrace all victims and survivors of gun violence.

Their campaign will be front and center this week-



Miami Times photo/Gregory Reed

Black teenagers from various Miami-Dade Public Schools interact with alumni from Marjory Stoneman Douglas High and adult facilitators during a rap session on gun violence in South Florida.

end when they and millions of people from around the country participate in several marches against gun violence.

More than 50 Miami-Dade students, mostly Black, will travel to Washington, D.C., to participate in the March 24 national "March for Our Lives" rally and speak out against gun violence and the affects on young people.

Some of the Miami-Dade students are expected to speak at the event, which is organized by the Stoneman Douglas students and a strong network of parents and school alumni.

Organizers say 828 similar rallies will occur around the

globe on Saturday, including several across the United States. South Florida rallies are planned in Miami Beach, Kendall, Weston, Key West, Doral, Fort Lauderdale, North Lauderdale, Delray Beach, Boca Raton and Parkland. Rallies will extend into the Caribbean in Christiansted, U.S. Virgin Islands, and Petion-Ville, Haiti.

Janai Altenor, a sophomore at Miami Norland Senior High School, said she looks forward to attending the rally. Janai is a member of the Viking Freedom Riders, which uses spoken word and poetry as a form of praise or protest.

"I'm excited about this trip," said the Miami Gardens student. She's not sure she will speak Saturday, but she's prepared if the opportunity arises.

The Miami trip is coordinated by several community organizations, including Inner-City Alumni for Responsible Education (ICARE), the Miami-Dade NAACP, Power U and the Dream Defenders.

The Miami group is still trying to raise \$15,000 to bring 48 youth and seven adults on the bus trip through a GoFundMe account. As of 10 a.m. March 20, the account had \$7,340. Those interested

in donating can visit <https://www.gofundme.com/ICARE-OF-MIAMI>.

At the March 14 rap session, the group leaders and other adults got several ears full from the students, who were eager to share their stories. A unifying thread expressed was that something needs to be done about the nation's fascination with weaponry.

The two groups normally live in different worlds. But they are on common ground after the shooting deaths Feb. 14 at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School. To outwardly show solidarity, a group of Stoneman Douglas alumni ventured to the community center at Liberty Square Housing Development to learn about the effects of gun violence in Miami.

"This is where the change is going to be made," said Matthew Deitsch, a 2016 Stoneman Douglas graduate, making his first visit to the neighborhood.

Deitsch said he and several alumni from the Parkland school came to Liberty Square to meet with nearly 200 students from seven predominantly Black high schools and Homestead High. Those schools represent neighborhoods that are plagued with constant gun violence.

Miami activists put together the rap session to show solidarity with the Stoneman Douglas community after the massacre that left 17 students and faculty dead.

Janai, the Norland sopho-

more, said that media coverage gave disproportionate attention to violence at schools in affluent neighborhoods at the expense of urban-core schools.

"A school should be a second home," she said. "Problems happen in high-maintenance neighborhoods" and should not be ignored.

Current Stoneman Douglas students were supposed to attend the session. Deitsch said those students had scheduling conflicts, and were out of town at an arts competition.

Jaclyn said it was via Twitter where they first got complaints by Black activists about the disparate treatment. The teenagers wanted to learn more.

"Parkland is largely white, very privileged," Jaclyn said in a telephone interview. "I knew I was in a bubble, but I knew what was going on in other communities."

One of the youth leaders, Emma Gonzalez, reached out via Twitter and invited a group of Black Chicago students to come to her home earlier this month so the two groups could talk.

Jaclyn said she wondered if the Chicago students would have any racial resentment. "I was kinda nervous. I didn't know if they would be mad at me because I was a white person. Or if they would say 'you don't understand what we go through,'" she said.

She found something different. "They told their stories," she said.

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the region.

Co-sponsored by Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava of District 8 and District 9 Commissioner Dennis C. Moss, it directs Miami-Dade Mayor Carlos Gimenez "to evaluate the long-term policing strategy for South-Dade" given the region's population spike in the last 20 years.

"This legislation was written to address the particular challenges facing the communities in South Miami-Dade County and parts of West Miami-Dade County. We are talking about the communities of Richmond Heights, Perrine, Goulds, Naranja, Redland, Homestead, Florida City, Kendall, and the Hammocks," said Levine Cava.

But so far everything is hush hush.

Levine Cava said the new anti-crime strategy will be discussed with the police before details are made public.

Latoya Byrd is a self-described empowerment teacher who works in the South Dade school system. She is

also editor of the monthly publication, Good News Goulds.

While welcoming the new measures, 38-year-old Byrd, who grew up in Perrine and Goulds, is guarded. She does not believe increasing police presence in South Dade is the best solution to its crime problems.

"It's good to see the Commission coming together and identifying the problems, but it all comes down to how the police deals with the community. Things have improved in Perrine and Goulds because the people in the community know the officers... they're not just persons in suits," Byrd stressed.

Dukes and Byrd agree that increased dialogue between community groups and South Dade police have helped improve relations. That has made policing hot spots easier, which is reflected in a recent report from the Miami-Dade Police Department, which shows a marginal decrease in homicides for the period of January to March (16 in 2017 compared to 12 this year) and rape (93 in 2017 to 79 so far this year).

The MDPD chart showed 1,280 serious crimes com-

mitted in its jurisdiction over that three-month stretch compared to 1,025 this year.

But an incident just over a year ago threatened that discourse.

There were protests in West Perrine after 21-year-old Lamar Rollins was killed by a police officer on Dec. 30, 2016. The police say they shot Rollins when he pulled a gun on them, after they ordered him to pull over his car.

Persons in the neighborhood, including Rollins' family, said he alighted from the vehicle with his hands up. The officer who shot Rollins was not charged.

Ever the optimist, Dukes believes her son's death is not in vain. She sees better days ahead for the communities she and he were raised in through legislation like the Witness Protection Bill, which was signed into law by Florida Governor Rick Scott last April.

It protects the identities of witnesses to shootings like the one that took DeMichael's life four years ago. "When we have meetings, I always say, 'if you see something, say something.' When I speak, I say we must get involved," she said.

STREET Talk

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Do you think campuses will be safer with the new school safety law passed by the governor?



Shoknetra Parrish, 30
Opa-locka



Katrina Atkins, 36
Pembroke Pines



Terrance Williams, 32
Opa-locka

If we want campuses to be a little more safer, the idea of having metal detectors should have been thought of. Having qualified faculty can still make matters worse. I would hope that they are not walking around with the weapons on them, and the weapons are kept in a safe place. But now if they are in a safe place, by the time a student gets up in a library and starts shooting, will that librarian have enough time to grab the gun and protect students before majority of the damage is done?

Absolutely not. There is no guarantee that the faculty who are deemed qualified will have the necessary common sense when something happens on campus. Not only are teachers stressed, but faculty deals with their own issues, too. Guns should be in the hands of officers and security at the school. That's it.

No, because there is a high chance that these people will still freeze and hide under a table even though they are armed. And what if a student may try to run in a certain part of a building for safety? Will this person with the gun get nervous and mistakenly shoot them? If you look at the authorities who were on the scene at the school in Parkland, they never went inside of the school. And they are the ones who are more-than qualified to respond in these type of situations.



Krystal Rozier, 26
Fort Lauderdale



Andre Jackson, 32
Miramar

Not at all because the only ones who should be able to take part in the program is security on campus, aside from school resource officers. Even though the program is voluntary, it's dangerous to have this open to faculty or certain teachers, and this was never part of their job description. There isn't a guarantee that passing will mean they will respond how everyone thinks they should, if another shooting was to occur. Because, let's just say they don't, they are being set up to be blamed for not doing what they are qualified to do.



Daziah Wyche, 20
Miramar

I believe that campuses can be safer, but you still have to be careful because anyone with these guns can one day lose it and take their frustrations out on students. You can go through mental screenings and background checks, but that doesn't mean something can't happen down the road to that same qualified person. Many shooters plead guilty to mental problems and the main thing their family members say is we never saw any signs.



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Teenagers of all ages and backgrounds speak about gun violence.

SAFETY

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One young man told of how he sat on the porch with his grandfather someone came up and shot the older man dead.

"I never thought of shootings like that. I thought it happened in [drive-by shootings]. I didn't realize people would come up into your yard and shoot. It made me upset that people go through that every day," Jaclyn said.

Eventually, both sides talked about what they've been through. After 20 minutes, she said, "we hung out like normal teenagers. We acted like normal friends, played games and ate pizza."

The conversations have been a "really good experience. I like when I can talk to someone who can understand what I've been through," Jaclyn said.

The Marjory Stoneman Douglas students say their



Students listen to a conversation at the community center at Liberty Square Housing Development.

next step is to spread their message to the inner cities, and use their social media tools for a broader good. Jaclyn joined Twitter in February after the shooting. She already has more than 95,700 followers.

"We understand gun violence is everywhere," Jaclyn said. "We have a platform, and we want to use it to give a voice to the people who are ignored."

Janai said she loves the

support. At 15, she lives with a harsh memory from about five years ago. While at relative's Liberty City home, gun shots started outside. Her older cousin was shot dead in a drive-by shooting in front of his younger brother.

"I totally appreciate [the Marjory Stoneman Douglas students] for that. They are strong to go in the face of politics and advocate for those who don't have a voice," Janai said.

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with Gay. He also said Klub 24 is in violation of the city's nudity, theatrical and nightclub hours of operation laws, and it should be closed.

City Manager Ed Brown: In a recent memo, Ed Brown said the business should remain open. He warned that closing it would lead to litigation. He also says the adult entertainment business is allowed and so is the sale of alcohol 24 hours a day.

THE GAME:

Piggatt said the City Commission may vote at its next meeting on a resolution to

close Klub 24, which was on the March 14 agenda. That meeting was canceled.

Ed Brown places the blame on the string of top-level city officials, who corresponded with the business owner, Eddie Dean.

The city manager called out the Community Development director, Zoning officials, Building/License director and the city attorney in the memo for allowing the business to slip through the cracks.

"They had some degree of knowledge and involvement in the chain of events that led to this business obtaining a license to operate and a certificate of use..." Ed Brown said.

A week later City Attorney Vincent Brown sent a 75-page

memo in response to the city manager's report.

The attorney does not dispute the city's manager statements about alcohol and nudity, but he does state that special exemption for nudity is still required in the zoning district and the Temporary Certificate of Occupancy issued in January was for a "cabaret" and not an "adult business."

Neither one of the Browns can pinpoint who allowed the grand opening error to happen.

"Again I must reiterate who's responsibility was to assure that this process was followed and who gave permission to issue the license and certificate of use?" Ed Brown wrote.

NEWS BRIEFS

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M-DCPS get more after-school meals

Miami-Dade County Public Schools provides the After-school Meals Program, a sub-component of the Child Care Food Program under the U.S. Department of Agriculture, in over 200 schools.

They announced the implementation of additional locations starting April 2 at Virginia A. Boone/Highland Oaks Elementary, Miami Springs Middle, Westland Hialeah Senior and Young Men's Preparatory Academy. Riviera Middle will be added on April 7.

The program is designed primarily to provide nutritious meals to children in after-school programs throughout the school district during weekdays and selected Saturdays throughout the school district.

Beginning April 2, an after-school meal will be available at no separate cost to the children enrolled in the after-school care programs at Virginia A. Boone/Highland Oaks Elementary, Miami Springs Middle, Westland Hialeah Senior, and Young Men's Preparatory Academy. Beginning April 7, 2018, breakfast will be available at no separate cost to the children enrolled

in the Saturday Academy at Riviera Middle school. For specific details, please contact each school directly.

Job and career fair

There will be a job and career fair from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, March 21 at the College of Business and Technology, 5190 NW 167th Street in Miami Gardens. Participants can come to seek employment within the following fields: electrical tech, IT support, medical coding and billing, security, business administration, office management, medical office assistant and facility management.

National YoungArts residency program expands

National YoungArts Foundation presents "In Process: Homecoming" in April, an artist-in-residence program dedicated to interdisciplinary collaboration between two alumni at seminal stages of their careers. YoungArts has invited alumni with ties to the local Miami community to its Miami campus for a weeklong residency to create new work. Provided with the time, space and resources to experiment and innovate, they will then take their

works-in-development to the Miami neighborhood they feel most connected to, further expanding YoungArts' programs in communities throughout the city.

In April, dancer and choreographer Ernest Baker and filmmaker Kayla Briët will collaborate for the second edition of "In Process: Homecoming" from April 2-7. Titled HOME, the public presentation with Baker and Briët will take place at 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 7 at the Arts & Recreation Center in Opa-locka Community Development Corporation Thrive Campus. This event is free with RSVP at inprocessernest.eventbrite.com. For more information, visit youngarts.org, facebook.com/YoungArts or twitter.com/YoungArts.

Youth symposium

The city of North Miami Beach Parks and Recreation Department and Commission on the Status of Women will host a youth symposium at 9 a.m. on Friday, March 23 at the Ronald A. Silver "Y.E.S." Center, 17051 NE 19th Avenue. Teens ages 12-18 will be able to participate in an open forum to discuss issues and concerns that youth face today. The free event will feature guest speakers and lunch will be provided. Registration begins at 8 a.m. For more information or to register, please call 305-948-2957.



Haitian TPS recipients stand at the press conference in support of the lawsuit against the Trump administration.

RACIST

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fit Haitians, he asked, "Why do we want people from Haiti here?" He later referred to Haiti and other countries as "sh*hole countries."

"The case presents six causes of action, which are legal claims," said Kevin Gregg, an associate of Kurzban, Kurzban, Pratt and Tetzeli, the law firm representing the case. "It presents six different legal arguments against the Trump administration for why the judge should prevent the Trump administration from ending TPS for Haiti."

The suit says actions by the Trump administration are "arbitrary and capricious" and there has been an "abuse of discretion."

Ten of the plaintiffs in the suit are individuals based in different U.S. states, includ-

ing Florida. The other two are entities - a Haitian newspaper called Haiti Liberte and Family Action Network Movement based in Miami. Marleine Bastien, director of the organization, believes the Trump administration ended TPS based on racial discrimination.

"We are joining this lawsuit to fight back," Bastien said.

A similar lawsuit was filed in February of this year. The suit was filed in U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts, which claimed the Trump administration's decision to terminate TPS for Haitian and Salvadoran immigrants was based solely on race. Furthermore, in January, the NAACP filed a lawsuit in Maryland that alleged government officials failed to follow the normal decision-making process when considering whether to renew Haitian TPS.

TPS was granted to Haiti in 2010 after the island was hit with a 7.0 magnitude earth-

quake. TPS recipients are able to work, go to school and do other activities while in the country. Countries may receive TPS if they are in turmoil or have been ravaged by natural disasters, such as in the case of Haiti. Since earthquake, Haiti has faced a seven-year cholera outbreak and in 2016 Category 5 Hurricane Matthew devastated parts of the island. In 2015, thousands of Dominicans of Haitian descent were deported from the Dominican Republic or left that country on their own after the Dominican government ordered a mass deportation.

It is estimated that there are 50,000 Haitian holders of TPS, who have 27,000 American children. TPS status for each country must be renewed every 18 months. Haiti's date for renewal was Jan. 22, however, Elaine Duke, acting secretary of Homeland Security, made the decision to terminate.

Earlier, Hardemon urged district residents to call Scott and ask him to let the Poinciana funding remain in the budget.

"We're asking people to call and remind [Scott] that we need jobs," Hardemon said. "It's in [the budget]. If the governor doesn't veto it, we get started on Poinciana."

es could put their products, a processing plant and large bays for transport vehicles. The site also would have a hotel with amenities for truckers, business men and their families.

The plan also calls for an incubator/training facility for locals who want to venture into start-up businesses or potentially to enter the import/export business.

"The incubator would be a training model both for individuals with import/export businesses and the ones who would be trained to become certified," Christian said.

Hardemon estimates the first phase of the project once completed could produce 1,000 permanent jobs on top of the work that would be available during construction.

Poinciana is one of the local projects Scott approved Friday in an \$88.7 billion budget, which includes \$550 million in tax cuts and salary increases for law enforcement, firefighters and juvenile justice employees. It also includes another \$282 million for the 24 regional CareerSource employment boards that assist Floridians who seek employment.

The county-owned property tract has sat vacant for decades with failed promises of economic development.

Hardemon, who is up for re-election in November, said he would request the additional \$23 million next year.

"I asked for \$25 million, and we got \$2 million. I'm grateful for this," Hardemon said.

Scott vetoed about \$64 million in projects around the state. Among the Miami projects that didn't make the cut were \$2.5 million for an Opa-locka Airport Service Center, and \$250,000 for the Historic Hampton House.

or two years later, and served from 1995 to 1999. After his final term, Barry was elected repeatedly by Ward 8 residents to the City Council until his death.

Ronnell Barnes, who works in hospitality at a D.C. hotel said what a lot of people in the crowd felt and many in the city still feel about Barry.

"Regardless of if he did crack, he was the best mayor of the city ever had for black people," Barnes said. "He was our mayor when whites didn't care...You'd have to be a Washingtonian to understand what I'm saying."

BUDGET

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Poinciana an ideal project for development. Most recently, the county used the site as a staging area for debris after Hurricane Irma tore through South Florida. That incident set off complaints by Hardemon and members of the Model City Community Advisory Committee, the group that threw its support to the intermodal transportation project.

Glazer said she wasn't familiar with Hardemon's project. She said the county has received federal funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. She's interested in discussing how the two funds could be utilized.

Commissioner Jean Mones-time sponsored resolutions in 2017 and this year supporting Hardemon's bills for the intermodal logistic center.

Community members like Mae Christian, a member of the Model City CAC, hailed the news. Christian made several trips to Tallahassee last year and this session to support the project and to testify about the need for economic development in the area.

"They never gave us a lot of time to prepare," Christian said of the late notices she received to get to Florida's capital city.

On Monday, she, Hardemon and local businessman and activist Cuthbert "Broadway" Harewood visited the site for their dream project.

They want to transform the parcel into the Poinciana Industrial Park and Intermodal Logistic Center, a system of cold storage and regular warehouses where import/export business-

BARRY

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how many employees it had.

By his third term, speculations of drug use and domestic abuse swarmed Barry's administration. Ultimately, they proved his downfall, and he was sentenced to six months in prison. Undeterred, Barry ran for City Council after he was released and won in 1992. His slogan read "He may not be perfect, but he's perfect for D.C."

Barry was re-elected may-

Lottery winner will revitalize Sistrunk Blvd.

Project to bring life back to corridor

CAROL PORTER
Special to The Miami Times

"You need to own the dirt."
That was the advice given to attendees at a Broward County Urban League Young Professionals Network event on Wednesday from businessman, entrepreneur and philanthropist Miguel Pilgram.
His firm, Pilgram Group, already has a few endeavors along Sistrunk, and he's hoping to build more to revitalize the area. Pilgram has other ventures in Coral Springs.
Formerly of Star Cruises, and a Navy veteran who has traveled around the world, Pilgram used some of his \$52 million lottery winnings to begin his own firm, and it is his hope to reinvigorate the once-bustling Sistrunk Boulevard to its former glory.
Also key to his presentation was that Black business folks need to take back the community before white people develop it.
"I had worked for a number of years at Star cruise lines," said Pilgram. "I had taken a position at corporate. Winning
SEE BLVD 10B



Miguel Pilgram of the Pilgram Group tells young people of his plans for historic Sistrunk.

Miami Times photo/Carol Porter



Mark Shapiro, WME/IMG co-president, Serena Williams, Stephen Ross, Miami Dolphins owner and James Blake, tournament director turn the earth at the groundbreaking ceremony.

Photos by Clive Brunskill/Getty Images

SERENA ROOTS FOR NEW MIAMI OPEN SITE

The tennis tournament will be moving to Hard Rock Stadium in 2019

MIAMI GARDENS (AP) — Standing on the field at the Miami's Hard Rock Stadium, Serena Williams used a two-hand grip to stick her shovel in the dirt, flashed a smile and flicked a forehand.
When she comes back, she plans to be holding a racket.
On the eve of the Miami Open on Key Biscayne, the tournament held a groundbreaking ceremony Monday at its future site — the Hard Rock Stadium. The tourna-

ment will move there in 2019, and the draw is expected to include Williams, an eight-time champion who now has a financial stake because she owns a small share of the Dolphins.
"She'll probably be the first person to win a tennis tournament she owns," Dolphins majority owner Stephen Ross said with a laugh.
Ross overcame much skepticism to swing a deal for the move. The tournament has



been held since 1987 on Key Biscayne, but a 2015 appeals court decision prevented upgrades to the complex there, raising speculation the Miami Open might leave South Florida, with potential sites ranging from South America to China.

Serena Williams speaks during the groundbreaking ceremony of the future home of the Miami Open.

Ross reached out to Mark Shapiro, co-president of IMG, which owns the tournament, and proposed moving it 18 miles north to the Dolphins' home.
"Mark thought I was crazy — 'What do you mean? It's a football stadium?'" Ross said. "Most people when I spoke to them about the idea said, 'It's crazy. It's not going to happen.' But I think we're going to create one of the truly
SEE SERENA 10B

Bills too high, paychecks too small

Americans aren't saving anymore, a survey finds

MARTHA C. WHITE
NBC News

One in five Americans isn't socking away any money, with lower-income households especially struggling to save, according to a new Bankrate.com survey. Bankrate found that 20 percent of more than 500 work-

28, are saving more than 15 percent of their income.

Bankrate also found that higher income correlates with higher debt, which Bankrate.com senior economic analyst Mark Hamrick said it was expected, to a certain extent: People who earn more are more likely to have credit

Americans, willing to take on more debt as the economy and consumer confidence improve, are reaching a tipping point.

A recent Ameriprise Financial survey of Americans with at least \$100,000 in investable assets found that more than 60 percent of respondents in their 30s and 40s said they worry about their current debt load.

"We're living in an

important message to people, no matter what your income is," said Marcy Keckler, vice president of financial advice strategy at Ameriprise Financial.

Aside from debt,

the other primary culprit Americans say keeping them from saving is stagnant income. "A big reason why so few Americans save for an adequate retirement is too-low pay,"

said Josh Bivens, research director at the Economic Policy Institute, pointing out that median wages for most workers have barely budged. "Those are totally linked."

Bankrate's findings confirm this: Nearly 40 percent of people earning under \$30,000 a year don't save any of that income, and nearly two-thirds are saving 5 percent or less.

Poor pay is primarily to blame: 37 percent of those earning less than \$30,000 said their job wasn't good enough, more than double the 16 percent of the total

SEE BILLS 10B



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There was some good news in the survey, as well: The results showed that 16 percent of respondents, and 23 percent of young adults under

extended to them by lenders, and some of those debts might be due to student loans that give college graduates enhanced earning power.

"We know there's something like \$1.4 trillion student loan debt, and there is a price to be paid there," Hamrick said.

But there also is the question of whether

environment there are interest rates are expected to continue to rise for the foreseeable future. That means borrowing costs are going to be rising," Hamrick said. "There are many Americans who would benefit from the advice to live beneath their means," he said.

"I think that's a real-

Request for Proposal

The South Florida Workforce Investment Board (SFWIB), the Local Workforce Development Board for Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties, is soliciting a Request for Proposal (RFP) for:

Workforce Services

The RFP will be released on or about March 14, 2018, and will be posted on the SFWIB website at www.careersourcesfl.com. Additionally the RFP will be available for pick up at the SFWIB Corporate Office, Suite 500, Receptionist Desk, 7300 Corporate Center Drive, Miami, FL 33126.

An Offeror's Conference is scheduled for Friday, March 23, 2018, at 3:00p.m., at the SFWIB Corporate Office Suite 500, Conference Room 2. **Proposals must be submitted no later than 1:00p.m. Monday, April 9, 2018.** Proposals not received by that deadline will not be accepted.

Please direct all procedural inquiries, including questions regarding the format of the Offeror's conference and the Public Review Forum to Cheri Kavehersi via e-mail at Cheri.Kavehersi@careersourcesfl.com.

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CITY OF MIAMI ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed Bids will be received by the City of Miami City Clerk's office located at City Hall, 3500 Pan American Drive, Miami, FL 33133 for the following:

IFB NO. 783382 POURED-IN-PLACE RUBBER SURFACE REPAIR SERVICES

CLOSING DATE/TIME: 11:00 AM, TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2018

(Deadline to Request additional information/clarification: Monday, April 2, 2018 at 2:00 PM)

VOLUNTARY: Pre-Bid/Pre-Proposal Conference: Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at 10:00 AM; Location: City of Miami Building (MRC) 444 SW 2nd Ave., Miami, FL 33130, 6th floor South Conference Room

Detailed specifications for this bid are available at the City of Miami, Department of Procurement, website at www.miamigov.com/procurement or contact the Procurement Contract Officer Victoria Giraldo at victoriagiraldo@miamigov.com.

THIS BID SOLICITATION IS SUBJECT TO THE "CONE CODE OF SILENCE" IN ACCORDANCE WITH CITY OF MIAMI CODE SECTION 18-74 ORDINANCE NO. 12271.

Emilio T. González, Ph.D.
City Manager



AD NO. 26762



LEGAL NOTICE

Pursuant to F.S. 98.07(5), notice is hereby given to the voters listed below. Please be advised that your eligibility to vote in an election based on information provided by the State of Florida. You are required to verify (a) the Supervisor of Elections in Miami-Dade County, Florida, no later than thirty days after the date of this notice in order to receive information regarding the basis for the potential ineligibility and the procedure to resolve the matter. Failure to respond will result in a determination of eligibility by the Supervisor of Elections and your name will be removed from the outside voter registration system. If you have any questions pertaining to this matter, please contact the Supervisor of Elections at 2000 NW 87th Avenue, Miami, Florida or call 305-490-0362.

AVISO LEGAL

Conforme a F.S. 98.07(5), por el presente se notifica a los electores enumerados a continuación que según información provista por el Estado de la Florida, se cuestiona su elegibilidad para votar. Debe darse comunicación con el Supervisor de Elecciones del Condado de Miami-Dade, Florida, dentro de los treinta días, a más tardar, desde la fecha de este aviso, con el fin de que se le informe sobre el fundamento de la posible falta de idoneidad y sobre el procedimiento para resolver el asunto. Si usted no cumple con su obligación de responder, se eliminará su declaración de falta de idoneidad, por parte del Supervisor de Elecciones, y su nombre se eliminará del sistema de inscripción de electores de todo el estado. Si tiene alguna duda sobre de este aviso, por favor, comuníquese con el Supervisor de Elecciones, en 2000 NW 87th Avenue, Miami, Florida, o por teléfono, al 305-490-0362.

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Deput Lora Phred F.S.98.07(5), sap-aviso notie ye li sou lu p'ris le n. Hap-aviso ye li boar sou informajon nou receivez nan men Ele Phred, sus abato si ye elijido pou voto. Ata estado nou cuestiona Sipiendat Golegacion estado Miami-Dade, Florid, pa p'ris le trant pu apre respueste At, sou pa sou non, kapiti necesari informajon sou lita ye boar heytion he ye pa elije le ye pou vote sus informajon pou sus necesari procedure li. Si ye pa respueste si se pa-respondi a liti sou, si se debe comunice Sipiendat Golegacion as abato he ye pa elije elije ye un informe sou un estado informajon sobre Ele n. Si se p'ris le informajon sou lita sou, heytion heytion heytion ye sou 2780 NW 87th Avenue, Miami, Florid sou sou 305-490-0362.

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Abraham, Steven	1308 NE Miami Gardens Dr APT 808	Louis, Tishelle	3237 NW 48TH St
Acuna Cabrera, Juan M	704 E 21 St St	Maria, Liliana J	2809 SE 21st Dr
Alfon, David J	2506 SW 19TH Ave	Moroni, Joshua E	2741 NW 173RD Ter
Alysa, Francisco	23888 SW 214TH Ave	McArthur B, Cyrus J	381 NW 184TH Ter APT 100
Alper, Daniel	730 NW 30TH St	Mendez, JR, Omas	7819 W 34TH Ln APT 290
Alvarez, Daniel L	16288 SW 208TH St APT 4225	Mendez, Omas	453 NW 125TH St
Amey, Lowell B	3301 NW 173TH St	Miller, Christian V	1815 NW 43RD St
Arlo, Santiago P	10541 SW 718th Ter	Morales, Brandon	14555 SW 176TH Ter
Beasley, Jesse	800 NW 14TH St	Morera, Elisabet A	54848 SW 8TH St
Blaich, E. Ed C	3148 NW 36TH St	Moroy, Nuria DL	7432 SW 150TH Pl
Bokemuhl, Marie L	8132 SW 190TH Ave	Movall, Herson J	21296 SW 80TH Pl
Bozella, Roy J	11175 SW 103RD St	Nair, Akramamul	21628 SW 120TH Ave
Calderon, Monica	6529 White Oak Dr	Nelson, Anthony L	1800 NE 180TH St
Campos, Jacqueline M	1308 NW 79TH St APT 1330	Nelson, Robin L	2804 NW 88TH ST
Campos, Yessica	1321 Orange Rd	Nelson-Smith, Robert B	13398 SW 90TH Ter
Carillo Carmona, Ailyn B	301 NW NW 55th Pl APT 380	Hogart, AJ, Alexander	3510 NW 6TH Ave
Chapp, Elise H	1148 NW 125th St	Ottel, Arnold	28 Inland Ave APT 1802
Childs, Dana E	2608 NW 43rd Ter	Parker, Barbara S	3470 NW 30TH St
Clarke, Hannel	7129 NW 10TH Ave	Peoples, London R	2825 NW 88TH Ter
Colabella, Vanessa	6329 NW 6TH St APT 415	Peppers, Dale C	15272 SW 104TH St APT G-28
Conde, Mark J	13488 SW 308TH St	Perez, JR, Adolfo	3805 NW 71TH St
Cruz, Francisco R	3112 NW 204TH Ln	Perez, Jorge L	886 NW 131th Ave
Davis, Bobby B	944 NW 40TH St	Pinto, Romero	8250 SW 28TH St
Davison, Alfred K	10725 SW 222ND Dr	Pirous, Emily J	585 NW 8TH St APT 21
De Argh, Alette	20588 SW 214TH Ave	Plore Charles, Woley	14008 NE 3RD PL APT 4
Delicchio, Thomas D	6259 NW 14TH Pl	Rosen, Sadi B	11020 SW 216TH St
Delmonico, Frederick	429 SW 9TH St	Reed JR, Harold J	18858 SW 219TH St
Fariyal, Rosario	10508 SW 219TH St	Rehage, Amber	747 W 30TH St
Ferrel, Denise	8113 NW 27TH Ave	Rodriguez, Mildred P	3875 W Country Club Dr APT 2401
Flores, Mayra DC	8126 NW 126TH Ter	Rio, Sayami	12645 SW 43RD St
Ford, Elizabeth	9528 SW 4th Dr	Rodriguez, Oscar E	280 NW 47th St APT 301
Garcia Sil, Paul	342 W 36TH Ter	Rodriguez Huerta, Nancy T	1891 NW 228th St
Garcia, Hector J	13242 SW 115th St APT 113	Rodriguez, Luis C	7112 SW 113TH Ave
Garcia-Minocci, Laila	12088 SW 96TH Ave	Rodriguez, Luis Y	14348 SW 262ND St
Garcia-Rivera, Jose G	13408 SW 217TH St	Rodriguez, Raif	820 NW 28TH St
Garcia-Rivera, Jose G	3074 SW 82ND Ave	Rosero, Andrea B	7170 SW 210th St
Garcia, Rene	13001 SW 11TH St	Pym R, David P	9480 SW 18TH St
Gutierrez, Selo	6055 SW 87TH Ave	Saunders, Angela N	2800 Collins Ave APT 730
Haidopoulos, Empan	13948 W Miami Ave	Soriano, Przemek	18200 SW 28th St
Hankinson, April E	12131 SW 216TH St	Sart, Derrick F	1700W SW 127TH Pl
Harvey, Brett H	3418 NW 1728th Ter	Sosa, Asuncion	14040 SW 130TH Pl
Holland, Jay B	15086 SW 95TH Ave APT 5116	Smith, Jacques L	18048 SW 214TH St
Hernandez, Alvaro	13718 NE 130TH St	Solis, David	13809 SW 118TH St
Hernandez, Orino J	3020 NW 19TH Ave APT 328	Spainhour, Randy K	15825 SW 1228th Ave
Hernandez, Rogelio	8001 SW 152ND St	Spohnhour, Michael E	18025 SW 1228th Ave
Herrera, Judith P	5000 SW 151st St Pl	Strong, Sharon J	438 SW 9TH St APT 17
Ingham, JR, Keith J	8502 NW 4TH Ave APT 7	Suarez SR, Carlos C	8855 NW 181st St
Jackson, Ashley B	12131 SW 216TH St	Suzner, Daniel C	2825 Collins Ave APT 1280
Jean, Beatrice	9027 NW 148TH St	Tapia, Jose C	190 Bayview Dr APT 806
Johnson, Ericka	2607 S 7th 141st Pl	Tarver, Shana L	3820 NW 130TH St
Joseph, Jim	7108 NE 8TH St	Tedesco, Dajshel C	2230 NW 130TH St
Joseph, Leslie J	931 NW 145TH Ter	Terra, Maylin	28048 SW 82nd St
King, Lorne	701 NW 210TH St APT 281	Vallada-Perez, Matthew L	12864 SW 60TH Ter
Larson, Darcy D	1402 W Flagler St	Vazquez, Zaira T	21655 SW 114TH St APT 2453
Lee, Berni S	1229 NW 95TH St APT 381	Villa, Zombora A	11801 McHugh Ave APT 11
Lynch SR, Robert J	3304 NE 155TH Ln	Winkler, Troy G	58 NE 50TH St
Lorenson, Jorge	823 SW 84TH Ave	Wylie, Johnathan R	2880 SW 38TH Ave
Louis, Rodney	18686 SW 176TH St	White, Randy D	20225 SW 112TH Pl
Lovary JR, James H	845 NW 108TH St	Wright, Samantha A	18118 NW 8TH St

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Steve Jennings/Tech Crunch

Snoop Dogg is known for his love of marijuana. Now he is investing in the industry and making a wealth of return.

SNOOP'S FIRM GETS \$45M FOR CANNABIS BUSINESS

With states legalizing the drug for recreational use, the market is booming

RICKEY RILEY
Blavity

Snoop Dogg cemented his place in rap as one of the most prolific hit makers of the past two decades. Recently, the rapper has turned his focus to business as his venture firm, Casa Verde Capital, made waves closing its debut fund with \$45 million.

The firm focuses on the ancillary cannabis industry, which includes agtech, health and wellness, financial services, technology, media, compliance and laboratory technology benefits of cannabis. Managing partner Karan Wadhra told TechCrunch that the firm has big plans to make major moves in the industry.

Wadhra is an alum of Goldman Sachs and Nomura Secu-

rities who joined the firm in 2016. As Western states like California and Colorado have taken steps to legalize marijuana for recreational use, the cannabis industry has ignited, and Snoop has taken advantage by becoming managing partner of the firm in 2015.

"Snoop was one of the first people I started working with," Wadhra said. "I was helping out on the new media side and helping a small team of people sort of run the Snoop show - not just his label but his clothing line, film, TV projects..."

The rapper is the face of the company, of course, and Wadhra says that he also manages the financial modeling and serves as a cultural icon that brings credibility.

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Casa Verde Capital has invested in major companies like LeafLink, a marketplace for retailers and brands. Wadhra compared LeafLink to Walmart. The platform allows vendors and dispensaries to connect, order and do business in a streamlined process.

Wadhra also said that Snoop is "hands-off on the investment process, but when it comes to certain companies, he's very involved, including with Merry Jane, a lifestyle media site [focused around cannabis]. That's content. That's media. That's Snoop's bread and butter."

TECHNOLOGY

What is 5G? The next wireless revolution

New generation of tech may be more reliable

AMANDA CAMPANARO
NBC News

As smartphones and other digital devices get smarter and more numerous — and as the applications, they run and generate ever more data — the wireless network that connects them must change to keep pace. That's why telecommunications giants like Verizon, AT&T, and Sprint are racing to roll out the fifth generation of wireless network technology.

Although some have criticized 5G for its high projected cost, there's wide agreement that the emerging technology will bring faster, more reliable connections for users. It could also provide the extra bandwidth needed to create what's being called the "Internet of Things" — a network that links not just phones and computers but also robots, cars, and all manner of sensor-equipped consumer products and infrastructure.

5G could even usher in a new era of "smart cities" in which energy grids, traffic signals and emergency services are linked to reducing inefficiencies.

WHAT IS 5G?

The fifth generation of mobile communication networks. Most consumers now use 3G or 4G/LTE networks, which were introduced to the public in 2001 and 2009, respectively. AT&T shuttered its 2G system in early 2017. Verizon, T-Mobile, and Sprint have said they'll continue to operate their 2G networks through 2019, 2020 and 2021, respectively.

WHAT ADVANTAGES WILL 5G OFFER?

Each new generation of wireless technology has brought faster, more reliable cellular and internet connections. In the 1980's, first-generation technology made communication via cellphone possible. The next generation, 2G, allowed for more efficient and secure phone calls and introduced mobile text messaging. 3G ushered in the smartphone era, and 4G/LTE gave us the high-speed connections that make it possible to stream high-definition video on our phones.

5G is projected to bring three main benefits:

Faster speed: Data transfer speeds are projected to be about 10 times higher with 5G than is possible with 4G. That means significantly faster transmission of images and videos. With 4G/LTE, downloading a high-definition movie might take about 10 minutes. With 5G, it should take less than a second.

Shorter delays: Though it's not always noticeable, there is often a brief lag in time from when data is sent to when it's received. 5G should reduce this so-called latency, making it possible, for example, to watch high-speed virtual reality video with no delays or glitches.

Increased connectivity: Cell towers equipped with 5G technology would have greatly increased capacity over 4G/LTE. That means more people — and more devices — should be able to communicate at the same time.

WILL I NEED A NEW PHONE?

Just as 2G phones couldn't connect to 3G or 4G networks, today's 3G and 4G/LTE phones will be unable to connect to a 5G network. So experts predict you'll need a new phone. The cost of a 5G phone is unclear, but monthly 5G service is likely to cost more than 4G/LTE service.

WHEN WILL 5G BE AVAILABLE?

Samsung and Intel debuted 5G technology at the Pyeongchang Winter Olympics, where it was used to stream live VR coverage of sporting events. AT&T, Sprint, T-Mobile and Verizon are continuing to develop and test 5G technology and expect 5G service to be available in some U.S. cities later this year. Access to 5G is expected to expand dramatically in 2019.

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Publisher has plans for Black news TV network

James Babington-Johnson wants to fill the information void nationwide

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Black Enterprise

James Babington-Johnson is at it again. This time, the civil rights veteran is raising capital to help launch a national cable news television network that'll serve as an alternative to the mainstream media. "We will bring information to the public forum that has heretofore gone unreported, being either dismissed, ignored or overlooked," Babington-Johnson said in a press release. "We can't expect the mainstream news media to prioritize issues, interests and concerns of Blacks.

That's our responsibility, which we are now embracing and putting a team on the field."

Through an Indiegogo campaign, Babington-Johnson is seeking \$300,000 in capital

funds that he'll use to produce a multimedia business plan for the new national cable news media television network.

The centerpiece of his plan will be the production "U.S.A. This Week," a daily television news pilot, which Babington-Johnson hopes will show potential investors that a national news media concept that's "competitive and all-inclusive," covering the interests, issues and concerns of Black Americans and imposing accountability where it has never been will thrive.

In 1994, Babington-Johnson, then chief executive of B.J. Publications set out to prove that there was in fact, a market for a Black-produced magazine that covered Black issues in-depth.

He raised \$50,000 seed money from a limited partnership, which he used to publish



James Babington-Johnson plans to launch a Black cable news network.

a 44-page prototype magazine issue that addressed a wide range of issues from jail hangings in Mississippi and also lighter topics such as the social significance of changing hairstyles.

He shot a 30-minute commercial that ran on cable and regular television to build subscriptions. He even tried to raise \$10 million through an initial public offering (IPO) that was to later launch a television magazine show.

"This is more than just a business. It's a mission," he told The Los Angeles Daily News at the time. "The focus is to cover events that the mainstream media is covering as well, except we will be asking questions that . . . others don't know, choose or want to ask."

But dwindling print subscriptions and the advent of social media platforms where consumers go directly to get their news affected Babington-Johnson's plans.

A student of political science and history graduate from the University of Tennessee, Babington-Johnson joined Honeywell as a production control coordinator after college. In 1968, he became the director of the Institute of African-American Studies in the same city. At one point, he also owned a restaurant and nightclub. Since moving to California in 1971, Babington-Johnson has written screenplays, developed ideas for television and started a trade publication for coin-operated businesses called "Games People Pay," later shortened to "Games People," according to the Chicago Tribune.

Babington-Johnson said his new plan will justify a minimum of \$200 million capital investment to then launch a national cable news television network that will serve 44 million Black households and also harness the community's \$1.1 trillion spending power.

Illegal debt collections at record levels in Fla.

The state is No. 2 in filing "zombie" complaints, consumer advocate says

DAVID LYONS
Sun-Sentinel

Invalid and illegal debt collections are at record levels across the U.S., and Florida is No. 2 for complaints about the practice, according to a national tracker of frequent flier programs and

credit card rewards. The practice, dubbed "zombie debt collections" by RewardExpert, are defined as attempts to collect debts not owed, those that were already paid or discharged, debts owed by someone else, or are a result of identity theft. The practice is conducted mainly by third-party debt collectors who purchase and collect debts that have been written off by the original creditor. Florida is second among five states identified by RewardExpert in which the collection activity is most prevalent. Last year, the state had 8,314 complaints or a per capita rate of 42.43 per 100,000 residents, behind Delaware, which had

a rate of 44.72 per 100,000 residents. Georgia, Nevada and Maryland rounded out the top five. "Third-party debt collectors, who purchase and profit on collecting debts that have been written off as a loss by the original creditor, are most likely to practice zombie debt collection," said Roman Shteyn, CEO and co-founder of RewardExpert.

Consumers can avoid these collections by submitting written demands that the collector verifies the debt, checking for discrepancies and responding to court summonses to ensure the collector doesn't win a court case by default. Recently, the Federal Trade Commission declared in a new report that Florida is the scam capital of the nation, with nearly 2.7 million

consumer complaints made to the agency in 2017. The top categories were debt collection, impostor scams, identity theft, phone and mobile, and banks and lenders, according to the latest FTC Data Book. Georgia and Nevada rounded out the top three states reporting fraud per 100,000 in population. For identity theft, it was Michigan, Florida and California.

Buy the first flying car

You get pilot lessons when you buy PAL-V Liberty from the Netherlands

DAVID REID
MSN.com

The world's first flying car that you can buy has been unveiled at the Geneva International Motor Show in Switzerland.

Dutch firm PAL-V revealed its final production model on March 6 and is now taking pre-orders for the car/aircraft on its website.

PAL-V said the first delivery will be made in 2019 once the production model has received final safety certifications.

The firm claims the two-person vehicle has a top road speed of about 100 miles per hour while it can reach 112 miles per hour in the air. With a maximum altitude of 11,000 feet, the air range is estimated to top out at around 350 miles. Transforming from road to air isn't quite as simple as pushing a button, requiring manual intervention, but PAL-V claims this can be done in less than 10 minutes.

The first limited edition model will retail at an expected 499,000 euros (\$621,500) with only 90 available for sale. Thereafter a "Liberty Sport Edition" will be available for an expected price of 299,000 euros.

Flying lessons are included in the price and the company's website is taking orders tied to hefty non-refundable reservation fees.

The flying car is certified to fly under the rules of U.S. and European safety agencies but owners will need a pilot's license. Pilots will also need access to a small airstrip to take off and land.



Dutch firm PAL-V revealed its final production model, PAL-V Liberty March 5 and is now taking pre-orders for the car/aircraft on its website. Tuesday and is now taking pre-orders for the car/aircraft on its website.



Miami Northwestern Senior High School football and boys and girls' track teams celebrated their 2017 State championship titles at a special assembly March 9, 2018 at the school. The Northwestern Bulls won the fifth football state championship in the school's history when the team defeated Sefner Armwood 21-16. The girls' track team won the Class 3A title, their ninth-consecutive state title and 14th overall win. The Bulls' boys track team won their first title since 2003.

Honoring the champs after Bulls win big



Miami Hurricanes men's basketball team plays Wake Forest at the Watsco Center Feb. 7.

More diplomas with dunks in year's NCAA tournament

Black male student-athletes are increasing their graduation rates

RICHARD LAPCHICK
Espn.com

There are few sporting events that create the sense of anticipation and excitement that March Madness does. It is easy to forget that the players on the road to the Final Four are still, in fact, college students. Once the tournament is over these student-athletes are often forgotten, leading civil rights leader the Reverend Jesse Jackson to note that, "one of our primary concerns regarding the NCAA basketball tournament has been a history of what we have called 'March Madness and May Sadness' — athletes who are celebrated for their dunks but fail to qualify for their diplomas."

Tuesday, the Institute for Diversity and Ethics in Sport (TIDES) at the University of Central Florida released its annual "Keeping Score When It Counts: Academic Progress/Graduation Success Rate Study of 2018 NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Basketball Tournament Teams." The report covers the basketball student-athlete Graduation

Success Rate (GSR) and Academic Progress Rate (APR) for the 68 men's tournament teams and 64 women's tournament teams. Women's tournament teams continue to raise the bar and graduate their players at a greater rate than the men's teams competing in the NCAA tournament. The GSR gap between Black and white student-athletes for both men's and women's teams decreased in 2018 after increasing for male student-athletes in the 2017 report.

The overall Graduation Success Rate (GSR) for women's tournament teams is an all-time best 92 percent, which is an increase of 2 percentage points from 2017. In comparison, the men's tournament teams overall GSR was 78 percent — returning to the levels from 2016 after a 2 percentage point decrease last year. Out of all of the women's and men's tournament teams, only four of the men's teams did not meet the 50 percent GSR benchmark. Upon seeing the results, Jackson said, "Dr. Lapchick's report this year shows an encouraging increase in graduation rates, which we hope is an indication that colleges

are making a greater commitment to ensure that their athletes are WINNERS both on AND off the court."

An important milestone achieved by the men's tournament teams this year was that that 2018 marked the first year that not a single team fell below the NCAA's benchmark of a 930 APR. There was only one women's team that fell below this standard.

As in the past, the biggest area of concern has been the disparity in the GSR of Black and white basketball student-athletes.

More impressive is the diminishing rate of the gap between female Black and white basketball student-athletes. This year saw a 6 percentage point decrease from 9 in 2017 to just 3 percentage points in 2018, also an all-time low. The average GSR for Black female basketball student-athletes increased from 87 to 91 percent which is an all-time high while that for white female basketball student-athletes decreased from 96 to 94 resulting in the three percent gap.

Serena to face a rising star at the Miami Open

The match is expected to draw crowds to the tennis tournament

KEY BISCAZYNE (AP) — It has never happened before: an opening-round match pitting a player who just won her first tennis title against a 23-time Grand Slam champion.

Naomi Osaka, a rising star who won Indian Wells on Sunday, will face Serena Williams in the first round of the Miami Open on Wednesday. It's a freakishly difficult way for both players to start a tournament.

"The luck of the draw," tournament director James Blake said Monday. "It's great in one sense — we have an unbelievable blockbuster match for Wednesday. But one of them is going to be gone unfortunately by Thursday."

The marquee matchup at the outset of the two-week tournament came about because neither player is seeded. Osaka is ranked a career-best No. 22, while Williams is ranked No. 491 after becoming a mother and returning to the tour at Indian Wells following a layoff of more than a year.

Osaka, a 20-year-old slugger from Japan, earned the biggest victory her career when she beat Daria Kasatkina 6-3, 6-2 in the Indian Wells final. Along with the title she won \$1.3 million, nearly doubling her career earnings.

Serena lost in the third round at Indian Wells to her sister Venus. An eight-time Key Biscayne champion, Serena enters the tournament as a wild card and has never faced Osaka.

"We'll see a lot of heavy hitting," Blake said. "Both of them hit the ball so big. There are a lot of story lines. How is Naomi going to react to winning her first big title? There's the cross-country flight. Is she going to be nervous playing Serena now that expectations are higher?"

Osaka lost just one set at Indian Wells and beat Maria Sharapova and top-ranked Simona Halep en route to the title.

"But anyone who is counting Serena out," Blake said, "is doing so at their peril."



Naomi Osaka

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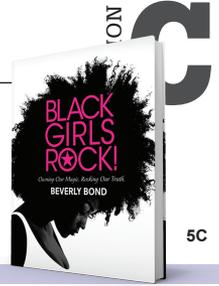
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They asked me, 'how do you like your wine?' and I said, 'Wine, me, I don't really drink that much.'

Smokey Robinson



Smokey Robinson's cabernet sauvignon, 2014 and riesling, 2015 both made with grapes from Suisun Valley, Calif., east of Napa Valley.

Smokey on the radio, in your glasses

The Motown legend toasts with his new signature wine collection

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In 1968, Smokey Robinson & The Miracles, recorded the song, "I Heard It Through the Grapevine," a song about the heartbreak of a fallen lover. That same year, another version of the song was recorded and released as a single by Marvin Gaye. It became a smash hit.

Although Robinson went on to make and write several hits with and without the group, the singer has ventured back to the grapevine for his latest project.

The soulful crooner has linked his name to something as smooth and sweet as the lyrics of his songs—wine.

With help from his friend and personal banker, Bob Buzzelli, and the owner of Grapevine Ventures, Louis Caputo, Robinson has been

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Smokey Robinson's riesling, 2015 and cabernet sauvignon, 2014 are adorned with pictures of him. The wine is bottled by EngineHouse 25 Winery in Pittsburg, Pa., Robinson's wife's hometown where the couple owns a home.



Junkanoo and Haiti street art

HistoryMiami Museum launched its exhibition, "Avenues of Expression: Street Traditions in Miami" on March 16, 2018. Through artifacts, video interviews, interactive displays and recreated environments, the exhibition inspires visitors to get street smart and discover the world around them. The 10-month exhibition is open to the public now through Jan. 13, 2019. The Bahamas Junkanoo Revue of Miami's colorful costumes are on display at the entry way of the exhibition, which highlights other Miami art and traditions, including Little Haiti street muralist Serge Toussaint.



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Women's HEALTH ISSUES

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BLACK NURSE SHATTERS HEALTHCARE BARRIERS

This year, Jackson Health System is celebrating its centennial – and its historic mission to provide the highest quality medical care to all members of our community.

When Jackson Health System opened its doors in 1918, it had 13 beds and a handful of employees. Today, Jackson is one of the nation's largest health systems with more than 2,100 beds and more than 12,000 employees.

A lot has changed since Jackson's humble beginnings, but its commitment to the health and wellbeing of the community has remained the same.

It was 1926, the year of the Great Miami Hurricane, that Thelma Vernell Anderson Gibson



Thelma Vernell Anderson Gibson

Gibson was born in Coconut Grove. She would become a powerful member of her community and leader in the field of health care. But she would have to leave Miami to get the education that she needed to begin reshaping Miami. Her journey to greatness would take her through the halls of Jackson Memorial Hospital.

After graduating from George Washington Carver High School in 1944, Gibson left The Historic West Grove to attend and graduate from Saint Agnes School of Nursing at Saint Augustine's College in North Carolina. When she returned during the summer of 1947, things were changing in her

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Child recovers after surgery to remove large brain tumor

David Dorval is like many other 11-year-old boys. He loves playing video games, trading Pokemon cards and watching sports – especially basketball.

But the normally active boy was suddenly sidelined in December when he began experiencing constant headaches, nausea, vomiting and episodes of blurred vision.

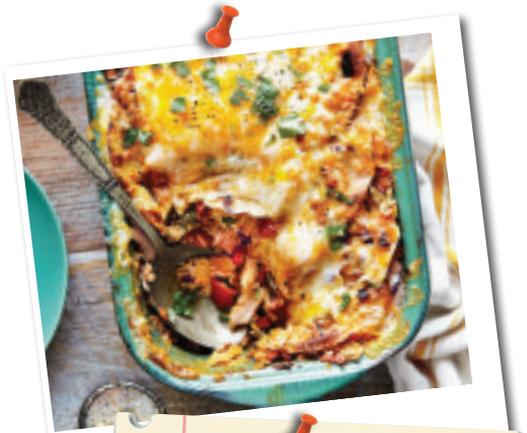
Trying to determine what was causing this sudden change in their son's health, David's parents took him to the pediatrician, who ordered a series of blood tests and referred him to an endocrinologist for more testing.

Thinking his eyesight might be the issue, he also went to an optometrist, who noticed a concerning finding on his exam that suggested elevated pressure in the brain. That doctor immediately sent David to Bascom Palmer Eye Institute for further examination. Additional tests were ordered, which

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Photo is of David Dorval, 11, with Dr. Heather McCrea, a UHealth – University of Miami Health System pediatric neurosurgeon at Holtz Children's Hospital.



Kid-friendly light king ranch chicken casserole

INGREDIENTS

Cooking Spray

- 2 lb. boneless, skinless, uncooked chicken breast cutlets or 4 cups cubed chicken breast
- 10.75 oz. canned, low-sodium, condensed Cream of Mushroom soup
- 14.5 oz. no-salt-added, diced tomatoes (1 can)
- 15.25 oz. canned, no-salt-added corn kernels (1 can), drained, rinsed
- 1 tbsp. no-salt-added chili powder
- 14.4 oz. packaged, frozen pepper stir-fry (onions and peppers), thawed and drained of any liquid (1 bag)
- 8 6-inch tortillas (cut into 1-inch strips)
- 1/2 cup shredded, fat-free Cheddar cheese
- 4 oz. canned, diced green chiles (1 can), drained, rinsed, optional

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.
2. Coat a large nonstick pan with cooking spray and warm to medium-high heat. Add chicken cutlets and sauté until fully cooked, about 7 to 8 minutes per side depending on thickness. Transfer chicken to a plate and cut chicken into a few pieces to cool quickly. When able to handle, cut chicken into cubes.
3. In a large bowl, add condensed soup. Into the bowl, let kids add drained tomatoes, drained corn, and chile powder, along with thawed stir-fry vegetables (and drained green chiles if using). Add cooked chicken and let kids use a spoon to stir mixture until combined.
4. Coat a 9-inch by 13-inch Pyrex or baking dish with cooking spray. Cut the corn tortillas into 1-inch strips. Pour 1/3 chicken mixture on the bottom of the dish, using a spatula to make into an even layer. Have kids layer half the tortillas strips on top of chicken mixture. Repeat once more with 1/3 chicken mixture in an even layer and remaining tortilla strips. Then, have kids top with remaining 1/3 chicken mixture in an even layer. Have kids sprinkle cheese on top.
5. Bake in oven until warmed through and bubbly, about 30 to 40 minutes. Remove from oven and let sit 5 minutes. Then, cut and serve.

Source: American Heart Association

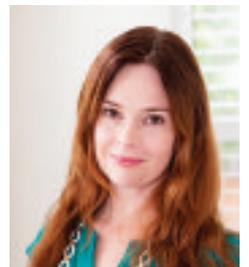
Stay safe from those "look-alike poisons"

WENDY STEPHAN

During the third week of March, poison control centers and safety advocates throughout the United States participate in National Poison Prevention Week.

This year, the Florida Poison Information Center - Miami at Jackson Memorial Hospital is warning children and adults about unexpected hazards – household cleaners, air fresheners, hair removers and other non-edible products that use images and scents of food to entice buyers. Other products, like pills, have shapes and colors similar to candy, which children and the

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The education of Black children in the '40s, '50s and '60s were labors of love by the dedicated teachers and the parents who wanted education for their children. This was the Jim Crow era in the United States when, by custom and law, Black people were separated from white people solely because of race. As a result, Black people, then called colored and Negro, known now as African-Americans, were treated unequally in education, transportation, accommodations and every other phase of life.

At a recent Miami Northwestern Class of 1961 meeting, classmates **Evarne McGee, Cozette Shepherd, Shirley M. Heppburn Washington, Oswald Barry, Robert Arrington, Leroy Swanson, Marva Johnson Cooper, Vivian Rutherford Johnson, Richard Farrington, Louis Carver Gabriel, Betty Moore, Claudia Jones Lewis, Carolyn Smith Blake, Johnny Gissandamer and Marjanna James** were discussing these times. They discussed how students back then traveled, caught buses or were transported from Carver Ranches, Seminola, Richmond Heights, Perrine and various other communities to attend school from those neighborhoods that didn't have schools for colored children. During those times the greater Miami community did have four schools, combining grades 7-12, for Blacks: **Booker T. Washington Senior High School, George Washington Carver School, Mays Community Middle School and Dorsey**

Junior-Senior High School.

So we have to remember dedicated women. Women like **Polly Mays**, who with her husband **Arthur**, were instrumental in the beginning of **Mays. Arthur and Polly Tanner Mays** moved to Naranja and became citrus crop growers. They also organized Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, which served as a place to educate children in the area. The school was originally called **Goulds Elementary and Junior High** and in 1951 officially became **Mays Elementary Junior High**, each year adding a grade in senior high. Other women like **Rebecca Dorsey**, who with her husband **Dana Albert "D.A." Dorsey**, donated the land for **Dorsey Junior-Senior High School** in Liberty City.

Frances S. Tucker became principal in 1929 of **Coconut Grove Junior High**, which later became **George Washington Carver**, also adding a grade each year. **Frances Tucker** served as principal for 28 years. In the fall of 1955, the Liberty City community was proud as a new, comprehensive high school opened its doors: **Miami Northwestern Senior High School**, with **Ida Taylor Ratcliffe** it's first principal. **Booker T. Washington** was established in 1926 and was located in Miami's Colored Town, now known as **Overtown**, where it started as a combined junior and senior high school.

In Broward County, there were **Dillard High School, Blanche Ely High School and Attucks Middle School**. Pretty amazing how we got through



The Poitier Family

these school years, learned well and were well-educated. The oldest of these schools is **Dillard** in Fort Lauderdale, which was, according to records, established in 1907 and named for Black-education advocate, **James H. Dillard**.

Attucks, originally called the **Dania-Liberia School**, was built by the Broward School District in 1925 for local Black children of all grades.

It was later named **Attucks** in honor of **Crispus Attucks**, the first person killed in the Boston massacre and thus the first American killed in the American Revolution. And, of course, there was **Blanche General Ely** of Pompano, who was such a legend in educating Black children and a social activist in the community. She was the principal of **Blanche Ely School**, changed from Pom-



Ely

pano Colored School. **Ely** left her mark on the minds of many Broward County residents as principal of **Blanche Ely High School**. (She was so highly regarded that the school was named after her while she worked there, and she lived in a house across the street.)

Blanche Ely High opened in 1951 as an all-Black school. **Blanche Ely** graduated from Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University. She taught at Deerfield Beach Elementary and in Hialeah before becoming principal of the high school in Pompano Beach from 1951 to 1970, before it was closed because of school desegregation efforts.

We have had a remarkable journey.

Sharing some family pride and history, **Alexandria Poitier** was pinned and donned



Ida Taylor Ratcliffe

her white coat on completing her first year at the University of Miami School of Medicine. Proud dad, Dr. **Joseph W. Poitier Jr.**, a UM School of Medicine grad, had the honor of pinning **Alexandria**. Big sister **Joni** traveled from Jacksonville for the ceremony. A proud member for the **Poitier** family.

We have so much history. I try to share, I research to keep the "record straight," so to speak, but many of you know these facts, and I encourage you tell the stories, your stories, our stories.

In closing this column, and, as we continue our celebration of Women's History Month, I leave you with the poem "She," dedicated to any "Sheroes" in our history.

"She is the one who will notice that the first snapdragon of Spring is in bloom;

She is the one who will tell the most funny & complicated joke. She is the one who will surprise you by knowing the difference between turnips and collard Greens; & between biscuits & scones.

She is the one who knows where to take you for dancing or where the food

& the restaurant's decor are not to be missed. She is the one who is saintly. She is the one who takes you shopping. She is the one who knows where the best clothes are bought cheap.

She is the one who warms your home with her fragrance; the one who brings music, magic & joy. She is the one speaking the truth from her heart.

She is the one at the bedside wedding, funerals or divorce of all the best people you dearly love.

She is the one with courage. She is the one who speaks her bright mind;

She is the one who encourages young & old to do the same. She is the one

on the picket line, at the barricade, at the prison, in jail;

She is the one who is there.

If they come for me & I am at her house

I know she will hide me. If I tell her where I have hidden my heart

she will keep my secret safe.

She is the one who without hesitation comes to my aid & my defense.

She is the one who believes my side of the story first;

She is the one whose heart is open.

She is the one who loves.

She is the one who makes activism the most compelling because she is the one who is irresistible her own self. She is our sister, our teacher, our friend!

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Scenes from Carnival in Port of Spain, Trinidad.

CARNIVAL IN THE ISLANDS

A festive time in Trinidad and Tobago, some quiet getaway in St. Lucia

JADA YUAN

The New York Times

One doesn't have to look very far to find Carnival in Port of Spain, the capital of the dual-island state of Trinidad and Tobago — it will find you. That became clear when my taxi took a right turn toward the city center, and smack into what might be the most entertaining traffic jam I've ever experienced.

Within seconds, hundreds of revelers, many of them wearing sparkling bikinis, elaborate feather headdresses — and little else — had engulfed our car, streaming down the street in the opposite direction. One woman in a sequined, beige one-piece flashed a cheeky smile and began “winning” with our front bumper. (That’s a dance that typically involves a woman and man standing back-to-front and “winding” their hips against one another.)

Trinidad’s Carnival is second in reputation only to Brazil’s for both beauty and debauchery. The massive, joyous street party I’d experienced upon arrival, I soon found out, was actually an off night. The real action would begin the next day, with serious celebrants in serious costumes hitting the street as early as 8 a.m. and dancing until dawn on Ash Wednesday.

“You can’t come to Trini-

dad and not play mas!” said Linda Wells, a Trinidad-born nurse living in Brooklyn who’s been coming back to her home country every year for 20 years to celebrate. She was using the nickname for “masquerade,” a tradition that dates back to 18th-century balls that French plantation owners used to throw (and their slaves mimicked) to let loose before the asceticism of Lent.

The custom-designed dress Wells was to wear, she showed me, was flesh colored, with an intricate pattern of green sequins and a train of green feathers, and would have put everyone at the Oscars to shame.

“I’m with the K2K band. You have to follow us. We’re going to be fabulous!” she said, and sent me down to the park under the protection of her husband, Earl Wells, a field surveyor who was wearing an antlered headdress, face paint and head-to-toe tie-dye. Soon I was in the midst of several hundred people twirling around in elaborate fabric wings, or getting down to soca music with sparkling suns on sticks attached to their backs that shot up 20 feet in the air.

I had good luck finding the K2K band, while walking around, but nearly everyone I ran into seemed horrified to see me on my own. When I

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LIFESTYLE HAPPENINGS

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SCHOOL MEETINGS

■ Miami Northwestern Class of 1968

2 p.m. every fourth Saturday; African Heritage Cultural Arts Center, 6161 NW 22nd Ave.; Info: Call 305-218-6171

■ Miami Northwestern Class of 1973

4 p.m. every third Sunday; location TBA; Info: Call 786-877-1176 or email msoguns@aol.com

■ Miami Jackson Class of 1968

6 p.m. every second Monday to plan 50th reunion on June 14-18; African Heritage Cultural Arts Center, 6161 NW 22nd Ave.; Info: Call 305-336-7663

■ Miami Carol City Class of 1968

4 p.m. every fourth Sunday to plan 50th reunion on Sept. 14-16; location TBA; Info: Call 305-494-6265

■ George Washington Carver High School Class of 1966

Noon every second Saturday; 1234 NW 79th St.; Info: Call 305-300-7630

■ Northwestern Class of 1962

3 p.m. every second Saturday; African Heritage Cultural Arts Center, 6161 NW 22nd Ave.; Info: Call 305-681-3330

■ Booker T. Washington Class of 1967

4 - 6 p.m. every third Saturday; African Heritage Cultural Arts Center, 6161 NW 22nd Ave.; Info: Call 305-333-7128

■ Miami Northwestern Class of 1961

Noon every second Tuesday; YET Center, 7090 NW 22nd Ave.; Info: Call 305-696-1154

■ Miami Jackson Class of 1971

2:30 p.m. every first Saturday; YET Center, 7090 NW 22nd Ave.; Info: Call 786-285-2533

■ Miami Northwestern Class of 1959

10:30 a.m. every third Saturday; African Heritage Cultural Arts Center, 6161 NW 22nd Ave.; Info: Call 786-897-2646

■ Booker T. Washington

Class of 1959

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. every first Tuesday; Golden Coral Buffet, 9045 Pines Blvd.; Info: Call 305-989-0994

ASSOCIATION/CHAPTER MEETINGS

■ **The Miami Central High Alumni Association**
7 p.m. every second and fourth Wednesday; Miami Central Senior High School library, 1781 NW 95th St.; Info: Call 305-370-4825

■ The George Washington Carver Alumni Association

12:30 p.m. every third Wednesday; Community Center in Coconut Grove, 220 Florida Ave. (near US1); Info: Call 954-248-6946

■ The Miami-Dade Chapter of Bethune-Cookman University

6:30 p.m. every second Thursday; Omega Center, 15600 NW 42nd Ave.

■ Tennessee State Alumni Association/ Miami-Dade Chapter

9 a.m. every third Saturday; African Heritage Cultural Arts Center, 6161 NW 22nd Ave.; Info: Call 305-336-4287

■ The Morris Brown College Miami-Dade/Broward Alumni Association

9:30 a.m. every third Saturday; North Shore Medical Center, 100 NW 95th St., Room C; Info: Call 786-356-4412

■ Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc.

10 a.m. every second Saturday; African Heritage Cultural Arts Center, 6161 NW 22nd Ave.; Info: Call 305-439-5426.

CLASSES

■ Women in Transition of South Florida

Class: Free computer lessons for women; time, date and location TBA; Info: Call 786-477-8548

■ Inner City Children's Touring Dance

Class: free introductory classical ballet workshops for girls ages 6-8 and 9-12; Time and date TBA; 1350 N.W. 50th Street; Info: Call 305-758-1577 or visit www.childrendance.net

The deadline for the Lifestyle Calendar is on or before 2 p.m. Fridays.

Beverly Bond: This 'Black Girl Rocks'

She will sign books and talk about the women's movement March 23

JULIANA ACCIOLY
Special to The Miami Times

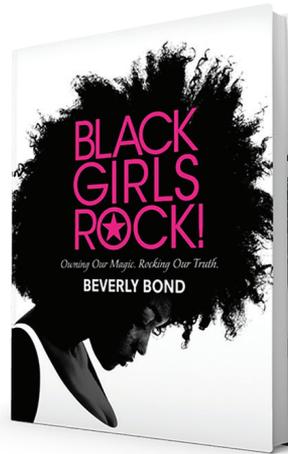
Former model and celebrity DJ Beverly Bond remembers when she created Black Girls Rock! in 2006 as a way to promote positive attitudes toward womanhood.

Soon the T-shirt slogan grew into something much greater.

"I wanted to arm girls with tools to discern and combat oppression, patriarchy, racism, sexism and all of the discriminatory systems created to silence and marginalize their existence," Bond said in an interview with *The Miami Times*. "The slogan was the beginning - Black Girls Rock! was a vision that became an ac-



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world."

Black women's struggles, protests and triumphs will take center stage March 23 at Books & Books in Coral Gables, 265 Aragon Ave. The free event starts at 8 p.m.

"I think these movements are necessary, and they are doing the work. One of the things that is changing in these present-day feminist movements is that they are starting to make more conscious efforts to join forces with movements like Black Girls Rock!, Black Lives Matter and other dynamic women and organizations that do this work to bring other women's unique lens and expertise to the conversation so that we fight for the safety of all women together," Bond said.

Bond said the world is witnessing a sort of awakening. "Patriarchy is a system in place that has allowed the assault, abuse and manipulation of women," she said. "When we ask questions like 'How come it took so long? Why speak up now?' we have to remind ourselves of how any progressive change happens. It had to take enough of us to keep speaking out, and to keep raising our voices, and to keep organizing in order to create a spark until suddenly, you have a fire. Right now, I think that what we have in this present-day feminist movement is a fire."

The Obamas in talks with Netflix to produce shows

The former first couple wants to make exclusive content for the company

MICHAEL D. SHEAR
The New York Times

Former President Barack Obama is in advanced negotiations with Netflix to produce a series of high-profile shows that will provide him a global platform after his departure from the White House, according to people familiar with the discussions.

Under terms of a proposed deal, which is not yet final, Netflix would pay Obama and his wife, Michelle, for exclusive content that would be available only on the streaming service, which has nearly 118 million subscribers around the world.

The number of episodes and the formats for the shows

have not been decided.

Obama does not intend to use his Netflix shows to directly respond to President Trump or conservative critics, according to people familiar with the discussions. They said the Obamas had talked about producing shows that highlight inspirational stories.

But the Netflix deal, while not a direct answer to Fox News or Breitbart.com, would give Obama an unfiltered method of communication with the public similar to the audiences he already reaches through social media, with 101 million Twitter followers and 55 million people who have liked his Facebook page.

"President and Mrs. Obama



The Washington Post via Getty Images

Former President Barack Obama could be Netflix's newest producer.

has always believed in the power of storytelling to inspire," Eric Schultz, a senior adviser to the former president, said Thursday.

"Throughout their lives, they

have lifted up stories of people whose efforts to make a difference are quietly changing the

world for the better. As they consider their future personal plans, they continue to explore new ways to help others tell and share their stories."

In one possible show idea, Obama could moderate conversations on topics that dominated his presidency — health care, voting rights, immigration, foreign policy, climate change — and that have continued to divide a polarized American electorate during President Trump's time in office.

Another program could feature Michelle Obama on topics, like nutrition, that she championed in the White House. The former president and first lady could also lend their brand — and their endorsement — to documentaries or fictional programming on Netflix that align with their beliefs and values.



Miami Times photos/Jayda Hall

Check out these JITG 2018 looks

Jazz in the Gardens was the hottest spot to attend this past weekend, with music lovers traveling down from Georgia, Tennessee and even Alaska. And although attendees came to hear sweet melodies from artists like Smoky Robinson and Anita Baker, some of them also wanted to show off their swag that stood out in the crowd. From simple to chic, to outfits that can't be missed, check out some of the looks we spotted at this year's event.



POISON

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elderly can mistake and injure themselves or worse.

"I blame marketing," says Roberto del Valle, MD, a poison specialist at the Florida Poison Information Center - Miami. "These products simply look good enough to eat."

We all have household items around our homes that, if used the wrong way, can be extremely dangerous, and even deadly. It's important to be aware of look-alike poisons. Here are some re-

al-life examples of people who made similar mistakes:

- At the Florida Poison Information Center - Miami, we received a call from a hospital about a woman who drank "Vanilla Smoothie Hair Depilatory," thinking it was a sweet drink.

- One grandmother noticed her 5-year-old had disappeared with her purse. Coming out of the bedroom, the child said, "Look Grandma, I saved one for you." The "candy" she had eaten was actually the woman's blood pressure pills. The child was rushed to the hospital after a call to poison control.

- One woman's elderly mother complained about the texture of "the new mayonnaise." It turned out she had spread her sandwich with a bleach-based cleanser. The product's yellow, blue, and white bottle closely resembled mayo.

While look-alike poisonings mostly affect children, they can also occur in people of any age with vision, sensory, or cognitive problems. For example, people with Alzheimer's disease often experience changes in their ability to taste and smell. Children with autism may sample interesting products at older

ages than other children, who generally become more cautious around 6 years old.

Even healthy adults can make mistakes. All it takes is a distraction like being on the phone or busy with a fussy child.

To prevent harm from look-alike poisons, remember these few easy steps:

- If you have small children, avoid purchasing cleaning products that look tasty (such as laundry and dishwashing pods).

- Keep all poisons and medications in a single location, up high, and out of reach. A lock adds

extra protection.

- Do not store food and cleaning supplies in the same place.

- Do not refill a drink container (like a Gatorade bottle) with a poison. Even if labeled, this is an accident waiting to happen.

If you think that an accident has occurred or before it happens, remember that 86 percent of poisonings were treated safely at home over the telephone with the intervention of the Florida Poison Information Center in 2017.

At the Florida Poison Information Center - Miami,

specially trained doctors, nurses and pharmacists are available to offer treatment, preventive advice and information regarding potential poison hazards. Call the poison control center 24 hours a day, seven days a week, at 1-800-222-1222 for any poisoning or suspected poisoning. Calls are free and confidential. Save the number into your phone by texting "poison" to 797979 or saving it into your contacts.

Wendy Stephan is a health education coordinator at the Florida Poison Information Center - Miami at Jackson Memorial Hospital.

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neighborhood as her home then had electricity and running water for the very first time. However, Miami was still the Deep South and segregation was the rule of law.

Gibson, talented and skilled enough to be hired at Jackson as a registered nurse, would have her dream of using her specialization in operating techniques deferred.

It was socially unacceptable for her to work in the operating rooms, and she was assigned to begin her career in the Colored Wards of Jackson Memorial Hospital.

She was instrumental in the care of hundreds of patients, and realized that she had a passion to take a leadership role in the nursing profession. That would require her to pursue higher education. But Jackson would not see



the last of Gibson.

A brief stay at the University of Miami, where she and other Black students had to take classes off campus, led Gibson to leave Miami again. She attended Teacher's College at Columbia University and graduated with her bachelor's degree in 1954. In 1956, she continued her education

at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where she studied cancer and communicable diseases.

With a strong education, Gibson came back to Miami in 1964 to become the first Black assistant supervisor nurse at the county's health department. Soon after, she married Reverend Theodore

Gibson, the first leader of the local NAACP chapter.

Throughout her stellar career, Gibson has worked in a variety of health organizations including the E.J. Hall Clinic in Miami; the Gallinger Memorial Hospital in Washington, D.C.; and the Dade County Health Department. In August, 1997, she was appointed Miami's interim City Commissioner.

And she did ultimately return to the University of Miami and Jackson. Among her many accomplishments and honors, Gibson is listed as an Emeriti Member of the University of Miami Board of Trustees. As for Jackson, it was in 1984 that she returned to her original place of employment in a leadership role as a member of the governing Public Health Trust Board of Trustees. She served on the Jackson board for six years.

To learn more about Jackson's rich history, visit CenturyofMiracles.org.

TUMOR

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led to an unexpected and frightening diagnosis.

"The imaging study showed a very large brain tumor in the left side of David's cerebellum - the area of the brain that controls balance," said Heather J. McCrea, MD, PhD, a UHealth - University of Miami Health System pediatric neurosurgeon at Holtz Children's Hospital. "Pediatric brain tumors overall are not very common (approximately 3500 in children under age 14 in the U.S. each year), but this is one of the more common types that we see in children and is fortunately a tumor that we can cure with surgery."

As a result of the brain tumor, David had also developed hydrocephalus, a buildup of fluid in the cavities deep within the brain, which causes pressure on the brain. "If the tumor continued to grow, or if the hydrocephalus was left untreated, it would have been life-threatening for David," Dr. McCrea said.

"When we heard it was a tumor, we panicked," said David's father, Romane Dorval. "We are people of faith, so we immediately

started praying."

That same day, David was admitted to Holtz Children's Hospital at the University of Miami/Jackson Memorial Medical Center, where Dr. McCrea performed a successful eight-hour surgery to remove the tumor. Pediatric brain tumors are a main area of focus for Dr. McCrea, who came to Holtz Children's after completing extensive surgical training at New York Presbyterian-Weill Cornell, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, and Boston Children's Hospital.

Within hours after the surgery, David was awake, headache-free and feeling more like himself.

"I was very scared and nervous," he said. "But now, after surgery, I feel so much better."

Fully recovered, David is glad to be back home with his parents and two brothers, and he returned to his fifth-grade class at Broward Charter School of Excellence.

Katucha Dorval, David's mother, is grateful that her son ended up under the care of Dr. McCrea at Jackson.

"Dr. McCrea was the right person at the right time, and she was meant to be David's doctor," she said. "Coming to Jackson was the best thing for our family."

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strayed from the show to look for something to eat, a young man raced up behind me. His name was Kadeem, and

he wanted to warn me that I had just narrowly escaped a robber who had been casing me, and who was blocking my way back to the show. "Be careful of that guy. He's not a nice guy," he said. "He won't bother you, but he looked like he wanted to get someone at

the corner." Later, back at the show, I befriended a female pan player named Lenitia Solomon who happened to be a police officer in another part of town. "Trinidad is not safe, especially around Carnival. A lot of phone snatchers. Believe me, I've seen it all. Be

aware of who's around you," she said, before telling me the story of a Japanese pan-player friend of hers who had been murdered at last year's Carnival. Despite such warnings, Trinidad was vibrant and colorful and edgy, and I loved every minute of it.

WINE

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able to bottle his music into a classic, liquid amenity, dubbed the Smokey Robinson Wines.

But Smokey wasn't a fan of alcoholic beverages. He could not stand the potency of the liquor, he said.

A vegan for the last two years, he does not pair his wine with meat or cheese, but he was sold on the idea of starting a wine collection after

a little convincing from Caputo and Buzzelli.

"They asked me, 'how do you like your wine?' and I said, 'wine, me, I don't really drink that much,'" said Robinson. The singer said when he does drink, on occasion, he indulges in a glass of wine "so I gave it try, and it was good."

The riesling has a crisp, light taste with a mix of apple and honey. A sip of it has a hint of alcohol.

Robinson's personal preference however, is white wine, which he named My Girl.



There is the light, citrus, pear and honey taste of the chardonnay. The wine is named after "My Girl," a song Robinson wrote for The

Temptations, released in 1964.

The label has a silhouette of a woman made out of staff lines, and it is a dedicated to Robinson's female fans.

"What we did was try to find a wine that was soft to base it on 'My Girl,'" said Buzzelli. "So we chose a white wine because a majority of women like white wine."

For another of Robinson's biggest hits, the business partners tied it to a wine that would be more masculine and popular with men.

In the song, "Cruisin'," Rob-

inson channels a man who wants to seal his relationship with a woman.

"And if you want it you got it forever. This is not a one-night stand," sings Robinson behind the light rhythmic melody, a signature of Motown. The bottle of the Bordeaux blend is illustrated in a design that is shaped like a flame.

There is also a pinot noir illustrated with the likeness of a couple embracing labeled after his 2005 hit, "Being with You."

Even though Robinson is not

a sommelier or a wine expert, he said that he wanted to create an experience for his fans that would "touch and move" them as he has done with his music for decades. His wine and music are the same he says: "simple, classic and timeless."

Bottles of Robinson's riesling and cabernet sauvignon are available for purchase at www.SmokeyRobinsonWines.com and www.finewineandgoodspirits.com.

The series of bottles totaling the matching song labels will be available in the spring.

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NORTH SHORE MEDICAL CENTER JOINED WITH THE VILLAGE OF MIAMI SHORES FOR THE ANNUAL UNITY DAY EVENT AND OFFERED HEALTH SCREENINGS 9D



Professor Melvin White Jr., interim director of Florida Memorial University's Department of Visual & Performing Arts, conducts the choir as it performs "Lift Every Voice and Sing," the Negro National Anthem.



Terra Mitchell, wife of the late Eric L. Mitchell who posthumously received the Susie C. Holley Humanitarian Award is joined by Reverend Wayne B. Lomax, first vice chairman of the Florida Memorial University Board of Trustees, and Castell Vaughn Bryant, interim president of Florida Memorial University.

Miami Times photos/Philippe Buteau

FMU came this far on faith

The university that moved and changed its name several times

PHILIPPE H. BUTEAU
Special to The Miami Times

It has been 139 years since Florida Memorial University was founded in Live oak, Fla.

Today, those in charge of leading South Florida's lone Historically Black College or University, have not forgotten.

"We have come this far by faith" was the theme for this year's Founder's Day celebration, held on Thursday, March 15 on the campus in Miami Gardens.

Indeed, people of faith took the lead at a ceremony that not only reflected on the school's past, but it also

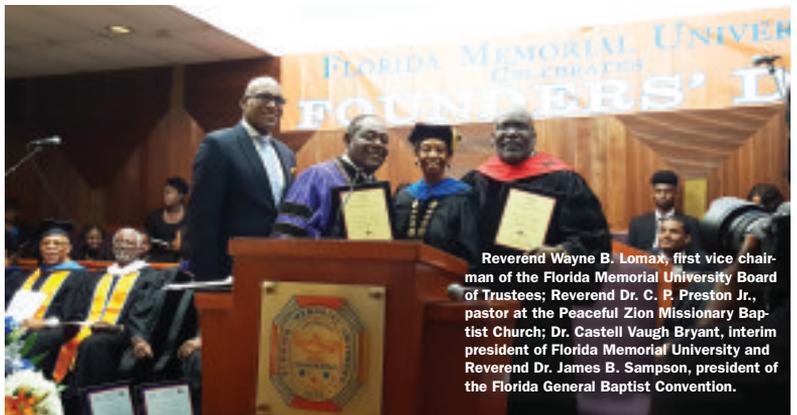
honored those who play or played a part in FMU's present.

The keynote speakers were Reverend Dr. James B. Sampson, president of the Florida General Baptist Convention, and Reverend Dr. C. P. Preston Jr., pastor at Peaceful Zion Missionary Baptist Church. The messages of their sermons were "Don't forget to tell the whole story" for Sampson, and "Don't quit" for Preston.

"Florida Memorial was birthed at a difficult time in our history," Sampson said.

Because of a shooting in 1892, in which no one was

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Reverend Wayne B. Lomax, first vice chairman of the Florida Memorial University Board of Trustees; Reverend Dr. C. P. Preston Jr., pastor at the Peaceful Zion Missionary Baptist Church; Dr. Castell Vaughn Bryant, interim president of Florida Memorial University and Reverend Dr. James B. Sampson, president of the Florida General Baptist Convention.

Adventist churches hold Global Youth Day

Members leave four walls to aid the less fortunate and those in need

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For the Seventh Day Adventist Church, this past Saturday not only marked the weekly Sabbath, but the church also celebrated Global Youth Day, a day when members provide community service wherever it is needed.

Although billed as an activity for the youth of the church, members of all ages were involved. Church members wore T-shirts that read, "Be the Sermon," which reminds them to take the lessons of Scripture that are taught in church and use them in their day-to-day lives to help their fellow man.

Tara Collins and Peggy Joseph, event coordinators at Mt. Pisgah Seventh Day Adventist Church in Miami Gardens, explained that the event is a project of the Adventist

Church General Counsel and involves Adventist churches around the world. Local members spread out across South Florida to visit places such as Ronald McDonald House, Lotus House, New Life Family Center and Peninsula House.

At Ronald McDonald House, as the Adventist Church is known for promoting healthy eating, honoring the human body as a temple of the Holy Spirit, "we prepared a healthy lunch for the individuals who live in the house," said Collins. "We had barbecue chicken; we had regular chicken; we had salad, juices and snacks. We gave them desserts."

"It was an awesome opportunity for us to get outside of the four walls of the church," said Pastor Alex Royes of Mt. Pisgah. "To engage our community, and let



Pastor Alex Royes of Mt. Pisgah Seventh Day Adventist Church in Miami Gardens gives free haircuts to the homeless in Downtown Fort Lauderdale on Saturday.

Photo courtesy of Tara Collins

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Pastor Alex Royes of Mt. Pisgah

them know, we are not just a church that is concerned about what happens inside our four walls, we are concerned about our community, about helping the homeless. We are out there with those who are elderly, we are out there with those who are less fortunate. [We] let them know, Mt. Pisgah is a community church, serious about reaching those, even if you don't want to come to church.”

Hosting and coordinating such a massive outreach effort was not without cost — church financial resources as well as lots of voluntary efforts. "A lot of manpower was needed to pull this off, all voluntary," said Collins.

Still, Mt. Pisgah members plan to make the day of community service more than a once-a-year event.

"We are already planning to do something in May," said Pastor Royes. "We hope for this to be a regular part of

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Kenneth Pratt, husband of the first female police chief of Miami Gardens, Delma Noel-Pratt, recipient of the Sarah Ann Blocker Meritorious Service Award, is joined by Reverend Wayne B. Lomax, first vice chairman of the Florida Memorial University Board of Trustees and Castell Vaughn Bryant, interim president of Florida Memorial University.

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harm, then-President Reverend Matthew W. Gilbert and other staff decided to leave the Florida Baptist Institute in Live Oak, for Jacksonville, Fla. and founded the Florida Baptist Academy. The student body grew too big for the Jacksonville campus, so administrators agreed to move to St. Augustine, Fla. and become the Florida Normal and Industrial Institute in 1918. It later became the Florida Normal Industrial and Memorial College in 1942.

During the Civil Rights Movement of the 1960s, school officials were concerned student activism would provoke the resentment and animosity of white people in St. Augustine. The college moved once more and changed names two more times before school officials adopted Florida Memorial University in 2005.

"The race is given to those who endure and hold out, not to the swiftest or the strongest," Preston said during his sermon.

After reflection came the honors.

The FMU selection committee for its Founder's Day Convocation awards bestowed on Miami Gardens Vice Mayor Erhabor Ighodaro, the Nathan W. Collier Meritorious Service Award; Miami Gardens Police Chief Delma Noel-Pratt, the Sarah Ann Blocker Meritorious Service Award; and the late Eric L. Mitchell, the Susie C. Holley Humanitarian Award posthumously.

Ighodaro is executive director of the Dr. Robert B. Ingram Foundation, which has awarded more than 5,000 scholarships to Miami-Dade County Public School students. Ighodaro was a former Miami-Dade public school teacher. He's the administrator for the



Shannon Ighodaro, Erhabor Ighodaro, recipient of the 2018 Nathan W. Collier Meritorious Service Award and vice mayor of Miami Gardens, and Reverend Wayne B. Lomax, first vice chairman of the Florida Memorial University Board of Trustees.

school district's Ingram Africa School Alliance "Rites Passage" Project and leads groups of students, teachers and parents on the district's annual trip and student exchanges with schools in Africa. Ighodaro leads the way in getting Miami Gardens to do more for people with special needs. He hosts Stand Against Violence It's Our Responsibility, the annual community violence and crime prevention initiative.

Mitchell led the effort to restore and preserve the burial sites of Blocker and Nathan W. Collier, president of Florida Baptist Academy and Florida Normal and Industrial Institute, names by which FMU was formerly known. He also started the Lion Legacy Program.

Like Blocker, Noel-Pratt mentors young people and is the leader of a service institution. Blocker was a professor who taught at both the Live Oak school and the one in Jacksonville; she helped Gilbert establish Florida Baptist Academy,

and was later its vice president. Pratt, who is the first female police chief in Miami Gardens, started her law enforcement career as a public service aide for the city of Miami Police Department in 1989.

"The story of her rise to chief definitely fits into those two sermons," said Jeffrey Dean Swain, FMU chaplain. "We wanted to honor her for her service as police chief. But we also admire her achievements."

After accepting her award Noel-Pratt said she is honored and humbled to be recognized. She said her mission reflects what Blocker did as a teacher and leader of FMU's future.

"I do like she did. I educate, lead and equip the men and women of this great department," she said. "And I reach out — touch one teach one. I mentor our youth, especially in this great city. If I could do just half the things that Ms. Blocker did in my lifetime, I'd be truly, truly blessed."

CHURCH Listings

CATHOLIC

Holy Redeemer Catholic Church
Rev. Alexander Ekechukwu, CSSp
1301 NW 71 Street • 305-691-1701

BAPTIST

New Philadelphia Baptist Church
Pastor Rickie K. Robinson Sr.
1113 NW 79th Street • 305-505-0400

Greater Harvest Baptist Church
Rev. Kenneth McGee
2310 NW 58th Street • 786-717-5818

MISSIONARY BAPTIST

New Christ Tabernacle Church
Rev. Harold Harsh
1305 NW 54th Street • 305-835-2578

Walking in Christ M.B. Church
Rev. Larry Robbins, Sr.
3530 NW 214th Street • 305-430-0443

New Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church
Elder William Walker
5895 NW 23rd Avenue • 305-635-3866

New Christ Tabernacle M.B. Church
Rev. Harold Marsh
1305 NW 54th Street • 305-835-2578

Valley Grove Missionary Baptist Church
Elder Johnnie Robinson
1395 NW 69th Street • 305-835-8316

New Mount Calvary

Missionary Baptist Church
Rev. Bernard E. Lang, Pastor/Teacher
7103 NW 22 Avenue • 954-433-2028

NON DENOMINATION

Lively Stone Church of Miami
Pastor David Doriscar
8025 NW Miami Ct 754-400-0899

Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church
Rev. Van Gaskins, Jr., Pastor/Teacher
7510 NW 15th Avenue • 305-418-0012

True Faith Missionary Baptist Church
Pastor John M. Fair
1890 NW 47th Terrace • 786-262-6841

The Kingdom Agenda Worship Center
Prophess Felicia Hamilton-Paramore
630 Sharar Avenue • 954-707-3274

AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL Metropolitan A.M.E. Church
Rev. Michael H. Clark, Jr., Senior Pastor
1778 NW 69th Street • 305-696-4201

New Resurrection Community Church
Rev. Dr. Anthony A. Tate
2167 NW 64th Street • 305-342-7426

PENTECOSTAL

New Faith Deliverance Center COGIC
Pastor Dr. Willie Gaines
3257 NW 7th Avenue Circle • 305-335-4389

New Life Christian Center

Rev. Bruce Payne
5726 Washington Street • 786-536-9039

MORAVIAN CHURCH

New Hope Moravian Church
Pastor Gregorio Moody
6001 SW 127th Avenue • 305-273-4047

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Church of Christ at Coconut Grove
Minister William D. Maddox
3345 Douglas Road • 305-448-0504

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Revival Tabernacle Assembly of God
Pastor Leonard Shaw
2085 NW 97th Street • 305-693-1356



Photo courtesy of Tara Collins

Adventist members on Saturday visited Ronald McDonald House in Miami, as part of Global Youth Day to provide service to residents.

YOUTH

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who we are as a church."

In downtown Fort Lauderdale, Seventh Day Adventist church members from Miami-Dade and Broward counties, aided by the First United Methodist Church, set up stations for the homeless to take showers, get free haircuts and

hot meals. Homeless women were treated to manicures and wigs, along with prayers.

Among the homeless were stories of human tragedy. Stories of wrong decisions were mixed with the story of an elderly grandmother, weak and frail, carrying heavy bags filled with everything she owned. She had been kicked out of her home by the granddaughter she had raised because

the boyfriend she was now living with did not like her living there.

Members of the church took the grandmother's contact number and began seeking a place where the grandmother can live.

One homeless man said he wanted food, a shower, a haircut and toiletries, but most of all, he needed prayer. Church members gathered around him and did just that.

FAITH CALENDAR

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■ **Northside SDA Church**
Community Health Fair and food giveaway; 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.; March 24. Call 305-613-0994 for more details.

■ **Sistah to Sistah Connection**
Women's empowerment

meeting; 10 a.m. - noon on every second and fourth Saturday; Parkway Professional Building in Miramar. Call 954-260-9348 for more details.

■ **Greater New Bethel Baptist Church**

Provides behavioral health, intervention and treatment services for Black men at risk for HIV or substance abuse disorders. Call 305-627-0396 for more details.

■ **The Elks Historical**

Business and Conference Center

Gospel Kickback with entertainment and fine dining; noon - 6 p.m. every Sunday. Call 305-224-1890 for more details.

■ **Metropolitan A.M.E.**

Church
Food and clothing giveaway; every third Saturday. Call 786-277-4150 for more details.

■ **Zion Hope Missionary Baptist Church**

Food and clothing distribution; 4 p.m. every Wednesday. Call 786-541-

3687 for more details.

■ **First Haitian Church of God**

Food drive; 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Saturday. Call 786-362-1804 for more details.

■ **New Day N Christ Deliverance Ministry**

Free mind, body and soul self-improvement and Zumba fitness classes. Call 305-691-0018 for more details.

■ **Florida Independent Restoration Ministries**
Prayer for families dealing

with drugs and alcohol. Call 800-208-2924 ext. 102 or prayer line, ext. 104.

■ **Bethany Seventh Day Adventist Church**

Bereavement sharing groups; 3 - 4 p.m. every second Sunday. Call 305-634-2993 for more details.

■ **MCC Ministries**

Provides healing services; 7:30 p.m. every fourth Friday. Call 305-693-1534 for more details.

The deadline for the Faith Calendar is on or before 2 p.m. Mondays.

MIGRAINES



Woman having a migraine headache

mi-graine

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noun

a recurrent throbbing headache that typically affects one side of the head and is often accompanied by nausea and disturbed vision.

Professional help: What is a migraine?

Doctor explains what happens when we suffer with the severe headaches

DR ANANYA MANDAL
News-Medical.net

Migraine is a severe form of headache felt as a throbbing pain at the front or side of the head. Migraines may also be accompanied by other symptoms such as a sensitivity to

light or nausea.

Some of the symptoms of this type of headache include:

- Severe throbbing headache felt at the front or side of the head, although the area where pain is felt can change during an attack. The pain usually becomes more severe when a per-



Dr. Ananya Mandal

son tries to move.

- Increased sensitivity to light (photophobia) or sound (phonophobia). A person suffering from migraine will usually try to rest in a quiet, dark room during an attack.
- Nausea and sometimes vomiting
- Aura - Some people experience an aura or warning sign before the onset of migraine. Nearly one third of all migraine

sufferers have an aura. Examples include vision problems such as seeing flashing lights and stiffness in the shoulder, limbs or neck.

• Some people also develop migraine without headaches. These are termed silent headaches, where the aura or other symptoms are experienced but no headache actually manifests.

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North Shore supports Unity Day event

North Shore Medical Center joined with the Village of Miami Shores for the annual Unity Day event and offered health screenings for all in the community. Families came out and enjoyed music, demonstrations, food and community organization information. Community members also came out to meet their neighbors. The March 5 event took place at Recreation Fields, 9825 Park Drive. "We are committed to the health and wellness of our community, and this was a great way to further that mission," said Manny Linares, CEO of North Shore Medical Center.



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William H. Turner Technical Arts High School students hold signs during the March 14 walkout in memorial of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School victims.

Photos courtesy of District 2

STUDENTS UNITE ACROSS MIAMI FOR NATIONAL WALKOUT

School shooting victims honored with march, signs and a moment of silence



Miami-Dade Public Schools Board Member Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, District 2, accompany William H. Turner Technical Arts High School students during the March 14 walkout.

Miami Times Staff Report

As the nation continues to process the pain felt following the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School tragedy, students have been at the forefront of discussions of the various issues raised by the mass shooting.

National student-led walkouts were held on March 14, and more demonstrations are expected to continue in the days ahead.

Students from all over Miami-Dade County including at Miami Carol City Senior and William H. Turner Technical Arts High schools walked out of classrooms at 10 a.m. for 17 minutes in remembrance of the 17 students and staff of Marjory Stoneman Douglas who were killed.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) supported its students' First Amendment rights to free speech and peaceable assembly. Administrators, board members and even the school superintendent walked with students.

A letter from M-DCPS Su-

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Through experience, school operations and security personnel have learned to coordinate with students with the main priority being to keep students [safe].”



Miami Carol City Senior High School students participate in the March 14 walkout on the football field.



Miami Carol City Senior High School students release balloons to the sound of the band playing “Total Praise.”

perintendent of Schools Alberto M. Carvalho went to parents of students at secondary schools the day before. The letter detailed the district's guidelines for supervised, student-led walkouts, as well as recommendations for alternative forms

of expression.

Students at Carol City wondered why they were only allowed onto the football field.

“It didn't make sense why it was only in the school,” said 19-year-old Edwin Blocker.

A Miami-Dade County Public Schools official said

schools coordinate demonstrations differently for safety.

“Through experience, school operations and security personnel have learned to coordinate with students with the main priority being to keep students [safe] especially in heavy traffic areas,”

said John Schuster, MDCPS spokesman. “There are different types of demonstrations, but they did walk out of class.”

Students on March 24 will participate in a “March for Our Lives” rally in Washington, D.C. and another walkout is planned for April 20.

Pastor OF THE WEEK



Pastor Erik D. Cummings

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Miracles made daily.

Pastor Erik D. Cummings: The preacher's kid takes the pulpit

This family holds a tradition of many firsts in the church

GREGORY W. WRIGHT
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Erik Cummings saw the demands of ministry from an early age. That's because Erik Cummings grew up a P.K. — a preacher's kid.

Cummings, born and raised

in Miami, is a 1988 graduate of Northwest Christian Academy. He is the son of the late Pastor Joshua Garvin who, in 1981, became the first Black person to be called to pastor at New Life Baptist Church of Carol City, 5005 NW 173rd Drive, at the time, an all-white

congregation. His father served as pastor for 20 years.

"It was quite a journey," said Cummings. "But he served faithfully and fruitfully and did a lot of great things. He and my mom established New Life Christian Academy, which we had until the

year 2013."

Going into the ministry was a big jump, Cummings admits, even for a preacher's kid, a jump, "I did not want," he said. "But around 14 or 15 years old, I felt like God was calling me to some type of ministry. I was into sports and other things, so I really did not focus on it in that way. I saw the demands and that wasn't something that I yearned for, but God has a way of closing just about every other door, so I began to do some other things in life.

I wrote for the Cleveland Times in Shelby, North Carolina. I had a radio show in North Carolina. Everything started moving towards the Christian genre, and it started putting me face forward at looking at what God was saying to me in my life. So, in October 1992, just a few weeks prior to my 22nd birthday, I surrendered to the call that God had on my life. I attended Gardner-Webb University, where I have a B.A. [Bachelor of Administration degree] in Communication and Religion, and I have a degree from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary."

His father focused on mak-

ing sure he didn't throw him straight into preaching.

"He made sure I enrolled in seminary right away. So, I really had like an almost two-and-a-half, three-year period of just preparation before I even preached my initial sermon," Cummings said. "Preparation, he was big on that, and I am grateful for it because it makes all the difference. By being prepared, it has allowed me to have longevity, to have understanding, not only of the craft but most importantly of the demands and the pressures that come along with it."

At 47 years old, Erik Cummings is no longer the preacher's kid. He, himself, has been in the ministry for 25 years, 17 of which he has stood as senior pastor of the congregation of more than 300 people. Cummings also serves as the president of the Pastors Conference of the Florida Baptist Convention, the first Black person to serve in that position in the 163-year history of the organization.

In 2017, under his care, the ministry at New Life Baptist Church of Carol City shifted its community outreach to include a free dental clinic.

"We want to really be en-

gaged in the community, focusing on impacting the lives of whoever we encounter. I serve as Chaplain for the Carol City High football program. We want to get to the place where we have a family life center, where the community can come and do everything from the Silver Sneakers (elderly programs) to youth sports. We are in the process of developing a gymnasium that will be used for senior programs to provide a safe environment on sight."

While his father was still the head shepherd at New Life Baptist of Carol City, the young minister Erik served as the Youth and Young Adult pastor.

"My father retired from pastoring in December 2000 but continued until November 2002," said Cummings. "So, I got a chance to be his pastor for almost two years."

Cummings still has several eyes who watch over him. He, and his wife, Monique, a college professor at Western Governors University, will celebrate 20 years of marriage this coming July. He has a young son and daughter, and of course, there is his mother, Joann, who still serves at the church.

Tony Ferguson, founding member of Hall-Ferguson-Hewitt dies at 81

TONY EUGENE FERGUSON, 80, funeral director and co-owner of Hall-Ferguson-Hewitt Mortuary, died March 11. His devoted wife, Mildred, who he called "Love," was by his side.

A native of Miami, Ferguson accepted Christ as his Savior and joined Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist Church at the age of 12. During his life as a faithful Christian, he was a positive, energetic, loving, influential and role model among his family, friends, and business associates. His church honored him as a 50-year member.

In 1956, he graduated from Miami Northwestern Senior High's inaugural graduating class. A respected colleague, he served as Alumni President of the Invincible II Class of '56 for 22 years. Following graduation, he enlisted and served in the United States Army.

Ferguson embraced his vocation from early childhood and pursued his career dream of owning a funeral home by becoming an alumni of Eckel's College of Mortuary Science, Philadelphia, Pa. Committed to professional development,



Tony Eugene Ferguson

he also earned a Bachelor of Arts in organizational leadership from St. Thomas University in Miami.

His career included his work at the House of Albert Funeral Home. He served as an apprentice in embalming and funeral directing at Range Funeral Home. In June 1973, Ferguson along with Milton A. Hall I and the late Elmer Hewitt opened Hall-Ferguson-Hewitt Mortuary in the Miami community that he loved so much. Milton A. Hall I, LFD co-owner, is supported

by his wife, Josephine. The business is managed by the co-owner's son, Milton A. Hall II and Ferguson's cousin, Dr. Venita Timpson, Jeanette Kelley serves as LFDIC.

Ferguson was loved and respected by the community. He was a valuable contributor to his community. He pledged and became a lifetime member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. He received numerous honors for his achievements and service. One of his most memorable recognitions was in 2003, when he accepted the honor of Mortician of the Year, at the First Regional District of the Florida Mortician Association and Florida Mortician Associations, Inc. The "Value Service and Support Award" from Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Greater Miami; Mt. Sinai Baptist Church Sanctuary Choir, "Dedicated Service" from the Class of 1956 Miami Northwestern High School Alumni, Florida Memorial College Service Award; and the "Living Legends Living the Dream Award from the City of Opa-locka were also included in his lists of awards. He was a councilman

of the Village of El Portal. He was especially fond of the honors he received during the Ferguson family reunion.

Throughout his life Ferguson was dedicated to his church, wife, family, friends and his community. He will always be remembered for his captivating smile, hardy laughter and engaging personality. He leaves heartfelt memories with his wife, Mildred, his family, his business associates and friends.

Those left to sustain his irreplaceable loss are many, including his very caring and loving wife, Mildred; a loving and dear aunt, Beatrice Ferguson Timpson Johnson; loving cousins, Venita B. Timpson, "Sister," Antonio (Betty) Johnson and Anthony Johnson.

Public viewing noon-3 p.m., Wednesday at Hall-Ferguson-Hewitt Mortuary Chapel, 1900 NW 54 St., Miami, FL 33142.

Memorial Service 4-9 p.m., Wednesday at Mount Sinai Baptist Church, 698 NW 47 Terrace, Miami, FL 33142.

Service 11 a.m., Thursday at New Jerusalem Primitive Baptist Church, 777 NW 85 Street, Miami, FL 33150.

Apostolic Revival Center 48th church anniversary

The congregation of the Apostolic Revival Center, located at 6702 NW 15 Avenue, Miami, FL 33147, invites you to join us as we celebrate 48 years in the ministry of the Lord. The Theme: "The Great Falling Away" 2 Thessalonians 2:2-3 KJV [2].

We will be joining starting Tuesday, March 20 - Friday, March 25 at 7:30 p.m. nightly with a summation on Sunday, March 26 at 11 a.m. Come fellowship with a man and a woman of God that has stood the test of time.



Dr. and First Lady Gilbert S. Smith

Parliamentary workshop

The workshop is this Saturday, March 24 at 9:30 a.m. For more information, call Liz, 305-297-2327.

MANDAL

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Women are more commonly affected by migraine than men. The higher frequency in women may be related to hormones, as women have reported that the attacks are more likely to occur around the time of their period, although this link has not been proven.

Although migraines can develop at any age, they usually start during adolescence or early adulthood and almost 90 percent of people experience their first migraine before the age of 40 years.

While some people experience attacks several times a week, others only develop a migraine occasionally, with the headaches sometimes occurring weeks apart. In some cases, migraines are triggered by certain factors that individuals learn to avoid such as eating a particular food or stress.

Usually, attacks are confined to one part of the head and last from 4 to 72 hours. After a migraine, some people need to stay in bed for several days while they recover.

Some treatments are available that can help to prevent migraines and pain relievers can be used to lessen their impact.

OBITUARIES ARE DUE 4:30 P.M., TUESDAY

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CHURCH DIRECTORY

Apostolic Revival Center
Services
Wed. Interspersed Prayer 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
Morning Services 11 a.m.
Sun. Ser. Worship 7:30 p.m.
Tues. Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.
Fri. Bible Study 7:30 p.m.
Rev. Dr. Gilbert S. Smith
6702 N.W. 15th Avenue
305-836-1224

Liberty City Church of Christ
Services
Sunday Morning 8 a.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5 p.m.
Tue. Bible Class 8:30 a.m.
Thurs. Fellowship 10 a.m.
Evangelist Eric W. Doss
1263 N.W. 67th Street
305-836-4555

New Vision For Christ Ministries
Services
Early Sunday Worship 7:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 5 p.m.
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.
Rev. Michael D. Screen
13650 N.E. 10th Avenue
305-899-7224

Brownsville Church of Christ
Services
Lord Day Sunday School 9:45am
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 5 p.m.
Tuesday Night Bible Study 7:30p
Thurs. Mon. Bible Class 10 a.m.
Min. Harrell H. Hemton
4561 N.W. 33rd Court
305-634-4850

93rd Street Community Missionary Baptist Church
Services
7:30 a.m. Early Morning Worship
11 a.m. Morning Worship
Evening Worship
1st & 3rd Sunday 6 p.m.
Tuesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Website: cmcnc.org
Pastor Rev. Carl Johnson
2330 N.W. 93rd Street
305-836-0942

St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church
Services
Sunday 7:30 and 11 a.m.
Worship Service
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
Tuesday 7 p.m. Bible Study
6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting
Rev. Dr. C.A. Ivey, Pastor
1470 N.W. 87th Street
305-691-8861

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. — Romans 8:28

Jordan Grove Missionary Baptist Church
Services
Early Worship 7 a.m.
Sunday School 9 a.m.
NBC 10:05 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
Worship 4 p.m.
Mission and Bible
Pastor Douglas Cook, Sr.
5946 N.W. 12th Avenue
305-751-9323

New Birth Baptist Church, The Cathedral of Faith International
Services
Sunday Worship 7 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Tuesday (Bible Study) 6:45p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 10:45 a.m.
1 (800) 254-188C
305-685-3700
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www.newbirthbaptistmiami.org
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Pembroke Park Church of Christ
Services
SUNDAY
Bible Study
Morning Worship
Evening Worship
9 a.m.
10 a.m.
6 p.m.
TUESDAY
Bible Study
WEDNESDAY
Bible Study
7:30 p.m.
www.PembrokeParkChurchOfChrist.com
954-962-9327
3707 S.W. 56th Avenue, Hollywood, FL 33023

Hosanna Community Baptist Church
Services
Sunday School 8:30 a.m.
Worship 9:30 a.m.
Bible Study
Thursday 7:30 p.m.
Youth Ministry
Mon.-Fri. 2:45-3:00 p.m.
Rev. Charles Lee Dinkins
2171 N.W. 56th Street
305-637-4404

Gregg L. Mason

MATTIE LOU BRIDGES, 75, seamstress, died March 12. Survivors include: daughter, Michelle Eversen;



son, Elgin Bridges (Arica); grandchildren, brother, Melvin Stewart; sister, Grace Howard; other relatives and friends. Viewing 5-8 p.m., Friday at Antioch of Brownsville Missionary Baptist Church, 2799 NW 46 Street, Miami, FL. Service 12 p.m., Saturday at the church. Interment: Caballero Rivero Dade North.

JOE R. ALEXANDER, 74, retired plumber, died March 16. Survivors include: one sister, Joan Alexander Hunt; one brother, Antonio Smith; and a host of other family members and friends. Viewing 5-9 p.m., Thursday. Service 12 p.m., Friday in the chapel.



JOHN MICHAEL JACKMAN, 66, security, Miami Central High School, died March 19. Viewing 6-8 p.m., Monday, March 26 at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, 1301 NW 71 Street, Miami, FL. Service 11 a.m., Tuesday, March 27 at the church. Interment: Our Lady of Mercy.



Richardson

ARTHUR LEE GARY, 81, retired, died March 9 at University of Miami Hospital. Service 11 a.m., Saturday in the chapel.



JACQUELINE HEPBURN aka "J A M A I C A RED," 56, nurse, died March 17 at Unity Health and Rehabilitation Center. Service 1 p.m., Saturday at Prayer and Praise Ministries.



STEVIE W. COLEMAN, 69, laborer, died March 15 at home. Services were held.



Eric S. George

RICHARD ANDREWS, died March 12. Service 11 a.m., Saturday in the chapel.



Hall Ferguson Hewitt

JAMES C. COOKS, 83, painter, died March 11 at Jackson Memorial Hospital. Service 11 a.m., Saturday in the chapel.



Grace

BELINDA WRIGHT, 62, died March 16. Service 11 a.m., Saturday at Greater Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church.



Wright and Young

DENZIL WALTERS, 72, mechanic, died March 10. Service 2 p.m., Thursday at Grace Church of the First Born.



ARNOLD RAMSAY, 94, maintenance, died March 14. Service 9:30 a.m., Saturday in the chapel.



RUTH BONABY, 93, environmental service, died March 9. Service 2 p.m., Saturday at St. Matthews Missionary Baptist Church.



JOSEPH DAVIS, 81, mechanic, died March 12. Service 12 p.m., today in the chapel.



VICTORIA STRONG, 48, died March 10. Service 2 p.m., Saturday at New Birth Baptist Church.

MARIAN ALBERTHA ROSS-POLITE, 85, homemaker, died March 10. Service 11 a.m., Saturday at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church.

MARGARET HOOKS, 89, domestic, died March 11. Service 11:30 a.m., Saturday at Hope Church of Christ.

Royal

CLEVE PRICE, JR., 72, coin dispatcher, died March 14 at Memorial West Hospital. Service 11 a.m., Thursday in the chapel.



FRED JAMES WILSON, 81, retired, died March 17. Service 10 a.m., Saturday at New Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church.



KIMBERLY DAVIS, 54, retired nurse practitioner. Litany service and viewing 7 p.m., Friday at The Episcopal Church of Transfiguration, 15260 NW 19 Ave. Opa-locka, FL 33054. Service 11 a.m., Saturday at the church.



Range Coconut Grove

DERRICK EDWARD WILLIAMS, 29, died March 13. Service 11 a.m., Saturday at Macedonia Baptist Church.



ESTELLE A. HALL, educator, 78, died March 16 at North Shore Hospital and Medical Center. Service 11 a.m., Saturday at Christ Episcopal Church.



THOMAS E. JOHNSON, JR., mechanic, 93, died March 16 at Hialeah Hospital. Service 1:30 p.m., Saturday at Macedonia Baptist Church.



Arceland's

LAWRENCE ANTHONY GLADES, 64, laborer, died March 11. Services were held.

Hadley Davis MLK

AMELIA LATIMORE, 85, dietician supervisor, died March 16 at Sinai Plaza Nursing Home. Service 11 a.m., Saturday at Jehovah Witness Kingdom Hall.



ROBERT BROOKS, SR., 85, bus driver, died March 17 at home. Service 10 a.m., Saturday at House of God Miracle Temple.



MARION JENKINS, 86, died March 18 at Mercy Hospital. Service 10 a.m., Saturday in the chapel.



CAMELINE OWENS, 58, retired accountant, died March 6 at University of Miami Hospital. Services were held.

Hadley Davis Miami Gardens

MARY ANN NELOMS, 64, cashier, died March 14 at JFK Medical Center. Service 2 p.m., Friday in the chapel.



HUGH EDDY WELSH, 62, laborer, died March 9 at home. Service 10 a.m., Saturday in the chapel.



Eric L. Wilson

ERIC A. COLLINS, JR., 32, died March 14. Visitation 4 p.m.-8 p.m., Friday at Eric L. Wilson Funeral Home, 4631 W. Hallandale Beach Blvd., Hollywood, FL 33023. Service 11 a.m., Saturday at 93rd Street Community Baptist Church, 2330 NW 93 Street, Miami, FL 33147.



ANNE BLOESE, 86, died March 16 at home. Private service with the family.

Range

AVERY C. BAKER aka "CHICK," 61, died March 17. Survivors include: his brothers, Clinton B. Baker (Carla) and Kary Baker; nieces, Juanita and Janet; and a host of other relatives and friends. Public Viewing 4-7 p.m., Thursday in the chapel. Service 11 a.m., Friday in the chapel.



GERTRUDE DRAKE, 91, cashier, died May 20. Service 1 p.m., Saturday at Second Baptist Church of Richmond Heights.

ANGELA ROLLE HALL, 68, secretary, died March 14. Final rites in Nassau, Bahamas.

ERVINA MONTGOMERY, 65, retired, died March 14. Private services were held.

BERTHA ADDERLY, retired domestic worker, died March 18. Services 11 a.m., Saturday at St. Mary's Wesleyan Church.

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Nakia Ingraham

GLENDON DILLION, 79, died March 15. Services were held.

DOROTHY WELLS, 92, died March 5. Final rites in Jamaica.

ANTHONY ROBERTS, 25, died March 12. Service 12 p.m., Saturday in the chapel.

DONOVAN LEE, 64, died March 16. Service 4 p.m., Saturday in the chapel.

WINSTON MULLINGS, 42, died March 5. Service 11 a.m., Sunday in the chapel.

Card of Thanks

The family of the late



AURIENTA P. WARE

would like to express our deep and sincere gratitude for your expressions of sympathy during our time of bereavement. We appreciate all of your cards, visits, prayers, flowers and food given before and after her death. It gave us a great deal of comfort to know that you were with us every step of the way.

Special thanks to Gregg Mason Funeral Home, Father Terrance Taylor and The Church of the Transfiguration, The Episcopal Church Women, Daughters of the King, St. Theresa's Guild, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority (ETA Nu Zeta Chapter) and her neighborhood family who were her watchful eyes and ears day and night.

God bless each and everyone of you! The Johnson and White families.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of,



CORNEISHA MILLER
09/26/1990 - 03/18/2010

My Dearest Corneisha, There's not a day that we don't think about you and miss you. You would be so proud of your two sons. If we could tell you how much we love you, it would take a thousand tongues to express our love. From your loving family.

BERNESTINE BRYANT
01/06/1951 - 03/24/2011

To some you are forgotten, to some you are of the past. But to us, the ones who loved and lost you, your memories will always last. Your loving family.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of,



WILLIAM LANGSTON
11/05/1939 - 03/26/1980

We love you. Your family.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of,



CAROLYN BRYANT
10/11/1961 - 03/25/2015

It's been three years since you've been gone. We miss you and you will always be in Our Hearts. Your family and friends.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of,



PASTOR WILLIE SMITH
06/05/1936 - 03/25/2017

No one can ever fill your special place here in our hearts. From your wife, Lucille; sons, daughters and the Mt. Olive family.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of,



BERTHA LEE ADDERLY
09/25/1959 - 03/16/2016

You are not forgotten love one, nor will you ever be. We miss you now, our hearts are sore; and as time goes by, we'll miss you more. The Brown Family

In Memoriam

In loving memory of,



CURTIS DEXTER JACKSON aka "CJ"
11/23/1962 - 03/21/2015

Gone but not forgotten. You are always in Our Hearts. Love, mom, dad, daughters, sisters, brother and family.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of,



RONDAL BROWN
07/25/1959 - 03/16/2016

You are not forgotten love one, nor will you ever be. We miss you now, our hearts are sore; and as time goes by, we'll miss you more. The Brown Family

Death Notice



BERTHA LEE ADDERLY, died on Sunday, March 18 surrounded by love. Born in Miami, Florida, Ms. Adderly graduated from Booker T. Washington High School in 1947. She was a domestic worker, baker and church sexton at St. Mary's Wesleyan Methodist Church for over 50 years. She also served as a member of the Usher Board for over 75 years and held the position of President.

Devoted mother of Theophilus Calvin Adderly, Jr. (Debra), Theodore Craig Adderly, Sr. and Glynnise Anita Armbrister who preceded her in death. Loving grandmother to Beth Monique Donaldson (Ron, Sr.), Andrew Philip Adderly (Neessa), Ja'nine Marie Adderly, Teddi Alaina Adderly, (Darren), Ashlee Adderly (Sean) and T. Craig Adderly, Jr. (Ramsey). Affectionate great grandmother to Ron Adam Donaldson, Jr., Brooke Trinity Bryant, Bre' Talia Bryant and Zaira Elaine Adderly. Dear sister to twins, Willa Mae Coney and Ulla Mae Dean. Caring aunt to several nephews and nieces and many grandchildren and grandnieces.

Viewing 6-8 p.m., Friday at Range Funeral Home. Any and all public remarks will be received between 6-8 p.m. on Friday ONLY. Service 11 a.m., Saturday at St. Mary's Wesleyan Methodist Church.

ASK FOR YOUR COUPON TO PLACE YOUR CARD OF THANKS IN THE MIAMI TIMES