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District 7 and 8 candidates meet for one last Monday Night before runoffs

By David Wilfong
NDG Special Contributor

It was an encore edition of Monday Night Politics (MNP) held by the Dallas Examiner on May 22 at the African American Museum at Fair Park. On stage, the remaining candidates for runoff spots in Districts 7 and 8 made part of their final push to secure seats on the Dallas City Council.

First up was District 7, where incumbent Tiffinni A. Young is seeking to hold on to her seat against Kevin Felder, the last challenger in what was one of the heavier fields in the May 6 election.

Much was made of Young's absence in the original round of MNP. Challengers in that forum had noted it quite telling that Young "didn't bother to show up" for the event. However, Young's first order of business was to point out to the audience that she had a previously scheduled event when the original forum was announced, and she had informed the host of the schedule conflict.

Standing on her record, Young spent much of the evening's discussion correcting apparently misreported accounts of her position and voting record. Questions of protocol were also rebuked by Young, as she met a suggestion from Felder that crime in the district could be allevi-



Dallas City Council incumbent Tiffinni Young (at left) listens to challenger Kevin Felder (at right) during a special runoff election candidate's forum on Monday night. (Photo: David Wilfong / NDG)

ated by shutting down a 24-hour business with a special use permit (SUP).

"A councilmember cannot just slap an SUP on a business that already has a permit," Young replied sharply.

Felder indicated that Young was supported by the "status quo" on the city council and the status quo was not supportive of the African American community which makes up a majority of residents in District 7.

"The City of Dallas has been promulgating racism," Felder said. "Twenty-some-odd TIFs in Dallas, I challenge you to find affordable housing in any of them."

In his closing remarks, Felder

said, "There's something nefarious going on with our sitting councilmember."

In District 8, challenger Tennell Atkins, a former councilmember seeking to regain his seat, also brought up the specter of outside influence in South Dallas. Referring to the For Our Community PAC which has been widely scrutinized as of late, Atkins suggested incumbent Erik Wilson had lost touch with the constituents he was supposed to represent.

"Most of the community feels like we are not engaged," Atkins said. "It's always after-the-fact (the residents learn of development plans)."

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Monica McCoy

ATLANTA (BlackNews.com) -- Monica McCoy, a global speaker, coach and career strategist, will be among 50 women leaders from more than 100 countries, receiving the prestigious WEF17 "Iconic Women Creating A Better World For All" Award, at the Women's Economic Forum (WEF) in New Delhi, India this month.

The highly anticipated Women's Economic Forum will include a confluence of women leaders and achievers, including many dignitaries, who will be giving workshops and speaking on a



variety of topics under the conference's theme, "Women: Creating, Innovating, Understanding and Driving the Future."

McCoy is owner of Atlanta, GA-based Monica Mo-

tivates, where she conducts workshops for companies and organizations on stepping inside the arena and consults with business professionals and owners on business initiatives.

"I am extremely excited to be part of the WEF conference and have the opportunity to share my global message of "Getting Inside the Arena," and helping to empower women to understand how they can have more control over their lives and careers, hit their career goals and be centered amid turmoil. It is an honor," shared McCoy. "To learn that I am included among the award recipients was also a very pleasant surprise," she said.

"We are honored to have award-winning global speaker, executive coach and career strategist, Monica McCoy, speak to our Women's Economic Forum attendees about the keys to stepping into and staying in Women's Economic Forum's Global Chairperson, Dr. Harbeen Arora. "Due to her leadership with global women's initiatives, Ms. McCoy will be receiving the "Iconic Women Creating A Better World For All" Award.

A former Acting Global Director with The Coca-Cola Company, McCoy is also a recipient of the 2015 YWCA Corporate Woman of Achievement Award.

She is a sought after

speaker for industry and professional groups like Coca-Cola's LINC (Lead, INspire, Connect) Business Resource Group, where she chaired their global 2015 Leadership Conference of more than 1,000 members in 32 countries. Other organizations for which she has shared her success tactics and expertise, include Georgia Tech's Global Women's Conference, the KOSBE Awards, Alpha Kappa Alpha, INROADS, Georgia State University, and many others.

McCoy will soon be launching an E-Course "Are You Ready to Step Inside the Arena?" The E-Course provides nine success modules,

including understanding your strengths, recognizing the givers and takers in your circle, understanding your P.I.E. (Performance, Image and Exposure), and creating a 90-day plan.

The course will be launched in May and will be available on www.monica-motivates.com.

For more information about Monica Motivates, go to www.monica-motivates.com or follow her on Facebook @MonicaMotivatesLLC; Instagram @monicadmccoy; Twitter @MonicaMotivates and LinkedIn@MonicaMcCoy.

Valerie Daniels-Carter

BOSTON -- Valerie Daniels-Carter, co-founder, president and chief executive officer of V&J Holding Companies Inc, the largest female food service franchise in America, was elected chair of the AAA board of directors at the 114th AAA Annual Meeting in Boston. More than 230 delegates and club officials representing the federation's 38 affiliated clubs in the U.S. and Canada were in attendance. Daniels-Carter, the first African-American woman to hold the distinguished post, will serve as



board chair for the 57 million member, not-for-profit federation for two one-year terms.

"This is a historical time for AAA in that it really does reflect the fact that AAA is a brand that is more

than a trusted, go-to resource for millions of drivers and travelers. It's a brand that appreciates and is appreciated by diverse communities across North America," said Daniels-Carter. "To be the first African American female to step into this role is important to me and the association. And while AAA is more than 100 years old, we don't act 100. I'm taking over at an exciting time, when innovations are happening every day, where AAA is taking the lead."

Daniels-Carter, who also serves as a director on the Green Bay Packers and var-

ious other corporate boards, has been active with AAA for 22 years both in her home state of Wisconsin and nationally. She has served on multiple board committees and, most recently as audit committee chair, leading the efforts to raise the association's collective preparedness in cybersecurity. She was elected vice chair of the AAA board in 2015.

"As a visionary and committed AAA leader, Valerie will serve the organization well, building and expanding upon the trust our members have placed in the brand for more than a cen-

tury," said Marshall Doney, president and CEO of AAA.

"Valerie has played an integral role in the AAA federation, putting her considerable business acumen to work on behalf of the organization and its members. And I know that as our new chair, Valerie will help ensure AAA remains a vital part of our members' daily lives."

A nationally known business leader, Daniels-Carter started her franchise empire with one Burger King restaurant in 1982 and built her company into a 137-unit, multi-brand organization. A talented basketball

player in her own right, Daniels-Carter has teamed up with one of the NBA's most famous and valuable players, Shaquille O'Neal, to expand the horizons of Auntie Anne's Famous Pretzels. Together, they have opened 30 new locations nationwide.

"I view myself as a market innovator and I look forward to helping lead the ongoing innovation and the expansion of AAA," continued Daniels-Carter. Along with electing Daniels-Carter chair, AAA elected as vice chair, William A.

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NDG Readers Sound Off...

Sister Tarpley: Mothers - How special they are!

Your paper is consistently excellent and informative!

- John McCaa
Via Facebook

Ed Gray, Senior NDG Columnist: Mother's Day Protest

This wanton and wild pattern of police murder of innocent Afro-Americans is a national problem. Therefore it deserves a national solution. The data that defines this problem

must first be collected and assessed.

Then the problem must be addressed on a national level. Of course in these times of Trump, Abbot and the gang - that is like asking the moon to kiss the sun. However, we (the people who are the victims) can make this happen. We have to support and join with groups like the Mothers Against Police Brutality. This support is very important to our survival as well as the survival of the "freedoms" of this entire country.

--Anonymous

Don Hill Deserves a Fair Sentence

I can see why many believe Don Hill got a raw deal when white politicians for decades have done the same things he was accused of, and never faced federal prosecution. In Mr. Hill's case, former Mayor Laura Miller took more than \$60,000 in "contributions" from Potashnik and his family, then she voted in favor of Potashnik's projects, wrote letters in support of him, and appointed him to a task force.

The difference may be

in Ms. Miller being more subtle about her support and not having any traceable conversations in which she promised anything to Potashnik. Or it may be related to their backgrounds. On the surface, many say she was ignored because she is white and more politically connected, and the feds went after the black guy because it was an easier conviction. It's hard to dispute such a conclusion. -- BG

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Does the DeVos Education Budget Promote 'Choice' or Segregation?

By Kimberly Hall and
Michael Hilton

WASHINGTON, DC -- The American public education system should provide an equal opportunity for all students to receive a quality rigorous education - regardless of class, race or ethnicity. In direct opposition to this goal, the Fiscal Year 2018 education budget recommendations from the Trump Administration show an effort to limit opportunities, support, and civil rights protections for students throughout the country.

The proposed Furthering Options for Children to Unlock Success (FOCUS), a new Title I program, is a thinly veiled attempt to open the door for the voucherization of all federal, state and local public schools funds. This push to funnel public money to private schools to "improve student academic performance," fails to learn from the lessons of the past.

Districts throughout the country have attempted voucherization resulting in overwhelmingly negative academic outcomes and the promotion of segregation. The District of Columbia and Louisiana implemented district wide voucher programs to help save poor performing school districts. Evaluations of student performance in both cities showed a negative impact on student achievement. Students who participated in the Louisiana voucher program exhibited steep declines in math performance compared to students who remained in traditional public schools, performing 13 percent lower on average after two years in the voucher schools.

Why would we voluntarily expand a program that has proven to have the opposite effect of what we would like to achieve?

The Poverty & Race Research Action Council, like other members of the National Coalition on School Diversity, is not opposed to expanding the range of opportunities available to students and their families. In fact, our research advocacy efforts are centered around the thoughtful, responsible expansion of public school choice approaches that help to bring children together in racial and economically integrated schools.

The Magnet School Assistance Program, for instance, builds off of decades of research which shows the magnet school approach conveys significant benefits to all

students. The integration effort in Louisville, KY, provides a real world example of how school choice programs centered around integration can have positive impacts on student outcomes.

If enacted, a pseudo-voucher program such as FOCUS would all but guarantee a less equitable school funding framework, paving the way for the continued defunding of the low performing schools and intensifying racial and economic segregation in those same schools. According to research from The Century Foundation, private school vouchers present a threat to integrated schools, in some cases opening the door for white and middle-class flight, in an echo of the segregation academies of the 60s and 70s.

If we are serious about improving academic achievement for all students, we need to support

and fund the programs and policies that have proven to work. The research on the benefits of integrated schools clearly shows that in addition to helping to close the achievement gap, all students in integrated schools are more likely to be prepared for a global economy, have improved civic attitudes towards democratic participation, increased participation in community activities and show enhanced critical thinking and problem solving skills.

Yet, as we seek to prepare our students to compete on a global stage, the Trump Administration proposes to divert support from programs that have proven to benefit students' life outcomes to fund programs that have shown to cause academic harm. But it does not stop there.

The already short staffed Office of Civil Rights is on the line for considerable cuts in funding and staff positions. At a time when the complaint levels are near historic highs with a record number of complaints year after year, this budget will cripple the already understaffed office charged with protecting the civil rights of all students.

Providing all of our nation's children with a high-quality education should always be a top priority. We have not yet achieved that goal, however, it is a struggle we must win. We can never stop working to make sure that all children have an opportunity to learn and pursue their American Dream.

This proposed budget will close the doors of opportunity to hundreds of thousands of young minds around the country. We urge Congress to reject this attack on equal access to a quality public education,

and ultimately our country's long-term ability to continue as a global leader.

The Poverty & Race Research Council (PRRAC) is a civil rights policy organization convened by major civil rights, civil liberties and anti-poverty groups in 1989-90. PRRAC's primary mission is to help connect advocates with social scientist working on race and poverty issues, and to promote a research-based advocacy strategy on structural inequality issues.

Communications & Partnerships Manager Kimberly Hall, manages PRRAC's communications and media relations efforts. Before coming to PRRAC she worked in communications, messaging & strategy for non-profits and on political campaigns, most notably President Barack Obama's 2012 re-election campaign. Kimberly is a graduate of the University of North Florida (B.S. Communications) and the University of Florida Political Campaigning Program (M.A. Political Science).

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Researchers seek to prevent diabetes in at-risk population

AUSTIN, Texas — Mexican Americans in one of the poorest counties in Texas will soon have new culturally tailored tools to better understand the relationship between weight loss and the onset of diabetes. The effort is aimed at dramatically reducing the number of individuals who eventually develop the disease and suffer its devastating effects.

Researchers at The University of Texas at Austin and The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHealth) School of Public Health have received a \$2.9 million, five-year award from the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases to prevent diabetes in Hispanics who are at risk of developing the disease.

For more than 25 years, Sharon Brown, a professor at the UT Austin School of Nursing, in collaboration with Craig Hanis at the



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Human Genetics Center at UTHealth School of Public Health, has led the Starr County Border Health Initiative, a series of research studies conducted in an impoverished Texas-Mexico border community. During this time, Brown has developed and tested culturally tailored, community-based methods designed to help Mexican Americans take control of their diabetes and improve their health.

“We were always aimed at diabetes self-management so individuals could learn

how to keep their blood glucoses under control,” she said. “Clearly it would be so much better if we could get to people earlier before they have diabetes and try to prevent or, at least, delay it.”

The major precursor to Type 2 diabetes is abdominal obesity, which is associated with the most dangerous risk factors for serious diabetes-related complications. The researchers say they are confident that a culturally sensitive intervention can slow or perhaps even halt the progression of pre-

diabetes to diabetes.

A number of factors may influence the high rates of Type 2 diabetes in Hispanics, including Native American genetic admixture combined with environmental risk factors such as low socioeconomic status, barriers to accessing health care, underutilization of health care resources, lower rates of insurance coverage and lack of health education.

Brown’s current research study, “Diabetes Prevention Culturally Tailored for Mexican Americans,” uses self-management education, but instead of working with people who already have diabetes, she is recruiting 300 individuals from Starr County who are diagnosed with prediabetes, that is, they haven’t yet developed the disease but they are on the path to developing it in the next few years.

Specifically, there is no carb-counting; just practical

dietary guidance on portion control, food preparation demonstrations, and supervised trips to the grocery stores to learn how to read food labels and locate healthier food choices.

“We provide general principles and knowledge about food preparation and eating the foods they like, such as lowering fat and sodium content and portion control,” Brown said.

She and co-principal investigator Hanis have based their new intervention on a large nationwide study on diabetes prevention initially published in 2002 that found that lifestyle change was the most effective strategy in preventing diabetes in persons already diagnosed with prediabetes.

The new study will also look at whether these individuals have any genes that predict how well they respond to the lifestyle intervention.

“Are there genetic differences in people who respond to this intervention and those who don’t? Because some people have such a severe form of diabetes, lifestyle changes may not work as well for them,” Brown said. “The genetic aspect is very exploratory and will be directed by Dr. Hanis. If it turns out that cases in which people experience a more severe, downhill disease process are linked to a genetic profile, then that will need further, more in-depth investigation.”

Brown’s team is also integrating motivational interviewing, a new communication tool she anticipates will prompt a desire to make health-related lifestyle changes.

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Dallas City Council changes venue name to Moody Performance Hall

This week the Dallas City Council voted to officially change the name of Dallas City Performance Hall to Moody Performance Hall in recognition of a generous \$22 million gift to the arts in Dallas from The Moody Foundation. It is one of the largest gifts the Galveston-based foundation has made in the city of Dallas.

The gift includes the creation of a \$10 million endowment, the Moody Fund for the Arts. MFA will provide annual grants to small and emerging arts groups with budgets of \$1 million or less and are supported by the City of Dallas Office of Cultural Affairs

“The Moody Fund for the Arts will provide important resources, in perpetuity, to the talented organizations that are bringing inspiring cultural experiences to Moody Performance Hall in the Dallas Arts District, and to every corner of the city,” said Frances Moody-Dahlberg, chairman and executive director of The

Moody Foundation. “We are honored to have the Moody name associated with such a wonderful venue and to support this diverse and dynamic cultural community.”

These grants could be used for:

- Commissions of original works and artistic collaborations.
- Support for new works, innovative programs and offsetting rent and production costs at the Moody Performance Hall.
- Programs, projects and exhibitions that address important issues of cultural equity and community access to the arts.
- Programs that create and deliver cultural experiences to all parts of Dallas.
- Operating, staff and marketing support for new initiatives.
- Support of production costs and capacity building.
- Hosting artist in residency programs.
- Other projects deemed important to the vibrancy of

the arts in the city.

Following today’s 14-1 vote at Dallas City Hall, Mayor Mike Rawlings had praise for creation of the endowment and for The Moody Foundation, which since 2014, has given more than \$39 million in grants to nonprofit organizations based in Dallas.

“They have been a remarkable partner in the city of Dallas for years,” said Mayor Rawlings. “And I think everybody around this Council supports small arts and this is a creative way to be able to support those arts organizations for years to come.”

In addition to the support from the Council, the proposal had unanimous support from the Council’s Arts, Culture and Libraries Committee and the City’s Cultural Affairs Commission. More than two dozen arts organizations of all sizes sent letters encouraging the City Council members to vote for the proposal.

The Moody Foundation

gift also includes \$12 million to the nonprofit AT&T Performing Arts Center to support the Center’s capital campaign, as well as to off-

set the costs of new signage for Moody Performance Hall.

“This is a significant step forward in fulfilling the

Center’s promise to raise the final \$27 million in capital commitments by the end

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Carrollton mayor run-off candidates present their case at forum

By Nolan Adams
NDG Special Contributor

Carrollton's recent election was rocky for the Metrocrest Democrats, a local democratic political action committee. The organization's endorsee for place six, Young Sung, was elected. Their progressive pick for school board, Candace Valenzuela, was elected in lieu of the Tea Party's endorsee. Their mayoral endorsee, Michelle Babick, was unsuccessful. The next mayor will be determined by the upcoming run-off election between Steve Babick and Kevin Falconer. Both candidates have a history of voting Republican and have served on the city council. The Metrocrest Democrats invited them to their forum on May 22.

Candidate Introductions

Before questions began, the candidates introduced themselves. Kevin Falconer addressed the Democrats first. After discussing his family and his experience living in Carrollton, Fal-



Kevin Falconer and Steve Babick, both former city council members, face each other in the runoff for mayor on June 10. (Image: Nolan Adams/NDG)

coner ended the introduction with a history of his public service in Carrollton

"I served my city for over 20 years. I was really happy to do that, and I hope I can serve you as mayor," Falconer said. As a registered architect armed with a Master's Degree in Business Administration, Falconer as a city councilman focused on the development and beautification of the city.

Babick, a three-year veteran of the city council, opted to run for mayor instead of completing his term on council. Babick's history in Carrollton government began with his involvement in a local neighborhood as-

sociation, where he served as treasurer, and then president before being recruited to run for city council and now mayor.

"My name is Steve Babick, and I am also a public servant. I've actually just finished my term as a city council member." Babick motioned to Young Sung, Carrollton's first Korean council member and said, "I am pleased to have turned my seat over to Young Sung."

Racial Profiling/SB4

Candidates were then asked how they would address what has been characterized as the Carrollton Police Department's docu-

mented practice of racial-profiling Hispanic men, especially in light of the passage of Senate Bill 4 (SB4) which prohibits Texas cities and counties from passing laws preventing the police from questioning individuals about their immigration status. The law signed by Governor Greg Abbott last week now faces a lawsuit filed by El Paso county this week.

Babick acknowledged his endorsements from the police and fire ranks but did not directly address racial profiling, or SB4. Falconer replied, "On the SB4, well, first of all, I think we're going to have to sort out what that even is going to mean to us in regards to racial profiling."

Participation with ICE – 287(g)

For months now, Carrollton's Tea Party members and local Democrats alike

have attended council meetings, going toe-to-toe over the city's agreement with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (I.C.E.). The agreement, formally known as the 287(g), has been called a "force-multiplier" by researchers. The ACLU has warned Carrollton against continuing the agreement. Despite the evidence against the 287(g), candidates have avoided taking a stance, fearing it will polarize voters.

Falconer began his response with a brief explanation of the agreement. "When someone is arrested, those jailers can run that against the I.C.E. detainee database. If it connects, I.C.E. is contacted. We let them make a determination on that." Falconer, unprompted, noted Carrollton never participated in the task force model. "(The current agreement) has been in

place for nine years. Quite frankly, back then, it seemed to work fairly well."

He promised to release the program data to the public, citing a need for transparency.

"One thing that is certain: we have to have a work session," Babick shared. His position on the agreement has changed during the election when he previously indicated support for 287(g), now he is open to discussing the agreement in a council work session to determine if the agreement should be discontinued. "I will have that take place almost immediately after getting on council," he continued.

To read more about the candidate's position on making the city more small business friendly and the North/South economic and racial divide, visit NorthDallasGazette.com.

Rep. Johnson's bill to enforce reporting of peace officer deaths and shootings passes Senate

AUSTIN - Representative Eric Johnson's House Bill 245 passed out of the Texas House by a vote of 112-21 and out of the Texas Senate by a vote of 28-3. If signed into law by Governor Abbott, the bill will create a civil penalty for law enforcement agencies that fail to report officer-involved shootings and peace officer injuries and deaths to the Office of the Attorney General.

Initially the bill failed by one vote in the House, but a motion to reconsider was offered and eventually the bill passed leading to consideration by the Senate. However, others resisted answering open records request or when documents are released, they were heavily redacted.

For the last several years, headlines across the country, as well as Texas have called for more transparency on police involved shootings.

Some police departments provide the information easily via their website. However, others required

"I am very proud of my colleagues for overwhelmingly supporting House Bill 245 in both the House and Senate. In order to address officer-involved shootings and peace officer safety, it is important that we have accurate data relating to violent interactions between civilians and the police," said Representative Johnson.

Many believe community tensions will not ease up until citizens have confidence the police and legal system provide open communication and share information on the decisions made when police are involved in shootings. As the North Dallas Gazette has reported, one of the key first steps involves opening up the selection process for grand jury members. In the past,

they were appointed by commissioners this led to the criticism that the grand jury pool did not reflect the community.

In Texas, the Waller County Grand Jury declined to issue a criminal indictment against the Waller County Sheriff's Department or any of its employees related to the in-custody death of Sandra Bland. Nationally, the minority community is disappointed again and again as police officers are no-billed by grand juries when shooting unarmed black teens and men.

"House Bill 245 goes a long way toward making sure Texas continues to lead the nation in collecting this type of information and hopefully, armed with facts, Texas can lead the nation in reducing fatal encounters involving law enforcement," said Representative Johnson.

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At the May 11th ceremony, just before their degrees were conferred, CVC's president reminded graduates of what he had told them during graduation rehearsal two days earlier.

"The degree you receive is not only about you and your tremendous achieve-



Cedar Valley College

ment," Dr. Joseph Seabrooks told the graduates. "It is also an opportunity to bring oth-

ers with you on this incredible journey to success."

Dr. Seabrooks instructed

graduates to open their diploma jackets. There, to their pleasant surprise, they found a "Golden Ticket" that can be redeemed for a three-credit course at CVC. It can be used by anyone who hasn't been a CVC student during the past 12 months.

"Please consider giving it to your mother, father, brother, sister, nephew, niece, cousin or anyone else close to you who would benefit from a college education," he said. "One of the

greatest gifts we can give is the opportunity to make a tangible difference in other people's lives."

Cedar Valley College had more than 400 students walk across the stage for graduation, the highest number in the history of the institution.

This special gift to graduates coincides with the launch of Cedar Valley's 40th anniversary year. CVC held its first classes in June 1977. The theme for the year-long celebration is

"Celebrate. Empower. Educate."

"The Golden Ticket is a great way to help launch our 40th celebration," Dr. Seabrooks added. "I personally invite everyone in the community to help us commemorate this milestone year for Cedar Valley. We are planning numerous events and activities with the goal of raising scholarship funds for our students. It is a special time to be a CVC Sun."

Building a pipeline of HBCU students to Washington, D.C.

By U.S. Rep. Alma Adams

(NNPA) Summer internships are one important way that students can explore passions they want to pursue as a profession. They are exposed to a form of learning that goes beyond the books and may be the best chance they have to ensure they are making a wise investment. I am a strong believer in the notion that, in order to have your issues heard, you need to have a seat at the table; which is why I applaud HBCU students who are interested in pursuing government and policy and have worked with both Democrats and Republicans in Congress to ensure they have summer internship opportunities on Capitol Hill.

Representative Bryne (R-Ala.) and I founded the Bipartisan HBCU Caucus in April of 2015; we knew there needed to be a platform to promote and protect the needs and interests of HBCUs around the country. After two years, the caucus now consists of nearly sixty members in both the House and the Senate, who recognize the importance of HBCUs and applaud their history of producing successful graduates. The more than 100 HBCUs nationwide only account for three percent of all institutions of higher learning in the U.S. yet they produce 20 percent

of African American graduates with a bachelor's degree and 25 percent of African American STEM graduates. This issue is personal to me, because I would not be here today if it were not for an HBCU that was willing to take a chance on me. I am a strong advocate for our schools because I know, firsthand, the impact they have on a student's life.

During the summer of 2016, Representative Mark Walker (R-N.C.) and I partnered together to create the Bipartisan HBCU Internship. Our vision was to create a program that brought bright and driven HBCU students to Capitol Hill to intern in both a Republican and Democratic office. During its first year, two HBCU students, one from North Carolina A&T University and one from Johnson C. Smith University, traveled to Capitol Hill for the internship program. Each student spent four weeks in my office and four weeks in Representative Walker's office to get a feel for the differences and many commonalities we share. They attended congressional hearings and committee meetings, drafted memos and constituent correspondence, and met with Members of Congress and their senior staff to learn from their experiences. Often, Capitol Hill internships are unpaid and the prohibitive cost of

living in Washington, D.C. without an income excludes many qualified applicants from the opportunity. To ensure students of all backgrounds and economic levels can participate, the Bipartisan HBCU Internship includes a stipend to cover expenses during the eight-week program.

Upon completion of the internship, students left D.C. with writing samples, work experience, incredible memories, and personal connections to aid them in their job search after college. But it's not just students that benefited from this experience, Democrats and Republicans alike got to hear directly from HBCU students about their campus life, challenges they face, and their pride in their institutions. Their presence made our fight for HBCUs personal and reminded Members of Congress that our similarities far outweigh our differences.

W.E.B. Dubois said, "Of all the civil rights for which the world has struggled and fought for 500 years, the right to learn is undoubtedly the most fundamental." HBCUs are rooted in the tumultuous history of race in America but their contributions to modern society go far beyond their humble beginnings. HBCUs play an integral role in educating students of color and, with increased advocacy and a

seat at the decision-making table, their reach will continue to grow.

Congressman Walker and I are proud to continue this internship for a second summer to increase the diversity of opinions and experiences

on Capitol Hill and to build a pipeline of HBCU students to Washington, D.C.

Congresswoman Alma Adams (NC-12) is a two-time graduate of North Carolina A&T and a retired professor of Art Education from

Bennett College. Adams founded the first-ever Bipartisan HBCU Caucus and is one of the leaders of the Bipartisan HBCU Internship. For more information about the internship, please visit Adams.house.gov.

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clothing with mosquito repellent.

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- DRAIN places where mosquitoes are likely to breed. Remove standing water from your yard and

neighborhood. Check for water in trash carts, old tires, flower pots, rain gutters and bird baths. Refresh and re-

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Celebrating parent involvement

Last week, Irving ISD recognized several campus parent centers with this year's Seal of Excellence Award. 11 centers and parent liaisons were selected by the department of Language & Parent Services for their outstanding achievements in parent education and volunteerism during the 2016-2017 school year. Gold awards went to Brandenburg, Brown, Davis, Keyes and Schulze elementary schools, while Bowie Middle School, Barton,



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Gilbert, John Haley, Townley and Townsell elementary schools received silver.

Photos from the award presentations are on the district's

UWorld joins AVID Partner in Education program

MacArthur High School's AVID program welcomed UWorld as a new Partner in Education this week at a special signing ceremony.

Headquartered in Irving, UWorld provides resources for students preparing for medical licensing exams.

Their partnership will

bring mentorship, guest speakers and practice tools into the classroom and further UWorld's outreach to help high schoolers prep for the SAT.

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FRISCO
Conference USA Basketball Championship Moving to Frisco

Conference USA Commissioner Judy MacLeod announced the 2018 and 2019 Conference USA Men's & Women's Basketball Championships will be hosted at Ford Center at The Star, in partnership with the University of North Texas, the Dallas Cowboys and Visit Frisco.

Baylor Scott & White Sports Therapy & Research at The Star will be the presenting sponsor of the 2018 C-USA Basketball Championships, which are scheduled for Wednesday, March 7 through Saturday, March 10, with all 22 games – 11 men's and 11 women's games – being held at The Star. The conference champions receive an automatic bid to the NCAA Championship.

"We are excited to host the Conference USA Men's & Women's Basketball Championships," said Frisco Mayor Maher Maso. "Frisco is a great location for these games because our community is active, collaborative and sport-centric. We're also

a fast growing community and extremely proud of the world-class facilities we have available to host events such as this. Hosting the Conference USA Men's & Women's Basketball Championships enhances our reputation as a tourist and sports destination while providing entertainment and economic benefits for our residents."

GARLAND
'Mexico Espectacular' by Mexico 2000 Ballet Folklorico

Mexico 2000 Ballet Folklorico presents "Mexico Espectacular," a tribute to Mexico that goes beyond joy, magic and tradition; accompanied by the most representative music of this incredible country of treasures. More than 100 dancers with original costumes are displayed in a spectacular atmosphere of light and color, showing dances from Mexico's different cultural regions. Tickets: \$12-\$15 in advance at Mexico2000.net. All tickets \$20 at the door. For more information, call 214-384-2537. Event is May 27 at the Granville Arts Center - Brownlee Auditorium, 300 N. Fifth Street.

LEWISVILLE
Lewisville Police take part in 'Click It or Ticket' increased enforcement

The Lewisville Police Department is joining other Texas law enforcement agencies in increasing their efforts from May 22 to June 4 to identify and issue tickets to drivers and passengers with seatbelt violations.

Texas law requires the driver and all passengers to wear a seat belt, regardless of where they are seated in the vehicle. Unbelted fatalities increased 9 percent from 2015 to 2016. Wearing a seat belt helps keep an occupant from being ejected in a crash and increases the chances of surviving by 45 percent in a passenger vehicle and up to 60 percent in a pickup truck. Children younger than 8 must be in a child safety seat or booster seat unless they're taller than 4 feet 9 inches. If they aren't properly restrained, the driver faces fines up to \$250 plus court costs.

To learn more about "Click It or Ticket," visit texasclickitorticket.com.

Diversity Dance Studio Recital set for June 8

Diversity Dance Company will perform its annual dance recital on Thursday, June 8, 7 p.m., at Medical City Lewisville Grand Theater, 100 N. Charles.

Dance company member will perform competition routines from the season, as well as some special surprise performances. Dance company participants ranges in age from 4 to 18 years old.

Admission is free. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Visit diversitydancestudio.dance for more information.

Located in the heart of historic downtown Lewisville, MCL Grand is the premier public arts facility in Southern Denton County. The 40,000-square-foot facility features a 296-seat proscenium theater, black box theater, dance recital hall, art gallery, five art classrooms and a large courtyard. Medical City Lewisville has a multi-year agreement with the city for naming rights at the center.

For details about upcoming events, or rental information for the facility, please visit MCLGrand.com or call 972.219.8446.



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RICHARDSON
Work begins in "Final Five" sidewalk regions

Sidewalk replacement work funded by the 2015 Bond Program got underway last week, with repairs beginning in the Cottonwood Heights neighborhood. The area is one of five designated in the Bond Program that will share \$2.2 million for sidewalk replacement, the last of 27 regions to receive repairs that were identified and ranked in a 2003 citywide sidewalk inventory. Sidewalks were ranked according to identified sidewalk repair needs, and work on the highest priority sidewalks was funded with the 2006 Bond Program. The 2010 Bond Program also funded sidewalk repairs.

For information on Richardson's Sidewalk Re-

habilitation Program, visit www.cor.net/sidewalks.

Miss Texas pageant approaches

Miss Texas Caroline Carothers braved windy weather this week as she joined Mayor Paul Voelker near the Eisemann Center to place the first 2017 Miss Texas sign topper that heralds the approaching pageant. The remainder of the sign toppers will be installed at intersections surrounding the Eisemann Center after the 2017 Wildflower! Arts and Music Festival has concluded. The sign toppers are part of the City's welcome package for the pageant, now in its fourth year at the Eisemann Center.

Pageant week for The Miss Texas and Miss Texas Outstanding Teen pageants begins June 24. Tickets are on sale at www.eisemann-center.com.

Seen around DFW: Gala Recap and Sample Sale in Style



(At Left) Shoppers enjoyed finding a stylish bargain (Photography by Aaron Fairouz)



(At right) Ianna Smith, Gabriela Guerra, Deve Sanford (Thomas Garza Photography)

The 36th Equest Gala, themed "A Field of Dreams," held last month was described as an inspirational evening of hope, determination and joy. The fundraising gala hosted 450 guests complete with all the bells and whistles. Finely dressed in their equestrian best, guests perused the magnificently decorated

Equest barns and arena at Texas Horse Park. A compelling video touched charitable hearts before the start of the live auction. Over \$50,000 was raised during the fund-a-mission and five Equest therapy horses were sponsored by generous donors.

On the evening of Wednesday, May 17, Ham-

mitt, a Los Angeles based accessories brand, brought its infamous sample sale to Hotel ZaZa in Dallas. This was the first time the brand ventured outside of Southern California for its sample sale, choosing only Dallas and Chicago as its new host cities.

Guest entered Hotel ZaZa's ballroom and were

greeted with a line of waiters holding Moscow mules and champagne. Round tables mounted with Hammitt bags lined the room, covered by black tablecloths to hide the merchandise for a big reveal. Anticipation built as guests sipped and socialized at an open bar, and enjoyed bites from Hotel ZaZa Dallas and music from DJ Steffi Burns.

Presenting their case...



The Kathlyn Joy Gilliam Museum Youth Debate Team hard work studying and preparing for the Atlanta Urban Debate League Tournament paid off with the team winning on May 12. Each student won at least one round of the competition, however, one of the three teams won both the affirmative and negative round on the topic "Americans should invest in locally produced goods rather than globally produced goods." The students involved were Jaelyn Thomas, Dallas Ross, Skye Turner, Jemarion Alexander, Ava Bolden, Kaylee Green, Sanaa Bryant, Edward Ja Ja Collins, Brayden Brown.

Having Our Say comes to Jubilee stage this week

Based on the true story of two sisters, Bessie and Sadie Delaney, who at the ages of 101 and 103 years old, were given the rare opportunity to share the first 100 years of their lives...as they lived it. They saw it all first hand, the entry of the electric light bulb into the home, the first automobiles to drive on city streets, and

even indoor plumbing. Theatre fans can hear their story unfold in *Having Our Say*, starting this week at the Jubilee Theatre May 26 - June 25.

The Delaney sisters were daughters of a former slave, grew up in the Jim Crow South and actually lived in Harlem during its renaissance. In addition, they each

celebrated successful careers; during a time when being a common domestic was all that most colored woman could hope for in a job. So pull up a chair and lend an ear, as the Delaney Sisters make dinner to remember the dearly departed father's birthday, and talk about the many adventures of their first 100 years.

Having Our Say: The Delaney Sisters' First 100 Years is a play by Emily Mann adapted from the book of the same name by Sarah and Elizabeth Delaney with Amy Hill Hearth. The Jubilee production is directed by William (Bill) Ray. For tickets and more info visit jubileetheatre.org.



Jubilee Theatre

Military families can visit DMA and presidential libraries free this summer

Last week the Dallas Museum of Art and the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum announced their in Blue Star Museums, the annual collaboration among the National Endowment for the Arts, Blue Star Families, the Department of Defense, and more than 2,000 museums across America to offer free admission to the nation's active duty military personnel including National Guard and Reserve and their families. The program provides families with an opportunity to enjoy the nation's cultural heritage and learn more about their community, especially after a military move.

Beginning Friday, May 26, 2017, in observance of Memorial Day the following Monday, through Sunday, September 3, 2017, in obser-



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vance of Labor Day, the DMA will offer free admission to *México 1900-1950: Diego Rivera, Frida Kahlo, José Clemente Orozco, and the Avant-Garde* (on view through July 16), *Iris van Herpen: Transforming Fashion* (on view through August 20) and *Visions of America: Three Centuries of Prints from the National Gallery of Art* (on view May 28

through September 3) to all active military personnel and their families.

The complete list of participating museums is available at arts.gov/bluestarmuseums.

Visitors to the George W. Bush Presidential Library in Dallas may enjoy *Portraits of Courage: A Commander in Chief's Tribute to America's Warriors*, a special exhibit

that brings together the stories of U.S. military veterans who have served our nation with honor since 9/11 and their portraits painted by President Bush.

Other museum highlights include *A Nation Under Attack*, the events of September 11, 2001; a massive 20-foot-tall, 360-degree LED screen showing multimedia clips blending art, history, and entertainment; and the provocative, hands-on *Decision Points Theater*.

Military Personnel Admitted Free ALL Memorial Day Weekend at Hawaiian Falls

Hawaiian Falls will offer free admission to all military personnel at its Texas water parks in Garland, The Colony, Mansfield, Roanoke and Waco from 10:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. Memorial Day weekend - Saturday, May 27; Sunday, May 28; or Monday, May 29, 2017 only and cannot be combined with any other offers.

To participate, individuals just need to show a valid military ID at the ticket window. This free admission applies to one individual admission for a military member on Saturday, May 27; Sunday, May 28; or Monday, May 29, 2017 only and cannot be combined with any other offers.

The water parks will open to the public 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 27th for the 2017 summer season. More info at hfalls.com or [facebook.com/hfalls](https://www.facebook.com/hfalls).

Summertime BBQ smoker and spices

By Ruth Ferguson
NDG Editor

Memorial Day is the official kickoff to summer. While we take time to honor the men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice for their country, we also look forward to our summer national pass time: barbecuing. Budweiser offers an alternative to sweating over a smoky grill and with Steven Raichlen's *Barbecue Rubs* you can add an international flavor to your ribs this year.

If you are cooking for one, or just hate the outdoor heat, the Budweiser Original Indoor Outdoor Stove-top Smoker (\$59.99) is a versatile answer. Using the specially made sample

wood chips provided in the bottom of the pan, you can enjoy a smoke infused meal right from your stovetop. Place your meat on the rack and slide the lid into place and 20 minutes later you can enjoy smoked pork chops. I tried it and found it quick, easy to use without even heating up my kitchen.

The Smoker can also be placed in the oven for longer cooking or even placed on the grill outdoors. This is handy if you want to use a specific wood flavor for one of your menu items. The chips are available in Mesquite, Hickory, Maple, Bourbon Soaked Oak and more. It was spacious enough that I could cook several pork chops and fresh corn at the same time.

The smoker comes with a specially fit tote and a recipe book.

Steven Raichlen's *Barbecue Rubs* (\$6.99) gives you a chance to add a real kick to your grilled meats this summer. Flavors include Malabar Steak Rub which offers a taste of India's Malabar Coast and coffee lovers will enjoy trying the Santa Fe Coffee Rub. For Asian food lovers, the Fennel Pepper Rub is the one to try.

For traditional BBQ aficionados, the Kansas City Smoke or Carolina Pit Powder are available. On my pork chops I tried the Carolina Pit Powder and was surprised to discover it really does have a kick to it.

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Perot Museum offering special hours, events for Memorial Day Weekend

This Memorial Day weekend, the Perot Museum of Nature and Science has big things in store as summer unofficially kicks off. From a new 3D film that celebrates human brilliance (and tugs on your heart strings!), to daily science demos and activities, to great Maya mysteries and culture, the Perot Museum comes chock-full of fun for the three-day weekend.



Wikimedia

Making its Dallas debut Friday (May 26), Dream Big 3D – narrated by Jeff Bridges – celebrates the human ingenuity behind engineering marvels big and small, and reveals the heart that drives engineers to create better lives for people –

from the world's tallest building to underwater robots and a solar car race across Australia.

Also making a big splash is the largest exhibition about the Maya to ever tour the country! Spanning 10,000 square feet, Maya:

Hidden Worlds Revealed is brimming with mystery, history and culture. Guests can decipher hieroglyphs, build arches, learn cultural and architectural techniques, and explore an underworld cave, nearly 250 authentic artifacts, an ancient burial site,

mural room and more.

If that's not enough, from May 26-29, museum goers can enjoy daily "science on the spot" demos, bookworm readings, science trivia and other drop-in activities at select times throughout the Museum, plus kids 5 and under can enjoy art activities in the Moody Family Children's Museum until 3 p.m.

From Memorial Day

through Labor Day (May 29-Sept 4), veterans, active and retired U.S. military personnel and first responders will receive complimentary general admission plus \$3 off general admission for members of their immediate families (up to six family members) through Labor Day. In addition, the Community Partners Ticket Program returns to provide greater access to

lower-income families, offering \$1 general admission for guests who qualify based on need and \$1 admission to Maya: Hidden Worlds Revealed.

With so much to take in, the Perot Museum will stay open until 6 p.m. beginning Friday (May 26).

For more info and to purchase tickets in advance, go to perotmuseum.org/summer.

Sunday Night Live: Leslie Jones to host 2017 'BET Awards'

NEW YORK -- (BUSINESS WIRE) -- BET Networks, a unit of Viacom Inc. today revealed comedian and actress Leslie Jones as host for this year's "BET Awards."



Her first major award show gig, Leslie joins a long line of stand-up comedians that have rocked the role, including Chris Rock, Mo'Nique, Kevin Hart and Chris Tucker. This year's broadcast marks 17 years of unexpected performances, trailblazing moments, super dope talent, and entertainment's most provocative players.

A staple on the Saturday Night Live writing team, Leslie Jones gained on-camera popularity after a memorable performance during the show's "Weekend Update" segment where she played herself.

Now in her third year on the cast, Jones is known to be a talented and fiercely independent performer whose brash and unapologetic riffs can ruffle feathers.

Leslie starred in Paul Feig's reboot of "Ghostbusters", with other film credits that include Chris Rock's "Top Five," Judd Apatow's "Trainwreck", the animated film "Sing" and the upcoming "Masterminds".

"I am so excited to be hosting The BET Awards

this year," said Saturday Night Live star Leslie Jones, "BET was the first network and place where I was on TV - I am looking to turn this whole experience into a joyful homecoming."

As previously announced, Beyoncé dominates this year's nominations with a total of seven including 'Best Female R&B/Pop Artist,' 'Best Collaboration' with Kendrick Lamar for "Freedom," 'Video of the Year,' and 'Album of the Year' for Lemonade. Bruno Mars follows with five nods including 'Album of the Year,' 'Best Male R&B/Pop Artist,' and 'Video of the Year' for "24K Magic." Other nominees include Solange, nominated for four awards and who is up against sister Beyoncé for 'Best Female R&B/Pop Artist.' Chance the Rapper and Migos receive four nominations as well, Chance the Rapper nominated for 'Best Male Hip-Hop Artist' and 'Best New Artist' and

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Starbucks opening new stores soon in South Dallas

Starbucks this week announced two new locations in Dallas, TX and Trenton, NJ in its national initiative to invest in at least 15 underserved communities across the U.S. by 2018. In Dallas, the company will join the ongoing redevelopment and revitalization of the iconic Red Bird shopping district in southern Dallas with a unique new store aimed at creating economic opportunities by hiring locally, providing in-store training opportunities for youth, and working with local minority owned businesses.

Creating Economic Opportunities in Southern Dallas

Starbucks plans to work with local women- and minority owned contractors for the construction of its upcoming Red Bird store, and is evaluating minority owned suppliers in southern Dallas for a locally sourced product to feature in the café. Set to open in Spring 2018, the company hopes the new store will help spotlight local businesses, sup-



David Wilfong

port their growth, and invest in the community. The Red Bird Starbucks will also be the first in the Dallas metropolitan area to have a unique in-store training space. Working with a local nonprofit organization, Starbucks will provide southern Dallas youth the opportunity to take part in a free multi-week job skills training program – based on Starbucks own renowned customer service curriculum. When trainings are not in session, the room will be available for local groups to use for meetings and dialog – serving as a vital hub for members of the community.

“While parts of southern

Dallas continue to lack economic opportunity, there is a robust potential customer base, and a strong business and community led movement underway to revitalize those parts of the area that need it most,” said Traci York, regional vice president for South Central Operations for Starbucks. “We want to be a part of this effort, and show that with meaningful investment and a creative business model that reflects the needs of the community, we can create the kinds of economic opportunities that have the potential to generate long-term impact. This is both an opportunity to grow our busi-

ness by reaching new customers, and to be part of a local solution for social change.”

Starbucks plans to work with local women- and minority owned contractors for the construction of the Red Bird store, and is evaluating minority owned suppliers in southern Dallas for a locally sourced product to feature in the café. In this way, the company hopes to shine a light on local businesses, support their growth, and invest in the community. The Red Bird Starbucks will also be the first in the Dallas metropolitan area to have a unique in-store training space. Working with a local nonprofit organization, Starbucks will provide southern Dallas youth the opportunity to take part in a free multi-week job skills training program – based on Starbucks own renowned customer service curriculum. When trainings are not in session, the room will be available for local groups to use for meetings and dialog – serving as a vital hub for members of the community.

In this way, Starbucks initiative is closely aligned with Red Bird owner Peter Brodsky’s broader vision to support the community, drive business investment in the area, create local jobs, and bring quality entertainment, dining and shopping options to southern Dallas.

“This Starbucks store represents exactly what we are trying to accomplish at Red Bird by providing a high-quality amenity to southern Dallas residents and simultaneously investing in the community to make a difference,” said Brodsky. “Starbucks is an ideal partner for the Red Bird development – a company with a first-class product, first-class service, and a deep commitment to the communities where it does business. I am proud to welcome Starbucks to Red Bird.”

For Starbucks, the store at Red Bird marks an important milestone in a series of initiatives the company is championing to create greater economic opportunities for young people in

Dallas. An estimated 13% of youth in the Dallas/Ft. Worth area are unemployed, a challenge that is compounded in southern Dallas where 25 percent of youth are not in school or employed. Most recently on May 19, as part of Starbucks broader nationwide commitment to hire at least 100,000 Opportunity Youth – 16-24-year-olds who face barriers to employment and opportunity – by 2020, the company worked with more than 50 top U.S. companies to host the Dallas Opportunity Fair – an unprecedented, day-long, free job fair that brought together nearly 2,000 youth to interview with more than 30 employers including Starbucks, JCPenney, FedEx, HMS Host, Walmart, Macy’s, Pizza Hut and more. With hundreds of on-the-spot job offers – it was Texas’ largest hiring event ever geared towards young people who are disconnected from the Dallas economy, many from neighborhoods in southern Dallas.

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Atkins also pointed to nine vacancies on boards for District 8, and added that the Planning & Zoning representative did not live in the district as examples of the incumbent being removed from his base.

Like Young, incumbent Wilson spent much time correcting the record for assertions made from the audience about who and what he had supported in the past two years on the council. When Dallas ISD board member Joyce Foreman questioned him on his support for a charter school in the district, Wilson fired back, noting the school in question was not the only charter school in the district.

“I am not going to tell you that you cannot raise your child in whatever manner to give them the best education,” Wilson said. “Are you familiar with Gateway? Are

you familiar with Hampton Prep? Are you familiar with Children First? Are you familiar with the charter school at Paul Quinn College? And are you familiar with Dallas Can? Those are all charter schools that were started not under my watch, but in my opponent’s watch.”

In the end, Atkins stated

outside support was driving the election, and that he was returning to the council only after being asked to run by an overwhelming number of active residents.

“I wish I had (For) Our Community’s support, but I don’t,” Atkins said in his closing remarks. “If you don’t know who Our Community is, look it up. See who is Our Community. We do not want him back in of-

fice ... Why are they trying to take over District 8? Why do a small group of people want to invest in District 8? I wonder why?”

District 7 and 8, along

with District 6 where incumbent Monica Alonzo is attempting to stave off an upset by challenger Omar Narvaez, will be decided in the City of Dallas runoff

election scheduled to be held on June 10. Early voting begins on Tuesday, May 30 due to the Memorial Day holiday and runs through Tuesday, June 6.



Incumbent Erik Wilson (at left) listens while his challenger Tennell Atkins (at right) makes his case for returning to the Dallas City Council during Monday Night Politics. (Photo: David Wilfong / NDG)

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'I Bike Harlem' owner uses Airbnb to grow her business

By Maxine Daniels
(Founder of "I Bike Harlem")



Maxine Daniels says that she's proud to be an "Airbnb: Experience" host, bringing the Harlem she knows and loves within reach of millions of Airbnb travelers. (Liz Morrison)

(NNPA) For decades, many travelers to New York City have limited their excursions to Manhattan neighborhoods south of Central Park. Moreover, those who do choose to go beyond the traditional tourist hotspots often see neighborhoods like Harlem—my home for nine years—from the top floor of a tour bus.

This experience cannot possibly impart the "real" Harlem—a vibrant and historic community with world-class cuisine, soulful music and a rich artistic scene that continues to breathe new life into an area whose cultural exports have been changing the world for over a hundred years.

I want visitors to see the

Harlem I know up close, not from behind the plexiglass of a tour bus window. My business, "I Bike Harlem," gives travelers the opportunity to discover our handsome brownstones and vibrant small businesses. It's a business I am incredibly proud of and it's a business that would not exist were it not for the economic opportunity provided by Airbnb.

I began sharing my home on Airbnb as a way to earn a little extra money while starting I Bike Harlem. Through Airbnb, I was able to raise the funds I needed to start my business—investing in the bicycles, helmets, storage, and insurance that brought it from an idea on paper to reality. Now, my business is growing — with customers from all around

the world including right here in Harlem. In fact, many of my customers are Airbnb guests. In that way, I am part of an "Airbnb business cycle": I started my company with income earned as an Airbnb host, and in turn, Airbnb guests have helped my business grow and thrive.

Our elected officials often talk about fostering a "startup" culture in New York City, with millions of dollars invested in tech campuses, incubators, and tax credits throughout the Empire State. Important as these investments are, the truth is that our public policy must recognize that entrepreneurship and the economic activity it generates, comes in many different forms, now more than ever.

For example, I cannot

count on an angel investments or incubators to help my business grow. Rather than relying on "startup" culture, my business is grounded in Harlem's culture and the desire of travelers to experience a new place from a local's perspective. And the investors who helped my business get off the ground aren't venture capitalists; they are everyday

people who chose to stay with me on Airbnb.

Hosting on Airbnb gave me the opportunity to start my business. And guests on Airbnb helped build my business. Now, Airbnb has launched a new tool that will take my business to the next level.

Dubbed "Airbnb: Experi-

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Mekrut of Lincoln, Rhode Island. And joining the board for a three year term is Anthony J. Buzzelli, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Incoming Vice Chair Mekrut is vice president of finance for FM Global, one of the world's largest commercial and industrial property insurers. He was elected to the AAA national board of directors in April 2015 and has served on the

board of AAA Southern New England, now AAA Northeast, since 2008. Additionally, he serves on the holding companies affiliated with AAA Northeast – AAA Motor Club Holdings and Red Rooster Investment Company. Mekrut earned a bachelor's degree in accounting and finance from Providence College and a master's degree from Bryant University.

Daniels-Carter has been awarded a number of distinguishing honors including the Business Woman of the Year Frazier Network; Northwood University, Distinguished Business Leader Award; Trailblazer Award from North Milwaukee State Bank; Entrepreneurial Spirit Award presented at the Multicultural Prism Awards; Essence magazine's Top 10 Black Female Entrepreneurs; and Black Enterprise magazine's Women of the

B.E. 100. Her company, V & J has received awards such as the Top 500 Women-Owned Businesses (Working Woman Magazine); Top 200 Restaurants in the U.S. (Restaurant Finance Monitor); and numerous other accolades, both locally and nationally.

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City of Carrollton hosting job fair for municipal jobs on June 15

The City of Carrollton will host a job fair on Thursday, June 15 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Josey Ranch Lake Library (1700 N. Keller Springs Road). The City is seeking candidates with a desire to make a difference in

the community.

Prospective candidates will be able to meet with recruiting departments across many disciplines, including Environmental Services, Parks and Recreation, Library, and Public Works, and

learn how every employee embraces the Carrollton Difference. Civil Service positions (Police Department and Fire Rescue) will not be part of the job fair.

For faster processing, applicants can visit cityofcarrollton.com/jobs and fill out the JRL Job Fair- June 15, 2017 job application beforehand. Attendees of the job fair are encouraged to complete this application in order to be considered for positions open at the time of the job

fair. Computers will be available the day of the fair to fill out applications. The information provided from the application will help match applicants' qualifications with the requirements for all open positions. Departments

will be holding interviews and some employment offers may be made onsite. Jobseekers unable to attend the job fair can still access job opportunities through the City's website at cityofcarrollton.com/jobs.

Lifeguarding offers flexibility and valuable experience for future employment

Considering a career in the medical or emergency response sectors? Or perhaps interested in the fitness or recreation fields?

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- Development of public relations, customer service and conflict-resolution



City of Irving

skills

- Verifiable work experience for resumes and college applications
- Irving lifeguards at outdoor aquatic center.

The City of Irving Parks and Recreation Department hires Red Cross-certified lifeguards, ages 16 and older for part- and full-time summer and year-round

employment at its aquatic facilities.

Lifeguards are in the business of safety and prevention, making them ideal candidates for medical or first responder college programs.

In addition to enforcing all the rules and regulations of the pool, lifeguards are also responsible for the maintenance and operation of the assigned facility. Irving lifeguards also get a lot of customer service experience, such as registration responsibilities - all great points to add to one's resume.

Red Cross training recer-

tification is required every two years to remain eligible for employment with the Irving Parks and Recreation Department (as well as most other Texas municipalities).

Find a Class

The following are available resources for the lifeguarding class requirements:

Visit the American Red Cross' Lifeguarding page for information on classes.

The Baylor Tom Landry Health and Wellness Center offers lifeguard classes and recertification through its Water Safety program.

The City of Irving hosts

lifeguard classes.

Visit the Aquatics calendar of events page or call (972) 721-7310 for a schedule of classes. Scholarships are available on a case-by-case basis to help defray the cost of classes.

Application Process

Those interested in applying for a position as a lifeguard can visit City of Irving Employment Opportunities page to view open positions. Please note that all posted jobs close at 5 p.m. in the indicated expiration date. For more information, call (972) 721-7311 or (972) 721-2718.

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of 2018," said Matrice Ellis-Kirk, chair of the Center's Board of Directors. "Doing this will allow the Center to focus more of its resources toward supporting our resident companies and engaging even more with our di-

verse community. Our thanks go out to the Moody Foundation for this generous gift."

Both the MFA endowment and the Center's gift will be paid out over a ten-year period. MFA's first

year will start with \$100,000 in grants, but when fully endowed, the MFA could distribute about \$400K a year in grants to small arts groups.

Submissions for MFA grants will begin early next year. Submissions will be reviewed through a two-

tiered panel selection process which will include arts educators, managers, advocates, philanthropists, a Cultural Affairs Commissioner and the director of the Office of Cultural Affairs. Grants will be distributed by the end of August 2018.

Looking for energetic interns in the Dallas Area

A local community newspaper has an internship position available. The goal is to provide students and aspiring writers an opportunity to gain published clips, experience and professional feedback. The position is for 20 hours a week at \$8.50 per hour. Assignments will include covering local events, phone interviews, and rewriting press releases.



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May 28, 9:45 a.m.

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May 31, 7 p.m.

Join us in Wednesday's Prayer and Bible Study Class with Pastor Brenda Patterson, Senior Pastor Woodson, Pastor Larry Gardner and others teaching a series on "Design for Discipleship and Understanding the Bible, Book 7, Chapter 4." Spiritual maturity is God's desire for you. It's Time to Grow; Ephesians 4:12 & 13.

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May 28, 8 a.m.

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May 31, 7 p.m.

Join us in our Wednesday's 12 Noon-Day Live, Prayer and Bible Study and/or our Wednesday Night Live, Prayer and Bible Study at 7 p.m. to learn more about God's Word. Be encouraged by God's plan for your maturity and His glory; and most of all; be prepared to grow.

June 11, 9:30 a.m.

You're invited to join us for "Graduation Recognition" with special performance by Chris Roland, AKA Samson, you don't want to miss this.

June 12 until August 20

This is a 70 Day Challenge in seven stages of development by praying daily; reading the book of the quarter, Chase the Lion by Mark Batterson; preparing a household budget for the summer; exercising at least three days a week; a Spiritual Workout on a Sunday, Wednesday or Saturday; Tithing the Bible Way; and learning how to forgive. Call the church for details.

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John 12:26.

May 28, 8 a.m.

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May 31, 7 p.m.

You're invited to our Wednesday's Bible Study to learn more about God's Word. Come and be encouraged by God's plan for your maturity and growth; it's all for His glory and His honor. We are, "Growing in Christ through the study of His Word."

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Being choked by wealth



Sister Tarpley

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"Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income...." - Ecclesiastes 5:10

Christians believers are especially susceptible to a trap in their spiritual lives - one to which others may not be so susceptible. That trap is wealth.

Scripture tells us that if we are having our basic needs met for food and clothing, we are considered to have riches.

Jesus cautioned us against living a lifestyle that required more than our basic necessities. However, it is clear that Jesus was not against wealth, but against a dependence on wealth.

Jesus continually taught that a dependence on anything other than God was evil. Whenever Jesus determined that money was an issue for an individual, He addressed it and found that the individual could not let go.

This was true for the rich young ruler. When talking about what he must do to in-

herit the Kingdom, Jesus told him to do the one thing that would be the most difficult - to give away his wealth and follow Him.

Jesus was not saying this was what every person must do, only the rich young ruler, because Jesus knew this was his greatest stumbling block. For others of us, it could be something else Jesus would ask us to give up (see Matthew 19:16-30).

In the parable of the sower in which He describes four types of people, Jesus also gave us another example of the problem money creates for any follower of Jesus.

"A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil.

It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants.

Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop - a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown" (Matthew 13:3b-8).

"The one who received the seed that fell among the thorns is the man who hears the word, but the worries of this life and the deceitfulness

of wealth choke it, making it unfruitful" (Matthew 13:22).

Much like the frog in the boiling pot, if we are not careful we gradually begin to acquire and walk the treadmill of material gain. Those around us begin to expect more and more. Soon we begin expanding our lifestyle.

Before we know it, we are worrying about how to take care of what we acquire. Our emphasis becomes what we own versus our relationship with Jesus and His Kingdom.

One day I woke up and re-

alized I had a cold heart toward God. Apathy toward the things of God became apparent. I was still going through the motions of service toward God, but with no power.

We wake up to realize Christ is no longer Lord of our lives, much less of our money. The greater independence money gives us, the less dependence on God we need.

Christ talked much about money in the Kingdom because He knew how much of a problem it was. This is why

we have so few who are bearing 100, 60, or 30 times what is sown.

Do you have the same hunger for God that you once had? Has financial blessing had an adverse ef-

fect on your passion for Jesus Christ? Ask Him today if your heart has grown cold as a result of financial blessing. Ask Him to keep you hungering for more of His presence in your life.



Young Sung, elected Carrollton's city Place 6 Councilman by a 61 to 39 percent margin, taking his Oath of Office by Judge Meredith Lyon, Municipal Court with wife Susan, daughter Jessica and son, Joshua looking on

NDGtv North Dallas Gazette takes a moment to reflect on the past with **Historical Perspectives from Sister Tarpley**. Hear what it was like growing up in a very different Dallas when Booker T. Washington was a black school. Sister Tarpley graduated from there and went on to college and later became a city councilmember in Carrollton.

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NDG Book Review: *The Weekend Effect* confirms what you already know

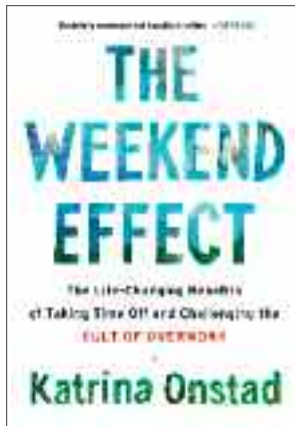
By Terri Schlichenmeyer

Zzzzzzzzip.

That was the sound of your last weekend as it passed by, but it probably doesn't matter anyhow: it was packed with work, To-Dos and obligations, kid's sports, and more work. Sometimes, you wonder why you even bother. You might as well just go to the office – but first, read "The Weekend Effect" by Katrina Onstad before you zip out Friday afternoon.

When was the last time you had two full days without plans?

If you're like most working adults, answering may take you a few minutes.



Chances are, it's been awhile; like millions of North American employees, our weekend is "not a weekend at all."

Much like the seven-day week, weekends are man-made things: Ancient civilizations created our modern

week, the Old Testament demarcated a day of rest, and employers tried forcing workers to toil most of both. In 1791, U.S. carpenters held the first strike over hours; the eight-hour day started to take hold in the late 1800s; Henry Ford introduced a five-day workweek in 1926; and generally, there we were until the digital age, when employees could – and do - carry work with them everywhere.

Considering that fifteenth-century serfs enjoyed a holiday-filled church calendar, says Onstad, you may work more now than did a medieval peasant.

That's not good for mind or body, and employers are

starting to recognize that. Known for obsessively-focused marathon workweeks, Silicon Valley may taketh away, but it also giveth: some high-tech start-ups offer employees flex-time and demand downtime. Your boss may welcome happier employees who aren't so stressed. Four-day workweeks aren't rare anymore, nor are half-day Fridays.

And yet, Onstad says, if someone asked you what you'd do with free weekends, you might struggle with a list. Think: you can actually visit with real people, in-person. You could volunteer more, read more, attend more church, or go

for more walks.

In short, you can stop, and learn to do less.

What would you do with two unencumbered days? Imagine the possibilities, and then read "The Weekend Effect."

While it might seem that few people need convincing when it comes to taking time off, author Katrina Onstad shows, in her first pages, why some people feel trapped into working more. Readers might see themselves in some of Onstad's short profiles – we obviously have compatriots in our drivenness – as we learn why a "cult of overwork" is detrimental to both individual and to a business. Yes, we

can brag, but it's unsustainable and we're hurting ourselves, as it turns out.

Once you have the ammo needed to try to make change, Onstad offers things that might now take up that newly-gotten free-time. There's a surprise in that: whatever you think you like to do on your weekends, you could be doing it all wrong.

This book is eye-opening, but it may also tell you something you already know: you work too hard. For confirmation, though, or for further reasons why you need shut off your phone and find a hammock, "The Weekend Effect" has that all zipped up.

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Migos for 'Best Group' and 'Best Collaboration' for their #1 hit "Bad and Boujee" with Lil Uzi Vert.

BET Networks recognizes artists, entertainers, and athletes across 19 categories with the "BET

Awards" 2017 nominations. The nominations are selected by BET's Voting Academy, which is comprised of fans and an esteemed group of entertain-

ment professionals in the fields of television, film, music, social media, digital marketing, sports journalism, public relations, and the creative arts.

The 2017 "BET Awards" will premiere around the world on several stations in BET's international networks.

It will air in the UK on

Tuesday, June 27th at 9 p.m. BST, in Africa on Tuesday, June 27th at 8 p.m. CAT, and in France on Wednesday, June 28th at 9 p.m. CEST.

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ences," this new service allows visitors to partake in offerings of hundreds of local entrepreneurs—everything from a multiple-day dance immersion to a tour of local pubs. I am proud to be an "Experience" host, bringing the Harlem I know and love within reach of millions of Airbnb travelers.

In addition, Airbnb helps visitors identify and patronize authentic local businesses by publishing neighborhood guidebooks and partnering with local business associations, such as

the Harlem Business Alliance, to hold "Small Business Socials" and "Merchant Walks."

The impact of these initiatives are two-fold: saving businesses money otherwise spent on marketing, while drawing visitors to neighborhood businesses off-the-beaten-path.

In fact, 76 percent of restaurants in guidebooks appear outside of traditional hotel districts. With these services, it's no wonder that Airbnb guests spent \$470 million at NYC restaurants

in the year ending September 1, 2016, and more than \$1.5 billion in restaurants over the same period in America's 19 largest cities.

Airbnb is more than just a short-term rental website, it is a dynamic platform that is proving to be an engine of economic opportunity. It

helps neighborhoods that have long been ignored by the traditional tourism industry, brings in new customers to local shops, and

gives New Yorkers like me the chance to forge a new livelihood by sharing my home and building my business.

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Part 1 - WHAT: Combating Systemic Racism within Immigration and Criminal Justice

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Part 2 - WHAT: Confession – Recognition - Commitment

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