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Newly-elected Mayor London Breed makes history in tight San Francisco race

By Stacy M. Brown
NNPA Contributor

London Breed has made history, becoming the first African American woman elected mayor in San Francisco after her opponent conceded in what had been a razor-close race.

Breed, who had been appointed mayor last December following the death of Mayor Ed Lee, was forced out of the post after officials cited a conflict with her position on the city's Board of Supervisors.

She defeated former State Senator Mark Leno in a close race that came down to 14,000 provisional ballots counted, over the past week.

"I am London Breed, I am president of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, and soon to be mayor of the city and county of San Francisco," she told a crowd gathered downtown after Leno conceded. "I am truly humbled, and I am truly honored."

Born in San Francisco, Breed was raised by her grandmother in the city's public housing.

Breed praised United States Senator Kamala Harris (D-Calif.), among others, as being an influence. She said she wanted to emulate her



London Breed made history to become the first African American woman mayor of San Francisco, Calif. (Freddie Allen/AMG/NNPA)

grandmother, who took care of the community and looked after everyone.

"It's really amazing, and it's really an honor and I know it means so much to so many people," she said, responding to a question about being the first African American female to earn election to the city's mayor's office. "This is my home and I grew up in some of the most challenging of circumstances."

Breed continued: "I think the message that this sends to the next generation of young people growing

up in this city, that no matter where you come from, you can do anything you want to do."

In a January interview with NNPA Newswire, Breed said she planned to remain the same outspoken, 43-year-old who was raised on the hard knock streets of the Fillmore District, just southwest of Nob Hill.

"People sometimes say about me, 'I can't believe, she said that.' I remind them, I'm from Fillmore, but I

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Malcolm J. Mitchell

More than 3,600 graduates, ranging in age from 16 to 69, were honored last month at the Maverik Center in West Valley City during commencement exercises for Salt Lake Community College. This year's graduates include 1,553 students who are the first in their families to receive college degrees and 144 military veterans.



Most of this year's graduates earned degrees from the school's General Studies program followed by business, nursing, psychology, computer science, criminal justice and health sciences.

The event's keynote address was given by New England Patriots wide receiver, 2017 Super Bowl Champion and award-winning children's book author Malcom J. Mitchell, who reminded graduates that while the "climb to the top of the

mountain" is full of challenges, every challenge provides an opportunity.

Mitchell shared a story about how his mother inspired him to keep playing football when he wanted to quit. He talked about overcoming numerous injuries to eventually become a Super Bowl champion with the Patriots. The four keys to success, he said, are simply to do what you say you're going to do, be on time, say 'thank you,' and treat every day as a new opportunity. "When you follow these steps, you won't have to find success, I promise you," Mitchell said. "Success will be going to look for you."

Also, during the event, SLCC Association President Aynoa Rincon encouraged her fellow graduates to keep learning and "never to lose faith in life."

"Learn new languages, new cultures, travel, help and serve your community, learn how to work with other people who have a different perspective from yours and respect them the same way you would like to be respected," Rincon said. "Don't let other people's opinions drag you down, even when they say you're wrong. Follow your intuition in your heart – it somehow already knows what you truly want to become."

SLCC President Dr. De-niece G. Huftalin also addressed the graduates. "Let yourself be silently drawn by the strange pull of what you really love," she said. "It will not lead you astray. I hope throughout your life you will find a way to tap into the magnetic force of what you really love and let it silently guide you."

In addition to recognizing its 2018 graduates, SLCC awarded Ashok Joshi and Pam Perlich with honorary doctorates. Both have made significant contributions to SLCC and the community over the years. Joshi is a past SLCC trustee and most recently served as the execu-

tive director of Technology Holding, LLC. Perlich is currently serving as Director of Demographic Research at the Kem C. Gardner Institute at the University of Utah. She previously taught economics at the U of U and Westminster College.

Angela H. Brown, executive director of SLUG Magazine and Manoli Katsanevas, owner of Manoli's restaurant were honored with SLCC's 2018 Distinguished Alumni Award. In addition, three college faculty members, Gordon Storrs, Dr. Kristen Taylor and Dr. Deidre Tyler, received this year's SLCC Teaching Excellence awards.

Denita Lavis Lacking-Quinn

Herbert Austin, District Director of the U.S. Small Business Administration's (SBA) Dallas/Fort Worth District Office, announced last month this year's Small Business Award Winners.



The SBA honored a total of 12 outstanding small business owners and champions of business at The Spirit of America: 2018 Salute to North Texas Small Business luncheon on Friday, May 4 hosted by the Arlington Chamber of Commerce. One of the winners DeNita Lavis Lacking-Quinn, President/CEO of

Achieve PR, LLC. she was selected as the 2018 DFW Women Small Business Champion of the Year Winner.

"This is an exciting time of the year where we honor

our local entrepreneurs and advocates for their great work in business and in the community" said Austin.

The Dallas winners included DeNita Lavis Lacking-Quinn, President/CEO of Achieve PR, LLC. Is the 2018 DFW Women Small Business Champion of the Year Winner.

With the assistance of Rolling Out Magazine, Denita has successfully assisted over 50 women business owners and executives through the Female Success Factor Dallas event sponsored by Comerica and Coca-Cola. In addition to her corporate engagement,

Ms. Quinn launched the Golden Circle – Women's Network aimed to educate startups, small business owners and community leaders. She has also worked on the Dallas County Community College Start-up Week Committee which graduated 75 small businesses during its inaugural year.

Other among the other Dallas winners were;

- David F. Shutler, President/CEO of Utility Systems Solutions, Inc. (US2) is the 2018 DFW District Director Award Winner.

- Laura Hurtado, Outreach Coordinator for City

of Dallas is the 2018 DFW Minority Small Business Champion of the Year Winner.

- Gregory Cody, President of GCC Enterprises, Inc. is the 2018 DFW District 8a Graduate of the Year and 2018 SBA Southcentral Regional 8a Graduate of the Year Award Winner.

- Larry Nelson, President of the Dallas SCORE Chapter is the SCORE Chapter of the Year Winner

The Dallas Chapter was founded in 1965 and provides mentoring services to residents of Dallas and through multiple satellite

offices, to residents of the surrounding cities in North Texas.

These honorees competed among others from across the 72 Texas counties that the DFW District Office covers. Two of the DFW winners won regional awards after competing with other businesses from four other states.

"Nominations for all of the awards were accepted last fall and winners were selected by a panel of judges" said Ahmad Goree, SBA's Lead Economic Development Specialist & Public Information Officer.

E2 Darius Chase

By MC2 Britney N. Odom

SAN DIEGO - A 2015 Mansfield Lake Ridge High School graduate and Mansfield, Texas, native is serving aboard the future USS Portland, an amphibious warship to be homeported in San Diego.



Seaman Apprentice Darius Chase is a culinary specialist responsible for preparing and serving the crew meals.

"The best part of my job is getting to see all the different places," said Chase.

Portland is a San Antonio-class amphibious transport dock ship that embarks, transports, and land elements of a landing force for a variety of expeditionary warfare

missions. These ships provide the Navy and Marine Corps with modern sea-based platforms.

Amphibious transport dock ships support amphibious assault; special operations or expeditionary warfare missions, and can serve as secondary aviation platforms for amphibious ready groups. Because of their in-

herent capabilities, these ships have been and will continue to be called upon to support humanitarian and other contingency missions on short notice as well.

Chase has carried lessons learned from his hometown into his military service.

"My hometown taught me the importance of discipline," said Chase.

Sailors' jobs are highly varied aboard Portland. More than 400 men and women make up the ship's crew, which keeps all parts of the ship running smoothly, from handling weaponry to maintaining the engines. An additional 700 Marines can be embarked. Portland is capable of transporting the Marines and landing them where they are needed via helicopters, vertical takeoff and landing aircraft and

landing craft.

"I feel like I am the sharpest chef in the fleet," said Chase.

As a member of one of the U.S. Navy's high-tech amphibious assault ships, Chase and other Portland sailors are proud to part of a warfighting team.

"Serving in the Navy has taught me the value of putting my life on the line for my country," said Chase.

Portland, the third Navy ship named to honor both the Oregon seaport and Maine's largest city, will be commissioned on April 21 in its Oregon namesake city. During a commissioning ceremony the warship will be officially placed into active service. The ceremony includes "bringing the ship to life" and other orders rooted in centuries old naval tradition.

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Congratulations to all graduates



A.D. Jenkins
NDG Columnist

I would like to take a moment and say “Congratulations” to all the young men and women who recently graduated from high school. As a school board trustee, I have the honor of sitting on stage and shaking hands with students as they received their diploma.

I have the opportunity to witness the faces of parents, relatives, and friends with a look of pride, fulfillment, and completion. We can all agree that it takes the efforts of many to get each student from the first day of school to their commencement ceremony. Furthermore, I want to say thank you to some well-deserved participants

in this educational process.

- *Congrats to the students who have completed the state educational requirements.*
- *Congrats to the parents for providing life and pursuit of happiness.*
- *Congrats to the underpaid teachers who have educated all the students.*
- *Congrats to every principal for directing and leading on every campus.*
- *Congrats to the administrative staff for accountability and stability.*
- *Congrats to the bus drivers for safe driving in all weather conditions.*
- *Congrats to the relatives and friends for encouraging the students to stay the course.*
- *Congrats to those who tutored or mentored students.*
- *Congrats to the janitor-*

ial team for spotless classrooms and hallways.

- *Congrats to the security staff in place at all schools.*
- *Congrats to the crossguards for safe walking across the streets.*
- *Congrats to the cafeteria personnel for preparing and serving healthy meals.*
- *Congrats to all booster club members for volunteering for extra-curricular events.*
- *Congrats to every sports coach who inspired, encouraged and never gave up.*
- *Congrats to the school counselors who provided career advice.*
- *Congrats to the churches for sound spiritual guidance.*

As you can tell, it takes a village to raise each student. I sincerely believe that no one person can do it alone;

therefore, everyone involved should be acknowledged for playing a role. The story does not end here for the graduates because they are merely turning the page to begin another chapter in life. Graduation is a time to reflect, give thanks and celebrate. A time of completion is at hand with the presence of mind to set new goals which require more work, education, and focus.

Graduates remember that everything is hard before it gets easy.

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The Cruelty Must Cease!

By Congresswoman
Eddie Bernice Johnson

The administration’s policy of indifferently dismantling and separating migrant families once they cross the southern borders of the United States is morally indefensible, psychologically damaging to children that are being brazenly taken from their mothers, and is in direct contravention to the values on which our country was founded, and pronounces.

Any suggestion by United States Attorney General Jeff Sessions that the action is biblically based demonstrates a profound misunderstanding and distortion of scripture.

In fact, what is occurring is mean-spirited, short-sighted and is causing serious damage to the respect that others in the world have for the United States as a welcoming country for seekers of a better life for themselves, and their families.

Thoughtful faith leaders in Texas and the nation are

protesting what is being done in the name of the United States. Even conservative evangelicals such as Reverend Franklin Graham, a supporter of the president,



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have described separating mothers and their children as “disgraceful.”

At a meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas the organization adopted a resolution calling family unity a “priority” in a civilized society. One well-known member of the clergy at the convention said that he and his colleagues believed that migrants were made “in God’s image,” and as such deserved better treatment than that which they were re-

ceiving.

The leadership of the nation’s catholic community fully agrees with its Baptist brethren. At a convention held in Florida at the same

as the Dallas conclave, a gathering of Roman Catholic Bishops sharply criticized the administration’s policy.

The group’s president, Cardinal Daniel DiNardo from Galveston, called families crucial to human existence. “They must stay together,” he said.

While the mothers and their offspring suffer in bewilderment and pain, the president blames the situation on the Democratic Party. He knows full well

that is false. No administration before this one separated children from their mothers as they crossed our borders in search of American opportunities, and our way of life.

The Republican Party controls the House of Representatives, the Senate and the White House. It is within their power to pass legislation that would reform our immigration policies, and stop this madness.

The party in power and the White House must cease this cruelty. They can bring an end to the crying by mothers and their children whose tears are staining the soul of America.

(Editor’s Note: As this issue of the North Dallas Gazette goes to press, news broke that President Donald J. Trump signed an executive order changing the policy of separating family members as they come across the border. It is unclear at this time how this will affect the children who are already in custody and we will continue to monitor the situation.)

How seniors can beat the heat: Tips for staying active and safe as temperatures rise

By Dr. Efre Castillo

Today's seniors are more active than ever before. Popular pastimes such as golf, bike riding and gardening provide daily opportunities to exercise and socialize, and there's no better time to enjoy these outdoor pursuits than the summer months.

However, as temperatures rise, so do the risks of heat stress. Extreme heat can be dangerous for anyone, but older adults are especially vulnerable to conditions such as dehydration, heat exhaustion and heat stroke due to the body's natural aging process, underlying chronic conditions and side effects from prescription drugs. Excessive exposure to heat can quickly lead to serious illness or even death in older adults, and today's seniors could be at greater risk than previous generations as research shows summers are getting hotter over time.



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The best defense against heat stress and related illnesses is staying informed, prepared and alert. The following tips can help older adults stay active, healthy and safe when temperatures are high.

Know the signs. Be alert for common signs of heat exhaustion, which include heavy sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, tiredness, weakness, dizziness, headache, nausea, vomiting and fainting. Seek medical attention right away if you notice

any of these symptoms.

Stay hydrated. Your body needs more water than you may think – and you need to drink before you are thirsty. Ask your doctor how much you should be drinking if you are directed to limit your fluid intake due to certain medications.

Time it right and take plenty of breaks. Make the most of early morning and evening hours (before 11 a.m. and after 4 p.m.) when temperatures are cooler to do outdoor activities such as gar-

dening or walking. Take regular breaks from the heat in air-conditioned areas or designated cooling centers, if necessary.

Take it inside. Don't let the heat keep you sedentary. When it's too hot for your usual outdoor jog or bike ride, explore indoor-based activities at the gym or your community center. Many Medicare Advantage plans cover gym memberships, so be sure to brush up on your benefits to get the most out of your plan.

Use the buddy system. If you choose to do an outdoor activity when it's hot, bring a friend. Besides enjoying each other's company, you can help each other stay alert to any signs of heat stress or get help if necessary.

Skip the stove. Cooking can heat up your living space quickly, so avoid turning on the stove or oven when it's very hot. Cold foods like salad, fresh fruit and yogurt

can be healthy, convenient and refreshing options when the mercury rises.

For more information about staying safe in the summer heat, check out this AARP article, or search for "heat safety" on AARP.org. You can find additional health and wellness information and tips for healthy living at newsroom.uhc.com.

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say it in the way we say it in the streets—'Fill-Mo,'" Breed said. "When you come from the kind of community that I come from and experience a lot of frustration, if you are not outspoken you can't get the things done that you need to [get done]."

After first being appointed to take over for Lee after his death on December 12, local media noted that Breed has

been criticized for being "headstrong" and "outspoken," once even announcing to her peers that she "was no shrinking violet."

"I am who I am, and I didn't think I'd ever run for office, because I am who I am," Breed said. "I say what I feel like I need to say and that's how I've always been, and I couldn't live with myself, if I felt that I have to change to be an elected offi-

cial."

This article was originally published on BlackPressUSA.com.

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State Rep. Eric Johnson kicks off Texas' 30th annual Black Rodeo

On Saturday, June 16, 2018, the African American Museum of Dallas hosted the 30th Annual Texas Black Invitational Rodeo at the Fair Park Coliseum. The

Honorable State Representative Eric and Mrs. Johnson served as Grand Marshals for the event. Their two young sons, William, age 4, and George, age 9 months,

accompanied them in the Grand Entry Parade that kicked off this annual Lone Star tradition.

The Texas Black Invitational Rodeo is a 30-year-

old institution in the State of Texas. Saturday's event featured more than three hundred African American cowboys and cowgirls who competed for more than

\$25,000 in prize money. Nearly eight thousand people attended the event from all over Texas and the United States.

"This fast-paced sporting

event...provides many of its almost 8,000 viewers with their first glimpse of the historical contribution that

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Lewisville names Kevin Deaver new chief of police

Lewisville City Manager Donna Barron announced today that Assistant Chief Kevin Deaver has been selected as the next Chief of Police for the Lewisville Police Department. Deaver will succeed Chief Russ Kerbow, who is retiring in August after more than 40 years of service.

"I am extremely humbled by this opportunity to serve the men and women of this department and the community," Deaver said. "I appreciate the confidence city management has in me for this very important role."

Deaver, who has been



Courtesy photo

with LPD since 1998, was selected after a statewide search that began back in March. As part of the candidate search, the City brought in Southwest Leadership Services, a professional consulting firm that focuses pri-

marily on police and fire promotional assessments.

"I believe that Chief Deaver represents the Lewisville Way in his management style, his commitment to building trust between the community we serve and our city organization and his commitment to employee involvement in the decision-making process," Barron said.

Deaver has more than 29 years of law enforcement experience. He began his law enforcement career with the San Angelo Police Department in February 1989, then joined the Lewisville

Police Department in August 1998. During his career, Deaver has worked as a Patrol Officer, Motorcycle Traffic Officer, Canine Officer, Narcotics Detective, Patrol Sergeant, Narcotics Sergeant, Patrol Lieutenant, Community Services Captain, Patrol Captain, Administrative Services Assistant Chief, and the Patrol Operations Assistant Chief. In addition, he served as a field supervisor for the North Central Texas Narcotics Task Force.

"I couldn't agree more with Ms. Barron and the selection of Kevin Deaver as

our next chief of police," Kerbow said. "He is a man of great commitment, moral character and integrity. Chief Deaver will certainly carry our department forward following the Lewisville Way and remains committed to the department's values of Duty, Honor, Service and Commitment."

Deaver has a Bachelor of Arts and Applied Sciences with a concentration in Criminal Justice, Public Affairs/Community Service, and Sociology from the University of North Texas. Deaver also is a graduate of

the Institute for Law Enforcement Administration's School of Police Supervision and Management College and the FBI-Law Enforcement Executive Development Association Trilogy Series. He holds a Master Peace Officer Certification from TCOLE.

Currently, he serves on the Executive Board of Directors for Youth and Family Counseling and is a member of the Lewisville Noon Rotary Club.

Chief Deaver will officially take over as Chief of Police on Wednesday, August 22.

DART Chief Information Officer named Executive VP, Chief Administrative Officer

Dallas Area Rapid Transit is promoting Nicole O. Fontayne-Bárdowell to Executive Vice President, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO). She joined the organization four years ago as the Chief Information Officer (CIO).

Fontayne-Bárdowell succeeds Chief Financial Officer David Leininger in the top administrative role. Leininger retired earlier this year. In her new capacity she will oversee Human

Capital, Information Technology, Marketing and Communications, and Procurement.

As DART's CIO, Fontayne-Bárdowell helped deploy the first DART interactive kiosk at Dallas Love Field airport and other technologies to improve customer experience. Immediately prior to joining DART, Fontayne-Bárdowell was an Engagement Manager with the Everest Group. She also served previously as a man-

aging principal with Magellan Associates LLC. She initiated the role of CIO of Broward County in Fort Lauderdale, FL.

She has previously been included in CIO Magazine's "Top 100 Award: Innovation for Growth." Fontayne-Bárdowell holds a B.A. in Political Science from Roosevelt University in Chicago and an M.P.A. in Public Administration from Nova Southeastern University.

Dallas County Libertarian Party announces slate of 2018 candidates

The Libertarian Party of Texas recently held precinct, county, district, and state conventions to nominate candidates for offices at all levels. The Libertarian Party nominates candidates by convention instead of by Primary Election, so each candidate vied for nomination at the appropriate level convention.

The Libertarian Party, which stands for minimal government interference,

social tolerance, restoration and protection of constitutional freedoms, and privatization of many government functions, identifies itself as the Party of Principle. Locally, The Libertarian Party of Dallas oversees the party's activities under the leadership of County Chair, Curry Taylor.

In local races, Alberto Perez is running for County Commissioner and Preston Poulter is the Libertarian

candidate for County Judge. Candidates for U.S. House of Representatives are Ken Ashby (District 4), Jacob Leddy (District 12), Mike Kolls (District 24), Mark Boler (District 26), Shawn Jones (District 30), Melina Baker (District 32), and Jason Reeves (District 33).

State Board of Education candidates are Aaron

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Dallas ISD heats up during the Summer



Joyce Foreman
Dallas ISD
District 6
Trustee

Students may be on summer break, but efforts to support our children remain in full effect. It's one of the things I admire most about Dallas ISD - it's always working hard to provide

services and opportunities for the families in our communities.

Summer Meals Program

An unfortunate reality is that many students districtwide depend on meals provided during the school day as their primary source for nourishment. So, while most families are enjoying summer vacation, this break in the school year can mean hunger for others. In an ef-

fort to close this gap, Dallas ISD is partnered with the United Way of Metropolitan Dallas and the Texas Hunger Initiative to provide no-cost breaks and lunch at campuses citywide.

More than 200 Dallas ISD schools are serving meals over the summer. Click Here to find the District 6 location serving free breakfast and lunch near you.

Summer

Connection Fairs

Schools in District 6 are leveraging flexible summer schedules to connect with families at their Summer Connection Fairs. These events are a great opportunity to learn about the schools in your neighborhood, the programs they offer and community involvement opportunities. Visit [dallasisd.org/summer-](http://dallasisd.org/summer-connection-fairs)

connection to learn when your school of interest will host its Summer Connection Fair.

It's Not Too Late To Enroll

Data shows that students who attend Dallas ISD pre-K and stay with the district significantly outperform their peers by third grade. That's why more than 8,000 students have already registered for Dallas ISD pre-K and kindergarten. District 6 is

home to multiple campuses that provide tuition-based early learning opportunities and tuition-free opportunities for eligible families. Take advantage of this chance to give your future scholar a head start. More information on the application process and requirements can be found at prekdallas.org/. Also, the Pre-K-Kinder Hotline is available to answer any questions: 214-932-7735.

Study highlights 45 years of distance learning led by DCCCD's LeCroy Center

The Dallas County Community College District's R. Jan LeCroy Center has seen it all and done it all when it comes to learning beyond the confines of a bricks-and-mortar classroom. Delivering distance learning from its most basic tools by phone, the center has built a history of advancing learning with advancing technology to deliver online programs to students whenever and wherever they need it to earn a college credential.



Dr. Pam Quinn
(Courtesy photo)

Those milestones are featured in the May 2018 edition of Instructional Tech-

nology Newsletter, on ITC's website and in a case study titled "DCCCD: Progress in Distance Education - 45 years of Teaching and Learning with Technology" by freelance writer Julia Dyer.

The study examines the evolution of distance learning provided by DCCCD from 1972 to 2017, an idea embraced by DCCCD's former chancellor, Dr. R. Jan LeCroy, the center's namesake.

"Since DCCCD began producing and delivering telecourses in the early 1970s, our district has been recognized for its innovative ways to teach with technology," said Dr. Pam Quinn, provost for DCCCD's LeCroy Center.

She added, "Through the years, faculty members working with the LeCroy Center have adopted many technologies to reach students who could not or would not come to campus.

Knowing that the collective work done by many talented innovative educators has helped transform education has truly been exciting."

From the 1970s and beyond 2000, DCCCD's LeCroy Center for Educational Telecommunications not only offered telecourses locally to students; it also produced and distributed them nationally, becoming a top provider in the U.S.

As the years passed, the

technologies ramped up, too, using satellites, one-way video/two-way audio, cable (faculty teaching classes on cable from the LeCroy Center), web conferencing, instructional television with fixed-service channels, CD-ROM, video disc, modem classes and full-spectrum use of the internet.

For more information, contact Quinn by email at pquinn@dcccd.edu or by phone at 972-669-6600.

Moody Fund For The Arts awards grants to 36 small Dallas arts groups

The Moody Fund for the Arts (MFA) recently announced that, in its first year, the fund is awarding \$150,000 in grants to 36 small Dallas arts organizations. The fund also announced that the total award amount is a 50% increase over the previously announced \$100,000, allowing the MFA to provide more grants to cultural groups.

"These organizations and their proposals show what an exciting time this is for Dallas' arts community, and the cultural impact these grants will have throughout the city," said Francie Moody-Dahlberg, chair and executive director of The Moody Foundation. "We are honored to support this vibrant, dynamic cultural scene."

The grants range in size from \$3,500 to the first-year maximum of \$7,500. They support a strong cross section of the many small and

emerging organizations in the vibrant cultural ecosystem of the nation's ninth-largest city. Some awards will help fund world premieres, commissions and diversity projects, and some will provide general operating support. The selected projects comprise a wide range of genres, as well as ethnic and culturally specific groups, many targeting culturally under-served communities. Performance venues include Moody Performance Hall, the City's cultural centers, community spaces and neighborhoods across Dallas.

"These grants will be a shot in the arm to boost the health of these small organizations and our cultural ecosystem," said Mayor Mike Rawlings. "It is exciting to see the wide range of groups and projects the Moody Fund for the Arts is helping, and that this visionary fund will be there to support them year after

year."

The award amount was increased this year from \$100,000 to \$150,000. This was made possible after The Moody Foundation surprised everyone last December by fully funding the \$10 million gift establishing the MFA's endowment. It was originally to be paid out at \$1 million a year over ten years.

"We're grateful and excited that The Moody Foundation was able to accelerate their generous funding," said Gail Sachson, a member of the MFA Executive Committee. "We believe we've achieved the goal of providing support for impactful proposals, and from a diverse range of groups who serve many different parts of our city."

MFA was created to provide grants to small and emerging Dallas arts groups that are supported by the City of Dallas Office of Cultural Affairs and have

annual budgets of \$1 million or less.

2018 Moody Fund for the Arts Award Recipients

- ◆ Academy of Bangla Arts and Culture
- ◆ Anita N. Martinez Ballet Folklorico
- ◆ Arga Nova Dance
- ◆ The Artist Outreach, Inc.
- ◆ Avant Chamber Ballet
- ◆ Bandan Koro African Drum and Dance Ensemble
- ◆ Bruce Wood Dance Project
- ◆ Cara Mía Theatre Co.
- ◆ Chamber Music International
- ◆ Children's Chorus of Greater Dallas
- ◆ Color Me Empowered
- ◆ Creative Arts Center of Dallas
- ◆ Dallas Chamber Symphony
- ◆ Dallas Film Society
- ◆ Dance Council of North Texas
- ◆ Dark Circles Contemporary Dance
- ◆ Echo Theatre

◆ Fine Arts Chamber Players

- ◆ Indian Cultural Heritage Foundation
- ◆ Kitchen Dog Theater Company
- ◆ Museum of Geometric and MADI Art
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- ◆ SPARK! Dallas
- ◆ Teatro Dallas
- ◆ Teatro Flor Candela
- ◆ Texas Winds Musical Outreach, Inc.
- ◆ The Writer's Garret
- ◆ Turtle Creek Chorale
- ◆ Undermain Theatre
- ◆ Uptown Players, Inc.
- ◆ USA Film Festival
- ◆ WordSpace

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Gutknect (Place 11) and Rachel Wester (Place 12).

Candidates running for the Court of Criminal Appeals include William Bryan Strange III for Place 1 and Mark Ash for Place 8.

Neal Dikeman is the Libertarian candidate for U.S. Senate.

Mike Wright is running for Railroad Commission, Matt Pina is the Land Commissioner candidate, and Richard Carpenter will vie for Agriculture Commissioner.

The following candidates are running for single seat state-wide offices: Ben Sanders for Comptroller, Michael Ray Harris for Attorney General, Kerry

McKinnon for Lieutenant Governor, and Mark Tippetts for Governor.



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Carrollton

The Sunday Supper - Ivory Coast Edition will be hosted by Sunday Supper Foundation on June 24 from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The authentic Ivory Coast food will be hosted in a beautiful home in Carrollton. ticket donation includes a lovely dinner of authentic Ivory Coast food served buffet style with wine and a welcome cocktail. To reserve your spot, please make your donation at <https://www.paypal.me/SundaySupperSeries> - Suggested tax-deductible donation is \$75 per person. For more information visit [Facebook.com/events](https://www.facebook.com/events).

Dallas

The 32nd Annual Taste of Dallas will take place from June 22 to June 24 at various times at 10110 Technology Blvd E, in Dallas. Taste of Dallas, Dallas' premier summertime food and drink festival, returns for its 32nd year serving up three fun-filled days of great food and music featuring over 50 restaurants and food trucks, 40 music acts on 4 stages, dozens of engaging

and interactive sponsor and exhibitor activations as well as The Foodie Experience with its all-inclusive food and beverage sampling format on Friday night. General Admission Tickets are \$20 dollars at the gate, \$14 at Walgreens. Food/Beverage tickets are available for purchase at event for use at food booths and concession stands. Special Ticket Bundles are available Online Only (www.tasteofdallas.org) for \$40 that include 1 day entry into Taste of Dallas, 30 food/beverage tickets and a souvenir tasting mug.

Irving

The Uptown Harlem: The Creative Soul of Fashion will be hosted on June 23 from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Avocado Restaurant & Lounge, in Irving. Spend a day in Uptown Harlem where a venue will be transformed into an enchanting oasis of fashion, rhythm, glamour, art, culture and a marketplace featuring some of the latest and exciting brands from vendors across the country. Positioned along the Mandalay Canal

in downtown Las Colinas, a lavish and beautiful town will emerge taking inspiration from a bygone era and into the 21st century. Admission is free with R.S.V.P. For more information and to RSVP visit www.uptown-harlem.eventbrite.com.

Plano

A Black Music Month Celebration will take place on June 27 from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. at Blue Martini, in Plano. On behalf of the African American Employee Resource Group (ERG) at D.r Pepper Snapple Group, IBM, Toyota, PepsiCo Mosaic and LCUPN they are inviting you out for a great evening of Networking, Music, Food, and Libations in celebration of Black Music Month! Live R&B and Jazz Performances by Natural Change from 5:00 to 7:00 PM! Complimentary Bites and Half priced Cocktail Specials! Free Admission all are welcome.

Frisco

The Brown Skin Spoken word & Music Showcase will be hosted by Frisco

School of Music on June 23 from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Frisco School of Music, in Frisco.

This evening will feature a unique evening of cultural enlightenment. Tickets includes complimentary

wine & refreshments. to register visit [Facebook.com/events/179199046114369](https://www.facebook.com/events/179199046114369).

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African Americans contributed to the settling of the western United States," stated a spokesperson for the African American Museum of Dallas.

State Representative Eric Johnson has released the following statement about the event.

"My wife Nakita and I were peacock proud to serve as Grand Marshals for the 30th Annual Texas Black Invitational Rodeo, a proud Texas tradition that takes place right in the heart of Dallas and in my legislative district. We thoroughly enjoyed this celebration of Black culture with our two young cowboys, William and George," stated Representative Johnson.

The African American Museum of Dallas, the annual host of the event, was founded in 1974 and is dedicated to the display and preservation of African


American cultural, historical, and artistic materials. It is the only museum of its kind in the Southwestern re-

gion of the United States. For more information about the Texas Black Invitational Rodeo, contact the African American Museum of Dallas at (214) 565-9026.



Rep. Eric Johnson and his family were on hand to open up the rodeo season. (Courtesy photo)

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Bishop Arts Theatre Center celebrates 25 years with Silver Threads Season

Oak Cliff's premiere multicultural and multidiscipline center for the arts, Bishop Arts Theatre Center (BATC), is celebrating a milestone this year with the announcement of its 25th Anniversary Silver Threads Season. Executive Artistic Director Teresa Coleman Wash and Board of Directors President Boderick Hall announced this morning a season that is filled with theatre, jazz, special events, a speaker series, arts education initiatives and the return of Langston Hughes' Black Nativity for its 15th year on stage with Bishop Arts Theatre Center. Founder and Executive Artistic Director Teresa Wash was jubilant with the announcement stating, "For 25 years the Bishop Arts Theatre Center has been a cornerstone of the arts & cul-



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ture in our community. We have been intentional about being more than a theatre, our goal has been to be a neighborhood resource center for the arts. We are thrilled to celebrate this milestone anniversary!"
 "As Board President of the Bishop Arts Theater Center, I am excited to announce that

The Theater is celebrating its Silver Anniversary this season. The Theater has effectively served urban communities in Atlanta and Dallas with outstanding Arts Education, inspirational Speaker Series and world renown Jazz Concerts," offered Hall. The theatre season will feature 5 productions includ-

ing the return of the critically praised Female Playwright Festival, 2 Regional Premieres, a Dallas Premiere by Fort Worth Playwright & Amphibian Productions Artistic Director Kathleen Culebro, and of course Langston Hughes' Black Nativity that has become a holiday tradition for countless people in the Dallas community.
 "The Bishop Arts Theatre Center has a long and rich legacy of engaging in topical questions of today's live performances while giving a platform to local and regional artists," cited Wash.
 In its ever-evolving stable of education initiatives, BATC will host a Spring Break production Camp that will culminate in a full-scale production on the Bishop Arts Mainstage. Through the

course of the week, students will work with a professional stage director and designers as well as mentor with BATC Staff toward the final goal of a full production.
 The organization will continue with its Silver Stories program, a new initiative that targets the health of seniors that are negatively affected in our community, by actively engaging them in arts workshops designed to stimulate the body, minds, and souls through creative writing, improvisation, visual art, and storytelling.
 With the 25th anniversary season, Bishop Arts Theatre Center is celebrating the story of Teresa Coleman's passion and vision that started as a small Atlanta based dinner theatre and how it evolved and matured into the ground-breaking institu-

tion it is today. President Hall concluded, "The driving force behind our award-winning cultural direction is Artistic Director Teresa Wash. Teresa's dedication to the arts and BATC, specifically guarantees that the 25th year of artistry will be one of the most innovative, indulgent, and inspiring in its history. This season's line up will not disappoint."
 All performances are presented at the Bishop Art Theatre Center located at 215 South Tyler, TX 75208. Show times vary per production, please visit www.bishopartstheatre.org to verify dates and times. General Admissions fees are \$18 to \$30. Discount tickets are available for groups of 15 or more and may be purchased by calling (214) 948-0716.

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Landmark exhibit – Slavery at Jefferson’s Monticello: Paradox Of Liberty – coming to African American Museum, Dallas At Fair Park Sept 22-Dec. 31

What is promised to be a groundbreaking exhibition with a powerful message, Slavery at Jefferson’s Monticello: Paradox of Liberty is coming to the African American Museum, Dallas at Fair Park (3536 Grand Ave. in Dallas) from Sept. 22-Dec. 31.

Dallas will be the first city to host the updated touring exhibition, which brings to life the story of slavery at Monticello through more than 300 objects, works of art, documents and artifacts unearthed at the storied plantation. The exhibition features new items never seen outside of Monticello, including a special feature on Sally Hemings, one of the most famous African American women in American history. As an enslaved woman at the age of 16, Hemings negotiated with one of the most powerful men in the nation ensuring



This landmark exhibit features artifacts, illustration and narrative depicting the life of Sally Hemmings and all slaves who lived at Jefferson’s Monticello. (Photo: Stacey Evans)

she would receive “extraordinary privileges” and achieve freedom for her children. Jefferson fathered at least six children with Hemings, four of whom survived to adulthood.

“I urge everyone to make time to see this exhibition to learn from America’s often contradictory history. Slavery at Thomas Jefferson’s Monticello: A Paradox of

Liberty brings to life the personal stories of those slaves owned by the author of the Declaration of the Independence,” said T.D. Jakes, senior pastor of The Potter’s House and honorary chair of the Dallas exhibition. “The exhibition raises questions about how a new nation – founded on the principles of liberty and equality – could justify 20

percent of its population living in bondage. This is a very compelling presentation with untold stories that everyone needs to see, hear and experience first-hand.”

Slavery at Jefferson’s Monticello: Paradox of Liberty is an exhibition that uses Monticello, the home and plantation of Thomas Jefferson, to explore the dilemma of slavery and the lives of the enslaved families and their descendants. The exhibition presents Monticello as a microcosm of the American story – a lens through which to understand the complicated dynamics of America’s founding, and the ways in which the legacies of slavery continue to shape the nation.

Thomas Jefferson’s iconic words in the Declaration of Independence – “all men are created equal” – inaugurated a new nation de-

finied by principles of freedom and self-government, while a fifth of the population remained enslaved. Jefferson called slavery “an abominable crime,” yet he owned 607 people over the course of his lifetime. This exhibition uses the power of place and ideas at Monticello to grapple with the paradox of slavery in an age of liberty. Most notably, Slavery at Jefferson’s Monticello brings individuals and families out of the shadows of chattel slavery, pulling from more than 50 years of archaeology, documentary research, and oral histories to fill in the critical human dimension missing from many resources on slavery in the United States. Through the exhibition, visitors “meet” members of six families who lived and labored at Monticello, as well as their descendants. Their family stories form a narra-

tive arc from slavery to freedom that reflects the trajectory of the nation at large – an ongoing journey to realize the foundational promise that “all men are created equal.”

Paradox of Liberty briefly examines Jefferson’s views, actions and inaction on slavery, and then focuses on the enslaved individuals and families who lived and labored at Monticello. In addition to objects belonging to Jefferson, more than 300 archaeologically recovered artifacts elucidate the lives and work of six enslaved families, making for a visually rich, powerful presentation. Using material from the Getting Word Oral History Project, the exhibition follows the families through Emancipation into the present.

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NDG Book Review: *Us Against You* is a hard book to put down

By Terri Schlichenmeyer

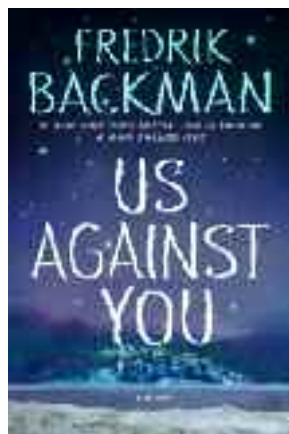
You're going down.

Down, defeated, beaten, and sent home. You're losing, not winning, and you need to know how it happened so it won't happen again. Winners are champs, losers are chumps, and the latter is no fun. Besides, as in the new book "Us Against You" by Fredrik Backman, losing can take an entire town down with you.

Hockey was everything for Beartown.

Until it wasn't.

Back when the Bears were about to launch their team onto a national stage,



Beartowners were riding high. Nobody could talk about anything but hockey, until Kevin Erdahl was arrested for raping Maya Andersson. Maya lost her childhood, the Bears lost the game, Coach lost his job,

the town lost their team. Beartown hockey would be absorbed by Hed, the next town over and Beartown's most hated rival.

Peter Andersson knew that everyone in Beartown blamed him for this – everyone, except the few who stood up for Maya and those who understood that he was a father before he was a coach. Now Peter watched everything fall around him, including his daughter, who seldom came home anymore; and his son, who carried anger around like an oxygen tank. Peter's call to the police that night last winter ended a lot of things: friendships, futures, busi-

nesses, relationships. But what else could he do?

Not much, until he was given a lifeline.

Richard Theo always got what he wanted. And what he wanted was political office, power, and money from Beartown, without being blamed for anything that might happen while he achieved it. Years before, he'd learned that if he could determine someone's deepest wishes, he could manipulate them for his own gain. Theo had become good at it, and Peter wore his wishes on his sleeve.

But, though Theo demanded it, could a lesbian coach, a few uncontrollable

players, and some "hooligans" finish what Peter had been unable to do? What price was he willing to pay for himself, his family, and his town to get his club back?

Okay. Just so we're clear on "Us Against You": this is what it's like to have your heart torn from your chest, tied with a string, and played with like a yo-yo.

This is what it's like to be amused and teased, hurt and prodded and dangled by a narrator that will remind you of a red-nosed reindeer's snowman. And you're going to love every second of it because author Fredrik Backman has you

on that string: pull up, and you're laughing at a razor-keen observation on one of the characters. Spin down, and you're so inside that character that you feel the sharpness of their pain.

The space between the two is where you'll find one of the better novels you'll read this year.

"Us Against You" is a sequel to last year's "Beartown," and while Backman gets readers up-to-speed pretty quickly, you'll be happier if you read the first book first. Do that, then come back quick because once you've got this book in-hand, it's not going down.

State Fair of Texas seasonal job applications now available online

The 2018 State Fair of Texas® is just a few months away, and Big Tex is officially looking for job applicants. Seasonal job applications are now available online for a variety of departments and positions. The State Fair is a beloved Texas tradition, so it's easy to see why working at the Fair is just as fun as attending the annual event.

The Fair provides more than 6,000 seasonal job opportunities every year, with approximately 1,800 people employed directly by the State Fair of Texas. The minimum wage for job openings paid by the State Fair of Texas for 2018 is \$10/hour, raised from \$8.50/hour in 2017. As the annual event is a collection of small businesses, the remaining seasonal positions report to independent contractors including conces-

sionaires, ride operators, and vendors. Applications for seasonal positions can be found online, with opportunities available in the following areas: Clean Team, Commercial Vendor Booths, Coupon Sales, Creative Arts, Food and Beverage, Games, Gates, Greenhouse, Guest Services, Livestock, Maintenance, Plumbing, Public Relations, Rides, and Security.

To apply for a seasonal position at the State Fair of Texas, please visit Big-Tex.com/Jobs. In addition to encouraging job seekers who don't have access to a computer to visit their area public library, the Fair has partnered with several local organizations who will be opening up their computer facilities to those wanting to fill out job applications. Assistance with the application process, resumes, and creat-

ing professional email accounts will also be offered at specific locations through the C.A.R.D. Board Project. Please find details on all participating locations below:

Cornerstone Baptist Church, 1819 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Dallas, TX 75215 - (214) 426-5468 - Monday – Friday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., Saturdays, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Cornerstone Kitchen (with application assistance in partnership with the C.A.R.D. Board Project), 2815 S. Ervay St., Bldg B., Dallas, TX 75215 - (214) 421-5532 - Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center, 2922

Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Dallas, TX 75215 - (773) 606-1147 - Monday – Saturday, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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Details related to future

potential locations will be posted as they become available at Big-Tex.com/Jobs. The 2018 Fair runs Friday, September 28 through Sunday, October 21.

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ever, is usually told from Jefferson's perspective. The objective of this exhibition is a bit different – to convey her life through her eyes. We want visitors to understand Sally Hemings as a person through her family roles as a mother, daughter and sister," added Jessup White. "The goal is for vis-

itors – actual and virtual – to understand her struggle and the struggle of all enslaved people, intellectually and viscerally. While we will reference and summarize her link with Jefferson and its 200-plus-year controversy, the main story is Sally Hemings and her children."

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 3-12, and free for children 2 and under. Also, admission will be free on Thursdays only for seniors 65 and older.

They may be purchased at MonticelloinDallas.com or at the Museum. The exhibition is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and closed on Sunday and Monday.

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Cities and states support preserving fair housing rule

By Charlene Crowell

In reaction to the Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) suspension of an important fair housing rule, a groundswell of national advocacy has emerged calling to preserve the rule and its goals of fair housing for all. To date, and in separate actions, both cities and states are speaking up for the 50-year old Fair Housing Act and the goals that it has yet to achieve.

The AFFH rule took effect in July 2015, after widespread documentation over several years revealed how many HUD grantees made no discernible effort to end segregated housing in their locales. Unless federal courts intervene, the rule suspension will remain in effect until either 2024 or 2025.

On June 5 a total of 12 jurisdictions including six states and six cities advised the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia of their joint opposition: California, Maryland, Massachusetts, Virginia, Washington State and the District of Columbia joined the cities of Austin (TX), Oakland (CA), New Orleans, Portland (OR), Seattle (WA), and Toledo (OH). Together the jurisdictions seek a halt to HUD's suspension of its own rule.

That same day and in a separate action, New York Attorney General Barbara Underwood and Governor Andrew Cuomo jointly

moved to intervene as well, citing HUD's violation of the Administrative Procedure Act in suspending the rule without notice and failing to provide sufficient reasons for the rule suspension. Due to these two violations, the State of New York maintains that HUD has abdicated its duties and responsibilities under the Fair Housing Act.

"As a former HUD Secretary, it is appalling to me that the agency would abdicate its responsibility to fight housing segregation and discrimination and allow this deplorable practice to continue," said Governor Cuomo.

The attorney general for the nation's most populous state, California, linked fair housing with opportunity in other dimensions of life.

"What part of town you live in should not mean that the doors of opportunity are closed to you," said Attorney General Xavier Becerra, who joined the amicus brief filed by Maryland and other jurisdictions. "Fair housing is critical to creating integrated and supportive communities that provide access to jobs and better economic environments – and getting there requires an accountable use of federal housing funds. It is irresponsible for HUD to suspend regulations that facilitate fair housing and create a mechanism for accountability."

The June amicus briefs both support litigation brought earlier to halt sus-

pension of the rule and was filed by the National Fair Housing Alliance, Texas Low Income Housing Information Service, and Texas Appleeed.

In response, the AFFH rule specifically required any organization receiving HUD funds to have a plan and timeline that incorporates community concerns to actively address local housing problems. This planning approach was structured to enable HUD grantees to take meaningful and measurable actions to overcome historic patterns of segregation. Additionally, the rule promotes fair housing choice, and fosters inclusive communities that are free from discrimination.

The suspension of this fair housing rule is one of several actions that have triggered criticism of HUD Secretary Ben Carson.

In 2017, HUD proposed cutting \$6 billion from its budget, including programs focusing on underserved communities. Plans were for Public housing to lose \$1.3 million from facility improvements, and another \$600 million in operational costs, where nationwide an estimated 1.2 families reside. These proposed cuts also sidestepped longstanding needs for technological improvements and staffing resources to effectively and efficiently administer the FHA program.

This past April, the State of New York declared a state of emergency due to

widespread lead and mold found in the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) that serves over 400,000 residents. On June 11, a \$1.2 billion consent decree was reached with NYCHA, HUD, and the Environmental Protection Agency and the housing authority will provide environmental abatement.

Other HUD-proposed budget cuts would have eliminated entirely the Community Development Block Grant (CFBG) Program, and gut Choice Neighborhoods. That proposal raised lawmaker eyebrows as for every \$1 in Choice Neighborhoods funding, awardees and their partners typically leverage for their projects an additional \$5 in public and private funding.

While Secretary Carson continues these and other ill-advised initiatives, the nation's housing needs continue to suffer, for both would-be homeowners and renters alike.

For example, the nation lacks 7.2 million affordable rental homes for low-income families, according to research by the National Fair Housing Alliance. Only 35 affordable and available rental homes exist for every 100 extremely low-income rental households.

On the homeownership front, research by the Center for Responsible Lending has found that Black and Latino mortgage borrowers are disproportionately dependent upon FHA financ-

ing, and still have scant access to the most affordable and sustainable mortgages – 30-year fixed rate conventional ones. This heavy reliance on FHA financing even includes upper income Blacks and Latinos who could be eligible for conventional lending.

Further, as many banks have withdrawn from the mortgage market, non-depository lending has increased. By 2016, eight of the top 10 FHA lenders were non-depositories.

Unfortunately, Secretary Carson has yet to focus on improving these and other housing challenges that the nation faces.

"The legacy of discrimination has left communities with entrenched segregation that reverberates through every policy decision these

communities make," noted Will Corbett, CRL's Litigation Counsel. "The AFFH rule was a start, nearly fifty years after the Fair Housing Act became law, to provide both resources and accountability to local community efforts to close these historic gaps."

"HUD should not be backsliding into continued segregation by leaving in the dark those communities that seek a more integrated future and not bringing to light the failure of those communities that would let the bigotry of the past calcify," concluded Corbett.

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Worth metroplex to explore actionable workforce initiatives that help our region continue to thrive.

This signature event will engage and ignite those invested in the region's economic growth and committed to strengthening our local competitive advantage through training and education, partnership opportunities to promote a skilled

workforce, and a broader workforce systems transformation.

Phil Condit, Retired, Chairman and CEO, The Boeing Company will be the keynote speaker, along with special remarks from Andres Alcantar, Chairman and Commissioner Representing the Public of the Texas Workforce Commission, and Maher Maso, CEO of

the Prosper Economic Development Corporation and former Mayor of Frisco, as the emcee.

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Upcoming DFW area job fairs

Application deadlines approaching Police Officers

The City of Garland is looking for newly appointed Police Officer Recruits. The application deadline is June 29 by 5 p.m. Lateral Transfer program is available to qualifying current or prior police officers. Officers must be willing to respond to citizen calls for service, enforce criminal and traffic laws, reduce crime and fear of crime within the City of Garland. For more information visit the CityofGarland.com/employment .

June 23 Jefferson Dental Care Career Fair

The Jefferson Dental Care Career Fair will be held on June 23 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at pin

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June 26 Dallas Career Fair

A Dallas Career Fair will be held on June 26 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Plano Event Centre, in Plano. Attendees will be able to meet face-to-face with hiring decision-makers from some of the areas top employers. Don't forget to dress professionally and bring plenty of resumes.

June 27 Hiring Connections

TRAC Workforce Services is hosting a Hiring Connections on June 27 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at TRAC Workforce Services, in Dallas. Former foster youth 16-



24. Get exclusive access to hiring managers from top companies in fast food, retail, customer service or industrial distribution. TRAC Dallas Office contact Joe Mills 469-687-4743, jmills@CitySquare.org.

June 28 Dallas Career Fair

The Dallas Career Fair will be held on June 28 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Crowne Plaza Dallas-Market Center, in Dallas. This event will be hosted by National Career Fairs. They are the industry leader and we are driving employers and future employees together faster than ever before. To attend this event you must register and upload your resume to

NCFJobs.com and then search for the jobs available. dress in business attire and bring plenty of resumes to the event. For more information contact 877-561-5627.

June 28 Macy's Hiring Event

The Macy's Hiring Event will be held on June 28 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. at Northpark Center, in Dallas. Macy's will be conducting on-the-spot interviews and extending job offers for open positions. Positions may include Retail Sales, Retail Stock, Cosmetics/Fragrances and Asset Protection. In order to present our customers with a magical shopping experience, our associates may be scheduled to arrive prior to store opening or to remain after store closing. Retail schedules may include early mornings, evenings, weekends, holidays, and busy

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June 29 Job Fair of Dallas

The Job Fair of Dallas will be held on June 29 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at pin Embassy Suites by Hilton – Dallas DFW Airport North, in Grapevine. Plan to attend and meet face-to-face with several of the Dallas area's finest employers. All of the companies at our job fairs have open positions they are seeking to fill. Positions in the following areas are typically available:

Sales, Customer Service, Call Center, Management, General Business, Marketing, Retail, Administrative, Insurance, Banking, Engineering, Accounting, Fi-

nance, Education, Law Enforcement, Government, Military, Hospitality, Human Resources, Technicians, Telemarketing, Healthcare, IT, and more.

July 11 Dallas Job Fair

A Dallas Job Fair will be held on July 11 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Doubletree by Hilton Dallas-Market Center, in Dallas. It is strongly recommended that attendees arrive at the career fair no later than 11 a.m., wear business professional attire, bring at least 10-15 copies of your updated resume, and display an engaging and motivated attitude. There will be interviews from over 10 companies from companies ranging from small local businesses clear to Fortune 500 corporations. For more information, register at CareerBuilder.com

July 26 Dallas ISD Teacher Job Fair

The Dallas ISD Teacher Job Fair will be held on July 26 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Fair Oaks Park, in Dallas. Check-in starts at 5 p.m. Registration is required to attend this event.

Do not forget to bring your teaching certificate or proof of teaching eligibility. To register visit JobFairing.com. Dallas students have big dreams for the future, but they also face big challenges.

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June 24, 9:45 a.m.

Join us in our "Prayer and Meditation" at 9:45 am. You will be blessed and inspired. You don't want to miss this as we celebrate service to God, our community and all mankind. Also, we invite you as we honor all fathers, grandfathers and their families as they celebrate this day and hear an inspiring word from God.

June 27, 7 p.m.

Join us in Wednesday's Prayer and Bible Study Class with Senior Pastor Woodson, Pastor Larry Gardner, and others conducting a new book study with "The Red Sea Rules" by Robert J. Morgan, 10 God-Given Strategies for Difficult Times, with supporting chapters and verses. Spiritual maturity is God's desire for you; it's Time to Grow in the Word of God.

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June 24, 9 a.m.

Join us in our Sunday Morning Services as we praise and worship God in the Joycie Turner Fellowship Hall, followed by our Worship Services; and bring someone with you, you will be blessed. It's for God's glory and honor.

June 27

Join us in our Wednesday's 12 Noon-Day Live, Prayer and Bible Study class 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.

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June 22, 7 p.m.

All men are invited to Men's Ministry meeting each Friday night at 7 p.m.,

(IBOC promotes proactive male leadership.)

June 24, 10 a.m.

Don't forget to invite family and friends to join us for our Morning Service as we celebrate of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

June 25, 7 p.m.

Join us in Monday School as we grow in God's Word and learn what God has to say to us.

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June 24, 10 a.m.

Join us for Morning Worship Service as we praise and worship God for His Honor and His glory and as we celebrate fathers and grandfathers on their special day. Don't forget to come-back at 7 p.m. for our Brazilian Church.

June 27, 7 p.m.

You're invited to our

Wednesday's Bible Study class; you will learn what God has to say to us. Come to be encouraged by God's plan for your spiritual growth and His glory.

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June 24

You are invited to our morning worship at 10 a.m. Sunday School will start at 8:30 a.m. We would love to have you at our services. Help us celebrate all fathers and grandfathers on their special day.

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It has been said, "Any man can be a Father, but it takes a special person to be called Dad."

How God Made A Dad: God took the strength of a mountain, the majesty of a tree, the warmth of a summer sun, the calm of a quiet sea, the generous soul of nature, the comforting arm of night, the wisdom of the ages, the power of the Eagle's flight, the joy of a morning in the spring, the faith of a mustard seed, the patience of eternity and the depth of a family need, then God combined these qualities and when there was nothing more to add, His masterpiece was complete, so, He called it . . . Dad.

-- Author Unknown.

It is recorded that the idea for creating a day for children to honor their fathers began in Spokane, Washington. A woman by the name of Sonora Smart Dodd thought of it while listening to a Mother's Day sermon in 1909 (the birth year of the National Association for The Advancement of Colored People (NAACP))

Sonora's father raised her after her mother died and she wanted her father to know how special he was to her. It was her father that made all the parental sacrifices and was, in the eyes of his daughter, a courageous, selfless, and loving man. The month of June was picked because Sonora's father was born in June. The first Father's Day celebration in Spokane, Washington was on the 19th of June (Juneteenth) 1910.

In 1972, President Richardson Nixon established a permanent national observation of Father's Day to be held on the third Sunday of June.

There is a story of a veteran ranch foreman who said, "The secret of leading cattle is to never let your herd know they are being lead. Let them do everything voluntarily but always keep them moving in the right direction toward their destination." The herd will cover plenty of miles per day while enjoying the freedom of the open range. God is this way to Christians just as a natural father is to his children. God allows room for Christians to grow and the Holy Spirit leads and guides them. A natural father will also allow room for his children to grow, mature and be independent.

A Caring Father: A caring father is one that is: "Tough yet Tender." He must be strong, tough, bold and deter-

mined. He must stand up, speak out and tell it like it is, give positive directions and feedback to his children.

A caring father should lead by example and tell his children that the only way to succeed, be happy and content in this life is to follow our perfect example, Jesus. Jesus said that instead of holding on to our lives, we should give them to Him to gain eternal life. Instead of hating an individual for doing us

wrong, we should love and pray for them.

A caring father motivates and encourages the family. He delegates and rewards, he is objective and takes actions; and with God's help he has courage, he is decisive, dependable, has good judgment and shows enthusiasm. He also has endurance and shows initiative.

My sisters and I agree, our father, the late Lloyd David Demus, our deceased grand-

fathers, Deacon David N. Demus and James Baker were great role models for their families. They were God-fearing and caring fathers. My uncles, Charlie Baker and Monaque Carter, Sr. were also wonderful fa-

thers and great role models; they would share their wisdom and love with us.

And seeing my son, Jarrell with his son, Deven, and my son-in-law, Bill with my other grandchildren, I know they are God-fearing fathers.



Sister Tarpley, Sister Velma Roquemore, Sister Sharon Roquemore Smith, Sister Elma Turner and First Lady of Bethel Bible Fellowship Church, Ve Woodson celebrating the end of another successful school year at Pappadeaux's Restaurant on Oak Lawn

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