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## Legislation affecting voting rights brings cause for alarm over future of democracy

By Lori Lee  
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Despite that it happened early in the pandemic, the high voter turnout of the 2022 election has prompted some states to adjust their voting laws. After concerns over virus transmission prompted states and local authorities to support mail-in voting and drop boxes, some states have chosen to adopt those practices permanently, National Organization for Women reports.

Seeing their success, Nevada and Vermont will continue to mail ballots out to all active registered voters for future general elections. Others will expand voter access by allowing mail-in ballots without excuses, Politico reports.

Some states have gone the opposite route, making voter laws more restrictive. Republican-led states, citing false claims of voter fraud, have passed bills limiting drop boxes and mail-in voting, and shortening the time allowed to vote.

Georgia, known for longer wait times in black areas, now makes it a misdemeanor to distribute food and water to voters, reports the Poynter



Legislative moves across different parts of the country have raised concerns from those who fear stepping back from the gains made in the 1960s.

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Institute. Other laws limit assistance to mail-in voters and hold to strict signature requirements.

Alternative efforts to suppress the vote are through electing candidates who subscribe to Donald Trump's philosophies of overturning elections and intimidating election officials. Alex Koppelman of CNN suggests that if Republicans take over the Senate or the House, and if another Trump-inspired Republican runs for president, "there may be no stopping the tide."

Secretaries of state offices may be most important, as overseers of

elections and influencers of public opinion. Barbara McQuade of Time reports, there are at least 17 election deniers of the 27 secretaries of state to be elected this fall.

Kansas House Bill 2332 prevents the executive and judicial branches from changing election laws by transferring some key powers of election administration to the legislature.

Then, there are efforts to suppress certain types of voter turnout by restricting the type of Voter ID

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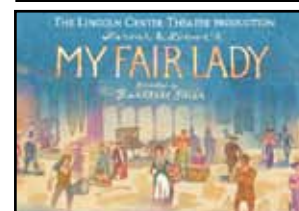
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### People In The News ...



Cynthia 'Cynt' Marshall



Deanna Hammond

**NDG Quote of the Week:** "I had reasoned this out in my mind; there was one of two things I had a right to, liberty, or death; if I could not have one, I would have the other; for no man should take me alive; I should fight for my liberty as long as my strength lasted, and when the time came for me to go, the Lord would let them take me."  
—Harriet Tubman



## Cynthia 'Cynt' Marshall

The Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum is pleased to announce Cynthia "Cynt" Marshall will receive the 2022 Hope for Humanity award at the Museum's annual dinner and fundraiser Thursday night (tonight). She joins a long list of distinguished recipients, including Holocaust survivor Max Glaubien, Roger Staubach, former Dallas Mayor Mike Rawlings, Fr. Patrick Desbois, and Kay Bailey Hutchison among others.

Marshall became the first Black woman to lead an



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NBA organization when she was chosen in 2018 to be the CEO of the Dallas Mavericks. In her time with the Mavericks, she has transformed their culture into a workplace that welcomes

diversity and inclusion.

She previously enjoyed a 36-year career at AT&T where she rose to Senior Vice President of Human Resources and Chief Diversity Officer. She also founded Marshalling Resources, a private consulting firm that worked with organizations like The Dow Chemical Company to develop and implement a strategy for institutionalizing an inclusive culture.

"Cynt's passion, determination, and vision to ensuring companies are welcoming places for employees represents the defining quality of upstander behavior

that we strive to teach visitors to the Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum each and every day," said Mary Pat Higgins, Museum president and CEO. "She brings every piece of who she is to the workplace and recognizes the dignity of others by encouraging the same openness from her colleagues while fostering a culture of accountability."

"Above all, she leads by example. This is why she embodies hope for humanity and why the Museum is recognizing Cynt for the work she does day in and day out and for the high bar she sets for us all."

More than a leader, Marshall is also a cancer survivor. Over a decade ago, she endured a dozen rounds of chemotherapy to defeat Stage 3 colon cancer, prompting her to share her story with others. She is the author of a new memoir *You've Been Chosen: Thriving Through the Unexpected*, recounting a lifetime of overcoming major challenges.

"I am delighted to receive this prestigious honor from the Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum," said Marshall. "Hope for Humanity is a reminder that we all have a role to play in

fighting hatred and indifference, and most importantly, it reminds us that there is immense hope in the world if only we will commit ourselves to the causes of equity and justice for everyone."

In March 2021, Forbes named Marshall one of 15 of the world's most inspiring female leaders, and in 2020 she was recognized by Adweek as one of the 30 Most Powerful Women in Sports. Among many accolades, she has received a Girl Scouts of America Lifetime Achievement award, a Women of Power

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## Deanna Hammond

Deanna Hammond is running for Dallas County Constable Precinct 2.

Her law enforcement career started in 2003, and it includes experience on the City, County, and Federal levels. She holds a Master Peace Officer certification from the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE). She is a certified Instructor, Training Coordinator and Field Training Officer. The highlight of her work experience is in education as a Counselor with Texans Can Academies, a school for at-risk youth. She has also held many leadership and supervisory roles.



She explains her top three priorities as follows: 1. Keeping the community involved, informed and engaged. She states: "If we want great things from our community, we have to educate and empower." 2. Bridging the gap between

law enforcement and the community to build trust. She wants to create a forum that facilitates conversations and learning between residents and police. She believes that success depends on how communities are treated and how citizens treat law enforcement. Third, she lists engaging with youth, while creating positive interactions between law enforcement offices and students in schools and within the community. She looks forward to partnering with local business/organizations to implement internships and afterschool programs.

She intends to implement strong collaboration and

partnerships with organizations that share like interests in serving the community, and she vows to improve the methods and timeliness of communicating updates and changes that directly affect her constituents.

When asked about current problems associated with the office, she explains that since the Pandemic began, there have been a great number of evictions. She explains that she will be committed to collaborating and connecting with community resources that will aid families who are being evicted from their homes. She will educate the community about issues and provide them with solu-

tions before the courts get involved. When information is given to her, she will pass it down by sending out informative newsletters, having town hall meetings, social media advertisement, radio broadcastings, etc. She is committed to collaborating and connecting with community resources that will aid families who are being evicted from their homes.

When asked what citizens deserve from public office, she explains, "[t]he citizens of Precinct 2 are currently receiving a disservice due to the lack of visibility by leadership. I am a big proponent of Community Policing, and

ALL communities need to be represented. I will be present and working in the communities. I will educate the communities, keep the constituents informed, involved, engaged, and ensure they have a voice that is respected and heard."

When asked about her character, she explains that she is a person of integrity, and since integrity means the quality of being honest, having strong moral principles, and moral uprightness, she will always strive to do the right thing.

"If I say I am going to do something, I will keep my word," Hammond said. "My motto is not to make promises that I can't keep."

## James Evans

BALTIMORE — African American wildlife photographer and poet has donated profits from his book to support racial equity, diversity and inclusion in the animal welfare industry.

Not only is James Evans the award-winning Executive Director of Companions and Animals for Reform and Equity (CARE), but he is a wildlife photographer who specializes in raptors. He's one of the few African Americans in his chosen field, but also in his professional hobby as well.

Evans is publishing a new series of his spectacular images and short poems in a book called *Among the Birds, I am Human*.



CAREWO.org

Throughout the book, the overall theme enforces that in the natural world there is balance, which excludes racism.

"I've always been fascinated with wildlife and natural history. I love photographing animals in the field because it gives me a break from human preju-

dice. When I get too close to a bird and it flies away, I know it's not because I'm a large black male, and that's healing in an odd way."

Evans is not only a talented visual artist and creator, but he founded the Baltimore-based nonprofit, CARE, after being tired of seeing the exclusionary practices of the predominantly white animal welfare industry.

CARE is a workforce development nonprofit that aims to empower members of BIPOC communities across the United States to start their own animal welfare nonprofits.

Evans is self-publishing the book, which can be

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## Golfing for grades...



Heisman Trophy recipient and former National Football League wide receiver Tim Brown hosted the Texans Can Academies annual Dallas Golf Classic at Las Colinas Country Club in Irving. Texans Can Academies is a nonprofit organization that operates 13 public charter high schools across the state. Ticket sales from the tournament will benefit resources for Texans Can Academies' Dallas area campuses. Celebrating the occasion were (left to right) Pablo Bustamante, Tim Brown, Couray Carrawell, Tyll Young. (Courtesy photo)





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# 2022 Vote: Disingenuous Republican rhetoric

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A not-so-artful lie has proven to be a most formidable tool for Republicans seeking to be elected. Even with the potential shame that is attached to bold-faced lying, there are no signs of Republicans stopping now.

Sometimes the disingenuous rhetoric of some Republicans becomes too much for their own families to tolerate.

The contentious nature between father and son does not always meet the level of David and Absalom, but the results of that contention can be just revealing and damaging.

It was blatant hypocrisy that caused Christian Walker to stand and speak unabated on the sins of his father, Herschel Walker, who comes across as a Trump in blackface.

Before the days of the NFL's concussion protocol, Herschel ran the football for touchdowns most brutally and violently. He perfected this bone-crushing, head-banging style of running throughout high school. He banged his head all his years in college...he banged his head as a professional football player—then he retired.

It wasn't long after his retirement that reports of Walker's impossible-to-explain behavior gave his fans a cause to pause and ponder.

Here is an ephemeral recap of the impudent behavior that brought the Walkers to a state of flux.

First Walker left his fans wondering if he had actually attempted suicide—or if he really was so engaged with a track of music on his car's stereo that he forgot that the garage door was

down, and he had the car running as he says. The dog had to save him by barking to alert Walker's wife. But this enigma didn't end there.

Walker claimed he was a trained FBI agent. That's not true. He claimed he graduated college at the top of his class. Not true. Walker made overstated claims of business successes, claimed credit for founding a veteran's support program, and he even brazenly claimed his "ally" Donald Trump never said the 2020 election was stolen.

The truth could not be found in any of those claims.

The falsehood that speaks the harshest about Walker's character is the one that revolves around the issue the senate hopeful is most assertive about... it directly revolves around the issue of abortion.

The cover of a surreptitious abortion was first pulled back when The Daily Beast published a story about a woman who's saying that Herschel Walker had gotten her pregnant in 2009 and urged her to have an abortion. Oh yes. She had receipts: a corroborating witness, a "get well" card from her aborted baby's daddy, then an actual receipt from the abortion clinic. Herschel paid for the abortion procedure. Allegedly.

The one child Walker did claim publicly, Christian Walker had a lot to say about Dear Old Dad in a series of surprising tweets. Christian called daddy a liar and said Herschel was acting like he is some 'moral, Christian, upright man.' The young man said his father had "lived a life of DESTROYING other people's lives. How dare you." Allegedly.

That "airing out" process revealed some other heretofore unknown Walker offspring.

Allegedly, Walker's campaign manager asked him if there were other Walker kids. Herschel told him "No." A short while later, Walker issued a statement: "I have four children. Three sons and a daughter."

Walker readily admits he once had a mental/psychological condition, but also said he had found Jesus, he is currently "reborn," and he no longer has that mental/psychological thing going on. One can assume that Jesus touched and healed Walker.

What Walker and other Republicans are doing is not lying, per se. They are, instead, executing an extremely complex political strategy that was devised to manipulate the angered and gullible minds of vulnerable voters. This mendacious strategy—that had won a presidential election—reaches down and inward like inverted concentric circles; and is to be used at will.

Donald J. Trump, the National Leader of Deceit, seems to lie about practically everything; and his lies are too numerous to outline in this minor treatise. The lies Trump told about President Obama alone are enough to support a Netflix series.

Trump kicked it all off in 2008, with the birtherism movement claiming that Obama was not an American citizen, therefore wasn't eligible to run for president of the United States. So, there was Obama, the man who would be king, having to pull out his birth certificate like he was an illegal alien fresh across the waters.

Then there's the mat-

ter of US House Minority Whip Stephen Joseph Scalise and the discernable lie he told. Back in June, Scalise was asked if House Speaker Nancy Pelosi had anything to do with delaying National Guard assistance during the January 6 attempted coup. He told a boldface and inciteful lie that would keep MAGA-maniacs primed for combat. Now the video footage from inside the room on that eventful day has been released. Scalesse is unmistakably seen in the room with Speaker Pelosi as she is on speaker phone demanding assistance while the attack was in progress. A lot of other Republicans and Democrats were in the room with them.

Some Republican women are also prime provocateurs of this lying philosophy.

The name Marjorie Taylor Greene and inflammatory lies have grown to be synonymous. Greene was in front of a judge when she lied that she couldn't recall co-signing with Trump and his attempted coup on January 6. Greene's recently revealed text message on 17 January 2021 goes thusly:

"In our private chat with only Members several are saying the only way to save our Republic is for Trump to call Marshall Law.

"I just want you to tell him. They stole this election. We all know. They will destroy our country next."

Texas Republican Politicians can bend the truth just as well as Greene.

In 1990 when he was seeking an election to the Texas Supreme Court, now Republican Texas Senator John Cornyn represented himself as a graduate of

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# Steps to help you stay well and lower your breast cancer risk

Take steps that could help lower your risk of getting breast cancer. Staying at a healthy weight, getting regular exercise, and limiting how much alcohol you drink are ways you can help lower your risk and be healthy.

Watch your weight. Being overweight or obese is linked to an increased risk of breast cancer. So, choose foods that will help you get to and stay at a healthy weight.

Here's how to start:

- Balance the number of calories you eat with your physical activity.
- Eat at least 2½ cups of a variety of vegetables and fruits each day.
- Try to choose whole grains instead of processed (refined) grains and sugars.



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- Limit the amount of red meat and processed meat you eat, especially those high in fat.

Exercise. Adults should get at least 150 minutes of moderate activity a week or 75 minutes of vigorous activity per week, or an equal combination, preferably spread throughout the week.

- Moderate activities make you breathe hard,

such as walking briskly, leisurely bicycling, mowing the lawn, yoga, ice skating, or dancing.

- Vigorous activities increase your heart rate and make you sweat and breathe faster. This type of activity includes jogging or running, digging, carrying or hauling, jumping rope, or swimming.

Limit how much alcohol you drink. Women

who drink should limit their alcohol intake to no more than one drink a day. A drink is defined as 12 ounces of beer, 5 ounces of wine, or 1.5 ounces of 80-proof distilled spirits.

In addition to making healthy lifestyle choices, talk to your healthcare provider about the best breast cancer screening plan for you. Screening tests can help find breast cancer early, when it may be easier to treat.

A mammogram could help save your life.

Scheduling your yearly check-up?

If you are 50 years and older, make sure to ask about scheduling a mammogram – the test you need to help find breast cancer early. It could help save

your life.

Regular mammograms can help find breast cancer early, when it's small, less likely to have spread, and could be easier to treat.

Getting tested for breast cancer can make a dramatic difference in a woman's chances of surviving the disease. The 5-year survival rate for women with breast cancer that has not spread outside the breast is 99%. However, if the cancer has spread to nearby lymph nodes, the rate drops to 85%. And if it has spread to other organs, the 5-year survival rate drops to 26%.

So don't wait. Remind the women you care about to get regular mammograms.

Mammograms are not perfect. They can miss

some breast cancers, so be sure to see a healthcare provider right away if you notice any changes in the way your breasts look and/or feel.

If you have a family or personal history of breast cancer or think you might be at higher risk than other women, discuss this with your healthcare provider so you can decide on the screening schedule that's right for you.

For more information on the steps you can take to help reduce your risk of breast cancer and other cancers, too, visit the American Cancer Society website at [cancer.org/breastcancer](http://cancer.org/breastcancer) or call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-227-2345. We're here for you every step of the way.

## Going behind the startling high – and low – mental illness statistics in America

By Stacy M. Brown  
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The District of Columbia counts among the top 10 states with the best mental health, or the combination of the lowest prevalence of mental illness and greater access to care, according to Mental Health America's annual State of Mental Health in America report.

Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Delaware, Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, Illinois, and Maryland round out the top 10.

The states at the lower



Photo via NNPA

end of the ranking have higher prevalence rates and less access to care. Those states include Kansas, Indiana, Texas, Oregon, Arizona, Idaho, and Nevada.

"This year, again, the

evidence is clear regarding the urgent crisis we face in American mental health," Schroeder Stribling, presi-

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found on Amazon, and all of the proceeds of the book will go to CARE's Environmental Justice Division. In fact, 100 percent of every book will directly benefit the new animal welfare non-

profit.

The book, full of gorgeous photos and words, will be available on Amazon.com November 1, just in time for Giving Tuesday.

Evans was honored last

week by Maddie's Fund with the 2022 Avanzino Leadership Award for his outstanding leadership and purposeful dedication to the human-animal bond. Maddie's Fund is one of the major animal welfare funders in the United States.



## Check us out on Youtube!

In case you've missed it, the *North Dallas Gazette* has begun producing videos. Our latest series, "Close Up" takes a deep dive into issues affecting the local DFW community. Episodes I and II are up now, with Jackie Hardy taking a look at criticisms surrounding the North Texas Tollway Authority's compliance with its stated goals of inclusion for Minority and Women in Business Enterprise firms. The first episode is a conversation with two accomplished professionals in the field, and the second features the NNTA's response to questions about its past performance. Check it out, subscribe to our Youtube channel and stay informed.



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# FCC Commissioner Starks leading charge against digital redlining while ensuring access to Black and Brown communities

By Stacy M. Brown  
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The digital divide and digital redlining, zone casting, and overall access to the internet for Black and brown communities top the agenda of Federal Communications Commissioner Geoffrey Starks.

With three Democrats and two Republicans, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is an independent government agency overseen by Congress.

The commission's chief responsibility begins with implementing and enforcing the nation's laws and regulations surrounding communications.

The body regulates interstate and international communications by radio, television, wire, satellite, and cable.

Starks, whose coming up on five years at the FCC, said he believes that communications technology has the potential to be one of the most potent forces on Earth for promoting equality and opportunity.

"To unlock that potential, however, all Americans must have access," Starks said during an appearance on the National Newspaper Publishers Association's live morning news broadcast, Let It Be Known.

"What we regulate is the infrastructure of the internet, the pipeline," the commissioner added, noting further that the FCC protects consumers and promotes universal service.

"We've been talking about the digital divide for over 30 years," Starks asserted. "It's no longer just the digital divide, and these are issues of equity, fundamental issues of fairness about who's connected and who's not."

Starks said he's focused

on the data that shows a disproportionately high number of Black and brown individuals who remain disconnected on the affordability issue.

"The good news is that Congress has heeded that call, and we now have over \$14 billion [to help] those with low income, those on SNAP, WIC, Medicaid, and public housing. So if you are [in those categories], we will help you get connected to the internet free," Starks pronounced.

"We've got to do better and ensure our brothers and sisters are connected. This helps with job opportunities, telemedicine, and telehealth," he continued. "There are so many reasons

we have to do so, and I'm passionate about this."

Earlier this year, the FCC launched a task force to target digital discrimination and "digital redlining."

Commissioners noted that everyone, regardless of where they live and who they are, needs access to complete high-speed broadband services for 21st-century success.

"Where broadband networks get built shouldn't be determined by the income, race, ethnicity, or religion of the communities they will serve," officials noted in a release.

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act requires the FCC to create rules and policies to ad-

dress digital discrimination and redlining to promote equal access.

"The task force was part of the Infrastructure Law," Starks stated. "I've seen digital discrimination firsthand in my travels. So we're taking a hard look to ensure digital equity throughout the country. That's the chief goal."

Starks also addressed ZoneCasting, the FCC rule that allows stations to broadcast geo-targeted content for five minutes or less each hour.

"ZoneCasting is a new technology that's before me as a commissioner. It's the ability to use boosting to advertise better locally," Starks said.

## 2022 Vote: The Hispanic impact could be huge in the midterms

By Allen R. Gray  
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The color of the voting landscape is making a slow methodical shift toward the Democratic party, because when the color scheme of the populous shifts, voting is apt to shift along with it. Among all races of eligible voters, Latinos have become the fastest-growing demographic group.

The impact of Latino voters at the polls has already been felt in California causing it to become the state with the highest voter turnout. California is one of three U.S. border states with a huge Hispanic population. Both California and Texas have Hispanic populations that are over 39%, and New Mexico has a 49% Hispanic population.

Texas Republicans have historically benefited from lower voter turnout; Texas Republicans, especially, have made a habit of discouraging people of color from showing up at the polls. So a growing Hispanic population is not a welcomed sight in Texas.

Voter registration in Texas has recently reached

record proportions, and the growth trend of eligible voters leans toward Democrats. In 2008, the number of Texas Republicans outpaced Democrats by 12%. By 2020, that margin shrank to less than 6%.

Biden won the presidency, but Trump won Texas. Now, with the impact of Latinos and other people of color, it is the color of Texas that will inexorably change if something desperate isn't done by Republicans—like building a wall and hoping it might stave off the inevitable.

From 2000 to 2018, an additional 40.3 million eligible voters entered the U.S. population. A Pew Research Center analysis of eligible U.S. voters showed that people of color account for 76% of the total U.S. electorate growth since 2000.

America's melting pot is starting to realize a fusion of races and ethnicities in this "land of immigrants," much to the angst of ardent Republicans. It is the second-generation Americans who are causing this shift in the voting landscape.

Children who were born

in America to Immigrant parents are now coming of voting age. To add to that, immigrants, who have become naturalized and eligible to vote, contributed to this altered state of the voting base. From 2000 to 2010, non-white eligible voters share of the total U.S. electorate growth was 4%, then an additional 5% share of the total U.S. electorate growth was realized from 2010 to 2018.

Of the total 76% growth in electorates realized by people of color, the demographic group that accounted for the greater percentage of that growth was Hispanic. Hispanic eligible voters alone represented 39% of that upsurge. In 2018, Hispanic voters represented 13% of the country's overall electorate total, which almost doubled the Hispanic total from 2000.

This surge in voters is a youth movement as the U.S.-born population is getting old enough to vote. Between at the time of the Pew Study, nearly 12.5 million Hispanics turned 18, and it is that group of eligible voters that accounted

for 80% of the growth by Hispanics.

The question now be-

comes which side of the political aisle will these new voters lead toward?

The ultimate measure

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Thursday, November 17, 2022

5:30 p.m.

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5151 Samuell Blvd.

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Targeted Improvement Plans for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI)

The Dallas Independent School District will hold a hearing to inform the public about the Targeted Improvement Plans for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI)

The Meeting will take place at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, November 17, 2022, Conference Area, 5151 Samuell Blvd.

Persons interested in making comments at the public hearing must register to speak by contacting Board Services at (972) 925-3720. Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m., Monday, November 14, through Wednesday, November 16, at 5 p.m.

# DOJ awards almost \$190 million in grants to support school safety

WASHINGTON — The Department of Justice today announced nearly \$190 million in funding to improve the safety of schools across the country. The grants, awarded by the Department's Office of Justice Programs (OJP) and Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), will help institute safety measures in and around schools, support school violence prevention efforts, provide training to school personnel and students, implement evidence-based threat assessments and fund research and evaluation on the causes and consequences of school violence.

"Supporting efforts to strengthen the safety of our nation's school children has been and will continue to be a priority for the COPS Office," said COPS Acting Director Robert Chapman. "The grants announced today not only provide physical security enhancements



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and training, but also take into account the need to do so while maintaining a positive learning environment."

The Students, Teachers, and Officers Preventing School Violence Act of 2018 (STOP School Violence Act of 2018) gives the Justice Department authority to provide awards directly to states, units of local government, Indian tribes and public agencies (such as school districts and law enforcement agencies) to improve security at schools and on school

grounds through evidence-based school safety programs. It also provides the authority to improve K-12 school safety by helping students and teachers recognize, respond quickly to and help prevent acts of violence and ensure a positive school climate.

"By being thoughtful and proactive in addressing school violence and by creating environments where students can flourish, we can identify problems before they become tragedies," said Karhlton F. Moore, Director of OJP's

Bureau of Justice Assistance. "These awards will help school and law enforcement officials, as well as teachers, staff and students, recognize the signs of potential danger and take steps to prevent those threats from escalating into serious violence."

The 82 BJA awards—totaling almost \$87 million, including the nearly \$40 million that was authorized by the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act—are intended to support training and education for school personnel and students on preventing violence against others and themselves, including anti-bullying training and specialized training for school officials to respond to mental health crises. Funds also help develop and implement multidisciplinary threat assessment or intervention teams and design technology solutions such as anonymous reporting systems

including mobile telephone applications, hotlines and websites. An additional \$3 million supports specialized training and technical assistance to help students and teachers recognize and prevent acts of school violence.

The COPS Office is making 235 awards, totaling almost \$72 million, under its School Violence Prevention Program. Funds can be used for coordination with law enforcement; training for local law enforcement officers to prevent student violence; metal detectors, locks, lighting and other deterrent measures; technology for expedited notification of local law enforcement during an emergency; and other measures that provide a significant improvement in security.

Almost \$25 million from OJP's Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention is supporting evidence-based youth vio-

lence prevention and intervention programs in school settings, while OJP's National Institute of Justice is awarding more than \$1.7 million to measure the impact of threat assessments on school safety, examine the root causes of school violence and explore how police reforms in school environments affect students' experiences.

The awards announced above are being made as part of the regular end-of-fiscal year cycle. Additional information about these and other FY 2022 grant awards made by the Office of Justice Programs can be found online at the OJP Grant Awards Page. The full list of SVPP awards can be found on the COPS Grant Awards Page.

The COPS Office is the federal component of the Department of Justice responsible for advancing

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## ILLNESS, from Page 4

dent and CEO of MHA said in a statement.

"From high numbers of our youth who are contemplating suicide to an increase in substance use, to widespread difficulty in accessing the care they seek, Americans are experiencing high rates of distress and frequent challenges in getting help," Stribling noted.

Stribling pledged that Mental Health America has continued to work to address and reverse the numbers, including advocating for improvements to policy and practice that reach people where they are — at the right time, with the right help.

"Everyone deserves access to the care they need and the opportunity to live a flourishing life of recovery," Stribling asserted.

MHA found that 55% of the over 50 million Americans experiencing a mental illness received no treatment, with access and cost as the primary reasons.

Most of those who indicated they could not access needed mental health treatment reported that they could not afford care, MHA researchers found.

This reason was followed by not knowing where to get services, thinking they could handle their mental health without treatment, not having time, or health insurance not paying enough for mental health treatments.

Researchers added that eleven percent of adults with a mental illness are uninsured, and 1 in 10 youth with private insurance do not have coverage for mental health treatments.

"Our country has a known shortage of mental health providers — one provider for every 350 individuals — and barriers such as lack of insurance or insurance not covering enough of the cost of mental health care compound the lack of access for those needing help, with clear geographic and racial disparities," said

Maddy Reinert, senior director of population health at MHA.

"We cannot expect mental health to improve in the U.S. if individuals in need are unable to access the kinds of care that they want."

In an effort for more mental health support, D.C. council member Robert White introduced the District's Pathways to Behavioral Health Degrees Act of 2022, which would allow students to pursue a master's degree in social work free of charge at the University of the District of Columbia.

White's bill, which has eight co-sponsors on the 13-member council, would allow eligible applicants with bachelor's degrees to obtain scholarships that cover tuition and books. It also provides students with a monthly stipend to cover living expenses and transportation.

"When the pandemic started, I heard from so many people who felt like

they needed mental health professionals, and they couldn't find it, and what we realized is that we have a pipeline problem," White stated.

In releasing its annual report, MHA said it aims to provide a snapshot of mental health among youth and

adults for policy and program planning, analysis, and evaluation.

Further, officials want to track changes in the prevalence of mental health issues and access to mental health care, understand how changes in national data reflect the impact of

legislation and policies, and increase dialogue with and improve outcomes for individuals and families with mental health needs.

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# Eerie Irving gets into the Halloween spirit this weekend

Looking for the things that go bump in the night? Come out to Eerie Irving Oct. 22 at Trinity View Park where the Irving Parks and Recreation Department invited the city's ghouls, ghosts and not-so-scary monsters to thrill, shock and entertain!

The event takes place on Saturday, Oct. 22 from 6 to 10 p.m. (entry to the park will close at 9:15 p.m.) at Trinity View Park (2221 E State Hwy 356). Admission is free.

This year's event is costume-friendly and will fea-



City of Irving

ture free activities such as a spooky themed, interactive walk-through experi-

ence; carnival games; rides; pumpkin photos ops and more. A variety of food will

be on-site for purchase.

On event day, attendees traveling from Loop

12 should take the Irving Boulevard exit and travel east. Attendees may access Eerie Irving from both entrances on the service road from Irving Boulevard/State Highway 356 to Trinity View Park. Watch for directional signs for the event. Handicapped parking will be available at the front entrance of the park.

This is a limited capacity event. When the event's capacity has been reached, entry will be closed for safety and control of traffic flow. No offsite parking available on city or neighborhood

streets.

Check the Parks and Recreation Facebook page @IrvingParksandRec or the CityofIrving.org website for updates the day of the event.

If the Halloween event is not convenient, Irving residents can also entertain the kids with community-driven movie nights.

Grab your blankets and lawn chairs every Friday at 7 p.m. during the month of October for a free movie showing at Heritage Park! Come early and grab a bite to eat in the Irving Heritage District.

## VOTING, from Page 1

accepted at the polls. These laws tend to negatively affect those in lower income neighborhoods and in areas with a history of segregation, where many may not own a car or have a driver's license. For these citizens, obtaining voter I.D.s and birth certificates may be

more difficult, National Organization for Women reports.

Similarly, restrictions that require the exact same name on all government documentation hurt women and LGBTQIAs, who have a tendency to experience name changes, they report.

Other efforts to control the vote allow concealed carry permits, while not accepting student IDs as a valid form of identification. One such state is Texas.

Despite the brave walk-out Texas Democrats organized to avoid our massive voting rights bill, S.B. 1 bans drive-thru voting, tightens documentation re-

quirements for mail ballots, limits polling hours, and allows partisan poll watchers.

There is also an increasing tendency for states to purge voter registration rolls. Iowa has justified purging its "bloated voter rolls" by reducing opportunities for voter fraud, as reported by CBS News.

New Iowa election laws will make voter status "inactive" after skipping one election and cancel voter registration for those who skip just four years of voting.

Other limits on voter registration come by not allowing voters to register on election day. Montana recently ended its election

day registration option, which the state had successfully used for 15 years. The state has even gone so far as to ban voter education and registration efforts at public colleges. In a similar way, Florida has been targeting get-out-the-vote and third-party voter registration organizations that encourage civic engagement.

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# Willie Mack captures Butterfield Bermuda APGA title in playoff

SOUTHAMPTON, BERMUDA — APGA Tour star Willie Mack III emerged victorious in a three-man playoff thanks to a tap-in par on the first extra hole, capturing the Butterfield Bermuda APGA Championship at Port Royal Golf Course.

It was the first international competition in the history of the burgeoning APGA Tour.

First round leader Joseph Hooks of Farmington Hills, Michigan, and Marcus Byrd of Washington, DC joined Mack in the playoff after a competitive back nine left them all at four-under-par 138.

The threesome replayed 18 and Mack secured his par before Byrd and Hooks missed the putts needed to extend the battle.

Mack won the first-place check of \$15,000 from the purse of \$60,000, the fourth largest in the history of the APGA Tour.



Mack, the 34-year-old stalwart from Flint, Michigan, now carries another tournament win into the second stage of Korn Ferry Tour Q-School next week at Plantation Preserve Golf Club in Plantation, Florida, where he hopes breakthrough following multiple near-misses in recent years.

He has upwards of 70 wins on the APGA Tour

and mini-tours over the years and made the cut in two PGA TOUR events during the summer of 2021 as part of his journey in professional golf. Mack advanced out of the first stage of Korn Ferry Tour Q-School last month at Championsgate Golf Club in Florida.

Mack sank a 20-foot birdie putt on the first hole

Wednesday to start his charge from three strokes back and all three held the lead down the stretch in windy conditions on the 6,842-yard par 71 Port Royal layout.

The PGA TOUR's Butterfield Bermuda Championship will be contested at Port Royal later this month (Oct. 27-30).

"I tried not to make mistakes today," stated Mack, who battled injuries earlier in the year and is now feeling confident with next week's challenge on deck.

"My putting was there today when I needed it. Hopefully I can bring what I accomplished this week into next week. It was good to play a PGA TOUR-level course these last two days."

Christian Heavens of Fairview Heights, Illinois, finished in fourth place at 71-68-139 with Joey Stills of Orlando in fifth at 71-70-141 and Ryan Alford of Shreveport, Louisiana, in

sixth at even par 142.

APGA Tour Player of the Year Kamaui Johnson of Oviedo, Florida, and Aaron Grimes of Compton, California, tied for seventh.

Among the Bermudian participants in the tournament, Damian Palanyandi shot 73-75-148, finishing 13th; Camiko Smith shot 78-76-154, finishing 18th; Oliver Betschart carded a 74-83-157 for 20th; and Cory Desilva registered a 87-78-165, placing 21st.

The invitational tournament was hosted and sponsored by the Bermuda Tourism Authority, Butterfield, The Hamilton Princess and Beach Club and Life & Annuity Services (LAS).

The APGA Tour's Farmers Insurance Fall Series resumes later this month with the APGA Tour Charlie Sifford Centennial at Kingswood Forest Golf Club, October 25-26, in Houston, Texas.

Byrd, winner of APGA

Tour Valley Forge, and Brad Adamonis, winner of the Ascension Classic/APGA Tour St. Louis, are tied atop the Fall Series Point Standings with 600 points.

The season culminates Nov. 8-10 with the APGA Tour Farmers Insurance Fall Series Finale at Tustin Ranch Golf Club in Tustin Ranch, California.

The APGA Tour was established in 2010 with the mission to bring greater diversity to the game of golf by hosting and operating professional golf tournaments, player development programs, mentoring programs, and introducing the game to inner-city young people.

The tour has grown from seven events with \$200,000 in prize money in 2020 and 14 events with over \$400,000 in prize money in 2021, to 18 events with over \$900,000 in prize and bonus money in 2022.

## DOJ, from Page 4

community policing nationwide. The only Department of Justice agency with policing in its name, the COPS Office was established in 1994 and has been the cornerstone of the nation's crime fighting strategy with grants, a variety of knowledge resource products, and training and technical assistance. Through the years, the COPS Office has become the go-to agency for law enforcement agencies across the country and continues to listen to the field and provide the resources that are needed to reduce crime and build trust between law enforcement and the communities served. The COPS Office has invested more than \$14 billion to advance community policing, including grants awarded to more than 13,000 state, local and tribal law enforcement agencies to fund the hiring and redeployment of more than 135,000 officers.

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## Medicare Public Events Seminars:

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Thursday, Oct. 6, 2022 @ 10:30am - 12:00pm  
Thursday, Oct. 20, 2022 @ 11:00a - 12:30pm

### SpringCreek BBQ

2027 W Wheatland Road  
Dallas, Tx 75237

Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2022 @ 3:00 - 4:00pm  
Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2022 @ 1:00 - 2:00pm

### Luby's Cafeteria

5600 S. Hampton Rd  
Dallas, Tx. 75232

Thursday, Oct. 13, 2022 @ 1:00 - 2:30pm  
Thursday, Oct. 27, 2022 @ 1:00 - 2:30pm



# Dallas Black Dance Theatre performs works from internationally acclaimed to DBDT cultivated choreographers

Dallas Black Dance Theatre (DBDT) celebrates its 46th anniversary with works by internationally acclaimed choreographers and a DBDT-grown artist.

The Director's Choice series features the classic works of Elisa Monte, Darrell Grand Moultrie, Tommie-Waheed Evans, and a world premiere by Dallas native My'Kal Stromile. Texas Instruments is the presenting sponsor for the series.

The Jean Baptiste "Tad" Adoue, III Fund/The Dallas Foundation and The Kaleta A. Doolin Foundation are the choreography sponsors. The performance takes place November 4-5, 2022, at 7:30 PM CDT in the Dee and Charles Wyly Theatre in the Dallas Arts District.

The Saturday performance can also be viewed in real-time via live stream



Courtesy photo

and on-demand until Monday 11:59 PM CST.

Boston Ballet company member and DBDT alum My'Kal Stromile returns home to choreograph a world premiere of Baile del Corazon. Stromile created the new work to inspire movement and dance flowing from the heart. He describes the solo as a heart dance expressing all

the beautiful things about dance.

Stromile was once a rapidly-rising teenage phenom at Dallas Black Dance Academy who, at age 14, earned an invitation to dance with the second company of Dallas Black Dance Theatre.

He remained a company member until he graduated from Booker T. Washing-

ton High School for the Performing and Visual Arts and went on to graduate from The Juilliard School on a full scholarship.

DBDT dancers push themselves beyond their normal limits with surging energy while performing Pigs and Fishes. Esteemed choreographer Elisa Monte

delivers her signature style in this daring, intense, passionate, and athletic dance.

Alvin Ailey first commissioned the work for his company in 1982. Considered a classic, it is an exquisite lesson in contemporary modern dance.

Darrell Grand Moultrie's Dallas premiere of Road to One embraces the road we take to leave a legacy in our lives.

Moultrie was inspired to choreograph the high-energy ensemble to honor a mentor who introduced him to arts at a young age.

A graduate of the prestigious Juilliard School, Moultrie is one of the few choreographers working in the theater, ballet, modern, and commercial dance genres.

Tommie-Waheed Evans

brings Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s "We Shall Overcome" speech to life in the work Bodies as Site of Faith and Protest.

Evans first developed the work as part of his college thesis exploring how speeches from the Civil Rights Movement served as a vehicle for social change but also self-assertiveness. DBDT first premiered an excerpt from the work in 2018. The dancers sing A capella in the work, which adds depth and another layer of complexity to the performance.

## PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

Director's Choice, November 4 - 5, 2022, 7:30 PM, Dee & Charles Wyly Theatre, 2400 Flora St., Dallas, TX

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 MS. CATHERINE SMITH Texas Veterans Commission	<b>"Several other specialists not pictured will also be on the forum"</b>			

**Information to be discussed:**

VA regulations updates	Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder
Depression	Veteran Support Group Locations
Military Service Opportunities	Veterans Housing Assistance
Garland Veterans Hospital Updates	Burial and Memorial Service Information
Veterans Benefits (medical, disability, and others)	Question and Answer Session
Agent Orange Register	

For more information, please visit the [Garland NAACP Unit Website](https://www.garlandnaacp.org).



# Broadway Dallas showcases 'My Fair Lady' on stage Nov. 1-13

Broadway Dallas and Broadway Across America (BAA) are pleased to announce that the Lincoln Center Theater's critically acclaimed production of Lerner & Loewe's "My Fair Lady" is coming to Dallas' Music Hall at Fair Park from November 1-13, 2022 as part of the 2022-2023 Germania Insurance Broadway Series presented by Broadway Dallas. Tickets are on sale now.

Tickets are available online at BroadwayDallas.org and by phone at 800-982-2787. Orders for groups of ten (10) or more may be placed by calling 214-426-4768 or emailing Groups@



BroadwayDallas.org.

Lincoln Center Theater's production of Lerner & Loewe's "My Fair Lady" is the winner of 5 Outer Critics Circle Awards including Best Revival of a Musical and was nominated for 10 Tony Awards including Best Musical Revival, 5 Drama Desk Awards including Best Musical Revival and 3 Drama League

Awards including Best Musical Revival. The production premiered in the spring of 2018 at Lincoln Center's Vivian Beaumont Theater.

Adapted from George Bernard Shaw's play and Gabriel Pascal's motion picture Pygmalion, "My Fair Lady", with a book and lyrics by Alan Jay Lerner and music by Frederick Loewe, premiered on

Broadway on March 15h, 1956. The legendary original production won 6 Tony Awards including Best Musical and ran for 2,717 performances making it, at the time, the longest-running musical in Broadway history.

Boasting a score that contains such now-classic songs as "I Could Have Danced All Night," "Get Me to the Church on Time," "Wouldn't It Be Lovely," "On the Street Where You Live," "The Rain in Spain," and "I've Grown Accustomed to Her Face," Lincoln Center Theater's production of "My Fair Lady" was hailed by The New

York Times as "Thrilling, glorious and better than it ever was. A marvelous and transformative revival." New York Magazine described it as "Enthralling," adding that "Bartlett Sher's glowing revival proves that a beloved musical from another era can keep on kicking," and Entertainment Weekly raved "A sumptuous new revival of the most perfect musical of all time. A masterful piece of entertainment."

The tour of Lincoln Center Theater's production of Lerner & Loewe's "My Fair Lady" directed by Bartlett Sher with tour direction by Samantha Saltzman fea-

tures original choreography by Christopher Gattelli with tour choreography by Jim Cooney, and has sets by Michael Yeargan, costumes by Catherine Zuber, lighting by Donald Holder and sound by Marc Salzberg and Beth Lake. Music Supervision is by Ted Sperling, featuring "My Fair Lady"'s original musical arrangements by Robert Russell Bennett and Phil Lang, and dance arrangements by Trude Rittman. Tour orchestrations are by Josh Clayton and Larry Blank and music direction is by David Andrews Rogers. It is produced by Troika Entertainment, LLC.

## Lone Star Wind Orchestra presents Latin in Manhattan, Nov. 6, at Moody

Latin, jazz, New York and West Side Story! The Lone Star Wind Orchestra (LSWO) will present Latin in Manhattan featuring several premieres along with performances by a North Texas alto saxophonist virtuoso on Sunday, Nov. 6, at 3 p.m. at Moody Performance Hall in the Dallas Arts District (2520 Flora St., Dallas, TX 75201).

The Lone Star Wind Orchestra will open its 2022-



2023 season with a Latin-infused concert featuring works rooted in jazz, many composed in Manhattan,

along with music inspired by Hispanic tradition.

Under the direction of Music Director Eugene

Migliaro Corporon, the LSWO also will perform Leonard Bernstein's Symphonic Dances from West Side Story. The afternoon also includes the world premiere of a movement of Changó Crowned King from Orishas, composed by LSWO's trumpeter Eddie Jiménez, in addition to saxophonist Dr. Joey Resendez performing a transcription of Astor Piazzolla's Escualo never performed in the

United States.

Other performances will include George Gershwin's Cuban Overture and Anthony O'Toole's Latin Dance Movements.

A highly regarded saxophone performer and educator, guest artist Joey Resendez not only serves as soprano/alto saxophonist for the LSWO but performs with many regional orchestras in the North Texas area. As a soloist, he has ap-

peared with ensembles such as the Michigan Pops Orchestra, Richardson Symphony, Monroe Symphony, as well as the LSWO and LSWO Youth.

For the past 17 years, Dr. Resendez has taught young saxophonists across the Dallas/Fort Worth area. Many of his students have gone on to have performing and teaching careers

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## HISPANIC, from Page 5

of a political party's ability to draw new voters to their party depends on how Republicans or Democrats are serving that enumerated group. An even more important factor is what that group believes about a political party's service.

A National Survey of Latinos (August 2022) showed that most Latinos believe

that Democrats by far care more and work harder for Latinos than Republicans. The survey asked participants to address three areas of concern:

**Does the party Work Hard to earn Latinos' Votes?**

- 36% of respondents believe the Democrats do extremely well in earning

Latino votes.

- 52% of respondents believe Republicans do not work hard to earn Latino votes

**Does the party Really Care about Latinos?**

- 26% of respondents believe the Democrats care Extremely Well

- 63% of respondents believe Republicans Do Not care

**Does the party Repre-**

**sent the Interests of people like you?**

- 16% of respondents believe Democrats represent their interests Extremely Well; 40% believe their interests are represented Somewhat Well

- 60% of respondents believe Republicans Do Not represent their interests Well

The National Survey also revealed that Latinos feel

the most important issues elected officials should address are inflation and the rising cost of living, with crime and gun violence a close second. The issues Latinos find least important are border security and the COVID pandemic.

Latinos were queried on which party would be BEST at addressing a number of issues they find important:

**Inflation/Cost of Living:**

- Democrats—25%
- Republicans—37%
- Crime/Gun Violence:**
- Democrats—49%
- Republicans—12%
- Jobs/Economy:**
- Democrats—29%
- Republicans—33%
- Health Care:**
- Democrats—55%
- Republicans—14%
- Abortion:**
- Democrats—59%
- Republicans—11%

## RHETORIC, from Page 3

Oxford University in England where he said he studied law. In reality, Cornyn graduated the School of Law at St. Mary's in San Antonio.

Texas Republican Ted Cruz claimed there was nothing wrong with the Texas electric grid...then when the cold set in, Cruz

packed up his family (he left the dog) and went on vacation. Remember this formidable tool is to be used at will, and Cruz is always willing.

Cruz also said that "Ukraine (not Russia) blatantly interfered in our election." Cruz said Biden released 7,000 illegal, CO-

VID-positive aliens onto one Texas city, and that Biden and his Green New Deal radicals are the reason that "electricity costs (are) through the roof in Texas."

Texas Governor Greg Abbott seems to lie spontaneously about any and everything. Among a surfeit of other lies, in the immediate aftermath of the Uvalde tragedy, Abbott misled the

nation on the facts concerning the actions of law enforcement officers on the scene that day. A few days later, Abbott was blaming his grossly inaccurate report on some nameless other person.

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton has absolutely no reservations when it comes to misleading the public. His reservations

are only evident when it's time to answer for the intermittent lies he spews. Last month, Paxton and his wife Angela ran out of their house, jumped in a pickup truck, and sped off, trying to avoid being served a subpoena from an abortion fund's lawsuit against the state.

So has become the ways and means of 2022 Repub-

licans.

Lately, when Republicans are confronted with their lies in some legal venue, their mantra has become "I plead the fifth."

If there is a bright side to be had amid this melee of Republican lies it is to be found in the prophetic words of Greg Abbott: "It could've been worse."





## NOTICE OF ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Dallas, Texas has called a special election to be held within the City of Dallas, Texas on Tuesday, November 8, 2022.

**CITY OF DALLAS PROPOSITION A**
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☐ AGAINST

"Authorizing the city of Dallas to provide for the planning, acquisition, establishment, development, construction, renovation and financing of the expansion of the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center Dallas, a venue within the city of the type described and defined in section 334.001(4)(b) of and permitted by chapter 334, Local Government Code, as amended (the "Act"), designated by Resolution 22-0660 (the "Resolution") and described in summary form as an expansion of a convention center facility described in Sections 334.001(4)(b) and 334.2518 of the Act, and by Section 351.001(2), Tax Code, as amended, and related infrastructure as defined in the Act, including demolition costs (collectively, the "Convention Center Expansion Venue Project"); and authorizing the city of Dallas to provide for the planning, acquisition, establishment, development, construction, renovation and financing of certain Fair Park facilities, a venue within the city of the type described and defined in section 334.001(4)(d) of and permitted by the act, designated by the Resolution and described in summary form pursuant to section 334.2518 of the act as the acquisition, construction and improvement of the Automobile Building, the Centennial Building, the Band Shell, the Music Hall, the Cotton Bowl and the Coliseum, and related infrastructure as defined in the Act (collectively, the "Fair Park Facilities Venue Project" and, together with the Convention Center Expansion Venue Project, the "Venue Projects") and to impose a new hotel occupancy tax at the rate of two percent (2%) for the purpose of financing the venue projects; and approving the resolution. If approved, the maximum hotel occupancy tax rate imposed from all sources in the city of Dallas would be fifteen percent (15%) of the price paid for a room in a hotel."

**DALLAS COUNTY EARLY VOTING CENTER LOCATIONS DATES AND TIMES**

Date		Time
October 24 – 28	Monday – Friday	7am – 7pm
October 29	Saturday	7am – 7pm
October 30	Sunday	12pm – 6pm
October 31 – November 2	Monday – Wednesday	7am – 7pm
November 3 – November 4	Thursday – Friday	7am – 9pm

Early voting and Election Day locations:

[https://www.dallascountyvotes.org/wp-content/uploads/VoteCenters\\_EarlyVoting\\_Nov-8-1.pdf](https://www.dallascountyvotes.org/wp-content/uploads/VoteCenters_EarlyVoting_Nov-8-1.pdf)

<https://www.dallascountyvotes.org/wp-content/uploads/Election-Day-Nov-8-2022-Locations-Assigned.pdf>

Collin County Early voting and Election Day locations and dates/times:

[https://www.collincountytx.gov/elections/election\\_information/Pages/early\\_voting.aspx](https://www.collincountytx.gov/elections/election_information/Pages/early_voting.aspx)

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[https://www.votedenton.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/1122\\_EV\\_Locations.pdf](https://www.votedenton.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/1122_EV_Locations.pdf)

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**FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE:**

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## USDA announces more than \$71 million to support underserved communities

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced today a more than \$71 million investment to help underserved communities.

Funding is made possible through two key USDA programs: USDA's 2501 Program and the American Rescue Plan Technical Assistance Investment Program. These investments are part of USDA's commitment to take aggressive action to advance equity for all, especially for farmers and producers in underserved communities.

"This is a major step in the right direction as the Biden-Harris Administration continues to ensure underserved groups can more fully access and participate in federal programs and services," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "We are committed to building a different USDA. One that is steadfast in our actions, mindset and culture around equality and justice for all. We need to not only envision a different future, but also build a path to make it possible."

The 2501 Program extends USDA's outreach to underserved communities by partnering with nonprofit and community-based



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organizations and higher education institutions to provide technical assistance and training. USDA's Office of Partnerships and Public Engagement (OPPE) administers the program. This investment enables underserved and veteran farmers, ranchers, and foresters to get needed resources to support a successful farming operation and increase profits.

Under this investment, USDA is investing \$36.1 million in grants to 52 organizations (PDF, 769 KB) across the country for outreach and technical assistance to underserved and veteran farmers, ranchers and foresters. Grants are awarded to higher education institutions and nonprofit and community-

based organizations to extend USDA's engagement efforts in underserved and veteran communities.

Among the 2501 Program grantees, Alabama A&M University received a \$750,000 grant towards its mentoring programs that assist Alabama farmers in growing and sustaining their agricultural operations and bridging the gap for producers that lack access to land, capital, markets and government programs.

Pennsylvania Friends of Agriculture Foundation received a \$543,296 grant to support their "Building Ready and Resilient Veteran Farms" with the purpose of fostering connections among beginning veteran farmers and service providers to create a supportive

network that will enable veteran farmers to thrive.

University of Hawaii Systems received a \$743,667 grant to provide language-appropriate training on financial literacy, business planning, and conservation agriculture for immigrant farmers with limited English proficiency in Hawaii.

The 2501 Program, also called "Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers Program," has awarded 615 grants totaling \$194 million since 2010.

The American Rescue Plan Technical Assistance Investment program is administered by USDA's National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA). This program ensures equitable participation in the full range of USDA programs and services among underserved farmers, ranchers, forest landowners and operators through technical assistance projects and networks.

"These projects will deliver specialized technical support to underserved producer communities to benefit the launch, growth, resilience and success of their agricultural enterpris-

es. The ARPTAI Program is one of many USDA efforts to foster equity and reduce barriers to access our programs and services," said Acting NIFA Director Dr. Dionne Toombs.

USDA-NIFA is slated to invest \$35.1 million in cooperative agreements to 13 universities and nonprofit organizations across the nation.

Among the group of co-operators, the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley has been selected to receive \$3,487,564 to provide a range of enhanced technical assistance services, delivered by a strong partnership of organizations in Texas.

The Southwest Indian Agricultural Association, Inc., of Arizona has been selected to receive \$1,494,250 to partner with USDA to deliver targeted technical assistance and provide training focused on improving business management skills, promoting local food production, and increasing resiliency in Native American producer communities in the Southwest.

USDA touches the lives of all Americans each day in so many positive ways. In the Biden-Harris Administration, USDA is trans-

forming America's food system with a greater focus on more resilient local and regional food production, fairer markets for all producers, ensuring access to safe, healthy and nutritious food in all communities, building new markets and streams of income for farmers and producers using climate smart food and forestry practices, making historic investments in infrastructure and clean energy capabilities in rural America, and committing to equity across the Department by removing systemic barriers and building a workforce more representative of America. To learn more, visit [www.usda.gov](http://www.usda.gov).

NIFA invests in and advances agricultural research, education, and Extension across the nation to make transformative discoveries that solve societal challenges. NIFA supports initiatives that ensure the long-term viability of agriculture and applies an integrated approach to ensure that groundbreaking discoveries in agriculture-related sciences and technologies reach the people who can put them into practice. In FY2020, NIFA's total investment was \$1.95 billion.

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of their own. Since 2012, Resendez has been an educational representative for Music and Arts, providing goods and services for music programs in many North Texas school districts. Resendez holds degrees from the University of North Texas, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, and Baylor University. He resides in Rowlett with his wife, Jen-

nifer, and his children, Ryan and Rosalyn.

Eddie Jiménez, trumpeter, composer and educator, is a graduate of Manhattan School of Music where he received a Master's Degree in Orchestral Trumpet Performance and was awarded The Cecil Collins Award for Excellence in Brass Performance. A busy and versatile freelance trumpeter, Jiménez

frequently performs with the Plano Symphony and Irving Symphony Orchestras, Allen Philharmonic, Imperial Brass, LWSO, The Dallas Wind Symphony, and multiple brass ensembles and quintets. He is a former member of Drum Corp. International's Blue Devils Drum and Bugle Corp. and a member of the Blue Devils Hall of Fame.

Jiménez often performs and is a featured soloist

with some of the country's greatest instrumentalists and singers. He has played at Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center, toured Europe and North America and accompanied various Grammy-nominated and Grammy Award winning musicians. A native of Havana, Cuba, Eddie Jiménez is the Middle School Band Director at Prestonwood Christian Academy.

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ets to Latin in Manhattan are \$20 for adults and \$10 for seniors/students and available at [ticketdfw.com](http://ticketdfw.com). Details at [lsw.com](http://lsw.com).

The Lone Star Wind Orchestra is a non-profit arts organization founded in 2006 as a creative collaboration to further the wind orchestra as an artistic medium. The group's mission is "music changing lives in North Texas and beyond

through inspired collaborations, exceptional mentoring of musicians, unforgettable performances, and inclusive community engagement."

The nonprofit also operates the Lone Star Youth Winds, made up of 60 of the most outstanding woodwind, brass and percussion players in grades 9-12, selected from across North Texas.

## MARSHALL, from Page 2

Legacy Award by Black Enterprise, and a National ATHENA Leadership Program Award presented by chambers of commerce, women's organizations, and universities worldwide.

"I can think of very few people who have achieved what Cynt Marshall has achieved throughout her career, and to do so with such a high degree of integrity and humanity is inspiring,"

said Mark Zilbermann, board chair of the Museum. "We are thrilled to present her with the 2022 Hope for Humanity award as a demonstration of our gratitude for all that she has done for the Dallas community."

Marshall graduated from

the University of California Berkeley with degrees in Business Administration and Human Resources Management and holds four honorary doctorate degrees. She has chaired a variety of non-profit boards and is currently on the board of Dal-

las CASA, Dallas Regional Chamber, Texas Women's Foundation, Texas 2036, T.D. Jakes Foundation, and a member of the Executive Leadership Council. She is also on the Board of Directors of BGSF Staffing, JELD-WEN, and Blinkens,

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The Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum will host the 2022 Hope for Humanity dinner on Thursday, October 13, at The Fairmont Dallas. More information about the event at [DHHRM.org/Hope](http://DHHRM.org/Hope).



# Zelle fraud is rising, and banks aren't coming to the rescue

Analysis by Allison Morrow  
and CNN Business  
The Atlanta Voice

Zelle, the popular payment app, is under fire for how it handles (or rather, doesn't handle) fraud and scams that have exploded on the platform in recent years.

The New York Times called Zelle out in two reports earlier this year. That grabbed the attention of US senators, who pressed the CEOs of the nation's large banks that own the platform in hearings last month and began an investigation into the service.

Here's the deal: On Monday, Senator Elizabeth Warren's office said its investigation into Zelle showed that fraud and theft are not only rampant but getting worse. And once people report fraudulent transactions, banks are reimbursing only a small fraction of the swindled customers.

"Big banks own and profit from Zelle but are failing to make their customers whole for both authorized and unauthorized fraudulent activity on the platform, despite their claims that it is safe," Warren's office wrote.

Key things to know:

- Zelle (rhymes with "tell") was created in 2017 as the banking industry's answer to Venmo and Cash

App.

- The fintech companies behind those apps were doing what big banks had failed to do for decades — make transferring money to your friend who just paid for dinner easy and free and fast.

- So the big banks got together and created Zelle, which was lame and almost no one used it till around 2020, when digital payments took off in response to the pandemic.

- Zelle is now by far the largest peer-to-peer payment system in America. Last year, according to Zelle, transactions totaled \$490 billion, up 59% from the year before. (PayPal-owned Venmo, its closest rival, handled \$230 billion.)

- The service is operated by Early Warning Systems, a fintech company owned by seven of the US's largest banks.

Naturally, where the internet and money collide is where scammers get to work.

Zelle's size and accessibility — it's built right into participating banks' apps — make it the "preferred tool of fraudsters and other bad actors," according to the report from Warren's office.

Among the investigation's key findings, which corroborate anecdotal evidence reported by the

Times:

Banks are not repaying 90% of cases in which customers were tricked into making payments on Zelle.

An estimated \$440 million was lost by Zelle users through frauds and scams in 2021. But banks "appear not to have provided sufficient recourse to their customers."

"Authorized" vs "Unauthorized." Under a federal rule known as Regulation E, banks are technically only liable to cover fraudulent activity when it involves "unauthorized" transactions. Say, when someone steals your credit card and makes purchases without your permission. But if someone persuades you to send them \$500 through a phishing scam, banks consider that "authorized" and won't reimburse those funds.

BUT... The bank data reviewed by Warren's office suggest even the bulk of unauthorized cases are going unpaid. For example:

PNC Bank indicated that its customers reported 10,683 cases of unauthorized payments totaling over \$10.6 million. It refunded only 1,495 cases, totaling \$1.46 million.

Zelle sought to downplay the report and didn't specifically address Warren's allegations Monday. In a statement, the company said: "Tens of millions of consumers use Zelle without incident, with more than 99.9% of payments completed without any report of fraud or scam," adding that the proportion of fraud and scams has steadily decreased as its user numbers have climbed.

The Bank Policy Institute, a banking industry group, also disputed Warren's findings and claimed that Zelle's rivals Venmo and CashApp receive more reports of disputed transactions.

"Zelle is the safest peer-to-peer network," it said in a statement Monday. "For any real discussion of

online fraud, the focus belongs elsewhere."

**BOTTOM LINE**

It's kind of crazy to remember how anyone moved money among friends before the advent of payment apps. Did I actually carry cash with me? On the first every month did I take my little checkbook out and literally write out my portion of the rent on a magic slip of paper and then just hand it to my roommates? Wild. It would not surprise me if the original idea for a payments app came from a restaurant server who was fed up with splitting bills unevenly across eight different cards.

But that's the pre-internet world Regulation E was made for. It's a 1978 rule that only got a 21st century electronic payments update by the Consumer Financial

Protection Bureau late last year. It wasn't made for the world of instant payments, and could hardly have envisioned how easy the internet would make it to swindle people out of their money.

Warren's report on Zelle could add pressure on regulators including the CFPB to update its guidance.

"Given this uncertain landscape and the banks' abdication of responsibility, regulatory clarity is needed to further protect Zelle users," researchers wrote in the report, noting that the CFPB has regulatory authority over peer-to-peer platforms including Zelle.

*The post Zelle fraud is rising. And banks aren't coming to the rescue appeared first on The Atlanta Voice.*



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# How Much Coffee is Too Much Coffee

By James L. Snyder

I will be the first to confess that I love my coffee, especially in the morning. When anybody asks how much coffee is enough, I usually say, "Just one more cup."

My day cannot get started until I've had a sufficient amount of coffee. If I don't have enough coffee when I meet somebody, they will look at me and say, "Have you had your coffee today?"

I respond by saying, "Well, not enough."

I haven't always been a fan of coffee. If I am obsessed with coffee, I will have to blame The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage for this. She is the one that introduced me to coffee, and here I am.

When I was young, I hated the coffee my parents had. I tried tasting it a couple of times, and it really was awful, almost like mud. How they were able to drink that coffee is beyond me.

It was not until I married The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage that I understood what the problem was.

When I was young, my parents used "instant coffee." I'm not sure why they



drank that, but I did not like it. I thought, at the time, coffee was for idiots. I never said it out loud because I feared who might hear me saying it. But I believe it and have a good reason for believing it.

After we were married, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage bought something I never saw before, which was a coffee pot. I thought my father was a coffee pot at the time. I did not know what it was for, but when you're first married, you don't create any ambiance of negativity.

It was then I understood what real coffee was all about. The coffee pot made real coffee. I had never had real coffee before and fell in love with coffee after one gentle sip.

So, you see, The Gracious Mistress of the Par-

sonage is responsible for my addiction to coffee.

Since then, I've enjoyed many a cup of coffee, particularly from her coffee pot in the kitchen. I began understanding the difference between "instant coffee" and "real coffee." I'm surprised my parents didn't know the difference.

After being married for over 50 years, I have never been tempted to get a cup of instant coffee, what a tragedy of taste that would be.

Since I've been drinking coffee, my days have never been better. But, of course, there are those few days when I don't have a chance to grab my coffee because of oversleeping or something. Those have been brought down to very few, I assure you.

My day starts perfectly

after that first coffee in the morning.

Recently, in the afternoon, I was drinking some coffee; the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage entered the room and, looking at me, said, "Haven't you had enough coffee for the day?"

I looked at her, smiled, and cheerfully said, "That animal doesn't exist." Then I went back to sipping my heavenly cup of coffee.

My morning cup of coffee enables me to start the day rather cheerful. I know when I start each day, there's going to be something that's going to give me a problem. A day without problems is a day I haven't gotten out of bed. A great solution to these problems is a hot cup of coffee in the morning. Not just "a" cup of coffee but a series of cups of coffee. I'm a serial coffee drinker.

"Drinking too much coffee," The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage warned me, "is not very good for your health."

I looked at her with a mischievous smile and

said, "Would you like to deal with me without my cup of coffee in the morning?"

Laughing, she looked back and said, "No, there probably isn't enough coffee for that."

One year, a report says coffee is not good for you. It's bad for your health, so they say. So the next year, there's another report that says drinking coffee is good for your health.

Who in the world am I going to believe?

Well, I tell you what, I'm not going to believe any reports I hear from the news media. I will take this subject up with my cup of Joe in the morning and get his opinion.

There is one thing that makes a cup of coffee magnificent in the morning. That one thing is an Apple Fritter. I believe these two were made for each other, and there is nothing more delicious than the combination of these two delicacies.

I can get away with my coffee with The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage, but it's hard for me to get

away with the Apple Fritter. I try, but I am not very successful with that as yet.

I've been working for years on ways in which to trick her into believing that Apple Fritters are healthy for you. But to date, I've not been very successful, but I haven't stopped trying.

I will work on it, and in the meantime, I will indulge in my coffee.

Everybody has a taste for something. I was reminded of what the Bible said along this line. "O taste and see that the Lord is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him" (Psalm 34:8).

When it comes to my spiritual taste, I need to focus on God. My experience with God makes my life the joy that it is.

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"Choose a job you love, and you will never have to work a day in your life." -- Confucius. "The difference between the impossible and the possible lies in a man's determination."

-- **Tommy Lasorda**

"It is not fair to ask others what you are not willing to do yourself." -- Eleanor Roosevelt. "Genius is one percent inspiration and ninety-nine percent perspiration."

-- **Thomas Edison.**

"The most important things are the hardest to say, because words diminish them."

-- **Stephen King.**

"Management is doing things right; leadership is doing the right things."

-- **Peter F. Drucker.**

"The greatest lesson in life is to know that even fools are right sometimes."

-- **Winston Churchill.**

"Winning is not everything, but making the effort to win is."

-- **Vince Lombardi.**

"The best thing about the future is that it comes only one day at a time."

-- **Abraham Lincoln.**



"It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men."

-- **Frederick Douglass.**

"Appreciation is a wonderful thing; it makes what is excellent in others belong to us as well."

-- **Voltaire.**

"If a man hasn't discovered something that he would die for, he isn't fit to live."

-- **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**

"The tragedy of life doesn't lie in not reaching your goal. The tragedy lies in having no goal to reach."

-- **Benjamin Mays.**

"Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened."

-- **Dr. Seuss.**

"Learn to see things as they really are, not as we imagine they are."

-- **Vernon Howard.**

"Opportunity dances with those who are already on the dance floor."

-- **H. Jackson Brown, Jr.**

"Many of life's failures are people who did not realize how close they were to success when they gave up."

-- **Thomas Edison.**

"The greatest thing in the world is not as much where we are, but in what direction we are going."

-- **Oliver Wendell Holmes.**

"You have to expect things of yourself before you can do them."

-- **Michael Jordan.**

"Our imagination is the only limit to what we can hope to have in the future."

-- **Charles Kettering.**

"Every time you stand up for an idea, you send forth a

tiny ripple of hope."

-- **Robert Kennedy.**

"There are many paths to the top of the mountain, but the view is always the same." -- Chinese Proverb.

"To get the full value of joy you must have people to divide it with."

-- **Mark Twain.**

"It's a job that's never started that takes the longest to finish."

-- **J.R. Tolkien.**

"The most pathetic person in the world is someone who has sight but has no vision."

-- **Helen Keller.**

"There is nothing better than the encouragement of a good friend."

-- **Katharine Butler Hathaway.**

"Patience is needed with everyone, but first of all with ourselves."

-- **Saint Francis De Sales.**

"Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off the goal."

-- **Henry Ford.**

"What you get by achieving your goal is not as important as what you become by achieving your goals."

-- **Zig Ziglar.**

"The hardest job kids' face today is learning good manners without seeing any."

-- **Fred Astaire.**

"Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever."

-- **M.K. Gandhi.**

"Never look down on anybody unless you're helping him up."

-- **Jesse Jackson.**

"Education is the ability to listen to almost anything without losing your temper

or your self-confidence."

-- **Robert Frost.**

"If you want your life to be more rewarding, you have to change the way you think."

-- **Oprah Winfrey.**

"Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail."

-- **Ralph Waldo Emerson.**

"Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new."

-- **Albert Einstein.**

"A part of control is learning to correct your weakness."

-- **Babe Ruth.**

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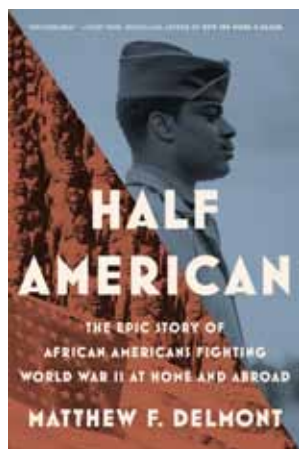
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# NDG Book Review: Catch a slice of history in 'Half American'

By Terri Schlichenmeyer



Raise your hand. If something's going to get done around here, you're volunteering because things need to be different and you're ready and willing to make it happen. This starts with you because, well, who else? As in the new book "Half American" by Matthew F. Delmont, there'll be no more doing things halfway.

In the time before America entered World War II, Black Americans kept their eyes on what was happening overseas, particularly in Spain. The rise of fascism during the Spanish Civil War was of particular interest to them because "fascism was Jim Crow with a foreign accent." Eighty Black Americans even volunteered to fight against the Nationalists.

Their efforts caught the attention of writer Langston Hughes, who was hired by a Black-owned newspaper to follow the American soldiers, and report about it. While in Spain, he described the "realities of war," but he also noticed something that astounded him: "in this anti-fascist army," Hughes wrote, "Negroes and whites marched, trained, and fought together."

Benjamin O. Davis graduated from West Point in 1936, and had his sights set

on a career in the military. Davis, says Delmont, "desperately wanted to be a pilot" but such opportunities weren't then available to a black man, no matter what his accomplishments. Davis, and other Black U.S. soldiers had to battle racism within the ranks first.

Pullman union leader A. Philip Randolph organized a march on Washington for the rights of soldiers and homefront workers. Thurgood Marshall, chief lawyer for the NAACP, became "energized" by his work for equality, particularly that of Black Americans who wanted to volunteer to "serve their country without being degraded by their countrymen."

But, says Delmont, that "was only half the fight. Victory would be incomplete unless it also uprooted white supremacy.... These dual war aims coalesced under a slogan that came to define the Black American

experience during the war: Double V."

No matter how much you think you know a subject, there are always stories you're missing. On the topics of racism and war, "Half American" will tell you some tales.

This is one of those books that fills in the blanks on the things you missed in history class – or the things you were never told in the first place. The stories in here are stunning and quite moving, but also frustrating, even 90 years after the fact. It's like sitting at the VFW, listening to old war stories that were told in a whisper but that need shouting.

Author Matthew F. Delmont, who is a history professor at Dartmouth College, explains that his research and this story as a whole "has forced me to see the war with fresh eyes."

Readers, whether veterans or not, should agree.

Beware that this book can occasionally seem a bit academic – it's heavy with

dates and site names, but the feeling passes quickly enough that armchair histo-

rians can still enjoy it greatly. If you need to know more about Black history

in World War II, find "Half American" and raise your hand.



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"Pennies do not come from Heaven; they have to be earned here on earth."

-- Margaret Thatcher.

"Failure is success if we learn from it."

-- Mario Andretti.

"Ability may get you to the top, but it takes character to keep you there."

--John Wooden.

"If everyone is thinking alike, then somebody isn't thinking."

-- George S. Patton, Jr.

"We have forty million reasons for failure, but not a single excuse." -- Rudyard Kipling.

"Life is what happens when you are buy making other plans." -- John Lennon.

"It's easy to make a buck. It's a lot tougher to make a difference."

-- Tom Brokaw.

"The freedom to be your best means nothing unless you are willing to do your best." -- Colin Powell.

"I am the way, the truth and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." -- Jesus Christ, John 14:6.

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