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## This Strikes Us ...

*A Sojourner's Truth Editorial*

There is no reason not to take Senator Barack Obama's message of personal responsibility to heart.

As we have noted before, some years ago when Bill Cosby went off the rails and started slamming black folks for not accepting responsibility for their own predicament, we took issue with the comedian.

Back then we wrote that we didn't like the message and we thought the messenger was an inappropriate one.

We later recanted. At some point we reasoned that we simply cannot wait around for a guardian angel to tell us what we need to hear. In spite of Cosby's rather slim credentials to take on the role of social critic and in spite of the fact that society throws some rather formidable obstacles into the path of minority citizens, the message of personal responsibility still must be delivered.

Now it appears to be Obama's turn to deliver that message. At least that's what he and his campaign believe.

So Obama, who has attempted for the most part to run a race-neutral campaign, has on several occasions spoken to black audiences about the need to accept responsibility. Just a couple of such occasions, mind you.

He has also addressed issues of the lack of health care, of an unjust criminal justice system, of home foreclosures and so forth. In fact, the bulk of his speeches on domestic policy focus on such matters.

But even so, Obama's few speeches on accepting personal responsibility show a lack of "balance" says the Rev. Jesse Jackson Sr. who went on a bit of a rant a few weeks ago and issued his version of "loving criticism."

His version of "loving criticism" included a remark that he would like to lop off the Obama family jewels while referring to black people as n\*\*\*\*s. Ouch ... love really does hurt, doesn't it?

In his apology, Jackson suggested that Obama was out of balance. "[African-Americans] are number one in infant mortality, number one in life expectancy, number one in unemployment, number one in the home foreclosure crisis," said Jackson asking that Obama be sure to include remarks to that effect when he addressed black audiences.

Once again, Obama gets pummeled by his friends in this campaign.

Getting pummeled in politics, however, is to be expected whether it's by friends or enemies. Obama's got a pretty thick skin by now or he would have crawled into some little hole back in Chicago and gotten a full-time job teaching law. As Mike Huckabee, former candidate for the Republican Party presidential nomination famously said, "if you can't stand the sight of your own blood, you shouldn't be in politics."

So enough of the crocodile tears for Obama.

It's easy to take Jackson to task for his intemperate, inaccurate remarks. Jackson is famous, at least in part, for shooting his mouth off before he has given any thought to the consequences. Enough of that also.

It's our opinion that Obama cannot speak loudly or often enough, especially after he is president, of the need for African-Americans to accept personal responsibility for their own actions – actions in particular that lead to lack of educational attainment. That lack of educational attainment, as we should all know by now, leads to high rates of unemployment, to high out-of-wedlock high pregnancy rates, to high rates of incarceration, to high rates of health problems compared to the general population.

Obama probably will, according to all indications, become our 44<sup>th</sup> president and when he does, we hope that the black community can hear more of his message about taking control of our own lives.

It will be extremely difficult for minorities in general to not accept Obama's message of self-reliance. The product of a single parent home whose mother relied on food stamps for a period and who was raised, in part, by his grandparents, Obama's story is not all that different from some many people in the black community.

There's more to consider should Obama succeed in his quest to gain the Oval Office. As president, he will have no easier task than did President Bill Clinton had in alleviating the difficulties that minority citizens of this nation face from systemic racism. Being black will gain him no advantage with Congress, with big business and with an assortment of other institutions that are mired in their traditions.

But the fact that Obama will have earned the nation's top job will undoubtedly cause numerous more folks to accept the idea that such racism no longer exists. On so many levels, things will not automatically get any easier for African-Americans. Unless, of course, we ourselves are so inspired by the Obama story, and his message, that we accept as an article of faith ... and hope – yes, we can.

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### July 20-24

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### July 21-25

Vacation Bible School: Braden United Methodist Church; "Walk in Out In the Way of Jesus;" 9 am to 1 pm: 419-241-7257

### July 21-27

86<sup>th</sup> Annual Convocation of the United Holy Church of America, Inc, Northwestern District: Clarion Westgate; Services 10 am, 7 pm and throughout the day; Guests are Bishop Isaiah Elam, Eld. James Smith, Clifton Buckrham, Sr. and others: 419-531-1859

### July 22

There IS Happiness After Incest and Child Sexual Abuse Workshop: Workshop designed to assist survivors, loved ones from empowering and practical perspective; 5:30 to 8:30 pm; Elizabeth House (3837 Secor): 419-729-0245

Sports Physicals: Bay Park Community Hospital; For students participating in high school or middle school sports; Quality, low-cost physicals; 5 to 8 pm: 419-690-8400

Healthy Toledo: Free summer seminar on spinal health; Church on Strayer in Maumee; 6 to 7:30 pm; Speaker Thomas Baur, D.C.: 419-866-2094 ext. 20

### July 22-23

5/3 Bank's Homeownership Mobile: Jerusalem MBC; 11 am to 4 pm each day; Educating the community on foreclosure prevention, homeownership responsibilities and financial literacy: 419-259-6988

### July 23

SkyHy Ministries Healing Service: West Toledo YMCA; 7 pm; Speedway gas cards and Krogers food cards given away

### July 23-25

Greater St. Mary's MBC Church Revival: 7 pm nightly; Revivalist Robert Lyons of Word of Faith Ministries: 419-254-3467 or 419-973-4157

### July 24-27

Sonrise Community Church's Fifth Annual Dominion Word Festival: "Rise Up and Walk!" 419-480-0777

### July 26

Free Community Festival: United MBC; 10 am to 5 pm; Free health screenings, hair cuts, legal advice, financial planning, job readiness information, food, etc: 419-242-1455

### July 27

Church of the New Beginnings' Annual Park Ministry: City Park Service at noon; Refreshments to follow: 419-250-1895

### July 29

Throw Down Tuesday: City of Zion Ministries; 7 pm; Keynote Speaker Sean Elder of New Orleans; music by Nicki D and the Browns: 419-246-1850 or [www.cozmtzionchurch.org](http://www.cozmtzionchurch.org)

### July 28-August 1

Vacation Bible School: Walls Memorial Church; 6 to 8 pm; "Living God's Unshakeable Truths:" 4190535-6469

### July 30

Healthy Toledo: Free summer seminar on health; Featuring holistic physician Dr. Jay Nielsen; 7 to 8:30 pm; Church on Strayer in Maumee: 419-866-2094, ext 20

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## My View



We lost quite a gentleman last week in the passing of David Carter, a well-known educator and musician in the Toledo area.

Many were treated to excellent music over the years through the great baritone voice of Carter. He managed to cross over several religious lines – Jewish, Catholic and Protestant – to deliver his great ministry of music.

And, he was the epitome of wonderful manners. Carter practiced well the art of being a gentleman. When we get to renaming some of the new Toledo Public School buildings, we should keep in mind the name of the David Carter

School for the Arts.

I hope that Jim Hartung, president of the Toledo Lucas County Port Authority, hangs tough and survives this latest bombardment by Mayor Carty Finkbeiner. The calls for his resignation are premature and are not based on any findings of fact by any dis-

was found, no correction was ever run.

Some of the best bureaucrats in Lucas County government are those staffers who audit programs funded by Jobs and Family Services. I have said before that the county commissioners would do well to follow the direction of these

auditors. Some of the waste in taxpayer funds of the past would not have happened if only these auditors had been turned loose years ago.

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financial reports of each agency.

In truth, most directors have their heads in the sky and do not truly monitor the grants. And, you cannot leave it to the executive director. By law, it is the

auditors.

Some of the waste in taxpayer funds of the past would not have happened if only these auditors had been turned loose years ago.

The director of Jobs and Family Services is Deborah Ortiz and she is top notch. She is a former student of mine when I taught at The University of Toledo and she was blue chip back then.

Why do I raise these points? Because we con-

tinued to see community agencies falter in earning their grant money. All agencies should use the auditors as guides in conducting their business. The boards of directors of these agencies should pay closer attention to the conduct of their executive directors/presidents and the monthly

fiduciary responsibility of the trustees and directors to really know what is going on.

We see the need for oversight in the recent bad news from the Greater Toledo Urban League. The lay offs announced last week were not due to just lack of funding. The funding cut off occurred because of mishaps in program administration. And, finally, Deb Ortiz said "no more ... clean it up!"

The tough steps taken by the new president is just that – a clean up. Let's hope that John Jones gets a good handle on the Urban League and that the board starts doing its job. Kudos to Ortiz for holding firm.

The City of Toledo's recent improvement in its bond rating from the Wall

Street guys might seem surprising. It is not, however, since the city identified a new million dollar revenue source – the garbage tax.

For the Wall Street guys, any source of new funds is good news. You and I might disagree over this but the bean counters like new income.

Now, it cuts both ways. If someone tries to change the revenue stream from its garbage tax, our bond rating will get worse because it will be seen as a net loss of guaranteed income. And, of course, you will be taxed up the ying-yang every time Toledo has a shortfall in revenue. We may just keep hiking up the garbage tax as Akron has until it generates over \$21 million.

## Dear Fellow-Toledoans:

Allow me to introduce myself; my name is Mario Harris-Rosser. I am a youth representative member of the City of Toledo's Board of Community Relations. The Board of Community Relations (BCR) is an independent organization chartered by the City of Toledo. We exist to promote, empower, and support citizens and neighborhoods to create social justice, equal opportunity and a harmonious environment.

The BCR is organizing its annual Youth Empowerment Award ceremony. This award was established in 2002 to recognize individuals or groups who have demonstrated leadership, initiative and dedication in working with and on behalf of youth.

We are seeking nominations, from the youth in our city, for adults who have spent significant time inspiring and serving the youth of our community. Nominees must have made an outstanding contribution towards the advancement of youth. Emphasis will be placed on selecting an individual (or group) who has actively dedicated time, talent and energy in a voluntary capacity to improve the physical, mental, social, economic, legal and/or cultural status of youth. Consideration will also be given to individuals who have excelled in a particular area of interest, thus serving as a model of excellence for youth.

Nomination forms and further information can be obtained by calling the BCR office at (419) 245-1565 or by email at [tyson.turner@toledo.oh.gov](mailto:tyson.turner@toledo.oh.gov)

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Mario Harris-Rosser, Youth Representative  
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## Save Our Scott Publicity Campaign

*Special to The Truth*

Save Our Scott (a coalition of Scott alumni, Old West End residents and other citizens concerned about saving Jesup W. Scott High School and preserving Toledo's heritage) is mounting a week-long publicity campaign to raise community awareness and mobilize support for saving Scott High School.

According to the group's recent press release, they desire a world-class quality education for students attending Scott and believe that this can best be delivered in a unique learning environment – a newly renovated Scott High School facility. They will be making the case that by renovating Scott with 21<sup>st</sup> Century mechanical systems and making it a showcase of green technologies, new life can be breathed into the landmark structure and educate today's and generations of students to come. They will also endeavor to explain the complex situation involving Toledo Public Schools (TPS) and the Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC) where the renovation dollars would come from.

Renovation is possible, says the group, providing TPS follows the will of the people. TPS must urge the OSFC for special consideration regarding Scott and also must apply for grants and other funding mechanisms that are available.

They feel that along with Scott alumni fundraising and a concerted effort to recruit and retain Scott students, Scott High School can once again become a

fully-equipped state of the art school, one that people will be proud to send their children to. Saving and renovating this historic structure and neighborhood icon is something the group says they can do and something they must do.

**Thursday, July 24, 2008 – 9:00 AM – in front of Scott High School**



Save Our Scott will hold a press conference to publicize their efforts to save Scott and to make the community aware of what will happen if Scott is not renovated. They will ask the public to sign petitions and list the ways in which they can get involved.

The coalition will also send off a contingent group of Toledoans who will travel to Columbus for the OSFC meeting at 1:30 p.m. They will be bringing large signs with them to Colum-

bus, calling for Scott to be saved and renovated and they will submit copies of the petitions. Signature collection will continue for six more days, however.

**Monday, July 28, 2008 – 5:30 PM**

The Scott Alumni Association will host a public walk-through of Scott High

**Tuesday, July 29, 2008 – 5:30 PM**

The week-long publicity campaign will culminate in the all-important TPS board meeting, at which SOS will present the school board and the superintendent with the SOS petition, which will call for a renovation of Scott.

## Calling all Dogs from Scott High School Class of 1988.



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## South African Education Delegation Visits Toledo

*Sojourner's Truth Staff*

A high-level delegation of South African educators and labor leaders arrived in Toledo last week to study the nationally recognized Toledo Plan (Intern Program) and other local initiatives as part of a four-city best-practices tour.

The delegation of nine included the general secretary of the Education Labour Relations Council (ELRC), Dhaya Govender, four leaders of national trade unions and four superintendents of provincial departments of education (South Africa has nine provinces in all).

The purpose of the trip, and several others like it to other places of the globe, are to seek solutions to the problems plaguing South African educational efforts.

"Despite large amounts of money invested, we don't seem to be creating a dream for our children," Govender told *The Truth* last week in between sessions with representatives of the Toledo Federation of Teachers.

"It's about results," said Govender. "And it's also about perceptions and about value."

The group heard presentations on the Toledo Plan, the Toledo Review and Alternative Compensation System (TRACS), the professionalization of teaching and school consultation programs, among others.

The South Africans have a goal of addressing several key areas of concern as they travel the globe looking at what others are doing in their efforts to achieve educational success, according to Govender. They are looking at issues such as school safety, recruitment and retention of teachers, academic achievement, performance

management and teacher professionalization.

Toledo's programs offered the delegation an opportunity to take a close look at this district's attempt to increase teacher professionalism, said Patricia Keefer, assistant director for the International Affairs Department of the American Federation of Teachers (AFT). The AFT has partnered with the ELRC on this tour of selected American districts although the cost has been borne entirely by the ELRC.

The other three districts were Chicago's Quest Center for Professional Develop-

ment, the ABC United School District in southern California and New York City.

South Africa currently has any number of challenges to educational attainment, chief among them are poverty and unemployment. Unemployment hovers around the 30 percent mark for the nation.

As a result of these twin issues, in the educational arena school officials need assistance in dealing with problems of drugs, gangs and safety, in particular. In addition, said Govender, the problem of teacher recruitment bedevils South African leaders. The country's pool of talented educators is constantly being poached by other English-speaking nations.

And even as the teaching ranks are being plundered, South Africa's population, especially the lower income

ranks, are increasing disproportionately due to immigration from less fortunate countries such as its neighbor Zimbabwe.

The difficulties that were spawned by apartheid have not been eradicated by any means, noted Govender. There is still a privileged white class and three other groups in a descending economic chain – colored, Indian sub-continent ethnics and black indigenous. Blacks, the poorest segment, make up the bulk – almost 80 percent – of the South African population.

That economic disparity is reflected in the educational attainment gaps among the disparate racial groups.

South African educators and labor leaders have also visited countries in South and Central America, as well as those in Europe and Asia, as part of this extensive fact-

finding mission.

The delegation on this trip to the United States included Govender; Matseliso E. Dipholo, vice president of the South African Democratic Teachers' Union (SADTU); Nomfundo N. Mkhulisi, vice president of SADTU; Henry Hendricks, executive director of the National Professional Teachers Organization; Eliam M. Biyela, executive director of the National Teachers' Union; John H. Jethia, president of the Cape Teachers' Professional Association; Reginald Lubisi, superintendent general of education of KwaZulu-Natal Province; Hubert M. Mwel, superintendent general of North-West Province; Zwoitwaho C. Nevhuthalu, superintendent general of Limpopo Province and Ron Swartz, superintendent of Western Cape.



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*By Phil Walton*

*Social Security Manager in Toledo, OH*

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## Reading Program Announces Book Drive

Artisha S. Lawson  
The Sojourner's Truth reporter

Let's read You & Me launched a book drive at Panera Bread on Saturday, July 12. Sponsors of the drive – the United Way of Greater Toledo, NBC24, Panera Bread, Lucas County Family Council and Garden Smiles – have joined together to bring "Bread & Books" which served as the official kick-off event for Toledo's Let's Read You & Me book drive.

"Today is the kick-off of the book drop. With the donated books we try to go where the parents are that have small kids," said Jan Moore, chief operating officer of United Way.

Saturday's event featured readings from The River's Mary Beth & Rick in the Morning personality Rick Woodell; NBC24's newest anchor David Custer; Let's Read You & Me program coordinator Sara Mattson and Toledo's Mayor Carlton Finkbeiner.

Mattson opened the event by reading the book *Bread, Bread, Bread*. She was followed by Finkbeiner who read *Reading Makes Me Feel Good*, and spoke to the kids about reading. "I know the importance of reading, keep reading guys."

The program also allowed families to drop off new and



gently used books and receive free samples of Panera's menu items.

One Toledo family of Allyson Graves and her two sons, ages three years and 11 months, practice reading as a family event. "I like for us to read together at night before they go to bed. This gives us time to talk about the books and take a break from video games. I started reading to each of them while they were still in my belly."

Toledoans are encouraged

to participate in this on-going program by dropping off books at any of the nine Panera Bread locations, and promote the importance of reading to the kids who receive the books. "Reading is important for getting kids ready to learn. Early literacy,

Panera, they will leave a gently used book for another kids," said Moore.

If you are interested in donating funds or volunteering, contact Sara Mattson at 419/254-4642.



learning words, and installing the love of learning is vital to education," said Mattson.

Books for children ages birth to five are the targets of this program. Those books are distributed through programs at local community centers, pre-schools and Head Start programs.

"Hopefully, when parents get their coffee and bagels from



## Owens Toledo-area Campus Hosts Rapid Registration Week, Aug. 4-9



Area residents, businesses and students interested in taking college classes or starting a new career this fall are invited to attend Rapid Registration Week at Owens Community College, Aug. 4-9. Fall Semester classes begin on Aug. 18.

For added convenience, the College will be open extra hours for Rapid Registration Week from 8 a.m. - 7 p.m., Monday-Thursday, Aug. 4-7.

Additionally, students may register from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 8, and from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 9. The Owens Toledo-area Campus is located on Oregon Road in Perrysburg Township.

Individuals attending Rapid Registration Week will have the opportunity to learn about Owens' many academic program offerings, receive academic advising, complete electronic financial aid, learn about deferred payment plans, and select their classes in a convenient and timely manner from the College's staff representatives.

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## Bonita Adams: Inspired to Expose The Truth Through Her Gospel Play ministry

By Fletcher Word  
Sojourner's Truth Editor



Bonita Adams, founder of Exposing Truth Ministries, has been writing gospel plays for about 16 years. Her most recent effort, *23rd Street*, was commissioned by the Clarence Smith Community Chorus and

produced this past June at the Maumee Indoor Theatre.

Her very first play, *EXPOSED*, has been produced every year for the last 14 years in local churches, The University of Toledo, the Valentine

Theatre, the Owens Community College Center for the Performing Arts and the Maumee Indoor Theatre.

In fact, admirers of Adams' work had the opportunity to see *EXPOSED* again this past

weekend at the Maumee Indoor (See play review on the following page.)

In between those works, Adams has written numerous other plays, such as *My Mother Prayer For Me*, *More than Conquerors* and *Putting Christ Back In Christmas*. She has written a book, puppet shows and Black History Month plays.

But as Adams tells it, she has not always considered herself to be an artist.

"When I was growing up, I belonged to St. Paul A.M.E. Zion and we would do different things, put on little skits," Adams recalls. "I had ideas but I did not consider myself to be a writer at that point in high school."

Sixteen years ago, however, Adams heard about a book entitled *A Divine Revelation of Hell* by Mary K. Baxter. "It got me thinking about the fact that people don't believe that hell is real," she says. Adams had been told about the book by her mother, and pastor, Rev. Shirley Sparks, of Walls Memorial Church. This would turn out to be Adams' own revelation. She did not read the book, but the title itself got her brain churning.

"I woke up one morning and started writing. The first half of the play took about six months to write," says Adams. The second half of the play was an entirely different experience. "Then I woke up one day and was inspired to write the second half in one day," she adds.

That play, *EXPOSED*, was

performed at UT two years later and Adams part-time career as a playwright, director and producer was launched. An audience member for that first production belonged to Mt. Pilgrim Church and asked Adams if it could be performed there.

That got the ball rolling for Adams. "Lots of people did that and eventually we kept doing the play over and over again."

In 2003, Adams and her ETM group decided to take the play to a new level with a performance at the Valentine Theatre. Music was added and the direction was turned over to a more experienced director, Sylvia Carter, who also directed Adams' latest play, *23rd Street*, for the Clarence Smith Community Choir.

Adams, a business/computer teacher with Springfield Local Schools, has had a great deal of assistance in her artistic endeavors, and not the least of that assistance has been provided by her husband James. James Adams has appeared in most of her plays receiving acclaim especially for his portrayal as Satan in *EXPOSED*.

Her mother, Sparks, has also been there along the way as have a number of veteran cast members such as Edward Lindsey and Steve Frazier. James and Bonita have two daughters – LaTosha and Tamika. Tamika, who recently earned her degree in theatre from UT, has been a help over the years as her mother learned to hone her directing skills.

What's next for Toledo's foremost gospel playwright?

A local writer/musician/songwriter saw the production of *23rd Street* and got Adams interested in a book titled *Passing By Samaria* by Sharon E. Foster. Adams has already completed the play based on the book and is waiting to hear from the author if ETM has permission to produce the work.

The book, written by an African-American deals with racial issues and "could help with conciliation," says Adams.

Adams would also like to take *EXPOSED*, and perhaps some of her other plays, on the road. She would love to make some contacts in other parts of the country and obtain financial backing for such plans.

She would also like to take her artistry into new directions by heightening the technology or becoming more innovative in other directions. She was particularly inspired by the recent Toledo appearance of *The Lion King* with its use of costumes and puppetry. And somewhere down the line, given Adams' interest in technology, Christian video games might be in her future.

Adams worked for Toledo Public Schools for a number of years as a secretary. She eventually returned to college and earned a bachelor's of education from UT in 1998 and became a teacher in the Springfield Local District shortly thereafter. She is currently working on her master's degree in educational technology.

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## The Enemy Gets "EXPOSED" in Bonita Adams' Religious Drama

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Sojourner's Truth Reporter

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I've seen Bonita Adams' scripturally-based religious drama with music, EXPOSED, three times now and I never grow tired of seeing the Devil going "to and fro", seeking whom he can destroy." The latest production, Saturday, July 19, 2008, was staged at the Maumee Indoor Theater and featured as the special guest artist, none other than Toledo's very own powerhouse gospel singer, Debra Brock, first lady of Mt. Nebo Baptist Church.

Brock was definitely the star of the show, but even her incredible vocals that scaled the ceiling of the theater and brought the audience to their collective feet could not upstage James Adams' "Satan."

Anyone who does not know this kind and gentle man would wonder why he plays the devil so well. He is so deliciously evil onstage, those who don't know much about theatre might wonder, "Is he really like that? How can Bonita be married to someone so cruel?"

Don't worry. It's just good acting. Mr. Adams plays a role that was written for him by Mrs. Adams and the two founders of ETM Productions (their theatre company) have pulled off a theatrical feat with EXPOSED.

Since I've reviewed the play previously, I won't repeat myself describing the devious plot, the multitude of characters (there must be at least 20, but most of them are demons!) and the fantastic dialog, which at times is hilariously funny and at other times poignant and sad, leaving you in tears.

I also won't repeat descriptions of the fine performances given by actors who've played these roles before nor will I comment on the performances of those who made their debut in this

performances by new characters, the most memorable of which was Laura Lawrence singing "I've Just Seen Jesus."

Lawrence brought the house down with her operatic trills that soared into the heavens. Speaking of Jesus, a crucifixion scene in the play, almost as brutal (if not as long) as the one in "The Passion of the Christ" had a chilling effect on everyone who saw the play in the afternoon.

People openly wept and praised their Savior for shed-

Several recordings of gospel female group, "The Difference" were played throughout, giving the play a professional quality on par with shows like Tyler Perry's.

The group's inimitable harmony on "The Blood" sent shivers down my spine and brought me to tears, along with many others in the audience during the crucifixion scene.

I kept wishing during long pauses while actors playing multiple roles changed costumes that someone would put on some more of "The Difference" recordings to fill the silences that seemed to stretch out longer and longer each time.

Or praise dancer extraordinaire Shanea Smith could have performed another of her beautifully choreographed routines. Dancers, Joshua Bey and Asia Wall who performed what I call the "Eden ballet" choreographed by Brandon



Wall (who also acted and sang in the play) were also excellent and I could have seen more of them.

Those long gaps could have also been filled by Brock leading the audience in more songs like the one we all thoroughly enjoyed singing in the second act, "In The Name of Jesus" (that might have been hard on her voice as the lead singer of the show, however). I'd have settled for the "demons" (Smith, Ty Brock Jr., Christian Lamar Dale, Bey, Nicole Marie Rice,

Sharon L. Henley, Asia Wall, JaJuan Turner, Mardest Crosby, Smith, Jordan Purley, Anthony, Caleb and Brandon Rice) doing a hip-hop routine like the one they did in "hell" when they celebrated all of the destruction and mayhem they had caused on earth.

Showing that religious folks aren't always somber and pious, Adams has written one of the funniest scenes I've seen in a play of this kind. There's none of the vulgarity and slapstick  
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latest version, which often lacked the familiarity with their characters and relaxed and natural delivery of lines possessed by the veterans.

The major differences in this production (aside from Brock's spectacular performance as the angel encountering five strangers, a character she made her own, giving a memorable performance that will, hopefully, be repeated) were the beautiful backdrops used for several scenes and several solo

ding his blood on their behalf. Brock's "Worthy" had a similar effect, pulling the adults at the 4:30 p.m. performance right up out of their chairs, clapping and raising their hands in praise.

Both Lawrence and Brock were overcome by the spirit and left the stage shouting, adding to the authenticity of their performances. However, it was the performance of a trio of singers who were not on stage that had me ready to dance in the spirit.

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## Two Toledo Area Youngsters Will be Invading Hollywood Soon

*Sojourner's Truth Staff*

Margaret O'Brien's Starbound NYC stopped in Toledo recently and took in a show. They got their money's worth.

This talent agency – the same one that discovered Toledo Katie Holmes and got her ticket to Hollywood punched – were at it again. This time, two lucky Toledo youngsters will be getting tickets to the West Coast.

Tyree Bell, a 17-year-old junior to be at Scott High School, and Nicole Herndon,

a nine-year-old third grader at McKinley, were performing in Positive Force's annual recital in June when they came under the scrutiny of the talent scouts from Starbound. As a result, both will be heading to Los Angeles in January 2009 for a round of auditions and interviews.

Tyree, whom The Truth profiled almost three years ago, has been dancing with Positive Force, under the guidance of founder and artistic director Sheila Gibson, since he was



eight years old.

"It feels like I'm on a cloud," he said in an interview in 2005 of what happens to him during a performance. "I feel very calm."

And as he told us then, he

plans to prolong his association with dance. "I want to become a versatile dancer and then a famous choreographer by studying all types of dance." Broadway was and

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## EXPOSED

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nonsense you usually see in those so-called "gospel" plays that regularly come through here on tour.

You can't help but laugh when a bunch of demons make fun of the gullibility of the human race and the ease with which they convince people to do wrong. As always, children stole the show. The Rice brothers and young Purley did as fine a job of posing as little imps as any child actors I've seen in any roles.

The laughs didn't stop there. Ty Brock, Jr., who also played Jesus and the angel Michael, was hilarious as a "puffed up" deacon praising himself more than God in a church service that erupted in disharmony when demons in the choir stand and pulpit planted seeds of doubt and derision among the congregation; and when a formerly loving family fell apart as a demon trainee was shown the ropes by an elder demon who schooled her in the art of creating disharmony among family members.

One of the more electrifying moments in the play occurred when Brandon Walls rebuked the demons after the rest of his family had left the house in despair and rage, refusing to succumb to addictions that he being reminded of by the demon-in-training and told God could not forgive him for.

However, the young man knew that his sins had been washed away by Jesus and that he no longer was possessed by the demons of drug addiction.

The show offered special effects staging in the battle between Lucifer and Michael that resulted in The Serpent being cast out of heaven with a third of the angelic host.

Also appearing in the production were Cynthia Drane-Valentine and Shaun Purley, both of whom sang; Edward Lindsey and Steve Frazier, both *EXPOSED* veterans, along with Rev. Shirley A. Sparks (Bonita Adams' mother and pastor of Walls Memorial Chapel AME Zion Church) and Joshua Fowler, making his debut in an ETM production, along with Crosby, Henley, Brandon and Asia Wall, Smith, the Rice brothers, young dancers Teja and Taniya Hunter and Diane Henricks and Debra Brock.

Amir Arrington was the sound engineer and Cecelia Ferguson was the sound technician. David James, Jr. played keyboards for some of the soloists.



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## 23rd Street: A Local Hit.



Debra Brock and 5

On Sunday, June 8, 2008, I sat in amazement at the Maumee Indoor Theatre and was pleasantly surprised and entertained by the local musical production of *23rd Street*.

Wow!

Where do I begin? Local playwright Bonita Adams has written outstanding plays in the past but *23rd Street* tops them all. Professional directing by Sylvia Carter, a great actor in her own right and masterful musical production by the maestro himself, Clarence R. Smith Jr., made *23rd Street* the most enjoyable play I have ever attended.

Mind you, I have traveled everywhere to see performances by highly trained and professional actors, and

paid top dollar to do so. However, *23rd Street* sits at the top of the list of my favorite plays.

This play featured Tymara Spears of Toledo, Ohio. Spears was the recent winner of the Marvin Winans "Survivor" gospel-singing contest that featured talent from across the United States.

Spears played the leading role of Ms. Vera, the pillar and wisdom of the *23rd Street* neighborhood. Spears (Ms. Vera) left the audience in awe with songs like "Thank you Jesus" and "Somewhere over the Rainbow."

Danielle Smith, who played Nancy, Ms. Vera's "quick witted, finger popin' and jive talkin'" best friend,

performed marvelously. Smith, who has performed on stage (and theatre) professionally, struck up several jaw-dropping upbeat selections.

Smith teamed up with Spears in a duet in the Whitney Houston song "Count on Me" and brought the house down.

The Clarence Smith Community Chorus and friends made up the phenomenal supporting cast providing numbers for every musical taste. R&B, jazz, classical, gospel, doo-wop, quartet, solos, drama, dances and a little bit of magic were all tossed in. Stupendous! From the church scene in the beginning to the block party in the end, the audience laughed, cried and triumphed with Ms. Vera and the *23rd Street* community.

Once again, just when we think we've seen the best of the Clarence Smith Community Chorus, another dazzling and memorable performance always appears. My hope is that *23rd Street* will grace Toledo with another visit and all of Toledo is present for this gift.

Steven Eaton



Josh Bey in Bush

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This gospel stage play is written, directed and produced by Barbara Jones-Wilson.

Darius Coleman, well-known gospel prodigy of Toledo will replace Nate Gurley in this performance. Darius will be featured with the Mass Choir of The Indiana Avenue Missionary Baptist Church, accompanied by Calvin Hughes.

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# Who Does the Best Lil Wayne?

By Michael Hayes  
Minister of Culture



*"Nothin' ... nothin'...  
you ain't scarrin' nothin'"*

Okay, just had to get that off my chest.

Lil Wayne has been credited with saving hip-hop.

He's been praised for moving a million plus in one week at a time when 90 percent of rap/hip-hop releases don't even see half that over the first two quarters of a release.

"Lollipop" was a global smash.

It was actually genius.

If you are the world's most improved rhyme spitter and also the world's most prolific guest rapper, when you finally do come out with a single of your own after spending three to

four years building a rep as a must have on a track — you betta come with a single that is full of shock and awe.

For Weezy F. Baby, melodyne on them vocals and no more rapping ... this rapper sing his way into a hit. So following up the brilliance of "Lollipop" in a way that just solidifies his genius is to once again flip the entire script.

If ya steez on one song is pretty, hyper-edited drum fill ins, layered synths and techno vocals, then why not take all that away and go for the most repetitive, damn-near redundant beat in the world that just slaps listeners with an ungodly amount of bass and force the world to follow your flow on a song that is nearly the polar opposite of "Lollipop?"

"A Milli" has taken on a cultural significance all its own.

Bangledesh is a monster, we all know this and I'm happy to see a still underrated producer get that smash he needed.

But "A Milli" has sparked more than just a few careers.

I have never seen so many un-official remixes in my life.

If you type "A Milli" into a youtube or imeem search engine you would think that half of the rappers with no buzz are single-handedly trying to create a lane for themselves by flipping this joint.

Lil Wayne must be the gift that keeps on giving because if the sincerest form of flattery is imitation, this "A Milli" joint must be something similar to the rap world's proverbial lips being planted squarely on Lil Wayne's proverbial ass.

And we all know dude is used to being kissed ... okay, cheap shot.

Hey, he'll never read this...come on!

But, I have a task for you all.

You all know how much I love democracy in these here pages, so let's have a little vote.

WHICH "A MILLI"

SPIN-OFF IS THE BEST?

1. "A Milli" remix by Jadakiss
2. "A Milli" remix by Fabolous
3. "A Milli" remix by Jay Z
4. "A Milli" remix by Chris Brown
5. "A Milli" remix by Corey Gunz
6. "A Milli" remix by Nayo
7. "A Milli" remix by Lil Mama
8. "A Milli" remixed by Mims & Tyga
9. "A Milli" remixed by Gillie da kid
10. "A Milli" remixed as Zodiac Drilla by none other than L.L. COOL J

yeah.

If you wanna know my favorite, just stop by my myspace page - it's on my comment wall.

[www.myspace.com/undergodzent](http://www.myspace.com/undergodzent) — I'm the first friend on that page.

Yeah, is hip-hop back people?

Are you happy to be a hip-hop head this year?

It's been rough lately. Only Lupe, Common and the Louis Vutton Don have been getting honorable mention in the last year or so.

But that new NAS. I gotta get my hands on it.

You'd think us music critics would get our music early...or for free or something right?

Naw, gotta hit up Target like every body else.

Don't have them connects to get mine straight out the gate.

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## Hotter Than July

7/25 - 7/27 A Weekend

To Remember

By Michael Hayes  
Minister of Culture

Toledo, you've got it a lot better than you give yourself credit for.

Three black-owned/operated FM radio stations (none of them owned by the big three).

That's a blessing right there.

Being so close to Detroit and Cleveland — another blessing.

Having people come to this city and actually want to become part of the entertainment scene here ... a triple blessing because most people hate this place so much it's refreshing to see anyone come here ready to make a difference.

And if you are one of those people going around like

"Toledo is boring, Toledo is too country, Toledo is wack, ain't nothing to do here."

Not only are you inaccurate but you are also probably one of those people who doesn't get out and do anything and all the stuff there is to do, you probably just refuse to attend so you can sit comfortably in your own self-righteous hatorade.

The job market, the climate for single people, lack of blah blah blah -

Trust me, I could play the "I hate Toledo" card just as well as anyone.

**I will just focus on getting you out of the house to do something that will hopefully provide you with a few less reasons to hate.**

But only seeing the bad is not reasonable or accurate.

So this is what I need you to do.

Realize that even though things could be much better, it's still a matter of perception and action.

I've spent years reminding you all of the qualities of life as a Toledoan.

Award winning local institutions, diverse this... top rated that.

I've done it until I'm blue in the face.

So now I won't beat you over the head with reasons to be proud.

I will just focus on getting you out of the house to do something that will hopefully provide with a few less reasons to hate.

Yeah, this is aimed at people in my generation but we are the ones who can really make this city go hard.

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As for me and my crew, we will be nearby to promote our event...but if you want to actually go and get down with this hit me on myspace and I can forward you to the people who can sign you up.

**JULY 26 Teens Promoting Peace - Hip Hop for Humanity @ Promenade Park**

From 9 a.m. until about 4 p.m. there will be a celebration of music, spoken word, dance and all ranges of talent by some of the city's finest artists between the ages of 12 and 19.

T. Rtist is a young male

singer/songwriter signed to my company U.G.E. and this will be his first chance to perform without his labelmates nearby so you can expect to see a few of us out there to support him. But there other young artists that need this exposure and it will surely be a memorable display of what your city has to offer.

(One thing tho...finding a couple of teen dancers is hard to do in the summer time - LOL)

**JULY 26 Hip Hop vs. Rap Featuring Onasis & S.S.T.R.E.S**

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Yeah, we devised this whole idea and put it together.

But I personally would attend this even if I wasn't behind it.

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**JULY 27**

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By Alvin Thomas  
*Real Estate Columnist*



To me, honestly, even today their names sound like some kinfolk from somewhere down South. Um, maybe those cousins that showed up at my last family reunion with mason jars of homemade moonshine and brown-stained teeth from a

Don't be embarrassed if, when you first heard the names FannieMae and FreddieMac, you pictured someone speaking with a pronounced Southern twang

But don't be fooled by their hack nicknames, FannieMac and FreddieMac—the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Mortgage Corporation, respectively—represent the very backbone of the housing industry in this country. For most people, this is where things get confusing. Are they government agencies or public-held corporations? Just think of them as business mutations—they are part federal government and part public business entities.

FannieMae was created first in 1938 by the government in order to expand the flow of mortgage funds in all communities, at all times, under all economic condi-

Basically, these two mammoth companies offer banks and mortgage brokers the ultimate OPM opportu-

are eventually sold to Fannie or Freddie, the mortgage lending guidelines they establish are followed industry wide. When your loan officer tells you what documentation he or she needs to approve your loan – such as pay stubs, tax forms, etc. – they are probably following the mandate of Freddie or Fannie.

Briefly, this is their

However, keep in mind, being a sort of custodian for other people's money is like babysitting someone's kid. It's not a responsibility to be taken lightly. If a bank shows a lack of diligence in following the guidelines set by Fannie and Freddie, it will lose the rights to sell loans to them, and it could face other severe conse-

# MORTGAGE INDUSTRY



nity. That is, they allow continuous access to "other people's money." In a Robin Hood-like fashion, they take money from the rich (investors) and redistribute it to the needed (homebuyers). The amount that banks have available to loan to homebuyers from their own assets is finite, but Fannie and Freddie have an infinite source of funds thanks to the government backing of the securities they sell, which are actually bundles of the mortgages they buy.

Fannie and Freddie only operate in the backroom of the mortgage industry, commonly referred to as the secondary market by real estate professionals. That means you can't call either of them directly and apply for a loan yourself. Nevertheless, if you receive a mortgage loan today, Freddie or Fannie will more than likely have an influence on your transaction from the beginning.

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Can you imagine if you were able to loan someone else's money out and receive a portion of the interest and fees charged for it ... only in America.

quences. We are talking about the federal government.

If you think it's hard to get a mortgage loan now, imagine how difficult it would be to get a mortgage loan in today's crumbling housing market if banks were only able to loan their own money and could not recapture their funds by selling the loan. Things would get awfully tight.

Yes sir, we should all be as thankful as a hog in slop that good old Uncle Sam brought cousins Fannie and Freddie to the mortgage industry's family reunion and stands behind them to help keep the mortgage party going.

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EQUAL OPPORTUNITY LENDER

## July

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### Celebrity Bash At The Bay @ Maumee Bay State Park

It's no secret ya boy Hutch Daddy Deezaaayy is the man on the airwaves, and it's no secret

that my roster of artists... no matter what we

do, we always will support this dude.

U.G.E. will be there whether this dude throws a Car Show, a Beach Party or a Bingo Tournament.

When he was first devising this during his first year here, he said "Mercury, people around here

just don't get the potential ... y'all are right on Lake Erie... we can make this a destination for the whole region!"

He was serious. Now this year you will have Yung Joc, Teairra Mari (ohh boy!), Crucial Conflict, Hot Stylez,

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R&B crooner Tracy (shouts), and, of course... Aye Dee, Darron Scott and Onasis of U.G.E.

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I've given you options, so I hope to see you out and about.

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## Toledo Youngsters Invade Hollywood

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still is Tyree's goal, he told us just recently.

In fact, he would like to attend college in New York City so he can be close to the dance and entertainment scene.

First, however, a quick side trip to the other coast.

Tyree will be leaving in Janu-

ary on an all-expense paid trip to Los Angeles to audition for situation comedies, modeling ads and dance shows. In the meantime, talent coaches with Starbound will be working with the youth on developing his all-around talents – acting and singing, for example.

For Tyree, who was introduced to dancing by an older sister, this discovery is the culmination of many years of work and the expectation that his talent would eventually be unveiled.

For Nicole Herndon, however, such a discovery was as unexpected as it was unlikely, says her mother Jan Herndon.

Nicole, says her mother, was born prematurely and had a learning disability. She did not



Nicole Herndon



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