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Hype, Hate and False Hope: "The Decision"

By Rev. Donald L. Perryman, D.Min.
Guest Column



At the bottom of education, at the bottom of politics, even at the bottom of religion, there must be for our race economic independence. – Booker T. Washington

Coward, traitor, fake and incompetent child were some of the names and images attributed to the character and person of LeBron James in the fallout of his free agent power move to the Miami Heat from the Cleveland Cavaliers.

This demonization and infantilization of the NBA's Most Valuable Player along with a "Color Purple Curse" predicting James' future failure came primarily from Cavs' owner Dan Gilbert whose private wealth will likely suffer a catastrophic hit from LeBron's decision to abandon the intimate relationship with his home town for sunnier climes.

It is not the first time that black athletes, acting in their own self-interest, have gone from hero to "the n___ you love to hate" and been portrayed as selfish, disrespectful and uppity. In fact, there has been a historic struggle, dating back to slavery, between black athletes fighting to own their own labor and meeting a new dilemma at every breakthrough.

James' exodus from Cleveland to the "Promised Land" of Miami raised eyebrows because James was able to do what Gilbert could not do – put together a balanced team with the potential to succeed in winning a championship.

NBA Commissioner David Stern, while offering congratulations to LeBron criticized the "made-for-TV" ESPN announcement of James' long-awaited decision which attracted 10 million viewers. Stern also rebuked Rev. Jesse Jackson who had labeled Gilbert's comments as being "spoken as an owner of LeBron and not the owner of the Cleveland Cavaliers," accusing Gilbert of portraying the star as a "runaway slave."

There are several issues that rise from beneath the surface in James' excessively-publicized selection of his new home and center of professional operations.

First of all, it is ironic that Stern would criticize James for hyping the announcement when the NBA, itself an overly-commercialized and strict controller of its apolitical, non-racial image, is persistent in getting its players to appear in countless commercials and billboards throughout the globe to hawk athletic shoes and apparel, cell phones and even the game itself.

Indeed, marketing has become critical in this context where black players are the "primary social actors performing before a mainly white audience." While "blackness is the norm" on the court, 57 percent of the league's \$3 billion annual revenue is generated from ticket sales, luxury suites, concessions and non-NBA events purchased by a largely white fan base (Forbes, 2004).

Also, by engineering a package deal to include fellow superstars Dwayne Wade and Chris Bosh in joining him on the Miami Heat roster, James threatened to upset the current white-dominated ownership and management structure by shifting power from owners to elite black players who evidently feel that they are more capable than most current NBA ownership in assembling a championship team.

Elite black NBA players for years have exhibited the power to have head coaches fired but the collaboration of James, Wade and Bosh as a team of free agents provides them with unprecedented control, creating a shift in the labor/ownership relationship.

But before one concludes that the "black dilemma of wealth without control" has been solved and will result in a new triumph in the struggle for power in sports, one must not forget that even in an era of multimillion dollar salaries that slavery—as Rev. Jackson describes black sports participation, "remains the model for the power relationship between athletes and their owners (Rhoden, 2006)."

With the current collective bargaining agreement set to expire at the end of the 2010-11 season, look for a "manipulative" NBA to change the rules and revise the free-agent system in order to regain management's lost control.

However, the hype of the James "decision" goes beyond the hate of a professional sports franchise owner that has been kicked to the curb and a scorned city dependent upon an African-American athlete to fill their economic coffers.

The saddest fallout from the continuing "sensationalism of professional sports and the aggrandizement of professional athletes in the United States" is the resulting narcotic effect on black youth who are disproportionately seduced into "unrealistic expectations about their chances of signing a professional sports contract."

A mere 50 of 500,000 high school basketball players in the United States will make it to the pros, representing odds of 10,000 to one. Yet professional athletes continue to serve as role models to black youth more than other adults. These values, aspirations and false hopes are shaped primarily by a mass media which gives the impression that opportunity is more likely to exist in playing professional sports (but not as managers, coaches or front office personnel) than other professions. Too many, especially black males, are buying into the hype of the black sports hero and betting against the odds in order to achieve social and

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Community Calendar

June 21-August 20

Feed the Children Program: Majestic Praise Ministries; Free lunch – Monday through Friday; 11 am to 1:30 pm

June 22-August 5

Nu-Vizion Summer Kids Program: Tues, Wed and Thurs; 11 am to 2 pm; Fourth to eighth graders; Games, crafts, music, bible lessons, free lunch: 419-241-9358

July 12-16

City of Zion Ministries Bible Boot Camp: 6 pm nightly; Age appropriate instruction for everyone: 419-246-1850

July 16-17

Labourers for Christ Ministries: "Wilt Thou Be Made Whole;" 8:30 am; Free two-day conference of leadership training, wordshops, 7-Wonders ministry, evening worship services: 567-868-8921

July 17

Pilgrim Church: Motorcycle run & BBQ chicken dinner; Noon for the run; 2 pm for dinner: 419-478-6012

July 18

Friends and Family Day: Phillips Temple Church; Guest speaker Rev. Timothy William of Mt. Zion; 11 am

New Prospect Baptist Church Family and Friends Day: 4 pm; Guest speaker Rec. Torrance Oliphant of Greater St. Mary's

July 19-22

UT Campus Exposure Week: Presented by the Mentoring Collaborative and University of Toledo; 10 am to 4 pm daily; Monday for 1st to 5th graders; Tuesday for 6th to 8th graders; Wednesday for 9th to 12th graders; Thursday open for all: 419-381-3280 or sdoles@utoledo.edu

July 20

Start High School Black Alumni Reunion Planning Meeting: WJUC – The Juice 107.3

July 22

Small Business Seminar: Hosted by Sen. Sherrod Brown; UT Scott Park Auditorium; 3 to 5 pm; Health reform law, HIRE Act, loan programs through SBA, export assistance, selling to the federal government: 216-522-7272 or Brown_RSVP@brown.senate.gov

July 24-25

Calvary Baptist Church Annual women's Day Celebration: "Christian Women Striving to Be Holy, in an Unholy World;" Saturday luncheon at 11 am with Evang. Margaret Parker; Sunday Morning Service at 10:45 am with Rev. April Hearn; Sunday Afternoon Service at 4 pm – "The Challenge of the Cross:" 419-242-9173

August 7

Local 12 Women's Committee Garage/Flea Market Day: Local 12 Office; 10 am to 4 pm; Activities for kids as well

Word of Faith Ministries Annual Tent Crusade: 10 am to 9 pm; Food, activities for children, entertainment for all; Min Daryl Winters of Life changers Inter Ministries, Pastor Kevin Sutton

August 14

The Josh Project Save a Life: "Learn 2 Swim;" 4th annual summer fundraiser; 640 Indiana Avenue; Noon to 5 pm: 419-973-1383

August 20-21

Scott HS Class of 1965 45th Reunion: Ramada Inn Secor: 419-535-1226, 419-266-0330, 419-535-1925, 419-535-9567, 419-350-4080

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Boy Wonder Gone...Massa Mad!

By Lafe Tolliver, Esq Guest Column



land believes that LeBron is the second coming of Christ and that their economic fortunes are based upon a young kid who can deftly dribble a rubber ball and do a reverse dunk, that city is already in decline, morally and otherwise.

The mouth-foaming outrage that people display when their heroes, who have feet of clay, disappoint them is both regrettable and sad.

Sports has taken over too much of our psychic well being and we have left our commonsensical values when we collectively place our trust and hope in an athlete or a movie star or a politician (yes, that includes the big "B.O.") whom we believe can save us from ourselves or give us a respite from a hum drum life.

LeBron and Tiger, et. al., did not sign on to be our collective/societal saviors. That is a role we ceremoniously thrust upon them since we felt either inadequate or we wanted to live out our lives in the shadow of their exploits.

When they fail, we respond with anger and irrational statements of betrayal and utter dire prophecies of doom to them for their "disobedience" (the words of the Cavaliers owner) to our vision of what they should be like and how they should behave.

Now Cleveland, is talking about this bad "karma" or "curse" that now has befallen their city as if somehow if LeBron would have stayed, Cleveland would have arisen from the ashes of despair of a poor image and would have been seen as a "hip city" to be a part of.

How tragic and pathetic that we grope and grovel after athletes and others to save us from ourselves.

We consume and dispense inordinate amounts of energy and time and money chasing artificially-created Herculean images who are to do our bidding and when they

and putting bodies in the pews at Quicken Arena.

But, when the cash cow starts mooing and it isn't in your direction, you want to send him to the slaughter-

house for chopped beef and chuck steak.

LeBron did not owe the owner of the Cavaliers or the fans of Cleveland anything other than to do his best and

to entertain them. That he did for seven years.

Now, he is scorned and cursed because he wanted to exercise his options as a free agent and try to win a NBA

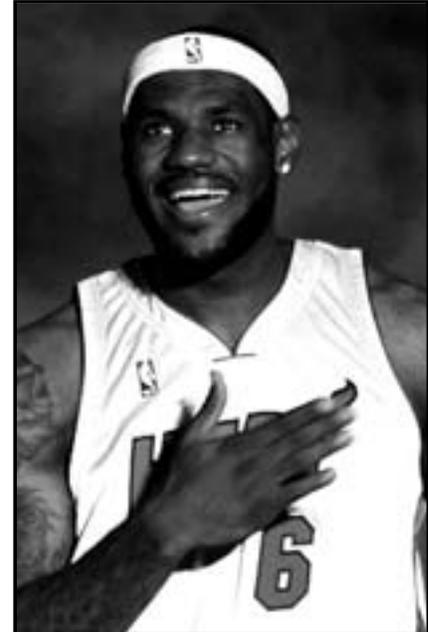
championship. And for that he is treated like road kill?

We are a fickle nation.

Contact Lafe Tolliver at tolliver@juno.com



Cleveland owner Dan Gilbert



Is it just me or is there anyone else who is tired of the crybabies in Cleveland and the sports nation that believe that LeBron James was morally handcuffed to the Cleveland Cavaliers for the rest of his baller life?

Come on, people. The man is a free agent and that means he can choose wheresoever he wants to throw talcum powder dust up into the air before he starts a game.

The owner of the Cavaliers is crying into his beer because his meal ticket is gone. The good ol' slave has left the plantation and massa is not happy with Ol' Tom gettin' an education and leaving him high and dry with just his two coonhounds and a barn full of sorghum.

Naw...LeBron woke up from a nap and saw dat dere is life beyond Cleveland and he wanted to win a championship with his "buds" and not spend more time in Cleveland.

If Cleveland is dependent upon this sports god for their self-image and prestige...shame on them.

America worships celebrities and sports gods to their detriment and our national demise.

When the Tiger fell from grace and when our celluloid film stars start to burst apart at the seams (Mel Gibson, anyone?), we get mad and want our gods to stay intact so as to cover our iniquities and our bruises and damaged egos.

When a city such as Cleve-

do not act in a certain way or think for themselves, we destroy them with great relish.

It was only a mere week ago that people simply loved LeBron. But when he made his decision, he was an instant pariah and people even set bon fires to burn his jerseys and to remove all evidence that LeBron was even a Cavalier!

They only loved him for what LeBron could do for them and their self-centered image and not for he simply being LeBron. He had to be the archetypal superhero and cure their ills and woes or if not, as the owner of the Cavaliers indicated, he betrayed us as a coward.

Such coarse words from a man who only loved LeBron when LeBron's persona was ringing up his cash register



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I LOVE MY ZOO

"The Decision"

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economic mobility.

While the romanticized media interest, enormous salaries and glamorous lifestyles of successful athletes appears to be attractive, the careers of those lucky enough to play professionally lasts less than four years. More than 80 percent of African-American professional athletes are financially bankrupt within five years after retirement (Lide, 1984).

Yet the greater but least recognized insight emerging from "The Decision" is the lesson of economic independence. As we strive to educate our youth we need to include teaching concerning what is/is not important, what is worthwhile as a profession, and who are the right role models for their lives.

Doctor, lawyer, pharmacist, journalist, engineer, software writer, preacher, teacher and many other noble occupations and worthy professions, though without sensationalized media representations, present viable opportunities to make a living and support a family.

In extremely rare occasions, athletics can provide a ticket out of poverty to financial success. A far better and more fruitful strategy is to channel our youth into academics. The odds improve drastically and prosperity becomes much more attainable.

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The 6th Annual African American Festival

by Christine Senack – Girl in the Glass City

Special to The Truth

Crowds gathered for Toledo's African American Festival, now in its sixth year. Each year the festival continues to grow from and attendance of 500 or so the first year to perhaps as many as 25,000 this year – although exact numbers won't be known for several days.

And in spite of a torrential downpour on Sunday evening that brought a pause to the entertainment, the show eventually went on and an audience of thousands remained for the final act, the



Ramona Collins



Charles (Chuck) Welch introduces Ramona Collins

Notice to Bidders: Inquiry # FY11-013,

(Project # 1130-10-654) for Campus Infrastructure Improvements (HSC Central Steam Plant) for the University of Toledo Health Science Campus. Sealed bids for this project must be clearly marked with the project number on all inner and outer envelopes and/or shipping containers. Bids must be addressed and delivered to the University of Toledo, Main Campus, Facilities and Construction, Plant Operations Room 1100, 2925 E. Rocket Drive, MS 216, Toledo, Ohio 43606 before 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 4, 2010 Bids will be publicly opened that same day at 3:05 p.m. in the Plant Operations Building, Room 1000. Copies of Plans, Specifications, and Bid Forms may be obtained from Becker Impressions, 4646 Angola Road, Toledo, Ohio 43615. Call 419-385-5303 for an appointment to pick up bid package. A cost of \$90.00 will be charged per set. Any further information may be obtained from Bob Tæuber, Project Manager, of Fosdick & Hilmer, Inc. at 513-241-5640. One Pre-Bid Conference will be held on Wednesday, July 28, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. in The Health Education Building, Room 103, at the University of Toledo, Health Science Campus, 3000 Arlington Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43614. Total Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond are required per section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. EDGE Participation Goal: 5%. Project Estimate: \$2,998,000.00; Breakdown: General Const: \$350,000.00; Plumbing: \$151,000.00; Fire Protection: \$21,000.00; Mechanical: \$1,704,000.00; & Electrical: \$772,000.00.

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Rance Allen Group.

"They would not leave," remarked an astonished Suzette Cowell, organizer of the Festival and CEO of the Toledo Urban Federal Credit Union.

The festival invites families to come out and celebrate African-American culture with the community. The day-time festival features regular concession and soul food, a variety of music ranging from gospel to Motown, a health fair, business vendors and free rides for the children. The evening headliner concerts on Saturday and Sunday nights start early enough to be enjoyed by all ages. The

headliners were the Detroit group, The Dramatics, on Saturday night and Toledo's own, Rance Allen Group, who closed the festival on Sunday night with gospel music that had toes tapping and hands clapping.

Beyond the variety of music, food and information at the festival, one of the aspects of the event that makes it family friendly is the price. Festival admission this year was \$8 for adults and \$5 for children, teens and seniors. Compared to some other festivals in town, the African American Festival is exceptionally reasonably priced for

families, particularly in view of the high-profile entertainment.

One of the companies that assures the festival is exciting and affordable is State Farm. The insurance company underwrote the cost of the midway rides again this year. The midway offered safe, exciting rides and games for young children with sounds, lights and included the thrill of a child-sized Ferris Wheel. State Farm makes what might seem impossible happen. Their sponsorship allows children to ride for free during the entire two-day festival.



The Dramatics

"State Farm works really hard to give back to the community," said Blake Zitko, public affairs specialist with State Farm. "One of our company goals is to focus on diversity and inclusion with our agents, our clients and our communities. We were pleased to sponsor the kiddie midway for the African American Festival again this year. It is great to give the kids a fun weekend enjoying rides and entertainment and even better to make the rides free."

The kiddie rides are just one way that the African American Festival goes beyond the predictable arts and crafts activities one usually finds in a children's area. The Toledo Zoo sponsored a booth where the ZooTeens encouraged children of all ages to learn more about animals and interact with live zoo animals.

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The 6th Annual African American Festival

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Suzette Cowell

Festival entertainment is perhaps the true highlight of the event. A concert soundstage is located at the foot of a grassy knoll and people stake out seats early in the day with blankets, lawn chairs (many of them appointed with shade umbrellas). By the evening headlining performance the lawn is covered with thousands of people enjoying great food from festival vendors, good music and the company of family and friends.

Saturday's events kicked off with a morning parade through the streets of Toledo and also included the United Missionary Baptist Church, Katrina Barnhill, Lady K and the KGB, Ramona Collins, Curtis Jr. & the Midnight Rockers and concluded with the Stax recording group, The Dramatics.

Sunday's line up included

performances by Darius Coleman, Nate Gurley & Friends, the New Spiritualaires, the Skip Turner Band, Myrna Allen Austin and the Rance Allen Group.

The Festival is hosted by the University of Toledo's

Scott Park Campus of Energy and Innovation. Since moving the festival there in 2008, the attendance has increased significantly.

The University's lawn allows plenty of space for the festival next to a lake with trees and provides abundant parking.

"The community really loves having this family event on the UT campus. It's a central location and a great setting for the African-American Festival," said Cowell. "We are so excited to have a strong partner in UT."



Oprah Winfrey Talk Show Search "Vote for Dana Slay"



Hello, Toledo, my name is Dana Slay. For those of you who know me, know that I was born and raised here and graduated from Scott High School. Currently, I work for the Toledo Police Department - so some of you may know me as Officer Slay.

If you are a mother, father, uncle or aunt, if you are a business owner or just a resident of the community, then you know **OUR YOUTH ARE UNDER ATTACK** and I don't mean by the police. If we don't rally together to save our children then who will? As you all know, they're **KILLING EACH OTHER, DROPPING OUT OF SCHOOL AND COMMITTING CRIMES THAT WILL SEND THEM TO PRISON.** Now, with that being said, I want you to know that I'm doing my part but I can't do it alone. Toledo, I need your help.

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Deborah Barnett and Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur

Parade Through Central City Jump Starts African American Festival

By Brittany Jones
Sojourner's Truth Reporter

The parking lots of Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church at 1401 Hoag Street, were in full swing by 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 10.

Horses, sleek Corvettes, dance and drum teams, politicians and more filled the area – all this for the kick-off parade for the traditional African American Festival for the weekend.

In its sixth year, the parade took a route that encompassed most of Dorr Street and Indiana Avenue. It began on Dorr continued onto the street of City Park made a right turn onto Indiana and ended at Detroit Avenue at the park.

With roads blocked off and a police escort leading the way, the march to Detroit was a sight for the neighborhood residents to experience – especially the children because they enjoyed the free candy being thrown from the parade line.

It was a “who’s who” and a “what’s what” of those participating in the parade.



The radio stations of 97.3 FM/ 95.7 FM and 107.3 FM were involved and adding to the musical atmosphere were J.J. Express Dance and Drum team, The Toledo Hustlers and the Glass City Bouncers.

Organizations such as the Mecca Temple Number 43, The Competition Corvette Club, the Toledo Horsemen Club and the winners of the 2010 Cotillion also joined the parade ranks. An extra treat was three tiny red cars that members of the Temple drove for the occasion.

Councilwoman Wilma

Brown, Judge Keila Cosme, Ohio Treasurer Kevin Boyce, Lucas County Auditor Anita Lopez and others were some of the political leaders who made an appearance that morning.

After the parade, the day was free for games, food, activities, rides and many musical performances. There were also free health screenings from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The University of Toledo's Scott Park Campus for Energy and Innovation hosted the two-day event for the third consecutive year.



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Summer Reading ... and Fun at the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library

By Rhonda B. Sewell, Library Media Relations Coordinator

It's hot outside, the children are telling you they have nothing to do, and big spending is a luxury these days. So why not gather up the entire family and venture to your nearest Toledo-Lucas County Public Library branch?

There's so much for young people to do at the Library during the summer, and best of all, everything's FREE!

Admit it, how many of you haven't been to your neighborhood Library branch in years? And, what about the youngsters in your household – are they reading books this summer, and spending time at the Library? Reading and spending time at the numerous FREE programs at your Library should be a part of every childhood!

To help you walk through

the doors of your nearest Toledo-Lucas County Public Library branch, here are a few helpful programs and hints to share. Stay involved, and become an active Library patron. If you don't have a Library card, sign up for one today – it's FREE! Your children will benefit from this rich experience. We hope to see you and your youngsters soon!

• 2010 Summer Reading Clubs – Have you, your youngster, or teen signed up for Summer Reading Club yet? Well, it's not too late! Ask any librarian how to join. Visit your nearest branch location and sign up for FREE! Summer Reading Club promotes reading during the summer months and there's a club for every age group. You can win great prizes too! (i.e.



Emely Ortiz and Brandon Jackson, both of Toledo, at the Reynolds Corners Branch Library after signing up for the teen 2010 Summer Reading Club, "Make Waves @ Your Library!" There's still time to sign up. Ask a librarian how!

Amazon Kindle, Wii gaming system, and more!) All you

have to do is enter, and keep track of the time you spend reading books! For more information: 419.259.5207.

• Make a Splash Summer Reading programs, sponsored by Directions Credit Union – Through a generous contribution from Directions Credit Union®, the Library has hosted **Richard Paul**, aka the "Funny Puppet Guy"; **Ming the Magnificent's** ancient Chinese performances; **Gordon Russ the Magician**, and **Tom Seley's** lively music concert of kooky lyrics to tickle your funny bone throughout the summer. Ongoing programs are scheduled in July and August! Don't miss this FREE fun! Recommended for ages preschool through fifth-grade. Log on today to toledolibrary.org to see

times, dates, and program locations. For more information: 419.259.5207.

• Teens and the Library – With the occasional negative spotlight on teens, it's so encouraging when there's good news to report! The Toledo-Lucas County Public Library's 2010 Summer Reading Clubs (SRC), which encourages reading during the summer months for all age groups, is already reporting an increase in its teen participation. Tell your teen to sign up for SRC, and also check out the Library's Downloadable Media page on toledolibrary.org – here, Library cardholders can download a wide selection of eBooks, eAudio and eVideos for FREE! You can't beat this deal. Also, has your teen

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Law and Leadership Institute Reaches Out to Urban Students

By Fletcher Word
Sojourner's Truth Editor

"I want to make my dreams come true," said Jillian Highsmith, a rising ninth grader at the Toledo School for the Arts. In order to enhance her chances of making those dreams come true, Highsmith is participating in a program for high school students titled Law and Leadership Institute, LLC (LLI).

LLI is a collaborative program funded in part



by the Ohio State Bar Foundation and involves all of Ohio's nine law schools as well as the State Bar Association, the Ohio Supreme Court and the Ohio Center for Law-Related Education.

The LLI's summer program is now being offered in Ohio's six largest cities—Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati, Toledo, Dayton and Akron—with a special emphasis on

Toledo LLI and a professor of Legal Writing at The University of Toledo College of Law.

LLI, a four-year college preparatory program that starts with instruction in criminal law and court procedures, is intended as a vehicle to help students gain critical academic skills in studying and test-taking. The program focuses on developing students' ability to

more in their second year of the program and 27 soon-to-be ninth graders such as Highsmith. LLI's staff contacts area guidance counselors for assistance in recruiting students into the program.

The students undergo four rigorous weeks during the summer and then commit to spending 12 weekends a year during the school year during their first year.

As students advance through the program, they will experience law-related seminars and filed trips, a four-day paid summer internship, and participation in a law debate program while paired with an attorney or law student.

Last week, the students had the opportunity to tour the offices of Cooper & Walinski, LLP. Parriss Coleman, one of



reaching out to minority students.

"We are looking to improve diversity in the legal profession and looking at under-served communities—that is our mission," said Marilyn Preston, director of the

write and express themselves, thereby building self-confidence, positive peer group relations and excitement about a professional career.

The Toledo LLI began last summer and there are currently 24 rising sopho-

the firm's partners, has been involved with the program over the last several years. Coleman took the group on the tour and another partner, Gerald Kowalski, gave a short presentation on what his
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Church's Chicken

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Law and Leadership

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firm does, pointing out the choices that law students have in choosing a career path within the legal profession.

"We are litigators," explained Kowalski, a Woodward High School graduate who put himself through UT's College of Law by taking night courses and working full-time during his days. Kowalski pointed out that he came from a family

that had not had college students before his generation.

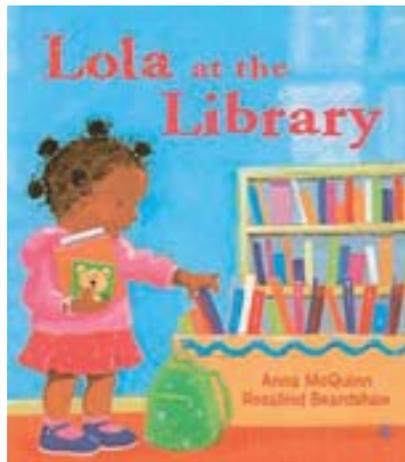
"We are lawyers who handle lawsuits and work in courts," he said of Cooper & Walinski. "If you have a dream to be a lawyer, you can do it. Nothing should stop you, dream big and follow that dream."

That advice was very much in keeping with what Jillian Highsmith has

been pondering for so much of her short life. Born to argue, she wants to do exactly what Kowalski is doing – work in courts as a litigator. She wants to handle criminal cases.

"I want to be the one to strike fear into the hearts of people," she said.

The Library's Reading Selection of the Month – JULY, 2010



Do you have an infant, toddler, or preschooler? Then, the Library recommends *Lola at the Library* by Anna McQuinn and Rosalind Beardshaw (illustrator) as a great book to read to them.

We especially love this book because it's about establishing a relationship with the Library and reading to your children at a very early age! The Library's 2010 Summer Reading Club also encourages preschoolers to sign up and enter, and have an adult read to them. It's also important to read to your infant to help develop strong language skills.

So here's what we've

heard about *Lola at the Library*:

Lola loves Tuesdays because that is the day she and her mother go to the library. Everything about the trip is an exciting adventure – from packing her backpack with books and her all-important library card, to storytimes and singing, to choosing new books and the walk home, when they always stop for a special treat.

But the best time of all is when Mommy reads her a story at bedtime.

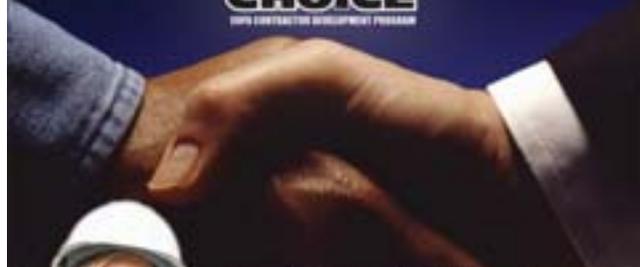
Simple text and large, bright acrylic illustrations of this engaging African-American child make this selection just right for sharing. Perfect for instilling a love of libraries and books in the youngest patrons, it's a winner.

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Book Review

Poop Happened! by Sarah Albee

c.2010, Walker Books \$15.99 / \$20.00 Canada 170 pages, includes index

By Terri Schlichenmeyer
The Truth Contributor

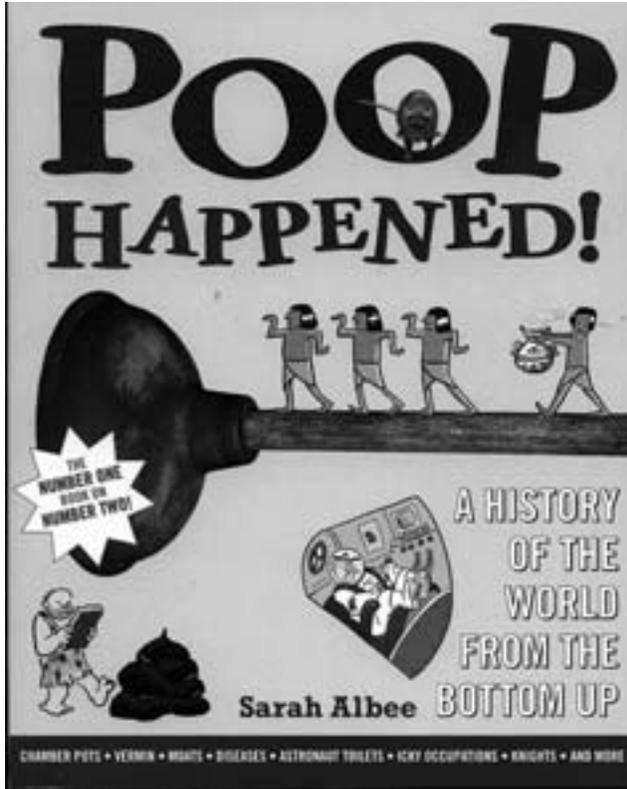
School hasn't been out for long and already, you're running out of things to do.

On the last day of classes, you had a list in your head of fun ideas but – and don't let Mom hear you say this – you're bored by now. You're so bored, you've been paging through Dad's old history books.

And while looking through those books, you begin to wonder what life was really like long ago. Those guys wearing heavy armor, for instance – how did they go to the bathroom? If people didn't have bathrooms, what did they do with their doo-doo? Learn the answer to that, and other yucky questions in the new book *Poop Happened!* by Sarah Albee.

Humans have eliminated since the beginning of time, of course, but they didn't write about it until kind of recently. We know that the Harrapans built the first sewer systems 5,000 years ago in Pakistan. Ancient Romans had large open restrooms where merchants could conduct business while they were takin' care of business. Medieval servants tossed potty contents out the window to the ground or into a moat. In Henry VIII's time, waste went straight into a river.

And that was a big, messy problem. Because most



people didn't care much about where their waste went, it usually went into water sources, which became con-

taminated. People drank, washed and bathed in the icky water, which made them sick – sometimes to death. To make matters worse, disease-carrying bugs loved people who were smelly and unhygienic.

People tried everything: just 300 years ago, if you needed work and your nose wasn't good, you could be a night-soil man whose job was to clean cesspools every night. Everyday furniture with hidden trap doors became popular. But over time, humans learned and by 1776, inventors were going with the right flow.

Still, things weren't perfect. For decades, water closets (early toilets) were mostly found in upper-class homes, while poor folks continued to use rivers and pits as potties.

The White House has only had running water for about 150 years. Even your grandma might have used an outhouse as a kid, since just half of U.S. houses had indoor plumbing in the 1930's.

Ain't that the pits? Does your child have a number-one interest in the history of going Number Two? Then *Poop Happened!* will satisfy his inquisitive mind in three different ways.

Without descending into coy, cutesy language, author Sarah Albee presents delightfully icky information to her audience in a way that will make them laugh as they learn, but that won't shock adults who read it.

And read it you will, because Albee's childlike interest in little-known (but inter-

esting) history is contagious for both you and your child. Add in a heavy dose of the Eeeeeuuuw Factor, and you know this is a book that curious kids (and adults) will love. If your nine-to-14-year-

old wants something unusual to read this summer, *Poop Happened!* just happens to be a good choice. Anything less would be flushing his summer away.

2010 Arts Gone Wild Returns July 16–Aug. 15 Toledo Museum of Art Hosts Exhibition, Performances

Special to The Truth

Arts Gone Wild, the annual summer event sponsored by 15 Toledo area arts and cultural organizations, comes to the Toledo Museum of Art this summer with a new twist. Instead of a two-day festival, the Museum is hosting a month-long exhibition of objects and materials from the participating organizations.

The Arts Gone Wild exhibition opens in the Community Gallery with a special *It's Friday* celebration on July 16. The exhibit continues through Aug. 15.

The unique exhibition is not a typical fine art exhibition but instead will feature multi-media "vignettes" representing the work of each organization. Displays may include video clips of performances, theatre costumes, musical scores, books, photographs or original artwork.

In addition, participating groups have been invited to present a performance piece at the Museum during the run of the exhibition.

From 1 to 8 p.m. on Friday (July 16) in Libbey Court, Nancy Lewis, a Native American interpreter for Sauder Village, will invite visitors to learn about Northwest Ohio in 1803. She will be weaving a traditional native bag and visitors will be able to make cordage bracelets. In addition, Chereen Thompson will demonstrate spinning. Visitors will be able to touch different types of fibers as well as try their hands at carding wool, drop spindles and spinning on a wheel.

Urban Jazz Collective will perform from 7–8 p.m. that day in the Great Gallery. The talented students from the Toledo School for the Arts have performed in various venues in the Toledo area including Murphys and Manhattan's.

Later, from 8–9 p.m. in the Great Gallery, the Toledo Ballet will present *Aquarius*, from the musical *Hair*, and *Flow*, a contemporary piece. The music for *Flow* is a song titled "Ketto" by Bonobo.

Admission is free to the Museum and to all of the Arts Gone Wild activities.

Arts Gone Wild is an evolving series of events sponsored by a coalition of arts and cultural organizations including the Arts Commission of Greater Toledo, Imagination Station, Sauder Village, Toledo Ballet, Toledo Botanical Gardens, Toledo-Lucas County Library (Main), Metroparks of the Toledo Area, Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo Opera, Toledo Symphony, Toledo Repertoire Theater, Toledo School for the Arts, Toledo Zoo, Valentine Theater and WGTE. The organizations meet regularly to discuss issues of common interest and ways to work collaboratively.

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The Center for Nonprofit Resources Awards Capacity Building Grants Totaling \$350,223 to 37 Area Nonprofits

Special To The Truth

During these tough economic times, social services are in high demand yet nonprofit organizations are struggling to do more and serve more with less funding than ever before. The Center for Nonprofit Resources (The Center) – a collaboration of Toledo Community Foundation, The Community Partnership and United Way of Greater Toledo – has awarded capacity-building grants totaling \$350,223 to 37 area nonprofits. The Center is administering a grant on behalf of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families' Compassion Capital Fund Demonstration Program, which is funding these awards.

The purpose of the grant is to focus on capacity-building initiatives including organizational assessments and strategic planning, board and/or staff development, fund development planning, succession planning, external communications strategies, technology improvements, financial management systems, program evaluation and measurement, and human resource policies and procedures to organizations that serve low-income individuals.

The grants awarded ultimately allow these organizations to increase their ability to continue to provide essential

social services in their struggling communities.

The fifth round of grants since The Center's inception in April 2008 were recently awarded to:

- Adopt America Network - \$6,000
- Assets Toledo - \$9,250
- Aurora Project - \$9,900
- Beach House Family Shelter - \$6,780
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Mercer, Auglaize and Van Wert Counties - \$5,900
- Campaign for Migrant Workers Justice - \$7,200
- CASA – GAL of Hancock County - \$21,776
- Catholic Charities - \$5,147
- Collingwood Arts Center - \$3,000
- East Toledo Family Center - \$4,500
- Equality Toledo - \$1,800
- Family House - \$26,500
- Findlay Hope House for the Homeless - \$1,997
- First Call for Help (Hancock County) - \$13,169
- For Him Ministries - \$11,602
- Fresh Attitude - \$6,720
- The Friendly Center - \$8,630
- Greater Toledo Urban League - \$10,142
- Habitat for Humanity of Wood County - \$6,952
- Hands On West Central - \$8,580
- Heartbeat - \$6,000
- Kids Unlimited - \$2,000
- Library Legacy Foundation - \$20,400

- Lutheran Social Services - \$3,250
- Main Street Port Clinton - \$9,060
- Mercy College of Northwest Ohio - \$3,150
- Northwest Ohio Development Agency - \$550
- Open Door Ministry - \$15,901
- Open Door of Delta - \$3,875
- Ottawa Residential Services - \$15,300
- Providence Center for Social and Economic Empowerment - \$6,200
- Read for Literacy - \$17,000
- Sight Center of Northwest Ohio - \$4,700
- Spina Bifida Association - \$3,226
- Toledo Area Ministries - \$21,490
- United North Corporation - \$27,926
- Veggie U - \$14,650

Toledo Community Foundation, The Community Partnership and United Way of Greater Toledo initiated The Center for Nonprofit Resources in April of 2008 to affect capacity building for area nonprofits. The work of The Center includes an information and resource center as well as quality training and one-on-one technical assistance for nonprofit agencies in our region, as well as grant money to support their individual capacity building efforts.

For further information or

to schedule a visit with one of these organizations to learn about their capacity building

initiatives, interested parties should contact Megan Meyer at The Center for Nonprofit

Resources, 419.241-9513, megan@c4npr.org or visit www.C4NPR.org.

Owens Community College to Host Mitchell-Jackson Youth Basketball Camp, July 19-22

Special To The Truth

Area youth will have the opportunity to learn about the fundamentals of basketball and life lessons as basketball stars Todd Mitchell and Jim Jackson host their annual basketball camp at Owens Community College, Monday-Thursday, July 19-22. This marks the fourth year that the annual basketball camp is being held at Owens Community College.

The four-day youth basketball camp runs from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the College's Student Health and Activities Center on the Toledo-area Campus. Owens is located on Oregon Road in Perrysburg Township.

"Owens Community College appreciates the opportunity to once again play an active role in supporting a longstanding community outreach program dedicated to enriching the lives of area youth through education and the sport of basketball," said Michael Rickard, Owens Director of Athletics. "Todd Mitchell and Jim Jackson are both leaders on and off the basketball court and Owens is proud to collaborate on such a worthwhile initiative effecting area youth throughout Northwest Ohio."

Camp instructors for the four-day event will include college and professional basketball standouts Mitchell and Jackson, as well as area high school coaches and current and former collegiate basketball players. Boys and girls entering grades five-12 will receive instruction on various basketball skills, highlighted by ball handling, passing, shooting, defense and rebounding.

Additionally, participants will learn about teamwork, eating healthy and making the right decisions in life. Attendees will also be evaluated on their skill level and compete in games and a variety of contests.

The camp registration fee is \$100 per participant and space is limited. Lunch is provided daily. For more information, call (419) 491-0704 or (419) 340-1303.

Summer Reading

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viewed our Teen Scene page at toledolibrary.org, checked out our gaming areas at Main Library and Reynolds Corners Branch Library (for ages 13-17 only), followed us on Twitter and Facebook, or have they heard about the Library's VolunTeen program? For more information: 419.259.5207.

· **American Red Cross Babysitting Clinics @ Your Library** – Did you know that the American Red Cross' Babysitting Clinics, recommended for participants 11 to 15 years of age, are held at various Toledo-Lucas County Public Library branch locations? Please register in person at the library. A \$30 fee must be paid at the time of registration. Contact the American Red Cross for more information.

· **College Materials for your high school student @ Your Library** – Are you overwhelmed with helping your high school student study, or prepare forms to get ready for college? Don't worry! The Library has a Teen Specialist on hand to assist you with Web sites, books and other materials to help you and your teen. Her name is **Mary Plews** and she can be reached at 419.259.5207. Here's a few good books to get you started: *How to Go to College on a Shoestring*, by Ann Marie O'Phelan; *Barron's Best Buys in College Education* by Luci Solorzano; *African American Student's College Guide: Your One-Stop Resource For Choosing the Right College, Getting In, and Paying the Bill* by Isaac Black (Black Excel).

· **Calendar search on toledolibrary.org** – Need to find out if there's a great FREE program for youth going on at a Library location near you? Log on to toledolibrary.org, scroll down the Classes & Events section and click on Calendar Search. Search by branch location and age group.

Thank you for your continued and loyal Library patronage. We can't wait to see you and your children this summer at the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library!

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Ninth Annual Partners in Education Dragon Boat Festival

Special to The Truth

Fun, fitness, teamwork, and team-building. Ideal for corporate, business, church, civic, and school groups. Morning races pit competing businesses against one another for special trophies.

On Saturday, July 24, 2010, Partners in Education will host the 9th Annual Dragon Boat Festival.

Each team participates in three races during this unique one-day event. The course begins across from the Owens Corning World Headquarters building in front of the Docks restaurants and races to the finish line near the lagoon at International Park.

RACEDAY ACTIVITIES

- No admission fee!
- Live entertainment
- Demonstrations of ancient Chinese musical instruments
- Children's area with many activities including Chinese crafts, calligraphy, origami, face painting

•Chinese kite making and flying, as well as Chinese yoyo demonstrations for children of all ages!

WHAT IS A DRAGON BOAT?

Boats used during the Great Maumee River Dragon Boat festival are 40 feet long and hold up to 20 paddlers,

plus a steersman and a drummer. These Hong Kong style Dragon Boats are modeled after the ancient Chinese Dragon Boat design, complete with dragon's head and tail.

A FUNDAY THAT BENEFITS OUR COMMUNITY'S CHILDREN

The Great Maumee River Dragon Boat Festival raises funds to support the mission of Partners In Education of Toledo.

Sponsorship opportunities are available. Don't be shut out—teams are forming and registering NOW! The event is expected to sell out.

Partners In Education is a non-profit organization which develops and fosters partnerships between area schools and northwest Ohio businesses, government agencies, organizations and churches.

Funded by contributions from businesses, individuals and the community, Partners In Education leverages our most important investment—the education of our children.

Partners In Education focuses its programs in the Toledo Public Schools and select schools of the Diocese of Toledo, where there is the greatest need for community support of our students. Vol-

unteers from businesses and other organizations:

- serve as tutors and mentors
- organize student incentive, enrichment and recognition activities
- provide ongoing finan-

cial and in-kind support to their partner schools

The partnership activities are focused programs that make a measurable impact on student achievement.

Partners In Education of Toledo was founded in 1994

by the Rotary Club of Toledo, with support from the Toledo Area Chamber of Commerce, area banks and corporations. Our purpose is to promote student success through community involvement.

For more information about the Great Maumee River Dragon Boat Festival, please contact Kelly O'Loughlin at 419-242-2122 or koloughlin@partnerstoledo.org.

UT to Host 18th Annual Art on the Mall

Special to The Truth

The University of Toledo will be blanketed with artwork on Sunday, July 25 when the 18th annual Art on the Mall event takes place on campus.

From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., 105 artists will showcase their creations in a variety of art forms, including watercolors, jewelry, ceramics, glass, metal, photography, textiles, and mixed-media artwork.

The artwork on display across Centennial Mall will be available for purchase from the talented Toledo-area artists, as well as others from Tennessee, Florida and Indiana.

"We are pleased to have so many wonderful returning artists visiting our campus and a number of new talented participants," said



Dan Saevig, UT associate vice president for alumni relations. "Art on the Mall is a family event we look forward to every year and the continued support of our community allows us to carry on this strong tradition of celebrating the arts."

Art on the Mall, which is free and open to the public, also will feature musical performances from the Toledo School for the Arts including strings, jazz, pop and steel drums.

A young artists area will allow children and adults to work together to create their own artwork. And as always, festival foods will be available, including new snacks this year of funnel cakes and pizza.

Art on the Mall is presented by the UT Alumni Association.

It is sponsored by The Blade and The University of Toledo Medical Center. Additional support is provided by Buckeye CableSystem, 101.5 The River, 92.5 Kiss FM, Newfax Corp., and The CW WTO5-Toledo.

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For more information about the event or artists, contact the UT Office of Alumni Relations at 419.530.2586, 800.235.6766 or visit www.toledoalumni

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The Last Air Bender TV Series Review

By Michael Hayes
Minister of Culture



mas if you love action, adventure and mind-blowing special effects on an enormous screen.

James Cameron's *Avatar* became the highest grossing movie of all time because it wowed audiences into submission offering every trick in the book:

Action, romance, never before seen visual effects, politics and even some re-

so enticing that I couldn't turn away?

Hell, naw. It came on in the evening, and it didn't really seem to be entirely meant for children anyway.

Understand, not by any stretch of the imagination am I one of those comic book geeks who get into Anime and know Lord of the Rings word for word. Epic battles in some far

that's what this show was.

I learned the characters, the premise and plot and was blown away to find in Season 2 that it was being made quite obvious to loyal viewers that this series would only have three seasons. Not like most network or cable shows where they stretch out a successful program just as long as it's profitable.

There was some higher purpose involved in this show.

The greater good, actually...that's what the Avatar is all about.

The movie makes it very easy to catch on just in case you aren't one of the five million people who watched the cartoon every week on cable.

But you know I got y'all, so let me run down my brief synopsis:

The setting is a version of our planet where four distinct groups of people are all categorized by their association with a particular element (water, earth, air fire) and living homogenously in various parts of our world.

But each group also has members born with certain powers to "bend" the element related with their people and they use various martial art movements to manipulate this power.

Astrologically speaking, you have to love how the writers weave that into

the shows premise as well. Because if you know about air signs, fire signs, earth signs and us water signs and you watch the show you can tell that it was written with certain characteristics in mind.

The plot centers around the trials of Aang, who in this world, is the latest reincarnation of the Avatar: the human link to the spirit world, the only person on the planet capable of manipulating ALL OTHER ELEMENTS. Oh, yea, and also the one charged with bringing peace and assistance to all.

Every lifetime, the Avatar must first master his native element then the others in order of the seasons (Water/winter, Earth/spring, Fire/summer).

Aang is the very last bender of the Air tribe because he was only 12 years old when he found out he was the next Avatar.

He ran away from home, wound up trapped in a glacier for 100 years (with his trusty sky bison/air buffalo named Appa) only to be thawed by a 14 year old girl named Katara and her 15 year old brother named Sukko.

The planet has turned into a dark place since the Avatar disappeared 100 years ago and the Fire Nation has sought to eradicate or occupy entire cities just for the hell of it (sound

familiar?).

Since Aang is still just a 12 year old boy, he isn't exactly prepared to save the world because he has a lot of training left to do.

But his heart and mastery of his native air element are seasoned well beyond his years.

I know this may all seem somewhat wacky, but trust me... a film adaptation of a cartoon has never been more sophisticated.

Even the plot twists and turns will have you second guessing if the good guys are really good and if the bad guys are really bad.

And I haven't even told you about the moment when the story's emotional arc hits its peak.

M. Knight Shamalan is rumored to have wanted to spearhead this project after watching a few episodes of the cartoon himself... so it's true to form.

The action and fight sequences leave much to be desired, and the lead character takes a minute to grow on you...but overall

The Last Airbender transports you to a never seen before world that is alive with it's own culture and identity, and isn't that the entire reason for going to the movies... to go to another place?

The true grade for *The Last Airbender* is B.

Go see it!



This summer hasn't been exceptionally 'blockbuster filled' when it comes to the movies. New company, new ownership just closed the former Maumee Cinema Delux. We are still missing the Super Cinemas (a/k/a two dollar movies) out at Spring Meadows. I know, I know - everyone... many of you... just call your nearest bootleg movie salesman and scale down the theatre experience to fit your expectations and budget.

But summers are when Hollywood is supposed to bring the big guns out.

The time of year that's sort of like an early Christ-

spect for Black Power & Flower Power if you pay close attention.

But although current box office listings don't boast such appetizing forays into cinematic glory, you will find something worth your while if you get hip to the OTHER avatar (shame on you James Cameron for picking on the little guy and making them change the name of their film).

Avatar: The Last Airbender caught my attention in 2006 while channel surfing. Was I ashamed to be a grown man who stumbled up on a Nickelodeon cartoon and found it

off land of wizardry and fairytale, umm... yea...those things don't necessarily move me.

But *Avatar: The Last Airbender* is DEEP!

I watched one episode and found this cartoon mentioning CHAKRAS and MEDITATION, maan, yaw already know I was on it that point.

From that point forward I made it a point to catch the show whenever I could and when Nickelodeon would do marathons of it I would catch up like it was homework. Imagine a chocolate chip cookie with the nutritional value of an apple,

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St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church is seeking a part-time Administrative Assistant. Responsibilities include general secretarial work, producing the weekly church bulletin and data entry. Seeking a Roman Catholic. Excellent communication and writing skills, Microsoft Word proficiency a must. EOE. Send resume to Search committee, St. Martin de Porres, 1119 W. Bancroft St., Toledo, Ohio 43606, fax: 419-241-6214.

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INTERESTED BIDDERS: TOLEDO PUBLIC SCHOOLS – CHASE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, HAWKINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, & ROBINSON JR. HIGH SCHOOL DEMOLITION

Sealed bids will be accepted by the Board of Education of the Toledo Public School District until 1:00 p.m. on August 4, 2010, at the Toledo Public Schools Treasurers' Room 3, 420 E. Manhattan Blvd., Toledo, Ohio 43608, for all labor, material and supervision necessary for the demolition of the Chase Elementary, Hawkins Elementary, or Robinson Jr. High School, as more fully described in the drawings and specifications for the project prepared by SSOE, Inc. and The Collaborative, Inc. and will be opened publicly and read immediately thereafter.

Bid Documents for the project may be examined at the F.W. Dodge plan room in Columbus, Builders Exchange in Toledo, University of Toledo – Capacity Building, E.O.P.A. – Hamilton Building, Northwest Ohio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, and The Plan Room in Ann Arbor, Construction Association of Michigan, Toledo Regional Chamber of Commerce and Ohio Construction News.

Bidders may obtain copies of the documents starting July 14, 2010 which can be purchased from Toledo Blueprint, 6964 McEnerney Road, Northwood, Ohio 43619 Phone: 419-661-9841. Drawings may be obtained on CD-ROM for no cost with the purchase of the specifications.

A MANDATORY PREBID CONFERENCE is scheduled for July 23, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at the Toledo Public Schools Board Room, 420 E. Manhattan Blvd., Toledo, Ohio 43608. Site walk-throughs at Chase, Hawkins, and Robinson will commence after the pre-bid meeting according to the schedule provided at the meeting.

If you have any questions or a need for additional information, please direct all questions in writing Olivia.Beebe@lgb-llc.com, by phone at (419) 776-5600, or fax at (877) 281-0784.

Bid Package 105D – Chase Elementary School:	
Bid Item No. 1	Chase Elementary School Building Demolition \$ 135,017.00
Bid Item No. 2	Chase Elementary School Site Work Demolition \$ 16,234.00
Bid Item No. 3	Chase Elementary School Building Cleanout of Loose Materials \$ 11,385.00

Total for Chase Elementary School: \$ 162,636.00

Bid Package 124D – Hawkins Elementary School:	
Bid Item No. 1	Hawkins Elementary School Building Demolition \$ 162,719.00
Bid Item No. 2	Hawkins Elementary School Site Work Demolition \$ 19,604.00
Bid Item No. 3	Hawkins Elementary School Building Cleanout of Loose Materials \$ 13,723.00

Total for Hawkins Elementary School: \$ 196,046.00

Bid Package 151D – Robinson Jr. High School:	
Bid Item No. 1	Robinson Jr. High School Building Demolition \$ 432,970.00
Bid Item No. 2	Robinson Jr. High School Site Work Demolition \$ 52,165.00
Bid Item No. 3	Robinson Jr. High School Building Cleanout of Loose Materials \$ 36,516.00

Total for Robinson Jr. High School: \$ 521,651.00

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