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My View

By Jack Ford
The Truth's Political Columnist



This campaign season has its share of exciting match-ups. Take the time and get out and vote. Your vote makes a real difference and you will feel better after you do so.

Let's talk about a few of these matchups.

One of the most exciting races is the one for Lucas County Commissioner to succeed the seat being vacated by Democrat Ben Konop. This race pits Sylvania Township Trustee Carol Contrada, a Democrat, against veteran Toledo City Councilman George Sarantou. Sarantou is a Republican with long experience in city money matters. He is an investment counselor by trade who has done quite well in his business.

However, previous to that, Sarantou was a social worker at the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation. That's where I first met him nearly 30 years ago. He went on to volunteer extensively in the inner city at places such as the Frederick Douglass Community Association and Neighborhood Health Association.

Sarantou's experience with Toledo's African-American and Latino communities is important because Lucas County has so many minorities who are affected by county government such as The Source, the Mental Health Board, Children's Services, Job and Family Services, and so on.

Contrada is an attorney. I am sure she has some clients who are minority so she has had to work to help them in her practice.

Lucas County Auditor Anita Lopez is duking it out with Gina Kaczala. This is another exciting race. The charges are flying back and forth with a fury that is a bit unusual in county politics. Lopez worked with me at SASI for years and then later in city government as director of Affirmative Action/Contract Compliance when I was mayor.

I know her well and I have championed her many times in her career.

Kaczala has 20 years of experience in the Auditor's office. That means that she has to have had many experiences with people of color, including the few that worked in the Auditor's office while she was there working for her husband, the late Larry Kaczala.

Another significant local race is the one for the State Senate District 11 seat being vacated by Democrat Teresa Fedor who is term-limited from running for re-election. That race features long-time elected official State Representative Edna Brown, a Democrat, against Republican City Councilman Tom Waniewski.

Brown has been in public service for over 50 years and that should say it all.

Her opponent is a serious conservative who believes in the right-to-work platform or non-binding unionism.

Brown has grown up and worked around black people all her life. Waniewski has been a long-time official with Boys and Girls Clubs so he is familiar first-hand with the needs of children including African-American and Latino.

I raise these three races as examples to be viewed from the perspective of the black community. Who knows the needs of the black community best? Regardless of party label, who has best demonstrated commitment to the advancement of minorities?

You now have less than three weeks to make up your minds.

Community Calendar

October 13-16

Prayer and Prophetic Conference: New Life COGIC; Speakers—Prophet Kervin Smith of Mpls, MN; Mother Judy Hines of Atlanta; Bishop Edward Cook of New Life; 7:15 nightly; 419-242-3278

October 14-16

Mt. Sinai Pentecostal Church Fall Revival: 7 pm nightly; speaker Bishop Harry Wilson of Chicago

October 14-17

Indiana Avenue MBC Annual Youth and Young Adult Celebration: "A Commitment to Serve Christ Faithfully;" Two night revival on the 14th and 15th at 7 pm; Guest speakers Min Perry Harris of United Vision MBC and Pastor Larry Mack of Greater Than Dreams Church; Fellowship Breakfast on Saturday at 9:30 am – speaker Sis. Amanda Clark; Sunday service at 10:50 am – speaker Sis. Jonelle Edwards and Ward Bennet

October 16

Local 12 UAW Civil Rights Committee Annual Dance: Local 12 hall; Live entertainment, hors d'oeuvres, door prizes, cash raffles and cash bar; 7 pm to midnight; 419-241-9126 ext 17 or 419260-6777

Grace Community Center Fundraiser: Party with a Purpose; Erie Street Market; 8 pm to midnight; Alumni party fundraiser to support neighborhood families: 419-248-2467
St. Mark Baptist church Choir and Pastor's Aides Community Festival: Food, fun and games: 419-537-9047

October 17

St. Paul AME Zion Connectional Lay Sunday: Guest speaker Ben Howard of Lomax AME Zion of Detroit; 11 am

Calvary Baptist 81st Anniversary: "Continuing to Build on the True Foundation;" Rev. Randall Parker of Manifested Word; 4 pm

Southern MBC Mass Choir: "Old Ship of Zion;" 6 pm: 419-699-6688

October 18

City of Zion, Mt. Zion Church 87th Anniversary: Guest speaker Bishop Timothy Clarke of Columbus; 7 pm

October 19

Assistance Information Fair: Joint Utilities Social Services Committee; 2 to 6 pm; Mott Branch; Talk with agencies that can offer some level of assistance for food, utilities, rent and other: 419-213-8930

October 20

St. Martin de Porres Revival 2010: "Bless That Wonderful Name of Jesus;" 6:30 pm; Revivalist Rev. David Jones of Chicago: 419-241-4544

October 21

Lucas County Youth Advocate Program's 3rd Annual Community Luncheon: Honoring families, youth and advocates; Summit YMCA; 11 am to 1 pm

"Sensory Learning Program:" Learn about help for individuals who struggle with sensory issues and over sensitivities; Dr. Jeffery Schmackel; 8 to 9:30 am; Margaret Hunt Senior Center: 419-725-7042

October 24

Calvary Baptist 81st anniversary: "Continuing to Build on the True Foundation;" Elder Chester Trail of Grace Temple COGIC; 4 pm

Personal and Professional Development: Sistas With a Vision!; Guest speaker Tiffany Whitman; "The Black Woman's Experience: Unlocking Doors of Opportunity;" The Mother Tree Gallery; 5 to 8 pm: 419-936-8989

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Some Type of Political View for Non-Political You

By Michael Hayes
Minister of Culture



Quite frequently I come across pages on Facebook where the space next to the political views line reads "Obama." Yup, simply... "Obama!"

I have just as much pride in 44 as anyone, but it's sad that some of us think merely flossing our 2008 hero passes for a viewpoint on politics.

He's a person. Not a viewpoint.

As usual, I'm speaking about and to the hip-hop generation — a cross section of Generation X (born 1965 – 1976) and Generation Y (born 1976 – 1992) urban minorities who more or less created hip-hop culture or were raised in hip-hop culture.

Where John Mayer's "Waiting On The World To Change" was a perfect suburban explanation for those of us coming into adulthood during the Bush years, the urban perspective really hasn't offered more than Young Jeezy's "My President Is Black."

I guess politics just really isn't our cup of tea.

So as always, I would like to make it plain.

Not for the rabble rouser hell bent on reforming everything through vigorous involvement in public office. Not for the apathetic loser who may not even remember that we have the right to vote. This is for all of you caught at the crossroads wondering:

'Does my vote count?' or 'Should I change parties?' or 'Does any of this affect my life?' and probably the more universal 'Who are all these old people dogging each other on TV?'

Supporting Obama vs. just shouting "Obama":

This past weekend during a rally in Philly, our beloved President Barack Obama experienced more of what has got to be the lowest respect and esteem for a sitting U.S. President ever.

A billionaire offered a \$1 million dollar prize for anyone bold enough to streak naked in front of the presi-

dent shouting the website, Battlecam.com six times.

Juan James Rodriguez disgraced our leader, and he will be picking up his cash this week.

Also at this same event, an aspiring author hurled a book at Michelle's husband's head.

For all his work on health care reform, opening contact with Cuba, handling the pirate crisis, public programs, extending unemployment, successfully bailing out G.M. and chasing down the billions owed back in unsuccessful bailouts to Wall St... our president seems to be one of the most hated men in America.

So if you claim "Obama" as your political viewpoint on Facebook... or if someone asks you about politics and you get all celebrity gaga, please remember this man is NO celebrity. He is the most focused public official serving at the highest office.

Doing a job that has never been harder to do, and doing it with fewer supporters every day. If you wanna represent then do that, but educate yourself just a little bit on how things are going so you can know more about President Obama than his name and race.

CAMPAIGN ADS, CUT THE BULL

After a President is half-way through his term, he gets a new Congress.

That's supposed to be our government's way of providing checks and balances, but it really just complicates our political process even more.

The same way McCain and Obama went at it two years ago, now many positions at the state and federal governing levels are up for grabs.

Let's be real. Everyone hooks their friends up. Why even lie about it?

If your friend works at McDonalds, chances are you're gonna get a hook up.

So why is it such a big deal if a public official uses a little bit of her power to assist well-qualified friends in obtaining a job? It's called "Friends In High Places" for a reason.

Bush, Cheney and the New World Order crew spent eight years profiting from two wars and making sure investors and shareholders got hooked up... with billions.

That's a bit much. But if one candidate accuses another of helping a friend

get a desk job, so what? If one candidate accuses another of getting campaign contributions from a "less than reputable" source, is that really such a huge scandal?

Whoever makes either of those claims is probably guilty of the same to some degree.

The entire election campaign season has become a contest of who can have the most dramatic and negative commercials.

During the Rich Iott/Marcy Kaptur debate, Iott took time away from discussing important things like ... ISSUES, to Jerry Springer it up a little with accusations that Kaptur's camp is responsible for a picture of Iott wearing a Nazi uniform coursing its way around the Internet these past few days.

How do you tell who is right for the position?

How can you tell whose policies you agree with if everyone is yelling and lying?

First realize that the campaign ad season is like a rap beef: anything goes and you're gonna get sick of it far before those competing for your attention will.

After that, most candidates have websites that detail their values and agenda.

READ BETWEEN THE JARGON

When Republicans say they don't want "big government" or they prefer "de-regulation," read between the lines.

That's just rich slang for "no government spending unless it benefits people like me" and "get rid of the rules that stop me from hurting people so I can hurt more people".

One thing I have learned about Republicans is that they mostly care about the ability to profit. They want money. Any program or initiative to help the working class, they are against it.

Any idea to spread the wealth, they are against it.

A Republican might be wealthy enough to own a factory of 1,000 workers but the selfishness and greed that constitutes their party could create a situation where that factory moves those 1,000 workers to China because they work for less.

A Democrat would urge the factory owner to stay rooted in the U.S. community that gave birth to that factory and continue providing jobs to the working class man and woman... not

be concerned about what tax breaks or incentives he/she may be missing out on.

Conservative is just a word meant to conjure up images of a happy man, wife, kids and dog living the wholesome American dream. However, with more than 300 million people in this country I'm sure that the vast majority of families don't fit a picture-perfect frame.

A conservative viewpoint usually means frowning with disapproval on single mothers, gay couples and most things that you or might find artistic and expressive.

A liberal viewpoint usually means that tolerance for all lifestyles is important

as well as trying to ensure that America's middle class is growing via jobs and access to healthcare and education.

If you hear about a group called the Tea Party ...

Just remember they are the most disruptive and useless of Obama's detractors, not so much a political party as just a collection of

pitiful souls hell bent on causing disaster.

Vote!

A criminal hijacking of the American electoral process landed George H.W. Bush in the White House in the year 2000. I was just one year into college and although I was growing more informed about the world around me I was also quite sure that no voting process would ever be fair in this country. Other parts of the world, polls stay open for days. Here, it's almost like they want to discourage voter turnout.

However, by 2004 I was heavily involved in local and national politics.

Bush wasn't done installing the New World Order yet and John Kerry wasn't all he was cracked up to be, so another four years went by and I was even less enchanted with the concept that one vote could actually make a difference.

However, people like President Barack Obama and Congressman Marcy Kaptur represent

those rare occasions when a public official is so closely tied to the plights of common everyday people I will spare no effort to re-elect them at all costs.

Vote for the person who makes the most sense.

Don't get caught up in the hype, just look at your life and the conditions that exist around you and cast a vote for the candidate you think is most likely to actively work towards solving the problems you see.

You don't have to be an expert, you don't have to dig deep... just ask yourself

If the person you have on your mind when you step into that voting booth will have you on their mind if they win.

Try to be more informed, people. The rabbit hole goes deeper than you would believe.

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Chris Redfern, Local Democrats Blast Iott's Nazi Re-Enactment

Sojourner's Truth Staff

"We will draw a great deal of attention to this issue," said Ohio State Democratic Party Chairman Chris Redfern on Monday as he led a group of local Democrats in condemning Republican Rich Iott's Nazi re-enactment activities.

Iott, a Tea Party favorite who is challenging Democratic incumbent Marcy Kaptur, has captured national attention due to photographs published of him in a World War II German Waffen SS uniform. That re-enactment period, according to Iott lasted from about 2003 to 2008 and was an effort to "bond" with his son. Iott has also stated that he has participated in re-enactments of the Civil War and World War I as well as World War II.

It's an issue that national and local Democrats have pounced on with relish.

"Shocking, I think, is the best word," said Redfern standing in front of several dozen Democrats including a number of candidates who would individually ask their Republican opponents to

repudiate Iott's past and disassociate themselves from future campaign activities with him. "His actions are despicable yet he continues to defend them - defending himself for dressing up as a Nazi."

Assailing the Ohio and Lucas County Republicans for not taking Iott to task for his past activities, Redfern challenged them to condemn Iott's actions and withdraw their support.

"Republicans leaders have been silent," said Redfern. "The Lucas County Republican Party and the Ohio Republican Party should withdraw their endorsements."

Jon Stainbrook, chairman of the Lucas County Republican Party, issued a statement after the Democratic Party press conference condemning the "exploits of the Nazis" but maintaining that the Republican Party would continue its support for Iott.

"This is nothing more than a political attack against a candidate that has run a strong campaign



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against a 28-year incumbent who has neglected her constituents," said Stainbrook. "This is a perfect example of dirty mudslinging politics - when people take something and spin it into more than what it is."

But Democrats were not alone in condemning Iott's Nazi re-enactments. Con-

gressman Eric Cantor (Rep. VA), the House minority whip, disavowed Iott's activities on national television over the weekend. Those statements prompted a rebuttal by Iott on Monday who declared that Cantor "didn't seem to care about the facts."

Iott stated that he has

made it clear on "many occasions" that throughout his many historical re-enactments, he has "never meant any disrespect to those adversely affected by the tragedies of war, to veterans or to the Jewish community."

The Waffen SS division Iott and other members of his group were re-enacting was responsible for the deaths of hundreds of thousands of Jews in Eastern Europe as Nazi Germany swept across the continent on their way to the then Soviet Union..

"A lot of candidates, including [Republican State Representative] Barbara Sears have been going door-to-door with Rich Iott," said State Senator Teresa Fedor who is running for election to the Ohio House of Representatives in District 47. "I'm asking her to draw a line in the sand. I'm calling on all the GOP candidates to draw that line. Is this the example of a Tea Party/Republican candidate?"

Sears is running for re-election in District 46

against Democrat Harry Barlos.

Also addressing the press on Monday was State Representative Edna Brown the Democratic candidate for State Senate running against Republican City Councilman Tom Waniewski. She asked her opponent to repudiate Iott's activities.

Iott's past Nazi re-enactments are the latest in a string of controversial misdeeds. In a debate in September against Kaptur, he declined to state whether he would have supported the 1964 Civil Rights Act if he had had the chance. The next day, a campaign worked issued a statement declaring that Iott would support such legislation.

In early September, a columnist for the Toledo Free Press revealed that Iott, in a 2008 dispute between his son and a college roommate had threatened to sublet his son's room to someone from a "Third World nation that practices small animal sacrifices and glorify stealing as an art form."

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Toledo Business and Community Leaders Gather to Celebrate Andrea Price's Appointment as Mercy President and CEO

Special to The Truth

Several hundred Toledo-area business and community leaders gathered on Monday afternoon, October 11, to help Andrea R. Price celebrate her appointment as Mercy Health Care's new president and CEO.

During her address to the audience, Price dedicated herself to continue Mercy's two-pronged mission of providing quality health care while ensuring that no one is turned away or prevented from receiving that care.

Price joined Mercy in fall of 2009 as chief operating officer, at which time she assumed responsibility for the operations and performance of Mercy's seven hospitals and outpatient centers, Mercy Medical Partners employed-physician group and Mercy College of Northwest Ohio.

In her new role, Price will assume additional responsibility for oversight of the entire Mercy organization to include strategy, governance, physician integration, and community partnerships.

Prior to joining Mercy, Price served as executive vice president and chief operating officer for Sparrow Health System in Lansing, Michigan. While there, she was responsible for the strategic direction of the system, which included Sparrow Hospital's two Lansing campuses as well as hospitals in St. Johns, Carson City and Ionia County.

In addition, Price was responsible for the daily operations of Sparrow Hospital, a 600-bed level one trauma center. She has also served in senior executive roles at Hurley Medical Center in Flint, MI and Children's National Medical Center in Washington D.C.

She has more than 25 years of healthcare experience and is a fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE). She was also the 2010 recipient of the Midwest Healthcare Executives Group and Associates (MHEGA) Regent's Senior Level Healthcare Executive Award, which recognizes healthcare executives with more than 20 years of healthcare experience for

their significant contributions toward the achievement of the goals of the ACHE and the advancement of healthcare management excellence.

In addition to serving as a board member for MHEGA, Price is president-elect for the National Association of Health Services Executives, a non-profit designed to advance and develop black healthcare leaders, and elevate the quality of health care services rendered to minority and

of Mercy who has moved to the position of chief operating officer of Catholic Healthcare Partners (CHP), Mercy's parent organization. "Her understanding and commitment to Mercy's mission of improving the health of the community, coupled with her extensive leadership expertise is in perfect synergy with the philosophy of Mercy."

In addition to his role of chief operating officer for CHP, Mickus serves as

"Andrea's commitment to Mercy and the community is evident by her leadership in the continued growth and success of Mercy,"

under-served communities.

She received a bachelor of art degree in psychology from the University of Michigan, and a master's degree in health administration from Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine. She and her husband, Edward Johnson, M.D., have four children.

"Andrea's commitment to Mercy and the community is evident by her leadership in the continued growth and success of Mercy," said Steven L. Mickus, FACHE immediate past president & CEO

chief executive officer of the Northern Division of CHP which includes St. Rita's Health Partners, Lima; Community Health Partners, Lorain; and the Mercy region. In that role, he will continue to have strategic and financial oversight for Mercy and will continue to reside in Toledo.

CHP operates 34 hospitals and 14 long-term care facilities in Ohio, Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana, and Pennsylvania and has more than 38,000 employees and \$5.05 billion in assets. Recently, CHP was recog-



nized for the second year in a row as one of the top 10 health systems in nation for quality and efficiency by Thomson Reuters.

Mercy is a not for profit health system in northwest Ohio dedicated to improving the health of people in its communities with emphasis on its 155-year mission of caring for all in need.

Mercy is the largest region of Catholic Healthcare Partners, one of the nation's largest health systems. Mercy has more than 7,300 employees, 2,300 medical staff members and net revenues of nearly \$900 million. The organization is composed of Mercy St. Vincent Medical Center, Mercy St. Charles Hospi-

tal, Mercy St. Anne Hospital, Mercy Children's Hospital, Mercy Tiffin Hospital, Mercy Willard Hospital, Mercy Hospital of Defiance, Mercy Medical Partners, and Mercy College of Northwest Ohio. Please visit www.mercyweb.org for additional information regarding Mercy.

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TPS, Government, Business and Community Leaders

By Fletcher Word
 Sojourner's Truth Editor

Toledo Mayor Mike Bell announced on Friday, October 8, that he has participated in a series of meetings with Toledo Public Schools' officials and other community and business leaders interested in assisting the school district improve educational attainment.

"TPS is very important," said Bell. "It is our biggest economic engine. We are interested in making the system the best that it can be. We want to help, not to take over."

During a press conference in the mayor's office, Bell gathered with about a half dozen members of the committee. That group included Toledo Board of Education President Bob Vasquez and Dan Romana, TPS treasurer.

Bell spoke of the private discussions the group had held over the last few months and the plan for opening up the discussions.

"We want to bring in more of the community," said Bell. "Everybody will be able to speak. We want to engage everybody."

Vasquez, during his time at the podium, noted that his discussions with Bell had begun during the 2009 mayoral campaign.

"We agreed way back when he was campaigning that our pathways were the same," said Vasquez. "We've been looking at some very serious challenge and we want to turn those challenges into opportunities. We are going to engage in a process to allow the entire community to design what the school system should look like in the future and the mayor is taking a lead in that process."

According to Vasquez, who spoke of the need to bring about a "transformational change" to the school district, "everything is on the

table – the way we do business, the curriculum, how we interact with parents."

At the last district school board meeting, the board voted 4-1 to approve a resolution calling for the committee to seek "transformational change" within the school district.

TPS is struggling to both retain students and pass an additional levy in November that will bring in an estimated \$11 in funds for the financially-troubled system. That levy will be the largest funding request yet for the district – 7.8 mills for each one dollar of valuation in a home.

Bell and Vasquez both said that the difference in this current effort to bring the community closer to the actual operations of the school district is in the process. Community leaders and school officials have come together unlike at any other time in the



past, said Bell.

The process moves forward, said the mayor, with a community retreat of perhaps several days, mediated by those familiar with the process. That effort may cost upwards of \$25,000, said Bell.

Once the community has spoken, the concerns will be taken back to the school board and it will be ultimately up to the board "to decide what we can do or not do," said Bell.

Bell emphasized that the

collective effort of the panel had little if anything to do with the impending school levy. Whether or not it passes, the effort will proceed for the long-range benefit of the system, he said.

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Approximately 70 people turned out to participate in the first annual Walk-a-Thon in honor of the courageous battle against leukemia fought by 10-year-old Caleb Stokes on Saturday, October 9, 2010, 9 a.m., at Ottawa Park. The walk was also designed to build awareness of the disease that is the most common cancer in children ages one to seven.

Caleb is a Toledo resident
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Kids Unlimited Brings An Extra Dose of Education to the Inner City

By Brittany Jones
Sojourner's Truth Reporter

Given the urgency to reform public education nationwide, many organizations are taking strides to ensure children's success while in school.

On a local scale, a non-profit agency has joined the fight and has bought a distinctive method to the meaning of an after-school program.

Kids Unlimited takes a holistic approach to educating and mentoring children. While working within inner-city elementary schools, the program specializes in three critical areas: academics, character development and self-discipline.

This newly-formed program (it has been around for a few years) hosted a gathering at the Inverness Club on September 29. The purpose of this event was to give insight to the progress it has been making within the community as well as with the students.

Starting the occasion was the president of Kids Unlim-



Richard and Faith Mitchell

ited, Chris Amato.

After welcoming the guests and acknowledging board members, he introduced Lisa Gathard, the institute's chairman of the board.

She discussed her heartfelt mission to make a difference within the community and how Kids Unlimited was founded.

Gathard informed the attendees of the discontent she and Amato had had concerning the fact that the children of the inner city were not receiving the proper attention from the community, which she described as a "civil right for those children."

It then moved to commitment, she continued.

"We know that our children deserve better, they deserve a real opportunity to real lives and achieve what they want to achieve," she stated. "What helps kids is that the more time you had with inner-city youth in a positive environment, the more they can accomplish."

Her discussion led to the

workings of the establishment. She touched on the details of the program such as time spent with the kids, which is three hours after school (until 6 p.m.) and all-day during the summer and that they [board members] wanted it to be an addendum to the schools.

Amato covered the topic of how the genesis of the program was to form an agency that provides results out of the box.

"We need to show that these children are improving," he said. "It's a comprehensive program and that is why we do it every day."

He began to give examples of some success stories such as sixth grade boys at one of their partner schools scored 42 points higher than their classmates. He also bought up the example of their Englewood Peace Academy students raising their GPA 0.6-0.8 points higher in math and language arts—their core focus areas.

Amato reported on the in-

centives they set for the children such as rewarding a new bicycle or a television if he or she achieved a goal set a year earlier.

Another subject discussed was summer time activities. Since they are in the program for the whole day, there are numerous fieldtrips planned in order to "expand their [student's] horizons." Past trips included to Detroit to the African-American History Museum and to a farm to learn about the country and nature.

Time was given for the audience to ask questions pertaining to how the tutors deal with the students, what a typical day consists of and how parents or guardians are involved, which is usually through family fun nights.

Amato explained that they would like to expand to every inner-city elementary school. The grade levels they concentrate on are kindergarten through eighth, depending on the school. Gathard's phi

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Scott High School's 55 Celebrates 55

Sojourner's Truth Staff

Members of the Scott High School Class of 1955 gathered on the weekend of October 1-2 for their 55th reunion. The highlight of the weekend was a luncheon held at Mancy's Italian on Saturday.

Stan Odesky, co-ordinator of the reunion committee served as master of ceremonies.

Rev. Charles Jones opened the proceedings with the invocation. After lunch,

class officers Ginny (Humphreys) Wysong and Jane (Gephart) Tucker presented the class report followed by a video titled "The Scott Experience 1951-1955."

Also serving on the reunion committee were Leslie Courts, Sr., Donna Mae (Young) Gabriel, Carolyn (Gahn) Hetzel, Rosie (Shay) LaPointe, Jim Lawless, Barbara (Coker) Meyers, Robert Moody and John Scott.



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Herzing University Opens Doors to North Central District Eastern Area Meeting

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Wanda Terrell, Sandra Coleman, Angela Brown, Joe Guziolek (administrator), Barbara Tucker, Wilma Brown

Herzing University located at 5212 Hill Avenue welcomed members of the North Central District to the Eastern Area Meeting hosted by the Toledo Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. on Saturday, October 2, 2010. Members from the Toledo, Maumee Bay, Elyria, Lorain, Oberlin, Cleveland, Central Ohio and Pittsburgh Clubs attended the meeting held from 8:30 p.m. - 4:00 pm.

Also several North Central District Board officers from Michigan and Sandra A. Coleman, national president, were present. The purpose of the organization's area meetings is to provide a venue for its members to meet in smaller groups to learn, train and strengthen the sisterhood. Workshops were presented in the area of technology, program, finances, leadership

membership and vocal arts. Members received the most updated information in these areas to enable them to take this information back to their respective clubs to help them operate more effectively and successfully.

From information provided by Angela L. Brown, program chairman of the Business Department, Herzing University offers a curriculum designed to provide students academic knowledge and hands-on learning for real-world skills development. Bachelor and associate degrees are available in the fields of technology, business, health care, design and public safety.

Herzing University began in Milwaukee, Wisconsin in 1965. Over the past 45 years, Herzing has expanded geographically and programmatically to include campuses in eight

different U.S. states. Individuals interested in information on Herzing University should contact Angela Brown at (419) 776-0300, Extension 123.

Wanda J. Terrell is president of the Toledo Club and Denise Black-Poon is the first vice president. Barbara Tucker is the North Central District governor and Elizabeth Chaney is the North Central District vice governor. The Toledo Club was pleased to have Toledo Council President Wilma D. Brown and Mayor Michael Bell in attendance.

For information on membership in the Toledo Club, contact President Wanda Terrell at:

wandajterrell@buckeye-express.com or Donnetta Carter, membership chairman at:

donnetta_c@msn.com.

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

As the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library recognizes the 101st birthday of the late piano jazz great Art Tatum (1909-1956), we want to recommend a book for young readers to help educate them about Tatumology, the unofficial study of this Toledo-born legend.

In this book, *Piano Starts Here: The Young Art Tatum*, Robert Andrew Parker contributes both words and pictures in this heartfelt portrait of blind jazz great Tatum. Parker pushes the limits of the book's nonfiction cataloging by speaking in the pianist's first-person voice, but an author's note and a solid bibliography set the episodes in a framework of established facts.

The vibrant scenes, in Parker's familiar style of scratched ink lines and watercolor washes, show young Tatum playing at home in Toledo for his dancing parents, at church for a full choir, and at local clubs, where he is discovered and his international career begins. In some images, crowds of dancers and



musicians create a swirl of animated motion; in others, Parker sets Tatum, who was nearly blind, against a deep, moody, abstract background of shifting colors.

Cue up the music; children will best appreciate this beautiful tribute with an earful of Tatum at the keyboard. For more read-

ing materials on Art Tatum, visit the Art Tatum African American Resource Center at the Kent Branch Library, 3101 Collingwood Blvd. Information: 419.259.5392.

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By Rhonda B. Sewell, Library Media Relations Coordinator
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Help the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library celebrate **National Friends of Libraries Week**, October 17-23!

Comedian Paula Poundstone is using her celebrity status to share why Friends of the Libraries are so important, type in this URL to view her promotion: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MYYrFSpBbBA>

Have you joined your Friends of the Library? During this special week and anytime of the year, Library lovers of Lucas County are invited and encouraged to join their local Friends of the Library groups.

What is Friends of the Library? Locally, FOL is a nonprofit organization of more than 2,000 dedicated volunteers who encourage, promote and support the ongoing development and use of the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library. FOL raises much needed funds,

sponsors programs and special events, promotes the Library in the community, and hosts popular used book sales. FOL offers support for the Summer Brown Bag Concert Series, Authors! Authors!, Summer Reading Club programs, local branch activities, and levy campaigns. The organization also operates the local FOL Book Center, located at 1301 N. Reynolds Road, in the Reynolds Corners Shopping Center, and the Classics Gift Shop, which can be accessed from the garage-level entry at Main Library, 325 Michigan St. Most public libraries across the country have FOL organizations.

"I encourage the whole nation to celebrate Friends of Libraries and the work they do. I'm convinced that the libraries are so much richer for the enthusiasm and expertise that the Friends bring to the Library," said **Sally Gardner Reed**, executive di-

rector of The Association of Library Trustees, Advocates, Friends and Foundations (ALTAFF), a group coordinating the annual National Friends of Libraries Week in October.

"We will use this week to honor our supporters, and dedicated members, and to promote our local Friends of the Library groups throughout our system. This is a time to expand membership in this most valuable organization," said **Margi Levy**, local FOL coordinator. There are 19 FOL chapters in the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library system.

Join The Friends Today! To become a member of the Friends of the Library, call 419.259.5455 or 5358 or pick up a membership form at any branch. You can become a Friend of the Library for as little as \$10.00 per year. Membership benefits include special Book Sale Previews, discount on purchases at Clas-

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Kids Unlimited

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osophy of "get them as soon as you can" pushed the objective to start as young as possible.

Recruitment for the program is open to the first 40 or 50 students, but Amato stressed that they want the "worst cases because those are the children that really need the help."

He also spoke of the volunteers who are primarily African-American and students at The University of Toledo. They undergo training and are often referred by the university.

What makes this program effective, said Amato, is that it takes place within the schools so the tutors can have constant contact and the students can receive that individualized attention.

Two videos were shown - one with tutors and participants giving testimonies of the impact of Kids Unlimited and the other was a YouTube video in which the children sang, "We Are the World."

The event ended with a request for donations and



Arthur and Mary Hills, Lisa Gathard, Chris Amato

volunteers in addition for a chance to get more information.

According to the organization's booklet: "Kids Unlimited is there when teachers and families can't be, giving students a safe, dependable, nurturing environment for those after-school and summer hours. Providing children with additional academic, social and moral guidance they might not otherwise receive."

Faith Mitchell, a sophomore at Notre Dame Academy, is a volunteer for the organization. She became interested in Kids Unlimited through her father - board member and local attorney Richard Mitchell - and a friend who was is currently volunteering with the agency.

"I like teaching and helping others learn," she said. "I think people my age should help any type of way they can."

St. Francis de Sales Knight Life: A Chronicle, Part 2

By Keon Pearson
Sojourner's Truth Reporter



at St. Francis de Sales with impunity. To be honest, the Senior Stairs are no more convenient for me than any other staircase in the building, and it is rather contrary to my scrupulous moral outlook to abuse senior privileges. However, I could not resist the temptation to strut up those stairs on the first day of school.

At lunch-time, my senior friends and I planted ourselves in the senior lounge, with its large tables and comfortable chairs. Ah, it is definitely good to be a senior.

Along with the privileges it offers, senior year entails making one of the most important choices in life: a college decision. For a lucky few,

the college choice was made ages before senior year. For most of us, however, the task ahead is daunting. Multi-page applications, personal statements, essays, letters of recommendation, ACT scores, SAT scores, SAT Subject Test scores, AP scores, IB scores, GPA, and class rank swarm us. Half-written papers and deadlines weigh heavily on our consciences. Dismal sighs ring out on Sunday afternoons as we rush to complete English assignments so that we can finally get to that application.

But, the application process is not wholly insufferable.

Thanks to a generous donation, I was able to enjoy a

weekend visit to Harvard College in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The trip was mind-blowing!

Cambridge is, simply put, picturesque. My tour guide, Andrew, a junior at Harvard, took me on a stroll across Memorial Footbridge, which spans the river Charles. We looked out from the center of the Charles onto the riverfront of Cambridge, which was softly illuminated by the diminishing sun. Memorial Drive, which hugs the river, is a verdant, tree-lined space that was full of bikers, joggers, and roller skaters.

The New England atmosphere is seen in the red-brick colonial architecture that lines the streets of Cambridge. The symmetry, wood paneling, columns, and spires of the buildings transport visitors to a time before modernity, when no expense was spared in the creation of truly grandiose and opulent surroundings. Even the zig-zagged streets seem antique. It is evident that the city of Cambridge was formed before the advent of city planning. According to Gill

Deford, the father of my host family, the streets of Cambridge are essentially paved Indian trails and cow paths. I was rather confused when I discovered that each end of the short street on which the Defords live has a different name.

The Harvard campus is highly integrated into the city of Cambridge. One would have difficulty distinguishing student housing from law offices or business headquarters.

I'd like to describe Harvard's unique housing system. All freshmen live in the buildings that enclose Harvard Yard. This setup allows the freshmen to become close with their fellow classmates. Near the end of freshman year, each student selects a group of three to seven fellow students to form what is called a blocking group. Students will live with the same blocking group for the remaining three years of college. Generally, a blocking group is composed of people with similar tastes and standards of living. Each blocking group is randomly as-

signed to one of 13 Houses. A House is a large dorm building that has dorm rooms, common spaces, libraries, and a dining hall. Most students highly identify with their Houses, and friendly inter-House rivalry is common.

I think the most remarkable aspect of Harvard is that it is full of highly intelligent, yet genuinely nice people. Mr. and Mrs. Deford, who are Harvard alumni, welcomed me, a perfect stranger, into their home for the weekend. They made sure that I was comfortable and well fed every day that I was there. Andrew gave up an entire Saturday out of his busy schedule to show me all that he could of Harvard. We talked, laughed, and enjoyed ourselves as if we had known each other for years. He even called me once I had left Cambridge to ensure that I arrived home safely.

After my college visit experience, I'm confident that I am a good fit for Harvard, and I am ready to start that once-daunting application.

Greetings, readers! This installment of the chronicle details the exciting events of September, which marked the beginning of my life as a senior.

September: It's the beginning of the end! I am officially a senior, which means that I can walk on the Senior Stairs

Caleb's Fight is Our Fight!

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who is just like most children. He enjoys sports and spending time with family and friends. He began having troubling symptoms in early November 2009. For three weeks, he was in excruciating pain. After two emergency room visits and two misdiagnoses he was admitted into the hospital. The oncologist reviewed his test results and told his family that Caleb could possibly have leukemia; in actuality, he was 100 percent certain that he had the disease, but he needed to undergo a bone marrow biopsy and lumbar puncture to confirm the diagnosis. The results confirmed that Caleb had leukemia.

After hearing the devastating news of his illness, the family has been committed to leaning on their faith, prayers and belief in God's ability to heal Caleb. Thus far, they have been answered. Currently, Caleb is tolerating his treatment well without any setbacks. He has a phenomenal support system of family and friends. His mother says that his five-year-old sister, Regina, has become his biggest fan and hospital buddy.

Leukemia is a malignant disease (cancer) of the bone marrow and blood. It is characterized by the uncontrolled accumulation of blood cells. Leukemia is categorized into four types: myelogenous or lymphocytic, each of which can be acute or chronic. An estimated



259,889 people in the United States are living with, or are in remission from, leukemia. An estimated 43,050 new cases of leukemia will be diagnosed in the United States in 2010.

Support the cause and make Caleb's fight your

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ETM Productions Presents a Reprise of "Like Mike: The Man in the Mirror"

Sojourner's Truth Staff

Back by popular demand, "Like Mike: The Man in the Mirror," written by Bonita Adams, will be presented this weekend at the Maumee Indoor Theatre. James Adams is executive producer.

Get ready to laugh, cry and be on the edge of your seat in suspense as you follow the life of Leon Michael Williams, a young man who idolizes Michael Jackson.

Three actors play Leon at different stages of his life and will perform some of the King of Pop's hits.

The message of the play is that you don't have to be famous to make a difference in people's lives.

Yet another character in the play, Sandra, is always trying to be someone else – from Tina Turner to Madonna. Issues involving accepting yourself and the importance of mentoring are also addressed.

In addition, the play brings awareness to sugar diabetes since the main character is diagnosed with the disease.

For cast member Roy

Jenkins, the revival – the play was first performed in February of this year – has given him the opportunity to have a good deal more fun with his part – that of the club owner, Will, a drug-dealing gangster who corrupts the main character.

Jenkins, who has known James Adams since boyhood, is relatively new to the stage. He has been with "Step Up, Toledo" for 14 years as a technical director and was approached by the Adamases to try the role of Will. The experience has been thoroughly enjoyable, particularly the camaraderie of the cast, he said.

So, is the theatre going to be a part of his future?

"Certainly, absolutely," Jenkins replied with a laugh. "I'm hooked, I definitely have the bug."

Cast member Shawn Davis is back again in her role as the teacher, Mrs. Brown. Davis has been in several ETM Productions and has trod the boards, particularly in musicals, since her school days. She attended Ashland Uni-



versity of a music scholarship.

"I've been in all types of

musical productions since grade school," said Davis.

Davis is not the only theatre veteran in the family. Davis' son, Jordan Purley, will once more be on stage to play the youngest Leon.

The 11-year-old, six-grader who was bitten early by the performing bug, was involved in ETM's earlier production "Exposed," as was his mother.

There will be three performances this weekend at the Maumee Indoor Theatre. On Saturday, the times are 2 and 7 p.m. The Sunday performance will be at 5 p.m.

For those who missed the February performances, this weekend will present an opportunity to view a work by a playwright who cast members rave about.


"Bonnie is a wonderful talent," said Davis. "And this is a creative work. I love it."



Bonita and James Adams

"Time Flies When You're Having Fun"


That quotation has proven true for Cynthia and Jack Ford during the last 90 days!



The couple got on board with a pro-health company, Visalus Sciences, and took the Body By Vi Challenge on May 1, 2010. They took the challenge with 12 friends to make health a larger priority in their busy lives.

Jack set a goal of losing 80 pounds to become eligible for placement on the kidney transplant list. Cynthia took the Body By Vi 90 Day Challenge to get fit, increase energy level and show support for Jack.

They are thrilled with the results! Jack has lost 54 pounds in 90 days! Cynthia has changed two dress sizes and no longer munches granola bars and diet soda to get through the day. Now that they have achieved success without stress, they want to invite YOU to join them on the Body By Vi Challenge, too!



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Both Series Launch New Fall Seasons in High Definition Brand Franchise also adds FOX O&O's and CW Plus & Renews with CBS O&O's and MovieTickets.com

The all-new sixth season of *Made in Hollywood*, the nationally syndicated TV entertainment magazine series, and the fifth season of its FCC friendly, educational/informational sister series, *Made in Hollywood: Teen Edition*, have been renewed in markets reaching over 91 million U.S. homes and will launch in High Definition this fall.

The announcement was made last week by Toledo native Cleveland O'Neal III, founder & president/CEO of the Emmy-nominated producer-distributor, **Connection III Entertainment Corp.**

Made in Hollywood and

Made in Hollywood: Teen Edition are sold to stations including: FOX O&O's WFLD/WPWR (FOX/MNT) in Chicago, KRIV/KTXH (FOX/MNT) in Houston and CBS O&O's WCBS-TV (CBS) in New York, KCBS/KCAL-TV (CBS/IND) in Los Angeles, KYW/WPSG-TV (CBS/CW) in Philadelphia, KTVT/KTXA (CBS/IND) in Dallas and KPIX/KBCW-TV (CBS/CW) in San Francisco.

Confirming the annual growth of the e/i weekend series, *Made in Hollywood: Teen Edition* was also picked up by the CW Plus and FOX Television Stations' WNYW/WWOR-TV in New York, WTTG/WDCATV in Washington D.C., KSAZ/KUTP-TV in Phoenix, KMSP/WFTC-TV in Minneapolis, WHBQ-TV in Memphis and KTBC-TV in Austin.

Made in Hollywood and

Made in Hollywood: Teen Edition are sold in over 97 percent of U.S. television households, including 49 of the top 50 major markets, have a Gross Average Audience of 5.2 million viewers and will continue to run in multiple time periods.

The group sales to FOX Television Stations plus CBS Television Stations' 21-market deal for both series, complement sales to other broadcast groups including Hearst-Argyle, Belo, Tribune, McGraw Hill, Gannett, Lin, Meredith, Newport and Sinclair.

In addition, the *Made in Hollywood* franchise has renewed its deal with **MovieTickets.com** (a joint venture between AMC Entertainment, Viacom and others). As part of the deal, MovieTickets.com branded segments will be integrated

into each *Made In Hollywood* episode, while cross-promoting *Made In Hollywood* branded content online via MovieTickets.com.

"We're excited to announce the renewal of the 6th season of *Made In Hollywood* and 5th season of *Made in Hollywood: Teen Edition* both in High Definition for 2010-11," says O'Neal. "We greatly appreciate the consistent support from our local television station affiliates and national advertisers as the brand continues to embrace new technology."

Made In Hollywood is an inventive behind-the-scenes entertainment news magazine series showcasing "how" and "why" movies are "made in Hollywood," featuring exclusive celebrity interviews & star profiles, on-set coverage with directors, writers & producers and previews of upcoming motion picture and DVD releases. Additionally, *Made In Hollywood* gives the viewer a look at how special effects and tech wizards pull off the complex magic needed to bring many of the year's biggest blockbusters to life, including: *TOYSTORY 3*, *ALICE IN WONDERLAND*, *IRON MAN 2*, *THE TWILIGHT SAGA: ECLIPSE*, *DESPICABLE ME*, *CLASH OF THE TITANS*, *GROWNUPS*, *SALT*, *THE OTHER GUYS*, *ROBIN HOOD*. Featuring interviews with Hollywood's premier talent, including Angelina Jolie, Tom Hanks, Denzel Washington, Sandra Bullock,

Johnny Depp, Tim Burton, Helen Mirren, Robert Downey Jr., Steve Carell, Anne Hathaway, Adam Sandler, Ben Affleck, Shia LaBeouf, Carey Mulligan, Harrison Ford and Julia Roberts – the series appeals to the large cross-section of viewers increasingly interested in the morphing of reality programming with more traditional news/magazine programs.

The escalating popularity of *Made In Hollywood* propelled the Educational / Informational sister series, *Made in Hollywood: Teen Edition*. This FCC friendly, content rich spin-off aimed at teens 13-16 is entering its 5th season in national syndication. *Made in Hollywood: Teen Edition* segments range from coverage of the Sony Imageworks and Dreamworks Animation teams, LucasArts, producer Lauren Schuler Donner, actors Miley Cyrus, Shia LaBeouf, Zac Efron, Raven-Symone and Dakota Fanning, casting directors Jane Jenkins & Janet Hirschenson, composer Harry Gregson-Williams and Grammy-winning songwriter Diane Warren. This weekend series introduces the younger demographic to behind-the-scenes filmmaking, special effects techniques and career opportunities focusing on the creative, technical and artistic skills of the motion picture industries.

The *Made In Hollywood* franchise is created, written

and executive produced by Connection III's Cleveland O'Neal III. For more information on the franchise, please visit: www.madeinhollywood.tv.

About Connection III Entertainment Corp.

Connection III Entertainment Corp. (www.connection3.com) is the award-winning, Emmy-nominated producer/distributor of family friendly, multicultural media content whose global reach has expanded annually for the past 15 years. The multi-faceted media company has gained acclaim for the development and production of its original motion picture & television programming distributed across multiple platforms, with licensees and sponsors including broadcast & cable networks (HBO, Lifetime, CBS, Starz, ABC Family), major studios (Lionsgate, MCA/Universal), local U.S. broadcast affiliates (ABC, CBS, FOX, NBC, CW), and national advertisers (Procter & Gamble, Wal-Mart, Kraft, Johnson & Johnson). Its nationally syndicated weekly series franchise "MADE IN HOLLYWOOD" is available in 90.7 million homes with a gross average audience of 5.2 million viewers in the U.S., as well as in major territories worldwide, including India's Zee Network and Fox International Channels in Turkey, Greece & Cyprus.

LCCS Coordinator Recognized as Advocate for Women's Leadership

Marjorie Holt, Ph.D. to represent Ohio at Vision 2020's National Congress

Special to The Truth

Marjorie Holt, Ph.D., minority affairs and inclusion coordinator for Lucas County Children Services, has been selected from among 1,000 potential candidates to serve as a delegate to the Vision 2020: An American Conversation about Women and Leadership™ congress, to be held October 21 and 22, 2010 in Philadelphia (<http://www.drexel.edu/vision2020/>).

Vision 2020 is a national project of the Institute for Women's Health and Leadership at the Drexel University College of Medicine focused on advancing gender equality by energizing the dialogue about women and leadership.

In 2010, Vision 2020 will develop and launch its decade-long action agenda to move America toward equality by inspiring and engaging new generations of women and men to finish the work of the suffragists who pursued women's right to vote as fundamental to social and economic justice.

Holt, of Toledo, along with Subha Lembach of Columbus, will represent Ohio at Vision 2020, joining 100



women from all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Holt was selected for her work at LCCS, as well as for being an author, motivational speaker, consultant, trainer, pastor, and a known catalyst for change.

She founded Bethesda Christian Center and has served as its pastor for 14 years. She also founded the Joshua School of Leadership, a school for leaders serving in leadership roles in their ministries, places of employment, the business

world, and community. Holt earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Daniel Payne College, studied the M.P.A. program at the University of Toledo, earned a M.S.W. from Atlanta University, and a Ph.D. from Kensington University.

Delegate nominations came from individuals and organizations across the country, including Vision 2020 National Allies, U.S. governors, senators and representatives.



ProMedica Cancer Institute to Celebrate the Opening of a New Survivor Center

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There are approximately 11 million cancer survivors in the United States according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Those living in northwest Ohio and southeast Michigan now have a new program designed to meet their comprehensive medical needs after cancer treatment. On Oct. 20, the ProMedica Cancer Institute will open the Survivor Center on the campus of Flower Hospital, located at 5200 Harroun Road. The media and public are invited to a special reception to honor area cancer survivors and celebrate the opening of the new Survivor Center on Oct. 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the Hickman Cancer Center at Flower Hospital. The center will connect patients to numerous community support services, including support groups. It will also offer a wide range of follow-up care services, including genetic testing and medication counseling. "The treatment phase is just the first stop on the road to recovery for cancer patients," says Manuel Valdivieso, MD,

medical director, ProMedica Cancer Institute. "Approximately one half of all cancer survivors suffer from a variety of physical and emotional problems that need attention. The Survivor Program at ProMedica Cancer Institute will provide that attention." During the first visit, patients will meet with an oncologist and a nurse practitioner who will review their medical history, complete an assessment and present a specialized treatment plan. The plan will include specific tests and/

or procedures that will be part of the patient's follow-up care. Patients will also receive information about other services available, including dietary education, speech therapy, social work support, psychological services and more.

"The goal of this new center is to help patients to better understand their medical needs and offer guidance by a team of specialized health care providers," says Ann Kujawa, administrative director, ProMedica Cancer Institute.

To celebrate the opening of the new Survivor Center, ProMedica Cancer Institute invites area cancer survivors, current patients and their loved ones to one of the following receptions this month:

- Hickman Cancer Center at Flower Hospital, 5200 Harroun Road, Sylvania - Oct. 19 at 6:30 p.m.
- Defiance Regional Medical Center, 1200 Ralston Ave., Defiance - Oct. 19 at 7 p.m.
- Fostoria Community Hospital, 501

Van Buren St., Fostoria - Oct. 19 at 6:30 p.m.

- Hickman Cancer Center at Bixby Medical Center, 818 Riverside Ave., Adrian, Mich. - Oct. 20 at 6:30 p.m.

- The Toledo Hospital, 2142 North Cove Blvd., Toledo - Oct. 26 at 6:30 p.m.

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INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority is seeking bids from qualified contractors to furnish all labor, materials, and equipment for the following project(s):

Site Improvements at 5618-24 Ryewyck Drive
Job Number 210112
Walk-Thru Date October 15, 2010 @ 10:00am
Bid Due Date October 22, 2010 @ 11:00am

Bids will be opened and reviewed in the Modernization Department, at 201 Belmont Street, on the date shown above. Contract documents and technical specifications/drawings will be available from the Modernization Department, and will be provided upon request. You can also download this bid document at our website www.lucasmha.org.

Each bid shall be accompanied by cash, an approved surety company bid bond, or a certified check upon a solvent bank, made payable to the Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority in an amount equal to five (5) percent of the bid, tendered as a bid guarantee (if required) that the bidder will, if the award is made to him, enter into a bona fide contract with Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority for this work and furnish proper guarantee bonding as required under the specifications within a period of ten (10) days after the awarding of the contract

The prevailing wages for this locality, as established by the Department of Labor as Wage Determination OH20100028, as modified, must be paid all persons employed for this work.

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Third Floor Renovation for the University of Toledo. 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, Facilities and Construction, Plant Operations, Room 1100, 2925 E. Rocket Drive, MS 216, Toledo, Ohio 43606 before 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 3, 2010. Bids will be publicly opened that same day at 2:05 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 \$50.00 will be charged per set. Any further information may be obtained from Dave Serra of The Collaborative Inc. at 419-242-7405. One Pre-Bid Conference will be held on Wednesday, October 27, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in the Plant Operations Building, Room 1000, at the University of Toledo, 2925 E. Rocket Drive, Toledo, OH 43606. Total Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond are required per section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. EDGE Participation Goal: 5%. Project Estimate: \$907,844.00; Breakdown: General Const: \$525,000.00; Plumbing: \$12,844.00; HVAC: \$155,000.00 & Electrical: \$215,000.00.

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St. Mark's MBC Celebrates 55th Annual Women's Day

By Carrye Rudolph
Special to The Truth

On Sunday, October 3, 2010, St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church, located at 1419 N. Detroit Ave. under the leadership of Rev. I.J. Johnson celebrated their 55th Annual Women's Day. The theme for the event was "Be of Good Courage and Count It All Joy." (Psalm 27:14 and James 1:2-4).

The women of St. Mark were dressed in white with hot pink accessories, with Sis Ruth Chatman of Calvary Bpatist Church as conductress of the event. The day started at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday school, with Sis Tresa Anderson, teacher, and Sis. Martha Mack, acting superintendent from St. Mark, and Sis. Lucille Byers, catechist, from Morning Star Baptist Church.

At 10:45 a.m., the call to worship started by various women from St. Mark and surrounding area churches. The conductress started out by saying it is good to be in the house of the Lord one more time. The song was "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" led by Sis. Ella Pickett. Attendees were blessed with singing from the Women's Day Choir from St. Mark and also the Mt. Pilgrim Praise Team.

The keynote speaker for the morning service was Sis. Alice Cathcart, a native of Toledo and a member of St. Mark. The church was filled with spirit and all seats were occupied. Cathcart spoke about women of courage and count it all joy. She felt it a privilege and honor to be chosen as speaker for such a worthy praise. Cathcart stated that she knows that



her life is in Jesus's hands so she can be of good courage and count it all joy.

Psalm 27:14 tells us to wait on the Lord, said Cathcart, be strong and take heart. She gave listeners several reasons why they should wait patiently on the Lord—because He is sovereign, the ruler and king. His time is the best time, His followers answer to Him and not Him to us. His followers have to learn to wait on Him as just as they do for their parents who often tell children to wait when they ask for things. These were her examples.

If you don't wait, said Cathcart, trouble follows. God is the parent, she said, the holy parent. His followers need to have a good attitude and learn to appreciate God's thoughts because his thoughts are higher than theirs. When one is patient, God strengthens the heart and grants endurance.

She spoke of her trials in undergoing surgery and her granddaughter's need for heart surgery at an early age. She ended with a song — "My Life Is in Your Hands."

The conductress for the afternoon service was Sis.

Vera Saunders of Ebenezer Baptist Church and the congregation thanks her for a job well done.

The 3:30 p.m. keynote speaker was Sis. Paulette Marshall of New Commandment Baptist Church of Dayton, OH. She thanked the church for its invitation to speak and started out referring to Psalm 27:14's admonition not to be complainers. She reminded women not to be in a hurry to choose a mate, to wait on the Lord and not to put people in their lives merely to cover up empty spaces. Be careful in choosing friends.

Referring to Proverbs 3:5-6, Marshall said followers are instructed to trust in the Lord and not lean on their own understanding. And in reference to James 1:2-4, she emphasized the theme of the day — count it

all joy. God gives his followers what they need — trust, watch and remember.

Marshall ended by noting that if she had a song it would be "Blessed Assurance Jesus Is Mine, Oh what a fore-taste of Glory Divine! Heir of salvation purchase of God, Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood."

President of City Council, Wilma Brown, presented a resolution from the City Council to First Lady Betty R. Johnson and a gift of Toledo Holy Water to Marshall.

Rev. I.J. Johnson, pastor of St. Mark for 55 years, thanked God for Women's Day and the women for having that child-like simplicity. He also thanked the keynote speakers for their uplifting messages. "Women's Day is very important," said Johnson. "Women are a very impor-

tant part of the church body and we have been on this corner for 55 years. God has brought us a long way and I wish the women nothing but the best on this day and every day."

The Women's Day Committee consisted of Chairman Sis. Charlton Dewberry, Co-Chairman Sis. Chanell Phenix. Program Committee Mother Minnie Linzy, Sis. Barbara Campbell, Sis. Joyce Phenix and Carrye Rudolph, publicity chairman.

The culinary committee consisted of Chairman Mother Clarine Thompson, Sis. Faye Lyons, Charlotte Jackson and Michelle Norton who provided the church dinner for the day.

Chairman Dewberry thanked all of the committees and members who contributed to the day's success.

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