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"We are expanding the Kent Branch from 25 computers to 109 to benefit so many of our patrons, from those interested in learning new job skills and computer literacy to adding training for small-business owners and business start-ups." – Clyde Scoles, Director, Toledo Lucas County Public Library

This Strikes Us ...

A Sojourner's Truth Editorial

The folks of McKee, KY are mad as hell, and they aren't going to take it any more. In fact, they're sorry they ever gave it away ... their country, that is. They want it back. "I just feel like they're trying to destroy our government and our Constitution and make a socialistic society," said one such resident a week before the recent November general election in a report in the Washington Post.

"Our grandchildren are going to suffer trying to pay the debts back," said another.

McKee, KY is the seat of Jackson County and, in 2008, President Barack Obama fared poorly in this county. He received only 14 percent of the vote, his poorest showing among Kentucky's 120 counties, according to the Post. Of course, 84 percent of Jackson County's registered voters are Republican. If Obama had been on the ballot last week, he probably would have fared much worse than 14 percent.

You see, the good folk of McKee just don't understand what they perceive to be the rampant government intrusion into people's lives – the creeping socialism, as they see it. The handouts. They miss the good old days when people stood up for themselves and didn't depend on the government to bail them out of every little scrape.

Actually there's more you should know about McKee. First, it's overwhelmingly white – 99.5 percent white, in fact.

Second, about half of McKee's residents live below the poverty line.

Third, nearly 75 percent of folks in McKee get by because of government money – Social Security, welfare, etc.

And just to show you how mad they are about such government intrusion, the folks of Jackson County went to the polls in pretty substantial numbers. Of the 9709 registered voters in the county, 4901 went to the polls to cast their votes for tea baggers such as the newly-elected Senator Rand Paul who has promised to turn the government back over to the people. And presumably end the government handouts that keep the folks in McKee alive.

Paul won about 77 percent of the vote in Jackson County.

You think the voters of Jackson County are confused? You should make a little trip to the central city wards of Toledo, OH.

A black president gets elected in 2008 (much to the chagrin of many in McKee), he passes a universal health plan (there are almost 50,000 uninsured in Lucas County), he saves the U.S. auto industry (which is of more than passing interest here in Toledo) and pushes financial reform through Congress.

He introduces a remarkable plan to end homelessness (unfortunately remarked on by few in the media), a first by a U.S. president. That plan, titled Opening Doors, will put the country on a path to ending veterans' and chronic homelessness by 2015 and to end homelessness among children, families and youth by 2020.

How does the Toledo central city respond in a critical mid-term election? In one central city ward, for example, only 24.46 percent of registered voters went to the polls.

Nationally, African-Americans comprised only 10 percent of this mid-term's electorate compared to 13 percent in 2008. What a difference that made in so many races.

It is certainly understandable that the American public is concerned about jobs and the Obama administration's failure to lower unemployment. Just as a side note, we would respectfully disagree with the conclusion that the president should not have focused on issues such as health care and devoted all his attention to jobs creation. Given the depth of the recession, we believe that had the president not given such attention to health, here we would be two years later, still facing the same degree of unemployment and still without a health care plan and still without hope of one for another political generation.

Here in Ohio, voters opted to solve that unemployment problem by placing in office two Republicans – Senator-elect Rob Portman and governor-elect John Kasich – who are admitted free-traders, NAFTA supporters, positions that would seem to be anathema to a state which has lost half of its UAW jobs over the last 20 years or so.

But as one conservative pundit recently admitted, no one knows what will work when it comes to creating jobs, so we just keep trying different things – increasing government spending, lowering taxes, bailing out industries – you name it, leaders try it.

At least they try it for a while before an impatient electorate decides to yank the chain and replace the current model with for one with another set of promises.

Everybody's pretty confused these days.

Community Calendar

November 7, 14, 21, 28

Mind Body and Soul Free Dance Lessons: Every Sunday in November; YMCA at Summit and Bush; 4 to 6 pm: 419-944-4269 or 419-450-2143 or 419-376-3346

November 13

West Toledo Bereavement Monthly Meeting; 10 am; Bethlehem Baptist: 567-249-7470

20th Annual Clarence Simmons Pre-Thanksgiving Prayer Breakfast: Sponsored by Amazon Lodge No. 4; Warren AME Church; 9:30 am to noon: 419-531-2746

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November 14

End Time Christian Fellowship 19th Pastoral Anniversary: 10 am service: Speaker Rev. Apphia Williams; 5 pm service with Rev. Lewis Savage of Lo Salem MBC: 419-472-5993

First MBC of Swanton: "Mission Service;" 4 pm; Pastor F. Alexander Sheares of Rossford First Baptist guest speaker

New Prospect Baptist Church 10th Pastoral Anniversary; Pastor Glenn Burel; 4 pm service with Jerusalem MBC's Willie Perryman

Jerusalem MBC Mass Choir Concert: 6 pm: 419-248-2139

Third Baptist Church Military Ceremony: Rev. Kevin Bedford's retirement from the U.S. Navy; 3 pm: 419-248-4623

Mays Chapel United Holy Church Annual Men and Women's Day Services: "I've Got Promises;" 11 am speaker is Jaylan of Columbus; 4 pm speaker is Lawrence Freeman of Youngstown: 419-698-2600

November 16

Joint Utility Social Service Committee 2010-2011 Information Fairs: South Toledo Branch Public Library; 2 to 6 pm; Info to assist on utilities, food, housing, health care and other social service needs

November 19-21

Indiana Avenue MBC Annual Men's Day: Fri – 4:30 to 7:30 pm – fish fry and clothing giveaway; Sat – breakfast at 9 am, door prizes at 10:50 am, health ministry at 11:15 am; Sun – "Men of God, Edifying One Another in Faith;" 10:45 am; Guest speaker is Rev. Otha Gilyard of Columbus: 419-320-0919

November 20

Trulight Cathedral Global Ministries 4th Annual Well Watered Women of Faith Luncheon: "Oasis of Hope;" Noon to 3 pm; Tamaron Country Club; Guest speaker, entertainment, door prizes: 419-705-1008 or 419-344-7673

Calvary Baptist Church Cancer Awareness Luncheon: 10 am to 2 pm

November 21

End Time Christian Fellowship 19th Pastoral Anniversary: 10 am service: Speaker Rev. Crystal Dixon: 419-472-5993

Tabernacle MBC 50th Anniversary: Pastor Lemuel Quinn of Southern MBC is the guest speaker; 4 pm: 419-720-7201 or 419-654-1230

November 28

End Time Christian Fellowship 19th Pastoral Anniversary: 10 am service; Speaker Rev. Wayne Corggens: 419-472-5993

First MBC of Swanton Women in Red Service: Sis. Jean Lark of Union Grove is the guest speaker; 4 pm

December 2

Joint Utility Social Service Committee 2010-2011 Information Fairs: East Toledo Family Center; 1 to 6 pm; Info to assist on utilities, food, housing, health care and other social service needs

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Quick Takes on the Election Results

By Lafe Tolliver, Esq
Guest Column



most recent town crier of doom and gloom if the recent levy was to fail.

Ten dollars to a donut, if the school board were producing competent grade level graduates, passing school levies would not be a problem because the taxpayer would be seeing concrete results of their tax dollars at work.

(2) It was great news to see our local Nazi cross dresser and faux military soldier wannabee Rich Iott take a whipping from Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur. Her victory was a "re-enactment" of her prior political victories that Iott was privileged to be the recipient of. In the future, Iott can now personally reenact his own personal identity of a failed political figure. No cross-dressing required!

(3) I was finishing my daily workout at the Spar-Mor Gym on Reynolds and Dorr when I noticed school Superintendent Jerome Pecko in wrestling garb and headgear getting lessons from Merv Fassett, the coach at Start High School.

Being nosy, I slowly ambled over for a better view and maybe to pick up some choice tidbits of gossip.

I was shocked to hear that Jerome Pecko was getting some holding and grip tips from the wrestling coach.

When the coach and Jerome Pecko were talking, I heard that Pecko wanted some tips because he saw a future wherein he will have to go head-to-head with Fran Lawrence (TFT President) regarding severe union contract cutbacks.

We all know that whenever it is time to trim back union contracts, the union president always balks and screams about how they have suffered enough and they

cannot give anymore.

Well, obviously Jerome Pecko has seen the light and he knows that he needs to get in shape for a bruising fight to get significant union concessions if he is going to right the listing TPS financial ship.

When I left the gym, I must admit that the superintendent was getting quite adept at doing a mean leg scissors hold and an equally impressive full nelson. Fran...watch out. Jerome is not intimidated anymore by your title of Queen Fran.

(4) Kudos are in store for now State Representative Edna Brown for thrashing the Rich Iott sympathizer, Tom Waniowski, in the race for the state senate. Anyone who would agree that cross-dressing as a Waffen SS Nazi is OK does not deserve to be in public office.

(5) Well, Obama got an old fashioned woodshed spanking from the voters. However, it is not as if the public was goo-goo over the, "Just Say No!" Republicans. Both parties can stink up the joint; and with the Democrats, Obama took his eyes of the prize...JOBS...JOBS...JOBS and he is now dearly paying for it.

Nonetheless, he has two years to make amends and jettison the earlier "GQ Look", roll up his sleeves and get rid of the image that he is too professorial, aloof and above the fray.

He needs to change his inner circle of advisers since they have been giving him some bum advice and bring in some people who can tell him when the emperor is wearing no clothes.

According to the exit polls, women, independent voters and those wage earners making less than \$40,000

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A "Disorientating Dilemma"

By Rev. Donald L. Perryman, D.Min.
The Truth Contributor



A people who are truly strong should be able to look soberly at both their accomplishments and their problems - past and present.

- Michael Blakey

Still basking in the bright sunshine of the "post-racial" 2008 election of President Barack Obama, many who went to bed early on last week's election night woke up the next morning to find that the 2010 midterm elections produced a surprising tsunami of Democratic Party losses including a clean sweep of the Ohio statewide

elected offices.

Locally, although the Toledo Public Schools property tax levy had marginal support in inner-city wards, the remainder of the city - even without organized opposition - responded with an emphatic "Hell to the No!"

What went wrong?

Past success can become an opiate that lulls us into a false sense of security, whereas failure shakes us from the stupor of heedlessness and provides the disorientation we need to re-examine tightly held assumptions of reality. Yet also, as Mezirow states, the only way adults will learn is if something knocks us off stride or makes us step back and reflect or re-examine our perspective.

There is much to be learned from the painful plunge from the pinnacle of "progress mountain" to the abyss of Tea Party conservatism in just two short years.

Reflection upon the implications of the election provides a few random thoughts:

On Eating Elephants

We are often defeated by the "problem of big prob-

lems." Sometimes social problems are so large and complex that they overwhelm any ability to successfully solve them. Perhaps different outcomes would have taken place, in some instances, if certain problems had been defined in ways that recast them into smaller, less polarizing and more manageable components rather than allowing the opposition to define them in a way that scales up the magnitude to a level where successful results were unattainable.

The Kanye Syndrome

It appears that the policy ideas of the current conservative order "do not care about the poor" whose "backs built railroads, highways, cathedrals and churches, parks, new industry and museums for the masses."

The rights of corporations, as a result of a recent Supreme Court decision, have equal or more standing to that of individuals. The nation's attention will be focused on the wealth-needs of the few rich and powerful

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Edna Brown



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Local Minority Women Lead Lucas County Democratic Charge

By Fletcher Word
Sojourner's Truth Editor

Even as Ohio and the rest of the country succumbed to a Republican onslaught on Election Day 2010, here in Lucas County, which is as always a Democratic stronghold, two local minority female candidates held off their GOP opponents in grand style.

State Representative Edna Brown, term-limited from seeking another two-year stint in the House of Representatives, moved to the upper chamber with a solid defeat of Republican Tom Waniewski, a member of the Toledo City Council. Brown earned her state senate seat on Election Day with a 59 to 41 percent thumping of her well-known rival.

In the Lucas County Auditor's race, incumbent Democrat Anita Lopez won a second term by defeating her Republican opponent, Gina Marie Kaczala by a margin of 68 to 32 percent, turning an ugly, bitter contest into a rout.



Anita Lopez



Edna Brown

Brown's victory completed what some observers might have thought would be a totally unexpected journey to another elected office. In the spring primary, the state representative upset her Democratic rival, Councilman Joe McNamara, for the honor of moving on to the general election. McNamara was much better funded, had won a city-wide council race just months before topping a field of a dozen

candidates and had served as president of City Council.

Brown campaign experience in an area outside the central city was virtually non-existent and, adding to her obstacles, her access to state party funds was limited because she was running in such a Democratic stronghold.

Lopez was facing the widow of her predecessor whom she had beaten four years ago.

The auditor's campaign was marked with personal attacks on work habits and hiring practices. Kaczala accused her opponent of cronyism and incompetence while the Democrats unearthed work records showing that Kaczala's attention to attendance was slipshod at best.

In other local races, the Democrats were mainly unfazed by the Republican revolution sweeping Ohio and the nation. While Republicans took all of the statewide offices in play – governor, secretary of state, auditor, treasurer, attorney general and U.S. Senator – one of the few Republican victories in Lucas County was George Sarantou's nail biter over Democrat Carol Contrada for the vacant commissioner's seat.

Sarantou, a Toledo City Councilman who finished second in that field of 12 at-large council candidates a year ago to McNamara, topped Contrada, an attor-

ney and Sylvania Township trustee, by a mere one percent.

In other races, incumbent Republican Barbara Sears won a second full term in the House of Representatives over Democrat Harry Barlos in District 46 by 13 percentage points and State Senator Teresa Fedor, a Democrat,

won a House seat – District 47 – over Republican Rick Bush by 64 to 32 percent.

Democratic City Councilman Michael Ashford will be moving to Columbus to represent House District 48 and Democrat Matthew Szollosi will return to represent District 49.

Quick Takes

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per year, left him in droves to the party of the bellicose elephant. Why? Anger. Anger. Anger.

Obama simply did not connect with them as to their economic angst and, regardless of his worthy achievements, they did not see the pain being shared equally with the still untouchable Wall Street moneychangers and the fat cat bankers.

Note: have you seen any criminal indictments regarding the companies or individuals that intentionally caused the near meltdown of the US economy?

If Obama wants a second term, he, like Bill Clinton, will have to "reinvent" himself and not leave the driving to someone else but he will have to get out in front of his initiatives and "show and shout" why they are beneficial and what is in it for John and Mary Doe.

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Commander Kevin Bedford's Retirement from Active Duty

By Brittany Jones
Sojourner's Truth Reporter



Kevin, Jr, Brittany, Lettie and Kevin Bedford, Sr.

A navy commander and a Baptist pastor. He has served and traveled around the globe, but he remained within the city to serve as a spiritual leader. Experience in opposite realms and numerous memories, but there comes a time when one journey must end in order to begin a new one.

The time is now for Commander Kevin Bedford, pastor of Third Baptist Church. After 24 years of active navy duty as a chaplain, he is retiring and devoting his career to his church and the community.

As a recipient of the Joint Service Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, among others, he

will be honored at 3 p.m., on Sunday in a retirement ceremony.

Usually a traditional naval ceremony like this would take place on a naval ship, but Third Baptist will be the hosting the event this time around. With the help of high-ranking military personnel and elected officials, the pastor will be saluted for his achievements.

With almost two and a half decades of naval service under his belt, including Operation Desert Storm, Operation Desert Shield, Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, Bedford said that it was the right time to relieve from the military.

"You can opt to retire from navy after 20 years of active service. I had one

more year assigned here in Chicago and at that point, I would be relocated if I remained in, so I would have been assigned overseas or on the West Coast," he told The Truth last week. "It meant that I would have to sever my relationship with the church. We [the church] did not want that to happen."

One of 825 active-duty Navy chaplains, he also retires as one of 58 blacks serving in the spiritual advisor's capacity.

Despite the religious connotation, a navy chaplain is a dangerous and stressful profession.

Part of the job is to provide religious ministries to the men and women in the best way possible. The training includes, in addition to

order (PTSD), substance abuse, marriage issues, family and other areas.

Additionally, as do other chaplains, Bedford would regularly inform families when their loved one had been killed in action. He aided the family as they prepared for military funerals and other matters.

Born in Chicago (where he was stationed), Bedford is a long-time northwest Ohio resident.

In order to become a chaplain for the military, one would have to have pastoral experience for a minimum of two years and complete undergraduate and a graduate program in theology.

Bedford used to pastor at a church in Tennessee.

During his 24 years to the military, he became a pastor again in the last five years. It came about when his Sundays – usually devoted to his unit – were freed up in the course of his last two military tours. To fill in the schedule, he served as a pastor on a part-time basis.

"The last four years have helped begin the transition back to primarily a pastor," Bedford said. "I always knew I wanted to retire after 20 years so about four years ago, so I accepted

the position at Third Baptist."

The future is bright and busy as ever for the commander/pastor.

He plans to resume full-time leadership of Third Baptist and accept an economic development post with Toledo's NAACP. Bedford also wants to launch community programs, such as a Third Baptist effort with law enforcement to aid in the safe surrender of non-violent offenders.

He already led a fight against crime and violence in the neighborhood since Third Baptist Church is located in one of the poorest zip codes.

That was the Hotspots Card program, where Bedford and his congregation addressed the issue of crime of the area in 2005.

He chooses to keep up with his chaplaincy by doing a Clinical Pastoral Education Program at Cleveland Clinic as a part time option.

His motto for Third Baptist is "preserving tradition and embracing the contemporary through blended worship," and that is what Bedford aims for in the future of his church and career.

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Shrinking the Digital Divide at Kent Branch Library

By Rhonda B. Sewell, Library Media Relations Coordinator
Special to The Truth

The digital divide's gap will soon lessen in Lucas County with the help of a \$2.2 million federal stimulus grant received by the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library.

In September, the library system was awarded the major grant to partly fund a project at Kent Branch Library, which will add 109 broadband access computers and expand the building located at 3101 Collingwood Blvd. The grant will also fund a new cybermobile to be operated by the Library's Outreach Services, modeled after the department's bookmobile services.

To make way for Kent's additional public computer center, titled The @CCESS Center, the branch is scheduled to close to the public for about 20 months beginning

on Monday, **November 15**. A public meeting to discuss the renovations was held earlier this week on Tuesday, November 9.

While broadband bears many definitions, the term loosely describes any kind of fast, high-speed Internet access.

United States Rep. Marcy Kaptur (D, Toledo) worked with the Library's administration (Clyde Scoles, director; Margaret Danziger, deputy director; Jeff Wale, Information Technology manager; Faith Hairston, Kent Branch manager, and Pat Nigro, Outreach Services manager) to help secure and announce the \$2.2 million federal grant.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, better known as the stimulus

package, provided the Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Utilities Service (RUS) with \$7.2 billion to expand access to broadband services in the United States.

Of those funds, the Act provided \$4.7 billion to NTIA to support the deployment of broadband infrastructure, enhance and expand public computer centers, encourage sustainable adoption of broadband service, and develop and maintain a nationwide public map of broadband service capability and availability.

The renovation project, led by designing architectural firm, the Buehrer



Group Architecture & Engineering, Inc., is scheduled to conclude with a reopening of the Kent Branch in the spring of 2012.

"We want the community to know that when we reopen there will still be a Kent Branch Library offering books, DVDs and other materials. With the addition of the Federal Stimulus funding, now we will also have a true treasure in the community in The @CCESS Center," said Hairston.

Danziger said she is most proud of the people this project will assist.

"When Kent reopens in 2012, this amazing project will provide broadband access to the general public and to specific vulnerable populations, such as low-income individuals, the unemployed, seniors, children, minorities, and people with disabilities. We are so proud of this fact," said Danziger.

Ed Glowacki, project architect with Buehrer Group, concurred and added that his firm is excited about the new changes they have developed for the branch, which is located adjacent to the historic Old West End neighborhood.

"When our renovation project is completed, there will be a new accessible main entry to the building and in addition, a new green

space separating the building from the asphalt parking area. The building will be more patron-friendly both from the physical standpoint and also from an internet technology standpoint," said Glowacki.

The Buehrer Group also worked with the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library on the year-long renovation project at the Reynolds Corners Branch Library, 4833 Dorr St., helping to solidify that location as the first Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) System-certified public library in the state of Ohio. This project utilized "green" technologies and construction methods to create a structure recognized by the United States Green Building Council (USGBC) as one which is environmentally friendly.

Scoles said "we are expanding the Kent Branch from 25 computers to some 109 to benefit so many of our patrons, from those interested in learning new job skills and computer literacy to adding training for small-business owners and business start-ups."

Scoles said that in addition to the stimulus funding, the Library partnered with 56 major community partners for the grant including unions, corporations, institutions, hospi-

tals, small businesses and non-profits. The partners contributed endorsements, knowledge and funding, about \$70,500 total.

The total cost of the project will be around \$3 million, which will also include \$859,281 from the Library's general fund, Scoles added.

The library "will be using the power of high tech to take information into places where people do not have resources and could be left behind by the digital divide," said Kaptur in a *Blade* article (Sept. 12) during the Library's announcement to the public of the grant. "When you have the levels of unemployment we have, you have to use every key on the piano. It's a wonderful, wonderful investment."

During Kent's 20-month renovation project, patrons can utilize the Library services of the following nearby branch locations during the temporary closing:

- Main Library, 325 Michigan St. (downtown Toledo)
- Lagrange Branch Library, 3422 Lagrange St.
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Star Academy: New Team Eager to Raise Academic Performance at Charter School

By Fletcher Word
Sojourner's Truth Editor

It's a new day at the Star Academy on Airport Highway.

New company, new principal, new chief administrative office, new curriculum and definitely a new attitude about what it takes for a child to succeed academically.

"I'm here to let our teachers know that these children deserve the best, the same education they would want for their own children," says Principal Gaye Dobson who moved to Toledo from Atlanta during the summer to take over the head position at the charter school.

Dobson is part of the new look at the school. Mosaica Education, founded in 1997 by Dawn and Gene Eidelman, bought the school from Constellation after the last rather disastrous academic year, during which the school remained in academic emergency according to its Ohio Department of Education report card.

Mosaica added the school to its growing collection of more than 40 elementary and middle school programs in seven states and the District of Columbia.

Dobson, whose educational career had previously been in the public school system of Fulton County, GA, was recruited to turn things around here in Toledo and was paired up with a long-time educator as her assistant, Sam Hancock, Ed.D., who had recently retired from The University of Toledo where he served as a vice president in the diversity office.

Dobson and Hancock have installed the Mosaica model which includes a curriculum that devotes two hours a day to literacy and one and a half hours to math.

"The curriculum is designed so that it's interactive," says Dobson. "We share our goals with parents and we've put into place assessments. We hold teachers accountable by monitoring instruction and by emphasizing that it's not a one-size-fits-all curriculum."

Dobson and Hancock have also reached outside



Dobson, Sam Hancock and Star students

of the school for assistance to achieve their goal of turning the academic performance around. They have established partnerships with COM-PASS, Big Brothers Big Sisters and the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority in order to surround students with every opportunity to learn during and after regular school hours.

With the school's new emphasis on individual assessment, Dobson believes firmly that "we will make definite gains."

Part of the plan to turn the school around included turning over part of the teaching staff. Thirty-five percent of this year's faculty is new, says Dobson.

The teachers who were retained, she says, have a clear understanding that the Mosaica curriculum needs to be followed to the letter and, leaving nothing to chance, every teacher sees the principal or the chief administrative office in the classroom every day.

"Every teacher gets evaluated every day," says Dobson. "Mosaica expects walk-throughs and we do it every day. And teachers appreciate having more structure and support."

The teachers now have a planning period during which the staff evaluates which students are doing well and which ones not so well. It's a greater challenge for both students and



Gaye Dobson

teachers, says Dobson

That's the Mosaica goal, she explains. Everything is geared to achieving high standards.

"We are committed to what's best for the children," she says of the Star Academy staff and that new attitude.

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St. Francis de Sales Knight Life: A Chronicle, part III

By Keon Pearson
Sojourner's Truth Reporter

October is Homecoming Month! Homecoming is a huge event at my school, so the halls were abuzz with excitement during the whole week leading up to Friday, October 8. The atmosphere

was so energized on the day of the homecoming game that during my first period, my English teacher had to give us a gentle reminder that his classroom was, in fact, still a classroom. However, he did

concede slightly by assigning no homework over the weekend.

It's an SFS tradition for the marching band to lead all the other students through the halls and into the gym for



the homecoming pep rally. Once we filed into the gym, our cheerleaders hyped us up (for those who do not know, SFS cheerleaders are comprised of girls from Notre Dame and St. Ursula Academy), and the Homecoming Court was introduced.

Then, one of the most anticipated events in the life of a St. Francis student occurred: all of the seniors gathered around Fr. Olszewski, the school president, as he told the story of the Irish Knight. The Irish Knight is the trophy that is awarded to the winner of the St. Francis

vs. Central Catholic football game.

However, it is more than a trophy: it is a symbol of the intense rivalry that exists between the Knights and the Irish. I wish I could divulge the story of the Irish Knight, but I was too busily engaged in a Silly String war to have paid attention to Fr. O.

The football game was intense. We scored early, and were ahead for most of the game. It came down to the last two seconds: the score was tied 7-7, and Central had possession. They went for the field goal, and made it with zero seconds left on the clock. It was a crushing defeat.

The game was close, but the dance was, in many respects, closer. Jamming to Kesha, Gaga, and others left many expensive dresses and suits soaked with sweat. My date, Madison, and I were less afflicted than those who were grooving near the center of the crowd.

On Friday, October 29, I ceased to be a Marching Knight. The football team played its final game of the season against Clay. I have mentioned before that I view band and, particularly, the marching band, as a family. The notion that some day would be my last as a Marching Knight, that a single Friday night half-time performance alongside my most intimate comrades would mark the end of a relationship fortified by four years of mutual love, was as pleasant as the death of Jack in *Titanic*. I knew it would happen, but this knowledge did nothing to abate the pain of colliding with the inevitable.

Mr. Collier, my band director, established a tradition that has been fostered over the last 21 years. After the last game of each season, we return to the school for the end-of-the-season ceremony. All of the windows of the band room are covered,

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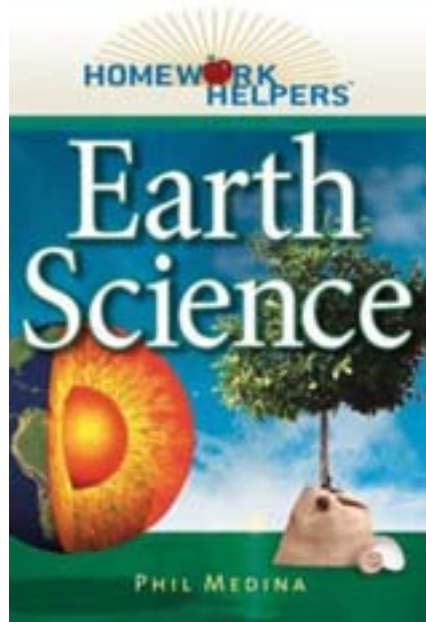
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The Library's Reading Selection of the Month – NOVEMBER, 2010



The Toledo-Lucas County Public Library is proud to offer its Homework Help Center! at 12

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Here's one way: We want you to know about the *Homework Helper* book series designed to assist your teens on subjects ranging from chemistry to earth science, biology and more!

The eight books in this series are very popular with students, teachers, and parents. Each volume helps students master the subject matter and perform well on tests, including Advanced Placement and college entrance exams.

The series includes books on *Basic Math and Pre-Algebra*, *Earth Science*, *Biology*, *English Language & Composition*, *Chemistry*, *Physics* and *Algebra*.

For more ideas on

other books and materials to check out to help your young person succeed in education, please contact the Library's Teen Specialist **Mary Plews** at 419.259.5297.

Source: www.impactpublications.com



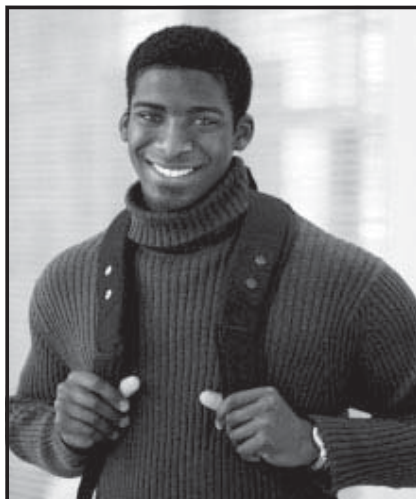
College Readiness - College Preparatory Curriculum

By Candice L. Harrison
Special to The Truth

Almost every major university requires that students take a college prep curriculum in high school in order to be admitted. Many times, students and parents expect that school counselors will automatically place their student in those types of courses. **WRONG!**

In the state of Ohio, the requirements to earn your diploma often do not meet the criteria for getting into college. It is important that you share with your counselor your plans to attend college early, preferably during ninth grade year. This gives your counselor a chance to place you annually in courses that will increase your chances of being admitted into a four-year institution.

An example of College prep requirements



are as follows...

•Math – three units required, but four are highly recommended

•English – four units required

•Science – two units required, three recom-

mended

•Social Sciences – two required, three recommended

•Foreign language – two units of the same language required, three recommended

•Visual arts – one required

•One additional unit of any of the above listed

*Your guidance or college counselor will advise specific courses under each subject as they relate to the school's college preparatory standards.

This list is not exclusive to any particular university, however, it is widely used by most schools and can serve as a baseline for assistance as you focus on creating your schedules for upcoming years. This can ensure that you have taken the appropriate courses as you approach the time to begin making college admissions steps as a junior.

Tasks to consider...

•Share with guidance counselor your college goals

•Review past courses

and think of future courses to complete college prep curriculum

•Schedule courses accordingly *Note:* Beginning in 2014, the Ohio Department of Education will require the following

•Four years of mathematics for graduation. Units must include Algebra II or the equivalent of Algebra II

•Three units of science to include one unit of physical sciences, one unit of life sciences and one unit advanced study in one or more of the following sciences: chemistry, physics, or other physical science; advanced biology or other life science; astronomy, physical geology, or other earth or space science.

•Social studies units must include ½ unit of American history and ½ unit of American gov-

ernment.

•Electives units must include one or any combination of foreign language, fine arts, business, career-technical education, family and consumer sciences, technology, agricultural education or English language arts, mathematics, science or social studies courses not otherwise required.

•All students must receive instruction in economics and financial literacy during grades nine-12 and must complete at least two semesters of fine arts taken any time

Source—(Core graduation requirements) www.ode.state.oh.us

Coming to Kent Branch Library...



The @ccess Center will create a public computer center that will provide greater Internet access to all.

Beginning Monday, November 15, 2010, the Kent Branch Library will be **CLOSED** for this renovation.*

Patrons can utilize the Library services of the following nearby branch locations during the temporary closing:

- **Main Library**, 325 Michigan St.
- **Lagrange Branch Library**, 3422 Lagrange St.
- **Mott Branch Library**, 1085 Dorr St.
- **Toledo Heights Branch Library**, 423 Shasta Dr.

* Kent Branch Library is expected to open in 2012.

"This \$2.2 million Federal Stimulus grant will fund expansion of the Kent Branch Library, acquisition of a mobile computer center, and expanded training for the community.

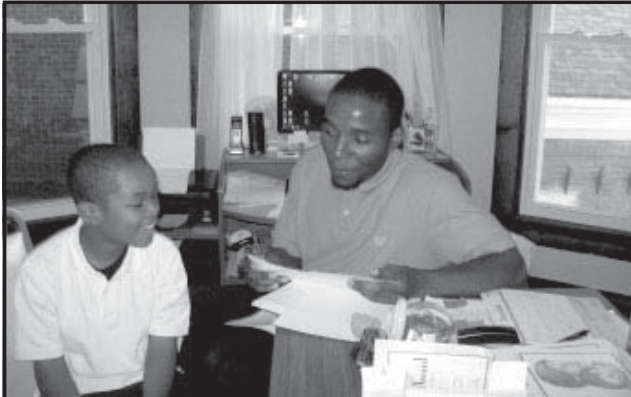
So many patrons will benefit from this high-speed Internet access!"

- Faith Hairston,
Kent Branch Library Manager



Toledo Community Foundation's William R. Winkle Memorial Fund Awards Grant to Padua Possibilities Program

Special to The Truth



Ambrose Odiari, co-coordinator of Padua Possibilities, tutors one of the students in the Alternative to Suspension Program.

The Board of Trustees of the Toledo Community Foundation has approved a grant to Padua Possibilities Program in the amount of \$13,000.00. These funds will be used for furthering education and enrichment opportunities for Padua's youth.

The William R. Winkle Memorial Grant will be used to fund the Alternative to Suspension program giving youth a safe place to learn and develop cognitive and emotional skills while serving out their suspension period. This directly benefits the community by keeping children off the street and in a safe, learning environment.

"These essential funds from Toledo Community Foundation allow us to extend our services to more children in the community as an alternative to suspension. Without the help of the Foundation, this very important program would not exist," said Sis. Virginia Welsh.

The Toledo Community Foundation, Inc. is a public charitable organization created by citizens of the community to work with individuals, families and businesses, assisting them in making effective choices that match their philanthropic interest and needs while creating a better community for genera-

tions to come.

The Foundation provides a variety of arrangements through which citizens may donate gifts in any amount to meet the changing needs of the community in social services, the arts, education, neighborhood and urban affairs, natural resources and physical and mental health. In addition to that of responsive grant maker, the Foundation plays a variety of other civic roles such as educator, catalyst or convenor on key community issues and makes available the expertise of its professional staff to a wide range of community efforts.

School Choice Ohio Essay Contest

Parents and Students Can Write What EdChoice Means to Them

This month School Choice Ohio is sponsoring an essay contest for families to write about what their EdChoice Scholarship means to them. Both students and parents are encouraged to write a testimonial essay about why their scholarship is important to their family.

There will be winners in the student and parent categories and each will receive \$100 gift certificates. For more information about the essay contest and an entry form visit the School Choice Ohio website at

www.schoho.org.

There are almost 1,800 students in the Toledo Public School District using EdChoice scholarships to attend a private school and the scholarships are worth up to \$4,250 per year at the elementary and middle school level and up to \$5,000 per year at the high school level.

More than 300 private schools statewide are registered to accept the scholarship. Once a student obtains a scholarship, she or he can continue to renew the scholarship through high school graduation as long as he or

she remains in the district.

School Choice Ohio (SCO) is committed to the goal of every child in Ohio having access to a quality education. Because this is not yet a reality, the organization works tirelessly to educate both the public and our leaders on the importance of empowering parents to find the best educational setting for the needs of their children. SCO believes that all parents should have the opportunity to choose which school is best for their children, regardless of their income level.

Homework Help Center! for Grades 1-6

By Rhonda B. Sewell, Library Media Relations Coordinator



Does your child need some extra homework assistance after school?

The Toledo-Lucas County Public Library is proud to announce its expanded **Homework Help Center!** for the 2010-2011 school year. The Library now offers **FREE** Homework Help assistance at 12 of its

locations throughout Lucas County!

Homework Help Center! is generously funded by the **Library Legacy Foundation**.

Assistance is available two and sometimes three times a week, depending on the location, to students in **grades first through sixth**. Library officials and Homework Helpers encourage you to take advantage of this amazing opportunity to help your child succeed in school!

Helpers assist young people during after-school hours. The Library does not provide Homework Help when school is not in session.

Below is the Homework Help Schedule for the 2010-2011 school year:

Birmingham Branch Library, 203 Paine Avenue - Mon. & Wed. (3:30-5:30 p.m.)

Children's Library, (Main Library, 325 Michigan St.) - Mon., Tue. & Wed. (3:30-5:30 p.m.)

Lagrange Branch Library, 3422 Lagrange Street - Mon., Tues & Wed. (3:30-5:30 p.m.)

Locke Branch Library, 806 Main Street - Tue., Wed. & Thurs. (3:30-5:30 p.m.)

Mott Branch Library, 1085 Dorr Street - Mon., Tue. & Thurs. (3:30-5:30 p.m.)

Point Place Branch, 2727-117th St. - Tue. & Thurs. (3:30-5:30 p.m.)

Reynolds Corners Branch Library, 4833 Dorr St. - Mon. & Tue. (6-8 p.m.)

Sanger Branch Library, 3030 W. Central Ave. - Tue. & Thurs. (3:30-5:30 p.m.)

South Branch Library, 1736 Broadway - Tue., Wed. & Thurs. (3:30-5:30 p.m.)

Sylvania Branch Library, 6749 Monroe St., - Mon. & Wed. (3:30-5:30 p.m.)

Toledo Heights Branch Library, 423 Shasta Drive - Tue. & Thurs. (3:30-5:30 p.m.)

West Toledo Branch Library, 1320 Sylvania Ave. - Mon. & Wed. (3:30-5:30 p.m.)

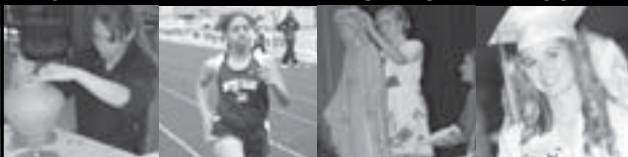
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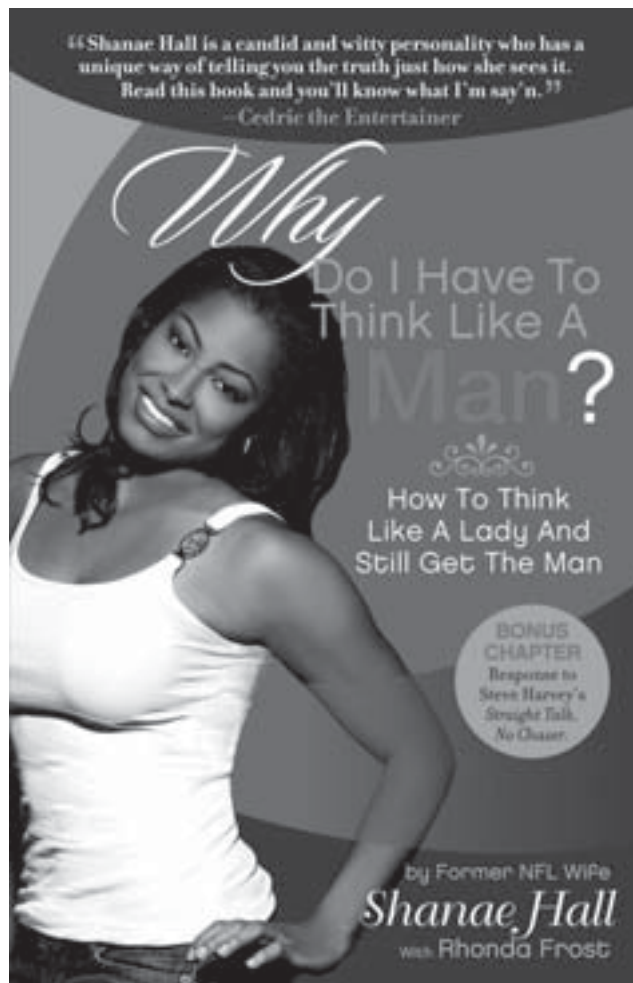
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By Terri Schlichenmeyer
The Truth Contributor

Hall and Frost say yes, but women need to take steps to get them. First,

And on that note, Hall and Frost have this to say: don't date a married man. If you do, don't think he's "your man," because he's not. If you're married to a cheater, don't be mad at The Other Woman, be mad at the "goat roach" who's straying. Understand that

Unlike most dating books, though, this one is written to target women of all stages in life. Author Rhonda Frost is Shanae Hall's mother, so this book is written from several



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The Little Things – Let's Try It for a Minute or Two

By Michael Hayes
Minister of Culture



I've worked on several different articles for this week's Sojourner's Truth.

I scrapped all ideas and just went with my gut.

Entertainment, pop culture and Toledo aren't the only subjects I cover.

At times I just want to

thing you need.

We tend to think these things are constant, but they are not.

I assure you.

The crusades we wage against each other.

Debating politics is somewhat of an oxymoron to me, but I do like to seek and offer clarity on political matters affecting everyday people.

I especially don't like to debate religion because it does nothing but divide people along their most basic need, the need to believe in something.

Race, politics, religion and even relationships are all topics that constantly need clarification but the more you indulge in the ignorance of others attempting to pull them

who believes that Republicans only mean harm for working class folks, but when you widen the scope it's not about a party, a bill, or even Washington D.C. period.

School systems are eroding, the entire way we raise and educate children in this country may drastically change in 20 years.

Arguments of morality and what the proper family should look and behave like are being carried out by racist hypocrites hell bent on enslaving the masses to their ideals.

The president of the United States is one of the worst jobs anyone could ever have.

Yet a reality TV star with no talent, can end up with

No sinners to convert, no crowds to convince, and no more causes to die for.

If only for a little bit lets put every single agenda we have on hold.

I am pushing for whatever moments we can all find to indulge in the simple things.

Let all the life or death arguments fall by the wayside.

They may be important, but not as important as fi-

nally realizing the scheme of what's truly important.

If you're waiting on me to tell you what's truly important, you're missing the point.

But I have told you what's NOT important.

If I could make a national "let it all go day" I would, but this will have to do.

Reading this was not in vain. I believe there's a reason why certain words make it on a page that ends up a

certain individual's hands. Whoever you are reading this right now, just find a moment to indulge in a simple joy present in your life.

Stop grinding, stop proving, stop chasing, stop opposing, stop all of it.

What are the little things that make your life feel like life?

Peace.

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glasscitytruth@yahoo.com

At some point it's not about your opinion vs. my opinion, it's simply about the greater good.

speak to whoever is reading on a person-to-person level.

While I'm at it, I would like to thank everyone who does faithfully or even occasionally read my article. There are those who skim every word I write finding reasons to hate.

There are others who find reasons to appreciate. You know which group I'm thankful for.

But yes, like Mos Def says this is life in "marvelous times" and "marvelous" doesn't exactly mean good or bad just to cause wonder or astonishment.

Step back from your grind. Times are more extreme, so much more is at stake.

Entire ways of life are crumbling, giving way to new challenges in some aspects yet new opportunities. If that sounded a little Obama-esque, I caught it too. But it's true.

We tend to think of so many elements of our society as fixed.

The schools we went to, the jobs we depend on, the ability to leave your home go to a store and purchase some-

thing you need... the more likely you are to get lost yourself.

Then it hits you, that moment when it all fades away is the only truth worth acknowledging.

Seriously, any idiot with enough time and influence can cook up lunacy such as the Tea Party but the horrifying part is that other idiots accept the most ridiculous things as reality.

At some point it's not about your opinion vs. my opinion, it's simply about the greater good.

But the next point down is the realization that some people are not concerned with the greater good or will distort the idea of what it means for their own purpose.

The politics of this land affect our access to health care, how many jobs stay in this country and even our very civil liberties and rights as humans. But it's quite possible that such crucial decisions are all at the whim of a few, possibly psychotic, selfish pricks.

I confess that I am one

book and television deals.

These are marvelous times.

Nothing is sacred, yet more and more things are sacred to more and more people.

As someone working to enter the entertainment field you become inundated with news, updates, debates on music and the industry and that is trivial compared to the conversations taking place about social security and war.

And those are trivial compared to the conversations taking place about teen sex slave trafficking and increased Ku Klux Klan recruitment.

Keep widening the lens to take more and more in and what do you see?

A need to disconnect.

A desperate need for the sensory overload of life in this place and time to just chill the hell out.

All of it is nonsense.

Every last inch of it is nonsense.

Turn off the news, no more media intake... and no more stances to defend.

O'Neal's Made in Hollywood Available to Local Viewing Audience

Special to The Truth

"MADE IN HOLLYWOOD", is now airing in Toledo, Sundays @ 3:00 p.m. & 11:00 p.m. (ET) on WT05 (CW), airing each week in the same time period.

"As executive producer, also having created the series and franchise, I'm proud to renew the series in my hometown of Toledo as we celebrate not only our sixth hit season, but our new Fox O&O and CW Plus affiliates nationwide, plus renewals with the CBS O&O's and www.movietickets.com, owned by Viacom & AMC Theaters, said Toledo native Cleveland O'Neal III. "I'm just happy that my mom, Mrs. Brunetta M.

O'Neal of Ottawa Hills, will continue to see both shows every week in Toledo."

The series focuses on 'HOW' Everything New on Movie & DVD Screens is 'MADE IN HOLLYWOOD', as the stars and directors take viewers on a tour of their latest project..

Now in its fifth hit season in national syndication, the O'Neal spin-off series, "MADE IN HOLLYWOOD: TEEN EDITION", an FCC Friendly, Educational/Informational program, airs in Toledo every Saturday @ 8:30 a.m. on WUPW-TV (FOX).

This spin-off series can also be seen every week on Saturdays @ 1:00 p.m. on WKBD/Detroit (CW).

MADE IN HOLLYWOOD: TEEN EDITION has proven unique in this E/I category and yet it's compatible with any and all of the weekend entertainment magazine series, while providing a career introduction and film industry education for its target audience of teens, 13-16.

Both series are launching their new fall seasons in high definition and are available in 91 million U.S. homes with a gross average audience of 5.2 million viewers, as well as over 25 countries worldwide, including Zee Network in India and Fox International Channels in Turkey, Greece, Cyprus & Malta.

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GAMESAVVY.TV STOP BEING SO SURPRISED

Dilemma

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rather than the survival needs of the populace.

"It's the Jobs, Sherlock!"

Although conservative pundits will claim in the election results a mandate for smaller government, less spending and lower taxes, the truth is that people are either angry or apathetic and did not show up at the polls because of the lack of jobs and the poor state of the economy. While the president and Congress were occupied with other policy initiatives, jobs and the economy were chief in the minds of the electorate. The situation will probably worsen for the Democrats unless solutions for the sagging economy can be developed and quickly implemented.

Praying the Entire

Prayer.

Churches, hiding within their sanctuaries of retreat, have forgotten the "Thy will be done ON EARTH as it is in heaven" part of the Lord's prayer and have become "so heavenly minded that they are no earthly good." The 21st Century black church must turn from its escapist religious expression to a more holistic understanding of faith that is more relevant to the "least of these" and others. In particular, the black religious community must find ways to become actively engaged in the "political discussion, debate and public policy-formation" if it is to regain the credibility it has recently lost.

Which Way Is Up?

Pushing change down from the top is a funda-

mentally flawed strategy and virtually never successfully produces change. Neither does attempting reform initiatives by forcing newfound insights

front line – parents, leaders from indigenous or minority communities and others – develop a "shared diagnosis of what's wrong and what can and must be

We are often quick to blame failure on others when the blame may actually be at our own door.

from so-called business leaders or consultants down the throats of an organization without early buy-in from all of its stakeholders. This strategy instead, short-circuits change.

Successful change comes from a clearly defined problem, a process that is bottom up and from commitment that has been mobilized by the joint diagnosis of perceived problems. When those on the

improved, the necessary initial commitment leading to change can begin."

Policy Assimilation

There are also lessons to be learned from the "resistance" card continuously being played by conservatives. There also needs to occasionally be a culture of resistance in our community where we finally begin to repeatedly and emphatically say no to certain policies or political

maneuvers.

Those incompetent stewards of our failed public schools, with their "gentleman's agreements" that allow the "cultural calculus" which provides fewer and different resources and lower quality to inner city schools, should not be allowed to seek City Council or other vacancies without loud voices of protest from the community.

Moving On.

Finally, the aftermath of experiencing amazing victories that are swiftly followed by crushing defeats, can leave the community in a state of depression. Yet the time always comes to stop crying, sitting around in a state of political paralysis, blowing our collective noses and to end the pity party.

Too much of our energy is spent on looking at what others outside the community are doing and not enough is spent on looking within. We are often quick to blame failure on others when the blame may actually be at our own door.

However, there comes a time to break tradition, cycles and to lose egos. When one thing doesn't work and has not worked, it becomes time to try something new or different.

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Mt. Nebo Celebrates 80th Anniversary

Sojourner's Truth Staff

Mt. Nebo Baptist Church was founded 80 years ago in November 1930 at the home of Bro. and Sis. Charles Johnson.

At that first meeting was Rev. Walter Johnson, un-

der whose leadership, Mt. Nebo's first home was located in the 500 block of Nebraska Avenue.

From there the church moved to Ewing and Vance streets, later to Belmont and



Rev. D. Alexander Bullock (seated) and Rev. Cedric Brock

Weiler. The church would go on to purchase three framed buildings in the 700 block of Division Street.

In the late 1940's, a site was purchased at 1079 Palmwood and the first phase of the new building was completed in 1953.

The City of Toledo purchased that property in 1962 and soon thereafter, the congregation settled on the site at 831 N. Detroit, the

current site of the church.

Mt. Nebo has had, during its 80 years of existence, more buildings than pastors.

Rev. Johnson passed away in 1946 whereupon the church asked a young man named Rev. Allen Lee Roach to lead the flock. He did so for 48 years.

When Rev. Roach passed away in 1993, the congregation selected Rev. Cedric Brock to be its pastor. Brock is now in his 17th year as leader of the church adding ministries, dedicating the Johnson-Roach Fellowship Hall, remodeling the sanctuary and burning a mortgage loan in 1994.

Today, 80 years after its founding, Mt. Nebo has a Voice of Hope Computer Ministry, a prison ministry, a nursing home and various tutoring programs.

Last Sunday, November 7, Mt. Nebo celebrated its 80th anniversary with guest speaker Rev. D. Alexander Bullock, pastor of the Greater St. Matthew Baptist Church.

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