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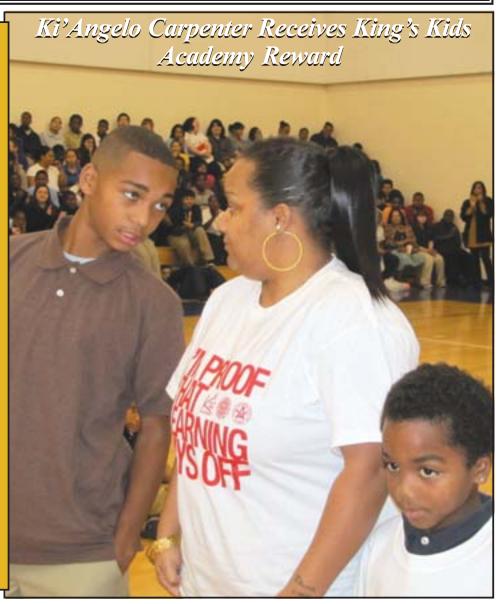
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## Children's Manifesto

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

The Truth Contributor



If you want to maim the future of any society, you simply maim the children. The struggle for the survival of our children is the struggle for the survival of our future.

- Ngugi Wa Thiong'O

Rev. Eileen Lindner, Ph.D. recounts a startling and apt incident from her childhood, "I would often run to my very wily mother and ask her: 'Mom, Mom, Terry (her older brother) hit me.' Mom never asked what did you do? She knew that the answer would be ...'nothing!' Rather, she would ask, 'Eileen, what happened just before he hit you?'

"Not recognizing that I was being drawn in, I would say something like 'I don't know. He was building that model plane and I just stepped right by it and its wing fell off." (Lindner, 2006).

With a suspected serial rapist who attacks young teens walking to school (finally behind bars), the recent sleeper-hold choking unto unconsciousness of a disabled student by a public school teacher and other violent incidents of child victimization including the physical, emotional and sexual abuse of children and family or non-family abductions becoming commonplace, Lindner's childhood question remains relevant. "What has just happened"

Children, because they have little control or choice over whom they associate with or whom they come into contact, are more prone to victimization than adults and often act irresponsibly or make unwise choices. But the bad decisions of children (or of the adults who make them on their behalf) should not be punishable by rape.

While we continually mouth the mantra "It's for the children," the reality is that the policies and actions of those who are in control benefit adults and are indifferent or harmful to children.

What needs to happen?

Since children are voiceless, unable to vote or gain our attention, I present the following manifesto:

I believe, behind these growing assaults against young people that there is a silent and undeclared war and that culture, the "primary terrain in which adults exercise power over children both ideologically and institutionally," is the battlefield.

I believe the removal of the policies and very government-supported services that were originally created with the interests and survival of children in mind is an act of aggression and that policies in the name of budget reform that reduce benefits to the unemployed or to single mothers are in reality an attack on poor children.

I further believe that the political exploitation of a changing economy to cut public funding for young people, "also cuts short their futures.

I believe that greed and the ravenous pursuit of profits by corporations and their media allies utilizing the "corrupting influence of consumerism and pop culture with its misrepresentations of poor and children of color, are designed to exploit childhood innocence and sexual potential."

I further believe, in this visual age where youth are bombarded with and have easy access to every kind of pornography, that until we gain control over the young images of color from opportunistic filmmakers and ad execs and display it in ways that do not confirm the public's fantasies or stereotypes, that no matter how much we "profit from racial fiction," we will remain merely apologists for the status quo and modern day

I believe miseducation lies at the center of this cultural incursion and that the epidemic of persistent school failure lies in the fact that the times have changed dramatically since the 1950s era of Leave It To Beaver or Father Knows Best.

With schools' demographic now increasingly darker, poorer and more culturally complex, it's a different world yet mainstream education strategies and policies continue to rely on the flawed assumptions of the past and are designed to benefit adults rather than the children they claim to serve.

I believe today's students are of a generation that is far removed from the "thenconsidered-virtuous" submissiveness of the 1950s. Being "seen and not heard" is unknown and they rightly feel that they should be respected. We must take care to show equal respect and to honor the dignity of those "who are sensitive to signals of unworthiness" coming from others including those in authority

I believe teachers can improve their teaching by "venturing outside the school to get first hand knowledge of their students' communities" and by making a genuine effort to gain an in-depth understanding of their pupils' culture and background.

I believe a culturally-relevant pedagogy rather than "cookie cutter curricula" should always be implemented, especially by teachers who come from backgrounds different from those of their students; and that students should be allowed to "research their own community and investigate both local and historical issues to discover the truth about many of the myths about American history" presented in their

I believe images in the books and on the walls should affirm the identities of all and present positive non-stereotypical representations of children and adults of color.

I believe, "social justice literature should be constantly present on the teacher's desk" and made a part of the curriculum

I believe that feminist education should be present in school curricula for both male and female students so that new strategies and different voices in film, spoken word, activism and in the writings of youth and women of color are heard and made relevant.

Only then can the disingenuous and misogynistic war against youth promulgated by corporate, economic and political structures and institutions be won and our efforts

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## **Community Calendar**

#### December 11

West Toledo Bereavement Ministry: 10 am meeting; Bethlehem Baptist: 567-249-7470

First church of God Christmas Benefit Concert and Silent Auction: "The Dfference;" 5:30 to 8 pm; Nate Gurley, Sis Rine Allison, Mt Zion Dance Ministry and the Brian Thomas Chorale: 1-888-242-7253

Holiday Fashion Flair: East Toledo Family Center' Noon to 3 pm; Entertainment by Darrell Brown and Justin Martz; Fashions by Catherine Custom Creations

#### December 12

Josh Project's Soul Food Extravaganza Fundraiser: Sommerset Hall; 1:30 to 4:30 pm; Bountiful buffet; Live entertainment; Silent auction; Student swimming recognition awards: 419-973-1383

Clarence Smith Community Chorus Community Celebration of Christmas: St. Martin de Porres Church; 6 pm; Lourdes College Choir, Percussion Ensemble of TSA, Tymara Spears, guitarist Hector Mendoza

Community Support Gathering: For Pastor Ronald McCraney and wife; Rhema Christian Fellowship; 5 pm; "Helping Friends in Times like These: 419-246-8561

New Prospect Baptist church Nurses' Annual "Candlelight Service:"

Ascension Evangelical Lutheran Church 57th Anniversary: 10:30 am service: Speaker State Rep. Edna Brown; Music by Laura Lawrence; Dinner following program

Beulah Baptist Church Friends and Family Day III: 11 am service; Guest Preacher Rev. Brandon Tucker of New Psalmist

#### December 19

Third Baptist Church Holiday Concert: Featuring The United Voices of Detroit; 4 pm

#### December 25 Merry Christmas!

#### December 31

AKA Sorority New Year's Eve Masquerade Ball: Pinnacle; Dinner and cocktails; Fundraiser for scholarships and community service;  $7\,\mathrm{pm}$ : 419-902-9884 or 419-392-4511

#### January 1 Happy New Year!!

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## **Should You Take This Quiz?**

By Lafe Tolliver, Esq. Guest Column



People have a human tendency to pick out of what is written that which affirms their basic beliefs or is at least somewhat close to what they would believe is true or should be true.

Based upon the responses from last week's column about my chastisement regarding the involvement, or lack thereof, of our local churches, I thought it would be interesting to continue to gauge public thought by means of one of my infamous quick quizzes.

You know. The ones that are timed and the answers are at the bottom so that you can have instant gratification of getting the answers now.

So, even if you do not attend a local fellowship, feel free to answer the below questions. You want to be daring and bold? Try sharing these questions with your local pastor and see whether he or she gives you, "the eye" or whips out that tortured scripture of, "touch not my anointed and do my prophets no harm.' Their translation: "Don't question my authority or touch my gold (don't mess with the money flow)...just be a good pew warmer and go with my program!"

still want to go to church, should you go or should you stay home? Answers: (1) Go, but sit in the rear so that no one sees you. (2) Stay home. No one will miss you anyway. (3) Go because there is no dress code to attend church. (4) Go. Wear what you have that is decent and don't stress over it. God judges the heart not the name on the blouse label.

Question 2: When you get to the church, you are not greeted by anyone.

What should you do? Answers: (1) Make a scene and leave. (2) Show your disgust but go on in anyway. (3) Smile and be polite and take your seat in the front so as to be seen. (4) Go in anyway and enjoy the fellowship and leave the oversight behind you.

Question 3: It is time for the offering. What do you do? Answers: (1)

Make a flurry with your checkbook and ask for an envelope. (2) Put in whatever change you have in your pocket or purse. (3) Don't give anything...even if you have it. (4) Give and expect nothing in return but give for the joy of giving. (5) When the offering plate passes you, feel free to take out some money since you are, for real, flat broke.

Question 4: The pastor asks everyone for their best offering and tells you that you cannot out-give God! Answers: (1) You block him out because that does not sound remotely right. (2) You put in your rent money believing that you are going to get a hundred-fold return. (3) Your mind wanders back to the parking lot where the pastor was getting out of his new

Bentley when you drove up. (4) You cheerfully give what you can without guilt or "drama" and don't sweat the theatrics and the pleas for more and more that are coming from the pulpit.

Question 5: During the sermon, the pastor seriously misquotes scriptures that you know are out of context in order to support his position on a dubious doctrine. Answers: (1) You write it off as being a subject that is above his skill level. (2) You mark the passages for future personal study and comment. (3) You refuse to join in the surrounding shouts of Amen! because you know better. (4) You wince and think that maybe this church is not for you if everyone is oblivious to such glaring

Question 6: You see Bob, who is married, in the choir and you gasp because you have personal knowledge that Bob is having an affair with Regina, your coworker. Answers: (1) You quietly get up and leave. (2) You plan to go to

Bob and confront him for his hypocrisy. (3) You decide to leave it alone and let someone else confront this situation. (4) You plan to inform the Pastor that he has an adulterer in his congregation singing about what he does not live.

Question 7: During the time of the service, everyone is encouraged to get up and greet and shake the hand of someone they do not know. Answers:

(1) You remain seated since this is not your regular church and you do not know anyone (except for married man Bob). (2) You pretend you are busy with your purse and papers until the "greet time" is over. (3) You get up and go to the restroom to avoid this awkward time. (4) You get up and go to some others who are also sitting and introduce yourself with a warm smile and handshake.

Question 8: During prayer time, a young girl who is sitting somewhat close to you is quietly crying and sobbing. Answers: (1) You keep on praying your prayers and hope she is OK. (2) You look around hoping someone else will come over to her and help her. (3) You give her a firm look as if to say, "you are making a scene..please stop!" (4) You stop your prayers, slide over to her and put your arm around her and pray with her and for her.

Question 9: The mother's board announces a second special offering for the " First Lady" ninth anniversary. Answers: (1) You remember the black on black Bentley she stepped out of with her pastor husband and you decline to give. (2) You write a check for a nominal sum. (3) You chuckle to yourself that there are more urgent needs you have seen in this church than giving the pastor's wife more financial goodies. (4) You shake your head and wonder if this church is primarily concerned with gathering money or feeding the sheep.

Question 10: Service is over and as you are leaving, a nervous looking Bob, the married man, catches your eye and wants you to wait up for him.

Answers: (1) You smile at him and continue to go to your car and leave without waiting for Bob. (2) You give him a look that could peel bark off of a tree and you speed up your steps to get to your car. (3) You wait for Bob so you can give him a piece of your mind. (4) You wait for Bob to see what he wants, hoping that he will not ask to, "keep it quiet" as to what you know and praying that

you will keep your cool and not make a scene.

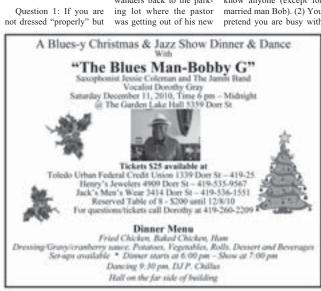
Well, give yourself about three minutes to answer each question and remember that the below answers will hopefully motivate you or inspire you to good works. So, if you did not peek at the answers ahead of time, here they are: 1-4. 2-4. 3-4. 4-4. 5-2. 6-4. 7-4. 8-4. 9-3.10-4.

If you scored 1-3 correct, you need to go to the mourner's bench and get things right. If you scored 4-6 right, your vision is still cloudy but improving.

If you scored 7-9 right, you need to stay put in your local church and let your light shine. If you got all ten correct, you should be teaching a Sunday school class!

If you got none right, you may want to ask yourself, maybe you should stay home after all on Sundays and not be a distraction to others!

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## **ONE Village Takes the Place of North Toledo**

Soiourner's Truth Staff

On Friday, December 3, members of United North community development corporation and the ONE Village Action Committee gathered at the corner of Cherry and Summit streets to celebrate the unveiling and raising of a sign by the City of Toledo's Transportation Department that officially re-brands North Toledo.

The new name of the area that contains neighborhoods such as Vistula Historic District, Polish International Village and Stickney is ONE Village. The "ONE" stands for Olde North End.

"We are looking for a change in perception," said realtor Julia Bryant during the ceremony. "ONE Village defines us as a community. We want the public to understand and to refer to us as ONE Village. We are not something to be taken lightly."

The name ONE Village came about after a series of community meetings in the area. A student at Woodward High School designed



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the winning logo that is to be used in the signs. Ultimately a total of 12 signs will be raised designating the area as ONE Village.

During the ceremony,

the committee members pointed out a number of recent accomplishments in ONE Village including the completed construction of new homes for 48 families over the past two years, the demolition of 55 dilapidated properties and the renovation of 156 apartment units for seniors and special needs residents. Many more projects are on the drawing board, according to the group's press release, such as the renovation of two commercial buildings and the Ohio Theatre, the relocation of Mulberry Park and additional improvements to Wilson Park, the construction of a 40-unit senior housing project at the former Chase School site and the expansion of streetscape improvements along Summit Street.



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## "Christmas Is For Archousai:" Men of Alpha Phi Boule Host Annual **Christmas Dinner**

Sojourner's Truth Staff



Calvin Lawshe, Thomas Winston and Alfred Baker



 $The\,men\,of\,Sigma\,Pi\,Phi's$ local chapter, Alpha Phi Boule, held their annual Christmas dinner on Saturday, December 4 at the Pinnacle in Maumee. The chanter honored five of its members during the evening that, as always, is dedicated to the members wives.

Members (the "Archons"), their spouses (the "Archousai") and various guests of the Boule were greeted by the Sire Archon Alfred Baker. Archon C. Allen McConnell gave the invocation and the diners feased on their choice of beef tenderloin medallions with bordelaise sauce, boneless breast of chickens with marscarpone cheese or lemon caper salmon with dill sauce.

After dinner, the special recognitions were presented.

Archon Charles Doneghy, judge in the Lucas County Court of Common Pleas, was honored for his distinguished judicial career; Archon John Moore for his distinguished community service; Archons Joseph Sommerville, Ph.D.,

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## Josh Project to Hold Third **Annual Soul Food** Extravaganza

Special to The Truth

The Josh Project, a Toledo-based non-profit organization that provides low cost swimming lessons in an effort to prevent children from drowning, will be hosting its annual Soul Food Extravaganza Fundraiser on Sunday, December 12, from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Sommerset Hall at 2458 Tremainsville Road.

The bountiful menu features fried chicken, turkey and dressing, collard greens, sweet potatoes, peach cobbler, sweet potato pie along with other amazing soul food choices. No one ever leaves hungry.

There will be live musical entertainment all afternoon. a silent auction and student swimming recognition awards at 3 p.m.

The Josh Project was founded by Wanda Butts as a result of the drowning death of her 16-year-old son Josh in the summer of 2006 He did not know how to swim when he went out on a raft on Bird Lake.

Statistics show that minority children between the ages of five and 19 are 2.6 times more likely to die from drowning than their white counterparts.

The Josh Project offers

lessons in four half-hour sessions over a four-week period at St. Francis de Sales High School. The lessons are sanctioned by USA Swimming and the Greater Toledo Aquatic Club and cost \$10 per four-week session.

The cost for this weekend's Soul Food Ex-

travaganza is \$20 per adult, \$15 per child and seniors over 60 and \$15 for groups purchasing tables of eight or more.

For more information, contact Wanda Butts at 4190973-1383 or visit the web site at:

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# Looking for that Special Gift? Take a Look at Electronic Readers

By Tracy Montri, Library AudioVisual Manager Guest Column

Happy Holidays! Did you know that eReader (electronic reader) devices are one of the hottest items on patrons' holiday wish lists this year?

Did you know that the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library offers **thousands** of downloadable titles that are compatible with these eReader devices? We encourage you to put the Library on your holiday wish list this year and take advantage of all of the FREE downloadable media we have from books to music and videos! And here's a stocking stuffer: If you have a library card, you can check out up to 10 downloadable items! Why rent and why be trapped by late fees, just



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Education Section • Education Section

## **New Report Restates the Obvious: Black Male** Students in a State of **Crisis**

By Fletcher Word The Sojourner's Truth Editor

City Schools has released a 130-page report on the state as always when pondering the challenges facing this particular group, the situation has once again been deemed to be more than problematical.

Black males do not have the same opportunities as their male and female counterparts, their infant mortality rates are higher, their access to health care more limited, they are more likely to live in a single-parent home and less likely to participate in early childcare

black males are less likely to be employed and much more black males. of black male students and, likely to be incarcerated.

Not much news there. However, what the Council's report looks at is what it calls a first-time analysis of date from the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) on how black males are performing academically.

The data the Council examined included fourth and eighth grade reading and math achievement scores, dropout figures, college examination scores, college readiness information, along

The Council of the Great programs. And as adults, with statistics on the postsecondary experiences of

> The Council of the Great City Schools is a coalition of 66 of the nation's largest urban school systems. Founded in 1956, the Council is located in Washington D.C. and serves as the voice for urban educators. The Council has a staff of about 20 who coordinate its work, arrange conferences, conduct studies and collaborate with other nation organizations, government agencies and corporations.

Here are some key observations of the report:

#### Readiness to Learn

Too many black children, according to the data, live in deplorable conditions. Large numbers live in poverty and are not participating in early child-care programs at the same rate as their white counterparts.

Between 2003 and 2007, black mothers had infant mortality rates twice as high as white mothers and in 2007, one in three black children lived in poverty compared to one in 10 white

### **Black Male Achievement on the National** Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)

The news on test scores is pretty dismal for black males when comparing fourth and eighth grade data from large cities. And while much of the results can be attributed to poverty, two facts are significant which defy using poverty as the sole factor in young black males lack of educational attainment.

First, black males fall far behind their black and Hispanic female counterparts. Second, black males who are not eligible for free or reduced lunch programs score similar to or lower than white males who are eligible for such programs.

#### College And Career Preparedness

Black males are now twice as likely to drop out of school as their white male counterparts; black males score about 100 points lower on the three SAT tests than white males and are 33 percent less likely to enroll in college

#### School Experience

Black students are less likely to participate in academic clubs, more likely to be suspended, more likely to fail a grade. The suspension statistics are the telling data on the school experiences of black males who are three times more likely to be suspended than white males and twice as likely as Hispanic and Native American males.

#### Post-Secondary Experience

Amidst all the data on income disparity, high school and college graduation rates, the  $most\ critical\ statistic\ involves\ employment.\ In\ 2010, the\ unemployment\ rate\ for\ males\ age$ 20 and over was twice as high as the rate for white males of the same age

The recently issued report from the Council will serve as a springboard for future research, according to the executive summary. To follow up on the conclusions, the Council plans to: convene a panel of education and non-education

leaders to serve as a governing board for the Council and help identify challenges and barriers to educating black males; identify scholars to write papers describing the challenges and presenting solutions; convene a White House conference to public

discuss recommendations and bring together organizations, individuals and agencies in support of a "Call to Action" to improve the educational attainment of black males

## **Lourdes Social Work Faculty Develop Curriculum** for Cherry Street Mission

Special to The Truth

Lourdes' Social Work Department has been partnering with the Cherry Street Mission for a number of years. Faculty and staff have provided a wealth of service through outreach activities and field education. This year, the Department is adding an additional component to its - Lourdes' Social Work faculty have developed a new curriculum specifically designed for staff at Cherry Street Mis-

The Cherry Street curriculum, designed by Association Professor of Social Work James Wares and Field Education Director Mark Robinson. will cover communication issues, theory and skills that staff can apply when

interacting with clients. Additionally, Wares discuss the particular dilemmas and difficulties often affecting the homeless population such as mental illness. Training sessions will be held the first Friday of every month through March.

"There are trying cir-

present themselves on a resource networking and regular basis requiring job readiness assistance. special consideration, knowledge and strategy to better assist the homeless," says Wares. "We hope to give the Cherry Street staff the tools to about Social Work at help their clients to move forward and find success. Ultimately, our objective is to be a resource that can support the staff and jlitten@lourdes.edu. agency accomplish their

mission of helping people improved their lives.

Since 1947 Cherry Street Mission Ministries has served homeless and low-income individuals. 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The agency provides food, clothing, shelter and other vital services including, literacy cumstances that can and vocational training, For more information,

#### www.cherrystreetmission.org.

For more information Lourdes College, contact Department Chairman Joyce Litten, Ph.D., at 419-824-3708 or email





# King's Kids Academy Surprises Eighth Grader with Shopping Spree

Sojourner's Truth Staff

As Ki'Angelo Carpenter was completing the seventh grade last year at Jones Middle School, it dawned on him that things had not been going particularly well. Always in trouble, frequently in fights and bedeviled by bad grades, Ki'Angelo decided over the summer that it was time to make some serious changes.

Those changes did not go unnoticed by his teachers. As a result of Ki'Angelo's turnabout, King's Kids Academy also took notice and, last week, bestowed recognition upon the eighth grader in front of his peers along with \$500 in cash and a limo drive with his family to Westfield Franklin Park mall to spend the wages of good behavior.

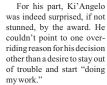
For the third year, King's Kids Academy, directed by Will Lucas (a/k/a/ King Keyser) and his wife, Angela Lucas, went into a Toledo Public School middle school and surprised a student in front of the student assembly. Their organization is supported in part by Laborers' Local 500 and the AGC of Northwest Ohio.



The award is given to a selected student who had previously struggled with his or her character, behavior and grades before making the decision to change.

In Ki'Angelo's case, that change is reflected in his vastly improved grade point average this year making him eligible to move into higher level classes before year's end.

"This year Ki'Angelo has a 3.25 grade point average," said Will Lucas in addressing the student assembly. "Last year, he wasn't doing so good but this year he has turned it around."



Present to share Ki'Angelo's special day were his mother, Andrea Campbell, his younger brother, DiAndre Brown, and his adoptive grandfather, local jazz legend Claude Black.

"I talk to him just about every day," said Black of Ki'Angelo. "Kids at that age need to stay close to their

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## The Library's Reading Selection of the Month -December, 2010

Tis the season for giftgiving this holiday and high-tech gadgets will most likely be at the top of the list. Sure, you can use your mobile phone and you've mastered sending email on your laptop computer is great for sending out email . . . but, what if you receive an ebook device, or a fancy digital camera? Will you be ready?

That's why the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library is recommending the book, "Digitally Daunted: TheConsumer's Guide to Taking Control of the Technology in Your Life," by Sean and Jean Westcott (a techie and non-techie. respectively).

We especially love this book because it answers all the questions that many of you will have after receiving those high-tech gifts this holi-

Sean Westcott & Jean Riescher Westcott

day. Does GPS really work and what do those ible letters stand for? Which laptop to buy? Which from the Library? (Well,

eBook device is compatwith downloadable eBooks the book may not answer this, but read our article in this Education section and you'll find out the answers!).

Digitally Daunted is divided into seven categories: your computer, connecting to the

Internet, telephones: landline and cellular, television, cameras, media and probably the most important . . . what went wrong? Within each category there are breakdowns for most everything you don't know and

need to know. Happy holidays and enjoy all of your tech gadgets this season!

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### Meet the National Wildlife Federation Great Lakes Regional Center!

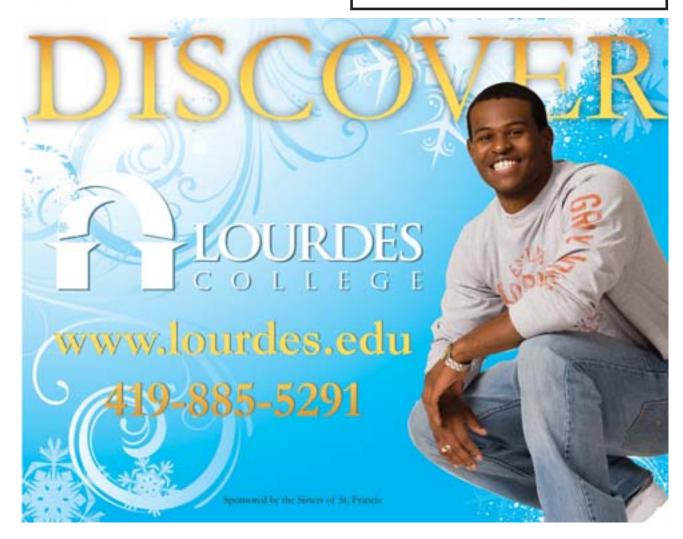


Simone Lightfoot is leading NWF's efforts to advance local "green" projects in Toledo.

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- Urban farming
- Healthy environments

Learn more about the National Wildlife Federation's urban initiatives. Go to: www.nwf.org/urban





Education Section • Education Section

## The Implications of the Election of President Barack Obama on the Lives of African-Americans

By Keon Pearson, St. Francis Chronicle: Part IV Sojourner's Truth Reporter



Forme, November was the month dominated by applications. I endured the stresses. and finally submitted my applications to Harvard, Yale, Amherst, Pomona College and the University of Michigan. But, it doesn't end there! Up to this point, I have applied for 10 scholarships, many of which required extensive responses from the applicant. The Gates Millennium Scholarship, for example, required eight essays! Appealing to foundations for scholarship money became a part-time job!

My favorite essay was one required by the Buckeye Cable System/TV One scholarship. The prompt was as follows:

America's First African-American President, Barack Obama: How Will it Influence Your Life as an African-American?

Here is my response:

The election of President Barack Obama is a key event in the history of race relations in the United States. It marks one of the many climaxes in the struggle for the attainment of equity for African Americans. It is a tangible product of the efforts of those who suffered through civil rights campaigns. It is the fruit of the labors performed by Medgar Evers, the Little Rock Nine, Octavius Catto, and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Obama does not mark the advent of equality in America. When a vastly disproportionate number of African-Americans are affected by labor shortages; when black men are over six times more likely to go to prison than white men; when blacks

However, the election of

are executed more frequently for certain crimes than whites; when African-American teenagers suffer from dismally low rates of graduation from high school; when black kids are disproportionately affected by poverty, could we honestly claim that racial equality exists in America?

Barack Obama himself seems to feel uncomfortable with addressing the status of African-Americans. He certainly knows that blacks are not benefitting from the stimulus package as much as whites are, and he knows that unemployment among blacks is a pressing issue, but he has, as of yet, done nothing to combat these maladies.

He opposes direct reparations for the iniquities caused by state-sanctioned slavery and discrimination in America. This is understandable, when one considers the fact that he has a political image to maintain. He wants to be seen as a compromiser, a person who brings all parties to the negotiating table. But, if he cannot maintain political esteem while acting on issues facing African-Americans, perhaps this nation is not ready for a black president.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid summed up the reason for Obama's success most succinctly, if rather crudely: Barack Obama is a light-skinned, well-spoken Negro. White people are not intimidated by him. By voting for a black man, white people can say that they are not racist. They can assuage their guilt about having racist ideas and tendencies.

The nature of race is such that any discussion pertaining to it is unavoidably awkward, distasteful, and sometimes offensive. However, we must address this issue, and we must do so with level heads. It is not my intention to offend whites by claiming that they still have racist thoughts or tendencies. I write according to observable fact. That race continues to be a determinant in the way we perceive and interact with others is undeniable. Thus, I acknowledge that racist thoughts and tendencies are present in all racial communities, including whites and African-Americans.

What are the implications of the election of Obama on my life? I cannot say with certainty. I can only hope that Obama will take measures that

equalize the economic, social, and educational status of African-Americans. If he does decide to tackle racial inequality, I would certainly participate in the advancement of African-Americans. I would be the first generation of the new "blacks on the ascent." I would benefit from the educational programs geared toward African-Americans, and I would pass those benefits on to the next generation through financial assistance and mentoring.

While I know that Obama cannot fix every problem, I hope that he realizes the power he has to energize the campaign for equity.

## King's Kids

(Continued from Page 8)

parents. Daily communi-

cation is important."
"I'm excited," said
Campbell ofher son's efforts.
"He has done a lot and has
come a long way."

"We understand that it

takes a collective effort from the TPS administration, teachers, parents, community and students in order to ensure academic success," said the Lucases. "We hope that this public reward helps with positive reinforcement among the entire student body. It is with this emphasis that the King's Kids Academy initiative will focus on encouraging a spirit of excellence in learning."









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# Owens Delivers Backpacks and Supplies To Toledo Public Schools' Elementary School Children



Owens Community College's Alumni Association in collaboration with Books-A-Million, two Walt Churchill's Market locations, three Great Lakes Credit Union branches and five Genoa Bank branches recently brightened many children's lives through a unique community service endeavor titled "Backpack to the Future." Over 410 backpacks

and more than 8,700 school supply items collected throughout the summer months were donated to 22 area elementary schools during the month of September, including Toledo Public Schools' Birmingham Elementary School, Reynolds Elementary School and Glenwood Elementary School.

"Owens Community

College's 'Backpack to the Future' supply drive was once again a huge success thanks to the support of area residents and local businesses," said Kaye Koevenig, Owens Alumni Association Community Service Chair. "Our goal is to help students succeed. All children should have the opportunity to begin their school year with new educa-

tional resources and Owens Community College is proud to play a small role in making sure that happens."

Over the past three months, "Backpack to the Future" accepted gentlyused or new backpacks and new school supplies from area residents to assist disadvantaged school children throughout northwest Ohio. In addition to backpacks, individuals donated crayons, markers, bottles of glue, glue sticks, colored pencils, pencils, pink erasers, school boxes, pocket folders, marbled covered composition books and Kleenex tissues

"Iknow what it's like to go without and it warms my heart to see people who care so much about students," said Elizabeth Bethany, principal of Reynolds Elementary School. "These supplies make a big difference in the children's self esteem. It's a positive start for them."

In addition to the donated supplies, the program collected over \$1,130 from community members. The charitable donations go toward the purchase of even more school supplies.

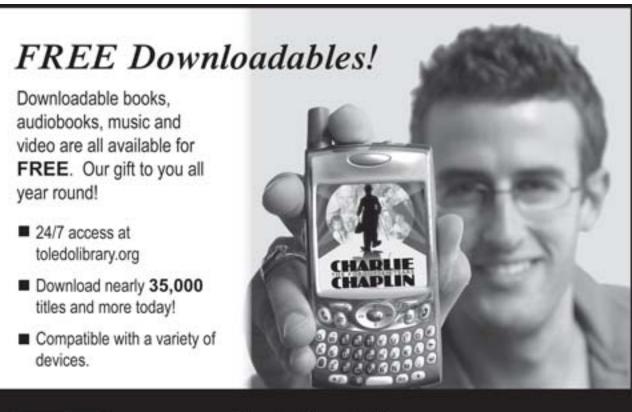
"I love school," said an excited Korey, an elementary

student at Glenwood Elementary School, during the donation ceremony.

Torriona, a smiling elementary student at GlenwoodElementary School added, "School is great. How music and coloring, especially with pink and white crayons."

The Owens Alumni Association established "Backpack to the Future" supply drive in 2004 as a way to provide educational outreach to the surrounding communities. To date, the program has given over 1,930 backpacks and more than 34,410 school supplies to benefit disadvantaged children throughout Northwest Ohio. Since opening its doors in 1965, Owens has provided higher education to more than 250,000 students. Owens' Alumni Association is committed to the personal and professional success of alumni and students through the ongoing development of value-added initiatives.









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## Time for Kids Big Book of Why

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\$19.95 / \$23.95 Canada

192 pages with index

By Terri Schlichenmeyer The Truth Contributor

You almost drove your mother crazy.

When you were really little, you always asked "Why?" about everything. Mom would say you couldn't do something and you'd ask "Why?" She'd tell you to eat your breakfast and you'd say "Why?"

Time to take a bath. "Why?"

Leave the dog alone. "Why?"

Time for bed. "Why?" Little kids ask that a lot, but you're a big kid now. You don't need Mom to explain things because you can learn all by yourself. Just read Time for Kids Big Book of Why.

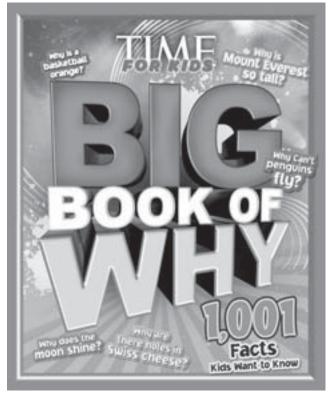
Even though you don't bug Mom any more with silly Why Ouestions, that doesn't mean you don't have 'em. For instance, maybe you've wondered why people in Antarctica aren't upside down. The truth is that they are upside down, but there's a scientific reason why they don't feel like they

You probably already know that diamonds are rare and expensive, but do you know why? It's because only 350 tons of the gems have been mined - EVER

Why do your eyelids twitch sometimes and why do you have gunk in the corners of your eyes when you wake up in the morning? You'll learn why in this book. And did you know that you blink about once every five seconds but infants blink about once a minute? Speaking of waking up, why do you have to sleep in the first

So you say you love sports, huh? You'll be glad to learn why you didn't play ball with the Mayans (Hint: it could have gotten you killed!). Why does science have anything to do with snowboarding? Why, oh why, is fishing called an-

In this book, you'll learn about one-armed pro athletes. You'll find out about Harry Potter and Dr. Seuss. Read this book and find out why there is no lead in pencils and why an eraser works. You'll learn that water is not wet, why you have a belly button, and why some people are hairier than others You'll read about codetalkers, secret railroads to Canada, and why you should never touch lava.



### "Time Flies When You're Having Fun"

That quotation has proven true for Cynthia and Jack Ford duing 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!

Jack Has Just 26 pounds to Go!

If you, or someone you care about, are interested in a weight loss transformation before the holidays begin or if you are interested in joining their team of positive and dedicated professionals, Jack and Cynthia invite you to join them beginning in August 2010.



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Why? Well, why not? Right about this time of year, most children's attention spans are probably focused on All Things Holiday. So why not entice them to stay the course and keep their reading skills updated with a little bit of fun?

Time For Kids Big

Book of Why is learning disguised as light reading, but with lots of pictures. Grouped into ten main topics, each segment includes dozens of fascinating factlets that will appeal to any kid's interest, there's a nice bibliography for the curious, and the helpful glossary makes comprehension easy. I like books like this because

they grab a kid's curiosity, which makes them want to read even more.

Meant for mid-elementary-to-middleschoolers, Time For Kids Big Book of Why practically begs to be browsed by children of any age. Pick it up before the holidays. Your kids will be crazy over it.

## Many Thanks



The family of Russell Joseph "RJ" Marr would like to express our most sincere and heartfelt appreciation for the volumes of prayers, flowers and kindexpressions of love during the loss of our precious lovedone. May Godbless you all.

"Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal."

> Ruth Marr and Family

## December 08, 2010 The Sojourner's Truth

## What Does Your Cell Phone Say About You??

Minister of Culture



Last week one of my female friends said she thinks all guys who have Blackberry phones are jerks. I usually don't take up for Blackberry users but I asked her why and together we reached the conclusion that some people want to look like they are handling business when in fact they are just following a trend.

But then again, a phone is a phone.

Our conversation was just us being silly. Of course a phone can't make someone a

However...what DOES

your cell phone say about

Ooops, did I just say "cell phone"?

Shame on me, I meant smart phone or better yet ... mobile device.

One of my marketing professors at The University of Toledo told me back in '02 that the mobile phone sector was the only recession-proof business in the U.S. other than medical and military.

Seems he was quite cor-

In your pocket, or somewhere near to you right this very instant, is a phone.

Chances are your phone has some custom ring tones on it, a few pics you've taken or received and maybe an alarm clock.

If that's all your phone has, you are still stuck in the stone age of mobile devices and you should somewhat be ashamed of yourself!

It's not that having the best phone allows you to keep up with the Joneses.

I don't have the phone I

have because it's a status symbol or some way to impress others

It's simply about having the capability to do half the things we all use computers for, but have it with you every where you go right in the palm of your hand.

I realize, the ability to watch live TV or stream hundreds of internet radio channels or pinpoint today's weather down to what part of the day it is may not be necessary to some people who just want to use their phones for ancient functions like.. talking.

However, a vast majority of us are multi-taskers and we need phones that can keep

#### SMARTPHONEVS. NOTSOSMARTPHONE

Palm Treo's and Blackberry devices combined PDA's and cell phones to become the must have any businessman worth his first class airfare.

When the rest of us were still stuck in chat rooms, the

business world was starting to thrive by emails and these devices were the first to allow corporate emails to follow people away from their desks wherever they went.

As the smart phone has evolved into the equivalent of Mercedes Benz level features in the world of mobile devices, they have become smaller, sleeker and not just for the future Donald Trumps of America. Couch potatoes and teens under 16 are probably the only people on earth who can't truly benefit from a smart phone.

Email is just the tip of the iceberg.

The internet connection on phones is more reliable than most Wi Fi stations

It's a smart phone not only because you were smart enough to buy it, because having access to any information you need at your fingertips makes you smarter

If your phone still flips, doesn't sync to a computer and has a screen the size of a Ritz cracker... your phone is in the remedial class, a dozen or so short bus lengths from smart.

Don't step ya game up just because you're out of date. realize you could be actually making your life a little easier with the right "cell phone" purchase.

#### Iphone by Apple.

AT&T is the second largest wireless provider in the nation (behind Verizon) and is the exclusive carrier for

Apple's iPhone.

The iPhone IS the gold standard for smart devices.

Over the past few years not only has it become a record breaking retail phenomenon, but also a cultural icon in it's own right.

Lines of people camping outside of stores overnight to buy an \$800 phone.

And then it was \$400, and I still was ultimately turned

But the easy integration with other Apple products like iTunes software makes it a necessity for many Americans. Even though Palm started the idea of having "apps" which is short for applications that can enhance your phone in a multitude of ways, Apple took the ball and ran with it.

iPhone apps are industry leading and number in the millions.

As the top selling smart phone, and top rated in all categories (specs, polish, design, screen res, etc.) for years... of course it was only a matter of time before competition got brutal

#### ANDROID by Google,

This is what I own, an EVO on Sprint powered by Android.

Understand: A DROID phone and an ANDROID phone don't exactly mean the

People see my phone and say "Oh vea, vou got a Droid phone." Umm no.

Google basically got fed up with Apple killing the game

with the iPhone so instead of making ONE phone exclusive to ONE carrier, they did the opposite.

They developed the SOFT-WARE for the phone, let all the carriers carry them and all the phone manufacturers build them.

Google's Android phones are like what Microsoft's Windows are to computers.

It's an operating system. So what makes an AN-DROID an ANDROID is having the operating system.

This is my second Android phone and I love it.

Hundreds of thousands of apps, and the Google integration makes Android phones so Internet-ready that it literally sometimes feels slow sitting down at a computer because the phone does so much

Plus Google keeps updating the software and if you are hip to how they do it, you know what code words like ÉCLAIR and DONUT mean.

It's just whole sub culture that has been born around Android phones and the fact I can download an app and run my phone's internet through my computer and don't need to have internet service.. That is what being a smart phone is all about.

Oh yea, Blackberry and Palm make some decent phones, too.

Happy Holidays everyone!!

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## **Zoo Offers Opportunities to** Give and Receive

Special to The Truth

For 25 years, The Lights Before Christmas has been a holiday tradition for countless area families In addition to over one million lights and everyone's favorite Yuletide treats, The Lights Before Christmas also offers some very cool opportunities to take part in the giving and receiving that's very much a part of this special season.

The Toledo Zoo is your family's Santa Claus headquarters, as the jolly old elf is holding court in his Ginormous Tov Land. located in the Museum of Science's Indoor Theatre. through December 23. Stop in and give him the lowdown on what you want for Christmas! (Please note that affordable Santa photo packages are available for sale and personal photography of your child with Santa is not permitted. Look for specially marked cans of Pepsi and Diet Pepsi for discount offers on photo packages.)

Your family will also have a chance to give great gifts to some of your favorite Zoo animals through the Giving Tree. Located in Nature's Neighborhood, the Giving Tree has removable paper ornaments that you can take and return with an enrichment item and/ or a monetary contribution. Donations will be accepted throughout The Lights Before Christmas. From plastic sleds for polar bears to treats for the wolves and wild dogs, the items that you give will go a long way toward helping ensure the well-being of the Zoo's animals. Enrichment includes providing novelty for animals throughout the day, and it's a key component of the Zoo's commitment to animal care.

The Toledo Zoo also offers Zoo-nique gifts for the humans on your list. Drop by the North Star Trading Post® when you visit The Lights Before Christmas. Shopping online has never been easier — visit www.toledozoo.org for Zoo gear, Gift Memberships and more. You can even enroll your proud animal lover into the Zoo PAL animal sponsorship

program. The Lights Before Christmas, presented by KeyBank, is open through December 31 (closed Christmas Eve night and Christmas Day). Hours are Monday through Thursday from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (the Zoo closes at 9 p.m.) and Friday through Sunday from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. (the Zoo closes at 10 p.m.). Admission prices are \$11 for adults, \$8 for children (2-11) and seniors (60+), and free for children under age 2. Toledo Zoo members receive one free visit to The Lights Before Christ-

The Toledo Zoo is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is located on the Anthony Wavne Trail (US 25), four miles south of downtown Toledo. For more information, please visit www.toledozoo.org or call (419) 385-4040. Lucas County residents are admitted free of charge each Monday from 10 a.m. to noon. ID showing proof of residency is required.





## Murphy's Place Opens for Lunch

A Toledo tradition expanded its offerings last week. Murphy's Place, renown for dinner and a steady diet of the best live jazz in the area, is now open for lunch, Monday through Friday, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The new lunchtime menu features a variety of soups, salads and sandwiches.

Murphy's lunchtime service also includes daily specials, boxed lunches and carry out. Private parties will be able to hold luncheon events in the club also.

Every day, Murphy's lunch guests will have their choice of seafood gumbo or chicken noodle soup along with two special soups of the day. For only \$8.95, customers can order a quart of soup to take home or back to the office to share with co-work-

Sandwiches include, among others, a New Orleansstyled muffuletta - ham, salami, provolone and olive salad - ham and cheese panini, turkey and cheese panini, along with the traditional burgers.

Rather have a salad? Hummus is on the salad side of the menu along with, among other selections, a Greek salad, a chicken salad and an apple salad that includes cranberries, walnuts and gorgonzola cheese.

Murphy's Place has increased its parking space and become more user-friendly over the last several months and those headed there for lunch will benefit as well. The parking lot attached to the building on Water Street is now open to Murphy's clientele for a modest fee of \$2.00.

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#### Notice to Bidders: Inquiry # FY11-040,

(Project # 1130-10-651) for Building Envelope Bid Package 2 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, December 22, 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 Rossi & Associates, LLC, 970 S. Byrne Road, Toledo, Ohio 43609. Call 419-385-6633 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 Brad Rossi of Rossi & Associates, LLC at 419-385-6633. One Pre-Bid Conference will be held on Wednesday, December 15, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in Plant Operations, 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: \$800,000.00; Breakdown: General Const: \$800,000.00.

#### PROGRAM MANAGER, PACT TEAM

Unison Behavioral Health Group is seeking a Program Manager to provide clinical and administrative supervision a team working with clients who are in need of a high level of service and/or are involved in the forensic system.

Qualified candidates must have leadership ability and creative problem solving skills. LPCC, LISW, or RN is required, along with case management or other work experience with adults with serious mental illness. Prior experience with the forensic system and supervisory experience is preferred.

Send resume or apply to:
Human Resources - PMP
Unison Behavioral Health Group, Inc.
1425 Starr Avenue
Toledo, OH 43605
419.936.7574 - Fax
hr@unisonbhg.org - Email
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## Land Survey / Construction Technicians wanted

City of Toledo - Engineering Services needs a fulltime Senior Engineering Aide and a full-time Intermediate Engineering Aide to perform technical field survey work under general supervision. Requirements as follows:

Senior Engineering Aide position, Graduation from high school or General Educational Development (G.E.D.) Tests equivalency and three (3) years of experience on a survey crew as an instrument operator.

Intermediate Engineering Aide, Graduation from high school or General Educational Development (G.E.D.) Tests equivalency and one (1) year of experience on a survey crew within the previous five years.

Good knowledge of current instruments used in engineering survey work. Must be able to safely lift and carry objects weighing up to approximately 110 pounds

Must possess a valid State of Ohio driver's license.

Applications can be acquired at the City of Toledo department of Human Resources, 19th Floor, One Government Center, Jackson Blvd at Erie Street, Toledo, Ohio. Office hours are 9:00am - 4:30pm Monday-Friday

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Place your classified ad in The Sojourner's Truth Call Pam at 419-243-0007

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#### QI/LEGAL CLERK

Provide clerical support to various departments. REQUIREMENTS: HS diploma or equiv; 1 yr. word/data processing exp. Ability to type 55 wpm, competency in MS Word & Excel, grammar and attention to detail (testing required). Ability to work effectively in multi-cultural work environment req'd. Additional details: www.lucaskids.net. Starts at \$14.07/hr. w/benefits. 35 hrs/wk. Send resume to Human Resources, LCCS, 705 Adams St., Toledo, OH 43604 or fax to 327-3291 by 12/01/10. EOE valuing diversity

## Wanted to Buy: Diabetes Supplies

Earn up to \$12 per box of 100 test strips Must expire after Aug. 2011. Leave labels on boxes.

We remove and shred.
Call 419-740-7162 and leave message.

#### PROGRAM MANAGER, CPST

Unison Behavioral Health Group is seeking a Program Manager to provide clinical and administrative supervision to a CPST team.

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and Lancelot Thonmpson, Ph.D., for their distinguished service in higher education and Archon ronald Thompson was given the Grand Boule Quarter Century Membership Award. Archons Baker, Calvin Lawshe, Richard Jackson, Pariss Coleman, Thomas Winston and Jason Ofori comprised the Christmas is for Archousai committee.



