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Beta Gamma Induction Ceremony



Phi Delta Kappa Sorority Inducts Local Students



NAACP-Steadfast and Immovable

By Lunette Howell and Betty Valentine

Toledo NAACP Editorial Team

Happy Holidays from Toledo Branch NAACP! We are in the process of gaining information to educate our community on issues and concerns that impact our lives every day. Our responsibility to you is to make sure we inform our community of how we can collectively address these issues.

Health - The HIV Epidemic

The black community bears the greatest burden of the HIV epidemic, more than any other racial or ethnic group. FACT - African Americans account for 41 percent of all people living with HIV and 44 percent of all new infections. Today the HIV epidemic is one of the most pressing health issues facing the Black community.

The Black Church & HIV initiative was established to form a national network of faith leaders, religious institutions, and community members committed to making change and ending the HIV epidemic in black America. There is an immediate need for Leaders in our community to take action for what is happening with HIV in the black community.

The National NAACP has made the commitment to enlist faith leaders as change agents to address the disparate and severe impact of HIV on African Americans. As a high-risk population, African Americans are more likely to progress from HIV to AIDS within one year of being diagnosed with HIV and less likely to know they have HIV or to seek treatment.

This threat to the survival and well-being of our community is a social injustice. HIV is impacting our community and it is our responsibility to speak out and fight the systems that make and keep us vulnerable to HIV infection. We invite you to join our fight for a system that ensures that we all have access to the information, insurance, prevention, care, and treatment that we deserve.

The OPIOID Epidemic

Opioid abuse is a serious public health issue. Drug overdose deaths are the



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leading cause of injury death in the United States. You don't hear as much about the HIV issues in our community because of all the focus and hype on the Opioid Epidemic. We should question the choices we are offered for pain. We should challenge the medical professionals who prescribe medications that cause addictions. We as a community should educate ourselves and our families on alternative methods to relieve pain and depression.

Every day more than 90 Americans die after overdosing on opioids. This is a serious national crisis that affects public health as well as social and economic welfare. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that the total economic effect of prescription opioid misuse in the United States alone is \$78.5 billion a year, including the cost of healthcare, lost productivity, addiction treatment, and criminal justice involvement.

VOTING - Why Each Individual Vote is Important....Popular Vote vs. Electoral College!

We continue to remind you that "It's your right to VOTE"! Election period is over for now but we know that voting rights and information gathering is a 365-day process. Everyday is an opportunity to educate our community on voting. In 2018 we will proceed with classes to educate you on the intricacies of the voting process.

The process of selecting a president is a complicated one. The constitution states the president, a single executive, would serve an unlimited number of

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Community Calendar

December 25

Merry Christmas!!

Thomas Temple Church Annual Free Christmas Dinner: 1 to 3 pm: 419-255-3447

December 28

The Padua Center will also be hosting a Christmas Open House: 12:00-2:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

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Happy New Year!

January 15-16

Lourdes University MLK Tribute: 8:30 am Mass on Monday; 4:30 pm Commemoration and Prayer Service in honor of MLK in Mother Adelaide Hall

January 27

2018 Gospel Extravaganza and Vendor Fair: Warren AME; 2 pm for Vendor Fair; UT Gospel Choir and Positive Force Christian School of Dance: For program participation call 419-967-1414 or 419-377-0115; For free booth call 567-408-8347 or 419-381-1558

Massa Trump ... Save Me ... Save Me!

By Lafe Tolliver, Esq

Guest Column

The plaintive cries and shouts of vulgarity were ringing in the early morning hours in the White House recently as former Apprentice reality star Omarosa, with eyes bulging, vainly fought her way trying to find Massa Trump in his private residence.

Omarosa was beside herself with anguish realizing that the hounds of hell, a/k/a: Chief of Staff John Kelly, was about to end her Cinderella tenure in the White House and fire her.

If you read the media accounts, Omarosa, who had an "iffy" title of something like being a liaison to black people, was purportedly in hot water with the White House when she (among other things) had her wedding party of 39 people tour the White House.

I can only surmise that when White House security and staff people saw over 39 black folks parading around the hallways and rooms of that building, such a scene caused a lot of consternation.

Depending on whom you believe, Omarosa said that she resigned effective January 20 but other reports said that Chief of Staff John Kelly fired her when she repeatedly got hot and heated about her not having "walk-in" privileges to the Oval Office of President Trump.

For Omarosa, to be limited in her rights to do as she pleases and to regard herself as a princess who got Trump elected, this rebuff was obviously humiliating and an acute embarrassment to her self imposed reputation as being a mover and a shaker.

You know. The same reputation that was created, in part, as a result of her saying on national TV that all of Trump's critics and detractors will bow down to Trump!

Omarosa was purportedly paid \$180K per year to window dress for the White House and to be his liaison to the African-American communities.

So, do you think that this reality princess would walk away from such a high-paying gig? Please!

The child was fired for her antics and purportedly acting the fool when accosted by the chief of staff.

And especially so when Omarosa told Kelly that, "All hell would break loose if something was to go down about her." Kelly then retorted, "Then all hell will break loose!", and had the shocked black princess escorted off of the premises.

As for damage control, Omarosa was on Good Morning America the next day or two commiserating with ABC anchor, Michael Strahan, and stating that her resignation was effective January 20. When pressed for specifics about what she knew, Omarosa coyly stated that she would not then say because she still had to work with her colleagues until January 20!

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What rubbish! Omarosa's credentials have already been deactivated by the Secret Service and she will not set another foot in the White House as long as it is white!

The next chapter in this, "she said....he said" is that Omarosa will wait for the highest bid for her "memoirs" since she said that she saw and heard some things in the White House that made her, "uncomfortable."

Uncomfortable? Here are five guesses as to what made her so uncomfortable that she had to be quickly escorted off of the premises: [1] seeing Donald Trump without his toupee or makeup [2] hearing Melania's English tutor shout to Melania that cake is spelled with a "c" and not a "k"! [3] seeing some cabinet members slavishly kissing Trump's ring every day at noon before their lunch [4] Trump angrily throwing darts at an enlarged picture of a smiling President Obama. [5] inadvertently seeing Trump furtively hiding copies of his tax returns under the rug in the Oval Office.

Omarosa's time spent in the White House was of no significance whatsoever. She had what I consider to be a "puff made up job" as her reward for being a black face to the minority communities in America

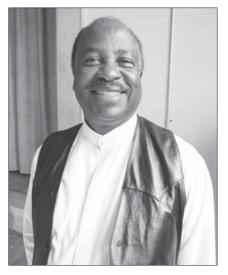
I seriously doubt that the presence of Omarosa swayed any voters to vote for Trump. She was his shill and she knew her place and, for her obedience, she was paid the pricey sum of \$180k to continue to sear her conscience.

But now, Omarosa claims she has such valuable information and she is not willing to forsake her "community" and continue in that highly-paid role.

Oh my! Omarosa now wants a path home to her "community". She now wants to rehabilitate her image of not being an, "Aunt Jemima" and wants the world to know that Omarosa has valuable stuff about Trump and what she saw and heard!

Omarosa wants to stop the presses and have everyone with a pencil and a pad run to her and sit at her feet as she unravels stories and tales about the inner workings of the White House and the machinations of Trump & Company!

Can you imagine Omarosa running through the White House screaming for Massa Trump! and Chief of Staff John Kelly is running after her! Omarosa was hoping that Massa Trump would have come out of his living quarters... held up his hand and Omarosa would have found comfort and favor in Trump throttling John Kelly's attempts to



Lafe Tolliver

toss her out of the White House on her keister.

But alas...Massa Trump told one of his favorite house negroes (Omarosa) that the plantation foreman (Kelly) wields the strap and that she is no longer highly favored.

What a fall from grace! At one time to be able to prance around the White House and have access to Massa Trump and now... told to take her nappyheaded self and leave...what a blow!

Is there no shame left in America? When Omarosa's self-aggrandizing memoirs hit the new stands and talk radio, just remember that she thought Massa Trump was a deity to bow down to and she backed a candidate that thought ill of black people.

Oh....how the mighty have fallen!

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Ohio House Democrats Announce New Leadership Lineup for 2018

House Democratic Leader Fred Strahorn (D-Dayton) last week announced changes to the caucus' leadership team, following Democratic Whip Rep. Nickie J. Antonio's (D-Lakewood) recently announced campaign for the Ohio Senate. Internal caucus rules require members seeking elected office outside the Ohio House to forgo any official leadership post or duties.

"I feel confident that our work as a caucus and leadership team during the last three years has better positioned us to influence the discussion at the Statehouse," said Rep. Antonio. "I have been honored to be a part of that, and I look forward to continuing to serve my constituents and the caucus in every way possible."



Rep. Fred Strahorn

House Democrats nominated and elected State Rep. Emilia Strong Sykes (D-Akron) to replace Antonio as Democratic whip. Sykes had been serving on leadership as assistant whip for the past year.

"As we head into the New Year, I am eager to continue our work of standing up for a strong middle class and pushing pro-family policies that let people plan for their future," said Rep. Sykes.

State Rep. Brigid Kelly (D-Cincinnati) was elected as assistant whip to round out the four-person House Democratic leadership team.

"I am honored to play a bigger role in advancing our caucus' pro-job and proworker priorities into 2018 and beyond," said Kelly. "It's a great feeling to be a part of a caucus and team who puts working families first."

Kelly, a freshman lawmaker from the Cincinnati area, brings experience as a local elected official and representative for members of the United Food and Commercial Workers Union (UFCW) to the caucus' leadership team.

"After years of slow growth, drug addiction and limited opportunity, it is important to the people we represent that we head into 2018 with an intense focus and drive to get our state back on track," said Leader Strahorn. "Having the

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right people in place at the right time means we're closer to the day when all Ohioans feel they have an equal opportunity to get ahead."

The full Democratic leadership team is as follows:

- Leader Fred Strahorn (Dayton)
- Assistant Leader Nicholas J. Celebrezze (Par-
- Whip Emilia Strong Sykes (Akron)
- Assistant Whip Brigid Kelly (Norwood)



Rep. Emilia Sykes

Rep. Michael Ashford Honors Area Office on Aging of Northwest Ohio President Billie Johnson

State Representative Michael Ashford (D-Toledo) last week honored Area Office of Aging of Northwest Ohio's President and CEO Billie Johnson with House Resolution (HR) 276. Earlier this year Johnson received the 2017 President's Award from the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging, the most prestigious award the organization gives during its national conference in Savannah, Georgia.

"The work Billie Johnson has done for older residents here in Northwest Ohio is outstanding and worthy of recognition," said Ashford. "Her passion, commitment and dedication to making a difference is appreciated by many."

As president and CEO, Johnson helped grow the local office in Northwest Ohio from just a few employees to over 100 employees with an annual budget of \$32 million, which serves the needs of more than 40,000 seniors in Northwest Ohio



Area Office on Aging CEO Billie Johnson and State Rep. Michael Ashford



Mayor Paula Hicks-Hudson: Wrapping up Her Term and Preparing the City for the Future

By Fletcher Word Sojourner's Truth Editor

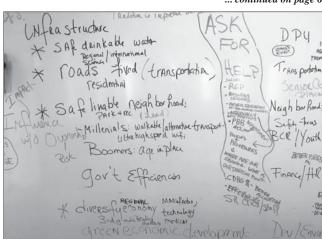
Toledo Mayor Paula Hicks Hudson has a white board in her office on the wall on the far side of the room from her desk. The board has a list of tasks and priorities and was set up several years ago not long after she first moved into the office. The tasks – providing safe water, fixing the roads, making neighborhoods safe, increasing government efficiencies, diversifying the economy – have been the guideposts for the mayor and her administration during her three years as chief executive of the City of Toledo.

As she finishes up her final weeks in office, Hicks-Hudson, the city's first African-American female mayor, uses that board and the guideposts scribbled there to gauge her success at running a city of almost 300,000 citizens. And as she assesses how she and her administration have handled those assignments, she is pleased about her team's success at staying on task. "Safe water, fixing roads, safe neighborhoods," she answers about her satisfaction with the direction the city is headed in as she prepares to leave the 22nd floor of One Government Center. "We've done most of it," she says.

While the guideposts are written on the left side of the board – over to the right are the departments assigned to handle the tasks. The mayor's goal for dispensing those chores has been to "remove the silos of those departments" so that they can interact cooperatively and efficiently.

The results have been gratifying for the city's highest office holder. The water is safe and is an effective economic development tool, she adds.

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Mayor Paula Hicks Hudson



Mayor Paula Hicks-Hudson and former Gov. Ted Strickland

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Fun, Stylish Gift Ideas for Teens this Holiday Season

Special to The Truth

The holiday gift-giving season can be a particularly trying time for those shopping for teens. But don't stress. Cool gift ideas abound, no matter what your teens' tastes and interests are. Here are a few to consider.

For Athletes

Know a young athlete? Improve his or her training sessions with a set of high-quality waterproof headphones, which will make all those laps around the track a bit more pleasant, rain or shine.

If you have a bigger budget to work with, a fitness tracker is a useful tool for those looking to more closely track their progress.

For the Crafty Ones

The creative DIY marketplace is brimming with cool kits for crafting and customizing items that express one's personal style.

For crafty teens, check out the new DIY kits from STMT, which are available online and in-stores at Target, Barnes & Noble, Nordstrom and Toys"R"Us. They include a Hand Stamped Jewelry kit for making unique gold and silver earrings and necklaces designed with names, initials and charms, as well as a new DIY Journaling Set -- a perfect gift for those who write, scrap-book or journal and want to do so in style. The 70 pages spiral journal comes with patterns, chipboard frames and sparkling glitter tape.

For those recipients who have an interest in creating hand-crafted bath products, consider gifting an STMT DIY Bath Bombs kit, containing everything one might need to make colorful and fragrant bath bombs, along with an instruction booklet with tips and suggestions

For Musicians

Don't fret! A customized guitar strap or pick punch are fun stocking stuffers for guitarists. Or, help drummers keep the beat with a set of personalized drumsticks inscribed with a name or message.

You can also simply foster music appreciation with tickets to a show or concert, or help your teen discover new music with an iTunes or Spotify gift card.

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Whether your teens are artistic, sporty or anything in between, consider thoughtful gifts that suit their interests and encourage them do what they love.

Courtesy StatePoint

Paula Hicks... continued from page 5

When Cleveland Cliffs made the decision to move its operations earlier this year to East Toledo, the company did so because of the city's water, she notes.

The neighborhoods will be safer, she believes, especially with the increased installation of LED lighting and with the city's emphasis on Engage Toledo, which allows citizens the opportunity not only to reach out to government officials but also to gain information on how the city operates.

Most of all, neighborhood streets are being paved for the first time in almost 10 years, says the mayor.

"My legacy is that we have moved the city forward and helped make it a 21st century city," reflects Hicks-Hudson.

Unfortunately for the mayor and her supporters, that message was not effectively communicated to a majority of the city's voters last month.

"We weren't able to get our message out and refute some of the things in the media," the mayor acknowledges. "And we didn't get enough of the base out. We did a lot of contacts but not enough. And the early vote and absentee vote was not as strong as I had hoped. My job, as a candidate, is to get voters out. I take the weight for that."

An inability to control the message stems in part from the widespread distrust of government that is so typical with the American citizenry in modern times – a distrust that has been perhaps the most frustrating part of the mayor's job, says the mayor herself. She points, as an example, to this past summer's widely disseminated rumor that the City would be issuing a "do not drink the water" advisory, an advisory that was never under consideration given the current safety of the region's water. Still the rumor is reflective of a "Show me" attitude that so many elected officials face from the moment they take the oath of office.

What's next for the City's chief executive? "I don't know," says Hicks-Hudson. "I'm still mayor so I'm still working on those things a mayor is supposed to do." As an example of that ongoing work, she points out that just in the past few days, her administration cut a deal to increase the installation of LED lighting in the city's neighborhoods. "I'm finishing up the job, trying to transition in the proper way. The reason I ran is because the city needs a continued forward movement."

A particular concern for Hicks-Hudson is the lack of assistance that the nation's cities can expect from other governing bodies. "Congress is in gridlock and the State is assaulting workers ... we have to do it ourselves," she says. So whether she stays in the public sector or returns to the private, the trajectory of Hicks-Hudson's future will be decided by what she feels is the best way to keep moving her neighbors and fellow citizens forward.

"My life has been one of service," says Hicks-Hudson as she reflects on what the next phase of her life may bring. She is not certain what the next few years may hold for her but she certainly knows what the past three have held. "It is about how we move the city forward – making a difference is more important than what my title is.

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Opinion * Perspective

No Hard Feelings?

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

Every intersection in the road of life is an opportunity to make a decision.

– Duke Ellington



Apparently, there are several endorsement fights taking place inside the Lucas County Democratic Party as individuals vie for the bounty left by last month's municipal elections. No doubt, the main event is the battle between councilwoman Lindsay Webb and State Representative Michael Ashford for Lucas County Treasurer, made possible by Wade Kapszukiewicz's November 7 defeat of incumbent Mayor Paula Hicks Hudson.

The Webb/Ashford clash is, according to some, a rematch of an earlier bout between the two. In 2008, there was a Democratic Party deal to keep Ashford as Toledo City Council president who would agree to give up chairmanship of his public utilities committee in return.

Webb was promised the public utilities committee in exchange for her support of Ashford for council president. After having committed to the deal, Webb reneged and voted instead for Mark Sobczak. This created a tie so that then Mayor Carty Finkbeiner, could break the tie for Sobczak. When Sobczak then tried to reward Webb by giving her the public utilities committee, the rest of council was incensed by what they considered to be a backstabbing and refused to approve it and Ashford ended up keeping the public utilities committee.

Is Lindsay Webb a racist or a liar?

Neither, says a pensive Webb, who claims that she has since mended fences with Ashford and worked closely with the state representative on key issues such as the Ohio Voters Bill of Rights.

"Michael and I have had some tough conversations and what I shared with him is that God uses our lowest moments for growth," says the councilwoman. "If I hadn't gone through that, I may not have been as willing to take a look at, to develop a racial analysis and to understand things from a perspective that before that I hadn't been privy to. I'm a product of my environment, a white working class family, but over the last several years I have become educated and built allies and tried to build organic relationships where I can to make a difference in the community as a whole, but specifically within the black community. And I'm not the type of person who you can just take me on a tour, come to this church, come to this church, no. I want to build relationships with pastors, I want to work the same way that I work with the civic leadership in the community that I represent. So I've been able to say this situation was a really horrible experience for me both personally and professionally, but it's forced me to become an ally of the needs of the minority community because I became educated and I'm not afraid to talk about race. I'm not perfect, but I think that that, in some ways, is like the reason why all that happened, as horrible as it was, was so that I could grow as an individual," she adds.

Is Webb an Opportunist?

The councilwoman will be term limited in November 2019 as a Gen Xer sandwiched between a boomer generation taking its time to retire and an impatient millennial generation that can't wait to take her place.

Although she claims that her campaign war chest is nonexistent, an option for Webb is to accept an appointment to the Ohio Legislature to fill a soon to be available opening in the current local political game of musical chairs.

Yet, raising a 13-year-old stepdaughter and sons aged six and seven makes Ohio State government a challenge. "In (State government) you spend even more time away from home because you're raising money, you're in sunny Mansfield, Ohio and beautiful Akron and you're not in

the classroom volunteering, you're not driving your kids to x, y and z. I can do it if I have to, but given the choice and given the opportunity, I'd rather be home because I don't get this back. I don't get this time back," she laments.

Can old wounds be healed?

Ultimately, Webb probably brings with her the support of the powerful building trades association while Ashford, a prolific fundraiser, brings his own surrogates and a large campaign stash.

What is certain is that the rematch will make for an interesting central committee meeting. I am also sure that screening committee members such as Teresa Moore, George Hilliard and Keith Mitchell have not forgotten the first brawl.

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Beta Gamma Chapter Inducts Local High School Students into Their Youth Guidance Group

Special to The Truth

On December 17, 2017, the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Inc, Beta Gamma Chapter inducted high school students as a part of the sorority's National Youth Guidance Group called Xinos (the girls) and Kudos (the boys). Nearly all chapters of the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Inc have Youth Guidance programs. Each of the five regions hosts a Xinos and Kudos Regional Conference each year. Beta Gamma Chapter hosted the Midwest Regional Conference3 in 2015, with over 200 high school students in attendance.

The 2017 inductees were: Avionna Burwell, Simone Johnson, Jahnaija McKitrie, La'Shawntae Pettaway, Jacobi Coleman, Cliron Hornbeak and Carsten Mayes

One of the purposes of this educational sorority is to encourage the potential of the community's youth. They are engaged to participate in many worthwhile activities and community service projects. The high school groups, Xinos and Kudos, are offered guidance and educational support. They participate in community service projects and learn the importance of giving back to their communities. As a step in enhancing their growth, these young woman and young men also connect and network with other professional organizations. The young people have participated in workshops that will effectively prepare them to succeed in college and in careers, to become self-sufficient citizens.

The sorority also offers scholarships on the national, regional and local levels to young people seeking careers in education. The applications are made available through area high schools, churches and the local chapter.

This year's induction ceremony opened with prayers, then a welcome by Dorothy Batson, president of the Chapter and Cathy Smith-Lee, youth coordinator. After the induction of the pledges, general information was presented on the National Sorority. Later, during the event, the two scholarship recipients were recognized – Ashtoni Mayes and Darius Johnson.

The Beta Gamma Chapter conducts a number of community activities such as the Red Hot Sock Drop, a downtown street ministry which donates and distributes hats, scarves, gloves and socks to children and adults in collaboration with Macedonia Baptist Church; the distribution of two annual \$00 book scholarships; the YMCA Wayman Palmer gift donations for children from the "Angel Tree" Wish List and Christmas caroling and donation of care packages and socks at the Fairview Nursing Home. The Chapter also holds a Teach-A-Rama annually for educators, parents and students – workshops on a variety of topics.

The National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Inc. is a professional organization of well-trained and highly effective educators. The members represent professional in all components of the learning spectrum. Beta Gamma Chapter is one of 19 chapters in the Midwest Region. All chapters of this great sisterhood are dedicated to fulfilling the purposes set forth by the illustrious founders and work diligently to serve their communities by reaching out to students, teachers and the community at large.



2017 Inductees with Chapter President Dorothy Batson (third from right) and Xinos Advisor Cathleen Smith-Lee (far right)



Bea Daniels, Scholarship Chairperson; Darius Johnson; Ashtoni Mayes; Dorothy Batson, Chaprter President



Speed Networking Event Brings Together Black-Owned Businesses

Sojourner's Truth Staff

Local entrepreneurs participated in Speed Networking Event held at Club Evolution on December 4 2017. Participants are given a number from 1-4; each set of tables is given a color: red or blue.

The host announces which numbers should sit across from each other at which color-coded location. Each session is three minutes.

If there is a match, participants exchange business cards. If there is no match there is no pressure to share contact information. The purpose of the time limits is for everyone to meet everyone else in the room.

There were several social media breaks throughout the session, raffle giveaways and of course great conversation.

Speed Networking occurs once every quarter at Club Evolution hosted by Fruition owners Valerie Thompson and Tera Johnson. The two joined forces in an attempt to bring together minority business owners with fun and free networking events which results.

Thompson is a graphic designer and University of Toledo alumna and owns her own business, LEAP Graphics, which focuses on corporate event design, established in 2005.

Leap Graphics helps plan, design and coordinate the production of invitation packages, displays and collateral for corporate events. They assist program directors, event coordinators, fundraisers and marketing professionals in bringing their companies' event theme to life through smart strategy and compelling graphics.

Johnson has been baking all her life. She is the owner of Sweet Experience, cheese cakes in a jar. Johnson said she and Thompson wanted to provide resources for small businesses to develop a 30 second pitch. They have been holding speed networking events for a year at Evolution.

If you want to participate in the next Speed Networking event Feb 5 RSVP on Eventbrite and follow on social media @Fruition419 and Club Evolution.

Some of the participants in attendance:

LaShanna Alfred, author and speaker, You Change L.L.C.; Kymberly Pullom, Chemical Dependency, New Concepts; Asia Nail, jewelrybBlogger, I Rock-Gems, (Wants to network jewelers and cultural appropriation); Tianna Newby, Urban Radio Hot 97.3 and Mix 95.7, Advertising Marketing, (wants to help teach small business how to adapt to change, maintain and thrive); Shamika Ferrell, World Venture Group "Sam Club of Vacations," recent Owens Graduate received "Outstanding Student of the Year" award; Brennon Kelly, Chiropractor doing residency at Rebel Chiropractor in Waterville prior to graduating from Life University of Atlanta; Dennis Seldon, Western Southern, (To protect families, educate people about financial literacy because a little knowledge can change the tree direction); Cheyenne Brown, The Brown Agency (2014), Home, auto life and business insurance, (Thinks it's important to pass information to children, was inspired to work in this field after Step Father sudden death. Wants to help prevent that in our community.); Amber Byrd, Photographer, A Byrd's Eye Photo est. 2012 (Started in event planning and allowed to bridge business skills with artistic abilities.)



Speed Networking Crowd



Charmaine Galloway and Amber Bvrd



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Social Security Column

Social Security's Gift to Children Is Security

By Erin Thompson, Social Security Public Affairs Specialist in Toledo, OH

Guest Column

During the holiday season, most of us, regardless of religion or beliefs, focus on the children we love. Caring for children is one of the best ways to safeguard the future. And we at Social Security know a thing or two about helping children. The application for a Social Security number and card is sometimes overlooked in the paperwork that parents fill out in preparation for a child's birth.

Typically, the hospital will ask new mothers if they want to apply for a Social Security number for their newborn as part of the birth registration process. This is the easiest and fastest way to apply. The Social Security card typically arrives about a week to 10 days after that little bundle of joy! You can learn about Social Security numbers for children by reading our publication, *Social Security Numbers for Children*, available at www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs.

A child needs a Social Security number if he or she is going to have a bank account, if a relative is buying savings bonds for the child, if the child will have medical coverage, or if the child will receive government services. You'll also need a Social Security number for a child to claim him or her on your tax returns. If you wait to apply, you will have to visit a Social Security office and you'll need to:

Complete an Application for a Social Security Card (Form SS-5);

Show us original documents proving your child's U.S. citizenship, age, and identity; and Show us documents proving your identity.

A child age 12 or older requesting an original Social Security number must appear in person for the interview, even though a parent or guardian will sign the application on the child's behalf. Children with disabilities are among our most vulnerable citizens. Social Security is dedicated to helping those with qualifying disabilities and their families through the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program. To qualify for SSI:

The child must have a physical or mental condition, or a combination of conditions, resulting in "marked and severe functional limitations." This

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means that the condition(s) must severely limit your child's activities:

The child's condition(s) must be severe, last for at least 12 months, or be expected to result in death; and

The child must not be working and earning more than the Substantial Gainful Activity limit (\$1,180 a month in 2018).



If your child's condition(s) does not result in "marked and severe limitations," or does not result in those limitations lasting for at least 12 months, your child will not qualify for SSI. Family resources are also considered. If the parents of the child or children have more resources than are allowed, then the child or children will not qualify for SSI.

You can read more about children's benefits at www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/EN-05-10026.pdf. Visit www.socialsecurity.gov/people/kids to learn more about all we do to care for children. Social Security is with you and your children through your life's journey, securing today and tomorrow.

Winter Break Family Fun at Your Library

Looking for things to do over the winter break that the whole family can enjoy? We've got you covered! There's no better place to spend this time of year than at your Library.

In addition to the programs below, Main Library will offer meals for kids 18 and younger served weekdays at 4 p.m. and Saturday at noon in cooperation with Children's Hunger Alliance

Family Programs:

Winter Open House | Reynolds Corners Branch | Dec. 20 | 6:30 - 8 p.m. Saturday Chess Players | Main Library | Dec. 23 and 30 | 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Mott Chess | Mott Branch | Dec. 23 and 30 | 4 - 5 p.m. Movie Magic! | Main Library | Daily Dec. 26 - Jan. 6 (except Dec. 27 for Frozen Party!) | 1:30 - 3:15 p.m. Kids at the Movies | Waterville Branch | Jan. 6 | 2 - 3:30 p.m.

Adult Programs:

New U: Digital Media | King Road Branch | Jan. 6 | 2 - 3 p.m.

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Older Adult Who Has Volunteered More Than an Entire Year's Worth of Service Hours to Be Recognized by Toledo Police/Area Office on Aging for Service to Homebound Seniors

How do you measure a year? "In service to others" is how Freddi Roberson answers this question posed in the "Seasons of Love" song from the musical Rent.

There are 8,760 hours in a year and Freddi Roberson has contributed more hours of service than that with an astounding 8,950 hours of giving back to homebound older adults and others.

This super volunteer and other older adult volunteers was recognized at The Toledo Police Department and Area Office on Aging's Retired Senior Volunteer Patrol Volunteer Recognition Dinner on December 12 at the Premier Banquet Complex, 4480 Heatherdowns Blvd. in Toledo.

The RSVP Patrol Program, which is a joint effort between the Toledo Police Department and the Area Office on Aging of Northwestern Ohio, utilizes volunteers age 55 and better who after being trained, go and check the well-being of homebound older adults once a week. They also check the homes of people who are away on vacation, hospitalized or in rehabilitation.

Toledo Police Department Officer Kathleen Mohr with Freddi Roberson in 2012 Receiving a Medical Mutual Volunteer Award

The RSVP Patrol Program has been operating since September of 2000 and currently has approximately The program has proven to be very successful, even receiving a national award.



Freddie Robertson

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New U: Working with Audio | King Road Branch | Jan. 6 | 3 - 4 p.m.

Teen Programs:

Crazy Craig the Juggler | Main Library | Dec. 19 | 4 - 5 p.m. It's Game Time! | Main Library | Jan 2 - 6 | All day

Coding Club | King Road Branch | Jan. 3 | 4 - 5 p.m.

Young Makers: Video Game Vaca | King Road Branch | Jan. 4 | 2 - 4:30 p.m.

Children's Programs:

Winter Solstice Storytime | King Road Branch | Dec. 21 | 6:30 - 7 p.m. Milk & Cookies with Santa | South Branch | Dec. 22 | 1 - 2 p.m.

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Storytime STEAM/Rhythm & Rhyme | Main Library | Dec. 22 and 29 | 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Playdate | Maumee Branch | Dec.26 | 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Library Playdate | Sanger Branch | Dec. 27 | 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Frozen Party! | Main Library | Dec. 27 | 2 - 3:30 p.m.

Makey-Makey Some Music | Maumee Branch | Dec. 28 | 3 - 4 p.m.

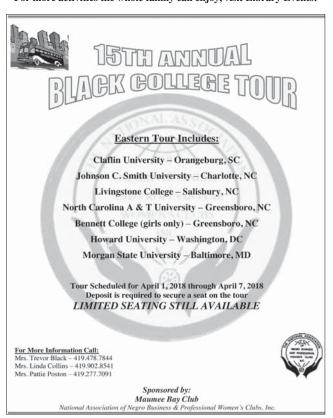
Games Day! | Kent Branch | Jan. 4 | 3 - 4 p.m.

Dog Safety | Sanger Branch | Jan 4 | 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

First Friday Family Storytime | Reynolds Corners Branch | Jan. 5 | 10 - 10:30 a.m.

Little U Storytime | Main Library | Jan. 5 | 10 - 11:30 a.m. Splatters and Spills | Waterville Branch | Jan. 6 | 10 - 11 a.m.

For more activities the whole family can enjoy, visit Library Events.



Kaptur Statement on Election of Senatorelect Doug Jones of Alabama

Last week, Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur (OH-09), the longest-serving woman in Congress, issued the following statement of congratulations regarding the election of Doug Jones as the new Senator from Alabama:

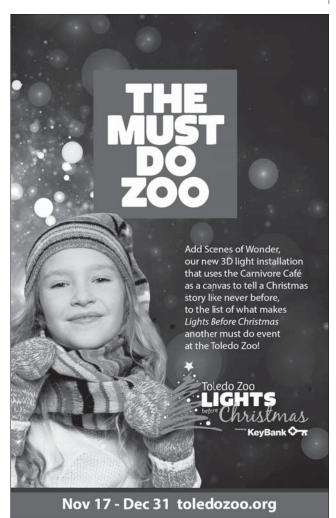
"Congratulations to Senator-elect Doug Jones, and the citizens of Alabama, on their hard-fought victory for the future of Alabama and our nation.

"His distinguished career as a reasoned and passionate voice for justice and the rule



Marcy Kaptur

of law will well serve America's highest aspirations. His election will help blot out the vitriol, prejudice and hate that underlaid this race and must be cleansed from our body politic."



January 2018 Toledo Museum of Art Program Highlights

Continuing Exhibitions

Glorious Splendor: Treasures of Early Christian Art

Through Feb. 18, 2018

Christian art borrowed heavily from non-Christian traditions in terms of its techniques, media, style and iconography. Glorious Splendor: Treasures of Early Christian Art traces these continuities through the most remarkable objects of the period: precious stones, metals and jewelry. The exhibition will feature some 30 masterpieces of Late Roman art, most of which have never been exhibited before in a museum. Drawing on private collections and TMA's holdings, this exhibition will captivate viewers with its glittering gold and silver, stunning oversize carved garnets and rubies, and dazzling rings and necklaces. Glorious Splendor: Treasures of Early Christian Art is supported in part by Taylor Cadillac, Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral, the TMA Ambassadors, Mary Lynch Jarrell and Paul A. Jarrell, James and Gregory Demirjian, Sotheby's, Harold Jaffe Jewelers and the Ohio Arts Council, with additional support from 2017 Exhibition Program Sponsor ProMedica. Free admission.

Fired Up: Contemporary Glass by Women Artists

Through March 18, 2018, Glass Pavilion Galleries 2 and 3

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four-year terms, however a constitutional amendment in 1951 limited the president to two elected terms. In addition, the president would be chosen neither by the Congress nor directly by the people. Instead the Constitution provides for his/her selection by an intermediary body called the Electoral College.

Because our founders feared giving too much power to the electorate, we do not actually vote for the president and vice president in presidential elections. Rather, we cast our votes in November for electors (members of the Electoral College), who in turn actually vote for the president. The electors cast their votes for the candidates about six weeks after the general election.

The Constitution provides for each state to have as many electoral votes as it does senators and representatives in Congress. There are 538 electoral votes in all; 270 are needed to win the presidency.

The importance of the Electoral College is that all the states but Maine and Nebraska operate on a winner-take-all basis. Thus, the winner in Ohio, even if he or she has less than a majority of the vote, wins all of the state's 18 electoral votes. The loser in Ohio may have won 49 percent of the popular votes, but he or she gets nothing in the Electoral College.

It is possible, then, for the actual popular vote winner to lose in the Electoral College. This is what happened in our last general election. So you see each individual vote is important as our cumulative votes determine the number of electoral votes from our state.

Black/Brown Unity Coalition

Members of the Black/Brown Unity Coalition Ray Wood – Toledo NAACP President, Baldemar Velasquez-FLOC President, Pastor Otis Gordon – Warren AME, Bishop Robert Culp – First Church of God met with Suzette Cowell, President & CEO -Toledo Urban Federal Credit Union.

Meetings have begun to establish the articles of corporation for the Black/ Brown Unity Coalition. The Coalition's Code of Conduct agreement with the Mayor's Office, Toledo Police Department and other community Leaders is available on our website and copies are available in the NAACP Office.

Upcoming Meeting Locations for 2018:

January 9, 2018, 7:00 P.M. – African American Legacy Building at 1326 Collingwood

February through April, 2018, 7:00 P.M. - The 2nd Tuesday of each month – Mott Branch Library at

1085 Dorr Street

Join the NAACP - \$30/year for an Adult membership and \$15/year for youth under 20 years of age. View our website at www.naacptoledo.org. Email us at info@toledonaacp.org.

Time for Kids: Heroes of Black History by Editors at Time for Kids Magazine

By Terri Schlichenmeyer

The Truth Contributor

Who do you look up to?

Who is the person you most want to be like when you grow up? The one you go to when you need advice, a kind word, or new direction? Is it a parent who puts your head on straight? Or a teacher that always knows what to say? Do you look up to someone close to you now or, as in

Time Inc. Books c.2017 \$9.99 / \$11.99 Canada 192 pages

Time for Kids: Heroes of Black History, is it someone much bigger than that?

If you had to make a list of everything that happened in Black History, you'd have to put the year 1500 on the top of your list because that's where African-American history began. On your list, there'd be a lot of names and dates, too, but four names may stand out for you...

Born in 1820, Araminta was a slave because her parents and grandparents were slaves. Called by her mother's name, young "Harriet" worked hard at everything she did but she was beaten because she was also "rebellious." It was that rebellion – and fear of being sold – that made her escape from her master. It was freedom that made Harriet Tubman want to help others to escape, too.

When Jackie Robinson began playing baseball, there were "rules" that told him where he could eat, live, and even get a drink of water. But Robinson wanted to play ball and so he smashed a few rules to be the first African-American major-leaguer in the modern age.

Even before he was born, "Barry" Obama's mother believed in him: Barry's real name is Barack, which means "blessed" in his father's native language. Barry was a good student, and had a sense of humor, but he was teased because he was the only black kid in his school. That was all just a memory when Barack Obama became President of the United States.

And "On December 1, 1955, Rosa Parks stepped onto a bus – and into history."

So your child has been given an assignment to read one biography this winter. Just one – but one will turn into four when you've got "Time for Kids: Heroes of Black History" on your shelf.

The first thing kids will notice about this book is its easy-to-understand narrative and easy-to-read print; it's just enough of a challenge, but not overly so. Kids will also like the artwork in this book, including photographs from different eras in history. The four subjects here are examined with a young

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The discovery of glass as a serious artistic medium in the 1960s – sparked during the Studio Glass Movement that originated at the Toledo Museum of Art – was monumental. Yet in its earliest decades, women faced an uphill battle in their demand for fair recognition of their contributions and work. In Fired Up: Contemporary Glass by Women Artists, more than 50 objects showcase the women who now rank among the most innovative and celebrated glass artists. Drawn from the Toledo Museum of Art's renowned glass collection, with notable loans from private collectors, the works document nearly six decades of underappreciated influence, from the art that helped women forge a path in the Studio Glass Movement of the '60s to the ingenuity of 21st-century installations. The exhibition is sponsored by O-I; Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick; the Ohio Arts Council and with funds received in the memory of Dr. Edward A. and Mrs. Rita Barbour Kern. Free admission.

Special Events and Presentations

Art Book Club Discussion and Tour: Stoned: Jewelry, Obsession and How Desire Shapes the World by Aja Raden

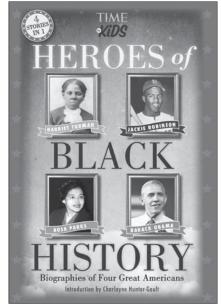
Jan. 16: 5:30 p.m., Art Reference Library

Jan. 18: 5:30 p.m., Meet in Libbey Court

Join fellow art and book lovers at our next Art Book Club discussion. Book selections will focus on making connections with special exhibitions and works of art in the Museum's collection. January's selection is Stoned: Jewelry, Obsession and How Desire Shapes the World by Aja Raden. Studded with lively personalities and fascinating details, Stoned tells the remarkable story of our abiding desire for the rare and extraordinary. A book discussion will take place Jan. 16 at 5:30 p.m. in the Art Reference Library; a docent led tour of Glorious Splendor is scheduled for Jan. 18 at 5:30 p.m. Space is

audience in mind: each mini-chapter includes a bit about the childhoods of Tubman, Robinson, Parks and Obama, which keeps the information relevant for children. Parents will appreciate that there's a glossary and thumbnail bios of other black heroes for plenty of further learning.

Though it can surely be read by anyone, *Time for Kids: Heroes of Black History* is really meant for kids ages eight and older, especially those who love history. If you know a child like that, you might as well find it now. It's a book your kids will want to look up.



limited and registration is requested. Contact the library at 419-254-5770 or mailto:library@toledomuseum.org to register.

FREE "I Got a Lust for Life": The Unique Words and Sounds of Southeast Michigan and Northwest Ohio

Jan. 20: 10 a.m.-7 p.m., various locations

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Panel Discussion: Ben Blackwell, John Gibbs Rockwood and Ramona

10 a.m., Wayne State University Schaver Music Recital Hall

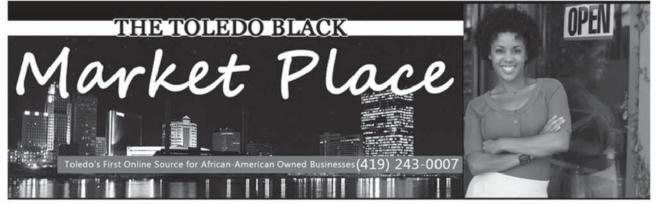
Poetry Reading: Tyehimba Jess, Olio

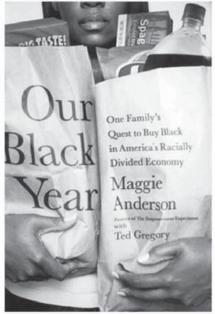
2:30 p.m., Toledo Lucas County Public Library McMaster Center

Panel Discussion: Tyehimba Jess, M.L. Leibler, Frances Brockington, and Lee Ellen Martin

6 p.m., Toledo Museum of Art GlasSalon













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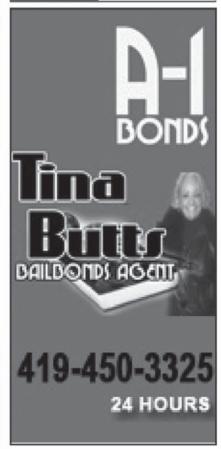




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THE SCOPE OF WORK consists of the replacement of the bridge carrying a drive over Neis Ditch at the Metroparks Cannaley property with a precast concrete culvert, reconstruction of the stone drive at the bridge, clearing and grubbing, excavation, embankment, riprap and erosion control. Bidders may obtain copies of plans, specifications, contract documents and plan-holder's list through Newfax Corporation, 333 West Woodruff, Toledo, Ohio 43604 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (check made payable to Newfax Corporation) or via the Newfax Digital Plan Room at www.newfaxcorp.com. Newfax can be contacted at 419-241-5157 or 800-877-5157. A nonrefundable fee of \$20 is required for each set of documents obtained. For additional information, please contact Jon Zvanovec @ 419-360-9184, jon.zvanovec@metroparkstoledo.com.

EACH BIDDER MUST FURNISH either (1) a bond for the full amount of the bid or (2) a certified check, cashier's check or irrevocable letter of credit in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the bid with its bid. The successful bidder must furnish a 100 percent (100%) Performance Bond and a 100 percent (100%) Labor and Materials Bond.

No bidder may withdraw its bid within thirty (30) days after the actual date of the opening thereof

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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THE SCOPE OF WORK consists of asphalt resurfacing and paving of Metropark's Fallen Timbers parking lot, Wildwood Preserve public roadway, Tupelo Way in Secor Metropark, Providence Dam Area parking lot in Providence Metropark, and Rotary Pavilion parking lot in Side Cut Metropark. Bidders may obtain copies of plans, specifications, contract documents and plan-holder's list through Newfax Corporation, 333 West Woodruff, Toledo, Ohio 43604 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (check made payable to Newfax Corporation) or via the Newfax Digital Plan Room at www.newfaxcorp.com. Newfax can be contacted at 419-241-5157 or 800-877-5157. A non-refundable fee of \$25 is required for each set of documents obtained. For additional information, please contact Jon Zvanovec @ 419-360-9184, jon.zvanovec@metroparkstoledo.com.

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- 1/4 Ottawa Hills/Sylvania/Sylvania Twp Call-A-Ride holiday service discontinued; Sunday hours adjusted from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. to 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- 2 (currently 2M/H) Franklin Park Mall via Toledo Hospital schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes with access to ProMedica Toledo Hospital on all trips; 2H/M renamed to 2
- 3 North/South Crosstown NO CHANGES
- 5 (currently 5R) Dorr via UT Main Campus/Walmart adjusted schedule for lineup and routing changes; no access to the Independence/Nebraska/Richards loop; UT Transit Center: outbound only
- 6N/S King Road/City of Sylvania NO CHANGES
- 8/29 Maumee/Waterville Call-A-Ride holiday service discontinued;

Sunday hours adjusted from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. to 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

- 10 Rossford Call-A-Ride schedule adjusted for lineup changes
- 10L Rossford via Hollywood Casino NO CHANGES
- -12 (currently 12/13) Front/Starr schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; all trips now clockwise; 12/13 renamed to 12
- 14 (currently 11/14) East Broadway/Oak schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; all trips now clockwise direction; 11/14 renamed to 14
- 15A Summit/Suder/Alexis schedule adjusted for lineup changes
- 15E Summit/Point Place via Alexis schedule adjusted for lineup changes
- 16 Alexis via Meijer schedule adjusted for lineup changes
- 17B Lagrange/Bennett via Miracle Mile schedule adjusted for lineup changes
- 17E Lagrange/Eleanor via Miracle Mile schedule adjusted for lineup changes
- 19F Cherry/Franklin Park —
- schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; no access to Laskey/Secor
- 19T Cherry/Tremainsville schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes to absorb Laskey/Secor
- 20F (currently 24) Central Ave/Franklin Park Mall schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; to absorb route 24 between Downtown and Delaware/Detroit; no access to ProMedica Toledo Hospital; Franklin Park via Central/Talmadge; no access to Executive Parkway/Secor Rd
- 20M Central/Meijer Drive schedule adjusted for lineup changes
- 20W (currently 24T) Ottawa Hills via Westgate —
 Ottawa Hills via Westgate; schedule adjusted for lineup changes;
 24T renamed to 20W
- 20 (currently 20/24) Central/Westgate/Walmart no route or schedule changes; 20/24 renamed to 20

- 22 Bancroft via UT Campus/Franklin Park Mall schedule adjusted for lineup changes; no access to Harvest/Sylvania
- 26D Berdan/Douglas/Miracle Mile schedule adjusted for lineup changes
- 26L Lewis/Alexis/Miracle Mile schedule adjusted for lineup changes
- 27H Nebraska/Hill-Reynolds schedule adjusted for lineup changes
- 27N Nebraska/South-Reynolds (currently Airport-Wenz)
 schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; no access to
 Reynolds/Angola/Wenz/Airport loop: to be covered by route 32H
- 28 Indiana/Smead/Oakwood (currently 28/30) lineup schedule and routing adjusted; clockwise direction with 28/30; renamed to 28
- 29X Waterville Express NO CHANGES
- 31G Glendale/Southwyck schedule adjusted for lineup changes
- 31H Heatherdowns/Southwyck schedule adjusted for lineup changes
- 32H South/Airport via Home Depot schedule adjusted for lineup and routing changes; no access to Southwyck Blvd; Reynolds/Angola/Wenz/Airport loop added
- 32R UTMC/Southwyck schedule adjusted for lineup changes
- 34 Detroit/Byrne/Western via UTMC schedule adjusted for lineup changes
- 35 Airport/Maumee-Arrowhead NO CHANGES
- 39 Franklin Park/City of Sylvania NO CHANGES
- 39M Monroe/Sylvania-Centennial NO CHANGES
- 41 Glendale-Southland/Maumee-Arrowhead schedule and Downtown routing adjusted
- 43 Maumee-Arrowhead/Western via UTMC NO CHANGES
- 44X St. Luke's Hospital NO CHANGES

School Day Routes

- 11A/B East Broadway Crossstown NO CHANGES
- 18A/B/C Sylvania Avenue Crosstown NO CHANGES
- 20A/B Upton Avenue Crosstown NO CHANGES
- 27A/B/C Reynolds Road Crosstown NO CHANGES
- 34A/B/C Airport Highway Crosstown NO CHANGES
- 36A/B Hawley Crosstown afternoon schedule adjusted
- 37A/B Central Avenue Crosstown NO CHANGES

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