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# Racial Angst

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

The Truth Contributor

*They will never let me play a part in which a Negro is on top.*

- Paul Robeson



On January 6, a teeming mob of frenzied Trump supporters overwhelmed an out-manned and under-resourced U.S. Capitol police to storm through the historic building's hallowed halls leaving five persons dead and several others injured.

The rampage, described by many as a coordinated coup, unsuccessfully attempted to hijack Congressional certification of President-elect Joe Biden's Electoral College win.

The mostly-white mob tore down barricades, broke windows, and rammed through locked doors. The vicious throng also included rogue law enforcement, legislators, ex-military personnel, business owners and executives, and even a Brooklyn judge's son.

While alarming, the violent attempted coup d'état should not have been surprising. The warning signs of the insurrection have been present for a long time. Domestic terrorism, activated by white fear, has always followed tangible black progress as whites aggressively move to preserve their power. Racism, then, is not merely about prejudice and bias. It is a tool to gain and maintain power.

Warning Signs: The Diversity Explosion

The majority of all Americans under 17 years old are now from a minority background. This demographic shift became a reality in 2020 and the process will culminate with an overall "minority-majority" population by 2045, according to Isaac Mizrahi writing for Forbes Magazine.

This demographic shift will radically transform the American identity, politics, economy, and White privilege. Power and wealth distribution will also shift towards nonwhites.

Marketers have already accepted this. Take note of today's television commercials to see the increase in interracial couples and diverse cultural experiences used in advertising. Marketing is pointing the way forward to how American identity is defined.

Why it Matters:

Politicians have capitalized on polarization because a majority of white voters see this "browning" of America and its coalition of Democratic Party-leaning LGBTQ, progressive Whites, Asian, Hispanic, Islamic, and Jewish voters as a threat to political control.

In contrast to racial minorities, White Americans (although not a monolith), have preferred Republican candidates in every presidential election after 1964. Fifty-nine percent of Republicans and 46 percent of Whites worry that a majority-minority nation will "weaken" American culture, says a recent Pew Research Center survey. Although Pew doesn't define "weaken," I understand the term to reflect white racial angst resulting from African-



American gains in social, economic, and legislative power or influence.

This angst manifests itself in Republican Party stances on immigration, diversity, and religious policies and in voter suppression tactics such as photo ID, voter purge, and closing of polling places.

Racism Highlights the Struggle for Power:

Racism has been dubbed by Jack Schafer, Ph.D., as a "Power Struggle by a Different Name." When nonwhite groups form alliances with other minority groups to become "final decision-makers," opposition groups will strenuously attempt to overthrow them, he says. We saw this response played out in real-time in the MAGA melee at the Capitol.

The Future:

Contrary to the conservative self-interest cries for healing or to "just move on" following the violence on the U.S. Capitol, it is impossible to heal. The trauma that causes our injuries remains while we are still being assaulted, effectively placing fresh wounds on the still open wounds.

The racism that hyper-scrutinizes peaceful Black Lives Matter protests while looking the other way as violent MAGA protestors slip in to attempt to hijack our democracy will not allow us to heal.

Neither will the racism that constantly assaults black civil rights, producing gashes over slashes while merely pacifying White Nationalists in return for violent offenses.

The phrase "No justice, No peace!" is more than a slogan. It is a law of nature.

We cannot move forward in peace until our nation can develop an inclusive identity and ensure equal rights for all people.

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# Malcolm X Was Right: The Chickens Are Roosting Now

By Lafe Tolliver, Esq

Guest Column

It is time for a little time travel. So, please put on your plexiglass bubble helmets, take a comfortable seat and SWOOSH.... away we go!

We are going back, way back to the time when Malcolm X was prophesying about American hypocrisy.

He was loudly chronicling the double standard of the US government when it was lamenting the inadequacies of foreign governments and their inability to hold on and maintain a semblance of a democracy and, while at the same time, we learned of the intrigues of our government's covert operations against foreign leaders who were sometimes quietly dispatched by forces unknown.

Malcolm X was opining about the tragic shooting of President John Kennedy by Lee Oswald during the president's trip to Dallas. Malcolm X, not being one who was subservient to the niceties of the protocols on matters of assassinations as ostensibly done by our government agencies, stated that, "The chickens have come home to roost."

His statement was a tongue-in-cheek monologue about Kennedy being killed in the US while our own government was involved in clandestine activities and murders in overseas countries.

His proclamation caused an uproar in both white media and with the leader of the Muslim sect led by the Honorable Elijah Mohammed.

Malcolm X was chastised by Mr. Mohammed and suffered a suspension from the religious organization.

Malcolm X gauged the hypocrisy of the US government feigning that their government was superior to others and that we did not engage in such despicable acts of killing our political leaders and that we were a cultured society that eschewed governmental overthrow.

Almost six decades later, if you have been an observer of the most recent political events in the Capitol, you have witnessed a cult going amok at the directions of their cult leader, Donald Trump.

Trump was openly and notoriously brazen in his egging on the demonstrators, some of whom quickly turned to ransacking and violence when they entered the Capitol Building.

Not only did they march, en masse, to the Capitol but they bum rushed the pathetically understaffed Capitol Hill Police and the D.C. police forces and breached the security barriers and, like drunken sailors, entered the Congressional chambers and wreaked havoc.

The planned mayhem included damaging some of the interiors of the building and mobbing the front of the Capitol where scaffolding was being set up for the January 20 inauguration of President Biden and V.P. Harris.

This hyped-up crowd of white people (numbers are given anywhere from 20-30 thousand who appeared on the Capitol grounds) were enraged that the House and Senate were about to confirm the Electoral College votes and thus confirm the legitimate status of President-Elect Biden and V.P. Elect Harris.

The marauders threw off all restraint as they pillaged the Capitol Building with their flags and made a mockery of civility and any respect for the established democratic norms and niceties that have been relied upon since 1801 regarding a peaceful transference of power after an election.

The mob, bent on stopping the tallying of the Electoral College votes, were acting at the hope and bequest of Herr Trump who told them to march to the Capitol and he would lead them (of course, he did not lead, he left for safer grounds with his Secret Service entourage).

Herr Trump, the originator of the Great Lie that the election was stolen from him and repeatedly denying all overwhelming evidence to the contrary, acted like a spoiled brat and verbally "turned the keys" over to the mob and probably chortled to himself while they busted up the Capitol Building.



One rioter lost her life doing perverted homage to Herr Trump and his swamp gas induced dream of serving another term as President.

Any loss of life by his supporters was probably deemed expendable to Trump for those who died, probably died in a good cause: The Second Lost Cause (Question? What was the First Lost Cause in American history?).

We continue to witness the erratic ravings of a lunatic who lives in a parallel universe consisting of alternative facts; and populated by a coterie of lapdogs and brain damaged politicians who rode the Trump gravy train for all its worth.

Compare the overwhelming police presence at the Capitol when the Black Lives Matter demonstrators protested the killing of black people as opposed to the sketchy presence of police during this attempted coup of the Capitol...but, I digress!

This attempted coup is an international sensation with some other countries, allies and foes, taking the US to task for its effrontery in lecturing them how they operate their governments versus what they saw on CNN.

Malcolm X was right. Countries that throw stones at the glass houses of other countries who allow questionable political acts should not be outraged when those same countries pick up the same stones and rain them on America's political glass house.

The chickens have come home to roost.

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# Rep. Hicks-Hudson's Bipartisan Criminal Justice Reform Bill Signed into Law

*Democratic priority legislation HB 1 will expand access to drug treatments and allow more opportunities for a fresh start*

State Rep. Paula Hicks-Hudson (D-Toledo) last week announced that House Bill (HB) 1, her criminal justice reform legislation to modify the requirements for intervention in lieu of conviction and for sealing criminal records, was signed into law by Governor DeWine.

"Signing HB 1 into law shows Ohioans that we take care of our citizens by emphasizing rehabilitation over punishment. When this law becomes effective, it will be a game changer for many Ohioans who have not been able to live the American dream here in Ohio," Rep. Hicks-Hudson.

This legislation will:

- Broaden the scope of continuing law intervention in lieu of conviction (ILC) by requiring an eligibility hearing on an application for intervention in any case in which the offender alleges that drug or alcohol usage was a factor leading to the underlying offense;
- Broaden the application of continuing law conviction record sealing by

removing the cap, currently based on total felony convictions, on eligibility for fourth or fifth degree felony and misdemeanor offenses, and by raising the caps on restricted felony and misdemeanor offenses;

- Modify the time at which an offender may apply to have a conviction record sealed;
- Ban the shackling of pregnant prisoners;
- Expand the duties of the Criminal Sentencing Commission to gather certain data;
- Modify the use of prison as a sanction for violating community control.



Rep. Paula Hicks-Hudson

## Ohio MLK Commission to Host Commemorative Event Virtually Jan. 14

The Ohio Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission will host its 36th annual Ohio Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Celebration on Thursday, Jan. 14. Typically held at Trinity Episcopal Church in downtown Columbus, this year's event was prerecorded and can be

viewed at [das.ohio.gov/mlk](http://das.ohio.gov/mlk) beginning Thursday at 11:45 a.m.

The 12-member commission advocates Dr. King's principles of non-violent change and the pursuit of racial, social and economic justice. During the ceremony, the commission will announce the winners of its annual awards that recognize Ohioans for their efforts to advance non-violent social change.

A highlight of the event each year is the student speakers who took first place in their respective age divisions at the annual Statewide MLK Youth Oratorical Contest, which is also sponsored by the commission. Although the 2020 statewide contest was canceled this year, the prerecorded event will feature videos of several students who competed in regional contests and had advanced to the statewide competition.

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# White Mobs and Violence Is Nothing New

By Anthony Bouyer, PhD

Guest Column

As the events unfolded at our capital on January 6, 2021, many White Americans were shocked that their brothers could act in a way that was befitting of pagans and heathens. Many are asking, how this could occur? How could Whites would turn into blood thirsty savages? This is how Black people act? Many Whites attribute such behaviors only to Blacks.

There is much conversation that could be addressed from the violence that occurred on January 6, 2021. I only want to show that white mob violence and rioting is as old as baseball and apple pie, it's part of this great Americana past time.

But if you listen to many Whites, it's Black people who are only capable of rioting and mob violence. I recall during the Toledo riots when the skin heads marched in North Toledo, and then there was rioting. One of my co-workers, who was White, made a statement why are Black people always rioting and tearing up property.

The myth of Black and Brown people as evil and subhuman has been used throughout history to justify a multitude of atrocities: slavery, mass incarceration, mass deportation, mass shootings, insurrection. But it is the White mob that poses the existential threat, as violent Trump supporters seek to enact their highly premeditated strategies of insurrection, trial by combat and rule by mob, while Black and Brown people are uniting peacefully to educate and mobilize against the threat of the White mob.

The new HBO series "Watchmen" opens with one thing about history you cannot erase – the facts are the facts. I want to share a brief history of White mob violence, so that readers know that what happened on January 6 was not an isolated event of White mob violence as documented by unspeakable violence: a retelling of an infamous incident of racial violence in American history. Unfortunately, they had any number of violent outbursts to choose from. Here are 10 of the worst massacres of African-Americans.

### 1. New York City Draft Riots

As indicated by the name, the New York City draft riots of 1863 originally began as a violent opposition to a new federal conscription law which greatly increased the number of men who faced being called into the war. Two other factors also angered much of the citizenry: it was possible to pay for a substitute, though it was only available to the very wealthy, and African-Americans were exempt, as they were not considered citizens.

Like much of the racially motivated violence of the times, the anger of the working-class Whites was inflamed by newspapers, publications which ran stories warning initially about only attacking federal buildings, then eventually turn their stories about a flood of newly freed men flooding the North with workers willing to undercut the pay of the Whites of the area. So it went, on July 13, 1863, that the White mobs turned their ire onto the Black working-



Anthony Bouyer



Tulsa Race Riot

class citizens of Manhattan. Over the course of four days, hundreds of Black residents were forced from their homes and over 100 were killed, many of them lynched in the sort of violence usually reserved for the South.

### 2. New Orleans Massacre of 1866

Only one year after the Civil War ended, Republicans in the state of Louisiana were looking to give newly freed Black men the right to vote. In fact, they went so far as to call a convention, trying to get it enshrined in the state constitution. The main reason for this was that the White voters, many of them Democratic Confederate veterans, were constantly passing racist laws, laws which would essentially reduce the Black citizens of the state to a status akin to slavery.

On July 30, 1866, the convention commenced, with hundreds of Confederate veterans serving as "emergency police officers" and dozens of Black men, many of them Union veterans, marching through the streets in support of the proposed changes. As tension continued to grow between the two groups, a shot rang out. Armed to the teeth and better prepared for violence than their counterparts, the White mob began attacking the Black marchers. Lucien Jean Pierre Capla, a witness to the violence, later recalled: "I saw the people fall like flies." (Capla and his son were both brutally attacked, suffering incredible wounds.)

When federal troops finally showed up, more than 40 Black men were dead, with over a hundred wounded from the fighting.

### 3. Opelousas Massacre

For the White Democrats in Louisiana, 1868 was a tough year. Thanks to

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the votes of recently freed Black men, Republicans won a vast majority of the elections that year. Faced with the prospect of losing their stranglehold on local and state politics, many racists, especially those in the Knights of the White Camellia (a pre-cursor to the KKK formed to stop Republican successes at the polls through intimidation) began violently oppressing all the Black people they could get their hands on. Similar to the KKK, the Knights of the White Camelia was a White supremacist terrorist organization and they were extremely popular in the St. Landry Parish. (One Democratic newspaper estimated nearly one in four White people were members of the group.)

On September 28, 1868, as the U.S. Presidential election was beginning to inch closer, a local newspaper editor was beaten. Around a dozen Black men came to his aid and they were subsequently arrested; however, they were later dragged out of jail and lynched. This was just the start of the violence that night: armed White people began scouring the countryside for every Black person they could find and murdering them as soon as they did. By the time the violence subsided a few weeks later, somewhere between 200 and 300 African-Americans were killed. Republican Ulysses Grant won the presidency against the anti-black Democratic contenders Horatio Seymour and Francis Blair.

4. Thibodaux Massacre

Less than two decades after slavery was outlawed in the United States, many African-Americans working in the South began to realize the power their labor represented. This led to an increasing number of strikes, especially amongst sugar workers. In 1887, some sugar workers reached out to the Knights of Labor, the biggest union of them all. With the help of organized labor, the Black workers soon began to demand appropriate wages.

Instead of negotiating, the plant owners began firing union members. When strikes began, they also hired strike-breakers and created militias, armed to the teeth and out for blood. On November 23, a mob of White men dragged a number of Black workers from their houses and led them to the railroads. Once they arrived, the men were told to run for their lives, before they were all shot in the back by the armed mob. By the time the violence died down, at least 35 people had died. Defeated and cowed, the workers all went back to the plantations and not one person faced justice; in fact, one of the murderers even won a seat in Congress the following year.

5. Wilmington Insurrection of 1898

On the morning of November 10, 1898, a throng of some 2,000 armed White men took to the streets of the Southern port town of Wilmington, North Carolina. Spurred on by White supremacist politicians and businessmen, the mob burned the offices of a prominent African-American newspaper, sparking a frenzy of urban warfare that saw dozens of Blacks gunned down in the streets. As the chaos unfolded, White rioters descended on City Hall and forced the town's mayor to resign along with several Black aldermen. By nightfall, the



Rosewood Massacre of 1923

mob had seized full control of the local government, some 60 Black citizens lay dead and thousands more had fled the city in panic

6. Atlanta Race Riot

Fearful of the growing power of the Black citizens of Atlanta, the White elites in the city began using the local newspapers to push their racially motivated opinions. The governor's race of 1906 was especially repugnant, as various newspapermen utilized their positions to help their campaigns by spreading false information about the state of race relations in Atlanta. A favorite of theirs: any lurid tale of a "pure" White woman being assaulted by a Black man.

No one particular story sparked this riot but tensions rose to a breaking point on September 22. Eventually, White mobs began terrorizing majority-black neighborhoods, setting fire to any black business they could find and beating and shooting those unlucky enough to cross their path. By the time a heavy rain dispersed most of the crowds; the state militia had showed up and restored order. However, small pockets of violence remained for the next two days and, in the end, as many as 40 African-Americans lost their lives

7. The Red Summer

Less an isolated incident and more a collection of similarly-themed violence, the Red Summer took place in 1919, as numerous African-Americans adjusted to civilian life after having returned home from WWI, alongside their fellow White veterans. Famed civil rights activist W.E.B. Du Bois said of the Black veterans: "We are cowards and jackasses if now that the war is over, we do not

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We live in one of the greatest countries in the World. What happened on January 6, 2021 was a sad day in American History. Not since the War of 1812 have we seen such an egregious attack on our US Capitol. The 1812 War was by an invading enemy but the attack on January 6 was by American Citizens.

This act of Insurrection revealed the cultural and political divide in America. What took place went far beyond any individual and collective difference we have. This was not about the US Capitol Building, but it was an attack on the freedoms that we hold dear in America. Freedom of Speech is one thing but domestic terrorism and thuggism is another thing.

**For this reason, the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Toledo and Vicinity cannot remain silent. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr once said:**

**“Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter. In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends.”**

We (IMA) strongly condemn the incitement of this “Insurrection 2021” by President Donald Trump, and the actions of QAnon, Proud Boys, as well as other White Nationalist groups in America. We strongly condemn any association of these acts with the Christian Community and declare this is not indicative of Christlike Character and they are a rogue group of persons who have been will-

fully and, for some, unwillingly deceived.

One thing that did stand out and was revealed is the difference of the handling of White Supremacist Groups and associations vs Black Lives Matter rallies. The contrast was startling. We do believe that Black Lives Matter. The hate that has spewed forth from the White House over the last four years has led to – the loss of five lives, so far. We offer our sympathy to the families who lost loved ones in this Insurrection 2021.

At the IMA, we are concerned about issues that affect our community and racism is one of those issues. This does not exclude systematic racism, social injustice, as well as any other hate issues. **We saw one group of people let go and arrested later vs another group of people being arrested on the scene. We saw one group before the protest being greeted with the National Guard in military gear vs the other group being greeted with Capitol Police with limited resources and preparation.**

Sincerely,  
Rev. Cedric Brock, President Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Toledo & Vicinity & the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Toledo & Vicinity

# Capitol Policeman’s Heroism Saves Legislators from Attack by Mob

Sojourner's Truth Staff

If a viewer was unaware of exactly where in the Capitol building Officer Eugene Goodman was headed to during the afternoon of January 6 as he was chased up a series of stairs by an unruly mob of rioters seemingly intent on damaging the Capitol and seeking to confront, probably cause harm to, the legislators and their staffs, one might have thought he was simply panicking and running aimlessly through the building.

As it happens, Officer Goodman was clearly not panicked. As one takes a second look and hears from commentators where Goodman was in the chase, it becomes evident that the Black officer, pursued by the White insurgents, knew exactly where he was and what his intent was that day.

Goodman can be seen, on the second landing, glancing to his left and noticing an open hallway to the Senate. He was using only his baton to try to ward off the intruders, but there were too many of them to restrain. When he sees the danger that the senators and their staffs might encounter if his pursuers glanced into the open room, he pushes the leader of

the pack to irritate him and keep his attention on the officer. Then Goodman headed in the opposite direction with the leader of the mob, then the mob, in hot pursuit.

Goodman led the mob into a group of police in a back corridor outside the Senate.

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# Toledo NAACP Honors Ray Wood, Welcomes Rev. Perryman

By Tricia Hall

Sojourner's Truth Reporter

The Toledo NAACP organized an installation service on January 4 for the incoming 2021 officers and special recognition for the out-going president Ray Wood. At least two dozen individuals attended the event at the UAW Local 12 hall as social distancing, temperature checks and face masks safety protocols were in place for this event.

Rev. Otis Gordon, pastor of Warren AME Church, delivered a heartfelt opening and closing prayer. "I personally appreciate your leadership Ray, in the NAACP and city of Toledo."

The program continued with individuals presenting token of appreciation to the out-going president of Toledo NAACP, Ray Wood. Newly appointed Toledo City Council members Cerssandra McPherson and Vanice Williams presented Wood with an official proclamation. "He is a faithful and just man. Thank you for your service. This proclamation is to honor the outgoing president Ray Wood and was signed by all city council members," explained McPherson.

Wood also received flowers from the Toledo NAACP membership and executive board members and another official proclamation from City of Toledo Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz. "Ray is truly the definition of lifetime of service and dedication. Whenever the city needed him, Ray

was dedicated o the city and was present. This is just a small token of appreciation," said Mayor Kapszukiewicz.

"I love you all so much, Toledo has assembled a great board and Pastor Perryman will take this organization to another level," shared Wood while addressing the NAACP membership.

The second half of the program was the incoming 2021 Toledo NAACP officer installation service which was presided over by Judge Myron Duhart. The five executive board members raised their right hands and

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Ray Wood and Micheal Alexander



Toledo City Council proclamation (Ray Wood, Vanice Williams, Cerssandra McPherson)



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marshal every ounce of our brain and brawn to fight a sterner, longer, more unbending battle against the forces of hell in our own land."

Faced with men who were no longer willing to live under Jim Crow laws, many Whites began to assault random Black men throughout the country, especially those who had fought in the war. Though much of the violence occurred in the North, as the Great Migration dramatically changed the demographics of a number of major cities, the largest instance of violence occurred in the small town of Elaine, Arkansas. For three days, unspeakable violence was meted out to Black sharecroppers who were trying to improve their working conditions; over 200 men were murdered.

8. Ocoee Massacre

Colloquially known as a "sundown town," a phrase which was used to illustrate to the black visitors to the city they were not welcome once night fell, Ocoee, Florida was once the site of a horrific amount of violence. For nearly a year, after World War I, voting rights activists had been encouraging the Black citizens of the state to exercise their right to vote and many of the White citizens began to see it as an attack on their supremacy.

On November 2, 1920, a relatively wealthy African-American man named Mose Norman tried to vote but was turned away. Members of the KKK even took a gun away from him, a weapon he had brought to protect himself, and ordered him to go home. Later that day, a mob of Whites, many of them KKK members, traversed the black neighborhoods looking for Norman before eventually deciding to head to the home of another prominent Black man: July Perry. Eventually, they captured him, lynched him and burned his neighborhood down. The terror wrought by the mob was so great that Ocoee turned into an all-white town for decades.

During the 1920 census, around 500 black People called Ocoee home; in 1940, 1950, 1960 and 1970, every census taken revealed there to be no Black citizens at all.

9. Tulsa Race Riot

Unlike some of the incidents on this list, the Tulsa Race Riot can be traced to one specific incident: on May 30, 1921, a 19-year-old Black man named Dick Rowland was accused of attacking a 17-year-old White elevator operator named Sarah Page. He was quickly arrested and the local police began an investigation. However, newspapers fanned the flames of racial violence by publishing more and more lurid reports about Rowland's actions. Two separate mobs, one black and one white, descended on the courthouse, determined to either protect or kill Rowland, respectively.

Outnumbered, the Black mob headed back to the Greenwood district, an area known as Black Wall Street because of the concentration of black businesses. Out for blood, as many as 10,000 white people crossed the railroad tracks in pursuit of the fleeing African-Americans. As dawn broke, nearly 35 whole city blocks had been burned to the ground and at least 300 Black people had been killed. In an especially violent twist, Tulsa was likely the first American city to be bombed from the air as at least one local company was said to have allowed the white mob to use their planes to drop burning turpentine balls from



Ocoee Race Riot Headline

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10. Rosewood Massacre

A small, overwhelmingly black town in Florida, Rosewood was essentially completely destroyed in January of 1923. In the nearby town of Sumner, a 22-year-old White woman named Fannie Taylor was heard screaming and, when her neighbor came to check on her, she was covered in bruises. Claiming to have been assaulted by a Black man, she reported that she had not been raped, though the other white citizens in her town believed otherwise.

Her husband gathered a group of Sumner residents and began searching the area for a Black prisoner who was said to have escaped a nearby chain gang. Additionally, around 500 members of the KKK were in the area and they joined the mob which eventually decided the town of Rosewood was hiding the target of their ire. Eventually, they reached the town and began terrorizing those they suspected of aiding the escaped prisoner, beating, torturing and even killing some of them. After some White people were killed by those defending themselves, the choice was made to burn the town to the ground.

In all, anywhere from six to 27 Black people were killed, with the rest escaping with their lives but none of their possessions, as many of them refused to return to the area, fearful of more violence.

In the white supremacist novel, The Camp of the Saints, promoted by Trump's senior advisor and speechwriter Stephen Miller, the white world is destroyed at the hands of a Black/Brown mob. The book says they are the children of "the beast," or Satan's beast in the Book of Revelations, from which the novel draws its title. Its heroes call for the slaughter of the Black and Brown characters: "If only he'd go the next step, and tell them to shoot, tell them to blast the crowd to hell!" and "No hope, Mr. Mayor. Unless you kill them all, that is."

It is time for all white progressives and moderates to actively root out the racist revanchism which runs so deep and that has over the past four years fussed America, deformed policy and civic life, and that now buckles the very foundations of our nation

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# FBI Says Armed Protests Planned for All 50 States

"As of 10 January, armed protests are being planned at all 50 state capitols from 16 January through at least 20 January, and at the US Capitol from 17 January through 20 January," an internal FBI bulletin released on Monday said.

The FBI has received information recently about a group calling for "storming" state, local, and federal government courthouses and administrative buildings in the event Donald Trump is removed as president prior to Inauguration Day.

"The FBI received information about an identified armed group intending to travel to Washington, DC, on 16 January. They have warned that if Congress attempts to remove POTUS via the 25th Amendment a huge uprising will occur," the report reads.

According to the report, the FBI has obtained information that the group will storm government offices in every state on January 20, even those that certified electoral votes for Trump.

The bulletin included a map that showed the extent of law enforcement activity related to potential threats surrounding election certification and the inauguration.

The bulletin also names President-elect Joe Biden, Vice President-elect Kamala Harris and Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi as targets of the armed groups on or before Inauguration Day.

Washington Mayor Muriel Bowser on Monday asked Americans to avoid travel to the city during the inauguration next week and to participate virtually following last week's deadly domestic terror attack on the US Capitol.

Speaking at a news conference Monday, Bowser stressed that she was

concerned about more violent actors potentially coming to the city in the run-up to the inauguration, saying, "If I'm scared of anything, it's for our democracy, because we have very extreme factions in our country that are armed and dangerous."

The National Guard is already mobilizing up to 15,000 National Guard troops to meet current and future requests for the inauguration, a spokesman said early this week. The dramatic increase in troops comes as law enforcement in the nation's capital and around the country brace for further extremist violence amid the transition of power.

The FBI has received nearly 45,000 digital media tips that are now being reviewed.

On top of information being distributed by the FBI, the Department of Homeland Security's intelligence office, a day after the siege at the Capitol, released situation report headlined "Threats Surrounding the 2021 Electoral College Certification."

It opened this way: The Office of Intelligence and Analysis "assesses individuals harboring violent extremist ideologies and other violent actors likely will continue to threaten or target elected officials, other public figures, and members of the general public who these actors perceive as opposing their worldview, which is consistent with past attack plotting and historical drivers for violent activity. (The Current and Emerging Threats Center) remains in communication with the Intelligence Community to ensure any threats concerning government operations are identified."

As a result, state capitols across the nation have stepped up security, deploying National Guard units, SWAT teams and extra police officers as several legislatures convened amid heightened safety concerns.

## Three Service Project Ideas for MLK Day

Martin Luther King Day, celebrated as a day of service by many Americans, will be observed on January 18

If you'd like to volunteer but would prefer to do so in a socially-distanced way, here are three ideas.

- Plant a tree: Trees help clean the air and are natural carbon absorbers. You can help offset your carbon footprint by planting a tree on your own property, or with permission, in a local park or public space.
- Promote job readiness: Connect virtually with fellow community members to boost their job readiness. Conduct a mock interview over video chat and assist with resume and job application preparation.
- Deliver meals: Arrange for contactless drop-off and deliver meals to the elderly, infirm or otherwise homebound.

While volunteer efforts may look a bit different this year, there are still many safe ways to give back.

Courtesy StatePoint



Some of Trump's "very special" people storming the Capitol. "6MWE" is a reference to the murder of Jews by the German Nazis. It means "six million wasn't enough"

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That leader, wearing a black QAnon shirt, was Doug Jensen from Des Moines, Iowa, who was later arrested by the FBI on five federal charges and fired by his Des Moines employer, Forrest & Associates Masonry.

QAnon is a conspiracy theory that alleges the existence of a liberal, satanic "deep state" cult that conducts a child sex-trafficking ring.

"As Trump's fascist mob ransacked the U.S. Capitol, this brave USCP officer kept murderous rioters away from the Senate chamber and saved the lives of those inside. God bless him for his courage," said Rep. Pascrell, D-N.J.

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# The Rose Legacy Continues....

By Gerald Rose  
Guest Column

"No matter where I roam, Toledo Ohio will always be my home," because that is the birthplace of the Rose Legacy.

I learned about the injustices of the world at an early age and inherited my activism skills from my dad, the renowned Toledo, Baptist preacher and former president of the NAACP, Reverend Floyd Rose.

He also taught me truth, honesty and hard work, which is what made me want to fight for people whose rights were being violated and who couldn't fight for themselves.

I became an activist and formed a New Order Chapter in Toledo Ohio in 1992 and hit the ground running. I started working in the community, holding local rallies at the Toledo Lucas County Public Library calling for black unity.

The Toledo Ohio chapter began growing rapidly and was soon fully operational with local events for the community and was completely staffed so I felt it was time to expand our services to help more people. What better place than the birthplace of the civil rights movement, Atlanta, Ga.

I decided to set up a chapter in Atlanta. So, in June, 2000 I moved to Georgia to set up the New Order Atlanta Chapter. The Atlanta New Order National Human Rights Chapter has grown extensively.

I immediately started working on some very high-profile cases, like the Mike Vick case, Sandra Bland case, Renardo Lewis/Waffle House case/James Craig Anderson case and many more throughout the United States.

I was mentored directly by Joseph Lowery, Martin Luther King III and other great Leaders in Atlanta. I have a huge talk radio station called Real Talk with New Order where I host a huge list of local celebrities and state officials and a weekly podcast. I

now have a staff members in Atlanta and throughout the United States. We take an average of 10 complaint cases a month and we are currently in talks of researching for a third location to establish another Chapter.

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# Nine Days: The Race to Save Martin Luther King Jr.'s Life and Win the 1960 Election by Stephen Kendrick and Paul Kendrick

By Terri Schlichenmeyer

The Truth Contributor

Always look for the helpers.

No doubt, you've heard those words before: whenever you're in trouble – lost, scared, unsure, in danger – look around. Somewhere nearby, there's someone who'll help. As in the new book *Nine Days* by Stephen Kendrick and Paul Kendrick, though, it might not be quick.

The Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. had been in jail before.

It was fast then, in and out the same day but still not pleasant and as a Black man in 1960, the prospect of an entire night there was loathsome. So when a group of students in Atlanta asked King to help integrate restaurants in one of the city's largest department stores, he understood the sacrifice and he prayed on it first.

In the end, he stood with the students and his worst fears came true.

Their jail sentence was short and while they were kept mostly together, King was not among the last of the students released three days later. His sentence: four months' hard labor due to a driver's license issue he thought had been taken care of, the spring prior.

He was moved to another jail, and then another, each farther away from his family and further endangering his life.

Some time before, King had reached out to the two 1960 Presidential candidates, asking them to put Civil Rights at the forefront of their agendas. He thought he knew who would be most likely to help: King had met Richard Nixon, and he genuinely liked Nixon. He had struggled to arrange time with John Kennedy, however.

That summer, the Kennedy camp itself struggled. JFK's campaign staff understood, with the help of Louis Martin, a respected Black newspaperman, that

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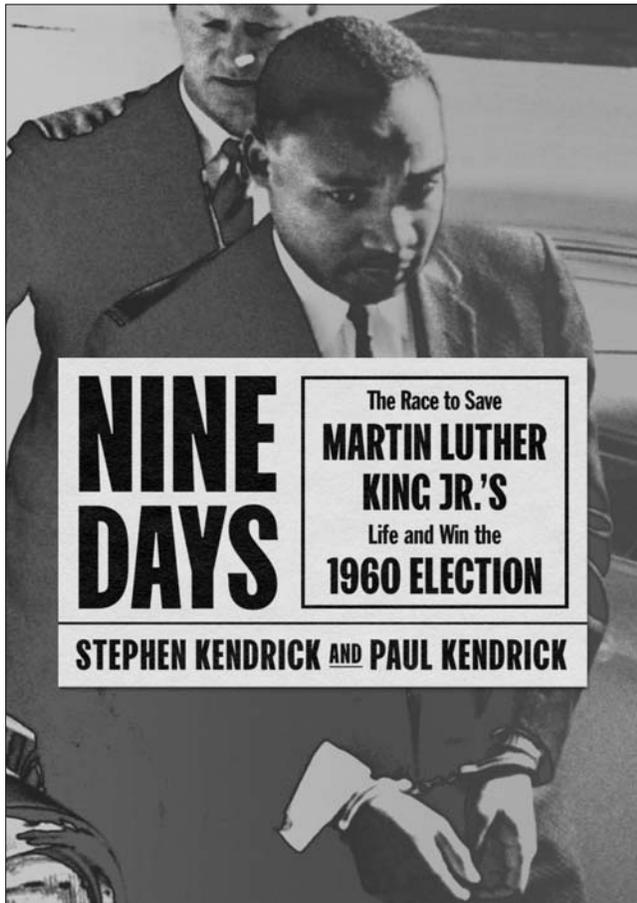
the candidate who attracted "Negro" voters would win the White House and Nixon was besting them. Then suddenly, there was King, sitting in jail days before the election.

At the urging of his staff, Kennedy picked up the phone and made a call...

Two of them, as a matter of fact – JFK made two phone calls that may have changed the outcome of the 1960 election and perhaps the course of history. In a story that spreads forward and back and sets a few facts straight, *Nine Days* tells about those calls, King's jail-time and how they are forever linked.

But wait: did Nixon and Kennedy both seem to drag their feet on King's release? Authors Stephen Kendrick and Paul Kendrick answer that question in a peek at 1960s politics and society that's fascinating but also frustrating to read, content-wise. Kendrick and Kendrick don't let that feeling linger, though: inside the tale of King and Kennedy is the story of a man whose wisdom, savvy, and his reputation with Black newspapers altered the election in a way that, as it's told, feels like the cheer-worthy last ten minutes of a truly great movie.

Though its focus is small, *Nine Days* is a gigantic tale that you won't want to stop reading once you've started it. Really, this is the kind of book you can't help but love.



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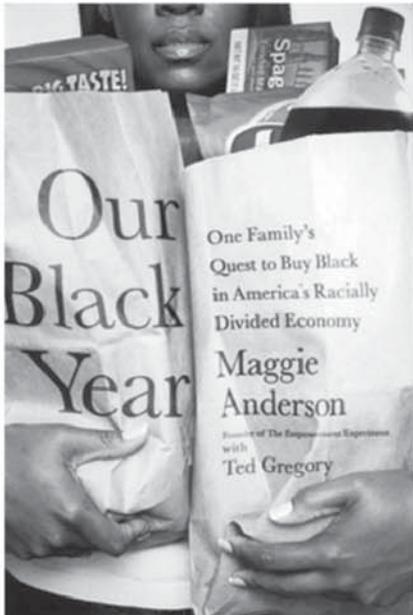
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Request for Qualification (RFQ) to Hire an Architect/Engineer (A/E), Inquiry # FY21-30, Project #1130-21-232. The University of Toledo intends to retain professional services for the Building Envelope/Weatherproofing Project. Project Construction Cost: \$2,000,000. Please mail your response to The University of Toledo, Attn: Lise' Konecny, RFQ FY21-30, Project #1130-21-232, MS 216, 2801 W. Bancroft St., Toledo, Ohio 43606 or bring directly to the University of Toledo, Plant Operations, Room 1060, 2925 East Rocket Drive, Toledo, Ohio 43606. DATE: Friday, January 15, 2021, TIME: 2:30 p.m. All questions and inquiries can be emailed directly to [robert.waddle@utoledo.edu](mailto:robert.waddle@utoledo.edu). For a copy of the RFQ visit our Construction Website: <http://www.utoledo.edu/facilities/construction/> or <http://ofcc.ohio.gov> Please reference Inquiry # FY21-30, Project #1130-21-232, Building Envelope/Weatherproofing Project on the outside of envelope and include 6 (six) copies and 1 (one) electronic copy of the SF 330 Form with your response.

Call to place your ad:

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### PUBLIC NOTICE 2ND SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2015-2019 FIVE-YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN

In accordance with 24 CFR 91.05(c)(2) and subpart B of the federal regulations relative to citizen participation for Community Planning and Development Programs and applicable waivers made available to those requirements through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), the City of Toledo (COT) is making a 2nd amendment to the 2015-2019 Five-Year Consolidated Plan available to the public through this notice.

Public Comment Period and Process:

The Consolidated Plan amendment will be available for review beginning **Friday, January 8, 2021**, on the website of the following entities:

Department of Neighborhoods  
One Government Center, 18th Floor  
Downtown Toledo, Jackson & Erie Streets  
website: <https://toledo.oh.gov/departments/neighborhoods>

Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority  
435 Nebraska Avenue  
Toledo, Ohio 43604  
website: [www.lucasmha.org](http://www.lucasmha.org)

Office of the Mayor  
One Government Center, 22nd Floor  
Downtown Toledo, Jackson & Erie Streets  
website: <https://toledo.oh.gov/government/mayor>

Toledo Lucas County Homelessness Board  
1946 N. 13th Street, Suite 437  
Toledo, Ohio 43604  
website: [www.endinghomelessness.toledo.org](http://www.endinghomelessness.toledo.org)

Clerk of Council  
One Government Center, 21st Floor  
Downtown Toledo, Jackson & Erie Streets  
website: <https://toledo.oh.gov/government/city-council/>

Toledo-Lucas County Public Library  
325 Michigan Street  
Toledo, Ohio 43604  
website: [www.toledolibrary.org](http://www.toledolibrary.org)

The Fair Housing Center  
432 N. Superior Street  
Toledo, Ohio 43604  
website: [www.toledofhc.org](http://www.toledofhc.org)

Lucas Co. Board of Developmental Disabilities  
1154 Larc Lane  
Toledo, Ohio 43614  
website: [www.lucasdd.info](http://www.lucasdd.info)

A public hearing on the 2nd Substantial Amendment to the 2015-2019 Five-Year Consolidated Plan is scheduled as follows:

**Thursday, January 14, 2021 5:30 p.m. by Virtual Hearing**  
Virtual Link: <https://toledo-oh-gov.zoom.us/j/85987681908>

This Consolidated Plan amendment will also be available for a 5-day public review and comment period from **Monday, January 11, 2021 to Friday, January 15, 2021**. Citizens wishing to submit written comments during the public review and comment period may mail them, postmarked no later than **Friday, January 15, 2021**, to the following:

CITY OF TOLEDO  
DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOODS  
2nd SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2015-2019 FIVE-YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN  
ONE GOVERNMENT CENTER, SUITE 1800  
TOLEDO, OHIO 43604

You may also email comments no later than **Friday, January 15, 2021** to Monica Brown, Admin. Analyst IV, at [monica.brown@toledo.oh.gov](mailto:monica.brown@toledo.oh.gov).

Amendment:

This is a 2nd amendment to the 2015-2019 Five-Year Consolidated Plan for the COT to enable the COT to receive \$1,526,505.00 in Community Development Block Grant-CV (CDBG-CV) funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) made available through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act).

Additional CDBG funding made available to the COT by HUD through the CARES Act is unknown as this time but will be used for the same purpose of the initial allocations indicated above which is to prevent, prepare, or respond to the spread of Coronavirus 19 (COVID-19) and facilitate assistance to eligible agencies, households, and persons economically impacted by COVID-19. In addition, the COT may reprogram recaptured FY 2019-2020 CDBG funding as needed to respond to COVID-19.

Eligible CDBG activities include, but are not limited to, assisting low- and moderate-income households with mortgage assistance for no more than 6 months and support of other COVID-19 response services.

Further, eligible CDBG costs incurred as of March 1, 2020, and paid for with nonfederal funds may be repaid with CDBG funding, including those made under the CARES Act. These pre-award costs will meet all HUD requirements applicable to CDBG, including those under the CARES Act. Unless waived by HUD, CDBG pre-award costs for FY 2020-2021 will not exceed 25% of the grant and will be used for the CDBG-eligible activities as indicated above.

Public notices regarding future amendments to the Consolidated Plan will be printed in local newspapers and posted online on the COT's website at [www.toledo.oh.gov](http://www.toledo.oh.gov).

Lastly, in the 1st amendment, the COT revised the Consolidated Plan's Citizen Participation Plan to include the 5-day comment period as indicated above as well as to make other changes. The revised Citizen Participation Plan will be available for review on the COT's website at: <https://toledo.oh.gov/departments/neighborhoods/fiscal-monitoring>.

Background on the Consolidated Plan:

The Consolidated Plan describes the housing and community development needs, as well as activities to address those needs, as defined and funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). As required by HUD, the Consolidated Plan brings together, in one (1) consolidated submission, the planning and application aspects of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Programs. More information on the Consolidated Plan is available on the COT's website at: <https://toledo.oh.gov/departments/neighborhoods>.

For reasonable accommodations or additional information, please contact Monica Brown, Admin. Analyst IV, Department of Neighborhoods at [monica.brown@toledo.oh.gov](mailto:monica.brown@toledo.oh.gov).

# YWCA Announces 2021 Milestones Honorees

By Fletcher Word  
Sojourner's Truth Editor

"These ladies have not slowed down in spite of the pandemic," said Lisa McDuffie, CEO of the TWCA of Northwest Ohio as she announced the YWCA 26th Annual "Milestones: A Tribute to Women" 2021 seven honorees. "They have continued to persevere in different disciplines," she added.

This year's honorees are: Suzanne Rorick, executive director of the Toledo Opera, for the Arts; Michele Knox, PhD, professor of psychiatry at the University of Toledo College of Medicine, for Science; Linda Mansour, attorney at Law, for Business; Judge Nicole Khoury of Toledo Municipal Court and executive director of Project iAm, for Government; Susan Carter, social worker with the AIDS Rescue Team at UT Medical Center, for Volunteerism; Shantae Brownlee, vice president and director of Community Engagement with the Lucas County Land Bank, for Social Services and Clara Petty, executive director of the Monroe Street Neighborhood Center, for Education.

During a virtual press conference on Wednesday, January 6, McDuffie introduced the honorees, who all had an opportunity to Speak about their excitement at receiving the honor and to praise the local YWCA for its long commitment to fighting for social justice and eliminating racism and sexism. Social justice was the theme of the day, even for those honorees in categories not typically associated with ...

In this time of turmoil due to pandemic and economic difficulties and the spotlight on racial strife and injustice, particularly striking were the remarks of Rorick and Mansour.

Rorick, as director of the Toledo Opera, has been instrumental in recent years in introducing audiences to noteworthy operas dealing with racial matters and utilizing the services of black artists, such as the legendary Porgy and Bess and new works such as I Dream, the story of the last days in the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr which premiered here in Toledo two years ago and the upcoming Blue, an opera about current racial issues, which will be on the schedule as soon as Toledo Opera re-opens.

Mansour has long been an advocate for the underdog, both locally and



Clara Petty



Linda Mansour



Judge Nicole Khoury



Shantae Brownlee



Suzanna Rorick



Michele Knox, PhD.

internationally. She battled fought back tears as she explained how overcome she was given the YWCA's commitment to social justice. "What the Y stands for, battling racism and sexism for the children of the world, has been a lifetime battle for me," she said. "I stand on the shoulders of many, many women before me."

"I am very proud, especially because of the YWCA and its battle of fighting racism," said Rorick.

Brownlee sounded a similar theme as she spoke about her feelings "Coming off the year we have had, my job is always done with purpose." She noted that the award will be an inspiration to her moving forward.

Carter also gave praise to the YWCA for its battle for social justice and commitment to "fighting racism and fighting sexism."

This year's Milestones Luncheon will take place virtually on Friday, March 26 at 11:30 a.m. Individual tickets are \$30 and a table for 10 is \$275. All proceeds from the event will benefit over 23,000 women and families who use the social service programs of the YWCA. For more information, contact the Y at 419-241-3235, ext 139.

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peated the oath of office, which specifically mentioned portions of the NAACP purpose, mission, vision and focus which includes, in part, to eliminate race-based prejudice, address racial discrimination barriers, work to secure civil rights and seek the elimination of racism.

"2020 was an epic event, filled with social unrest and we're still not done with COVID. I am reminded how much further we have to go. In the words of the late Congressman John Lewis, an icon in the movement. We the membership of Toledo NAACP have to get into some good trouble," shared Judge Duhart during closing remarks.

- The incoming officers of Toledo NAACP:
- Rev. W.L. Perryman Jr, PhD, President
- Michael Alexander, 1st Vice President
- Jasmine White, 2nd Vice President
- WilliAnn Moore, 3rd Vice President
- Rev. Perry Harris III, Recording Secretary
- Frances Amison, Treasurer
- Erika White, Assistant Treasurer

"I promise to represent those who are less fortunate. I will give everything I got on behalf of the citizens we serve. Let's get the work done. Thank you for coming tonight. There is much work to get done," shared Rev. Perryman during closing remarks.

For additional information follow the Toledo NAACP Facebook page @naacptoledo and local website www.naacptoledo.org



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