

# The Nubian News

Loving the Black Perspective

## Goodbye Doc



Fathers and Men United for a Better Trenton Unsung Heroes Award Cabaret 1/11/20. Robert Smarr received - The Community Leadership Award for his development of young boys at Knuckle Game Boxing Club.



Comedienne Sommore with her father Doughtry 'Doc' Long.

see page 3 for more



La Chapinita  
Restaurante

Page 8

**El Latino News**  
 En Contacto con la Comunidad  
 Trenton – Mercer County

Go to page 6 - Edited by Carlos Avila

If you do not understand White Supremacy (Racism) --- what it is, and how it works --- everything else that you understand, will only confuse you."

Neely Fuller Jr. [1971]



Twitter.com/thenubiannews

# PETER MASSAQUOI INSURANCE AGENCY LLC



CALL FOR COMPETITIVE RATES  
Llamanos para un estimado

**609-571-3037**  
**LOW COST INSURANCE!**

Ask about Dollar A Day Insurance!

NEW JERSEY - NEW YORK - PENNSYLVANIA

439 S BROAD STREET SUITE 104 TRENTON, NJ 08611  
PETERMASSAQUOIINSURANCEAGENCY@GMAIL.COM  
WWW.PMASSINSURANCE.COM

## COMPENSATORY-FUNCTIONAL DEFINITIONS

Compiled from "The United Independent  
Compensatory Code/System/Concept by  
Mr. Neely Fuller Jr.

### Sexual Abuse

Any relationship between a male and female in which any part of the body of either is used for an unjust and/or incorrect purpose that is directly related to the sexual classification of the male and/or female so used.

### Sexual Communication

Any speech and/or action between male and female based on the needs, and or attraction, directly or indirectly motivated by the physical and or mental qualities or differences between male and female.

### Sexual Expression

Any speech and/or action between male and female, that directly or indirectly involves the mention of, or the touching of the sex organs.

### Sex (and/or sexual relations)

Any direct relationship between male and female, usually, but not necessarily, including willful and deliberate physical contact, for purposes of comfort, communications, production of offspring, etc.

### Sexual Intercourse

The insertion of the male penis into the female vagina.

### Sexual Perversion

(1) Any speech and or action that causes, or promotes, non-constructive speech or action between male and female.

(2) Anything willfully and deliberately said or done by a male and female, in their relationship(s) with each other, that does not promote justice and/or correctness.

### Sexual Play

(1) Male and female speaking to, acting toward, and or touching, one another, in such manner as to promote thoughts of sexual intercourse.

(2) Any contact between male and female that includes deliberately playful, and/or aggressive, touching of any part of the body of one by the other -- particularly the touching of the vagina, penis, buttocks, mouth, breasts, hair etc

You can order the digital edition of "The United Independent Compensatory Code/System/Concept online at: <https://www.digitalxpress.shop/product-page/the-united-independent-compensatory-code-system-concept-textbook-counter-racist>

# SHABAZZ COLLECTION



For your listening pleasure these 2 CD's should be in your collection.  
To sample these CD's tune in to ([www.shabazzradio.net](http://www.shabazzradio.net))  
Order CD's at [shabazzb@yahoo.com](mailto:shabazzb@yahoo.com)

# STAFF

**Publisher**  
Kamau Kujichagulia

**Managing Editor**  
Tanya Henry Turner

**El Latino News Editor**  
Carlos Avila

**Reporters**  
Laura Lucia Rodriguez Pena  
Al Alatunji  
Bernard Shabazz  
Tangela Wright  
Dawne Washington  
Kelly Ramos

**Photographers**  
Karen Hilton  
**Circulation**  
Leslie Lauts  
Vernon Daniels

### Letters to the Editor:

[nubiannews@thenubiannews.com](mailto:nubiannews@thenubiannews.com)  
The Nubian News welcomes letters to the editor of reasonable length. Writers should include address and phone number, which will not be published along with name. Opinions and positions taken in articles with bylines are those of the writers. The views expressed in bylined opinion pieces do not necessarily indicate endorsement or support.

The Nubian News prints 8,000 copies which are mailed, hand and bulk delivered to each home and business in Trenton, Nj.

If you have news email us at:  
[nubiannews@thenubiannews.com](mailto:nubiannews@thenubiannews.com)  
For Events email:  
[nubiannews@thenubiannews.com](mailto:nubiannews@thenubiannews.com)

To ADVERTISE email to:  
[nubiannews@thenubiannews.com](mailto:nubiannews@thenubiannews.com)

To Volunteer email to:  
[kamau@thenubiannews.com](mailto:kamau@thenubiannews.com)  
Join us on the internet at:  
[www.thenubiannews.com](http://www.thenubiannews.com)

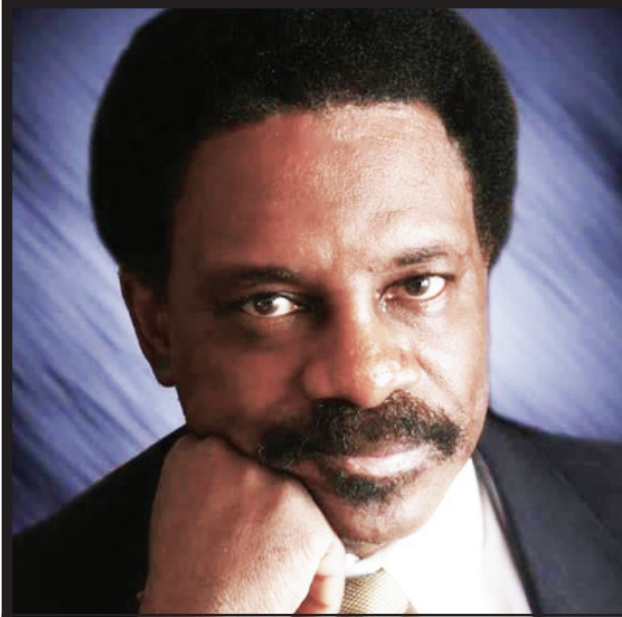
Copyright 2020 The Nubian News Corp©  
25 S. Westfield Ave, Trenton, NJ 08618  
All rights reserved

# A letter for Doc

## Doughtry Long

You have given the world creativity that is beyond prolific through

your children, Sommore and Nia Long, and are appreciated amongst your former students as well as your colleagues.



Dr. Jack Washington and 'Doc' Doughtry Long back together again. Trenton's Two Shining Stars. Both men taught and inspired thousands of kids in the Trenton Public Schools for many years. They were the mainstays of Trenton High School, imparting their message and guidance to the many who have gone on to leadership positions, today.

As important as they were in leading and motivating our children they were equally stalwarts in the larger community. Both were accomplished writers. Between them they published many books. Their power also lay in providing a backbone for all of us to rally round. Their intelligence, love of community and humanity knew no bounds.

We will forever miss our dear brothers. They left us too soon but they left us with a legacy of work and determination to get our people into the Promised Land. We have a lot of work in front of us and with the knowledge they gave us, our path is clearer. Jack and Doc as you look over us, we continue working and striving to bring truth, justice and peace to all those left behind. Be at peace, my brothers.

A Song for Nia, Timbuktu Blues, and other classics are reminiscent of the Harlem Renaissance Era.

You are of an era before your time that instilled intellect and artistic visions amongst our African American Community.

Through the valuable gems that you provided, the exhibition of spoken word, the theatrical works, and literary abilities, your audience has learned how to approach growth. My father spoke highly of you, for the two of you were great friends and true educators. You cared and wanted the students to reach their potential.

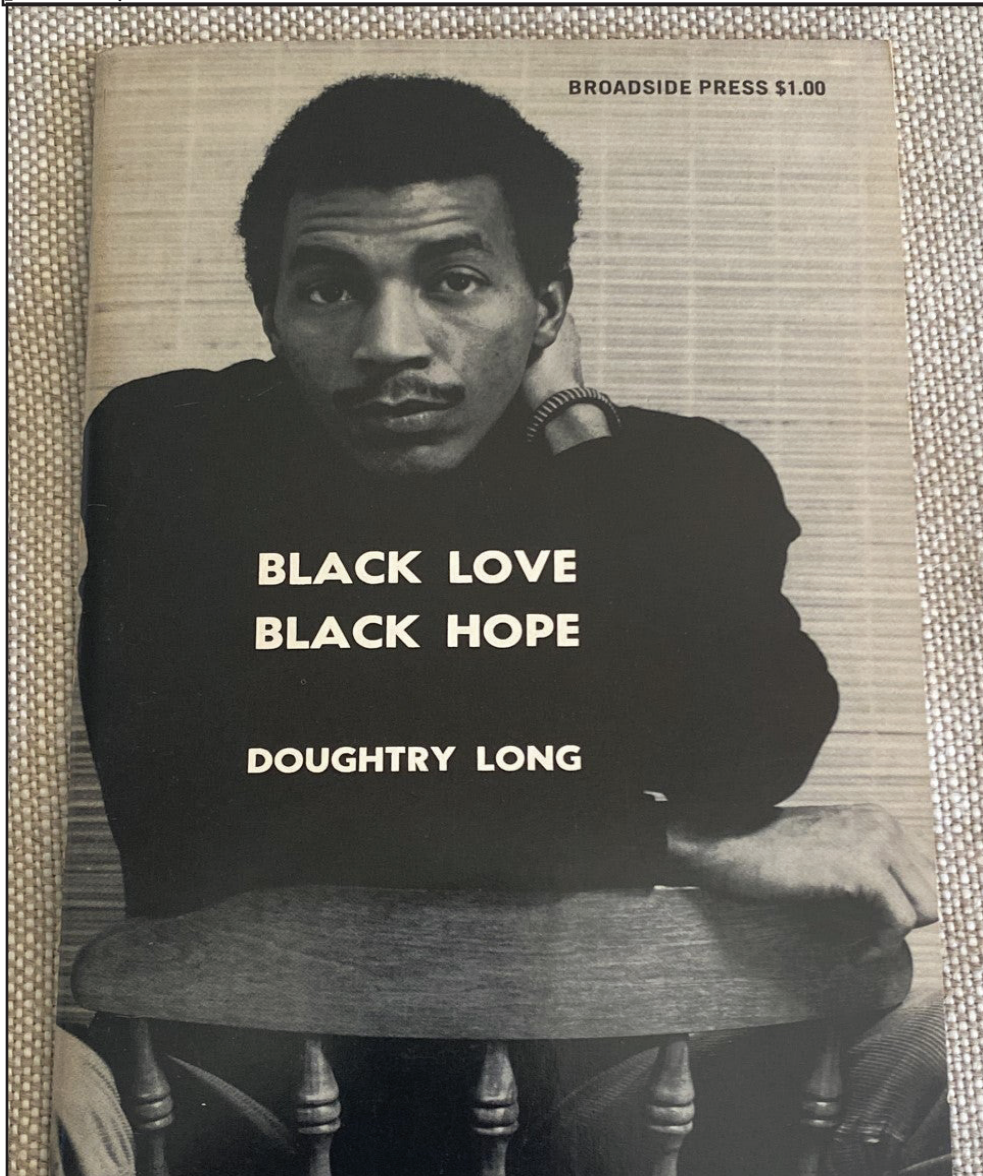
We are losing too many trailblazers and not standing in the gap left behind. While the valuable contributors are transitioning over from this

world, who will stand in the gap that is rapidly widening? We toil with the idea of taking on the leadership roles that legends have left behind. Will we accept the challenge or go astray from the roles we are meant to protect? We must learn that their seasons were meant to teach us the need to evolve as a community that is continually impacted by social construction-ism and climate changes! Was the era of civil rights all for nothing or did we just need a reminder that we must stand up and carry the torch that they left for us to carry?

Doc as you were affectionately called, please rest well! Job well done sir! As well as your loved ones mourn you, so to will many generations! Your creative literary works and what you have instilled in others will live on. Legends never die, they just spread their energy beyond their physical capabilities/reach!

Sorrowfully submitted, your friend's daughter,

Dawne Washington  
(Dawne is the daughter of famed Trenton historian, Dr. Jack Washington. Dr. Washington and Doc Long worked at Trenton High School. Together they brought insight and knowledge to thousands of our children.)



## Rest In Peace 'Doc' We love You

Actress Nia Long with her father Doughtry 'Doc' Long.



# MERCER COUNTY'S ONLY CARDIAC SURGERY CENTER



St. Francis Medical Center is Mercer County's only cardiac surgery provider and offers a comprehensive range of state-of-the-art care.

## OUR CARDIAC SURGERY TEAM

includes one of the nation's most experienced physicians in robotic surgery. When minutes count, trust the best. We are committed to providing quality heart care where and when you need it most.



St. Francis Medical Center | 601 Hamilton Avenue, Trenton, NJ | 1-855-599-SFMC | [StFrancisMedical.org](http://StFrancisMedical.org)



*Cleo G. Singletary*

Cleo Singletary was born in St. Matthews, South Carolina. She was the youngest child of 7 children. She was a registered nurse and retired as a Nursing Supervisor after 35 years of service to the State of New Jersey.

Cleo was a member of Asbury and Cadwalader-Asbury United Methodist Churches for many years and served as the president of the Daughters of Martha, president of the Communion Stewards and president of the Sarah Nelson Nurses Unit. She was, for over 50 years at Asbury and Cadwalader-Asbury, president of the Nurturing and Membership Committee. Cleo was the president of the United Nurses of Trenton for 4 years and she is a current member of Mt. Zion AME Church in Ewing Township, New Jersey.

Cleo loves to cook and bake. Her specialty, zucchini bread is loved by many. Cleo, at 90 plus years, works out 4-5 times a week at a local gym, sometimes while wearing her pearls. Cleo is the mother of 1 daughter, Delores and the grandmother of 3 granddaughters. She also has 4 great-grandchildren.



Capitol History & Culture

And

Africultural Legacy Collective's

## OURSTORY INITIATIVE

# SOCK COLLECTION

During the month of February, CHC and other members of ALC are coordinating a sock collection for those in need. Socks can be taken

to

**Classic Bookstore**

**4 West Lafayette St.**

**Trenton NJ**

**Tuesday to Friday, 10am until 2pm**



# Editorial

## history: For Sale, Trenton's Black History

### *OURstory: Not*

The Nubian News has been following a disturbing movement regarding the sale and appropriation of Black historical buildings in Trenton by parties that have had a long-standing monopoly on community development and have not professed, or judging from the results, demonstrated sustainable, real time, practical, tangible and effective love for our community.

Currently, grassroots control of the history that serves to define and empower Black Trentonians is under assault. Our precious historical buildings, **Higbee/Nixon School** and what is commonly known as, Carver Branch YMCA, are currently being sought after to be appropriated by entities that have monopolized development in our city on the backs of grassroots people, who loved themselves and thus had the capacity to love their brothers and sisters and other marginalized groups, only to be kicked to the curb, some stomped to near social and political death later. While the parties in question have created programs and delivered services that assist some people, their efforts have not resulted in significant improvement in the quality of life. Somewhat like Oprah giving away cars. At the same time their work has resulted in acquiring personal lucrative salaries and perks.

Sadly, some Black people in Trenton, who collude knowingly and unknowingly, not knowing the power of love of themselves, continue to perpetuate the self-fulfilling prophecy that Black people can't work together, especially when money is involved, and join in on the pimping of their community for their own social, political and financial profit. Those individuals claw like crabs in a barrel to get to the top of the funding stream. Instead of realizing, there is so much work to do, the funding sources are endless just by virtue of the needs that must be addressed. Then there is the perpetuation of the other history generated belief, that Black people always have to do better and more than a white person does in order to achieve. Case in point, President Barack Obama being squeaky clean, highly intelligent, abundantly empathetic, strikingly handsome and immensely respectful of women.

Unfortunately, on the whole, with all the lifting up of our history as kings and queens and builders of great civilizations like Rome, and nations like the United States, Black people still exhibit self-hate for themselves and project it on their brothers and sisters, and sons and daughters, as demonstrated by how we relate to and represent each other. Take the following example for instance. Yes, reporter Gail King was out of pocket, when during a television interview, too soon after his and his daughter's deaths, she pushed the fact that Kobe Bryant was convicted of rape. The outrage of some Black people to go so far as to physically threaten her was low self esteem among Black people, especially Black men, at it's worst. So, in response, Black men threaten a Black woman over an instance of insensitive reporting. What bravery. Where are the threats to the white supremacists and the KKK? Why do some of you exploit and market making your own young brothers live a gang life? Why when some atrocity occurs regarding a Black person, Blacks burn and loot our own neighborhoods instead of going to Beverly Hills or the Hamptons? Maybe the behavior can be attributed to the statement by prominent Black female psychologist Dr. Frances Welsing, that Black men are afraid of white men. That statement is a part of Black history. It doesn't appear anything has been learned from it. For others, again, it demonstrates that given all our illustrious history, Blacks have failed to address the history of self loathing and misdirection regarding who the true enemy is. By the way, it is not the residents of Beverly Hills or the Hamptons. It is the white supremacists who shape, control and promote the values and belief systems of subjugation and hate. Individuals who soar in the top 1% of the US population and control the wealth and the means of production. And the same goes for whatever percentage in the world's population can be identified with that group. The effect of those pre-existing psychological conditions develops the enemy from within by remote on automatic. It is the burning and looting of those invalidating values and belief systems that must occur. At that point we're doing HIStory.

So, after Black History Month then what?

### *We do OURstory.*

During Black History Month we celebrate and elevate the accomplishments and significance of people and events as we should. The affirmations are well deserved, and keeping pertinent information at the fore is necessary and vital. The efforts are important to provide an accurate and strategic working knowledge and positive energy to actualize the maximum self-esteem of Black people and make a better future.

Trentonians will restore **Higbee/Nixon School** and other historical sites to lift up Black history and information to it's rightful and significant glory. We will re-establish the sites and findings as bedrocks in times of hardship from which we carve our indelible mark on a brilliant and prosperous future for today's children and that of those to come. The sites will serve as nurturing havens for us all to aspire to intelligence, beauty and empathy in the face of adversity. We will join with others to take up the clarion call to Save **Higbee/Nixon School**. Not only save it from decay but from lack of use to bring attention and action to caring for those in need. Like the teenage girl who has beef with her mom and gets kicked out in the middle of the night, the young man who needs sanctuary from the gang, the hungry person who can't get a meal on Sunday, the autistic and disabled person who needs supplemental services and the vet suffering from PTSD or transitioning gay person who needs to fill existing gaps in counseling.

We will stop alluding and capitulating to self-fulfilling prophecies of negative stereotypic behaviors mentioned above; we will work together and will get paid cooperatively and modestly. We will choose among ourselves, especially those new to the cause who have the most potential for creative vision and thought and have yet to be tarnished by the grind of bureaucracy and political gamesmanship, to pool resources and accomplish our goals. We will do the best we can collectively regarding OURstory. Even if we make mistakes, it is OURstory to do so.

We will define ourselves as the living embodiment of OURstory in Trenton. We walked to school, kicked ball in the parking lots, played hopscotch

and marbles on sidewalks and in the dirt, jumped rope, raced, rode bikes, swam in that nasty Delaware, played hide and seek, fought, got ass whoop-ins', ate and cooked soul food, cooked out, house partied, went to school or dropped out, played hooky, had sex, got high, had babies, got married, shackled up, got kicked out and taken back, got evicted, bought homes or rented apartments, performed and patronized the arts, won and loss in sports, got locked up or not, killed and got killed, loved, hated, got sick, worked out, kept jobs, got on welfare, got fired, started careers and businesses, lied, cried, laughed, helped and harmed, abused and nurtured, failed, succeeded, we took everything and left and returned to pay it forward, we lived and died in Trenton.

We will use what Black people did and what happened to them in Trenton to develop an accurate and powerful love of self and Black people, so we can truly know ourselves. Only then, with that, we will create culture, and make history, truly OURstory.

If you don't know you better ask somebody, but the history of Black people is the history of all people in this nation and quite frankly the world. Actually, as an aside, Trenton is positioned geographically on a ley line. Ley lines are channels of energy crossing the globe that have been identified as connecting significant locations like the Egyptian pyramids and sites of powerful events like the decisive Revolutionary battle of Trenton. Furthermore, it's more than likely, some Black Trentonians may be descendants of Revolutionary soldiers and their entourage.

HIStory; we will not be doomed to repeat it. We will learn from and build on what we know from the past to develop affirmative values and belief systems that manifest practical applications of strategies that actualize maximum social and personal self-esteem. We will use Trenton's Black history to protect our legacy for the benefit of all people and especially our youth. Trenton's grassroots people will control our historical sites and information. OURstory is not for sale or appropriation by those who don't show, because they don't know, real love.

**Happy OURstory Month**

THE EDITOR

## Dr. Jack Washington Kwanzaa Legacy Event

BY DAWNE WASHINGTON

On the fourth day of Kwanzaa, December 29, Brown Girl's Vision (BCV) and its community partners,



the Africultural Legacy Collective, Tuff Foundation, UpScale Events, and Tribe commemorated the holiday, through the legacy of Dr. Jack Washington who wanted the best for the community of Trenton, NJ and



its surrounding communities. The event was held at the 1867 Sanctuary in Ewing, NJ.

BGV was created to empower young people with melanin in their skin who are often marginalized. Understanding how cultural actors such as

the schools, employers, mass media and government, play a significant role in how individuals view their opportunities as well as the continuation of marginalization. BCV

believes the use of positive psychology can help others reach their full potential rather than being oppressed based on the dissemination of macro-cultural views. Education is one area of concern because it projects the glorification of one group over others. It is also the view of the organization that indigenous education being added to educational curriculums can provide a sense of self for those who feel that they have no value. Those with melanin skin have made various contributions that are often not illuminated.

Brown Girl's Vision is the extension of Dr. Washington's dream to promote education reform in the urban setting so that the youth can have equal opportunities

to advance just as their counterparts can and have! Words and actions are powerful. The conditioning of our youth is very important and any negative interaction can be detrimental.

BCV intends to work on several approaches to reach our youth through education, programs, and age appropriate activities. Brown Girl's Vision and other community organizations have forged an alliance to work together to support the community by having the youth

perform, promoting literacy through free books, celebrating our culture, and charging young adults to become community leaders! The goal is to continue a forgotten legacy for a community that has so much to offer.

Speakers such as Airreyon Lowe, Yolanda L. Robinson, Tyrell Smith, Monica Darko, Tyniesha Gibbs, Brad Butler, II, and the event organizers discussed unique and relevant attributes that are geared towards rebuilding the city of Trenton.

Youth performers, Teyani Carmichael, Smart MC, and Ruby Crowell, left the audience inspired. The Christian rapper, Jordan, also blessed the

audience with his lyrical journey. The vendors were well worth the money spent to support their busi-



nesses.

The venue was extremely beautiful and added to the sense of community that was felt by attendees.



The organizations plan to support each other throughout the year and collaborate at least once a year.

## 2020 Predictions

BY AL ALATUNJI

The following will occur in 2020 and you can take it to the bank.

For every 100 people who made New Year's resolutions only eight will keep them. If you are one of the 92% who need extra encouragement to keep better health resolutions you might want to keep in mind the overwhelming majority of people who make the big bucks off your poor health (healthcare, hospital, pharmaceutical and insurance executives) do not look or talk like you.

The Eagles will not be in the Super Bowl this year nor will the Jets or Giants be in next year's Super Bowl as a result of the 2020 season.

The following teams will not be one

of the final four elite teams in the NCAA Final Four: Duke, North Carolina, Gonzaga, Kansas, Oregon, Georgetown, Villanova. The 2020 NCAA Final Four will be Baylor, Ohio State, Auburn and Butler.

The village idiot currently hanging out in the White House will seek to provoke hostility either with Venezuela, North Korea and/or Iran pushing the US to the edge of war in an attempt to boost support for his reelection efforts. The US and other nations will experience a sharp economic downturn resulting from the crisis.

Russia, China and other nations will continue their efforts to influence the 2020 US election in favor of the village

idiot knowing that he will continue to fulfill their desire to destabilize the US further.

Trenton City Council will continue to build on its legacy of being one of the most inefficient, inept, useless, incompetent and politically challenged council in the city's history.

The 76's, Nets or Knicks will not be in the NBA Finals.

Former Vice President Joe Biden wins the Democratic nomination for President and selection US Senator Kamala Harris as his running mate for Vice President. The Biden/Harris ticket beats the village idiot like a drum in the general election.

Democrats keep control of the House of Representatives and take control of the US Senate.

Neither the Yankees, Phillies nor

Mets will be in the World Series. However, the Dodgers will be in the World series.

President-elect Biden announces shortly after the election that after he takes office in January 2021 he plans to nominate former President Barack Obama to the US Supreme Court. President Obama would become only the second President to serve as President and as a Justice of the Supreme Court.

Word leaks from the US Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York that the village idiot will be indicted for financial related crimes unrelated to the presidency.

An elected official who represents Trenton will make a major campaign announcement.

# Famous Blacks Who Made Their Transition In 2019

BY AL ALATUNJI



Juanita Abernathy widow of the Rev. Dr. Ralph Abernathy, worked alongside her husband, the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. and others for the right to vote.  
Edward Aschoff, college football



reporter for ESPN.

Kevin Barnett comedian.

Diahann Carroll, award winning actress and singer who was the first Black woman to star in a non-servant role in a television series.

John Conyers, former Congressman sponsored and led 15-year fight to pass legislation that would make Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday a federal holiday.

Elijah Cummings, Congressman



Mother Alelia Murphy, the oldest living American.

who represented Maryland's 7th Congressional District since 1996, served as the chairman of the House



Oversight and Reform Committee; one of the panels involved in the presidential impeachment inquiry.  
Harrison "Bones" Dillard, four-time Olympic gold medalist winning those medals at the 1948 and 1952 Olympic Games.

Janice Freeman, contestant and fan favorite on the NBC singing competition show "The Voice" in 2017.

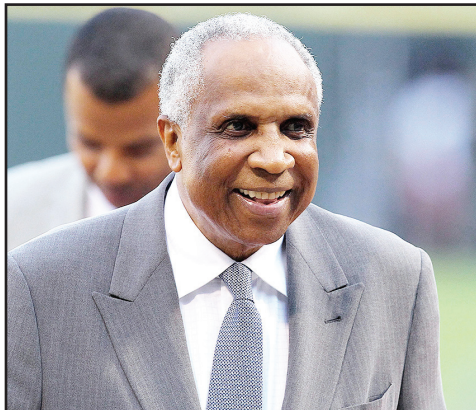
Kenneth A. Gibson, first Black



elected mayor of a major city in the Northeast when he became mayor of Newark, NJ in 1970.

Elijah Jerry "Pumpsie" Green was an infielder who played with the Boston Red Sox and New York Mets.

Richard Hatcher, one of the first Blacks elected as mayor of a major US city when he became mayor of



Gray, Indiana.

Nipsey Hussle( Ermias Davidson Asghedom) celebrated rapper.

James Ingram, singer, songwriter, record producer, and instrumentalist. He was a two-time Grammy Award-winner and a two-time Academy Award nominee for Best Original Song.

Kristoff St. John, actor from 1991 to 2019, appeared on "The Young and the Restless." Won NAACP Image award ten times.

Frank Lucas, the infamous drug



kingpin whose life of crime inspired the movie "American Gangster."

Toni Morrison, author of seminal works of literature on the black experience such as "Beloved", "Song of Solomon" and "Sula" and the first Black woman to win a Nobel Prize.



Robert Mugabe, Zimbabwe's former president and revered leader who ushered in independence after bringing an end to white-minority rule.

Alelia Murphy, 114-year-old former seamstress who had been recognized as the oldest living American.

Don Newcombe, legendary pitcher for the Brooklyn and Los Angeles Dodgers.  
Frank Robinson, first Black manager in Major League Baseball and the only player to win MVP in both leagues. An outfielder and first baseman, Robinson was inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1982 in



his first year of eligibility.

Charles Rogers, former Michigan State University and Detroit Lions football wide receiver.



Edward Montre Seay a rapper who went by the stage name Tre Da Kid. He gained national attention in 2016 after winning Verizon's #Freestyle50



rap contest.

John Singleton, a versatile director who made a splash with "Boyz n the Hood" and went on to a variety of projects including "2 Fast 2 Furious." James Stern, Black activist and minister, who took control of one of the nation's largest neo-Nazi groups and vowed to dismantle it.

John Witherspoon, actor and comedian, whose hilarious takes on father-figure characters made for iconic scenes in a number of movies and television shows including "Friday".

# El Latino News

En Contacto con la Comunidad

Trenton – Mercer County



**ENCORE FLORIST**  
 "Where only the finest and freshest of flowers are found"  
 Donde se encuentran solo las flores más finas y frescas"  
 100 % Satisfaction Guaranteed  
 2307 SOUTH BROAD STREET  
 HAMILTON, NJ 08610  
**609-888-3739**



**AUTOBOYS**  
 AUTO SERVICE  
 EXPERIENCIA EN REPARACIÓN Y TRANSPARENCIA CON LOS CLIENTES



**SERVICIOS**  
 Cambios de aceite (cualquier carro) - Frenos  
 Llantas (nuevas & usadas) - Alineamientos  
 Instalación de radios - Reparación de escapes

\*Tenemos autorización del Estado de NJ para pasar Inspección.  
 Le ofrecemos gratis un chequeo general de su carro.

(609) 393-1739 // 609 947-9568  
 1229 South Clinton Avenue, Trenton, NJ 08611  
 E-mail: autoboysllc@gmail.com

## En Contacto con la Comunidad

TRENTON-Deisy Mejía Fúnez (izq.), tuvo un accidente en el trabajo hace 5 años que le dejó con una de las piernas sin poder caminar, obligada a



moverse en una silla de ruedas. Hoy a pesar que aún no ha superado totalmente su dolencia, nos dejó saber que quería donar la silla que ya no la utiliza.

"Don Carlos tengo una silla de ruedas y 1 par de muletas no sabe de alguien k los necesite" dijo vía mensaje; de

inmediato nos llegó a la memoria que doña Paula López madre del joven atropellado, nos había pedido una de esas para su hijo Everth José quien fue atropellado hace más de un año y que ahora se recupera lentamente en el hospital.

Paula es una mujer de fe y espera Dios mediante que algún día pueda sacarle a su hijo a pasear en esa silla de ruedas. Por el momento la señora espera una cirugía que se le haga en la cabeza de su hijo y luego que se recupere, llevarlo hasta Mazatenango-Guatemala para allá cuidar de su hijo.

Por su parte Daisy junto a su esposo Heber Argueta y su hija Sofía estuvieron felices de conocer a doña Paula y solidarizarse con su situación. Sin duda es un gesto que se debe difundir en esta época de materialismo y egoísmos.

En la foto tomada en el Sur de Trenton; vemos a Daisy, su esposo Heber y su hija Sofía junto a dona Paula Lopez recibiendo la silla de ruedas.

## 'La Chapinita' Restaurante reabre sus puertas

TRENTON-Con la genuina calidez humana propia de un guatemalteco, Edin Morales propietario del restaurante "La Chapinita" nos invitó para conocer su recién remodelado restaurante y panadería localizado en el 804 Chambers Street y Roebing Ave., en pleno corazón del barrio Chambers-



donde los últimos años se han multiplicado los negocios de comida propios de Centro y Sur America.

"Los clientes vienen de distintas partes. Tenemos platos de Costa Rica, México, Ecuador y por su puesto de Guatemala" dice Edin al tiempo que también nos muestra algunos productos orneados en su panadería. Dice que la quesadilla de arroz y los tamales son muy solicitados por sus clientes. "Nos levantamos temprano para tener el pan fresco. Todo es fresco aquí" manifiesta Flory Godoy originaria de Petén-Guatemala y madre de Morales que ayuda a su hijo desde

burg en Trenton, NJ.

El ambiente es agradable, familiar y seguro. El menú variado: un Desayuno Ranchero, una Pica Petenera Marinera, Mar y Tierra, una Quesadilla de Arroz, unos tamales y el pan fresco se observa en la mesa de sus clientes. "Todo muy sabroso, le recomiendo" manifiesta un cliente que compartía un desayuno en un grupo de jóvenes, el pasado sábado 8 de febrero.

"La Chapinita", se suma a la oferta gastronómica en la ciudad de Trenton,

muy temprano en la mañana.

Hace una década con nostalgia algunos residentes de esta área de la ciudad lamentaban porque algunos restaurantes se iban o cerraban sus negocios ya que supuestamente no había negocio. Sin embargo, hoy en día jóvenes hispanos emprendedores apuestan por Trenton, como un lugar para emprender sus negocios y hacer realidad el sueño americano.

Para ordenar o pedir para llevar, solo hay que llamar al 609-396-3759.



## Un Centro para niños con necesidades especiales

POR CARLOS AVILA

TRENTON-Dinámica y productiva resultó la reunión de padres de familia que se realizó el pasado martes 28 de enero en la sala de conferencias del programa Mercer County Council



for Young Children.

Heather Price Administradora de Riverside Pediatric Medical Day Care realizó una excelente presentación sobre los servicios que ofrece esta institución que ayuda a niños con necesidades especiales.

Lesbia Lopez, una de las madres que asistió a la reunión con su niño Christopher de tres años de edad, pidió ayuda a la funcionaria para

que su hijo pueda ingresar en esta prestigiosa escuela. La ejecutiva ofreció hacer lo posible para que este niño que aún no puede caminar, pueda eventualmente ingresar como estudiante de Riverside Pediatric Day

Health Center. "Ya tenemos una cita para una entrevista" dijo emocionada la joven madre de familia.

Si el niño Christopher ingresa tendrá la oportunidad de hacer terapia física, aprender a caminar y de crecer física y emocionalmente lo que permitirá que a futuro pueda ingresar en la escuela pública sin impedimentos y tener éxito en su vida estudiantil.

## El Salvador avanzando hacia la sostenibilidad ambiental

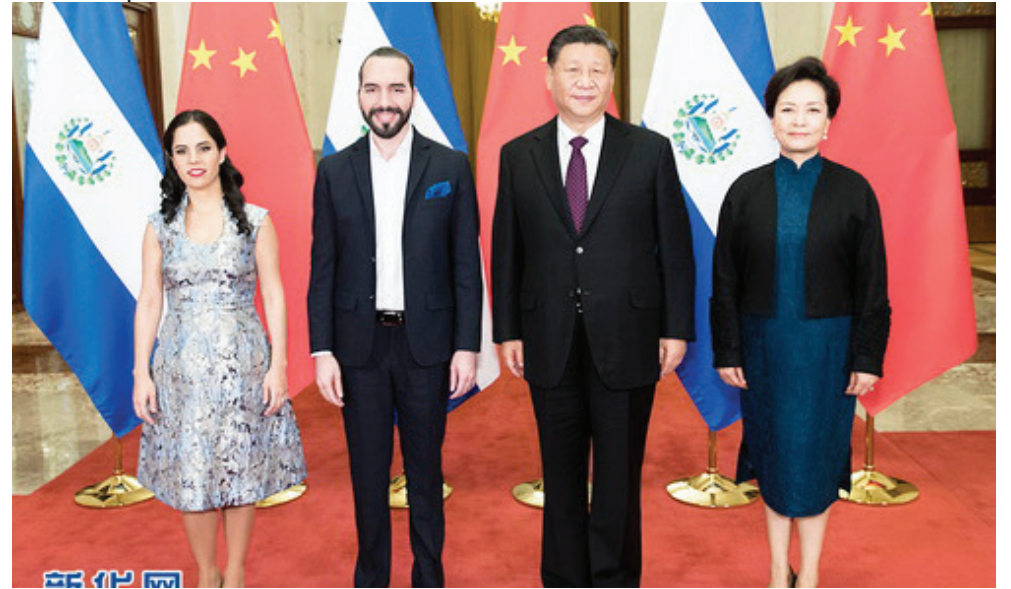
LAURA LUCÍA RODRÍGUEZ PEÑA

En Latinoamérica muchos países han sufrido de los estereotipos con los que se les asocian, para nadie es sorpresa que muchos relacionan a la región con crimen y pobreza. Sin embargo, en la región de habla hispana son muchas las buenas noticias que merecen ser compartidas y replicadas.

En esta oportunidad quisiera mencionar el caso de El Salvador. Este pequeño país en Centroamérica que constantemente aparece en los titulares por casos de violencia u olas

con energía verde, el trabajo conjunto entre el sector público y privado podría llegar a dar grandes frutos si se trabaja de manera responsable y transparente. Otra opción energética a la que El Salvador le está apostando es la energía hidráulica, la cual ya proporciona el 28% de energía del país.

Recientemente, uno de los grandes proyectos que se llevó a cabo fue la instalación de 10 plantas solares, el proyecto Bósforo, el cual contribuye a evitar que se envíen a la atmósfera



migratorias, le lleva la delantera a muchos países en energía sostenible. El Salvador decidió apostarle a la diversificación de obtención energía, y recientemente se dio a conocer la noticia en el portal de noticias [www.ElSalvador.com](http://www.ElSalvador.com), que este país redujo a la mitad la generación de energía con petróleo en la última década.

Sin duda, el llamado "pulgarcito de América" le está dando una lección a otros que presumen de sus exitosas economías pero que están destruyendo a pasos agigantados el planeta. El Salvador demuestra que es posible producir energía sin depender totalmente de recursos como el petróleo, es así como utiliza la energía solar y biomasa (usando caña) como alternativas. Estas opciones son además más baratas para los consumidores, así que los salvadoreños pueden acceder a la energía a un menor precio que antes.

Estas medidas de diversificar la energía y usar opciones renovables no solo son beneficiosas para el medio ambiente sino que también permiten que el país sea independiente de la importación de petróleo y de los fluctuantes precios del mismo.

Parecer ser que tanto el gobierno como la empresa privada están interesados en trabajar por un futuro

más de 175.000 toneladas de dióxido de carbono cada año (Melara, 2019). Este gran proyecto centrado en la energía solar se dio gracias a la inversión extranjera de entidades como la Corporación para Inversiones Privadas en el Extranjero (agencia financiera del gobierno estadounidense); el Banco Centroamericano de Integración Económica (BCIE); el Banco Holandés para el Desarrollo (FMO) y el Fondo Finandés para la Cooperación Industrial (FINN-FUND).

Estos inversionistas ven el gran potencial que tiene el país, puesto que su ubicación geográfica y sus condiciones climáticas le permiten ser un punto clave para la obtención de este tipo de energía.

Ojalá este sea el principio de muchos proyectos sostenibles en El Salvador y en América Latina, es momento de que la región también piense en alternativas ecológicas que vayan conectadas con las necesidades del planeta y su población.

El enfoque moderno del presidente salvadoreño Nayib Bukele parece ir de la mano con estas iniciativas, esperamos que su gobierno demuestre unos resultados favorables para que el crecimiento energético continúe y este país progrese cada vez más.

TAQUERIA

EL MARIACHI

Comida tipica

Mexicana y Centroamericana

Para ordenar:

609-989-1900

120 Lalor St. Trenton, NJ

## Afroamericanos mis primeros amigos en Trenton

POR CARLOS AVILA

En este mes dedicado a la herencia afroamericana quiero aprovechar para rendir un justo reconocimiento a mis hermanos afroamericanos que tuvieron sin duda una fuerte influencia en mi desarrollo personal y profesional en esta ciudad.

A inicios de 1990 conocí a un grupo de periodistas afroamericanos que al conocer mis antecedentes, me invitaron a escribir y ser parte del periódico "The Nubian News". La invitación, fue una sorpresa, primero porque apenas llegaba a vivir en la ciudad y no la conocía y creía que no podría hacer el trabajo; sin embargo la calidad humana, la alegría, y algo que había en el "news room" donde nos reuníamos para escribir y diseñar cada una de las páginas del periódico, me dio el medio ambiente apropiado para ganar confianza y realizar mi tarea como si estuviera en casa.

En los años 90' aun trabajamos con máquinas de escribir, grabadoras portátiles y las fotos las revelábamos en un cuarto oscuro que duraban horas. Eran días largos pero no recuerdo haberme cansado de estar dentro del edificio donde funcionaba The Nubian News (West Trenton). El grupo poco a poco se convirtió en mi familia, en varias ocasiones sobre todo en épocas de elecciones y campañas políticas donde había que estar hasta la medianoche para conocer los resultados, me permitían llevar a mi familia, a mis hijos lo cual agradezco.

Para ese entonces en la South Clinton Ave. en Trenton, había pocas familias latinas que inmigraban de Centro y Sur America. Las familias puertorriqueñas tenían más tiempo viviendo en Trenton y estaban mejor organizadas, la mayoría de residentes en Trenton Chambersburg área eran italianos, polacos, alemanes, húngaros, europeos blancos en general, y algunos de ellos me preguntaban por

qué iba al West de Trenton, "allá las cosas son muy peligrosas", decían, me advertían que tenga cuidado, que "esa zona es de negros". Eso me irritaba de sobre manera ya que mi concepto de la comunidad afroamericana era muy sincera y apreciaba mucho su historia y sus logros alcanzados a través de los años en este país. También porque el Publisher Kamau Kujichagulia y la Editora Pamela Sims-Jones, se habían convertido en buenos amigos de mi familia, lo cual me motivo a quedarme en esta ciudad.

Conversando con mis compañeros en el trabajo, aprendí sobre las hazañas que habían hecho Rosa Parks, Martin Luther King, y otros grandes hombres y mujeres de la comunidad afroamericana. En Trenton para esa época había elecciones para alcalde y entre los candidatos figuraban Doug Palmer y Pedro Medina. Los dos se convirtieron en personas cercanas a mí, sobre todo Pedro quien me presentó a otros buenos amigos afroamericanos y puertorriqueños de ese entonces. Ellos fueron mis primeros amigos en esta ciudad y eso hizo que me quede a vivir en esta histórica ciudad de Trenton, donde los hispanos y afroamericanos somos la mayoría y como hermanos estamos aprendiendo a vivir en comunidad y a unir esfuerzos para luchar contra similares adversidades.

Mientras algunos vieron mi incursión en la comunidad afroamericana de Trenton como un peligro yo la vi como una oportunidad de superación y convivencia familiar, incluso con similares gustos en la música, para escuchar una buena salsa, jazz, disco y un buen merengue. En este sentido celebro en este mes de febrero el Mes de la Historia Afro Americana con tanto amor y alegría como celebro en septiembre y octubre el Mes de la Herencia Hispana.

## African Americans My First Friends in Trenton

BY CARLOS AVILA

African Americans became my first friends when I moved to Trenton. During this month which is dedicated to African American heritage, I want to take the opportunity to acknowledge my brothers and sisters who undoubtedly had a strong influence on my personal and professional development in the US.

At the beginning of the 90s, I met a group of African American journalists, who upon knowing my background, invited me to write and be part of The Nubian News newspaper. The invitation was a surprise, because I barely knew about the city of Trenton. However, the human quality, the joy, and excitement that was in the news room where we met to write and design each of the pages of the newspaper, gave me the appropriate environment to gain confidence and perform my work as if I were at home.

In the 90s, we still worked with typewriters, portable recorders, and photos were developed in a dark room. We worked long hours but I don't remember getting tired of being inside The Nubian News building in West Trenton. On several occasions, such as election season, I had to be there until midnight awaiting results. The staff welcomed my family to join me and I will always appreciate that. For reasons like this, they gradually became my family as well.

Moreover, during my early years in South Trenton, there seemed not to be as many Latino families immigrating from Central and South America. The exception were Puerto Rican families. It appeared they had more presence and were well organized in the city. Still, most residents in the Chambersburg area were Italian, Polish, German, Hungarian, and Caucasian/European in general. Some neighbors would ask me, why I was going to West Trenton. They warned me of how dangerous that

side of Trenton was known to be. They mentioned that it was "mostly a black neighborhood." This bothered me because my experience with the African American community was much the opposite.

I became acquainted with publisher Kamau Kujichagulia who eventually became a good friend of my family. This friendship motivated me to stay in this city. I experienced sincerity, appreciation, and a sense of family and belonging.

During my time at the Nubian News, there were elections for mayor and among the candidates were Doug Palmer and Pedro Medina. Both Doug and Pedro became good friends upon arriving in Trenton. They became close acquaintances, especially Pedro who introduced me to his other African American and Puerto Rican friends. These friendships encouraged me to stay in this historic city. I realized the city represented the diversity of Hispanics and African Americans where both live as brothers and sisters striving each day to fight against similar issues.

While some may have seen my friendship with the African American community as a risk, I saw it as an opportunity to connect like family with people who had similar tastes for a good salsa, jazz, disco, and merengue.

Finally, I gained more and more understanding of the African American history and movements in this country. At The Nubian News, talking with my colleagues, I learned about the civil war, about the courage of Rosa Parks, Martin Luther King, and many other great men and women of the African American community. I learned to appreciate and respect the African American community so much more. Therefore, I celebrate Black History Month with as much love and joy as I celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month.

**THE 3 GOLDEN RULES IN BUSINESS IS  
ADVERTISE ADVERTISE ADVERTISE!!!**  
**Advertising Is The Greatest Art Form Of The 20th Century**  
**95% Of All Business Failures Are Non-Advertisers...**  
-source Dunn & Bradstreet  
"The man who stops advertising to save money  
is just like the man who stops the clock to save time." -Thomas Jefferson



# Business Card Directory



We are building a Directory of Businesses in the Trenton area which will provide a resource to market your business in our city. It costs \$20 per issue to place your business card (plus \$5 for color). We need to organize and publicize what we do, why we do it, who does it, where we do it and how well it is done. Space is limited. Only \$20 to reach the 84,962 citizens of Trenton.

County of Mercer  
Department of Finance



**James Chambers**  
Coordinator of Business Outreach

Phone: (609) 989-6212  
Fax: (609) 989-6697  
640 South Broad Street  
Trenton, New Jersey 08650-0068 Email: JChambers@mercercounty.org

**Health Is Wealth**  
Vegetarian / Vegan  
*Healthy eating with a heart for healthy living*



242 East State Street  
Open Mon. - Fri. 9am - 7pm

Catering Available  
609-393-1721


**SMARR ONE REMODELING SERVICES**  
Kitchens and Bathrooms

**ROBERT SMARR, CARPENTER**  
Specializing in drywall, spackeling, windows/doors

609-977-3650  
robertsmarr05@gmail.com



**Non Stop Fitness & Nutrition**  
**MARCUS EADDY**  
CO-OWNER/PERSONAL TRAINER



\*PERSONAL TRAINING  
\*SEMI PRIVATE TRAINING  
\*GROUP CLASSES  
\*NUTRITION CONSULTING  
\*SPORTS SPECIFIC TRAINING  
\*LAW ENFORCEMENT/MILITARY TRAINING

2801 Brunswick Pike  
Lawrence, NJ 08648  
NSFFIT24@GMAIL.COM  
609-647-7067  
FB: NonStop Fitness  
IG: @nonstop\_eddyjacks

**NONSTOP24FITNESS.COM**

**Walts**  
Beauty & Barber Shop



MON-FRI 9AM 7PM / SAT 8AM - 4PM / SUN 12PM-6PM  
(609) 338-1313  
533 W. INGHAM AVE. TRENTON, NJ 08618

FOR NEW AND PRE-OWNED CARS, SUVs AND TRUCKS



**Fred Beans**  
FAMILY OF DEALERSHIPS

**Gene Bouie**  
Sales Consultant  
609-954-6779

**KarenKaptures**  
Karen Hilton Images

Event and Portrait Photography

609-510-5788  
karenkaptures@yahoo.com  
www.karenkaptures.com

book\_cellar@mindspring.com  
4 West Lafayette  
Trenton, NJ 08608

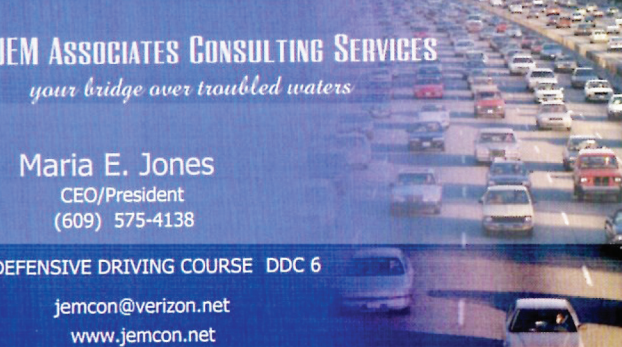
**CLASSICS USED AND RARE BOOKS**  
www.classicsusedbooks.com  
609-394-8400

30% off used books with  
this card

**JEM ASSOCIATES CONSULTING SERVICES**  
*your bridge over troubled waters*

**Maria E. Jones**  
CEO/President  
(609) 575-4138

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE DDC 6  
jemcon@verizon.net  
www.jemcon.net



Your Family Safe --- Secure

# YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE

Join The Nubian News Sales Team  
Build Relationships and The Sales Will Come

Free To Do What You Want To Do

Live The Dream  
Money, Fame, Freedom

IT'S NOT EASY, YOU'LL WORK HARD BUT WITH OUR PROVEN TRAINING METHODS YOUR SUCCESS IS GUARANTEED

IF YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES WE'LL TRAIN YOU TO BE THE VERY BEST WHEN YOU FINISH TRAINING EXPECT TO LIVE THE GOOD LIFE: MONEY, CAREER RESPECT

You Gotta Have A Dream If You're Gonna Have A Dream Come True

THE BEST SCHOOLS, THE HOME YOU'VE DREAMED ABOUT, MONEY, MONEY MONEY, THE EASY LIFE CAN BE YOURS

You Can Do It  
Earn While You Learn

IT CAN ALL BE YOURS - ALL OF IT  
THINK ABOUT EVERYTHING YOU EVER  
DREAMED COMING TRUE

**The Nubian News**  
ADVERTISING SALES DEPARTMENT  
609 858-2777 OR  
EMAIL: adsales@thenubiannews.com  
RELAX ON THE PLAYGROUND OF THE RICH AND FAMOUS







# SATCHEL PAGE LIMOUSINE, INC. "Excellence in Action"



*Our mission is to provide first class service to each customer we serve. Through integrity and impeccable attention to detail our goal is to provide superior customer service every time, on time. We are also proud sponsors of community and educational outreach programs. Give us a call today to request a reservation.*

**Ph. 609.802.1554 or 609.882.2703**



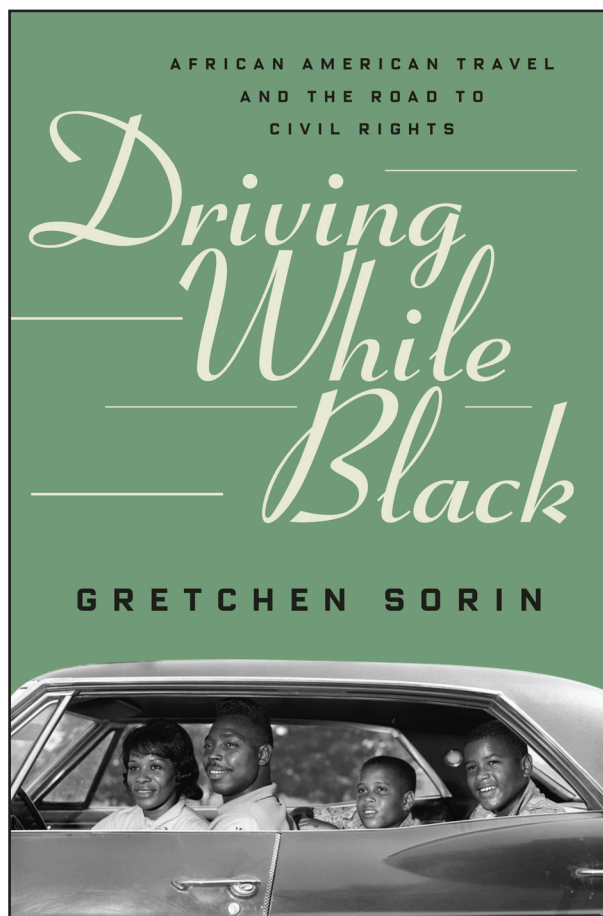
# Nubian News Book Review

BY TERRI SCHLICHENMEYER

## “Driving While Black: African American Travel and the Road to Civil Rights”

BY GRETCHEN SORIN

c.2020, Liveright \$28.95 / \$38.95  
Canada 352 pages  
Seat belt's on.



Keys in the ignition, rear view mirror's been adjusted, steering wheel is set for maximum comfort. You're ready to go, ready for this trip to get started. In “Driving While Black” by Gretchen Sorin, you're heading back in history.

Few things in America have altered the cultural scene more than the automobile. Not only has it changed the way we move, it affected the way we dress, talk, and eat. But, says Sorin, for Black folks, the automobile has “meant something different” – mainly, “the automobile made it more difficult... to enforce racial apartheid while cruising along the highways at forty-five miles per hour.”

Once was a time that Black people couldn't travel far, if at all. Moving about from plantation to plantation allowed opportunities for slaves to escape or, at the very least, to learn the lay of the land, neither of which was desirable for a slave's owner. Even free Blacks were restricted from too much movement then.

After the Civil War ended, former slaves began to head north for work and to escape Jim Crow laws, a Great Migration that didn't preclude the

occasional trip back South by rail or by bus to visit friends and relatives. There was still segregation in travel but the bigger fact was that travel itself was no longer restricted.

Starting around the 1920s, automobile ownership began to be a possibility for mobile (and upwardly-mobile) African Americans. This meant even more freedom – a road could lead almost anywhere – but it could also mean danger, if you accidentally went where you weren't welcome. On the other hand, you could sleep in the car, depending on the kind you bought; some vehicles were faster, and could outrun violence; others meant fewer fill-ups. Restroom stops, if you were Black, were still an issue.

By the 1970s, Sorin says, this was all mostly a moot point. The Civil Rights Movement had changed the country, and segregation at hotels and gas stations was a thing of

the past. And yet today, once again, DWB comes with a whole different set of dangers...

Here it's not even spring, and you already know where you're going on vacation this year. If you haven't packed a book yet, “Driving While Black” is the right one to take.

You won't be sorry if you travel with this travel-history book. Author Gretchen Sorin's all-encompassing in her information, beginning with slavery and moving at a good clip into the twentieth century with, like any decent roadtrip, a few side-stops along the way. If this seems like old news, it's not: Sorin also shows us things we don't often consider, including tales of Black musicians' reliance on freer travel, how sports were changed by fewer restrictions, and how Black drivers accidentally taught white business owners a lesson or two.

Sorin even adds personal anecdotes to the openings of her chapters, making “Driving While Black” a great vacation (or anytime) read. If you're needing a smart, comprehensive look at the history of travel, grab it and buckle up.

## 2020: The Year To Be Counted

BY AL ALATUNJI

Every 10 years, the US Census Bureau counts the people of the US to determine, among other things, the distribution of Congressional seats to states and to distribute more than \$675 billion in federal funds to local, state and tribal governments

ensure every resident living in the US regardless of their status was counted. It too was another accurate count with a low undercount.

It is not certain if the current regime in Washington will be as committed to an accurate count of residents. In fact, just the opposite is expected, with

efforts by the current administration, to deliberately attempt to undercount Blacks, Latinx and other people of color, as well as the undocumented. Because an accurate counting would mean more funding and increased representation for those communities.

That is why the census is critical to the future of the communities of Black, Latinx and other people

of color, and to the future of all Trentonians for that matter. We cannot allow a morally corrupt leadership in the White House, and their flunkies in the US Senate, to count us out.

From the outset of this nation, there has been a concerted effort to not count or uncount Blacks, as demonstrated in the nation's early history and written its Constitution, that for every five Blacks, only three would be counted, in relation to the white population of a state.

We cannot let the immoral and amoral current regime in Washington turn back the clock.

You count, and your census information is vital in creating a more prosperous and powerful Black community, Trenton and New Jersey. Spread the word to friends and family, the 2020 census is coming. Be counted.

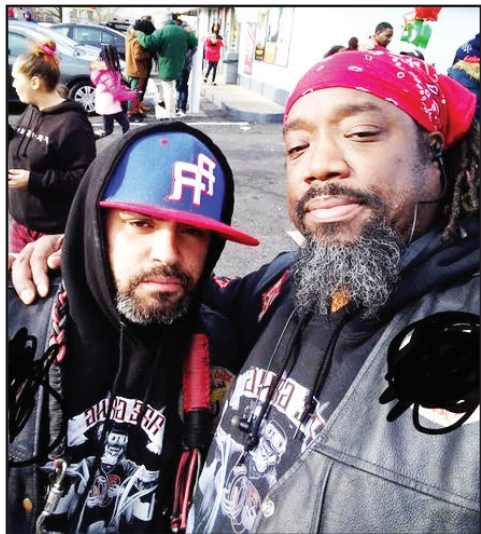
each year. It is extremely important that vital community resources are not reduced or lost as a result of an undercount of residents due to an inaccurate count.

Around this time twenty years ago, in anticipation of the 2000 Census, the US Census Bureau in an aggressive proactive campaign attempted to count every individual in the US regardless of their status. In particular, the US Census Bureau wanted to make sure that undercounted individuals; Blacks, Latinx, other people of color and the undocumented were counted. They hired full time staff from those communities to help to ensure an accurate count of those who have been traditionally undercounted. It was a great success and the result was one of the lowest if not the lowest undercount of any census. Ten years later a similar approach was undertaken by President Barack Obama's administration to again,

# Transformation Church Gas and Gifts Outreach

BY TANGELA WRIGHT

The Outreach Team of Transformation Church of Trenton, NJ set out to reclaim the block and area of



800 Greenwood Avenue on Sunday, December 21st. The team set-up at the Shell Gas Station better known to the community as the AM/PM Gas station. Members of the team were set and ready to go at 12 noon.

100 customers were blessed with 10



dollars of free gas and children were granted a free gift from Santa.

What a wonderful feeling to be on hand as Pastor Antonio Bellamy prayed for all that attended as well as honoring prayer requests.

The Outreach Team of

Transformation Church made all feel welcome with hot coffee, donuts, cookies, danishes and pastries that were free for any passer by that stopped to fellowship.

It was awesome to hear many families thanking all that volunteered their time.

Smiles, hugs and warm welcomes were freely given as families expressed their excitement, joy and love for being comforted during the holiday season. Many shared their stories of hard times and some of



those sad feelings were replaced with warm smiles, hot coffee and conversation.

Blessings to Pastor A. Bellamy and his wife Diane Bellamy of Transformation Church, Transformation Outreach Team; Marvin Lewis, Bergen Lewis and Michael and Tangela Wright.

Many blessings to all the volunteers who gave a helping hand as well as the gentle souls who came out to ensure the security and safety of the volunteers.

# Have You Seen Us?

BY TANGELA WRIGHT

December 21st Crow Vic Auto Club, Ladi Bosses Social Club, K.O.D



Whipz Auto Club and Jerzey Gurls Social Club. Came together on Ewing Street the backside of the Rescue Mission to ensure that no one was



left behind this holiday season. They provided a hot meal, cupcakes, water, blankets and warm hand crocheted Scarfs, mitten and booties made by Charmaine Powell. Charmaine wanted to ensure that these items would be giving to those would really enjoy the gift of coziness. As they were being handed out I could hear the people discussing memories of gifts they had been given when

spending time with family. They recalled the feelings, smell of the season and countless other memo-

ries. December 25th is a very important family holiday for most of us. However, some of us don't have family

to spend time with. With that being said, High Rollaz of Trenton SC & SUV. They made sure to take care of the village that once took care of us. They held a feeding on Christmas Day at Noon to ensure that no one was left behind. They also provided gently used clothing and a few Christmas

gifts from Santa. I spoke with Sharell Lane as to why she felt it to be important to complete this mission and she replied, "I feel it important to give back on Christmas because I am blessed and it is good to be able to bless someone else, who really need it. I love to see the smiles on the people e face when we do the feedings the gratefulness in their hearts definitely shines through.

# TRENTON DELIVERANCE CENTER

1100 SOUTH CLINTON AVE.  
TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08611

IF YOU WILL WORK FOR GOD



PASTOR MARK BROACH & FIRST LADY JENNIFER BROACH

All Are Welcome

Sunday Worship 11:00 am

Go and Make Disciples

### SERVICE SCHEDULE

- Sunday School 10:00am
- Sunday Morning Worship 11:00am
- Sunday Evening Worship 7:00pm
- Wed. - Day Prayer 12:00pm
- Wed.- Bible Study/Prayer 7:00pm
- Fri. - Evening Worship 8:00pm

### CONTACT US

Trenton Deliverance Center  
1100 South Clinton Ave  
Trenton, NJ 08611  
609.989.9890  
TDCChurch@tretondeliverancecenter.org

# Have You Seen Us? African American Women's Social Clubs

BY TANGELA WRIGHT

I was asked a question about what helped peak my interest in becoming a Social Club President? I could say it was networking with different people of many different areas, I could say community service and touching the lives of other people. I could say many different things that are all true and interesting that fit with the why I participate in the manner that I do. But, the biggest reason would be because of the history that has opened the doors for all social clubs. Ida B. Wells was among the first African Americans who would pave the way for women like me to enjoy what we do for ourselves, other women and the communities that we serve. Lets take a walk back in time.

In honor of Black History Month as a social club president it would only be fitting to honor the past that paved the way for so many of us to come together and do community service work on a different level from the rest. During the 1800's to 1920, here were 150 African-American women's clubs in Chicago. This time period is characterized as the "Women's Club Era". That does not serve as an adequate explanation for why so many clubs developed in the African-American neighborhoods of Chicago. Why did African-American women create so many clubs? What political and social purposes did they serve? Which women joined these clubs? And how might we assess their contributions today?

The first African-American women's club, the Ida B. Wells Club, was created in 1893. She was a former schoolteacher in Memphis. She had married a prominent African-American lawyer, Ferdinand Barnett. Like other middle-class African-Americans, Wells subscribed to W.E.B. DuBois's model of leadership, which called for the "talented tenth", African Americans who had the relative privilege of education and comparative wealth to assist those less fortunate. As early as 1893, Wells perceived the need for a kindergarten for African-American children and so the birth of a social club was established and sponsored a kindergarten. Although some criticized her as a segregationist, Wells was swift in her rebuttal: If African-American children had been admitted to other kindergartens, there would have been no need to create a separate one.

Given the increased segregation of

African-American communities in the early twentieth century, African-American club women created not only kindergartens but day nurseries, social settlements, reading rooms, youth clubs, children's camps, homes for dependent and orphaned children, the elderly and infirmed, and for young working women.

Club members also studied literature, art, drama, and municipal reform. Working in conjunction with other African-American community institutions club women were deeply involved in politics, advocating for suffrage, fighting discrimination in movie theaters, public facilities, and promoting the passage of an anti-lynching law.

They also raised much needed monies to support those community institutions by sponsoring debates, theatre and musical presentations, picnics, raffles, extravagant charity balls, dances, and promenades. These occasions served two ends: to assist the poor and disenfranchised and to demonstrate the club women's own status and prestige. These ends were not contradictory but instead pointed to the richness and complexity of the club women's lives. In planning and putting together their grand balls and dances. The club women supported African-American milliners, dressmakers, hairdressers, and manicurists. This in itself was significant because employment was quite limited for African-American women. The ideology of most of the African-American women's clubs reflected that of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs (NACWC), founded in 1896, in response to a white journalist's insulting letter about African-American women.

Club women, who subscribed to the strictest model of respectability, believed that it was incumbent upon them to respond by forming clubs that would teach and model middle-class respectable home life, child care, and proper codes of social behavior for

poorer African-American women. The national motto, "lifting as we climb," spoke to these issues of social class and social uplift. The club women's concept of motherhood was not limited to just their own homes. These women extended their roles as mothers into the community to enact municipal, civic, and educational reform. Thus living out the motto, "It takes a village", any environment that affected children required the agency of women.

Indeed, most of the female political clubs in Chicago focused upon suffrage. They found that even before they had the right to vote, African-American women were well aware that they could influence their husbands. One member of the Phyllis Wheatley Club spoke about the crowded tenements on Chicago's south side and urged her club members to influence their husbands to vote for aldermen who would improve this situation. One of the

first women's clubs in Chicago to promote suffrage was the Frederick Douglass Woman's Club, founded in 1906. This club was noteworthy because it was one of the few interracial women's clubs in Chicago, where women became acquainted with political candidates' platforms and discussed community issues from various angles.

Not surprisingly, one of the most prominent African-American suffragists in Chicago was Ida B. Wells, who organized several suffrage clubs, including the Women's Second Ward Republican Club (1910) and the Alpha Suffrage Club (1913). The latter club sponsored Wells' participation in the national suffrage parade in 1913. Although she was ordered to march in the "colored section".

I am strive to live up to these great African American's women's example and address the needs that still exist in our community.

## RON PADEN & THE SONS OF JOY

# SPRINGBASH

1st Anniversary Celebration

**SATURDAY**  
**APRIL 25**  
2019

DOORS OPEN 3PM | SERVICE 4PM

**NEW HOPE**  
CHURCH OF GOD  
400 HAMILTON AVE. TRENTON, NJ

**TICKET INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
 RON PADEN (609) 963-5355  
 MRS. ELOISE (609) 599-4739  
 MICHELLE MCGRAW (609) 433-4080  
 LATISHA PADEN (609) 775-6406

**\$15 ADVANCE**  
**\$23 AT THE DOOR**  
**\$35 VIP TICKETS**  
**\$10 CHILD 12 YRS. & UNDER**  
**CASHAPP @ \$RONNYPADEN1008**








**FEATURING**  
 THE MCDUFFIES . AEROFaITH . THE SOUNDS OF FAITH  
 THE ELDERS . THE HI-LITE JRS . ADORATION



**ELIZABETH SHEFFIELD**  
 HINE DANCE MINISTRY  
 NEW HAVEN, CT

**FOOD WILL BE SOLD**  
 VENDOR FEE IS \$40 PER TABLE



**PASTOR JARNEILL FRAZIER**  
 RC OF THE EVENING

**WING**  
 AM1300  
 OFFICIAL RADIO SPONSOR

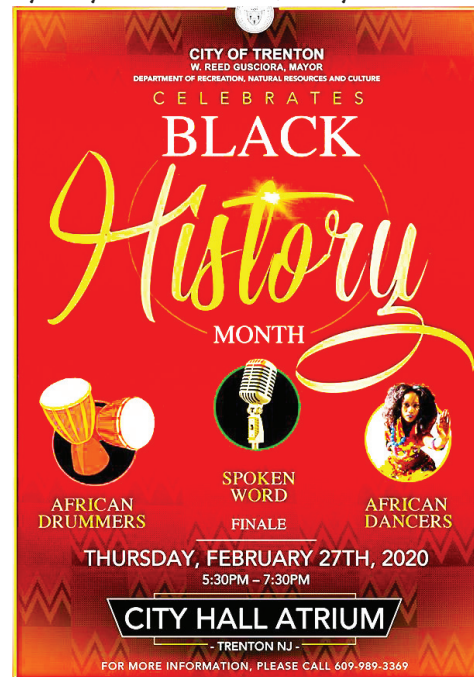
# What's Happening

- Every Tuesday, Open Mic with Benny P, 8:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m., Trenton Social, 449 South Broad Street, Trenton
- Every Thursday - Children's Thursday Theater, 3:00 p.m., Trenton Free Public Library, 129 Academy Street, Trenton
- Every Saturday, Board Game Workshop, 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m., Trenton Free Public Library, 129 Academy Street, Trenton
- Every Monday, Bible Conversation Group, 12 Noon to 1:15p.m., Starbucks Community Room, 102 S. Warren St., Trenton - For the non-religious, the spiritual, and everybody in between 609 836-1403
- Every Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. Open Mic Night with your favorite host Cinnamon R. Martin. Get a front row seat to some of the best talent that Trenton has to offer. Items for sale at this unique small business shop. 25 East Bridge Street, Morrisville, PA. There is a \$5 donation for the event.
- Every Thursday, 6 pm to 7:30 pm - Cha-Cha, Bop, 2-Step presented by Conservatory Mansion, 540 E State St, Trenton. Instructor/Choreographer James "El" Ellis aka Smooth Operator has enjoyed teaching couples and singles how to gracefully glide across the dance floor for decades. He even travels around the country to compete and occasionally invites his students to join him. Come out on Thursdays from 6pm-7:30pm and get in the groove! Cost: \$40 per month/walk-ins \$12.

- Saturday, February 15 from 9 AM-8 PM - Super Saturday · Hosted by Jackie's Dollar Vine, 1400 Parkway Ave, Ewing, NJ
- Saturday, February 15 from 7:00 PM – 11:00 PM - Love Me to Neo Soul, by Sahedah Williams. Conservatory Mansion, 540 East State St., Trenton, NJ. This is a fundraising event dedicated to Prom-Scholar. Our mission is to provide a unique prom experience to high school students graduating and going to college.
- Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at 6 PM – 7:30 PM - Poetry Café · Hosted by 1867 Sanctuary Arts and Culture Center and The African American Cultural Collaborative of Mercer County. 1867 Sanctuary Arts and Culture Center, 101 Scotch Rd, Ewing. The Poetry Café Series is an opportunity for people of all ages to express themselves artistically. The Poetry Café is hosted by Todd Evans of the Don Evans Players. The event is FREE to perform, FREE to just listen!
- Friday, February 21, 2020 at 8 PM – 12 AM - The Soul Cruisers at Cooper's Riverview! Hosted by Sensational Soul Cruisers and Coopers Riverview. Come enjoy Happy Hour with Coopers Riverview's Famous Buffet and the Sensational Soul Cruisers. Cooper's Riverview (formerly Katmandu), 50 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, NJ, (609)393-7300
- Saturday, February 22, 2020

- at 4 PM – 8 PM - Sip, Pop & Shop · Hosted by Michael's Sweet Lisa, 200 N Broad St, Trenton, NJ. Come Join us & The House of HighEnd on February 22nd from 4PM-Close for our first joint Pop-up experience.
- Saturday, February 22, 2020 at 12noon - the "State of Black New Jersey" and a Black History Month Reception, by the Capital City Area Black Caucus and the New Jersey Black Caucus, in the Capital City YMCA, 431 Pennington Avenue. State Senator Ron Rice will give opening remarks followed a response panel that includes NJ Assemblywoman Verlina Reynolds-Jackson, Trenton City Council President Kathy McBride and others.
- Thursday, February 27, at 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM - Black History Month Closing Celebration · Hosted by City of Trenton NJ, City Hall, 319

- stories and 45 minutes of poetry with a brief intermission and beats by DJ Big Jae. \$5 entry; refreshments & light snacks provided
- Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 2 PM – 7 PM - Annual Black History Month Celebration · Hosted by Lawrence High School, 2525 Princeton Pike, Lawrenceville, NJ. In honor of Black History Month, the LHS Arts and Humanities Academy will host its annual celebration, "Black History: Honoring the Past, Celebrating the Present, Inspiring the Future, Rocking the Vote". Please join us for a moving and inspiring event of history, culture, and entertainment, as well as special guests and speakers! Enjoy cultural cuisine, dance and musical performances, beautiful art pieces, and shop 'til you drop from Black business vendors.\* FREE ADMISSION - DONATIONS GRACIOUSLY ACCEPTED \*
- Thursday, March 19, 2020, 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM - The New Jim Crow - 10 Years Later, by Campaign



To End the New Jim Crow. Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, 801 West State Street, Trenton, NJ. Keynote speaker Dr. Ruha Benjamin and panelists Rev. Charles Boyer, Udi Ofer and Kira Shepherd discuss justice reform in the last 10 years.

- Sunday, March 29, 2020 at 6 PM – 10 PM - The Bahamas & Puerto Rico Charity Fete · Hosted by Bella Productions & Promotions Inc. Ambassador Banquet & Catering, 610 New York Ave, Trenton, Major Artist Line Up! Julien Believe -Music Ambassador of The Bahamas|Singer|Songwriter|Producer, Ayo\_215 - Latino|Rapper|Singer|Songwriter, Tara Lynne - Bahamian|Singer|Dancer|Songwriter|Model

**Jackie's DOLLAR Vine**  
1400 Parkway Ave Unit B2, Ewing, NJ  
located in The Serenity Plaza (by Marnazzo's Market)

**SUPER SATURDAY**

\*Cold Drinks\* \*Party Items\* \*Snacks/Candy\* \*Food\* \*School Supplies\* \*Jewelry\* \*Glasses\* \*Household Items\* \*Cell Phone Accessories\*

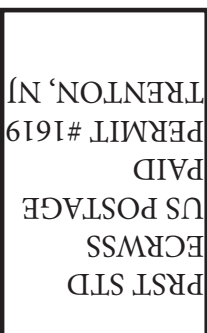
**EVERYTHING 50%OFF**  
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 15th 2020  
THIS SALE IS ONE DAY ONLY!!!  
9 am - 8pm  
Phone: (609) 583-4468



East State Street, Trenton, NJ. Please join us at City Hall to celebrate the end of Black History Month with African drums, dancing, and spoken word. Light refreshments will be served.

- Friday, February 28, 2020 - 7:30 - 9:30 pm - Story & Verse: A Storytelling and Poetic Open Mic · Hosted by The African American Cultural Collaborative of Mercer County and two others. Each month, we'll be inviting inspiration from a well-known song title. All are welcome to tell a well-prepared story or perform their poetry, interpreting the theme as broadly as they wish. Performers should present their own work, inspired by this month's theme: "COME TOGETHER". The evening will include 45 minutes of

POSTAL CUSTOMER



**Advertising Sales Position**

Right Now

You Are Better Than You've Ever Been

Your Future Is Now

email The Nubian News -- nubiannews@thenubiannews.com