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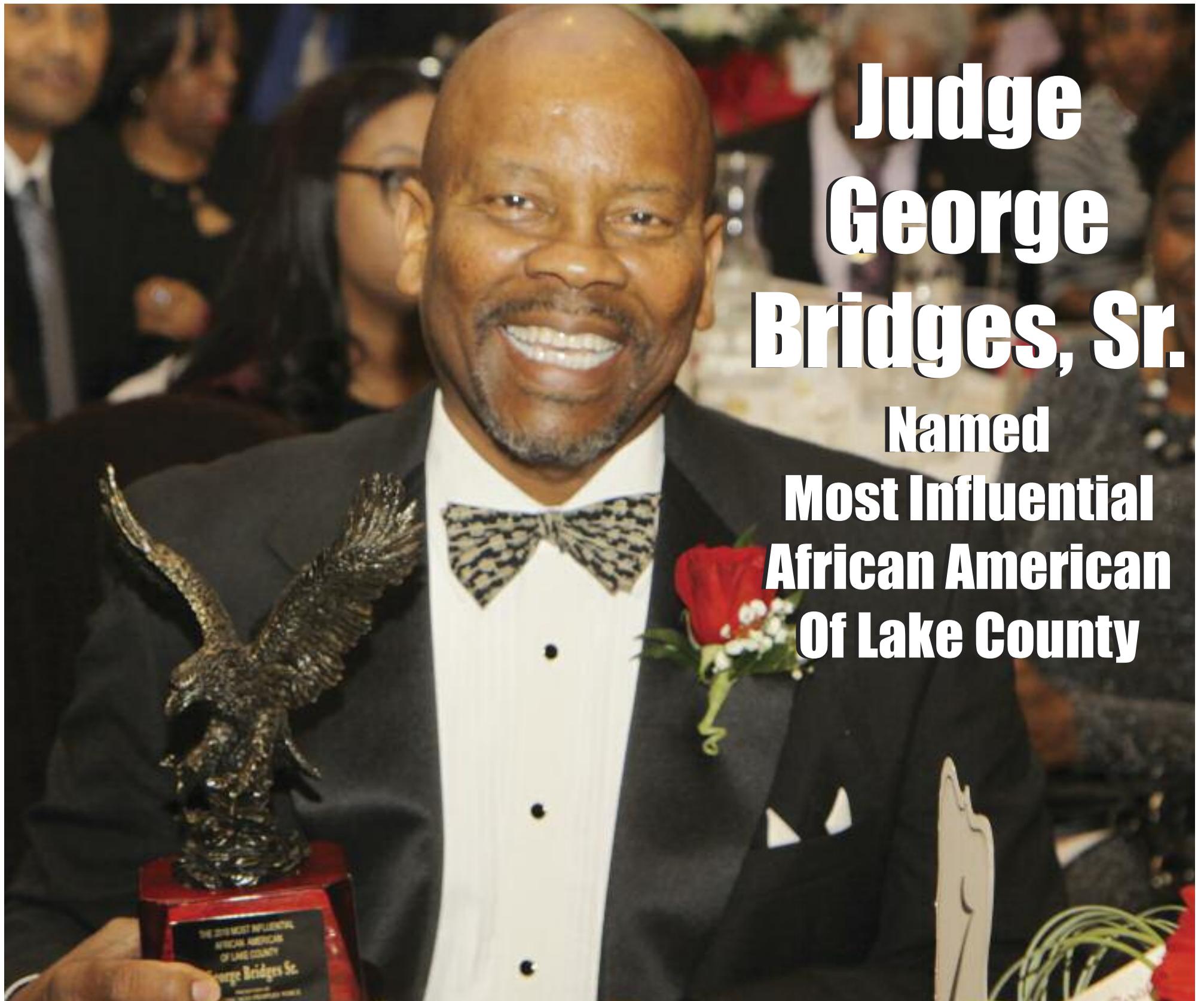


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**Judge
George
Bridges, Sr.
Named
Most Influential
African American
Of Lake County**



THE E. REED REPORT

THE REASON WHY WE SING

The late Whitney Houston wrote and sung a song called "One Moment In Time" it was one of her greatest hits. The chorus is as follows:

*I want one moment in time
When I'm more than I thought
I could be*

*When all of my dreams are a heartbeat away
And the answers are all up to me
Give me one moment in time
When I'm racing with destiny
Then in that one moment of time
I will feel
I will feel eternity.*

Each of us will have that one moment in time. Whitney had several moments in time when her achievements bolstered her into legendary status where she will remain throughout eternity.

The Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Awards was founded on several premises. The first premise was to showcase the achievements of African Americans for your youth, giving them something and some one's to look up to.

There are too many negative images out there. We need positive role models who can help to shape the perceptions of our youth. As Judge George Bridges, the 2018 Most Influential African American said in his acceptance speech, we (as a people) need to do something about the pipeline of our young people going to jail. No one can do it alone, we all have to play a part. Presenting programs like this is a part, and I do mean part, of the solution. There needs to be other parts to this great puzzle, which are not in existence. We, as a people, have to identify and if necessary invent them.

The second reason that we present the Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Awards is to congratulate and recognize those folks who are doing great things in the community. Usually people who contribute to society, do so without great herald. Helping others, providing leadership, exhibiting integrity, and having a humanitarian spirit is often work and effort that is gone unseen and in many ways is a thankless proposition. But giving, caring, leading, and action taking is what makes our society humane and keeps up motivated to succeed. The folks who do so, from time to time, need a little pat on the back. Occasionally, someone needs to say, "Job well done!", and "Thank you for all that you do".

Everyone needs that one moment in time, when others recognize their achievements. We all need that one moment in time that in front of the whole-world, someone says, "Thank you and job well done!".

As an organization, we decided to step up to the plate and be the one. In the words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. "If I can help somebody as I pass along, If I can cheer somebody with a word or song, If I can show somebody that he is traveling wrong, then my living will not be in vain."

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2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Awards



2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Award Winners 1st row from left to right are: Deidria Collins, Vanzetta May Bridgemon, Dr. Julia LaVerne Hailey, Dr. Constance Collins, Evangelist Olivia Mitchell, Honorable Judge George Bridges, DeVon Nelson, Sameia Charity, Shawn Johnson, 1st Lady Michelle Obleton, 2nd row from left to right are: Tammy Moore, Carl Evans, Richard Doe, David B. Osborne Sr., Charles L. Jones, David A. Northern Sr., Dr. David Weatherspoon, Joshua Davis, Elroy Reed, Javonte Taylor, James Harris, William (Bill) McKinney, Sedrik Newbern, and Dr. Winfred Obleton.

The Chicago Peoples Voice presented the Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Awards on February, 25th at the Wedgewood Banquet Center in Wadsworth, Illinois. Judge George Bridges, Sr. was named the 2018 Most Influential African American of Lake County along with about 20 other phenomenal individuals who were recognized among the Most Influential in various categories.

About 300 people attended the black tie affair including regionally elected officials like U.S. Congressman Brad Schneider, Zion Mayor Al Hill, North Chicago Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr., State Representative Sheri Jesiel, and State Representative Rita Mayfield. Lieutenant Governor hopeful Julianne Stratton was also in attendance and made comments. Allstate Executive, Sedrik Newbern was the keynote speaker. The event was sponsored by

Consumers Credit Union, Diamond Residential Mortgage, and the Community Action Partnership Foundation of Northern, Illinois.

The City of Zion's Commissioner and former NBA Player William (Bill) McKinney received the Vision Award. Dr. Winfred and Michelle Obleton as a couple also received the Vision Award. David Osborne, Sr. – Director of the Herman Center of the Zion Park District was presented with the Lifetime Achievement Award. Humanitarian Awards were presented to North Shore Community Service League and Deidria Collins. The Arts and Entertainment Award was presented to DeVon Nelson.

Community Service Awards were presented to Sameia Charity – Elite Striders, Richard Doe – Baxter, International, and Carl Evans – Alderman, City of North Chicago. The Civic Leadership Award was presented to J. Tara Thomas, President, the NAACP. The Religious Leadership Award was pre-

sented to Evangelist Olivia Mitchell. Entrepreneurial Awards went to Vanzetta May Bridgemon and Shawn Johnson both independent business owners. The Educational Leadership Awards were presented to Julia LaVerne Hailey-Adams, and Dr. David Weatherspoon.

The Business Leadership was presented to Charles L. Jones. The Youth Leadership Awards went to Javonte Taylor, and Joshua Davis. The Leadership Award went to James Harris.

The Vision Awards were presented to NBA Star and Executive - William McKinney, and to Dr. Winfred and Mrs. Michelle Obleton, Church planters and community leaders. Musical entertainment was provided by Lenear Harris.

See individual profiles throughout this special edition of the Chicago Peoples Voice Newspaper.



Rev. Eugene Roberson, Tammy Moore, Elroy Reed, Judge George Bridges, Sr. – The Most Influential African American of Lake County, and David Northern, Sr.

.....more about Judge George Bridges, Sr.

Judge, Lawyer, Educator, and a Servant. George Bridges was born and raised in the city of Chicago. He received a Bachelor's Degree with Honors from National-Louis University, and his Law Degree from Chicago-Kent College of Law.

Being the Great-Great Grandson of a slave, undoubtedly gave him the will and determination to work tirelessly to destroy the obstacles created by racism in his life. In 1973, he applied to become a police officer with the City Of North Chicago but was denied acceptance because he was Black. This first face-to-face encounter with racial injustice would provoke him and direct his future professional life. Believing he had, in fact, met all qualifications to become a police officer, he refused just to sit back and accept the rejection. With the assistance of the NAACP, he sued the City of North Chicago and won. In the landmark decision of his case, the City was required to hire Bridges and five other African-American police officers immediately. His lawsuit would ultimately have a tremendous impact on the future hiring of African-Americans within the police department.

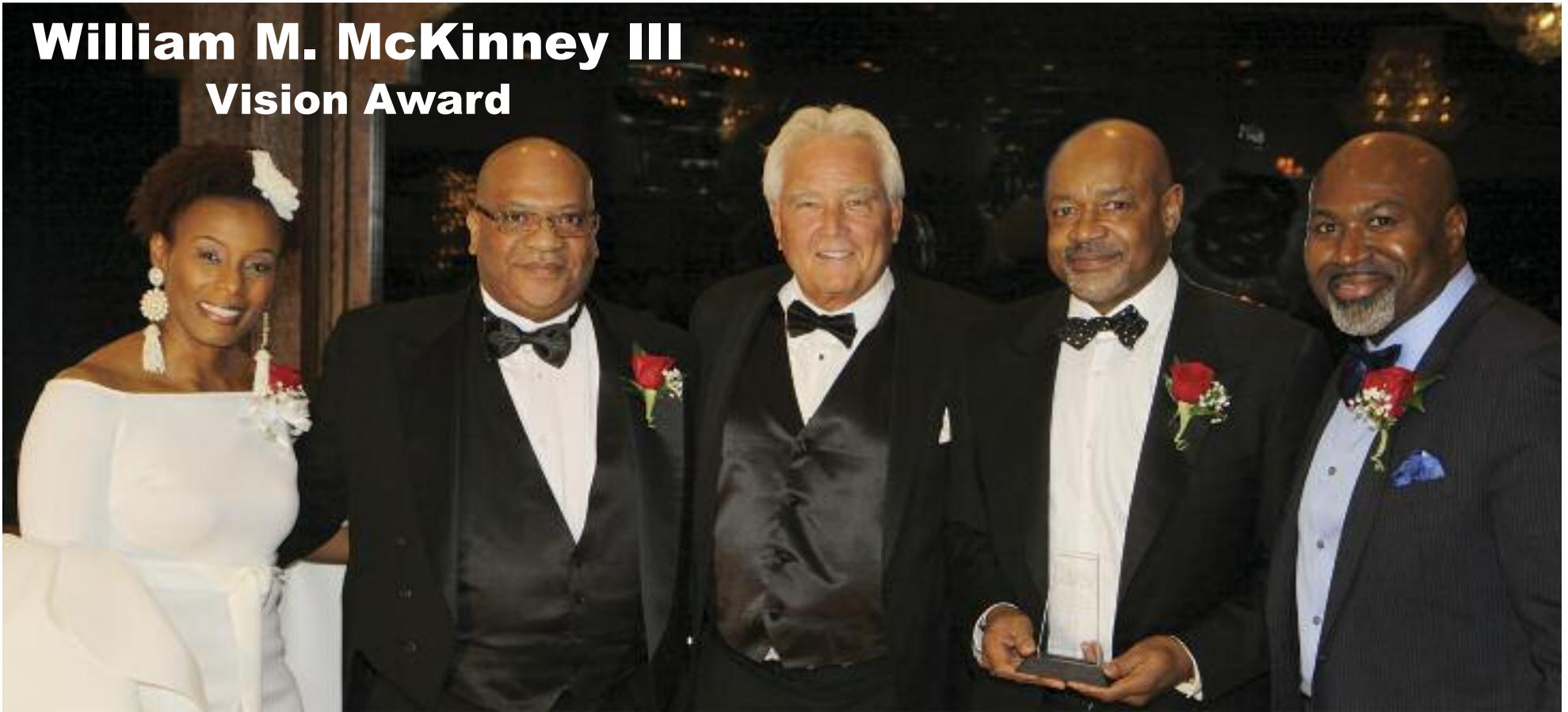
George Bridges would later join the Waukegan Police Department as a patrolman. He was subsequently promoted through every rank within the police department, ultimately becoming the first African-American Chief of Police for the City of Waukegan. During his tenure as Chief of Police, he implemented a number of hiring and promotional changes that increased minority representation throughout the police department. Along the way, he continued to persevere and challenge himself, wherein he was able to obtain a Law Degree. After earning his Law Degree, Bridges stayed on with the police department until finally going into the practice of law. In

1990 he joined the Lake County State's Attorney's Office as a prosecutor, handling felony cases and in 1993; Bridges was asked to return to the City of Waukegan wherein he was again appointed Chief of Police.

Continuing with his many firsts, in 1995, George Bridges was appointed an Associate Judge on the 19th Judicial Circuit Court. He was the first African-American to hold the position in Lake County, Illinois. In 2006, the Justices of the Illinois Supreme Court appointed Judge George Bridges to the position of Circuit Court Judge, again the first African-American Circuit Judge in Lake County. In 2014, Judge Bridges was elected a Circuit Court Judge. During his 21 years on the bench, he was the Presiding Judge of the Felony Division, the Supervising Judge of the Juvenile Division, where he handled numerous civil and criminal cases.

Judge Bridges has dedicated his entire career to public service. He has been an Adjunct Instructor for more than 20 years at both Columbia College and the College of Lake County. He has mentored and been an inspiration to a number of Lake County African-American Lawyers over the years. Judge Bridges is a Life Member of the NAACP, a member of the Thurgood Marshall Legal Society, and numerous other legal organizations, boards, committees, and task forces. Over his lengthy and esteemed career, Judge George Bridges has been the recipient of numerous awards and honors in recognition for his work in the community and the legal profession. Lastly, and most importantly, Judge George Bridges is a loving husband, father, grandfather, and a proud child of God.

William M. McKinney III Vision Award

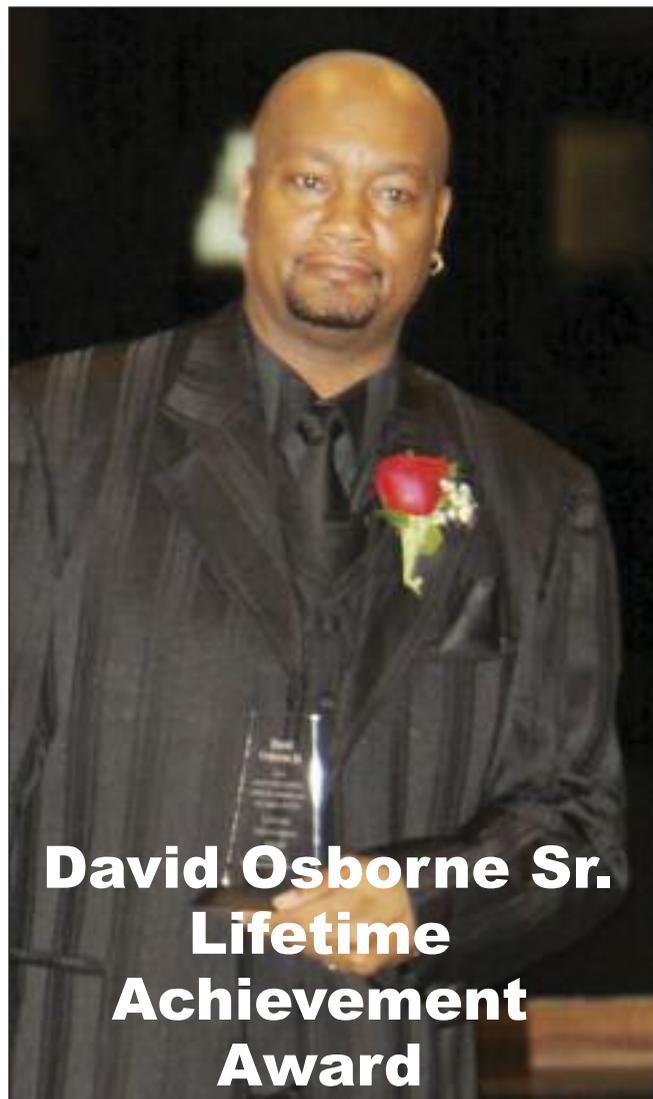


Tammy Moore, Elroy Reed, Mayor Al Hill, William McKinney, and David Northern, Sr.

William M. McKinney III, is the recipient of the 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Vision Award.

William is the Commissioner of Building, Property & Zoning for the City of Zion, Illinois. He is a former Zion school board member, but best known for his 39 years in the NBA in a variety of capacities, 7 years as a player, and 32 years as an NBA Executive. He was the first African American executive to be hired by the Chicago Bulls.

McKinney happily lives in Zion with his new puppy Murphy!



David Osborne Sr. Lifetime Achievement Award

David B. Osborne Sr. is the recipient of the 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Life Time Achievement Award.

David B. Osborne Sr. is the Director of the Zion Hermon Park Center, a facility of the Zion Park District in Zion, Illinois. David has more than 28 years of experience with the Zion Park District.

David started working for the Zion Park District part-time in January 1992. Prior to his employment at the Zion Park District,

David proudly served ten years of active duty in the United States Air Force and five years in the Air Force reserves, accumulating the rank of E-6 Tech Sergeant.

He is the proud single father of 3 wonderful children.

David earned his Bachelor's Degree in Business Management from the University of Maryland, and he also has an Associate's Degree in Arts and Recreation.

Tammy's Tidbits

Get out of your own Way!

Have you ever been so determined to do something one minute and then talked yourself out of it the next? For example, I want to lose weight and get healthy...why bother obesity runs in my family? If your answer is yes, you my friend are your own stumbling block and it's time to get out of your own way!

Just do it!

Yes, Nike coined this phrase, but it doesn't just apply to shoes and sports. What vision has God given you that you've been sitting on and afraid to take the next steps because you're afraid of failure? I've heard many people say what would you do if you knew you would not fail? Well, Do it anyway. If you fail, you will learn something from it and be better for it! Go get your blessing!

Know your gifts!

I'm reading T. D. Jakes book Soar and in it he mentions your God given gifts have been there since birth! Think about what you liked to do as a child and that will tell you a lot about what you were born to do as an adult. If you pursue your passions, you will find your purpose!



Tammy Moore

Tap into your Resources!

Many of us miss out because we don't tap into the resources available to us. Look at your inner circle, friends or associations. Everyone should have something to contribute. If not, you're in the wrong circle. Iron Sharpens Iron! Don't be embarrassed to ask for help from an expert too!

Change your mindset from Can't do to Can do!

If you want to go to the next level (become debt free, start a business, get fit or healthy or become a homeowner). You will need to change some things! It takes 21 days to change and old habit, don't give up so easy, keep pushing until you reach your goals! Yes, you can do it, just put your mind to it!

Tammy Moore is Division President at Diamond Residential Mortgage, A motivational speaker and Credit and Financial Coach. In her spare time, she is the Budget Conscious Fashionista, where she teaches Style \$ense: How style your outfits on a budget without breaking the bank!

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March 2018

A communique of the Community Action Partnership of Lake County

What Effects the future success of poor children.



Mary Lockhart-White
Executive Director

7hirty percent of children have been poor at some point in their childhood. Being poor as a child, even for only a short time, can have consequences reaching far into adulthood. The instability that accompanies poverty puts stress on parents, spilling over to children. This can manifest itself in long-effects lasting ways. In the face of these obstacles, what circumstances help poor children succeed (or at least don't hold them back) and what stacks the deck against them? Before considering the circumstances, let's first examine the scale of the problem. Poverty affects many more children than annual statistics record. While roughly one in five children currently lives in poverty, nearly twice as many (39 percent) have been poor at some point in their childhood. Black children fare much worse: fully three-quarters are poor during childhood, compared to 30 percent of white children.

Children who have been poor for at least one year before they turn 18 are less likely to reach important adult milestones, such as graduating from high school, than children who have never been poor (78 percent vs. 93 percent). They're also more likely to have a child as a teenager or be involved with the criminal justice system, which can affect their job prospects and ability to finish school. Children who are persistently poor-poor for at least half their childhood are 13 percent less likely to complete high school and 37 percent less likely to be consistently employed as young adults than children who experience poverty for fewer years. Among children who have experienced poverty, those whose parents have completed high school are 11 percent more likely to do the same. Children whose parents have more than a

high school education are 30 percent more likely to complete high school and almost five times more likely to complete college than those whose parents did not graduate high school. Moving homes frequently can be disruptive for children particularly if they move for negative reasons, such as evictions or a family's need for lower rent. Among children who have experienced poverty, children who move three or more times for negative reasons 15 percent are less likely to complete high school and 68 percent likely to complete a four year college degree than those who never move.

Knowing this, what can be done to improve children's chances of success? For one, education and training programs for low-educated parents, bundled with work supports such as child care subsidies or Childcare Care Scholarship Donations for working families. Addressing the needs of the parents and the children is an important step for reinforcing families and helping children to succeed. Even short periods of childhood poverty can be accompanied by uncertainty, stress, and unmet needs with long-term consequences. Taking steps to provide stability for parents and children will help improve the outcomes of the next generation. Community Action Partnership, "Helping People, Changing Lives" Get Inter-active today with the Community Action movement, moving families to self-sufficiency. Focusing on Early Childhood Education and Homeless Veterans Housing.

Dr. Winfred & Michelle Obleton Vision Award

Dr. Winfred Obleton and Mrs. Michelle Obleton are the recipients of The 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Vision Award as a couple.

Dr. Obleton is the senior pastor at Waukegan Community Church (WCC) and serves as the African American Coordinator for Converge Mid-America. In this role he leads the development and implementation of comprehensive strategies for African American churches, church planters, and leaders through the Converge Mid-America networks in Illinois, Michigan, St Louis, and Indiana. He is an instructor with Trinity International.

Dr. Obleton holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree (B.A.) in Christian Education from William Tyndale College, a Master of Theology (Th.M.) and a Doctor of Ministry Degree (D.Min) from Dallas Theological Seminary.

Michelle Obleton is the Executive Director of Ministries at WCC and is the Assistant Director of Lions Math and Science Christian Academy. She is a noted speaker, educator, teacher and writer.

The couple has been married for 41 years. They reside in Waukegan, IL and have two adult children Shelby and Andrea and one grandson, Jelani Obleton.



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Sameia Charity Community Service Award

Sameia Charity is the recipient of the 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Community Service Award.

Sameia is the Director of the Elite Striders Positive Youth Organization "Drill Team & Drum Corp" which was established in 2014. She is an educator for Ombudsman alternative school in Waukegan, Illinois.

She created the Elite Striders, a positive youth organization that promotes leadership, integrity, education, and other positive values. The organization uses performing arts as a prevention/intervention to decrease negative and risky behaviors

among the youth in the program.

Sameia has attended Columbia College of Missouri, graduating with an Associates of Science in Human Services and a Bachelors of Arts in Human Services. Sameia is also a graduate of Liberty University with a Masters of Arts in Human Services.

Sameia parents are Sanford and Cathy Charity, Sameia was born in Evanston, Illinois, and she has four children Demetrice, Trynity, Serenity, and Charity.

Deidria Collins Humanitarian Award

Deidra Collins is the recipient of the 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Humanitarian Award.

Deidra is a native of Zion, and is the sole founder of Women Enuff, Inc, a non-profit organization originally geared toward assisting teen mothers and women in need of basic necessities and programming. Programming is based upon the specific need of

the community and includes, but is not limited to educational and life programs, teaching on subjects such as career preparation, etiquette, pregnancy prevention, domestic violence awareness, college readiness and teen mentoring, to name a few.

Deidra's organization Women Enuff, Inc has now been in existence for 9 years.



DeVon Nelson - Arts and Entertainment Award



Devon Nelson is the recipient of the 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Arts and Entertainment Award.

DeVon is a journalist and author. She has three books; The Bitter and Sweet Around Me, Bitter Can Taste Oh So Sweet, and Gotta Find My Way Back. She received a nomination for Outstanding Achievement in Literature in 2017 from the African American Arts Alliance of Chicago.

DeVon has worked in advertising, public relations and several years as a reporter for the News-Sun in Waukegan and correspondent for the Chicago Tribune.

DeVon is writing her fourth novel, set for publication in the spring of 2018. When not writing DeVon helps others become authors, sharing her knowledge of book publishing and promotion. She has 1 son Brian.



Vanzetta May Bridgemon Entrepreneurial Award

Vanzetta May Bridgemon is the recipient of the 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Entrepreneurial Award.

Vanzetta is the owner of Therapeutic Touch in Waukegan Illinois, a 100% natural place, where she provides an array of professional and comforting therapies to promote stress reduction, peace of mind and improvements in health. She is a licensed nurse with over 20

years experience. She attended the University of Chicago, School of Nursing as well as a number of other institutions.

Vanzetta is a member of the First Baptist Church in North Chicago, IL., where she is a deaconess, she is married to Charles Bridgemon, and they have five girls, Candance, Alicia, Charzetta, Julander, and Latonya and 15 grandchildren.

Carl Evans Community Service Award

Carl Evans is the recipient of the 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Community Service Award.

Carl is the third ward alderman for the City of North Chicago. He is the chairperson of the Public Works Committee. Evans was a significant catalyst for the city's award-winning neighborhood revitalization program bringing vacant and abandoned buildings into productive use, and won two Ameri-

can Public Works Association awards.

Carl holds an Associates Degree from Robert Morris College. Carl is also a veteran, having served in the United States Army. He serves as Vice Chairman of the Deacons Board, Finance Secretary and Vice Chairman of the Finance Committee at Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Waukegan,

Evans is the proud father of daughter, Abriale, and is the proud grandfather to grandson, Cameron.



Shawn Johnson Entrepreneurial Award

Shawn Johnson is the recipient of the 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Entrepreneurial Award

Shawn is the CEO, Founder and Educator of Image Beauty Institute, the first and only State of Illinois Department of Regulations Nail Technology School in Waukegan. Image Beauty Institute opened in December 2014. Image Beauty Institute has graduated over 20 students who have successfully passed the State of Illinois State Board Exam to become professionally Li-

icensed Nail Technicians. Five graduates have opened up beautiful salons around the Lake County area.

Shawn holds Licenses as an Instructor, in Cosmetologist, and Nail Technician. She is currently working on implementation of a program to help reduce recidivism for women that lack employable job skills, while teaching nail technology as a vocational skill.

She is a mother of four children Stephanie, Stephen, TraMane and Mark, and she has 3 nana babies, Kennedi, Aubrey and Karlee.



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J. Tara Thomas Civic Leadership Award

J. Tara Thomas is the recipient of the 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Civic Leadership Award.

Tara is the president of the NAACP Lake County branch, a former North Chicago teacher, and one of the former vice principal of Daisy's Resource Optional Center.

Tara graduated from Wayne State University with a Bachelors' in History and Language Arts. She holds a MAT (Master in Teaching Administration)

from Trinity International University, and a Master Certification in Automobile Dealership Operation from Harvard University A.D.O.T. She is currently working on a Doctoral Degree and Superintendent's Endorsement at DePaul University.

Tara, a native of Detroit, MI, is pursuing her life-long dream of opening an urban all-girl (North Shore College Prep), and an all-boy college preparatory school (Great Lakes College Prep). She is married and has two sons.

Dr. David Weatherspoon Education Leadership Award

David Weatherspoon is the recipient of the 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Education Leadership Award.

Dr. Weatherspoon is the Director of Student Services and Campus Operations at the College of Lake County Lakeshore Campus in Waukegan IL. He was hired as the first male administrator at the Lakeshore Campus.

During Dr. Weatherspoon's tenure at the college he has served on numerous committees targeting outreach initia-

tives for African-American and Latino Students, he has served on the Board of the Waukegan Chamber of Businesses Association, He is also the immediate past Basileus (President) of Lake County's Rho Tau Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc.

David recently received his Doctorate in Philosophy of Higher Education Administration from Illinois State University in Bloomington Illinois. He also holds a Master's Degree Economics.



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James Harris Leadership Award

James Harris is the recipient of the 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Leadership Award.

James has been a Real Estate broker and Life Insurance agent for 16 years. He served in the U.S. Army in 1976 and was trained as an Airborne Helicopter Repairman. In the early 90's he relocated to the Lake County area and attends Christian Faith Fellowship Church in Zion.

James greatest accomplishments are that of being a

mentor to grade school kids, partnering with Kid's Hope USA and his church. He also has supervised hundreds of 12 to 14-year-old youth in a Summer Work Program for over 15 years at his church.

James and wife Alicia founded the Not-For-Profit organization called "Generational Hope Center, Inc.", which focuses on empowering young children and promoting self-sufficiency. James has been married to Alicia for 20 years and they have 3 children and 3 grandchildren.



Richard Doe Community Service Award

Richard Doe is the recipient of the 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Community Service Award.

Rick, a hardware engineer within the health care industry, has had the privilege of supporting various education organizations including Junior Achievement (JA) and Project Lead the Way (PLTW).

Rick has co-lead his organizations efforts to raise awareness in STEM fields and to provide opportunities for students to apply and test their understanding of STEM topics. The primary focus of his efforts has been to teach the students essen-

tial engineering principles such as design, modeling, and testing. Students are also exposed to various types of lab environments. Rick strongly believes the more the student knows, the more the student grows. The intent behind supporting students has been to encourage "the power of knowledge" today, so that in turn they become forces of change tomorrow.

Rick was born and raised in South Carolina, his heart for serving the community is inspired by his late grandmother Virginia Carroll. Through her example, she instilled in him the passion for serving.

Evangelist Olivia Mitchell Religious Leadership Award

Evangelist Olivia Mitchell is the recipient of the 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Religious Leadership Award.

Evangelist Olivia is licensed and ordained by the Deliverance Evangelistic Association of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and by Rhema Christian Center of Columbus, Ohio. Evangelist Olivia has reached thousands through ministering in churches, television, radio and through ministry in national conferences such as the Christian Believers United (CBU), Women of the

Word Conferences conducted throughout the United States, God's Will Conferences and several Church of God in Christ annual conferences.

Olivia has also ministered in major corporations and college campuses including, Christ for the Nations, Eastern Illinois University and Ohio State University.

Evangelist Olivia is married to Essex Mitchell. They have three adult children; Melissa, David, Steven and one grandchild Genevieve Elle.





Dr. Julia LaVerne Hailey Education Award

Dr. Julia LaVerne Hailey is the recipient of the 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Education Award.

Dr. Hailey has been employed by Chicago Public Schools since 1995. She was a member of the old Westinghouse Career Academy from 1995 – 2007. Dr. Hailey spent twelve years of active duty military service (U.S. Army) and eight years in the Army Reserves. She has received many awards.

Dr. Hailey's additional community activities include tutoring for ACT/SAT, reading comprehension, reading assessment, and Waukegan

Township/Lake County Tutor via Christian Valley MBC. A member of Christian Valley Missionary Baptist Church of North Chicago, has served as a Sunday School Teacher (Adult Class). Dr. Hailey holds a Bachelors' Degree in English Language and Literature, from Savannah State College, a Masters' Degree from Concordia, and a Doctorate in Educational Leadership from Argosy University.

Born and reared in Savannah, Dr. Hailey enjoys spending time with family she has three adult children and six grandchildren.

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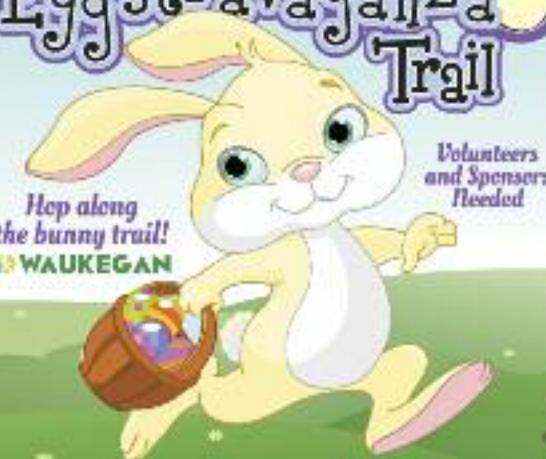
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Charles L. Jones Business Leadership Award

Charles L. Jones is the recipient of the 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Business Leadership Award.

Charles is a Human Resources Executive for Mondelez International for 25 years (formally Kraft Foods), headquartered in Deerfield, IL. He is currently the highest ranking African American in Mondelez International Human Resources Function. He served six years as a US Army Officer, 1st Cavalry Division in Germany, Iraq and Ft. Hood, TX. He reached the rank of Captain and is a decorated Gulf War Veteran.

Charles is also the CEO and Co-Founder of C&B HR Consulting LLC. The family owned company was established in 2013 to provide human resources strategies and solutions to non-profits and veteran owned businesses. Some of which includes the YWCA in Gurnee, IL; Pride & Hope Family Services in Varnado, LA; and Millennial Corporation in Washington, DC.

Charles is the Immediate Past President of the Lake County Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc. and a Charter Member of their Sigma Beta Club. He is a member of Prince Hall Masons, Shriners, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, National Black MBA Association, Society of Human Resources Management and Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc. Mr. Jones has served on several boards to include the University of Illinois – Lake County Extension,



March of Dimes – Lake County, Oak Grove School Education Foundation, INROADS of Chicago, 100 Black Men of Madison and YMCA of Madison.

Charles earned a BS in Finance from Jackson State University and a MBA from Lake Forest Graduate School of Management.

Charles is a native of Mississippi. He is married, and has two daughters.

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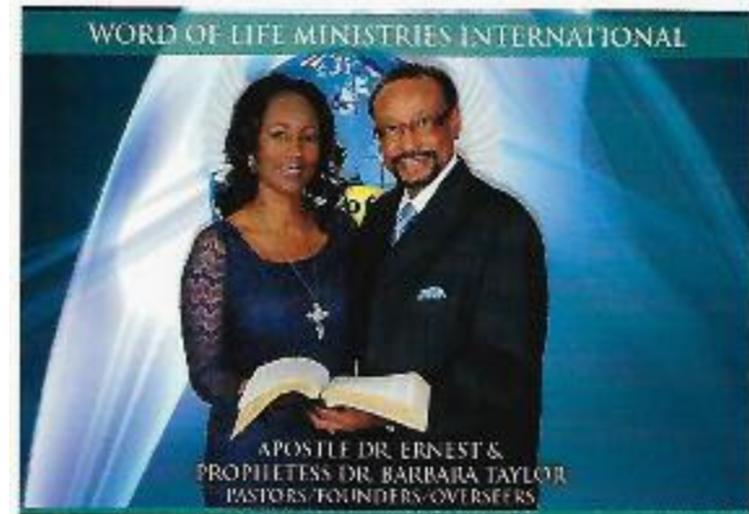
Recently, I had the privilege of going to the movies to watch the Black Panther. Before I arrived I received a super hero mask by a friend to wear while attending. To my surprise many people came dressed in black as super heroes. It was so much fun. This 2018 American Superhero film based on the marvel comic characters in just three days blew the socks off theatres with a 201.8 million box office sales. It is estimated that this will be the number one movie in 2018. The Black Panther, played by Chadwick Boseman, Michael B. Jordan, and Lupita Nyong'o to name a few captured my heart and transported me to the nation of Wakanda where "warriors" fought for the protection of their people, nation and for their rightful place on earth.

What struck me most was how many super heroes have been elevated to their greatness after losing a father. T'Challa, returns home after the death of his father to the isolated technologically advanced African nation to succeed the throne and take his rightful place as king. Clark Kent rises to the man of Steel known as "Superman" after losing his father. Peter Parker's father died and he was raised by an uncle who also died and thus he became "Spider Man". Bruce Wayne became "Batman" after the death of his father. Even in the Disney film Lion King which does not portray a comic character, yet the theme is the same. Mufusa dies and Simba must rise up and take his rightful place as King. The mission of each hero seems to be the same; to defeat the foes that threaten the safety of the people in the city, jungle and the world.

When I think of the death of a significant father, I can't help but think of the death of Jesus Christ. He was put to death by those who wanted to silence his loving authority and spiritual leadership shown to all mankind. The difference with Jesus and the comic characters is that Jesus did not stay dead. He rose from the dead with all power and authority. I guess we could say He was more than a marvel comic character He was the real deal, a true supernatural hero and He still is. This same resurrection power that raised Jesus from the dead has been transferred to those that belong to Him as His sons and daughters.

Did you know that your heavenly father is a super hero? Did you know that makes you a super hero too? We have an "other worldly strength" to fight the battles that are hurled at us each day. We are warriors of the faith and don't forget it. So there is a call going out to all children of the greatest champion of the world. The enemy seeks to render you defeated, but you must make a stand, take up your position and be a superhero.

Michelle Obleton



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North Shore Community Service League - Humanitarian Award



North Shore Community Service League Members

Carol Stewart, Brigitta Dunning, Vicki Estes- Brown, Candice Quinn, Jeanette Keyes, and Shelia Ivory.

The North Shore Community Service League, as a group, are the recipients of the 2018 Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Humanitarian Award. The organization has been in existence since 1957 and is the oldest and most long standing African American organization in Lake County and the first to offer scholarships to African American students in the community. The League sponsors an annual Cotillion where young ladies are mentored and introduced to society.

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YCM - Youth Leadership Award

Dr. Constance Collins, Javonte Taylor, Joshua Davis, and David Northern, Sr.

Youth Change Makers is a youth based community and school organization started by Javonte Taylor and Joshua Davis. As a group, they were presented the Youth Leadership Award.

These students at Zion Central Middle School founded the organization as a strategy to “be the change” that they perceived needed to happen in the community and in school.

Two eighth graders at the Zion Central Middle School, Javonte Taylor and Joshua Davis, formed an organization to make a difference in the community. Known as the “Youth Change Makers”, the organization was established to engage youth in making a difference in Lake County.

According to Javonte Taylor, he and his friends saw the poverty and negative things that permeated the minds of today’s youth.

“So, we decided to take action,” says Taylor. “We wanted to get more youth involved. Our involvement will

be based on positive impacts towards our community of Lake County and worldwide.”

Some of those students who are active in the organization are Jennifer Lopez, Nicholas Palamentes, D. Foster, T. Foster, and Trinity Wallace.

With action in mind, the group challenged themselves and worked with the community to collect over 200 cases of water for the Hurricane Maria victims in Puerto Rico. The students collected food and gave out Thanksgiving Baskets, to deserving families. They made hot chocolate and candy canes, and attached to the canes an inspirational quote for the teachers at Central Middle School. Additionally, they work with Feed my Starving Children, in Libertyville, where they collect and pack food to send out to Haiti and other countries where there was a need.

Youth Change Makers were sponsored at the Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Awards by Consumers Credit Union.

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