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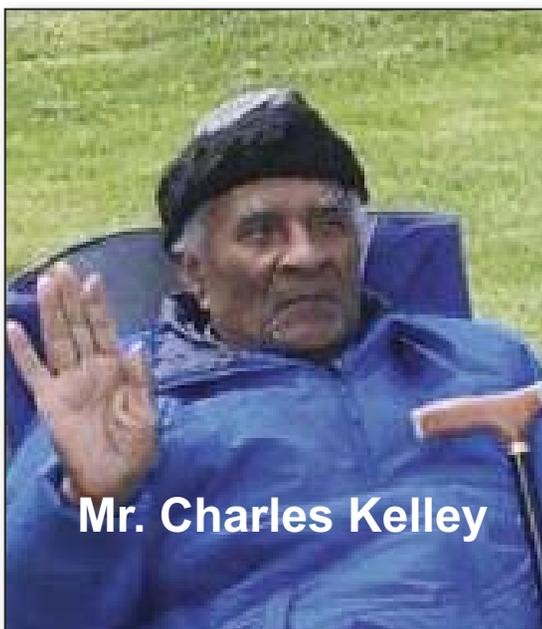
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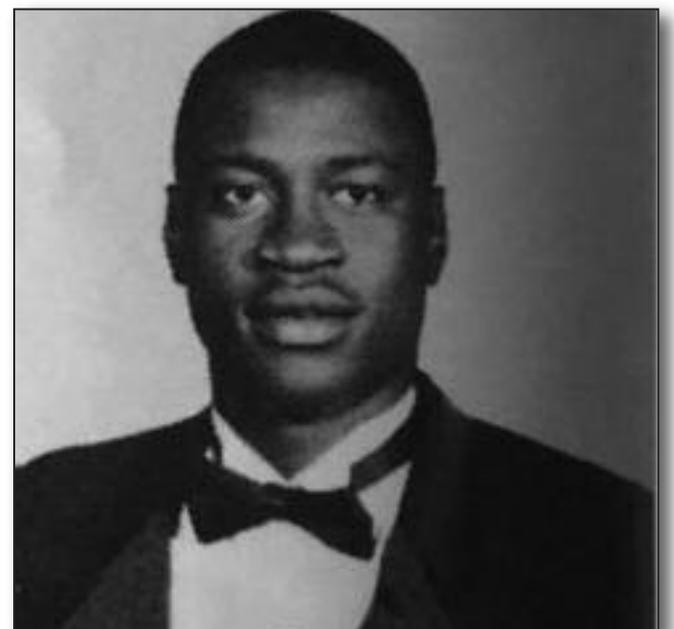
Mr. Charles Kelley

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I KNOW WHY THE CAGED BIRD SINGS

ing is going on, I would probably be right there with them, in the midst, for I understand.

Maya Angelou wrote a book entitled, "I know why the caged bird sings". Some say that Angelou's metaphorical title begs for an explanation, while Angelou never gave one, philosophers say that the bird sings for it longs to be free.

Another explanation, is that, this is all that the bird can do.

In America racism is so dominate and ever present that it has killed and continues to kill the black spirit. Racism is epitomized in the George Floyd incident. Black men have been targeted and negatively impacted by police brutality, economic deprivation and inequities, social and civic discrimination, and drug victimization for 200 years and it has not stopped.

The invention of cell phones with high resolution cameras are allowing people to prove it and bring things to light, but these things have been happening all along. Many incidents have been as brazen as the White Officer putting his full weight on a handcuffed black man as he lay on the ground dying, as in the George Floyd case. African Americans and others who see and witness this kind of travesty are singing, rioting, protesting, because their voices are not and have not been heard. The Johnson era civil rights laws, and equal opportunity legislation that helped to create a black middle class with certain protections were

We are in the midst of one of the worst pandemics that has ever occurred in the world, and in America, African Americans and people of color are disproportionately impacted. When we look at other well-being indicators such as health factors, economic factors, and social factors, blacks seem to be suffering over and above all others and we ask the question, Why.

But not only that, we ask the question, why do black people riot in this time of social unrest.

If I were young, able bodied, and in the key cities where the protesting and riot-

dumbed down and made null and void by more systemic racism and racist policy leaders like what we have in the White House. The Bush and Reagan Administrations stripped the EEOC of its power and effectiveness.

Whites suffer no or very little repercussions for discriminating against Blacks. They do it in employment practices, economic deprivations and other ways that adversely impact the community. When I say economic deprivations, I mean that they do not participate equitably with non-white vendors for key business opportunities, and deprive black businesses of business. White led organizations will not re-invest into the community that they are in by patronizing Black businesses, even when doing so is in their best interest. Thus widening the disparity gaps.

Many organizations take money from the poorer community, that is supposed to be directed for the poverty-stricken communities, and find a way to re-direct it to White consumption and use. And they get away with it because the cameras are not on them, and the burden and logistics of proof are beyond the victims. Yet, these communities, and these people are dying with the knee and full weight of these organizations on their necks. And you had better not say anything about it, the white knee will press even harder.

As in the George Floyd story, people are saying, enough is enough. We have had all that we can or are willing to take. You don't want to listen to our calm, logical pleas then listen to our protests, riots and "by any means necessary rhetoric".

When I see the rioting, this is what I see and hear: (Please listen. Hear our voice. No one wants violence. No one wants chaos. But racist practices and presidential dog whistling have been hurting us and pushing us to a brink, and it must end and it must end now.)

I was recently told by a well-heeled White male and I quote him, "Your voice is no more important than anyone else's" as he worked to discriminate against me and practice his White privilege routine, with his knee on my neck.

Well, my Voice IS as important as anyone else, Mr. White male. So was George Floyd's voice as he lay on the ground with a White knee on his neck being suffocated to death. "Please. I can't breathe." His voice went unheard, and, I guess his voice was no more important than anyone else's either. But that voice, in pain, may just be the single catalyst that will help to turn this world around and open-up a new dialogue of many voices who will sing, sing for justice, sing for peace.

We can't fix the racial disparities in this country without addressing racism, and racist practices.

Yes, I do know why the caged bird sings. It longs to be free. It sings for me.

-Written by Elroy Reed June 1, 2020 Copyrighted

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Charles Kelley Celebrates 103th Birthday

A Peoples Voice
Special Report

Charles Kelley, a World War II Navy Veteran celebrated his 103 Birthday on May 21, 2020. He was joined in his celebration by US Congressman Brad Schneider. Schneider, meeting him for the first time, congratulated him on his years of service and for all the work and contributions that he had made to the community. Instead of a birthday party, due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, the community gave him a birthday parade. More than 730 people in over 380 vehicles paraded by Charles Kelly's home in Zion to salute this milestone in the centennial's life.

Kelley was born just before the Spanish Flu

Pandemic of 1918 which killed 675,000 Americans. He, as a Navy Veteran, had some close calls during World War II, and he survived Pearl Harbor and now the Coronavirus of 2020.

Kelley began his military career in 1937 where he enlisted in the U.S. Navy. After leaving the Navy in 1946, he worked as a civilian in the Navy's electric supply office until he retired in 1975. During this time, he settled in North Chicago where he raised seven children with wife Ruth. She passed in 2017 at the age of 84.

About his birthday parade, "It was quite a surprise. I never expected anything like this," Kelley said. "I knew people were going to drive by, but I didn't expect so many."



Mr. Charles Kelley on his front lawn with U.S. Congressman Brad Schneider on Kelley's 103 Birthday Celebration. Kelley is a Navy Veteran.



Pritzker Launches 'Get Hired' Website Portal

Governor JB Pritzker, the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) and the Illinois Department of Employment Services (IDES) launched Get Hired Illinois – a new portal designed to connect workers with an available job and career training opportunities across the state of Illinois.

Governor Pritzker also announced that beginning in June, Illinois residents will have free access to online workforce development courses via a partnership with Coursera. With Illinois facing record unemployment as a result of COVID-19, the Coursera partnership and Get Hired page will serve as important measures in the state's overall efforts to get people back to work. Residents and employers may access Get Hired at www.illinois.gov/gethired.

"The financial stability and success of our residents is key to getting Illinois' economy back on its feet," said Governor Pritzker. "Illinois won't be restored until our workers and families have the opportunities

and resources they need to build and fill their lives. That's why my administration is working with businesses and industries across the state to encourage more employers to utilize the Get Hired website."

The new Get Hired portal blends IDES and DCEO resources to provide a one-stop-shop for both job seekers and employers—providing information on job opportunities as well as unemployment resources. "The Get Hired portal works to solve a goal that's two-fold—helping our job seekers return to work quickly and supporting our businesses in adding talented workers to help drive our economic recovery," said Erin Guthrie, Director of DCEO.

The Get Hired portal currently features nearly 60,000 available job opportunities in a variety of industries. Job seekers are encouraged to visit Get Hired often for updates on available opportunities.

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Facts About COVID-19 Data

Although African Americans make up just 15 percent of Illinois' population, they represent 18 percent of positive cases and 32 percent of COVID-related deaths. And while Latinos make up 17 percent of Illinois' population, they represent 30 percent of positive cases and 18 percent of COVID-related deaths.

What is a coronavirus?

A coronavirus is one of a family of viruses responsible for a range of illnesses from the common cold to more serious diseases like severe acute respiratory syndrome, which that was discovered in 2003. While a coronavirus can cause cold like symptoms like shortness of breath and a fever, signs of more severe infections include pneumonia, organ failure and even death, according to the World Health Organization.

The Numbers.....

As of the printing of this paper, in the United States, 1.7 million confirmed cases and over 101,000 people have died of the COVID-19 Virus. More Americans have died of this pandemic than the Vietnam War, Desert Storm, The War in Afghanistan, and 911 Terrorist Attack on American soil combined.



The LOCKHART-WHITE REPORT

June 2020

A communique of the Community Action Partnership of Lake County

Helping Those That Can't Help Themselves

As social distancing policies shut down local businesses, people living on the streets lose access to public bathrooms, major news updates, and indoor places to stay safe during the day. When public spaces such as libraries close, the homeless population has no way to access the internet, which prevents them from staying updated on how they can protect themselves from the virus and from staying in contact with others.

If a homeless person is especially vulnerable to the virus, there is no place where they can isolate themselves, particularly if shelters don't have the adequate resources to put safety measures in place. It has been a whirlwind of a few weeks for all of us.

As the coronavirus pandemic sweeps the nation, the busiest of American cities are drawn to a halt and the human condition has been truly shaken. As we adjust to these strange times and shift our work desks to our living rooms, our classrooms to our kitchen tables, and our weekly grocery trip to Instacart, we must also shift our focus as a nation. It's easy to worry about the lack of toilet paper at the grocery store, but an estimated 553,000 people experiencing homelessness throughout the United States are worried about much more.

Many of these individuals have the underlying health conditions that often result from living in poverty: diabetes, asthma, heart disease, and other chronic health con-

ditions. On average, an unsheltered person in the United States is between 50

and 55 years old, yet they display health issues more commonly seen among adults aged 70 or 75.

At least 20 shelters across the country have needed to close their doors as they lose staff to illness and volunteers because of social distancing. Even more facilities lack hand sanitizer, masks, gloves, and other protective equipment necessary to keep their doors open safely.

Diane Yentel, President and CEO of the National Low Income Housing Coalition reports that shelters are "really struggling to implement social distancing." Without the funds necessary to build new wings or obtain more hotel rooms, they are taking out half of the beds in their shelters so they can spread the ones that remain further apart. As the need for their services skyrockets, shelters face an impossible dilemma: serve half as many people and maintain some defense against the spread of the virus or serve everyone in close, potentially unsafe quarters?

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Online Food Purchasing for SNAP Recipients

Governor JB Pritzker announced that the State's plan to enable more than 1.8 million SNAP recipients (across nearly a million households) to purchase food from participating grocery retailers online has been approved by the federal government. This new purchasing option will begin on June 2nd. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) approved IDHS' SNAP Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Online implementation plan, which gives SNAP customers the ability to enter their Personal Identification Number (PIN) to order groceries online. All SNA_P recipients with Link_ cards in Illinois will be able to participate.

Walmart and Amazon have agreed to accept online orders in Illinois once the program begins and IDHS is encouraging other grocery retailers to participate as well. More grocery retailers are welcome to join EBT Online. Any retailers interested in the program can find more information and apply on the USDA website. <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/online-purchasing-pilot>.

IDES Processes 1.3 Million Claims in 3 Months

The Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES) today released new statewide data showing the department processed 58,263 new initial

claims for regular unemployment benefits during the week ending May 23. The department has now processed 1,302,154 claims for unemployment benefits from March 1 through May 23.

This amount is nearly 12 times the number of claims the department processed over the same period last year, when IDES processed just 102,000 claims for regular unemployment benefits. The Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) program has processed 88,965 initial claims in its two weeks.

PUA provides 100% federally-funded unemployment benefits for individuals who are unemployed for specified COVID-19-related reasons and are not eligible for the state's regular unemployment insurance program, the Extended Benefit (EB) program under Illinois law, or the Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation program (PEUC), including independent contractors and sole-proprietors. Up to 39 weeks' worth of benefits are potentially available under the program for COVID-19-related unemployment claims.

PEUC continues through the week ending December 26. Statewide unemployment claims data is made available on the IDES website every Thursday. Those with questions or in need of assistance with unemployment benefits at this time are encouraged to visit IDES.Illinois.gov or contact Rebecca Cisco at 217.524.1219 or rebecca.cisco@illinois.gov.



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Newly Unemployed? Understanding Your Health Insurance Options

(StatePoint) With millions of people nationwide filing for unemployment since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, many individuals and families across the country are suddenly finding themselves without health insurance at a precarious time. Fortunately, new options may be able to help those on tight budgets.

“The sudden and unexpected loss of health insurance only compounds the stress caused by job loss amidst this unprecedented economic and public health crisis. However, unemployed individuals have more options for affordable health insurance than they did during past economic recessions thanks to provisions in the Affordable Care Act, along with actions recently taken by Congress and some states,” says American Medical Association (AMA) president, Patrice A. Harris, M.D.

Whether you recently lost your job-based health insurance or were uninsured before COVID-19 struck, the AMA, a long-time advocate for health insurance coverage for all Americans, is highlighting the following options:

- **Affordable Care Act (ACA) Marketplaces:** Family and individual health plans can be bought in the health insurance marketplaces created by the ACA. Losing a job is a qualifying life event that allows unemployed individuals up to 60 days to enroll in a marketplace health plan before the close of a special enrollment period. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, certain states have reopened enrollment periods when all consumers -- not only those who have experienced a job loss -- can enroll in marketplace health plans and potentially qualify for financial assistance to purchase these plans based on their income.

Subsidies available to eligible individuals through the health insurance marketplaces can help with premiums and out-of-pocket costs, making coverage more affordable. The Kaiser Family Foundation can help calculate an estimate of premiums and subsidies based on an individual's income, age and family size. It will also estimate an individual's eligibility for Medicaid.

- **Medicaid:** While each state's program has unique attributes for coverage, Medicaid can offer no- or low-cost coverage for those with the lowest incomes with limited cost-sharing requirements. Unlike the ACA marketplaces, there is no defined open enrollment period for Medicaid, and eligible people can sign up at any time. State eligibility requirements and income qualifications vary by state. Every state covers low-income children, pregnant women and people with disabilities, while 36 states and the District of Columbia have expanded Medicaid coverage so that adults with income up to 138 percent of the federal poverty level can qualify.



- **Beware Short-Term Plans:** The AMA cautions patients to avoid short-term limited duration plans whenever possible, especially during this pandemic. Short-term plans are designed to fill temporary gaps in health insurance when comprehensive coverage may not be an option. But it is important to understand that these plans offer very limited benefits and do not usually cover COVID-19 testing and treatment, pre-existing medical conditions, mental health services, prescription drugs, and preventative and wellness care.

“Avoiding gaps in coverage should be a top priority for anyone who has recently lost their health insurance,” says Harris. “The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the importance of having meaningful health insurance coverage.”



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Waukegan Housing Authority Begins \$45 Million Re-development with Barwell Manor Homes



(Waukegan, IL May 10, 2020) The Waukegan Housing Authority closed on a \$45 million comprehensive affordable housing re-development plan for the city's southside on March 31, 2020. The plan calls for a public / private partnership to re-develop four housing sites in the City of Waukegan starting with Barwell Manor in the city's First Ward.

"I am thrilled that this project is finally on the way. After more than 20 years talking about some type of development in the First Ward, it is finally happening. It's a project that I believe can be a catalyst for further developments," says Eleanor Murkey, Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Waukegan Housing Authority.

A ground-breaking ceremony for phase 1 of the multi-million-dollar project is expected to be announced soon.

"We are so excited that we have this great opportunity to build something amazing for the community and the residents that we serve," Charles J. Chambers, Jr., Executive Director/ CEO of the Waukegan Housing Authority said.

Construction Management Associates, Inc (CMA) of Kenosha,

WI has begun demolition for the first phase of the project. Utilities for some of the Barwell Manor buildings at the corner of Genesee and South Avenue have been disconnected. Chain fences for security and safety have been erected and bulldozers may be seen on site as the 55-year-old Barwell facilities are razed.

The new Barwell site will feature a state-of-the-art 120-unit facility. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA), The National Equity Fund, Citi Community Capital, and the City of Waukegan are partnering to fund the project. BEAR Real Estate Group is the development partner, and Clesia Ventures, LLC is serving as the consulting partner to the Waukegan Housing Authority.

For more information, please contact the Executive Director/CEO, Mr. Charles J. Chambers, Jr. at the Waukegan Housing Authority, 847-244-8500. You may also visit the website at www.waukeganhousing.com.

-A Peoples Voice Special Report

Call4Calm

Illinois has launched Call4Calm, a free emotional support text line for Illinois residents experiencing stress and mental health issues related to COVID-19. To speak with a mental health professional, text "TALK" or "HABLAR" (for Spanish) to 552020

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and pray a prayer of protection
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*Fore I know in my heart
that it is truly a sin
to be judged and hated to
because of Black skin.
To be degraded and beaten
targeted and slaying
these senseless killings
are truly insane.*

*The more that we see
the more is revealed
every tick of the clock
a Black man is killed.*

*This is the land of the brave
the home of the free
BUT Black Men in this country
are they really FREE?
The strange fruit aint strange
that hung in this land
the bodies that sung
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So I lift my Black voice
to this profound Black fact
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*Sharon D Epps
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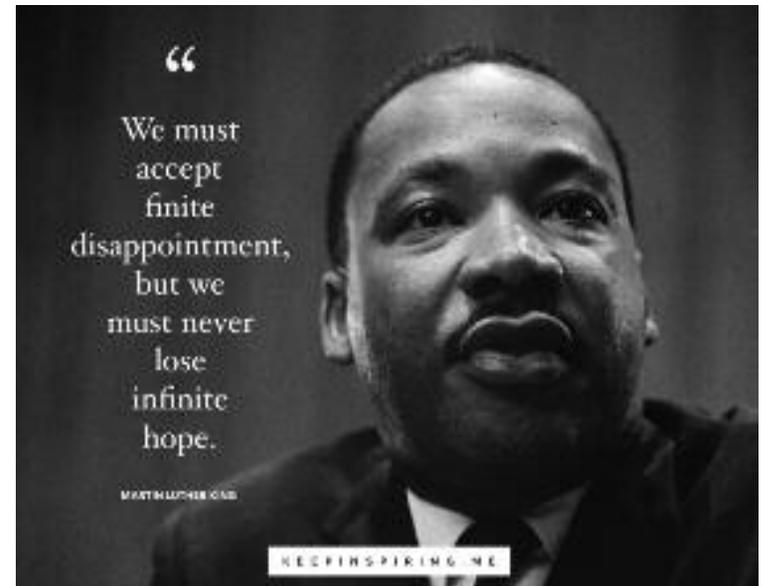
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ple who want to upskill their digital media design abilities.

"My professors went above and beyond to reassure our choice of major and make sure we had the skills to be hireable or succeed in a transfer program," said Araceli Gaucin, first-generation college student. She plans to transfer to University of Southern California and complete her bachelor's degree so she can pursue a career in videography.



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Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. -John 3:3

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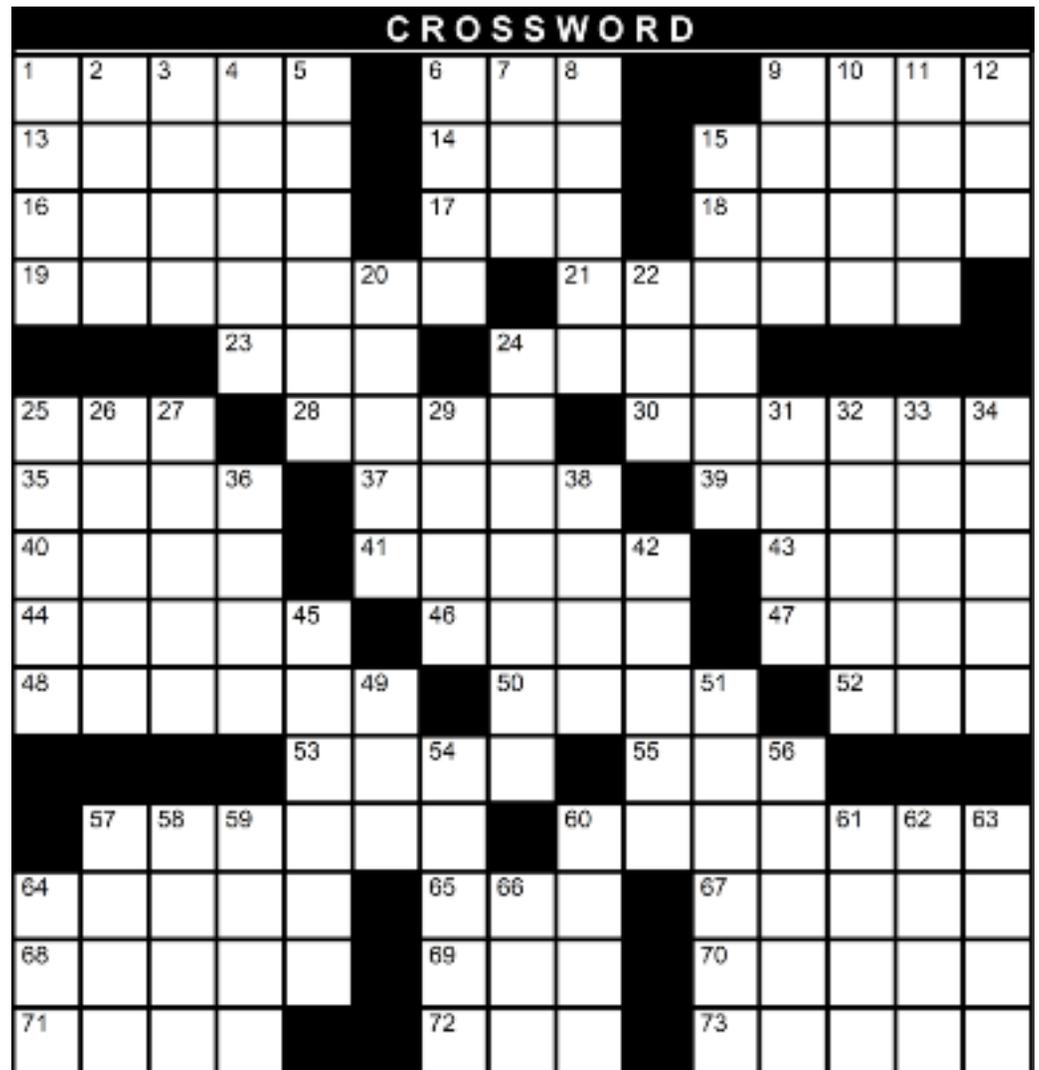
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ACROSS

1. Happen again
6. Promotions
9. Field mouse
13. UV absorber
14. Seek a seat
15. Eagle's nest
16. Jury _____
17. Mad King George's number
18. Bad-tempered one
19. *Two or more people on the road
21. *Fines can do that?
23. Scot's woolen cap
24. Give an impression
25. Last month
28. Willy Wonka mastermind
30. Lay down to rest again
35. Container weight
37. Damaging precipitation
39. One born to Japanese immigrants
40. Windows alternative
41. Clown act
43. London subway
44. What Motion Picture Association of America does
46. Lentil soup
47. Pulitzer winner Bellow
48. Little Women to Aunt March
50. Victorian and Elizabethan ones, e.g.
52. Dropped drug
53. Type of dam
55. Post Malone's genre
57. *Traffic separator
60. *Kind of lane
64. Tiger's and lioness' offspring
65. J. Edgar Hoover's org.
67. Capital of Vietnam
68. Between wash and dry
69. 1985 Kurosawa movie
70. Village V.I.P.
71. Brewer's kiln
72. Play part
73. Young salmon

Down

1. Campus drilling grp.
2. Poet Pound
3. Coconut fiber
4. Not fitting
5. Add a new magazine
6. Seed cover
7. *Punishable driver offense, acr.
8. Like a hurtful remark
9. Action word
10. Like face-to-face exam
11. Don't cross it?
12. Comic cry
15. Keeness in a certain field
20. D-Day beach
22. Old-fashioned over
24. Move like a serpent
25. *Go back the way you came
26. Hawaiian veranda
27. Banal or commonplace
29. *"Raised _____," or "Don't Walk"
31. Small fragments
32. Bar order, with the
33. Puzzle with pictures and letters
34. *Up-side-down triangle sign
36. Biz bigwig
38. Yarn spinner
42. "The Nutcracker" protagonist
45. Crafting with stitches
49. One of Sinbad's seven
51. Miss America's accessory, pl.
54. Prefix for below

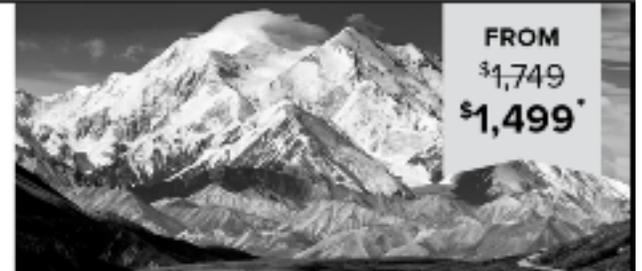


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56. Church song
57. Actress Sorvino
58. Shining armor
59. Negative contraction
60. Pub order
61. _____-China
62. Christmas season
63. Horizontal wall beam
64. *Keep your hands at ten and _____
66. *Measurement of alcohol in body, acr.

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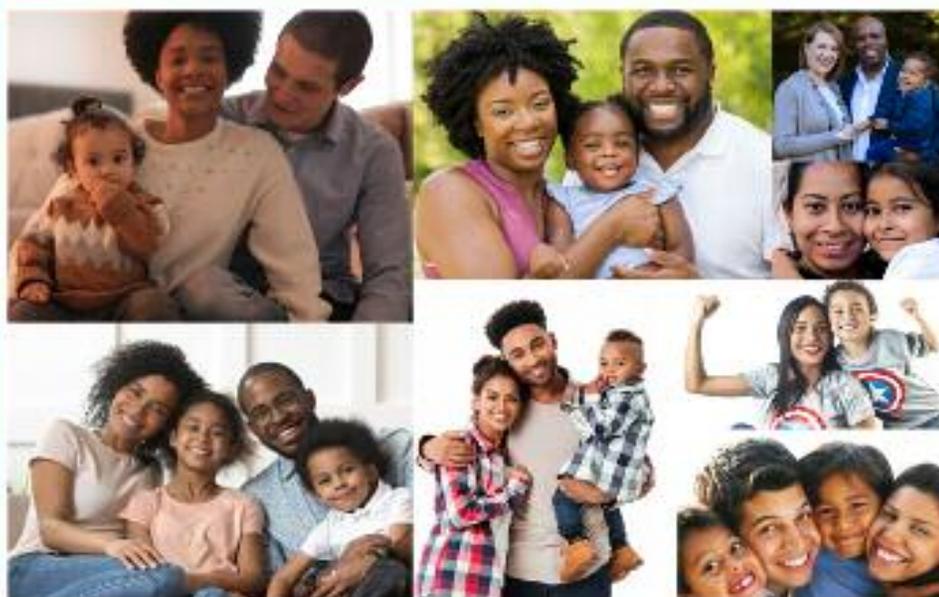


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The Killing of George Floyd an American Murder

A Peoples Voice Special Report

On May 25, 2020, George Floyd, an African-American man, died in Powderhorn, a neighborhood south of downtown Minneapolis, Minnesota, United States. While Floyd was handcuffed and lying face down on a city street during an arrest, Derek Chauvin, a white Minneapolis police officer, kept his knee on the right side of Floyd's neck for 8 minutes and 46 seconds; according to the criminal complaint against Chauvin, 2 minutes and 53 seconds of that time occurred after Floyd became unresponsive. Officers Tou Thao, J. Alexander Kueng, and Thomas K. Lane participated in Floyd's arrest, with Kueng holding Floyd's back, Lane holding his legs, and Thao looking on as he stood nearby. Preliminary results from the official autopsy found no indication that Floyd died of strangulation or traumatic asphyxia, but that the combined effects of being restrained, underlying health conditions, including coronary artery disease and hypertensive heart disease, and potential intoxicants in his system likely contributed to his death. Attorneys for Floyd's family announced that they have requested an independent autopsy.

An independent autopsy, commissioned for George Floyd's family found that he died of asphyxiation due to neck and back compression when a Minneapolis police officer held his knee on Floyd's neck for several minutes and ignored his cries of distress.

The arrest was made after Floyd was accused of using a counterfeit \$20 bill at a deli. Police said Floyd physically resisted arrest. According to Newshub, a security camera from a nearby business did not show Floyd resisting. However, the criminal complaint filed later stated Floyd "did not voluntarily get in the car and struggled with



George Floyd

the officers, intentionally falling down, saying he was not going in the car, and refusing to stand still" based on body cameras worn by Kueng and Lane.

Several bystanders recorded the event on their smartphones, with one video showing Floyd repeating "Please", "I can't breathe", "Mama", and "Don't kill me" being widely circulated on social media platforms and broadcast by the media. All four officers were fired the next day.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) is conducting a federal civil rights investigation into the incident at the request of the Minneapolis Police Department. The Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA) is also investigating possible violations of Minnesota statutes. On May 29, Chauvin was charged with third-degree murder and second-degree manslaughter for Floyd's death, with Hennepin County attorney Michael O. Freeman saying he anticipated charges to be brought

against the other three officers at the scene.

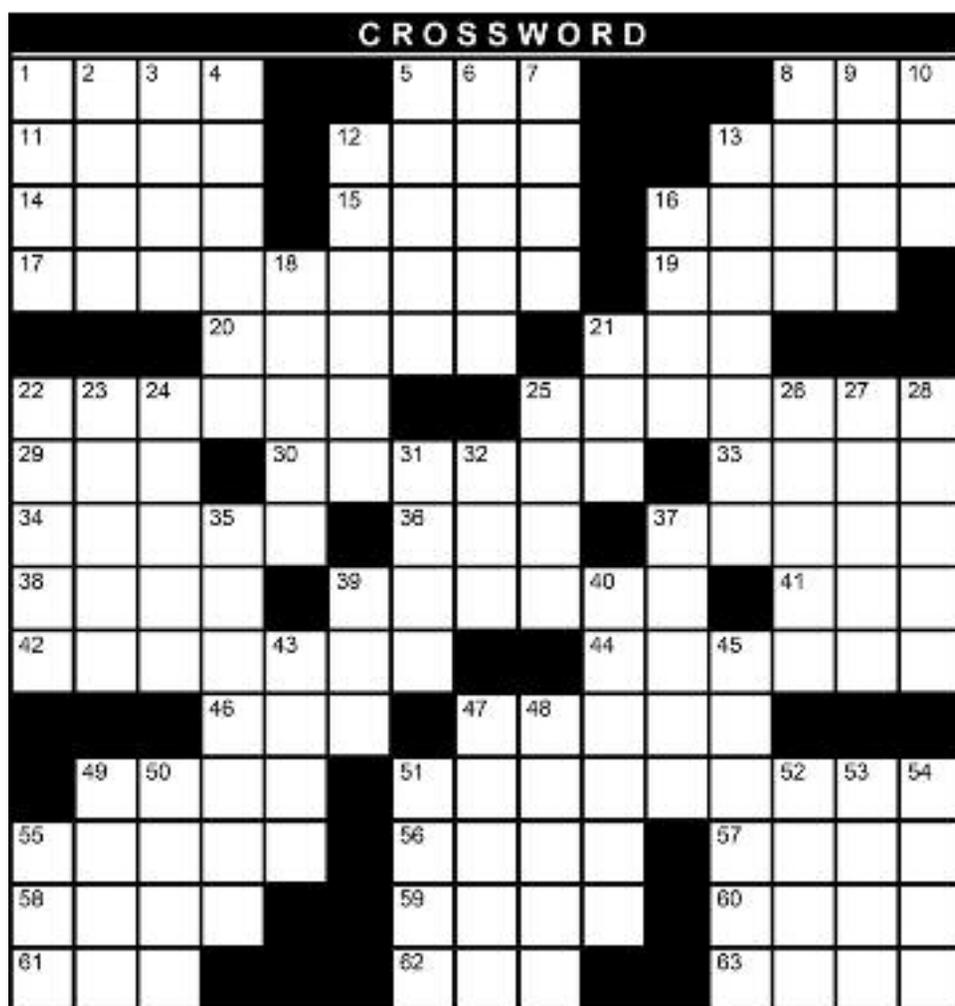
After Floyd's death, demonstrations and protests in the Minneapolis–Saint Paul area were initially peaceful on May 26, but later that day became violent as windows were smashed at a police precinct, two stores were set on fire, and many stores were looted and damaged. Some demonstrators skirmished with police, who fired tear gas and rubber bullets. Additional protests, including riots, looting, and property damage developed in over 100 cities throughout all 50 states in the United States, as well as internationally.

Floyd's death has been compared to the 2014 death of Eric Garner. Garner, also an unarmed black man, repeated "I can't breathe" eleven times after being placed in a chokehold by a New York police officer during an arrest in Staten Island.

-Most of this report was obtained from Wikipedia

Crossword Puzzle

Theme: Lawyer Lingo



19. Cher has one

20. Marine enchantress

21. Not tac nor toe

22. *Not underwear!

25. *Battery's companion

29. Literary "even"

30. "_____ it _____," or go full force

33. Quartet minus one

34. Greyish brown

36. Common conjunction

37. Ban from school, e.g.

38. Home-steader's measurement

39. Complete failure

41. "Stand and Deliver" singer

42. Relating to breastbone

44. Spectacle venues

46. Marcia's jealous sister

47. Type of assistant, for short

49. Sudden and brilliant success

51. *Courtroom protest

55. Like blue sky

DOWN

1. Big do

2. Eastern European

3. Toy with a tail

4. Thinly spread

5. Tutu fabric

6. Mork from Ork

7. Walk, as through mud

8. Cripple

9. Major European river

10. Ancient Chinese dynasty

12. Stock exchange, in Paris

13. Mollify

16. Anisette, for short

18. Often precedes through, to search

21. Cough syrup amt.

22. Greek Bs

23. Don't just stand there!

24. Habituate

25. Gives a hand

26. Of a city

27. Tarzan's swing rope

28. *Reasons to sue

31. Peacock's pride

32. Genetic initials

35. *Lie made under oath

37. Pre-Ionic

39. Belieber or Parrothead, e.g.

40. Usually not allowed in court

43. Back of the neck

45. *To lure into a compromising act

47. *To annul or suspend

48. Jinn or genie

49. Old Russian autocrat

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ACROSS

1. Requests
5. Pub dispenser
8. Feline sound
11. HGTV's "_____ or Flop"
12. Ferdinand, e.g.
13. Like a ghost
14. *Pro _____, or in proportion
15. Miscellany
16. *Elsewhere
17. *Response to #51 Across?

56. Twins, e.g.
57. Was a passenger
58. Shirking work
59. Volcano in Sicily
60. All over again
61. *_____ se or _____ tem
62. Bear's hangout
63. Quiet attention grabbed

50. Anis-flavored aperitif
51. Newspaper piece
52. Atom that lost an electron, pl.
53. Words from Wordsworth, pl.
54. Type of salamander
55. European peak

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