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MOTHER OF THE YEAR

Harriet Holley is a community leader, founder and CEO of Grandparents and Kins Raising Children, a mother of four, grandmother of seven and is happily married to Clarence Holley.

She is one of Lake County's most important influencers. From advocating for families, to providing winter coats, and spring shoes for children, to helping people fulfill primary needs like food and shelter, Harriet reaches out and back to help others.

She is recognized for her devotion to family and the community, and is named Mother of the Year by the Chicago Peoples Voice Newspaper.

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THE E. REED REPORT

The Strength to Lead

Editor's Note: I am the recipient of the 2021 Chi Eta Nursing Sorority Trailblazer Award. I was also asked to provide the keynote address during the awards ceremony. The treatise that follows is the transcript of my speech. While it is heavy in some regards, it is an eye-opener as I share some of the life lessons that I have learned. I hope that you enjoy it.

The Strength To Lead

Good Evening,

First of all I would like to thank Carole Stewart and the other nurses and leaders in the Chi Eta Phi Sorority of Nurses, Nu Phi Chapter of Waukegan, who are within themselves first responders, care givers, care providers, and yes, Trail Blazers who have made life bearable for so many. Thank you for your years of service.

And secondly, I would like to say that as outlined in Romans 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. Another way to say this in modern vernacular, is to say that I am not afraid to have, show, and confess faith. Faith in God, faith in the scriptures, faith in the call to excellence, and faith and courage to do the

things that God lays on my heart to do.

And therein my friends lie the well-kept secret of success.

If we were to look down the annuals of history, we will see great men who discovered this secret. I am going to tell you about two of them.

If I were to ask you to name three of the top-most prestigious Universities in America which ones would you name? I believe that one of them would be Harvard University in Cambridge Massachusetts. Would not you agree? Harvard is world renown for the rigor and excellence of their academic programs. And if someone walks into a room and says that they are a graduate of Harvard (Harvard Law, Harvard School of Medicine, Harvard School of Divinity, any school there) you give them a little bit more respect. But did you know that Harvard was founded and started by a group of ministers as a preacher's college where they studied the Word of God? One of their founders, John Harvard, for whom the school was named after, was a protestant minister. Harvard's very foundation was built on Faith. Now, down through the years, look at the trails that has been blazed. Look at what they have done.

But I do not want to stop with the work and example of the legacy inspired by John Harvard, I want to share with you some information about another man that you all know well, the Late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. One of the most poignant books that I have every read was a book that Dr. King penned mostly as a collection of sermons. It is a New York Times best seller called the "Strength to Love".

One of the best known quotes from that book is ... and I quote... "Returning hate for hate multiplies hate, adding deeper darkness to a night already devoid of stars. Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate, only Love can do that."

Now let me be quick to say that Dr. King was not, and I underscore NOT, a soft hearted, left wing liberal. He was a tough, straight shooter, that believed that the principals set forth in the word of God was the roadway to justice and equality. He blazed trails on foundations of Faith, rather than mealy mouthed political platform adherence to gain and maintain power.

If something was right, he stood for it. If something was wrong, he stood against it. Not because it was popular or pleased the powers that flexed their muscles at the time, but because whatever he was advocating was right and in line with the principals of Faith. He was a man of integrity.

We are at a time in history, where anything goes.

But for King, and many other trailblazers, anything did not go. This set him apart from all the other walkers, talkers, and "balkers". He stood on a good foundation.

When I was in the 12th grade in High School, I became the President of the Future Business Leaders of America. We all took a photo together, and I was in the center. The school counselor write in the caption in the year book this saying, "The journey of 1,000 miles begins with one step."

In order to achieve anything, you have to begin. You have to take the first step. But be sure of Five things.

- 1) The first thing is being sure that you want to take the trip. Every fight is not your fight. Every job is not the right job for you. Every or just any career is not necessarily the career for you. Take some time and figure out what you want to do and then begin. Take the first step.
- 2) I heard a preacher say to another preacher when that preacher was talking about his calling to a specific church or ministry. The older preacher said, well, it will be alright, as long as you know "Who" called you.
- 3) Understand that the journey will probably have more downs than ups and that often, especially if you stand on biblical principles, you will have to stand alone.
- 4) Understand that it is not about the fight, it's about the struggle. King endured a number of fights but the struggle for Civil Rights continues. Therefore, pick your battles.
- 5) You may also lose a few battles or scrimmages, but do not be discouraged...I skipped ahead, As the great Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. said, In his world renown speech, "I have a Dream", I have been to the mountain top, I have seen the Glory of the Lord, I may not get there with you, but we as a people, we shall get there. In the Words of an Old Negro Spiritual, We Shall Overcome.
- 6) If your foundation is one of Faith, you will win in the end. On the trail of life, this is the pathway to success.

I repeat the old Irish Blessing, "May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face; the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of His hand." Thank You.

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But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. - Matthew 6:33

Attorney Michael Nerheim Appointed to Judgeship

As part of the political “Blue Wave” which resulted in an upset election, former Lake County State’s Attorney Michael G. Nerheim moves from the Chief State’s Attorney post to that of Judge. He was appointed by the Illinois Supreme Court to the Second Subcircuit of the 19th Judicial Circuit on Feb. 1, 2021, to replace Judge Valerie Boettle Ceckowski, who retired Jan. 29 from that position after 24 years on the bench.

Nerheim served two terms at state’s attorney and has more than 20 years of experience in the legal profession.

“I was looking at several things like corporate positions, not-for-profits and

private practice,” Nerheim, told the Lake County News Sun. “When I saw the vacancy in the subcircuit where I live, it definitely got my attention. I decided to go for it. I’ll still be doing public service.”

Nerheim’s position will last through Dec. 5, 2022, where, if he would like to continue, he must run for the office. The primary is in March of 2022 with the consolidated general election in November 2022.

According to published reports, Nerheim was making as State’s Attorney \$173,744.44 per year. His salary as a judge will begin at \$207,291.



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Chicago Boots Out Firehouse Dogs

*Firehouse dogs in city no longer allowed
Decision comes after family pet killed near station in Englewood*

By Charles J. Johnson Chicago Tribune

The Chicago Fire Department will no longer allow dogs at firehouses after a firehouse dog killed a family pet near an Englewood fire station.

A dog named Bones — believed by the Fire Department to be a mixed-breed stray taken off the street — was living at Engine 116 at 60th Street and Ashland Avenue when it got out and killed a small breed dog being walked in the area.

“Any and all prior permissions for dogs in the fire stations or on fire apparatuses are hereby revoked,” acting Fire Commissioner Annette Nance-Holt wrote in a department memo. The order is effective immediately and without exception, the memo says. The vast majority of firehouses have not had dogs, according to a department spokesperson.

The decision sparked an outpouring of criticism on the CFD Firehouse Pups Facebook page. Larry Langford, the chief Fire Department spokesman, also weighed in on the page.

“I am as sad to see the dogs go as anyone. I live near 116 and was well aware of Bones and the longtime king of the house Salty,” Langford wrote. “I also feel the pain of the neighbor who watched as Bones attacked and killed her dog while she walked it past the firehouse over the weekend.

“We hope they can all find good homes with members. In many ways some will do better in a home than in the firehouse. Rocco, the longtime dog of Engine 117 was a great example. He was a source of concern at the firehouse but I am told he did a great turn-about after being taken in by one member. I will miss Bones as we all miss the pups but it must be done. I would hate to see another pup or worse a child attacked by one of our own.”

Department officials will check with firehouses to ensure dogs have been removed, a

department spokesman told WMAQ-Ch. 5. Some on the Facebook page are trying to find a permanent home for Bones.

“Our hearts go out to the dog that passed away,” said Jim Tracy, president of the union that represents Chicago firefighters. “But our men and women deal with death every day. They deal with some of the most heartbreaking things you can possibly imagine. When you go on a run that might not have gone the right way — it might not be a comfort dog with all the papers, but it’s a comfort for them. It goes a long way.”

Tracy said most of Chicago firehouse dogs are strays that get picked up and brought to firefighters by the public. The fire crews and paramedics care for the dogs, train them, feed them and get them inoculated and spayed or neutered, then ask formal permission to keep the dogs on-site. Usually, it’s been granted, Tracy said, and many firehouse dogs might otherwise face being euthanized.

“Technically, it’s her call,” Tracy said, referring to Nance-Holt, “but there’s definitely a lot of firefighters that are trying to get her to change her mind and do it on a case-by-case basis. ... This is the first tragedy that I’ve heard of in the 25 years that I’ve been on.”

“I hope we somehow find a way to get this decision reversed. To those who will be taking these pups into their homes please continue to share your pictures and stories with us,” one Firehouse Pups group admin wrote. charjohnson@chicago tribune.com Twitter @Charliemagne

High school reunion

however, I quickly discarded any such thought. This balding, gray-haired man with the deeply lined face was way too old to have been my classmate.

After he examined my teeth, I asked him if he had attended Morgan Park High School.

“Yes. Yes, I did. I’m a Mustang,” he beamed with pride.

“When did you graduate?” I asked.

He answered, “In 1959. Why do you ask?”

“You were in my class!” I exclaimed.

He looked at me closely. Then, that ugly, old, bald wrinkled, fat, gray, decrepit son-of-a-gun asked, “What did you teach?”

Upon seeing him,



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Words from State Representative Joyce Mason...

April 22, 2021. Today, individuals can proudly serve in the military regardless of their sexual orientation or gender identity. That wasn't always the case. Those who were discovered to be LGBTQ prior to 2011 were given "Other Than Honorable" or General discharges, leaving them without veterans benefits.

This week I passed HB1290 on the floor, which will give these individuals Illinois veterans benefits. I'm incredibly proud of this legislation, and grateful for the support of Equality Illinois, the Lake County Veterans Assistance Commission, and many other organizations supporting veterans and equality. Those who served honorably should get the benefits they have earned, regardless of who they are or who they love.



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CLC student art featured in pop-up showcase in Gurnee Mills

A Peoples Voice Special Report

Paintings, pastels, pottery and more are part of the College of Lake County's 40th Annual Student Art Competition this spring. The public can view all student artwork displayed in a virtual gallery since COVID-19 still prevents the community from gathering in the Robert T. Wright Community Gallery of Art on campus. However, this year the college is excited to feature a curated pop-up exhibition of works from this show at Gurnee Mills.

Warm Welcome by Chihi Liu "It's exciting to see art created by College of Lake County students on display in public forum again," said art instructor and gallery curator Ann Rintz. "It's a completely different experience when you get to see art in person. The response and quality of work submitted for the show this year was superior."

Starting April 22 through May 10 you can find a selection of student art on display near Burlington and Top Shelf Ice Arena. Convenient parking and easy access make this pop-up a special opportunity for the community to engage with CLC artists. Visitors are required to wear face masks and social distance while inside Gurnee Mills.

The competition is a juried exhibit featuring painting, drawing, graphic design, photography, ceramics and sculpture. Students were awarded a combined \$3,000 in cash prizes, including a \$500 scholarship from the Lake County Art League and another \$500 Phoebe Boyd scholarship.

Line Study by Thais Souza "As a graphic design student at CLC, it makes me beyond excited to see my work in the Student Art Competition," said Thais Souza, an international student from Brazil currently living in Palatine. "It is a pleasure to have my photographs displayed among so many other talented artists and be given the opportunity to compete for prizes. I thank CLC and Gurnee Mills for making this possible and always being so inclusive and open to artists."

Artwork: "Self Portrait Line Study" by Thais Souza, digital photography. Award of Merit recipient.

This year's juror, Kendra Kett has 30 years of highly successful performance in the business and education management sector, working with and supporting Fortune 500 companies. She is one of only six winners of the Jim Greenman Lifetime Achievement Award for child advocacy.

Inspired by her successful business career and passion for fine art, Kendra launched the Blue Moon Gallery in Grayslake, Illinois. Blue Moon Gallery has grown into a thriving venture for artists and collectors in Northern Illinois and built a solid reputation for high quality art exhibitions featuring local artists as well as for achieving an exciting sales record through her partnerships with art collectors. Kendra's reputation for excellence and innovation makes her an immensely helpful strategic partner to artists and collectors.

The Robert T. Wright Community Gallery of Art is committed to displaying the works of Illinois artists and increasing the visibility of nationally known artists in Lake County. Although the physical gallery is currently closed due to COVID-19, the public is welcome to view this year's entries online.



Artwork: "Warm Welcome" by Chihi Liu, oil on canvas. Award of Excellence recipient.

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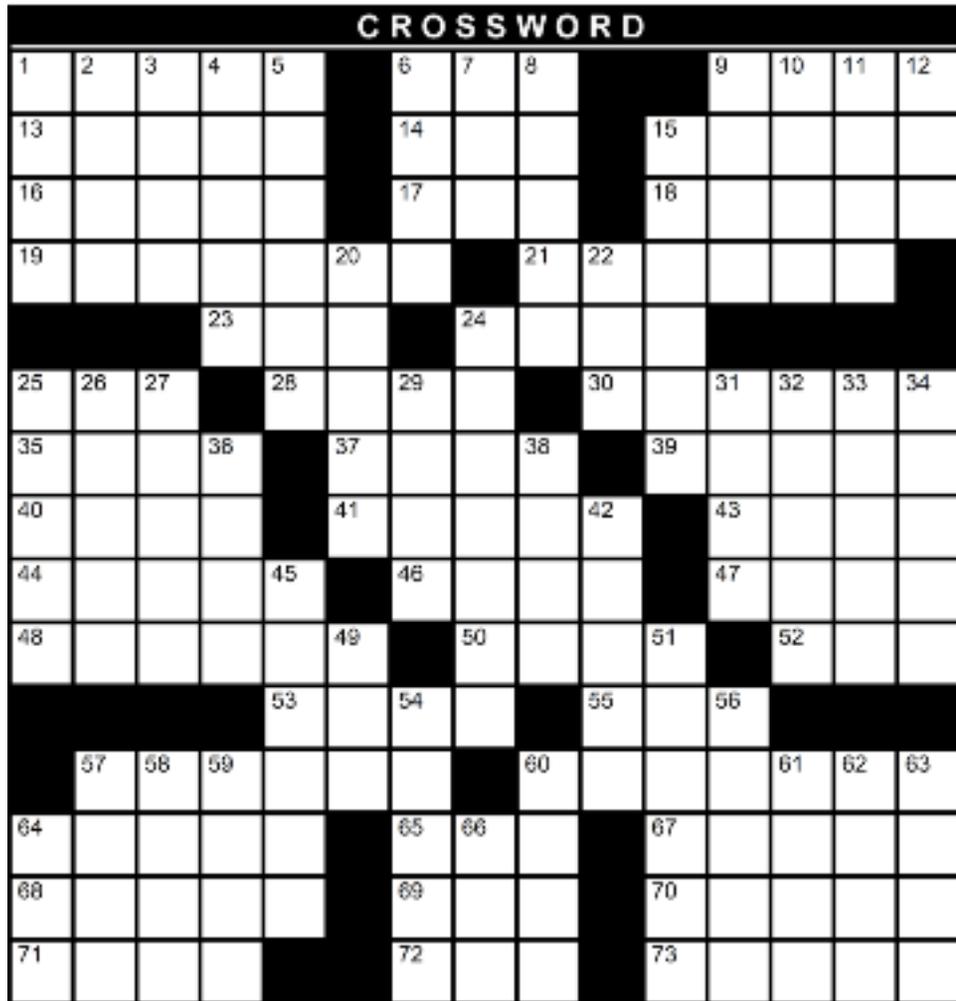
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- 11. Build a collection
- 6. Economic measure acronym
- 9. *Beverly Goldberg's schmoopie
- 13. Use an @p@e
- 14. Neither here ____ there
- 15. Tall ancient monument
- 16. Daisy-like bloom
- 17. Much of it about nothing?
- 18. Commoions
- 19. *She's 'Bow' to Dre in TV sitcom "Black-ish"

- petition
- 57. *Mother to Carlton in "The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air"
- 60. "Well, I'm a-standin' on a corner in ____, Arizona," from the Eagles "Take it Easy"
- 64. Country's LeAnn ____
- 65. Hoover's agency acronym
- 67. Piano practice piece, e.g.
- 68. Church song
- 69. What Usain Bolt did
- 70. Poisonous substance
- 71. *Wife to Papa, mother to Baby
- 72. Sum it up
- 73. Go on a buying spree

DOWN

- 21. *Mother to Jo, Meg, Amy and Beth March in novel and movie
- 23. Before tac
- 24. Ripped
- 25. Part of Super Bowl entertainment, pl.
- 28. Homesteader's measure
- 30. *"Game of Thrones" Lannister and mother to Joffrey, Myrcella and Tommen
- 35. Douses
- 37. Adjutant
- 39. Article of faith
- 40. Genuflecting joint
- 41. *TV mother to Alexis and David, "friend" to Jocelyn Schitt
- 43. "Will be," as sung by Doris Day
- 44. Perform in a play
- 46. Load sixteen tons, e.g.
- 47. Peacock's pride
- 48. *Mowgli's adoptive mother
- 50. Apartment
- 52. Skeleton in a lock
- 53. Part of a jousting outfit
- 55. Spelling com-

- 1. Way, way off
- 2. ____ Verde National Park
- 3. Naysayer's favorite prefix?
- 4. What bloodhound is after
- 5. Croatia's neighbor
- 6. Nibble away
- 7. Affirmative action
- 8. Movie trailer, e.g.
- 9. Elementary particle
- 10. *Claire Dunphy and Mitchell Pritchett's mother
- 11. Soothing lotion ingredient
- 12. Bell and Barker, e.g.
- 15. Christopher Kimball's "Milk ____"
- 20. ____'s razor
- 22. Part of a circle
- 24. Tiresome
- 25. Questioner
- 26. *"Mamma Mia!" mamma
- 27. Do this or forever hold your peace
- 29. '80s band "Quiet ____"
- 31. Catch one's breath
- 32. ____ a peak
- 33. Bone-chilling
- 34. Europe's "boot"
- 36. Short for seconds
- 38. *She played Ricky Schroder's stepmom on "Silver Spoons"
- 42. Defendant's excuse
- 45. Religious belief
- 49. ____ Khan
- 51. Plural of #39 Across
- 54. Below, prefix
- 56. Impede
- 57. "Everywhere you want to be" credit card
- 58. Muslim holy man
- 59. Plural of velum
- 60. *Ellen, Scarlett's mother in "Gone with the ____"
- 61. Like the best accommodations
- 62. War god in Norse mythology
- 63. Make one's way
- 64. Dashboard acronym
- 66. *Kunis, Hahn and Bell as "____ Moms"

Happy Mother's Day

Harriet Holley, 2021 Mother of the Year



Clarence and Harriet have four children (Jennifer, Douglas, Terrence and Troi) and seven grandchildren.

Grandma Bea's child, rightfully or wrongfully, was now in the pen. He had been there before and this time, it looked like he would be there for a long time. She could not see the family being split-up, so she committed to taking care of his two children. The children's mother was also out of the picture. It seemed bleak. Especially last winter when she just did not have the money to buy the children toys that Santa would leave under the tree. Neither did she have the funds to buy them new coats, or for that matter, keep up with the increased utility bills, expanded food budget and all of the other expenses that went along with raising growing children on a social security budget.

Grandma Bea just did not know how she was going to make it.

Someone suggested to Grandma Bea that she give Harriet Holley, founder of Grandparents and Kins Raising Children of Lake

County, a call. Harriet was able to connect Grandma Bea with resources in the community and was able to get Grandma Bea the help that she needed, coats for the children, help with utilities, food for her pantry, and yes, toys to go under the Christmas Tree.

Through Grandparents and Kins Raising Children of Lake County, Harriet was also able to connect Grandma Bea with other Grandparents in similar situations in a support group environment. Harriet regularly connects to ensure that Grandma Bea is not alone. The children in her care are also provided with youth development training and activities such as field trips, life skills development, and even computer equipment that might not be provided by the school districts. They have taken trips to the Brookfield Zoo, sports activities, and they plan a trip to Chicago Fed's Money Museum soon. The Money Museum trip is planned in conjunction with money management classes for the youth.

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Harriet Holley continued....

And while we used the name of Grandma Bea as a fictitious one, the story of Grandma Bea is very real and plays out over and over again each month in many families in Lake County. That is why Harriet created the not-for-profit, to help people who are struggling with the phenomenon of grandparents and other kindred raising grandchildren.

Their mission is to assist in the successful development of children being raised by grandparent or relatives, provide developmental support, advocacy and bridge a healthy society and strong community for all children and families. Harriet has been running the organization for four years.

Harriet Holley was born in Little Rock, Arkansas to the late Ella Anderson and Harry Anderson. She is the sixth of ten children and was educated in the North Little Rock Arkansas school system. Harriet attended Senn High School in Chicago Illinois and studied at Truman College.

Harriet is a Rotarian with the Illinois Beach Sunrise Rotary Club and is the former President of the Zion Citizens Law Enforcement Advisory Commission. She is the recipient of the 2020 Most Influential African American Humanitarian Award.

Harriet is married to the love of her life, Clarence Holley. Clarence and Harriet have four children (Jennifer, Douglas, Terrence and Troi) and seven grandchildren. The family resides in Beach Park, Illinois.



Keith Hayward, Jr., was the first place winner in an essay contest sponsored by Grandparents and Kins Raising Children of Lake County. This is one of the many programs sponsored by the organization.

My Friends Are Little Lamps to Me



My friends are little lamps to me,
 Their radiance warms and cheers my ways.
 And all my pathway dark and lone
 Is brightened by their rays.

I try to keep them bright by faith,
 And never let them dim with doubt,
 For every time I lose a friend
 A little lamp goes out.

by Elizabeth Whittemore: as published in "Harper's Magazine"

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DMX Dead After Suffering Heart Attack:

The rapper passed away after being hospitalized in New York. Earl Simmons died at the age of 50. "We are deeply saddened to announce today that our loved one, DMX passed away at 50-years-old at White Plains Hospital with his family by his side after being placed on life support for the past few days," reads a statement released by his family.

"Earl was a warrior who fought till the very end. He loved his family with all of his heart and we cherish the times we spent with him. Earl's music inspired countless fans across the world and his iconic legacy will live on forever. We appreciate all of the love and support during this incredibly difficult time. We will share information about his memorial service once details are finalized." The rapper who hailed from Yonkers is famously known for his introspective and evangelical lyrics summarizing his heartbreak and brokenness, yet also naming his victories and triumphs. DMX was born on Dec. 18, 1970, in Mt. Vernon, New York to his parents Arnett Simmons and Joe Baker.

DMX spent the majority of his upbringing, paying homage to his community through his music. However, his childhood was marked with abuse and trauma and he quickly found himself within the grasps of the criminal



justice system at a young age. DMX has been vocal about his demons, which led him at times to seek refuge through the usage of drugs. His big break came after he was signed to Columbia Records in 1992, riding off of the buzz of a critically acclaimed mixtape.

His first album, "It's Dark and Hell Is Hot," was released in 1998 and included several chart-toppers including the lead single, "Get At Me Dog," "Ruff Ryders' Anthem," and "How's It Goin' Down." DMX was a respected lyricist who collaborated with many of his industry peers including Swizz Beatz, Jay-Z, and Busta Rhymes. His musical appearances and collaborations range from pop to rock and R&B. DMX would

go on to release seven more studio albums and garnered three Grammy nominations, four MTV Video Music Award nominations, and won two consecutive American Music Awards.

However, music would not be his only foray into the entertainment industry. The rapper starred in several movies and cult classics like "Belly," "Romeo Must Die," "Cradle 2 The Grave," and "Top Five." DMX is survived by his mother, his fiancé Desiree Lindstrom, and his 17 children.

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~ WORSHIP SERVICES ~ & CLASSES

Sunday:

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Mid-week Bible Study
Wed. 7:00 PM Thurs. 9:30 AM

Thursday

Youth Life & Learning Center—7:00 PM

~ COMMUNITY SERVICES ~

Substance Abuse Programs
Sunday; Tuesday; Friday;
Saturday, — 7:00 PM
Saturday

Food For Body & Soul (Soup Kitchen)
11:00 AM—12:45 PM

How Prison Education Programs Transform Lives and Communities

(StatePoint) In 2014, Benito Castro was sentenced to six years in prison for passing bad checks as a result of a gambling habit he'd developed. Today, he's the director of operations for a grocery store chain and runs freedomrides.org, a non-profit he started that provides transportation for those recently released from prison.

Castro credits his transformation to the education he received through Ashland University while in prison.

"I earned my degree while I was still incarcerated, and that made all the difference in the world when I was released. It gave me a sense of purpose and led to a whole new life."

After early release, Castro took a job as a dishwasher at a Huddle House restaurant and met someone from Ideal Market grocery stores, who hired him as a night manager. From there, Castro quickly rose to district manager, director of marketing and then director of operations for the chain.

"I'm a different person today thanks to the Ashland program. I have financial security. I'm contributing to society. And most of all I have self-respect," said Castro.

Ashland University operates the largest correctional education program in the nation. It has more than 4,000 incarcerated students enrolled at 120 facilities in more than a dozen states and has graduated nearly a thousand students since 2016, when the school began offering distance learning beyond its home state of Ohio.

The program features the same academic rigor and learning outcomes as the university's on-campus curriculum, and is free for students who qualify for Pell Grants or receive Ashland University scholarships or other assistance. There is also no cost to the prison.

"Providing access to this underserved community is an integral part of our mission to transform people's lives through education so they can go on to work, serve and lead in their communities," said Dr. Carlos Campo, president of Ashland University. "And in many of the places where we operate, there are no other options available to inmates who want to use their time in



prison to further their education and invest in themselves."

Andrea Buttross, Louisiana Department of Corrections education director, says Ashland's distance-learning program is deployed on an easily managed platform providing those about to re-enter society an opportunity to access education that they may not traditionally have received in the prison setting.

"Ashland has decades of experience working within prison systems and they know how to operate in this unique environment," said Buttross. "They provide all necessary aspects of the program: the technology, all of the curriculum and resources for the classes, direct contact with professors, and even an on-site academic coordinator to help students progress toward their degrees."

There are advantages to distance learning in prisons—especially in the age of COVID. Classes are available to more students in places where in-person options are unavailable. Students can take classes anytime during the day, and their education can continue once they're released, regardless of where they live.

To learn more about Ashland University Correctional Education, visit ashland.edu.

"The incarcerated face a lot of obstacles in attaining an education because they often have limited access and fewer choices," said Dr. Campo. "We want to change that, one successful student at a time."

April General Elections Results



Sam Cunningham loses the Waukegan

Mayoral race despite blue wave victories.

Commissioners Christopher Fischer and Richard Frierson were re-seated in a three-way race where three individuals were vying for two seats.

In the Zion area school board races, Latoya Barnes, Margie Taylor, G.

Lake County recently held consolidated elections for many political positions in the region.

By and large, Democrats triumphed as the “Blue Wave” continued to wash over the political landscape.

Here are the ones that impacted the African American communities of Lake County in the greatest way.

In Zion, Cheri Neal was re-elected as Zion Township Supervisor winning over challenger Jacqueline Holmes.

Incumbent Zion Commissioner Christopher Fischer and Richard

Kenneth Fielding and Wesley Walker won positions of the Zion Elementary School Board District #6. For the High School Board, Jerry Nordstrom, Kathy Champine, and Christopher V. Benitez won. William “Chris” King won as a write-in candidate.

For the Zion Benton Library Board, Takeisha Adams, Amy Onan and Barbara Michelle Price will be seated on the Library Board.

In Waukegan, Sam Cunningham, the incumbent Mayor of the city, lost to 9th Ward Alderwoman Ann Taylor after a barrage of community activist actively campaigned against. Reportedly, many of them claimed a lack of leadership and the absence of community development as the driving force to remove Cunningham from office. The City Clerk, Janet Kilkelly, and Treasurer John Schwab both incumbents were re-elected.

For the Waukegan Park District, Anton Mathis and Jacqueline Herrera Giron won commissioner seats.

On the Waukegan School Board District #60 Three incumbents were re-seated, Aita Hanna, Jeff McBride, and Brandon Ewing. Adriana E. Gonzalez, new to the board, won a seat over several other challengers.

In Gurnee, Thomas Hood won over David Weinstein for Mayor and Andrew Harris won for Village Clerk.

In North Chicago, the incumbent, Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr., won against and independent challenger with 83% of the vote. Michael R. Jackson, Carl Evans, Kenneth Smith, and Kathy January won aldermanic seat on the City Council.

Vance Wyatt Won the Treasurer’s position over the multi-term treasurer Kenneth Robinson. Lori Collins was re-seated as City Clerk with no challenger.

Homebound Vaccination Program

There is a new Vaccination program for homebound seniors. If you or someone you know is unable to leave home due to their health condition or disability, please contact the AllVax support team. County workers will reach out to you to schedule an appointment in your home. That number is (847) 377-8130 or AllVax@lakecountyil.gov.

Help With Funeral Expenses Due To Covid-19

There has been more than 570,000 Americans who have died over the course of the past year due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. This has had a devastating impact upon our country and upon our finances. There are several new federal programs that will help to provide assistance

to those hardest hit.

Beginning Monday, April 12, FEMA will start accepting applications for financial assistance for funeral expenses incurred after Jan. 20, 2020 for deaths related to COVID-19. The assistance is limited to a maximum financial amount of \$9,000 per funeral and a maximum of \$35,500 per application. Please find more information at FEMA's COVID-19 Funeral Assistance website or call 844-684-6333 for help.

Help with Rent Due to Covid-19

There is also another program for Lake County renters who face financial hardship related to COVID-19 can now apply for the new Lake County Federal Emergency Rental Assistance (FERA) Program, which provides help for individuals paying rent and/or utility bills. Several organizations will be providing this service including the Community Partners for Affordable Housing, The Community Action Partnership, Catholic Charities, and the YWCA.

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