

# Fox News Apologizes After Using Misleading Photos of Eagles Players Praying

By Perry Green | AFRO Sports Editor

(NNPA) - Philadelphia Eagles receiver Torrey Smith accused President Donald Trump of lying after the controversial president announced June 4 that he was canceling the Eagles' visit to the White House because they disagreed with standing for the National Anthem.

"So many lies," Smith tweeted. "...no one refused to go simply because Trump insists folks stand for the anthem. The President continues to spread the false narrative that players are anti-military." Smith also reminded his followers that no Eagles player

took a knee in protest during the playing of the anthem at any point during the regular season or playoffs last year.

After canceling the Eagles visit, Trump held an event meant to celebrate patriotism and then appeared to forget the words to "God Bless America."

But apparently the POTUS isn't the only one who may have misled people with a false narrative.

Fox News reported on Trump's canceling of the Eagles' White House visit yesterday and aired photos of multiple Eagles players kneeling during the TV segment. The images

were of multiple Eagles players kneeling together in the

end zone before a game. But the players shown weren't kneeling during the anthem in protest; the photos, instead, captured players kneeling in prayer, as many NFL players have traditionally done.

Eagles tight-end Zach Ertz ripped the news network for using the photos, calling them "propaganda."

"This can't be serious.... Praying before games with my teammates, well before the anthem, is being used for your propaganda?! Just sad, I feel like you guys should have to be



Fox News portrayed members of the Philadelphia Eagles as kneeling in protest when they were actually praying. (Screenshot)

better than this," Ertz tweeted.

Fox News eventually apologized for using the photos.

"During our report about President Trump canceling the Philadelphia Eagles' trip to the White House to celebrate their Super Bowl win, we showed unrelated footage of play-

ers kneeling in prayer," said Christopher Wallace, executive producer of "Fox News @Night with Shannon Bream," in a statement sent to the *Washington Post*. "To clarify, no members of the team knelt in protest during the national anthem through the regular or postseason last year.

We apologize for the error."

Smith piggybacked his teammates' comments and also retweeted a comment he made back in February, further explaining why he and many of his teammates didn't want to go to the White House in celebration of their Super Bowl victory.

"For me, it's not just about politics," Smith said. "If I told you that I was invited to a party by an individual I believe is sexist or has no respect for women or I told you this individual has said offensive things towards minority groups.... this individual also called my peers and my friends SOBs, you would understand why I wouldn't want to go to that party. Why is it different when the person has title of President of the United States?"

## Grey's Anatomy Star Chandra Wilson Honored at WomenHeart's Annual Wenger Awards

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In the battle to save the lives of our mothers, daughters and sisters, "WomenHeart: The National Coalition for Women with Heart Disease," is one of the greatest allies that families have against the deadly disease, the leading cause of death among women in the United States.

WomenHeart, "the nation's only patient-centered organization solely serving millions of American women living with or at risk for heart disease," according to the group's website, recently celebrated the people and organizations that are on the frontlines of that battle, during the 18th Annual Wenger Awards in Washington, D.C.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), an astounding one in four women die from heart disease every year.

Nearly 8 percent of Black women have coronary heart disease—the highest rate among all women; about 6 percent of White women have coronary heart disease.

As an actress and a natural advocate for healthy living, Chandra Wilson, who plays Dr. Miranda Bailey on the hit ABC television show "Grey's Anatomy," highlighted the importance of regular heart screenings and the need for better healthcare access for women, during the awards ceremony. Wilson was honored with the "Excellence in Media" award during the event.

"Nobody knows

your battle better than you do...there are things that you need a physician to specifically listen for," Wilson said. "You need to know your statistics, specifically women of color."

Wilson also talked about the impact of heart disease on her own family.

"Even though, women face challenges with heart disease that are somewhat different from men, my father passed away from heart disease at age 55," Wilson said. "And while he was aware of heart disease, he was never taught 'Okay, this is what you do. Here are the things that can help,' which is so important."

During the Wenger Awards ceremony, Dr. Roxana Mehran ("Excellence in Medical Leadership," Dr. Clyde W. Yancy ("Excellence in Medical Research") and Rep. Debbie Dingel (D-Mich.) ("Excellence in Public Service") were also recognized for their efforts in fighting heart disease. Actor and activist Lamman Rucker served as the master of ceremonies for the event.

Evan McGabe, the chair of the board of directors for WomenHeart, rallied attendees to get active and involved in learning more about their own heart statistics and overall health status.

"We really can't believe that so many women still don't know their risk of heart disease in this country," McGabe said. "In our organization, we teach women how to be proactive about their health. We want to help women, not to dismiss



"Grey's Anatomy" star Chandra Wilson (left) and actor Lamman Rucker pose for a photo right after Wilson accepted her award for "Excellence in Media," during WomenHeart's 18th Annual Wenger Awards in Washington, D.C. (Freddie Allen/AMG/NNPA)

their symptoms."

McGabe added that WomenHeart works to empower women so that they can empower others.

According to the CDC, the most common symptoms of heart disease include chest discomfort, upper back pain, indigestion, heartburn, nausea/vomiting, extreme fatigue, upper body discomfort, shortness of breath, sudden weakness, paralysis in the limbs, blurred vision and impaired speech.

The risk factors for heart disease include high blood pressure, high LDL cholesterol, smoking, diabetes, obesity, poor diet and physical inactivity.

To reduce the chances of getting heart disease, the CDC recommends that people monitor their blood pressure on a regular basis, re-

ceive regular screenings for diabetes, limit smoking, eat healthy, lower stress and limit alcohol consumption.

Closing out the event, Rucker gushed over the opportunity to be able to be a part of such a powerful movement.

"I've had a relationship with the Association of Black Cardiologist for a number of years and have done heart health work with the American Heart Association," Rucker said. "As an artist, a big part of our purpose behind the work that we are doing is to not just live out our dreams and be stars, but to inform, uplift and inspire people through the work that we do."

Rucker continued: "Just being able to be a part of [WomenHeart and the Wenger Awards] is tremendous."

## 1st Annual Juneteenth Baller Bash

This Juneteenth event is to keep this historical celebration alive in our community. This event will be held Saturday, June 16, 2018 at 1:00 pm, at East Memorial High School

1012 Arthur Stiles Rd . The Baller Bash will be a platform for local minority/small business owners in and around the Austin area. With hopes to bring the community together through the love of basketball.

3 on 3 tournament

Three-Point Contest

old school vs new school

There will be food, fun as well as local entertainment. Please contact me if you're interested in sponsoring this event at (512)-769-6350

## Spectrum Theatre Company presents: Juneteenth Chronicles

JUNETEENTH LIKE YOU'VE NEVER KNOWN IT BEFORE

"Juneteenth Chronicles" by Abena Edwards uses 1937 first-person accounts of formerly enslaved Texans, with images and sound to immerse audiences in the realities of life before and after June 19th, 1865. Raw testimonies are infused with strength, resilience, humor, and imperishable hope that will inspire and perhaps forever change your view of the emancipation holiday.

Directed by Crystal Bird Caviel, presented by Spectrum Theater Company in partnership with the Austin Convention Center.

Admission taken at the door on Saturday June 16, 7:30PM or Sunday June 17th, 3:00PM at the AISD Performing Arts Center, 1500 Barbara Jordan Blvd. Free Parking

## Juneteenth Lunch and Learn with The Kitchen Diva!

Chef and author Angela Shelf Medearis, The Kitchen Diva! presents The George Washington Carver Museum Lunch and Learn Series: "Eat Your Way Through History."

Historic dishes with a "diva-licious twist!"

Special Tuesday, June 19th—Juneteenth lunch and learn celebration!

History of Juneteenth program and a Diva-Licious luncheon featuring African, Caribbean, Texan, and Southern cuisines.

Lunch: served continuously from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Lecture presented at 1:30 p.m.

Self-paced tour of the Carver Museum and Juneteenth statue display.

Seating is limited.

Discount tickets for advanced reservation via Eventbrite//www.eventbrite.com/e/juneteenth-lunch-and-learn-with-the-kitchen-diva-tickets-45818575593?aff=ebdssbdestsearch