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RAPPIN'
Tommy Wyatt

The Tribute to AKWASI EVANS was a moving experience!

The Austin community cannot get over the sudden loss of Akwasi Evans, founder and publisher of Nokoa: The Observer newspaper in Austin for more than 32 years. Evans was known for "Speaking Truth to Power." He believed that everyone should have a voice.

The entire city was shocked when Evans passed away suddenly in April 2019. Everyone who knew him is still shocked and wants to know the cause of his death. That remains to be the question whenever his name comes up.

A very diverse group of his supporters took the opportunity to pay tribute to Akwasi on Sunday, June 23, 2019 in East Austin at Kenny Dorham's Backyard. The group of speakers was as diverse as the citizens of the city. And the sponsors of the event were just as diverse. While Akwasi was an African American, he did not consider his newspaper "a Black newspaper." He campaigned for justice for all of our citizens.

In addition to publishing the newspaper, Akwasi was also a co-host of THE BREAKFAST CLUB morning show every Friday morning on KAZI RADIO 88.7. It is very difficult to find a cause that was out of the reach of Akwasi. He believed that injustice should be challenged at all cost.

Akwasi Evans will be missed by all who knew him. And we all will continue to carry the movement forward as we "SPEAK TRUTH TO POWER."

REST IN PEACE
AKWASI!

Michael Jackson's popularity endures, even after new scandal

By **JONATHAN LANDRUM Jr.** | Associated Press



FILE - In this June 25, 2010 file photo, Michael Jackson fans gather around a monument that was unveiled in Gary, Ind., on the first anniversary of the pop icon's death. As the 10th anniversary of Jackson's death approaches, experts say his music legacy is still going strong despite the documentary's detailed abuse allegations. (AP Photo/John Smierciak, File)

(AP) - The documentary "Leaving Neverland" presented a disturbing depiction of Michael Jackson as a child molester, but the initial wave of negative publicity hasn't greatly diminished the King of Pop's image or the enduring popularity of his music.

Many believe Jackson's musical legacy is still going strong as Tuesday's 10th anniversary of his death approaches. Backlash to the documentary that aired in March on HBO and Britain's Channel 4 prompted radio stations in Canada to stop playing his music and the producers of "The Simpsons" to remove an episode that featured Jackson's voice.

But that's been the most visible extent of the backlash.

There's been no rescinding honors like has happened to Bill Cosby and Harvey Weinstein, or mass movements to stop playing Jackson's music, as R&B singer R. Kelly has faced.

Jackson's massively popular "Thriller" album and the theatrical version of its music video still reside in the Library of Congress' National Recording Registry. His music is still featured in commercials and is a part of a Cirque Du Soleil show in Las Vegas.

Museums in Detroit and Tennessee keep images and artifacts of Jackson on display, and his memorabilia continues to sell.

"He still commands prices compared to most

any other celebrity," said Darren Julien, president and CEO of the Culver City, California-based Julien's Auctions. He said his auction house has sold around \$15 million of the superstar singer's property including his white glove that went for \$480,000 in 2009 and a jacket, which was recently bought for \$75,000.

Julien said Russia, Asia, Middle East, Canada and America are some of the key markets where buyers are willing to spend money on Jackson's merchandise.

"He's the only celebrity where we would have lines of people to get in whenever we had stuff of his to auction," he continued. "There's only one person that compares to Marilyn Monroe in collectability, and that is Michael Jackson."

Billboard senior editor Gail Mitchell isn't surprised by support for Jackson, who she has met before. For a recent story, the veteran music journalist said she and a colleague interviewed about 30 music executives who believe the singer's legacy could withstand the "Leaving Neverland" controversy.

"Some saw the film, others didn't want to," she said. "Many said that (Jackson) is not here to defend himself the way R. Kelly is here. ... The jury is always probably going to be out. But all of the execs said his legacy will be fine."

Antetokounmpo wins NBA MVP honors

By **Defender News Service**

(DEFENDER)

Giannis Antetokounmpo earned Most Valuable Player honors on Monday night in Santa Monica.

Antetokounmpo, a 24-year-old forward from Greece, beat out Paul George of Oklahoma City and James Harden of Houston, who won last year.

Antetokounmpo was a resounding winner. He received 941 points and 78 first-place votes in the balloting — 165 points more than Harden.

Antetokounmpo



said backstage., "We created great habits throughout the season and were able to stick by them, and that's why we were able to win 60 games."

Serena to grace Wheaties box

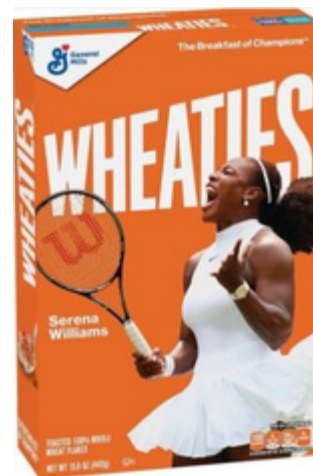
By **Defender News Service**

(DEFENDER)

Serena Williams has been making history in professional tennis ever since she began, and now she's done it again.

On Tuesday, the 23-time Grand Slam winner announced that she'll be the next athlete to have her image on a Wheaties box, and she's the second Black woman to be given that honor since legendary tennis pro Althea Gibson.

"In 2001, Wheaties paid homage to a true champion and an icon by putting her on the cover



of a Wheaties Box," wrote Williams on Instagram. "Althea Gibson was the FIRST Black Woman tennis player to be on the box. Today, I am honored to be the second."

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Bernie Sanders Sole Candidate to Address the Black Press at National Convention

By **Stacy M. Brown,**
NNPA Newswire
Correspondent

(NNPA) - It's no secret that Sanders has work to do to get his campaign message through to African Americans. "We thought we could do respectably in South Carolina, and we got decimated," Sanders said in a campaign memo released earlier this year in which he discussed losing the Black vote to Hillary Clinton in South Carolina.

Clinton won an astonishing 86 percent of South Carolina's Black voters in 2016.

"This is our revolution," said Sanders, who will speak during the NNPA Convention's Lifetime Legacy Award Black Tie Gala, Friday June 28th at 7:30pm at The Westin Cincinnati Hotel. Also in attendance will be former Ohio State Senator Nina Turner, a key surrogate for Sander's 2016 campaign and co-chair of his current campaign for the Democratic nomination and presidency.

Tyler Perry lands new BET White House drama

By Defender News Service



(DEFENDER) - Tyler Perry is heading to the White House with his new show on BET titled “The Oval.”

According to the Hollywood Reporter, the show will be about a newly elected president, his wife and their two children. The first couple is also interracial, with the actor Ed Quinn playing President Hunter Franklin and Kron Moore taking on the role of first lady Victoria Franklin.

Their troubled children will be played by Paige Hurd as well as Daniel Croix, and the story will be that of a family that looks perfect but behind closed doors is really drowning in dysfunction.

There will also be

infidelity in the storylines, as well as corruption, while everyone tries to maintain a good first family image.

The new show will be the first release under Perry’s deal with Viacom, which owns BET. The media mogul inked the deal two years ago and as a part of it he’ll create one more drama, two comedies and a holiday special that will air live. All of the Viacom shows will air between October 2019 and September 2020.

Perry will write and direct “The Oval.” He will also executive produce it with Michelle Sneed under the Tyler Perry Studios umbrella.

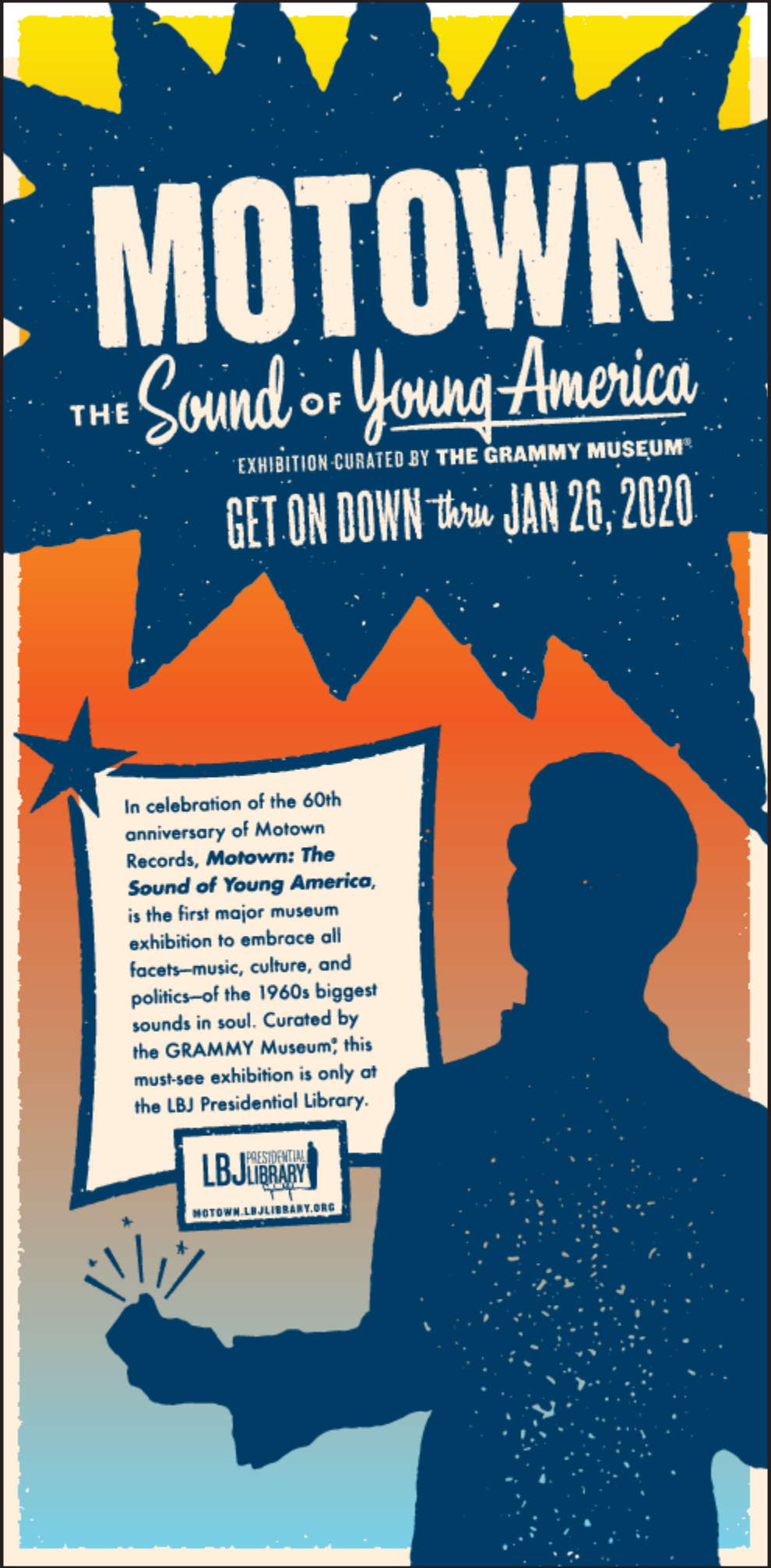
The Viacom deal came after Perry’s con-

tract with Oprah Winfrey’s OWN ended, where he created shows like “Love Thy Neighbor,” “If Loving You Is Wrong” and “The Haves and the Have Nots.”

“I’ve been hard at work on ‘The Oval’ and can’t wait to share this story with audiences,” Perry said in a statement.

“I’ve set out to create a show that tells the story of a family placed in the White House by people of power while also highlighting the personal side and everyday lives of the staff who run the inner workings of the nation’s most iconic residence,” he added.

There’s no word on how many episodes will be in the first season.



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Austin Interfaith Applaud Efforts to Decriminalize Homelessness in City of Austin

Courtesy Austin Interfaith

(AUSTIN, TX) - The Clergy Council of Austin Interfaith expresses its appreciation to the Mayor and Council for their efforts to decriminalize homelessness in our city, and we believe the proposed amendments tonight are a significant first step toward appropriate and humane treatment of those who are without housing. Austin Interfaith clergy and leaders have long expressed concern about the precarious conditions faced by people experiencing homelessness and their treatment. During the elections last fall and at our accountability session, we called on the mayoral and city council candidates to address the negative impact of these ordinances that criminalize many of the everyday activities that people who are homeless need to do to get by. Passing the proposals tonight move us towards achieving that goal.

Most of our churches have ministries that both serve and are affected by folks experiencing homelessness. Rev. John Elford of University United

Methodist Church recently shared the story of Adam in a Statesman Op-Ed. In order to avoid getting yet another ticket, Adam camped down in a creek bed out of sight. That night he was awakened by rain and the sound of rushing water. The creek had risen incredibly fast, and Adam was barely able to scramble out of the moving waters. All of his belongings, however, were swept away. It is incidents such as Adam's that compel us to seek concrete and tangible solutions for our neighbors without a roof over their heads, but recognize that we need to go beyond decriminalization toward a holistic and compassionate response to homelessness in Austin. We look forward to working closely with City Staff and Council to encourage specific ways to ensure needed housing and support services for the most vulnerable among us. Every person in our community should be treated with dignity, and no family should be forced to sleep on the streets in dangerous conditions.

Austin Pride Foundation announces launch of Hiring Fair & Career Expo for sexual and gender minorities

By Dean Arms | Austin Pride

(AUSTIN, TX) - WerQ it Out! is the Austin Gay and Lesbian Pride Foundation's inaugural Hiring Event &

Career Fair. Join us as we connect dozens of LGBTQIA+ inclusive employers with hundreds of job seekers from our community on Thursday, August 8, 2019 from 11 AM to 3 PM. This first annual event will be held at Workforce Solutions Capital Area Northview Business Center, 9001 N Interstate Hwy 35, #110, Austin, TX 78757.

The event is sponsored by The Austin Gay & Lesbian Pride Foundation, in partnership with Workforce Solutions Capital Area. Formed in 2010, the Austin Gay and Lesbian Pride Foundation (AGLPF) is the 100% volunteer-run 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to managing and organizing Austin's annual PRIDE Celebration and Stonewall Rally. The mission of the Austin Gay and Lesbian Pride Foun-

dation is to educate, provide resources, and connect the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) community in Austin, Texas.

WerQ it Out! will be the region's first large scale recruiting event aimed at providing jobs and resources for members of sexual and gender minorities. The event is free for all and will host numerous employers and agencies from a variety of fields to promote their jobs, internships, career opportunities, and educational programs.

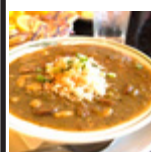
Employers interested in participating can email volunteer@austinpride.org. There is no employer registration fee to exhibit but must complete registration by Friday, July 26, 2019 to ensure participation. Please note, AGLPF reserves the right to ask companies deemed as not inclusive to not

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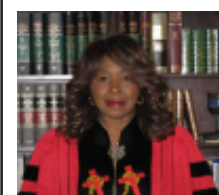


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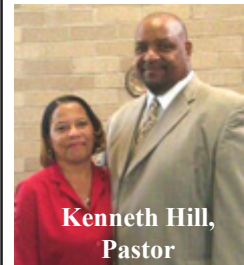
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Austin’s 13th Annual African American Book Festival a Grand Success

By Naomi Richard | VILLAGER Entertainment Editor



Children's Authors Kraven and Shedrach Rowry. Photo by Naomi Richard.

(VILLAGER) - On June 22, the 13th Annual African American Book Festival (AABF) was held at the George Washington Carver Museum and Library. With record attendance, continued growth and high book sells, the festival will be recorded in history as one of its best.

Authors came from far and near to showcase children and adult books for all ages. It can be challenging to fund, self-publish, market, promote and sell your products as individual authors. The Austin Festival has proven to be a fertile ground for emerging authors and especially authors of color. Many traveled from Georgia, Louisiana and Illinois, and from all corners of the Lone Star State.

Board Member Peggy Terry shared with *The Villager*, “This is our 13th Annual Book Festival, and we are the second longest-running African American Book Festival in the state of Texas behind Dallas. We try to make each year a little different, and we try to give our audience the ‘WOW Factor!’”

Terry went on to explain how reading is a solitary activity. How-

ever, at the festival, readers come together so they find that they’re not alone. She said, “There are other black readers who are interested, for example, in Sci-Fi, the arts, mystery books, romantic novels and more. It brings together a community of like-minded readers.”

Parents are a key

tion to vendors showcasing their work, the Start Up! Kids Club, an Austin nonprofit, held an interactive workshop for kids/teens looking to start or develop their own businesses. The festival also offered children’s story time, with free books and snacks.

Under the theme

day millionaires who include celebrities, entrepreneurs and regular hard-working people.

For example, Dr. Juliet E.K. Walker discussed the history of Black business, the subject of her 2009 book. Professor Walker is the founder of the Center of Black Business, History, Entrepreneurship and Technology; her work is featured in the Smithsonian and she is completing a book on Oprah Winfrey for the Harvard Business School Press.

For those still working on their first million, Cheryl Creuzot, Meredith Moore Crosby and Dr. Janice Sumler-Edmond (Professor Emerita from Huston-Tillotson University) discussed how to get your career moving in the right direction and how to grow your assets so they can work for you.

Since 2007, the Austin African American Book Festival has worked to promote empowerment through literature. It is a community event that brings readers and writers together. It produces and facilitates collaboration, dialogue, creativity and activism.



Dr. Juliet E. K. Walker, UT Austin Professor and Distinguished Author. Photo by Naomi Richard.

success factor for the festival by their consistent outpouring of support for the writers. Many authors are repeat vendors because of the Austin vibe. In addi-

MAKING GOOD ON THE PROMISE OF ECONOMIC FREEDOM, the festival focused on Black economic opportunity from the late 19th Century to those present-

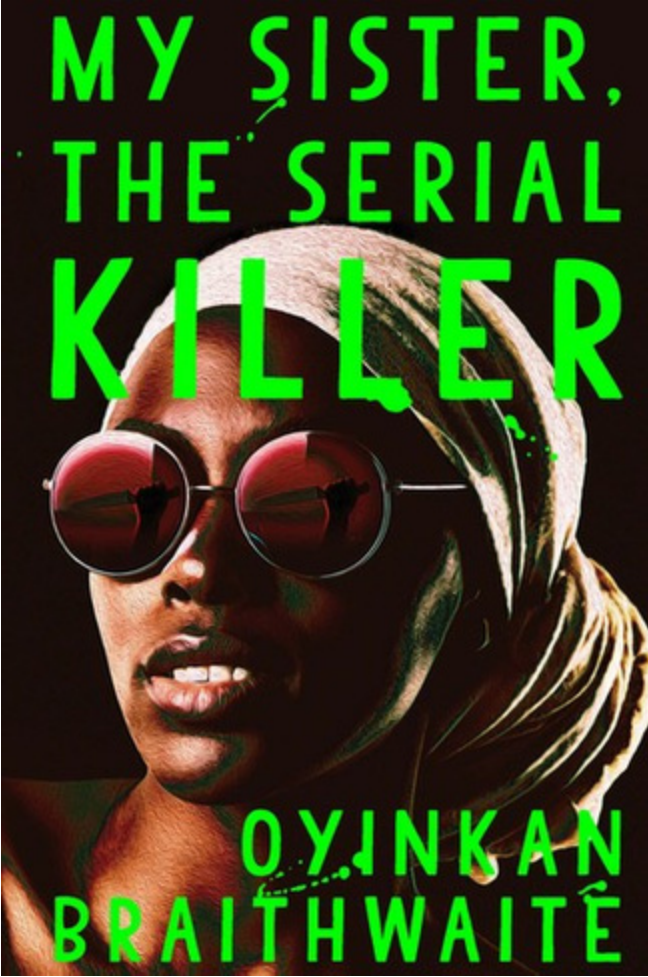
Barbara’s Book Bag



by Barbara Williams

My Sister the Serial Killer

(VILLAGER) - This is the first book written by the author, Oyinkan Braithwaite. The story takes place in Nigeria. It is a short



and a very easy read.

The book focuses on two sisters. It is written from the perspective of the older sister, named Korede. She is a nurse and works in a hospital. She doesn’t consider herself to be pretty and looks down on herself. The younger sister is named Ayoola and she is a fashionista. She designs and makes her own clothes and sells them on the Internet. She seems to cast a spell over everyone she meets, especially men, with her beauty.

The close loving relationship between the sisters is used by Ayoola and her parents. They along with Korede believes it is her duty to protect her younger sister at all costs.

However, Ayoola has a serious problem. She attracts and dates men who she later murders. There is no apparent reason for their deaths. She claims self-defense, which is never revealed to be true in the story. After she kills her dates she runs to her sister for help.

Korede, who has superb cleaning skills, related to her nursing, helps her sister get rid of the bodies and clean up the evidence. Her sister is probably a psychopath, killing

three men for no apparent reason.

The plot is predictable after the first murder. The reader knows each date will be killed by Ayoola. Seemingly no one knows about Ayoola except her sister and the readers of this book. Everything is in the title of the book.

Although the families of the deceased suspect foul play in the death of their male loved ones, to my dismay, very little toward a solution of these murders is addressed in the story.

The older sister struggles with turning her sister into the authorities or not. Her devotion to her sister, and her own belief that it is her responsibility to protect her sister, at any cost, wins the battle that “blood is thicker than water.”

The Book is well written. The author comments on sisterhood, family, friendship, love and the way Society treats women. There are even some humorous moments.

The ending is left open for the reader to form their opinion, about will happen to Ayoola’s fourth acquaintance, that she is being introduced to, by her father.

3.5 Points out of 5 for this book.



Children's Author Jacob Grovey. Photo by Naomi Richard.

LBJ football players attracting interest from Power 5 schools



By John Harris Jr. | VILLAGER Sports Columnist

(VILLAGER) - LBJ always seems to have good football teams. Last year the Jaguars finished 8-3 to extend their consecutive playoff streak to 14 seasons. That's third-longest in Central Texas behind Westlake and Lake Travis.

Bigger and brighter days loom ahead for the Jaguars, who lost 11 seniors from a team that claimed a share of the

month from among more than a dozen major-college offers, turning down the Texas Longhorns in the process. Another rising junior, defensive back Andrew Mukuba, received a scholarship offer from Arkansas, another Southeastern Conference school.

That's heady stuff for LBJ, which saw eight seniors sign letters of intent to continue playing football in college next year.

However, McCutchin's decision to play for the Crimson Tide starting in 2021, and Mukuba's offer from Arkansas, brings a different level of attention to

ally from coach Nick Saban.

It also brings more focus to the coaching staff, led by Fenner, the former Reagan football star and LBJ assistant who took over the Jags' program after the death of former LBJ coach Andrew Jackson following the 2017 season.

Credit Fenner and his assistants, who are working tirelessly to create educational opportunities for their student-athletes. That was always the case at LBJ under Jackson, but now the stakes are higher with Power 5 schools entering the picture.

Keep an eye on LBJ football next year. The



district title for the fourth time in five years. The pride of East Austin is on the verge of taking that success to a whole new level in terms of the overall perception of the program under coach Jahmal Fenner.

Rising junior cornerback Latrell McCutchin committed to Alabama earlier this

LBJ's program.

When college football powers like Alabama start coming around to recruit, that's saying something about the caliber of player being developed at LBJ. McCutchin, regarded as one of the top high school cornerback recruits in America, received his offer person-

Jaguars will pursue their 15th consecutive playoff berth led by a couple of players (McCutchin and Mukuba) who have received major-college scholarship offers with two years of high-school eligibility remaining. The Jags open the 2019 season on Friday, Aug. 30 against Elgin at Nelson Field.

Links, Inc. Donate Ukuleles to Odom Elementary School



(AUSTIN, TX) - In a ceremony at Odom Elementary School, members of The Austin Chapter of The Links, Incorporated presented the school with twelve (12) Ukuleles in honor of music teacher, LaMonica Lewis. The Ukuleles represent a component of The Links ARTS Facet programming that focuses on enriching the lives of youth through supporting and promoting the performing and visual arts.

The Principal, Teachers and Staff of Odom Elementary School hosted a heart-

rending "Retirement Celebration" for LaMonica Lewis. It included musical farewells from the students in each of the grade levels. Ms. Lewis has served as a music teacher at Odom Elementary School for 28 years; she has taught a total of 32 years in the Austin Independent School District.

The Links is one of the nation's oldest and largest volunteer service organizations. It is comprised of women who are educational, business and civic leaders. The Austin Chapter of the Links works to

strengthen communities by active engagement in varied leadership roles as mentors, volunteers, and collaborators with organizations and partners for the advancement of a common vision focused on service.

During the presentation of the Ukuleles, Odom Principal, Sondra McWilliams and the Austin Link's President, Georgia Johnson acknowledged Ms. LaMonica Lewis for her service to the Odom Elementary Community as an exemplary music teacher.



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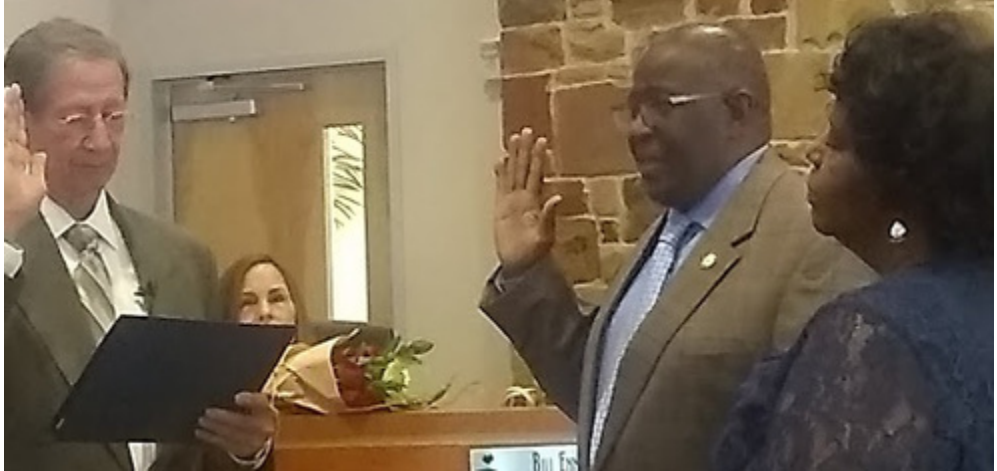


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The Return of Dock Jackson

By I. Enterprises | VILLAGER Special Report



Dock Jackson being sworn in at Bastrop City Hall Chambers. (I. Enterprises)

(VILLAGER) - Dock Jackson, who is a familiar name in Austin, took his second win to gain a seat back on the Bastrop City Council in Place 5. The swearing in ceremony occurred this past June, the 16th, at the Bastrop City Hall Chambers.

Dock Jackson, is a native of Bastrop (Fifth

generation) and previously held a Pro Tem seat in that city, years back. Since that time, he has been serving as the Deputy County Clerk, at Bastrop's County Clerk's Office.

Bastrop has grown leaps and bounds in the past years. Hundreds of new businesses

and homes have popped up everywhere. This also means that hundreds of situations need to be addressed.

Jackson stated, "Citizens urged me to return to address new issues close to them. I made a hard decision to come back." He also stated, "I can't wait to get started".

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GVMC leadership team L to R: Mr. Sarr, Apostle Guy Tanoh, Stephanie Abaka N’cho, Arthur Laundry and Mr. and Mrs. Assi. Photo/Tsoke (Church) Adjavon

by Tsoke (Church) Adjavon | VILLAGER Columnist

VILLAGER NEWS - Although La Génération des Vainqueurs Ministry Church of Austin (GVMC) church opened a branch in the Austin area in 2016, it recently held a building inauguration, June 22 to June 23, 2019, GVMC celebrated the expansion of their church. During the celebration, the founder of this Dallas, Texas-based church, Apostle Guy Tanoh came to Austin, to officiate the opening of the new building. According to Apostle Tanoh, the new Austin branch will be called GVMC Austin, the Mercy Seat.

Moreover, the atmosphere was both festive and somber. It was an opportunity to celebrate the growth that this church ministry has enjoyed over the years. On the other hand, it meant that the church will have a new responsibility. According to Apostle Tanoh, "the new building means that they must increase their outreach and move away from their comfort zone."

Finally, GVMC Austin has moved away from being a primarily African Diaspora church into an international and multicultural and multi-ethnic church. According to the Austin branch pastor and leader, Stephanie N'cho Abaka, "our goal has always been for this church to reflect the diverse demographic of the Austin area. Over the years, we have worked hard to reach out beyond the African Diaspora community."

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13th Annual Austin African American Book Fair

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VILLAGER NEWS - Saturday, June 22, 2019, the Austin African American Book Fair (AAABF) organized their 13th Annual festival at the Carver Library, in East Austin, Texas. Moreover, it is an opportunity for authors to showcase their work. According to the organizers, "a book fair is an inter-generational event that seeks to promote literacy within the African American commu-



2019 African American Book Festival: Pictured left to right are: John and Anita McLaurin. Photo/Tsoke (Church) Adjavon

nity." In addition, the AAABF continues to be a community event, produced to facilitate collaboration, dialogue, and creativity.

Moreover, this year's festival included the following Keynote speakers, Pulitzer Prize-winners Leonard Pitts, and Annette Gordon-Reed; Best-selling authors Terry McMillan and MK Asante and Historians Arnold Rampersad and Peniel Joseph.

Finally, the theme for the 13th Austin Afri-

by soulciti

Showroom 808’s Grand Opening will take place on Saturday, June 22, 2019 at 10222 Pecan Park Blvd., Suite 13, from 11am-5pm. The day is going to be filled with networking, community member spotlights, shopping, and a special guest appearance by Me & the Bees Lemonade founder, Mikaila Ulmer.

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tin Fashion Week in 2014 and has received both national and international exposure. Their Ethos-Chic™ Statement Jewelry was featured in British Vogue, Tribeca Magazine, and the Austin Chronicle among other publications.

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Liberian Community Hold Unification Soccer Game



Liberian American soccer Team. Photo/Tsoke (Church) Adjavon

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VILLAGER NEWS - Saturday, June 22, 2019, the Liberian American community of Central Texas and African Diaspora leaders organized a soccer game in the Austin area. Moreover, the soccer match was meant to bring unity and friendly exchange between the different African communities. Therefore, the sport featured a Liberian Ameri-

can team versus a local Austin African team. Despite the friendly nature of the game, both teams competed hard for a victory.

The Austin African soccer team scored six goals while the Liberian American soccer failed to score. Therefore, the Austin African team won 6 to 0. Following the match, both teams came together to eat some good African food. According to one organizer, Georgie Yeahnu, "this game came from the idea that soccer can be

used to increase the unity among the African community in Central Texas."

Finally, the organizers were very pleased with the way the event shaped out. It was family friendly and created a bond between various communities. According to spectator Jothias, "I really enjoyed bond making and the friendships that were formed on and off the field." In addition, they plan to repeat this type of event before the end of the summer.



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Study Finds Some Residents Believe Older Adults Will Be Forced Out of Areas in Central Texas

Courtesy of AGE of Central Texas | Special to the VILLAGER

Almost half of respondents reported their biggest concern about aging if they were to stay where they live now is running out of money

(AUSTIN, TX) - Uncertainty about affordable housing and personal finances were among the key concerns of Austin-Round Rock metro residents according to a study released today by AGE of Central Texas, a regional non-



profit organization delivering services, education, and assistance supporting the area's older adults and their caregivers. The regional

poll was commissioned by AGE of Central Texas and conducted by Bloom Communications in collaboration with Regina Corso Consulting with

the aim of understanding perceptions about aging, preparations people have place, and the experiences of caregivers.

Further delving into regional concerns, the study found that seven in 10 residents are not aware that the Austin-Round Rock metro area is the second fastest growing population of older adults (65+) and fastest growing population of adults aged 55-64 (U.S. Census Bureau). People were also unaware of the costs involved in caring for older adults such as enlisting the assistance of a professional caregiver, in-home medical equipment, adult day care services and assisted living accommodations. In addition, nine in 10 respondents said ageism exists because older adults' experiences and wisdom is undervalued or undercelebrated in the U.S.

"Older adults are a vital part of our social ecosystem. Excluding them means missing out on their wisdom and invaluable life experience," said Suzanne Anderson, executive director for AGE of Central

Texas. "As a region whose population of older adults will only continue to grow, it is imperative we work together to create inclusive programming and support systems, and reframe and champion the contributions of older people as assets in the community."

In addition, over two in five (41%) Central

Texas residents reported that they are now or will be a caregiver in their lifetimes. Findings also indicated a lack of awareness about where caregivers can turn for resources and support, with over half of respondents reporting they do not know a single organization that addresses the concerns of the aging community.

"Caregiving is a unique experience for every individual and will be a season of life for a large number of us. Unfortunately, many will be blindsided by the complexity, daily demands and feelings of isolation so pervasive among caregivers," said Anderson. "At AGE, our team works diligently to serve as a lifeline to services and resources for those navigating the realities and opportunities of aging and caregiving."



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Contact Surbhi Usrey at susrey@cadencemcshane.com for additional information on this project.

Drawings and specifications are available on Miller Blueprint, Virtual Builder's Exchange and SmartBid. Contact Surbhi Usrey for access to plans.

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2059	777 - Overall Odds are 1 in 3.94	\$10	7/20/19	1/16/20
2130	Find The 9s - Overall Odds are 1 in 4.68	\$1	8/28/19	2/24/20
2121	Lady Luck - Overall Odds are 1 in 4.10	\$5	8/28/19	2/24/20
2017	Bonus Break The Bank - Overall Odds are 1 in 3.53	\$5	8/28/19	2/24/20
2103	Cash Blast - Overall Odds are 1 in 6.39	\$10	8/28/19	2/24/20

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H-E-B ACCELERATES ITS INVESTMENT IN DIGITAL WITH NEW EASTSIDE TECH HUB IN AUSTIN



Retailer unveils 81,000 square-foot office for Favor and H-E-B Digital’s Austin-based Partners

(AUSTIN, TX) - Today H-E-B announced the opening of its Eastside Tech Hub — the retailer’s state-of-the-art, East Austin office for its growing team of Austin-based H-E-B Digital Partners (employees), as well as the new headquarters for Favor, the Austin-based on-demand delivery company that is a wholly-owned subsidiary of H-E-B. Complementing its existing H-E-B Digital team at H-E-B’s headquarters in San Antonio, the Eastside Tech Hub further accelerates the retailer’s path toward becoming the digital industry leader in Texas.

“Having a shared space like this is crucial to both H-E-B Digital and Favor’s rapid growth,” said Jag Bath, H-E-B chief digital officer and Favor CEO. “The Eastside Tech Hub enables us to have a strong tech presence in both Austin and San Antonio, while fostering a better connection between our teams across the two cities.”

H-E-B worked with IA Interior Architects to fully customize the recently renovated warehouse space. The two-story, open office concept offers a variety of dynamic work areas spread throughout the floor plan, including open collaboration areas, individual work spaces and over 50 meeting rooms of varying sizes, equipped with advanced technology and video conferencing capabilities. To foster continued collaboration between its San Antonio and Austin-

based Partners, the retailer will provide shuttle rides between the two cities on Wi-Fi enabled buses throughout the work week.

Additionally, the modern office boasts a coffee bar featuring local roasteries, a lounge area, a large events space and a wellness center featuring a rock-climbing wall, curated fitness classes, bike parking and showers. Located at 2416 East Sixth Street, the office space is walking distance to several restaurants, coffee shops, breweries and the 7th Street H-E-B store, which is undergoing a major renovation that will offer a world-class shopping experience.

The new workspace celebrates the unique identities of both H-E-B and Favor as well as their shared Texas heritage, and includes meeting rooms named after H-E-B brand products, famous personal assistants from popular culture — a nod to Favor’s Runners — and Texas landmarks and cities. Decorative accents, such as brick and tile sourced by D’Hanis Brick in San Antonio, handmade furniture from Marfa and plants native to the Lone Star State, thoughtfully integrate Texas throughout the interior design. The space also features the work of several Texas-based makers and artists, including portraits and murals by Will Bryant, multimedia art by R.F. Alvarez and installations by Cody Barber.

This investment in thriving East Austin reflects H-E-B’s enduring commitment to the communities it serves. To commemorate the opening of the Eastside Tech Hub, H-E-B and Favor will make \$100,000 in charitable gifts to support hundreds of students in Austin and San Antonio via STEM-based summer camps and programs, such as Code2College in Central Texas, the Austin Pre-freshman Engineering Program at Huston-Tillotson University, Video Game Camp at Austin Community College and Youth Code Jam in San Antonio and Austin.

“As a digital retail leader, this dynamic workplace reflects our commitment to better serve our people and communities. Investing in our schools and children allows us to help build the next generation of technology innovators right here in Texas,” said Bath.

The Eastside Tech Hub will initially house hundreds of Favor team members and H-E-B Digital Partners, with room to grow as both companies continue further investing in their teams to drive digital innovation. H-E-B Digital, in Austin and San Antonio, and Favor are both actively hiring across all areas of expertise, including product management, product design and software engineering. Career opportunities can be found on the H-E-B Careers and Favor websites.

Ava DuVernay’s “When They See Us” Wins Mass Attention for Focus on Falsely Accused Central Park Five

Written by **Lauren Victoria Burke** | NNPA Newswire Contributor

(NNPA) - The painful true stories of five falsely accused young men, Yusef Salaam, Raymond Santana, Kevin Richardson, Antron McCray, and Korey Wise, has been brought to light in excruciatingly vivid detail by director Ava DuVernay. The group known as the Central Park Five would receive 6 to 13 years in prison.

“When They See Us,” is DuVernay’s new mini-series, featured exclusively on Netflix, depicting the story of the Central Park Five. Her new film features the infamous 1989 case of five boys of color who were falsely accused of the rape of Trisha Meili, a white female jogger who

was then an investment banker. The story was reminiscent of the Scottsboro Boys case in 1931 in terms of being a rabid miscarriage of justice that stereotyped men of color as sexual predators.

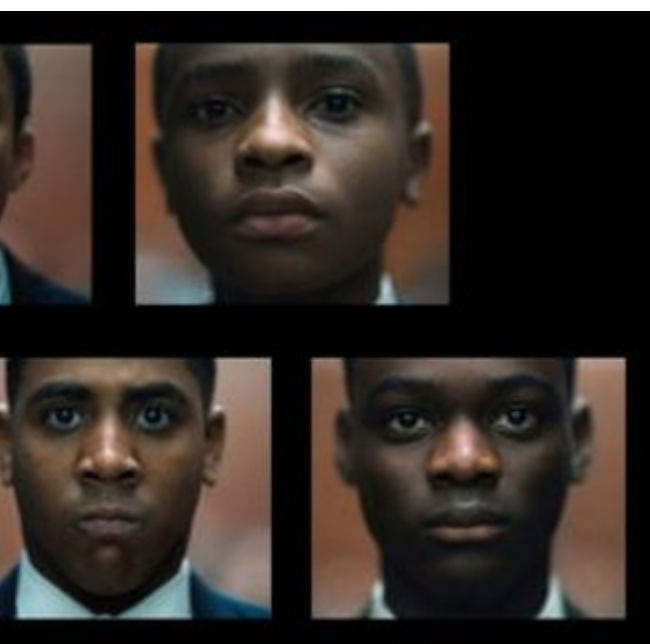
On May 1, 1989, Donald Trump called for the return of the death penalty in reference to the Central Park Five in full-page ads in all four of the city’s major newspapers. Trump has never admitted he



Ava DuVernay

was wrong about the Central Park Five though he has been asked about the case multiple times.

The members of the “Central Park Five” were



coerced into confessing to a crime they did not commit and implicating each other as police detectives subjected them to lengthy interviews and interroga-

tions. with the Central Park Five after Mayor Mike Bloomberg blocked their payout for ten years.

As DuVernay’s film gained viewers and momentum and waves of publicity, Linda Fairstein, the main prosecutor of the Central Park Five, was dropped by her publisher Dutton, an imprint of Penguin Random House, on June 7. Fairstein has never apologized or admitted there was a wrongful prosecution in the case. Several prosecutors and detectives have avoided discussing the series. The five men are pursuing an additional \$52 million in damages from New York State in the New York Court of Claims.