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"We think it is complicated to change the world. Change comes little by little. Nothing worthwhile can happen in one generation."
- Andrew Young, Jr.

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NHCUA: The North Huntsville Community United For Action held a community forum on February 12 at Church Street CPC of America. The charter and purpose of the organization were explained, along with a roll-out of the various committees on which local citizens can serve. The reason why members of NHCUA led a silent protest of Mayor Tommy Battle receiving the Unity Award by the Delta Theta Lambda Education Foundation on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s holiday was articulated. A chart of the economic development projects within Huntsville was projected so attendees could see the paucity of projects under contract north of University Drive. A Q&A session followed the updates by the committee chairs. Attendees, especially the Millennials present, were encouraged to sign up for the committees. (TVW)

AFC Elects Huntsvillian to Lead Association

New officers were elected at the recent meeting of the Alabama Forestry Commission (AFC) at state forestry headquarters in Montgomery.

The board selected Katrenia Pruitt Kier of Huntsville, Ala., as its new chair, and Robert N. Turner of Suligent, Ala., as vice-chair. Both Kier and Turner have served on the Commission since February 2016.

With over 30 years of

professional experience in business management, corporate training, and customer service, Katrenia Kier is the owner of Kier Realestate, LLC, a real estate brokerage firm in Huntsville.



Kier

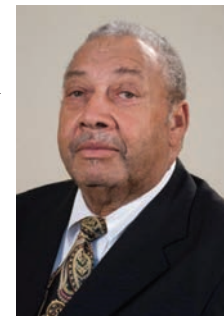
Her prior corporate experience includes human resource and information management positions in the defense industry at McDonnell Douglas and Boeing Corporation.

Currently an officer with the National Association of Real Estate Brokers, Kier also serves as minister and youth committee coordinator for the Greater Huntsville Interdenominational Ministerial Fellowship.

She earned a B.S. degree in psychology from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio, and received a business management certificate from the University of Alabama at Huntsville, as well.

Kier previously served six years on the State Forester's Outreach Advisory Council for underserved

and minority landowners. After a 45-year career in the field of education, Robert Turner now stays busy with cattle and farming in Lamar County.



Turner

Upon completion of a B.A. degree in social studies at Mississippi Industrial College, he attended Rust College, University of Alabama, University of Mississippi, and Mississippi State University, receiving a master's degree in administration in 1984.

To learn more about the AFC, visit www.forestry.alabama.gov.

AAMU to Hold Urban Planning Conference

The Department of Community and Regional Planning at Alabama A&M University will host the first annual Urban Planning Conference on Friday, February 22 in the ARC Auditorium.

Sessions will run from 8 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. This year's conference theme is "Planning for Socially Just, Inclusive and Empowered Cities." The conference will focus on the challenges of planning for socially just, inclusive, and empowering cities in the current

era as nations across the globe undergo dramatic swings towards isolation, a closing of borders, and proclamations of the death of multiculturalism.

The featured speakers are Dr. Edward Goetz and Dr. Del Smith. Dr. Goetz is professor and the director of the Center for Urban and Regional Affairs at the University of Minnesota. He will present a paper on "Understanding the Full Spectrum of Segregation: Concentrated White Affluence in American Metro-

politan Areas."

Dr. Del Smith, dean of the College of Business and Public Affairs at Alabama A&M University, will discuss "Opportunity or 'Opportunistic' Zones? An Initial and Future Impact Assessment."

The concurrent sessions will run from 9 a.m.-4:15 p.m. in three different themes, including (1) the Socially Just City, (2) the Inclusive City, and (3) the Empowered City.

All sessions are open to

the public. All participants must register and pay the conference fees of \$75 (presenters and regular participants) or \$50 (students). Registered AAMU faculty, students, and staff attend free of charge. For registration and more information: <https://planningataamu.myportfolio.com>. Contact: planning@aamu.edu, Dr. Deden Rukmana, professor and chair of the Department of Community and Regional Planning, (256) 372-4990.

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Huntsville Theatre Brings Indie Film to the Stage

Valentine's Day weekend kicked off with the opening of Akeelah and the Bee, Friday Feb. 15 at the VBC Playhouse. The production will run through February 24.

Based on the 2006 film, the play follows Akeelah Anderson, an 11-year-old who's phenomenal spelling skills lands her spot in the Scripps National Spelling Bee.



As she prepares for the biggest competition in her life, Akeelah must overcome the bullying from her peers, gun shots out her window and the loss of her father.

The film most notably helped launch the career

of actress-singer Keke Palmer and starred Lawrence Fisbourne, Angela Bassett and Eddie Steeples.

Adapted for the stage by Cheryl L. West, Akeelah and the Spelling Bee is directed by Jacinda Swinehart and Kailey Burkhardt.

For information on the show, please visit the Von Braun Center box office or www.vonbrauncenter.com.

by Reginald Allen

Champion Game Plan for Life

by Preston Brown

HOW TO GET UP WHEN YOU ARE DOWN

In Psalms 42:5, David says this: "Why my soul are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God."

Someone asked the question, "How do we get up when we have fallen down mentally, spiritually and emotionally?" and "What do you do when you've done all that you can and yet you still feel down?" When we read Psalms 42:5, we see that David is down and depressed and perhaps discouraged, like many of us can get. Whether it be the loss of a loved one or the loss of a job or maybe



a disgruntled spouse walks out on you and you never saw it coming. Yes, we all get depressed sometimes. And, when we feel this way, we need more than someone telling us to "cheer up"--things will get better. So, what can we do?

When we look at this scripture, there are two things that we can do when we get depressed. Just like David did. You see the first thing that David did was he looked "inward." In other words, we need to look deep inside of ourselves and take control of our emotions. And, the way that we do this is we need to speak life to the voice inside of us that is keeping us down and depressed. For example, David said, "Why, my soul, are you so downcast? Why so disturbed within me? You see, we need to analyze the

reason that we are down and depressed so we can figure out a way to get back up again. In most cases, we know why we are down and discouraged, we just need to take action and do something about it.

The second thing that we need to do is look "upward." You see, David looks upward and he says to God, "You are my hope and my help and I will yet praise you." Sometimes all we need to remember is that we have a friend in Jesus. But like the song says, we will "forfeit" our peace if "we do not carry everything to God in prayer." Because God knows our situation and he understands even when we don't think he does. But we need His grace and our faith working together to give us the desire to do something about our circumstance.

Stay encouraged, my brothers and sisters!

Spotlight on Our Elders ... Featuring

Mrs. Effie Gaines

One of Huntsville's local heroines is known to many as Mrs. Effie Gaines. Effie is also affectionally known throughout the church community as "Mother Gaines," and she is known to her family and close friends simply as "Madea," and "Mu"; and "Aunt Effie" to everyone else.

She is the youngest child of the late Al and Laura Douglas. She was married 39 years to the late Mr. Ruben Gaines, and she is the mother of their five children. Mrs. Gaines has extraordinarily juggled being a wife, mother, musician and chef with a warm smile and a soft "Yes, I will." Many know that all it takes is a request for a cake, pie, or homemade rolls for holidays or "just because," and Effie is the one to go to for a heavenly dessert.

While Effie was just a small child, other church

members began to take notice of the little girl singing her heart out with a voice and fervor beyond her years. She showed great musical promise and taught herself to play the piano at the age of 8 years old. As a result, she is recognized as a gifted soloist and pianist with a voice that exudes feelings from its spiritual roots.


Over the years, hundreds of grief-stricken families have called Effie to perform during home-going celebrations. A true servant, this very gifted and humble lady answers whenever she is called upon to deliver her heart-felt and soothing music. Her music transforms the heaviness of mourning to a place of hope

and peace.

Her musical career began in 1953, when she became the pianist at "The Big Brick"--St. Bartley P.B. Church. The historic St. Bartley Church is recognized as the oldest black church congregation in the State of Alabama, and this year celebrates its 197th anniversary.

Mrs. Gaines was the primary pianist at St. Bartley for over 40 years and she has served as the music director for Bethel CME Church. Gifted, humble, spirited, eloquent, and virtuous are words used when one describes Mrs. Gaines. Whatever and whenever she is called, she answers and continues to serve the community with love and grace.





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SCENES FROM REV. ANDREW YOUNG, JR.

The Huntsville Museum of Art hosted "A Conversation with Former United Nations Ambassador Andrew Young, Jr." on Thursday, February 14. This conversation was part of the Museum's "Voices of Our Times" series and was presented by their African American History Month Committee. The standing room only event was well received by a very diverse group of local citizens.



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Mastin Lake Road/University Drive)

Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church

Mike "Lock Her Up" Flynn: From Ego to Ego-holism . . . and Back

"There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death" Proverbs 14:12, King James Version.

Dr. Leslie Pollard, Oakwood University President/mentor/friend, asked me recently: "How and when does ego (one's sense of self) morph into ego-holism (addiction to self)?"

A: When it bloomed, turned thorny in the Garden of Eden.

Once Upon a Crime . . .

God created Adam and Eve perfectly, equipping them with egos and a natural inclination for partnering with Him; their sin, however, ruptured that partnership and made them know their incompleteness without Him.

Ego-holism surfaces when we attempt to fill our incompleteness, voids without God. Then, we'll either supply too much of ourselves (arrogance or conceit - "big" ego-holism) or dispense too little of ourselves (low-/no esteem or insecurity - "little" ego-holism). Pro Football Hall of Fame coach Bill Walsh: "Self-confidence becomes arrogance, assertiveness becomes obstinance, and self-assurance becomes reckless abandon." Only God knows the exact God/us mixtures, allocated only in direct proportion to our faith in Him. Otherwise, you and I will mimic -

Ego to Ego-holism . . .

Only 22 days. The Mueller-indicted Flynn is now history's briefest-serving National Security Adviser. Why?

Former Army colleague/strategist/author Ralph Peters: "He did a lot of good things (while serving in Iran and Afghanistan) but in the end, he betrayed his country. It's unforgivable. . . . lying to the FBI was a crime. But the greater crime was treason. Embracing the Russians. . . .

"Something appears to have snapped in Mike . . . and he got greedy. And then on top of that, once he connected with Trump and he started to feel the magic of the crowds cheering for him and the utterly disgraceful chants of 'lock her up'. . . .

"Military officers have to have a higher ethical standard than anybody else. . . . and Mike failed. . . . I don't think I've ever been so surprised in my lifetime by the turnabout of an individual."

. . . and Back

Romans 3:23's "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" explains how we all default to sin without any conscious effort; therefore, choosing Christ instead, must be deliberate and intentional on our part.

"How often our service to Christ, our communion with one another, is marred by the secret desire to exalt self! How ready the thought of self-gratulation, and the longing for human approval! It is the love of self, the desire for an easier way than God has appointed that leads to the substitution of human theories and traditions for the divine precepts."

- Mrs. Ellen White, co-founder, Huntsville's Oakwood Industrial School (now University).

Stay or become connected with God - otherwise, you and I will become "in like Flynn."

tim allston is the author of the free book, 7 Steps to Manage Ego Problems: The How-to Guide for "Someone Else," free and downloadable now at www.GetEgoHelpNow.org.

still recovering,
tim allston*

Annual Community Kite Festival Nears

The 2019 Community Kite Festival will take place on Saturday, March 2 at John Hunt Park and the Jaycee Building located at 2120 Airport Road from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Sponsored by Asha Kiran, the annual festival is free to the public, and free exhibit space is available to non-profit and community



organizations.

Organizations interested

in free exhibit space can register here: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeOWtrohLMXS0KVtkWn51HqOOS3Hv3dWQXKOeTc5somywqRbA/viewform>

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Kenny Anderson at kenny.anderson@huntsvilleal.gov or call (256)

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The 13th Annual Rosetta James Foundation "Honoring Our Elders" Celebration

2019



Mrs. Jacquelyne K. Bennett



Mrs. Gladys Branch



Elder John Branch



Rev. Ethel Y. Delaney



Mrs. Carolyn Rice Florence



Mrs. Josephine Scruggs



Mrs. Kathy Steja



Mother Elizabeth Smith

- Also Honoring Pioneers -

Deacon Robert Jackson

Mrs. Elaine Plank

Mrs. Josephine Robinson

Mr. Eugene Dick Scruggs, Sr.



Save the Date!

Saturday, March 9, 2019

The Jackson Center

6001 Moquin Drive (Cummings Research Park)

Huntsville, Alabama

12 Noon

Tickets: \$50/Each

For additional information, call Linda Burruss at (256) 536-9717

The Valley Weekly Calendar of Events

February 22-23

Midwest Invitational
Rodeo
Alabama A&M University
Agribition Center

Park)
Huntsville, Ala.
12 noon

Huntsville Area Spelman
Alumna

"An Evening of Jazz"

Featuring
The Joe Jennings and How-
ard Nicholson Quintet
Huntsville Botanical Gar-
den Grand Hall
Please go to www.HuntsvilleNAASC.org for ticket information

February 28

Second Annual "Day of
Action" Nonprofit and
Community Rainbow of
Knowledge Fair
Huntsville Marriott at the
U.S. Space and Rocket
Center
Huntsville, Ala.
4:30 p.m.

March 11

Experience Hendrix
Von Braun Center Concert
Hall

April 4

The Future & Beyond Di-
versity & Inclusion Sympo-
sium - TBA

May 3

Super Hero ShinDig
National Children's Advo-
cacy Center

May 15

Earth, Wind & Fire
VBC Concert Hall

March 7

26th Annual NSBE Schol-
arship Awards Program
Speaker: Marc Lacy
Tickets \$35 available at
www.nsbe-northalabamae.com
Holiday Inn Research Park
6:30 p.m.

March 9

13th Annual Rosetta James
"Honoring Our Elders"
Celebration Luncheon
The Jackson Center
6001 Moquin Drive
(Cummings Research

St. Luke Sponsoring Boyhood/Manhood Workshop

St. Luke Christian Church and Real Fathers Making a Difference are inviting all boys and men (8+) to a "Boyhood vs. Manhood" Workshop scheduled Saturday, February 23, at St. Luke Christian Church, 1800 Sparkman Drive, NW, Huntsville, Ala.

The work-
shop is a free
activity for
boys, young
men, and
older males.
Launched on
the premise
that young men need male
adults to "step up"--both
in their lives and in their
respective communities.



The ses-
sion aims to
provide boys
and young
men an op-
portunity to
express the
issues con-
fronting them to ears that
seek understanding.

The workshop will take
special effort to ensure that

everyone has a voice, that
attendees come together
from different walks of
life, circumstances, and
perspectives to have candid
conversations; and to build
accountability among boys
and men.

Breakout sessions, panel
discussions, and question
and answers are scheduled.
Lunch will be served.



Millennial Thought

by Josh Alex Baker

The Young & The Curious

Ask the dumb question.
Translation: *Ask-the-question-that-actually-is-not-dumb-but-society-has-conditioned-you-into-believing-that-we-all-operate-on-some-singular-metric-of-common-sense-despite-the-fact-our-aquisition-of-and-orientation-to-knowledge-is-extremely-varied.*

Whew. What a mouth-
ful. How many times
have you affirmed an
understanding that you
really didn't have in order
to spare yourself embar-
rassment?

If you are like me, too
many times to count. Why
is it that we have been
conditioned to view our ig-
norance in such a fatalistic
fashion?

Today, I challenge our
perspective. Instead of run-
ning from our ignorance,
let's run to it and rectify it.
After all, isn't our igno-
rance simply a reminder
that we are beings capable
of constant evolution?

Learning is a lifelong ex-
perience. From the day you
are born to the day you die,
you will constantly learn

have. It is of course con-
tingent upon your desire.
Your willingness. Your
sacrifice of pride.

And here's a secret.
(You probably can't
tell, but I'm whispering
now). I guarantee you that
you're not the only one in
the room with that "dumb"
question. You simply were
brave enough to ask it.

Every day of your life,

be brave enough to ask
it. Challenge convention.
Challenge the norm.

Assess. Evaluate.
Conclude. Readmit new
evidence.

Conclude again.
Actively seek out the an-
swers to the questions that
drive you. Don't be bound
by your curiosity.

Be liberated by it.



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Alumni Chapter Offering Dr. Rather Brown Scholarships to Local Students

The Huntsville/
Madison County Chapter
of the Alabama A&M
University National
Alumni Association, Inc.,
announces the 2019 Dr.
Rather G. Brown Scholar-
ship.

The chapter will award
two (2) scholarships for
Fall Semester 2019 ex-
penses. Graduating high
school seniors enrolled
in Madison County,

Madison City, Huntsville
City Schools, or parochial
and private institutions
in Madison County are
eligible. Madison County
residents that are cur-
rently enrolled at AAMU
are also eligible.

The scholarship dead-
line is March 15, 2019.

To apply, please visit the
website: <http://aamuhsv-madisonalumni.org/>
resources.

Valley Deaths

- Nelms Memorial Funeral Home -

Funeral service for MS. ROSIE RICE (b. 1957) will be Friday, February 22, at 11 a.m. at Douglas Tabernacle Primitive Baptist Church with the Reverend Dwight Clark as eulogist and the Reverend Timothy Rainey as officiant.

Funeral service for MR. THEOPLUS JEFFERSON ("T.J." / "Bud") TAYLOR (b. 1921) was held Wednesday, February 20, at 12 p.m. at First Missionary Baptist Church (3508 Blue Spring Road NW - Huntsville, Ala.) with Pastor Emeritus Julius R. Scruggs officiating.

Funeral service for MR. JEMARIUS COLLIER (b. 1984) was held Monday, February 18, at 11 a.m. at Madkins Chapel Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America with the Reverend Byron McGlathery officiating.

Funeral service for THE REVEREND GENEVIEVE RANGE BROWN (b. 1938) of Joliet, Ill., was held Saturday, February 16, at St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church (1404 S. Briggs Street - Joliet, IL) with her son Bishop-Elect Steven Evans officiating. Reverend Brown is the mother of Dr. Tammy (Reverend Willie) Alexander (Huntsville, Ala.) and Mrs. Rhonda Range (Neal) Lockhart (Rhonda Ealy formerly of Huntsville).

Funeral service for MR. BYRON EUGENE GREEN (b. 1962) will be Saturday, February 16, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in Fort Payne, AL (location to be announced later).

- Royal Funeral Home -

Funeral service for MR. GLENN SHURNEY (b. 1948) will be held at 11 a.m., Sunday, February 24., at the Oakwood Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Memorial service for MRS. CAROLYN GARNER (b. 1953) will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, February 23, at the St. Paul United Methodist Church.

Funeral service for MR. LOUIS EDWARD COOPER, JR., (b. 1944) will be 12 noon, Friday, February 22, at the First Missionary Baptist Church with Dr. Julius R. Scruggs officiating.

Funeral service for MR. GEORGE FLETCHER (b. 1949) was held Monday, February 18, at the Syler Tabernacle with Rev. James Townsend officiating.

Funeral service for MRS. LATHEA GAIL BUSH-CRUMP (b. 1958) was held Sunday, February 17, at the Royal Chapel of Memories with Minister Carl Windsor officiating.

Funeral service for MOTHER CATHERINE PENDLETON (b. 1929) was held Saturday, February 16, at the Progressive Union Missionary Baptist Church with Elder Jaymes Mooney officiating.

Funeral service for MR. JUDGE W. STRONG (b. 1938) was held Saturday, February 16, at the Union Hill Primitive Baptist Church with Elder Larry Smith officiating.

- Serenity Funeral Home -

Funeral service for MRS. ROSETTA TOWNSEND (b. 1942) was held on Saturday, February 9, 2019, at 11:00a.m. at Union Hill CPCA (3126 Nevell Drive NW, Huntsville, Ala.) with Rev. Dr. Edward L. Anderson officiating.

Called 2 Preach

by Pastor/Founder Michael D. Rice
Grace Gethsemane Mission Church

Enemies as Footstools

Psalm 110:1; Luke 20:42-43

Do you have any "known" enemies that you wish were not persistently and painfully present? Both the Psalmist and Jesus, who quoted him, has good news for you. If you are like me and have been reading those passages thinking that eventually we get to step on our enemies, the truth of the matter is that God uses them, not to step on, but rather to step up on. Footstools are for elevation; they are used to step up on. Therefore, the language sagaciously suggests that God has an entirely different view of enemies; they are being

fashioned into footstools; which explains the length of their layover. God is in the process of transforming them from foes to footstools. Therefore, we

are commanded (vs 42), to position ourselves at that powerful and privileged location at God's right hand and wait with aggressive and even arrogant assurance, not in a prideful way, but in a trustful way, while God is making our enemies something we can step up on. After all, footstools are used for aiding in helping one to

see and reach something that is out-of-reach. There are blessings that are for us that are not in view and are out of reach, but if we give God time and let Him finish, we will discover that the time of being sorrowful because of our enemies can now be used for praising God for literally changing them from a lament to a lift.



Huntsville City Council Meetings



Huntsville City Council's regular meetings are held in the City Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. Council work sessions are also held in the Chambers of the Municipal Building on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 6 p.m.

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Washington in One Minute



Here are the top issues in Washington, D.C., for this week's edition.

1. The House and Senate were in recess this week for the Presidents' Day Holiday and federal government offices were closed on Monday. Congress will reconvene next Monday.

2. Last Friday, President Trump signed the FY2019 "Consolidated Appropriations Act," containing the 7 remaining unenacted spending bills that will provide those federal agencies with their permanent budgets through September 30, 2019. Criticizing Congress for only allowing him \$1.375 billion in the bill for border barriers, the President also declared a National Emergency, for

which he plans to divert \$8 billion from previously-appropriated spending – including \$3.6 billion from the military construction account, \$2.5 billion from the Defense Department's counter-drug program, and \$600 million from Treasury's forfeiture fund program.

California Attorney General Xavier Becerra announced Sunday that he would be filing a lawsuit against the President's declaration as soon as Monday joined by Hawaii, Minnesota, New Mexico, and Oregon (Advocacy groups Public Citizen and Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington filed separate lawsuits on Friday).

3. On last Friday, House Democrats introduced a bill that would eliminate the tax on certain fringe benefits offered by houses of worship and nonprofits under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA), H.R. 1, which passed in the 115th Congress. Majority Whip Jim Clyburn (D-SC) said he hoped a repeal measure could move quickly through Congress, given that nonprofits will have to pay the tax next month. Mr. Clyburn added that would likely mean the measure would need to be passed under suspension of rules in the House, like many noncontroversial proposals. He hopes that the Senate also could act rapidly. Removing the 21 percent tax on benefits like parking, subway passes, and meals does have bipartisan support. Rep. Kevin Brady (R-TX), one of the key architects of the TCJA, proposed eliminating it during his final weeks as House Ways and Means chairman last year, as part of a year-end tax measure that did not make it through Congress. Majority

Whip Clyburn said that Democrats would push a 0.03 percent increase in the corporate rate to offset the cost of repealing the fringe benefit tax, which congressional scorekeepers estimate raises about \$1.8 billion over a decade. While it is unknown whether Republicans would get behind any chipping away of 2017's corporate rate reduction, Mr. Clyburn said he was hopeful.

4. On Monday, President Trump travelled to Miami to give a speech at Florida International University in support of Venezuelan opposition leader Juan Guaido, who is recognized by the U.S. as Interim President. On Wednesday, the President hosted a meeting at the White House with Austrian Chancellor

Sebastian Kurz, who was elected in December 2017 as an immigrant hardliner. On Friday, the President will attend a reception for African American History Month.

5. This week, U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer will continue trade negotiations in Washington with Chinese Vice Premier Liu He in an attempt to reach agreement to avert a rise in tariff duties from 10% to 25% on \$200 billion worth of Chinese goods if no deal is reached by March 1 (although President Trump said on Friday that he may extend the deadline). Lighthizer briefed the President at his Florida resort Mar-a-Lago on Saturday on the status of the negotiations.

6. Last Friday, the Supreme Court announced that it would leapfrog over a federal appeals court and review a challenge to the Trump Administration's decision to add a question about citizenship to the 2020 Census. In January 2019, a trial court issued a ruling that barred the government from including the citizenship question in the census. The Supreme Court will hear oral arguments in the case in late April. The court's Friday conference was the first attended by Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg in person since she had cancer surgery in December.

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The City of Huntsville's Community Development Department will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, March 11, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. to receive input for the **2019 Action Plan Program Year** (7/1/18 to 6/30/19). The meeting will be held at the Showers Center, 4600 Blue Spring Road, Huntsville, AL 35810. The City of Huntsville does not discriminate on the basis of disability for the admission or access to its programs or activities. If you have any questions, or will need special accommodations, please call Turkessa C. Lacey - Community Development Department prior to the Public Hearing at 256-427-5400; TTY: 256-427-7092.



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La ciudad del departamento del desarrollo de la comunidad de Huntsville llevará a cabo una audiencia pública Lundi 11 mars 2019, en 6:00 P.M. para recibir la entrada para el **plan 2019 de acción programe el año** (7/1/18 a 6/30/19). La réunion se tiendra au centre de douches, 4600 Blue Spring Road Huntsville, AL 35810. La ciudad de Huntsville no discrimina en base de la inhabilidad para la admisión ni tiene acceso a sus programas o actividades. Si usted tiene cualesquiera preguntas, o necesita comodidades especiales, llame por favor Turkessa C. De encaje - departamento del desarrollo de la comunidad antes de la audiencia pública en 256-427-5400; TTY: 256-427-7092.



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