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"Never to suffer would never to have been blessed." - Edgar Allen Poe

HBC Honors Rosetta James for Women's History Month

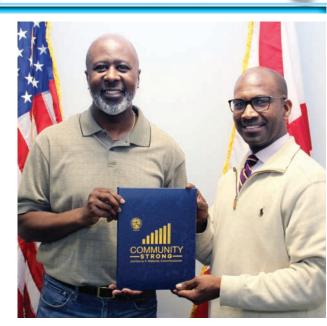
Sen. Jones, Colleagues Push Expansion of Early Voting Bill



The Huntsville Bible College (906 Oakwood Avenue) is observing March as Women's History Month by paying tribute to the late Mrs. Rosetta Jones James, a long-time voting rights activist and community advocate. An exhibit of her memorabilia is on public display at HBC, and additional tributes to the activist appears on HBC's website, huntsvillebiblecollege.org

A native of Akron, Ala., who lived in New York City

for nearly 30 years before settling in Huntsville, Ala., Mrs. James became an effective community organizer, a proactive champion for children, the elderly, the incarcerated, the abused, neglected and disenfranchised. For some 40 years, she served numerous community organizations as a volunteer. HBC is a post-secondary school of higher learning and is accredited by the Association for Biblical Higher Education.



CONGRATS: Retired Alabama State Trooper Curtis Summerville (left) received a resolution commemorating his retirement from Madison County Commissioner JesHenry Malone (r) of District Six. Summerville served the Trooper organization for 32 years, culminating with the position of public information officer.

U.S. Senator Doug Jones (D-Ala.) has co-sponsored legislation that would expand early in-person voting and no-excuse absentee vote-by-mail, among other reforms, in the wake of the spread of the novel coronavirus, or COVID-19.

"We should be making it easier to vote, not harder. Especially now in the midst of the COVID-19 outbreak, there are commonsense reforms we can enact to ensure that no one has to put their health at risk to exercise that important constitutional right," Senator Jones said.

The legislation comes on the heels of an announcement by the Governor of Alabama that this month's Senate runoff election would be postponed to July 14th, and as states across the country postpone their presidential primary elections in the interest of public safety. It also follows in the aftermath of deadly tornadoes that devastated communities in Tennessee the night before the state's March 3 primary election.

The Ballot Act would ensure that voters in all states have 20 days of early in-person voting and no-excuse absentee vote-by-mail; guarantee that all voter registration applications submitted by mail or online before and 21 days prior to election day are deemed valid; require states and jurisdictions to establish a publicly available contingency plan to enable eligible Americans to vote in the case of an emergency; create a uniform absentee ballot; enable Intelligent Mail barcodes; create domestic ballot update service; implementation of a signature curing procedure; more accommodations for Native American voters; and state support for implementation of the Act.



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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

each month at 6 p.m.

City 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. People can sign up for notices of Council meetings and special sessions online at https://signup.e2ma.net/ signup/1825550/1780821/

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Here are the activities in Washington, D.C., this week:

1. The bipartisan leadership of the House and Senate met Sunday morning on the \$1.8 trillion Coronavirus bill #3 - S. 3548, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. Senate Majority Leader Mitch Mc-Connell (R-KY) had hoped to have a final vote Monday, but Sunday the Senate failed in a 47-47 party-line vote to cut off further debate on the motion to proceed to the CARES bill (it needed 60 votes). Senate Democrats want several changes to the bill, including policy on stock buybacks and executive pay and protections for individuals facing eviction. The House is writing its own bill, the Take Responsibility for Workers and Families Act. On last Thursday, House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer (D-MD) stated that the House would not come back into session until it was ready to vote on Coronavirus bill #3.

The contents of the Senate CARES bill are still being negotiated, but some of the highlights at this time are: • \$58 billion in collateralized loans and loan guarantees for

the airline industry (Senate Democrats are pushing for these loans to be grants reportedly to avoid layoffs);

\$350 in guaranteed loans for small businesses that will be fully refundable for employers who keep workers on payroll through the health crisis; \$250 billion for expanded unemployment benefits;

· \$250 billion in \$1200 direct cash payments to all individuals earning less than \$75,000

(married filers making under \$150,000) + \$300 per child, so a family of 4 would get \$3000; · A payroll tax holiday for employers and self-employed individuals to defer payments on the employer share of Social Security taxes beyond the election, with half being due by Dec. 31, 2021, and the other half by Dec. 31, 2022; · \$75 billion for hospitals; · \$20 billion for veterans'

health care; · \$11 billion for vaccines, therapeutics, diagnostics, and

other preparedness needs; • \$4.5 billion for the Centers for Disease Control; · \$1.7 billion for the Strategic National Stockpile; • \$12 billion for the military; \cdot \$10 billion for block grants to states;

 \$12 billion for K-12 education; \$6 billion for higher education; • \$5 billion for FEMA disaster relief fund; • \$10 billion for airports; and • \$20 billion for public transportation emergency relief.

2. Last Wednesday (March 18), President Trump signed the \$104 billion Coronavirus bill #2 - H.R. 6201, the Families First Coronavirus Response Act - into

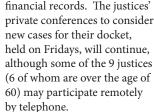
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law, which includes provisions for emergency paid leave for workers as well as free testing. The Families First Coronavirus Response Act builds on the \$8.3 billion emergency coronavirus spending package (Coronavirus bill #1) enacted into law on March 6. A summary of the final enacted provisions pertaining to the new Emergency Paid Sick Leave policy can be found here: https:// appropriations.house.gov/sites/ democrats.appropriations. house.gov/files/2020-03-17%20 Emergency%20Paid%20Sick-Family%20Leave%20Fact%20 Sheet%20Enrolled%20FINAL. pdf

3. On Sunday, Senator Rand Paul (R-KY) became the first Senator to announce that he had tested positive for COV-ID-19. He is the 3rd Member of Congress (after Reps. Diaz-Balart, R-FL and McAdams, D-UT) to do so ... The Senate GOP is now 5 Senators down with Utah GOP Sens. Mike Lee and Mitt Romney declaring today they would self-quarantine after recently spending time with Sen. Paul. Sens. Cory Gardner (R-CO) and Sen. Rick Scott (R-FL) were already selfquarantining.

4. On Saturday (March 21), the Internal Revenue Service announced that the 2019 income tax filing and payment deadlines for all taxpayers who file and pay their Federal income taxes on April 15, 2020, are automatically extended until July 15, 2020. This relief applies to all individual returns, trusts, and corporations. This relief is automatic, taxpayers do not need to file any additional forms or call the IRS to qualify ... For more information, go here: https:// www.irs.gov/newsroom/ payment-deadline-extendedto-july-15-2020

5. Last Monday (March 16), the U.S. Supreme Court indefinitely postponed all 11 oral arguments scheduled for March, including the case pertaining to President Trump's



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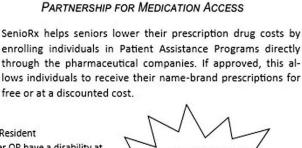
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Mrs. Sibyl McDougald Wilkinson

Greetings!

This week, we remember and pay tribute to the late Mrs. Sibyl McDougald Wilkinson, who passed away last June at 95 years young, still managing the front office of her family's real estate business until her death. Born in Vernon Parish, Louisiana, she had leadership abilities all her life, starting in high



school, where she was a cheerleader, sports reporter for her high school paper, and was active in church and school organizations. She was chairman of the annual Claxton High Class of 1941 Reunions for many years until 2011, the 70th reunion when the class dissolved and gave the remaining funds for a scholarship for a CHS nursing student to attend Georgia Southern.

Wilkinson was reared in Savannah and Claxton, Ga. She met her future husband, James Chason Wilkinson, in college. After they married, the two called Atlanta, Claxton and Florida home for numerous years before they retired in Huntsville, Ala., where their daughters Nancy and Sarah resided.

During the more than four decades she has lived in Huntsville, Wilkinson has been active in several organizations, including the Wounded Warriors, volunteer; The Gothic Guild, past president; Cotillion Etiquette Committee; and Tennessee Valley Scottish Society, past president.

She was honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Girl Scouts of America; the Distinguished Service Award, 2nd Marine Division, U.S. Marine Corps; the Clan MacDougall Award; the Somerled Award; and the 2016 DAR Medal of Honor, which is the most prestigious honor awarded by the DAR and recognizes individuals who have shown extraordinary qualities of leadership, trustworthiness, service and patriotism. She was very active in the Semper Fi community.

At the age of 92, she was liaison for the National Convention of the Second Marine Division Association Annual Meeting in Huntsville, Ala., in September of 2015. In Claxton, Ga., she was the Civil Defense director during the Cuban Missile Crisis. She was Comptroller of the Ramada Inn in Cocoa Beach, Fla., during the Apollo years of the 1960s and early 1970s. In 1975 and 1976 in Huntsville, she and her husband sponsored two Vietnamese refugees after the Vietnam War ended in the 1970s. They lived in the Wilkinson home for nearly a year and became like family.

In addition to working with the Marines and the Scottish communities, Wilkinson was committed to working for First United Methodist Church, where she served as a past trustee and on the kitchen committee, administrative board, board of trustees, parsonage committee, the historical committee and the special ministries committee. On the 40th anniversary of the end of the Korean War, she was invited as a guest of the South Korean government in Seoul, where she received an individual audience with Senior Pastor Sundo Kim, who presented her with the Key to the Kwanglim Methodist Church, which was then the largest Methodist church in the world.

Moreover, the avid Auburn and Florida State fan served two terms as Advisory Board president of Burritt on the Mountain; past vice president of Early Works Society; and past vice president of the Historic Huntsville Foundation. The **Rosetta James Foundation Elder** is survived by two daughters and sons-in-law, Nancy Wilkinson Van Valkenburgh and Richard P. Van Valkenburgh, Jr., and Sarah Wilkinson Hereford and Tom Douglas Hereford; and by three granddaughters, one grandson, and many relatives and friends.

Until next week ...



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Alley Weekly Valley Elders and the Coronavirus 2019 by Chanda Crutcher

Coronavirus is Here. It has impacted the world, our nation, and it is in the Tennessee Valley. No one is immune from being infected by this virus; however, prudence in following the recommendations by the Alabama Department of Public Health, along with Federal Agencies, can protect you and stop the spread to others even if you do not currently have symptoms.

As the whole world is being affected by the Coronavirus (Covid-19), our older, disabled, and immune-suppressed adults are at a higher threat of death. What causes temporary discomfort for the general population, is killing older adults in cities across the United States. About 80% of Older Adults in need of support are living independently at home, not in a Nursing Home or Assisted Living Facility according to caregiver. org.

Today, we want to provide you with information to assist in protecting the Matriarchs and Patriarchs in our Community that are living in private residences or independent living communities. Those aged 65 and older with existing medical conditions need to be even more diligent than most in protecting themselves.

Practical Steps to Keep our Seniors Safe from Viral Infections to Include the Coronavirus

1. Encourage them to stay away from crowds of more than 10 people. This includes Church services. Pastors should consider online services. St. Mark Baptist Church in Huntsville has addressed potential isolation among senior members by purchasing Roku televisions and iPads to ensure that Seniors are staying connected.

2. Reschedule non-essential medical and dental appointments (call and discuss with

your physician) until after May 10, 2020.

3. Minimize visitors. Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Communities

are implementing strict visitation guidelines. The same consideration should be given to those in Independent Senior Complexes and living at home.

4. Those in contact with seniors should self screen prior to human connection. If you have a cough, fever,

shortness of breath, or have traveled outside of the country in the last 14 days or been exposed to Coronavirus, care enough to STAY AWAY! Word of Caution! Don't allow the impact of a Social Re-



cession (isolating older adults Caregiving is HARD outside of a National Emer-

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1. Call your Senior neighbors, family, friends daily! *Even if they chuckle when you check-in! 2. Help them to place grocery or-

ders online for pick up and volunteer to pick the groceries up for them. 3. Send a Card.

4. Text/Email

Things! Children, Vacations, etc.

5. Pray for family and professional caregivers! They have children out of school, work obligations, and other life demands.

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Perspectives on EGO-holism

Coronavirus Crisis Object Lesson: Silver-medal Governors Became Gold-medal National Leaders

"Go to the ant, you sluggard; consider its ways and be wise! It has no commander, no overseer or ruler, yet it stores its provisions in summer and gathers its food at harvest" - Proverbs 6:6-8.

In this passage, King Solomon praised ants for their industry and

advanced preparations - all achieved without a leader.

Similarly, Americans like Proverbs' ants have coped for these past few weeks with the growing



coronavirus pandemic - also without a (presidential) leader.

Fortunately, America is being rescued by its second-tier, "silver-medal" cadre of governors. In their March 17 article, "Once Political B-Listers, Governors Lead Nation's Coronavirus Response," https://www.nytimes. com/2020/03/17/us/politics/governors-coronavirus-trump.html, New York Times reporters Jonathan Martin and Alexander Burns open with "Governors of both parties have taken a lead role in confronting the crisis, asserting themselves in ways that have only highlighted the initial lack of seriousness from the White House."

THE SILVER "METTLE" CHALLENGE

Trump's Tweet-bashing of NY's Andrew Cuomo ("do more"), WA's Jay Inslee ("a snake") and Gretchen Whitmer ("Failing Michigan Governor ... needs to work harder") underscores an overall disregard for persons holding number-two posts - in this case, in the U.S. national political arena.

While they possess top-leadership qualifications and experience, "silver medalists" are often an organization's least acknowledged and most ignored persons.

In his Leading from the Second Chair, author Mike Bonem however credits second-chair leaders for deriving "much of their success through influence and relationships."

"If the federal government isn't going to do what it should do, then the states have to try their best, right?" asked Cuomo during his March 16th press conference. "I just did a call with Governor Phil Murphy of New Jersey and Governor Ned Lamont of Connecticut, and we are adopting the same policies, so there is no benefit to try to shop (differing coronavirus containment policies) New York versus Connecticut versus New Jersey."

The nation's governors referenced here are showing us that you and I don't have to be in the number-one spot to effect change; rather, Time and Circumstance will elevate us - or, as Jesus affirmed, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord" Matthew 25:21.

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

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Champion Game Plan for Life by Preston Brown

A SPIRITUAL TEST

James 1:2 says, "Consider it pure joy whenever you face trials of many kinds."

You know, one of the things that used to "bug" me when I was in school was an unexpected test. I can still remember my teachers or professors coming into the classroom with test papers in hand and a quirky smile on their face. They would always say something like, "This is not intended to discourage any of you or to make you nervous; it is simply to see what you know, it's just a learning experience." In our text, James draws a close comparison to this illustration with his view of "spiritual test." And he opens up with the strangest statement

when he says, "Consider it pure joy" when test and trials come into our lives. So what does this mean to us as believers? Obviously, we should not seek out trials, but we as Christians should

know what the outcome of our trials will produce. In other words, what will we profit from our trials? When we look at this scripture

there are three things that we will profit from when we go through our tests and trials. The first thing we get is a purified faith. Now, to purify something means to remove contaminates from. God is trying to remove all of the things that hinder us from our spiritual growth. The next thing that we get is an



abundance of patience. One of the problems that we all have when dealing with our tests is the "time factor." If we are believers, we know that good will come from bad circumstances:

we just wish it would hurry up. Finally, our character is perfected, which means we become spiritually

mature in our judgement and understanding. When we endure our tests and our trials, not only will it perfect our character, but it will also make us complete. Being complete gives us the ability to fully serve God, not lacking anything. Stay encouraged, my brothers and sisters.



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Funeral service for MR. FRAZIER E. MCGLATHERY (b. 1934) will be Saturday, March 21, at 12 p.m. at Union Hill Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America with The Reverend Dr. Edward L. Anderson officiating.

Public viewing for MR. LOUIS TEAGUE (b. 1938) was held Saturday, March 21, at Nelms Memorial Funeral Home.

Funeral service for MR. HENRY CHARLES CHAPMAN (b. 1957) was held Saturday, March 21, in the Nelms Memorial Funeral Home Chapel.

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Funeral service for MS. ADRIANNE SHARELLE COLE-MAN (b. 1997) was held Tuesday, March 24, at the Royal Chapel of Memories with Pastor Charles Brown officiating.

Graveside service for MR. BRUCE PARKER (b. 1958) was held Monday, March 23, at the Valhalla Memory Gardens (698 Winchester Road, NW, Huntsville, Ala.) with Pastor Deblearie Snell officiating.

Funeral service for MRS. SOPHIA KING TAYLOR (b. 1968) will be 12 noon, Saturday, March 21, at Indian Creek Primitive Baptist Church (380 Indian Creek Road) with Pastor Timothy Rainey officiating.

Funeral service for MR. YUMOND TELVARES KIBBLE (b. 1975) was held Saturday, March 21, at the Royal Chapel of Memories with Evangelist Nicole Leland officiating.

Graveside service for MR. ADDISON JOSEPH FIELDS (b. 1922) was held Saturday, March 21, at Northside Cemetery (1715 Jordan Lane NW, Huntsville, Ala.) with Dr. Tomasi Muhomba officiating.

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Funeral services for MR. JASON DEVON KELLY, JR. (b. 1975) will be Thursday, March 26, at 11 a.m. at Serenity Funeral Home with Pastor Stephen R. Davis, Sr., officiating. There will be no public viewing.

Funeral service for LOIS EWING (b. 1938) was held Monday, March 23, with Brother John Branch officiating.

Valley Weekly **Decluttering Your Finances This Spring**

(BPT) - According to Amanda Clayman, financial therapist and Prudential's financial wellness advocate, tidying up our finances is the spring cleaning task that can make us feel more empowered than anything else on our list. Digging into our money is messy and complicated but, just like cleaning our home, it creates a feeling of revitalization and can benefit our mental health in the long run. Amanda shares the following tips on spring cleaning your finances to start anew this season.

1. Declutter your inbox: Clutter is clutter, no matter where it lives. Take some time to go through your inbox and unsubscribe



from promotional emails that tempt you to spend on things you don't need. Not only will it help you save, but your inbox will stay satisfyingly clean moving forward!

2. Tidy up your subscriptions: Dive into your bank statements to review recurring subscription charges and reassess which

ones you really need. You may be surprised to find subscriptions that you for-

of the constant worry of paying monthly bills by automating payments for rent, credit cards, utilities, or any other recurring charge on your plate. This will also help to avoid late fee charges.

While most of our homes can use a deep clean in the springtime, focusing on doing the same with our finances is vital to improve our overall well-being. Give your financial self a refresh for greater peace of mind throughout the seasons.

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The Alabama Cooperative Extension System (Alabama Extension) continues to meet people where they are. In the face of COVID-19, Alabama Extension is offering free educational programs online, including a basic gardening and landscaping series.

The Back-2-Basics Gardening Webinar Series provides adult online training on basic gardening and landscaping, particularly for people gardening in urban areas where there is limited space. Back-2-Basics will run on Zoom each Wednesday starting April 1 through Wednesday, May 6 from 10-10:30 a.m. as follows: April 1 - Getting Ready

to Garden with Hayes Jackson April 8 - Attracting Native

Pollinators to your Garden with Allyson Shabel April 15 - Controlling Weeds in your Gardens with Marcus Garner April 22 - Container Gardens with Roosevelt Robinson April 29 - Herbs for Urban Gardens with Sallie Lee May 6 - Bioengineered Foods with Rudy Pacumbaba

To participate, either download Zoom or access Zoom online at: https://auburn.zoom. us/j/8844877917.

For first-time users, visit the Zoom Help Center at https://support.zoom. us/hc/en-us and click on Getting Started or watch the video "Join a Meeting" for instructions on how to participate.

Contact Rudy Pacumbaba at rop0001@aces. edu for more information about this Series or about other Alabama Extension gardening and landscaping programs.

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A Childhood Lesson

Spotlight on Our Elders ... Featuring

A Childhood Lesson for a **Current Crisis** Psalm 56:3-4

When I was a boy growing up in the South Alabama town of Monroeville, Ala., there was a time when there was no such thing as streetlights. The only thing that illumined the night was the light that

came from the moon and the stars. Darkness was so thick that there were times when you literally couldn't see your hands in front of your face.

"No streetlights" was not strange to us then; it was the "norm." Another "norm" was that we could walk in the neighborhood without fearing anything



other than the "bad dogs" at certain homes in the neighborhood.

We didn't know it was a verse from the Bible at the time; we were just taught to

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say it, out loud even, as we walked, or as we waited out a storm, or as we endured any other fearful situation.

As I write this, our nation is dealing with a pandemic of what is known as COVID 19, or coronavirus. Many businesses are closed; travel is severely limited, and many of the things that we took for granted, are no longer

"the norm." This has caused much fear and stress in many.

The lesson that Mama taught us is still applicable today in the current crisis. Here is what she taught us to say; When I am afraid, I will trust in the Lord. The Psalmist goes on to say: In God I trust, I shall not be afraid.

"A virtuous woman *is not moved by* big names and flamboyance, but only men of profound wisdom and integrity move her."

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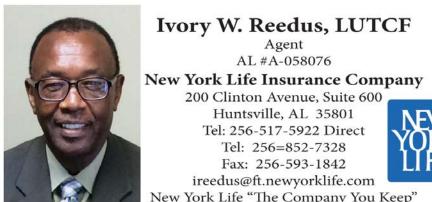
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received her diploma as a Top 20 student at Birmingham's Hooper City High School in 1964, she knew that there were still plenty of opportunities during a turbulent time in America during the 1960s. She entered historic Alabama A&M University, where she received the Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics and general science in 1968. She returned to obtain her Master of Science degree in guidance and counseling in 1974.

When Gladys L. Branch

Over the years, Mrs. Branch has developed an impressive career that has spanned more than 40 years. For some five vears, beginning in 1969, Branch was an elementary and middle school teacher for the Athens (Ala.) City School System, where she prepared and carried out lesson plans for

second graders and later for math and science students at the middle school level.

Mrs. Gladys Branch

In 1974, she served one year as a counselor for the Huntsville Sickle Cell Center before returning for a final year of mathematics, teaching at Westlawn Middle School. She remained at Westlawn for an additional 20 years as a general counselor and then as a vocational counselor until 1996.

In August 1996, Branch decided to use Westlawn as a base for a position in administration and served as Westlawn's assistant principal for four years. She was acting principal for a year at Mc-Donnell Elementary School before culminating her career as principal of Rolling Hills Elementary School.

Branch has been affiliated with Delta Sigma Theta So-



rority, Inc., for over 50 years and is a past president of the Huntsville Alumnae Chapter. The retired educator also serves as vice chair of the board of Diverse Educational Life Training Activities, Inc.

She and her husband, Elder John Branch, have two children and three grandchildren, along with another couple of adopted children, who also have three children of their own.



MARCH 27 - SARAH VAUGHN - Born in Newark, N.J., she was an American jazz singer. Nicknamed "Sassy" and "The Divine One", she won four Grammy Awards, including the Lifetime Achievement Award. She was given an NEA Jazz Masters Award in 1989. - BlackinTime.info

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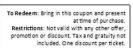
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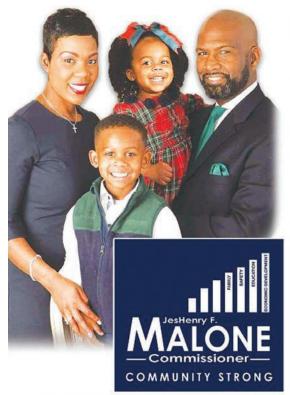
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- Will continue to fight to move our commission forward and to keep our streets safe and lower our crime.
- Moved our county forward by helping to bring Mazda Toyota to our county.
- Will continue to fight for our quality of life including our schools and recreation.
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