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## Entrepreneurs Join Greater West Dayton Incubator (GWDI) Advisory Council

Six area entrepreneurs have joined the Greater West Dayton Incubator Advisory Council, the org announced recently.

The Incubator seeks to develop an equitable start-up community that places entrepreneurs at the center. To do so, it launched a public process for community members to nominate Greater West Dayton entrepreneurs and business owners that would best represent the voice



## Human Relations Council Seeks Nominations For Awards

The Dayton Human Relations Council (HRC) is seeking nominations for its annual awards program. Nominations are accepted through October 30.

HRC will honor the accomplishments of community members and organizations that promote diversity, equality and inclusion and that work to build safe and secure neighborhoods for all in the Dayton community. Five awards in three categories will be awarded.

**Business Diversity and Inclusion Award:** Recognizes a business for its achievement in or promotion of the City of Dayton Procurement Enhancement Program (PEP). This award hon-



ors those working to safeguard the inclusion and expansion of opportunities for small, local, minority-owned, woman-owned, and small disadvantaged businesses. An award will be given in two categories: **Small Business of the Year** (PEP-certified business).

**Excellence in Diversity and Inclusion** (open to businesses or organizations, PEP certification not required).

**Community Impact**

**Award:** Acknowledges that partnerships are key to accomplishing positive change in the community. This award recognizes two community advocates who have worked closely with HRC throughout the year on community relations. An award will be given in two categories:

**Community-Police Relations:** Recognizes an individual who has demonstrated a specific commitment to the Council's community-police rela-

tions initiatives designed to strengthen the relationship between law enforcement and the communities they serve in order build safe, secure and inclusive neighborhoods.

**Immigrant Inclusion:** Recognizes an individual who has demonstrated a specific commitment to Dayton's immigrant integration efforts to promote a more inclusive, diverse and welcoming city.

**Social Justice Award:** Recognizes an individual or organization for outstanding and sustained contributions in promoting social justice, inclusion and equality in the community. Additional criteria include efforts and achievement in any of the

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## W.E.B. DuBois 1868 – 1963

W. E. B. Du Bois and the Study of African American Religion

At the beginning of the twentieth century the study of African American religion advanced with greater precision as early black thinkers employed the scholarly tools of historical, sociological, and ethnographic methods. At the forefront of these new interdisciplinary approaches was W. E. B. Du Bois (1868–1963) and his 1903 publications *The Souls of Black Folk* and *The Negro Church*. These groundbreaking works insightfully placed the birth, evolution, and institutionalization of black religion in direct conversation with questions of primordial origins, religious evolution, and the sociological impact of race and urbanization. Du Bois's *The Negro Church* was the first to examine the institution of religion as a valid subject for sociological investigation. Methodologically, Du Bois engaged in both qualitative and quantitative research and conducted interviews, surveys, questionnaires and participant observation. In both *The Negro*



*Church and The Souls of Black Folk*, Du Bois undertook the empirical study of black religion as it related to the comprehensive constituents of black life—institutional, political, historical, economic, and aesthetic.

Initially published as a separate essay in 1900, the chapter "Of the Faith of the Fathers" in *The Souls of Black Folk* proffered a nascent theorization of black religion. In this essay, Du Bois documented three salient characterizations of African American religion—"the Preacher, the Music, and the Frenzy"—derived from the encounter between Africa and the American slave experience. Du Bois's famous tri-categorization.

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## Wilberforce University Staying Resilient During COVID-19 Pandemic

By: Zack Frink

Wilberforce University leadership is staying resilient despite facing numerous challenges concerning the pandemic. The university's president, Elfred Anthony Pinkard, remains optimistic while reflecting on the institution's present situation and future.

Mr. Pinkard, who holds a doctorate degree in administration, planning and social policy, is helping guide Wilberforce into its next phase of maturation going into his third year



as president. He and other administrators were in the process of implementing a strategic plan for the university when the pandemic took hold.

"We are being nimble, as every other institution is and has to be, as we deal with this pandemic," said Mr. Pinkard on Wilberforce's public health response. The university's response included not

bringing students back on campus for fall classes and athletics.

Despite the drastic changes, he is still sending a message of hope and fortitude to the Wilberforce community during these trying times. "I say to them, 'You are living history. We will get past this, we will get beyond this, this pandemic

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## Black Woman Filmmaker Who Produced Film About Police Brutality Gets Attacked By Police

Brittany Chrishawn, an award-winning African-American filmmaker and social justice advocate who produced a film that explores police brutality, has been brutalized herself by police officers in Jacksonville, Florida. Her film *Illville* most recently won an award at The Cannes International Pan African Film Festival 2020. (Watch the live encounter on YouTube)

The police allege that Brittany assaulted an officer with a plastic

spoon while he was seated in his car in her driveway, but there's video footage showing the officer getting out of the car to collect the plastic spoon from the ground to use as evidence against her.

We live in a time where police misconduct has been exposed for the epidemic that it is, but far too many stories of victims who've survived police brutality go untold, and these are the victims who have to endure fighting wrongful convictions without the strong support



Brittany Chrishawn, the producer of the award-winning police brutality film "Illville," gets attacked and left with broken teeth after police trespass on her property.

of the public eye and national media outlets.

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# Around DAYTON

## Miami Valley Weather

**Friday**  
Cloudy  
High 36  
Low 20



**Saturday**  
Ice  
High 39  
Low 30



**Sunday**  
Mostly Cloudy  
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#### Endorsements



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of underrepresented, under-served, and under-resourced entrepreneurs. The team received 29 nominations for 18 different entrepreneurs.

“Thank you to everyone that submitted nominations for this critical step in the development of a collective vision,” director Karlos Marshall write in an email. “Below you can read a statement from each entrepreneur that has joined the team. Please help us give them a warm welcome!”

**Clarece Richardson:** “I am excited about the GWDI and its commitment to the West Dayton community. I am eager to serve and offer additional business leadership experience to the advisory board. It is my goal for that experience

and insight to provide equitable programs to new and existing businesses.”

**Cherelle Gardner:** “I am excited to join the GWDI Advisory Board because it gives us the opportunity to shift much needed resources to our community of current and aspiring entrepreneurs in the Greater West Dayton area. With these additional resources we can accelerate the development of businesses that meet compelling community needs.”

**Christina Mendez:** “I’m excited to be apart of the Greater West Dayton Incubator because I’m invested in helping black and brown people navigate through entrepreneurship and really learn to monetize their knowledge base. In order to be a leader, you must learn to effectively serve. I am so excited for an opportunity to serve my

community.”

**Deirreon Durrant:** “I decided to join the team because I’d like to add a positive perspective to ALL the teams that come aboard. We are all seeking positive change in our communities so to be apart of something that is uplifting is inspiring to me. A way to “pay it forward.”

**LeKeisha Grant:** “Entrepreneurship is the lifeblood of many communities and West Dayton is no different. Assisting in bringing the necessary resources to help my community is important.”

**Tae Winston:** “I’m excited to join because I want to make a difference in my community. I want to help small businesses grow and get the support they need to go further.”

### Dayton Unit NAACP Announces Biennial Election

On Sunday, November 1, 2020, the Dayton Unit of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), will hold its Biennial Election of Officers and Executive Committee Members at the Dayton Unit NAACP new office located at 915 Salem Ave. This is an update to the previous announcement that was sent to all members regarding the election being held at the old office located at 1528 W. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Way. The polls will open at 12:00 Noon and close at 5:00 p.m. sharp.

Social distancing will be strictly enforced and face coverings (Mask) are required before entering the building to cast your VOTE!

Founded in 1915, the Dayton Unit of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is the city’s oldest and largest nonpartisan civil rights organization. Its members throughout the Dayton Region and Montgomery County are the premier advocates for civil

rights in their communities. Their core goals are to Inform, Educate and Empower the Citizenry

as they pursue justice and equality for all Americans.

For more informa-

tion on the Dayton Unit NAACP, please call (937) 222-2172 or visit www.naacpdayton.org

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### Ground-breaking for New West Branch Library

Groundbreaking for New West Branch Library was held on Thursday, Oct 15, at the Historic Wright Airplane Factory

A brief ceremony and light refreshments were served to celebrate the groundbreaking of the newest Dayton Metro Library Branch, a consolidation of the Madden Hills and Westwood Branches.

LWC Inc. is architect of record. Library design input provided by Group 4 Architects. Robertson Construction is the General Contractor for the West Branch project. Shook is Construction Manager.

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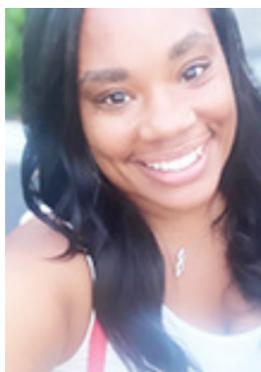
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# What's The WORD On The Street

## Flying the Friendly Skies During the COVID-19 PANDEMIC



Crystal Phillips



Britney Maclin



Missy Peak-Peters

By: LaTonya Victoria  
Staff Writer

According to businessinsider.com, November flight travel is down 88% from November 2019. The airlines experienced a soft summer due to consumer reluctance to fly during the COVID-19 pandemic. During their typically busy summer season of Memorial Day, Fourth of July, and Labor Day, the flight industry only did 30% of their revenue compared to the summer season of 2019. There are many announcements on the websites of the airlines and the Federal Aviation Administration detailing the precautions that have been taken to social distance and make things safer for passengers during COVID-19. A friend of mine flew non-stop from Cincinnati to Dallas last month. He told me that the airlines tried to socially distance the passengers while boarding and unboarding. The flight attendant even made an announcement stating that passengers could ask to be moved to a different seat if they felt uncomfortable with how close they were seated to someone else. But the reality was that the flight was full and there were no open seats on the flight. Therefore, if you had an issue, you would have to take another flight.

I spoke with several people from the Miami Valley and asked them if they could be guaranteed that the seats next to them would be empty so that they could socially distance, how would they feel about flying. I received a variety of responses as follows:

1) Crystal Phillips who is an Education Consultant and lives in Dayton said, "I still don't feel safe. I'm not sure. I just have concerns about the whole process from the time you enter the airport to being up in the air. The recirculation of air worried me about getting on a plane before COVID-19. You hear all the time about colds, germs, and people being in a closed space. That has heightened my fear of being on an airplane. I'm going to go get my mom for Thanksgiving and drive her back because I really don't want my parents on the plane right now. My cousin was telling me that when she flew, they defogged the plane. That is all well and good. But for a person that already has a compromised immune system, I just would not suggest it. At this point there have been so many things that have been found out later to be untrue. I would not chance it. There's no place that you have to be that bad."

2) Britney Maclin who owns Catch, a Vibe Entertainment mobile bartending service and lives in Dayton, said, "I'd say I'm a seven on a scale of one - ten with being comfortable with a short flight of less than three hours. I haven't flown recently but I'm supposed to fly the end of this month. I'm going to visit one of my close friends in Los Angeles. That is a four- or six-hour non-stop flight."

3) Missy Peak-Peters who lives in Springfield said, "I've never changed my lifestyle. I haven't really quit anything that I have control over. I have not quarantined or anything. I go about and do the same things I've always done. It does not scare me. I don't live in fear of it. I figured if I am gonna get it, I am gonna get it. I mean I take precautions as far as sanitizing and washing my hands. I wear a mask most of the time. I'm currently involved in a couple of meal ministries. I feed the homeless Monday through Friday. I am out there on the street. I mean I embrace them literally. There are girls that have cried on my shoulder. The contact does not bother me. I come in and I sanitize my hands and then go to the next person."

## On Freedom and Revolt: A Comparative Investigation

A POWERFUL CIVIL RIGHTS BOOK dealing with injustice, systemic racism, oppression, hate, murder, white supremacy, poverty, war, and love.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., (American), and ALBERT CAMUS (French), Civil Rights champions and Nobel Prize winners present their thoughts and ideas on how to improve race relations. Presented here are programs and actions that have made a positive change in race relations.

1. **The Promise Keepers:** This program was designed to bring men from all ethnic groups together in the name of being better men, husbands, and fathers. Their motto was "Break down the barriers of race, class, persuasion, religion and socio-economic groups".

2. **Teaching Tolerance Program:** A program for schools promoted by the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) in Montgomery, Alabama. The SPLC also promotes a "Collaborative Militia Task Force Klan Watch, Ten Ways to Fight Hate," book.

3. **The Race Reconciliation Collaborative of Dayton, Ohio:** A coalition of professional groups coming together to improve equality of opportunity, diversity in the workplace, and reconciliation. This program was started by a local judge.

4. **The Millennium Generation,** stating that this generation is re-creating a brighter view of race relations, is a full-page newspaper article on race relations in America. It indicated that young people have a brighter view of race relations than their elders in key areas, quoting from the book "The Color of Our Future by Faria Chideya" stating that this generation is re-creating America's racial identity every single day. In the fifties and sixties, they spearheaded the sit-ins, the kneel-ins, the vote-ins, the pray-ins, the wade-ins, boycotts, demonstrations and marches, Black and White young people, male and female were protesting for justice, and right.

5. **The Wright Dunbar Prize:** Created by the DeCapo Foundation, Dayton, Ohio. for teenagers from around the world who exemplify social activism and leadership in the struggle to bring about racial understanding and diversity.

6. **The Birmingham Pledge:** A pledge initiated by the city's Bi-Racial Community Committee in order to transfer the city's terrible world image against the 1963 protestors using high pressure fire hoses, billy clubs, biting police dogs, and putting black school students in jail - to a humane and progressive city on the move to improve race relations.

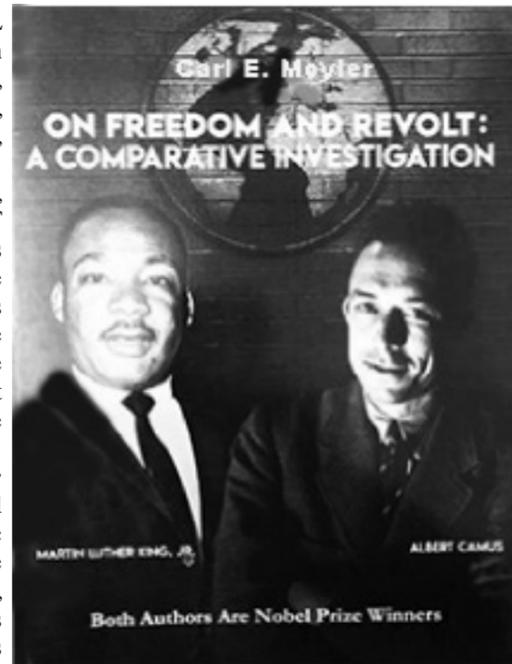
7. **See You at the Pole:** A Christian student movement started in Texas in the 1990's with a church youth group that met and prayed around a flag pole with the message to see people as brothers, sisters, and equals

8. **The National Day of Prayer** (The first Thursday in May): A national day of prayer and fasting in which persons of all faiths pray in their own way for peace, goodness, forgiveness, hope, courage, and love towards all people.

9. **The Vineyards Project of Dayton, Ohio:** Consisted of pairing two churches, one Black and one White member working as a team in carrying out selected strategies to carry out the mission of churches to seek love and brotherhood.

10. **The Common Stride A project in Helena, Arkansas:** Dedicated to move a problem from debate, talk, and discussion to planning, application, and change stating that "Talk is cheap. It is action and works that counts."

**THIS book can be purchased at Wal-Mart, Barnes and Noble, Amazon and ReadersMagnet.**



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### Black Woman Filmmaker Who Produced Film About Police Brutality Gets Attacked By Police... Continued from Page 1

This story deserves the public's attention because victory with this case will provide a benchmark for people of color who may be subjected to this type of police misconduct in the future. It will be a great step forward in this age-old fight for basic human/civil rights.

On May 13th, 2020, JSO officer Carmona parked in Brittany's driveway for no legal reason; the police report claims he thought the property was vacant so he parked there to check his email. Brittany Chrisawn Williams-Moore approached the officer's vehicle to ask the officer if she could help him, but she ended up having to call 911 to report the officer for refusing to give a reason for him being there and refusing to leave.

But when more officers arrived on the scene, Brittany was arrested with the use of excessive force by multiple male officers, one of them being JSO Officer Tyler Landreville who's known for having already killed 2 African American men in Jacksonville - Vernell

Bing in 2016 and Frankie Feliciano in 2019.

"We both felt the same fear that we imagine all black people feel right before they die at the hands of law enforcement," said Ausar Moore, Brittany's

husband who witnessed the encounter.

He continues, "I was a little relieved when the supervising officer and other officers arrived at the scene. But instead of the supervisor making of-

ficer Carmona leave, two officers including one who previously killed two African-Americans in Jacksonville ran into our house without a warrant, tackled my 97-pound wife, and banged her head against

our wooden floor breaking her two front teeth in half. Until this day, she is still suffering from injuries related to the incident such as a disorder called Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS) which

is dubbed 'the suicide disease'. I am disgusted with how this system routinely oppresses people of color and sharing our story is the best way I know to correct the flaw within the legal system."

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# Bob Matthews Candidate for Montgomery County Commission

## Building Strong Families for Montgomery County



two parents can divide the work involved in running the household thus lightening each other's load. In single-parent homes, the parent must struggle to handle all tasks by him or herself. In two-parent income homes, expenses can be shared. Whenever a married family splits, there is an immediate impact on the income. Suddenly there are two mortgages or rents, two utility bills, two sets of furniture, and two sets of appliances to be purchased and repaired. There is not a spare car when one is down, and the parent is trying to get to work. It's no wonder that there is an immediate money shortage."

Statistics show that the single biggest indicator of poverty is a single-parent home. Single-parent homes also are the source for much criminal, drug, and promiscuous sex activity. If we really want to address the critical social issues in Montgomery County, we must do everything we can to strengthen and maintain complete families. Except for spousal or child abuse, it is far better that parents be together (even with their flaws) than one parent missing. At the same time, we must recognize the reality of single-parent families, and work to provide adequate support for those individuals who find themselves in the situation.

There are many organizations in existence who work in these areas. Bob believes that the County should provide high-level support for these organizations. As a servant leader and rebuildier, he states that "we should encourage churches to take a major role in these difficult situations. The Bible tells us that 'God our Father accepts as pure and faultless to look after orphans and widows in their distress.' Certainly single-parent families fit this definition."

In a time of so much social unrest, Bob Matthews's plan for Rebuilding Strong Families in Montgomery County is refreshing and gives many families hope for a brighter tomorrow!

It appears we are on the eve of a new kind of leadership in Montgomery

### Something to Consider

## Keeping Your Mind on the Objective – Not the Obstacle

By: Brenda Cochran  
Contributing Writer

Setting goals is the first step toward making progress with any goal in your life, but unfortunately the process of making those goals can get complicated.

There are often setbacks and roadblocks that may find you questioning your real commitment to your goal and whether or not you really want to achieve it.

Sometimes these challenges feel like huge red stop signs; but often, they are really learning experiences that will eventually benefit you once you are able to overcome them.

Just with other issues in our lives, the challenges may be minor ones or major ones. It is up to you to decide how you plan to react to them. If you are able to move through these obstacles, you will discover that the goal that once upon a time seemed to be unattainable, will begin to be a reality.

Anytime that you are thinking of making a change in your life, or perhaps to achieve some special goal, plan or objective, you will probably have to face obstacles. These obstacles could include lack of time, lack of money, fear, others who stand in your way, lack of resources, lack of discipline or will power or lack of expertise. A lot



Brenda Cochran

of people would just regard these obstacles as a means of not getting what they want to get. In other words, they see the obstacles as dead-ends. When they come across one of these so-called dead-ends, they just might give up with what they are trying to accomplish or they think of excuses.

Examples of excuses are: this is too hard, I can't do this, I need to be smarter, more talented or younger in order to do this. Instead of seeing obstacles as a dead-end, you should think of these as a brick wall. If you run into a brick wall, what can you do?

You can do lots of things: decide to remove the brick wall, look for ways around the wall, find someone who will help you, but basically you can stop looking at the word obstacle as being synonymous with hardship or adversity. You

simply need to stop labeling obstacles as bad and instead, you can do this:

- 1) Recognize that obstacles are a natural part of achieving your goal,
- 2) Realize that obstacles do serve a purpose,
- 3) Recognize that they are a part of the process that you need to go through in order to achieve what you want,
- 4) Just accept the fact that they are a part of achieving your goal and when you are planning how to achieve the goal, think about taking the perspective of a person who may be an engineer. An engineer would survey the landscape and the path that you need to follow.

If you really want to achieve something, you should be determined to achieve it no matter what gets in your way. If you lose your motivation to achieve your goal at the first sign of an obstacle, it may be that it is not something you really want after all but, you can always find a different goal.

According to Henry Ford, "Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off of your goal."

Napoleon said, "I see only my objective-the obstacles must give way."

### Wilberforce University Staying Resilient During COVID-19 Pandemic...

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will not last forever," said Mr. Pinkard. "I say to my students, 'Don't allow this pandemic to derail you of your academic journey and your academic goals.'"

He said that students have not reported any COVID-19 infections and the university would like to decide about returning to campus by the middle or the end of November. Whenever it is, Wilberforce will have much to do.

Prior to the pandemic, Mr. Pinkard said one of

County, servant leadership. If you would like to know more information on his vision for Montgomery County visit: [www.bob4cc.com](http://www.bob4cc.com)

the most important guiding principles to iron out was the university's unique value proposition. "Wilberforce is interested in becoming (will become, has intention of becoming) a premier liberal arts institution, with a college-to-career and entrepreneurial intention for students of high potential," he said.

Outside of that, Wilberforce is developing and implementing the seven pillars of its strategic plan:

- Operational efficiency
  - Fiscal responsibility
  - Enrollment and retention
  - Academic excellence
  - Student engagement
  - Brand advancement
  - Culture of excellence
- Mr. Pinkard also said the university is looking

at expanding its sports offerings and that athletics are an important part of a student's experience.

"I would like to see Wilberforce as a solidly recognized, high-performing liberal arts institution," he said about Wilberforce's aspirations in five years. No matter what happens in the next five years, he believes the university will be an educational anchor for the long run.

"While those plans that I've outlined are very ambitious, they are quite doable," he said. "We've been around 164 years and we plan to be around another 164 years." Wilberforce University will manage through the coronavirus pandemic and beyond.

By: William Pace

Amid COVID -19 and loss of employment, families are struggling to survive. Bob Matthews, candidate for Montgomery County Commissioner, sees the importance of rebuilding strong families.

In Montgomery County, many families are grappling and struggling to pay for their basic needs, such as mortgage, rent, and food for the table. These families are lost and are seeking assistance and guidance.

Through the years, Bob Matthews has helped several families and personally knows the problems that families are facing today.

I recently spoke with Bob who shared his thoughts on families. He told me that his own life story included a split family. When he was 18, his father announced he was leaving the family in Michigan and moving to Texas without them. While Bob was mildly impacted by this event, his younger brothers were totally devastated. For about one year, he helped purchase food for his family with his earnings from his paper route. Fortunately for Bob, he was headed off to college which provided him with regular meals. His two younger brothers were not as fortunate. Once Bob visited his splintered family at their apartment. By then the family home had been sold after the divorce. The four of them shared two turkey TV dinners for Thanksgiv-

ing. Bob's mother struggled for the rest of her life to earn an adequate living. As a result, he can identify with Montgomery County families that are going through tough family times. He mentioned that: "The first institution that God created was the family. Families existed even before churches were started. Having two parents that live together provides a special sense of security for children. With different skills and temperament, two parents complement each other in the developing a child's personality. Additionally, the second parent can help if the first parent is unavailable or sick. Even when both parents are well, the

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Deborah Howard  
Director of Procurement

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## Dayton Art Institute Special Exhibition Picasso To Hockney Explores Connections Between Visual And Performing Arts

*Groundbreaking exhibition reveals what happened when prominent painters and sculptors—such as Pablo Picasso, David Hockney and Henri Matisse—turned their attention to the stage*

Stages may still be dark at theatres around the country, but the Dayton Art Institute (DAI) will bring the spirit of the performing arts to life with its latest Special Exhibition.

Picasso to Hockney: Modern Art on Stage reveals what happened when prominent painters and sculptors turned their attention to the stage and collaborated with writers, musicians and dancers. The exhibition opens October 17 and will be on view at the DAI through January 17, 2021. Current museum hours are Fridays and Saturdays, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m., and Sundays, noon – 5 p.m. The exhibition

Picasso to Hockney contains works by some of the most celebrated artists of the 20th century, including Pablo Picasso, David Hockney, Henri Matisse, Fernand Léger, Natalia Gontcharova, Joan Miró, Louise Nevelson, Robert Indiana, Jim Dine and many others. It pulls back the curtain on a lesser known but equally inspiring aspect of these artists' creative expressions—their collaborations as designers of sets, costumes, lighting, scenery and, in some instances, complete performances. These artists contributed stunning designs to world-renowned plays, operas and ballets, such as Pulcinella, La Création du Monde (The Cre-

ation of the World), King Arthur and The Mother of Us All.

“It is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy stunning works, which were made for the stage by major artists who are known primarily for their paintings and sculpture,” said Dr. Jerry N. Smith, the DAI's Chief Curator and Director of Education. “The art on display, since it was created for the theater, offers a novel look at major art movements of the 20th century. For example, to see a breathtaking costume created by Henri Matisse that was once worn by an actor on stage, or a series of painted designs by Jim Dine for stage sets, helps us appreciate the artists and their creativity in new ways.”

Organized by the McNay Art Museum in San Antonio, Texas, Picasso to Hockney features 115 objects of set and costume design, and it offers fresh insights into artists and movements, from Cubism and Constructivism to Surrealism and Pop Art. The exhibition presents a rare opportunity to experience more than 100 years of original performance designs by renowned visual artists who took their creativity to the stage. Spectacular costumes from the theater, such as dresses by Lesley Dill, and several costumes by Robert Indi-

ana, are also included in the exhibition. Picasso to Hockney invites visitors to explore how these visual artists challenged conventional theatre practices and often redefined their own work in the process.

Drawn from the McNay Art Museum's Tobin Collection of Theatre Arts, Picasso to Hockney aligns with Robert L. B. Tobin's belief that, “designs come to life only when they are used.” The late San Antonio art collector and performance advocate ensured his collection would be accessible to the public. Tobin hoped this collection would serve to educate and inspire future generations of young theatre makers.

“Dayton is known for its vibrant arts community, so it's only fitting to present this exciting combination of visual and performing arts from the Tobin Collection at the Dayton Art Institute,” said DAI Director & CEO Michael R. Roediger. “Picasso to Hockney shines an inspiring light on the arts, as well as the artists who bring the arts to life. Your Dayton Art Institute is open and ready to safely welcome you to the museum. I hope you'll take the opportunity to view this amazing exhibition from our friends at the McNay Art Museum and support the DAI.”

Several online programs and at-home activities will

be offered in conjunction with Picasso to Hockney, including:

- DAI Book Club: Language of Art Saturday, Oct. 24 & Thursday, Nov. 5, 12–1 p.m. each day

- Draw from the Collection ... Live via Zoom!

- Saturday, Nov. 7, 3–4 p.m. & Thursday, Nov. 19, 12–1 p.m.

- Retrofit: Turning Today's Clothes into Period Costumes

- Videos and downloadable lessons to be released Nov. 20, Dec. 4 & Jan. 8

- Curatorial Conversations: Picasso to Hockney: Modern Art on Stage

- Friday, Dec. 4, 1:30 p.m.

- ARTventures at Home

- Downloadable lesson to be released on Dec. 28

In addition, A Date at DAI will offer a specially designed self-guided tour of the exhibition, aimed at those visiting the museum with their “special someone” the weekend of October 30–November 1.

For more about these programs and the exhibition, visit [www.dayton-artinstitute.org/stage](http://www.dayton-artinstitute.org/stage) and join the conversation on social media with #PicassoToHockney.

## Human Relations Council Seeks Nominations For Awards...

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Nominations may be submitted until Oct. 30 at <http://daytonhrc.org/> award-nomination. The awards will be presented virtually on December 17. Questions should be directed to Lezlee Gerren at 937-333-1403.

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# Religion

## Kirk Franklin Explains Why Religion Can Be Problematic At Times



Kirk Franklin

In an exclusive story with the Jasmine-BRAND, Kirk Franklin opens up about why religion can be problematic. He explains, "I'm not an advocate for religion - I think that religion is one of the most destructive constructs of society that God never created us to be able to know him and to grow in him through the confines of religion." He adds, "Because religion is man's attempt to define who God is - what God did is that he became like us to define himself to us so that we can see who he is ourselves." Kirk Franklin says, "That's what makes it so problematic because religion is the the list of the rules of what you can't do and the reason why i've chosen to subscribe to christianity is because of what it teaches you that you can do." Kirk Franklin will be part of an amazing lineup of 20 chart-topping artists who are performing in the biggest 14th annual McDonald's Inspiration Celebration Gospel Tour. Check back later for more details.

## Black History... A Moment in Time W.E.B Dubois...

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zation of black religion explored the complex dimensions of black religious leadership; the authenticity of black musical expression; and black somatic experiences with the transcendent. Du Bois positioned himself in these early works as the modern progenitor of intellectual discourses on African retentions, origins, and survivals. Preceding the Melville Herskovits-E. Franklin Frazier debate by several decades, it was Du Bois who first wrestled with scholarly questions of African primordialism and New World religious transformation. For authoring some of the earliest systematic discussions of "voodooism," "obeah," and "hoodoo," Du Bois stands as the forerunner

for what would later become the study of African-derived religions in the United States and the Caribbean. More specifically, he provided an etymological explication of the practice of obi in the West Indies, arguing on behalf of its "African origin" and its possible connection to the Egyptian notion of ob, or divining serpent. Contemporary scholars of black religion often stress Du Bois's assertion that "the Negro church of to-day is the social centre of Negro life in the United States," while giving short shrift to his equally important claim at the end of the same sentence, that it is also "the most characteristic expression of African character" (Du Bois, 1903). The cost of this

oversight to the field of black religion was that the church has been privileged as the totalizing symbol of African American religious life, and that issues of religious diversity and alternative religious meanings have been devalued. Du Bois posited cogent categories of black religiosity that simultaneously oscillated from the African religious heritage of the slaves to their transformative innovations in the black church. A close reading of The Negro Church and The Souls of Black Folk reveals Du Bois's dual conception of the "Negro Church." Led by a "Negro Preacher" descended from African priests and medicine men, according to Du Bois the Negro Church among the

enslaved "was not at first by any means Christian ... rather it was an adaptation and mingling of heathen rites among the members of each plantation, and roughly designated as Voodooism." In his works Du Bois affirmed the intricate relationship between black religious identity in the United States and its parent traditions of Africa. Moreover, he ultimately critiqued the European categorical construction of fetishism and argued in his later works that it was "invented as a symbol of African religion" in order to reinforce the "idea of the 'barbarous Negro'"



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# Sports

## High School Playoffs; Round 2 Headlines Dayton Public Schools (DPS), Trotwood Division Trotwood Powers Over Carroll In Second Half

The Trotwood Rams faced the first opponent outside of the DPS League this season in the Carroll Patriots. For a half, it looked as if the Rams would be a victim to an early round upset. They were only up 8-7. But, as they have done all season, the Rams adjusted, rode its running game led by Hudson-Davis and motored to a big win 28-7 to move into the next round. That will be a big game with Alter.

Trotwood's powerful offensive line made some holes and senior quarter back (QB) Cooper Stewart led the troops to another playoff win, something the Rams have gotten accustomed to quite well over the last decade.

### Alter Holds Dunbar Down As Brandon McDonald Leads Way

The Alter Knights used a powerful running game to start fast, then turned to its defense to stop the Dunbar Wolverines in second round Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) action. Alter scored first on a Brandon McDonald touchdown (TD), which Dunbar matched with a TD of its own.



Alter offense looks to score against Dunbar defense in 2nd round OHSAA Action.

But then Alter would score again to move it to 21-6 at half. Dunbar would have multiple chances to get back to a one possession game, but the defense line by Alter, especially on the goal line, proved to be the back breaker for the Wolverines, who dictated the third quarter, yet couldn't score until down 28-6 in the fourth. Alter will now face the D-3 State Champions in Trotwood on Friday.

### Thurgood Falls To Number One Seed Clinton Massie

The Thurgood Marshall Cougars were taken down as Clinton Massie, the number one ranked team in the area, was able to amass a huge lead (49-0) and cruise to an easy win. The Cougars did achieve their first OHSAA playoff win under the Brian Carter era with a 49-41 shootout win last week.

This week, they could not get any protection on

the line offensively and Massie's offensive execution, especially the misdirection along with its precise passing game, was too much for the Cougars to handle.

Massie will face Waynesville at home next Friday night.

### The Greater Western Ohio Conference (GWOC) Playoff Headlines Springfield Shuts Down Wayne To Move On

The Springfield Wildcats were able to shut down the vaunted passing offense of the Wayne Warrior and, after a sluggish first half, Tae'Sean Smoot took over with two TD passes and a game-clinching TD run to propel the Wildcats over the Wayne train for the second time this season. Tae'Sean threw for over 250 yards, and his three TDs in the second half made all the difference as the Cats will now face the only team it lost to all sea-

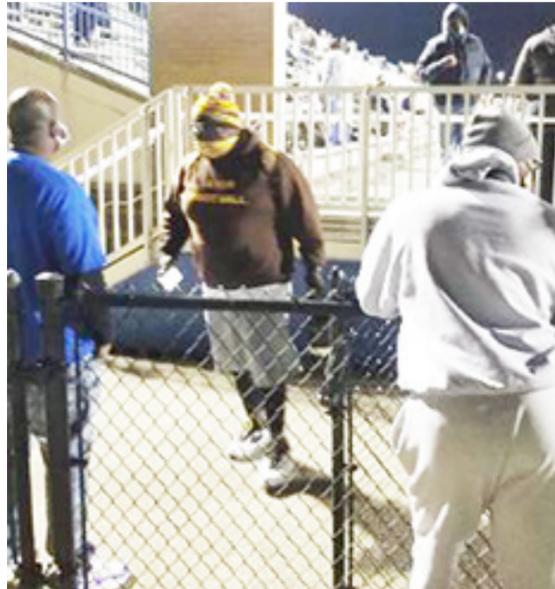
son in Northmont.

Wayne, who had some top players on both sides of the ball, just could not get the ball to any of its top threats in the second half as the Wildcats defense tightened up. Elijah Brown, one of the top tight ends (TEs) in the country, didn't catch a single pass.

### Northmont Stops Marysville In Shootout

Northmont wide receiver (WR) Markus Allen continued to show why he is possibly the top receiver in the state as he helped lead the Bolts to a 49-41 win over Marysville in Clayton on Friday night. Markus caught ten passes for 165 yards and three TDs as the Marysville secondary had no answers for him, QB Cade Rice, and the Bolts offense. Cade would lead the Bolts on two late TD drives that would seal the deal turning a 41-34 deficit to a 49-41 win.

Northmont will face



Derrick Shepard, former Meadowdale Lion and NFL Player, talks on sideline during Alter Dunbar game.

Springfield at home on Friday night.

### Miami Valley League Playoffs Piqua Dominates

Piqua powered past Harrison to move to big matchup at home vs Anderson. Super sophomore Dre'Sean Roberts scored a TD for his fourth consecutive game. The Uhl brothers connected again for a TD as well. The defense also pitched another great effort, as they have done all season long.

### Stebbins Outlasts Sidney

Stebbins outlasted the Sidney team in overtime (OT) 24-23 as the Sidney

kicker missed the extra point, while the Stebbins kicker made his, resulting in Stebbins winning their first playoff game in decades. Senior QB Nate Miller was able to score the game-tying TD on a two-yard run in OT.

### Xenia Falls To Winton Woods

The Bucs, who came into the season as the Miami Valley League Champions, won a playoff game last week, but had its ride end as Winton Woods, the number one seed, stopped Xenia 31-18.



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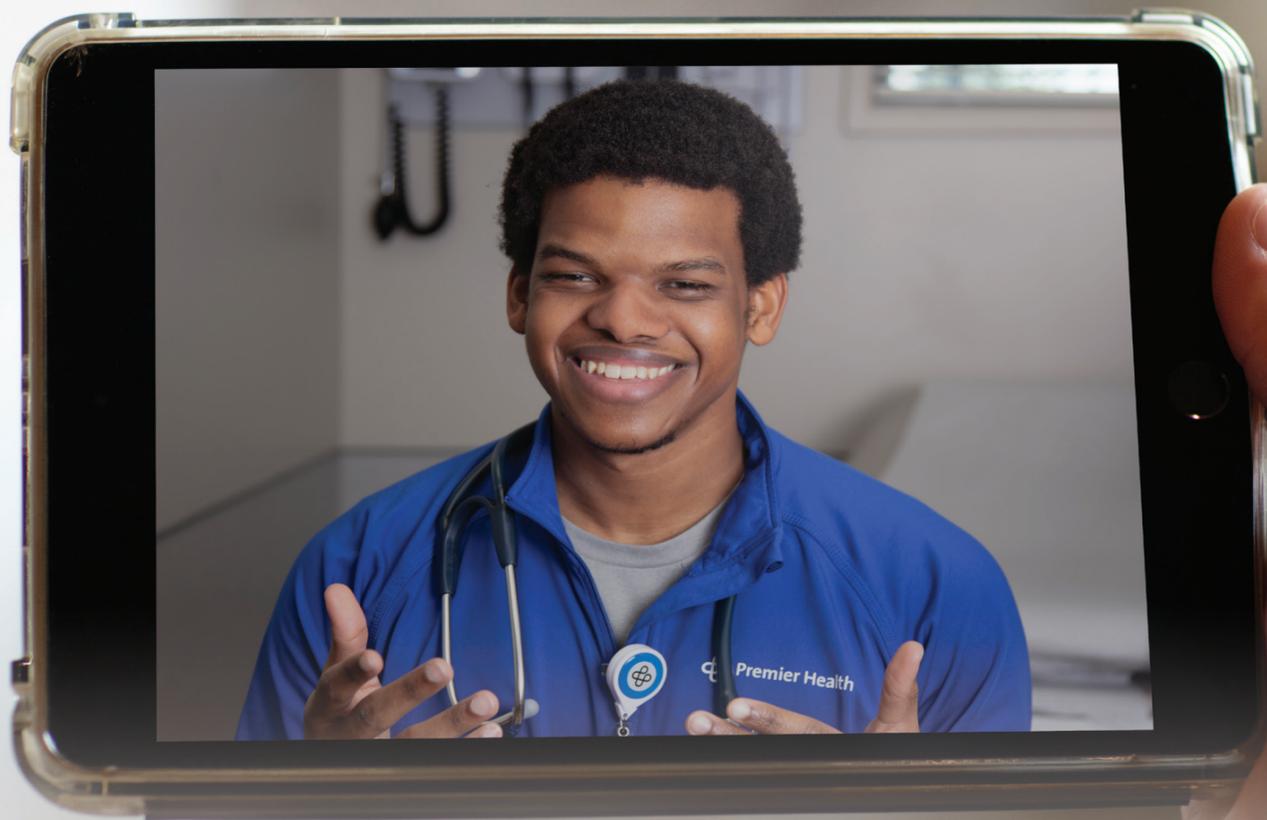
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## Cancer Walk in the City of Dayton



By Barbara Vinzant  
Staff Writer

There is an oldie but goodie song entitled "Ain't No Stopping Us Now" which spoke the sentiments of nine year cancer survivors Cheryl

Camp and Toni Conyers and four year survivor Barbara Vinzant as they refused to let the pandemic stop the traditional 5K walk that usually takes place this time each year. So, on Saturday, Octo-



ber 17, a call and plea were sent out to gather at Dunbar High School and march from Nicholas Road, to MacArthur

Street down Germantown Street to Adelite and back to the school. Approximately 50 supporters showed up as the marchers paraded through the neighborhood (one as young as 8 months old sporting a jeweled pink ribbon on her cheek). Residents along the route came outside to wave and offer support as people honked their horns along the way. It is important to obtain your yearly mammogram and don't let anything nor anybody stop you. Thanks Cheryl, Toni and yearly supporter Salome Dozier for thinking outside the box.



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