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FROM THE PUBLISHER'S DESK

In our last edition, July 18, we happily shared photos of our beloved former Co-Publisher and Vice-President of the Dallas Post Tribune Newspaper, Mrs. Dorothy Lee, celebrating her 98th Birthday.

Sadly, this week, we announce her final arrangements of life, as indicated in the photo below.

Please look for our upcoming Special Edition, A Joyous Celebration of the Life of Mrs. Dorothy Lee, as we honor her memory together.

Because of your dedication, the Dallas Post Tribune will be 77 years old on September 17. We value and treasure your loyalty, readership, and devotion over these years in business.

Mrs. Lee's and the Dallas Post Tribune's families deeply appreciate your support and prayers during this difficult time.

Storley Gray

Publisher, Dallas Post Tribune Newspaper



Remembering the Life of Mrs. Dorothy Evans Lee

Dorothy Evans Lee was born on June 30, 1926, in Morris County, Texas, to the parentage of the late Mr. Perry Evans Sr. and Mrs. Etta Turner Evans. She departed this earthly life on July 17, 2024.

One of eight children, Dorothy graduated from Dangerfield High School in Dangerfield, Texas. She received her Bachelor of Arts Degree from Jarvis Christian College. After graduating, she began working as a Teacher at Dangerfield Elementary School. Thereafter, she was a Teacher at Ferris Elementary School, then a Teacher at David Crockett Early Education School, and retired from J. N. Ervin Elementary School. She dedicated over 40 years of service to education and retired from the Dallas Independent School District.

During her years of service as an educator, she earned

her Master's Degree in Education from Prairie View A&M University. As an educator, Mrs. Lee was repeatedly recognized as Teacher of the Year, influencing the lives of thousands of school children. Mrs. Lee was presented the Jarvis Christian College Alumni Accomplishment Award at the Annual Heritage Scholarship Banquet. Following her retirement from the Dallas Independent School District, she served as Co-Publisher and Vice-President of the Dallas Post Tribune, a premier weekly newspaper serving the African American community in the City of Dallas. In 2003, District 5 of the Dallas Independent School District recognized Mrs. Lee as Community Educator of The Year.

Mrs. Lee obeyed the gospel at an early age at her home congregation at the Mt. Mitchell Church of Christ.

Upon moving to Dallas, she began worshipping at Lawrence & Marder Church of Christ. She then moved with the leadership and members to Marsalis Avenue Church of Christ, where she taught Sunday School for many years and was recognized as a Precious Hearts Queen of the Church.

While raising her only daughter, Attorney and Vintner Theodora R. Lee, she was an active member of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. She has volunteered for years for the American Red Cross and the March of Dimes. Mrs. Lee was an active member of the Thorntree Estates Homeowners Association. She was a proud lifetime member of the Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc., where she has served as Chaplain and Historian. Just recently, The Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc. presented Ms. Lee with its Precious Orchid Award.

Throughout the years, Ms. Lee said “Goodbye” to many of those she loved dearly. She was preceded in death by her parents, Perry Sr. and Etta Evans; her husband of 65 years, Dr. Theodore Roosevelt Lee, Jr.; her brothers, Perry Evans Jr. and J.D. “Jake” Evans; sisters, Ella Mae Mitchell, Alice Johnson, Annie Lee Hill, Mary Bolden and Edvernell Davenport.

She leaves to cherish her memory her only daughter, Attorney and Vintner Theodora R. Lee of San Francisco, California, her Caregivers Elcerrito Vance, Joyce Reece, Beverly Evans, Barbie McDade, Jacqueline Black, Dwanna Hill, Beatrice Stanfield, her Great Nieces Deloris Hill Peace, Genice Hill Bouston, her Nephew Felton Davenport, and a host of beloved nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives, friends and adopted children.

Black Women Rally Behind Kamala Harris to Save Democracy After Biden Steps Aside

By Stacy M. Brown

Democrats and the rest of the nation are once again turning to Black women to lead the charge in saving democracy, and they have again stepped to the plate and swung for the fences. Following President Joe Biden's announcement that he would not run for the Democratic nomination, the network Win with Black Women organized a Zoom call to show how prepared and determined black women were to take on this enormous challenge. The call, held on Sunday, was a powerful display of unity and determination, with Black women leaders from across the nation voicing their unwavering support for Vice President Kamala Harris.

The Zoom call reportedly drew an astounding 40,000 attendees and featured an

impressive lineup of speakers, including Reps. Joyce Beatty, Maxine Waters, and Jasmine Crockett. The leaders passionately emphasized Black women's critical role in the upcoming election and shared personal stories about Harris that underscored her qualifications and leadership qualities. Other notable attendees included DC Mayor Muriel Bowser, Maryland Senate hopeful Angela Alsobrooks, civil rights leader Bernice King, and Black Voters Matter co-founder LaTosha Brown.

The call highlighted the urgency of fundraising and voter registration as critical strategies for supporting Harris's campaign. The participants raised over \$1 million during the call. “We

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Vice President Harris salutes exiting Air Force Two. Photo Credit: NNPA Files



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EDITORIAL PAGE

Mrs. Dorothy Evans Lee

“MY DAY”

By Dr. J. Ester Davis



Dr. J. Ester Davis

Mrs. Dorothy Lee (The Admired Anchor of The Dallas Post Tribune Newspaper) changed addresses this week. My first thought of Mrs. Lee and her extraordinary life lives in Proverbs 31:25: “She... is clothed in strength and dignity”. But knowing.... I could be prejudiced because I have worked for the award-winning paper for so many years and I made a few phone calls. Please let me share what I recorded with you.

From the desk of Norma

Adams Wade, renowned columnist, Dallas Morning News, Texas Metro, Retired: “Mrs. Lee was strong, supportive, knowledgeable and delightful to work with. Her decorum and preparation reminded you of one of your school teachers”.

James W. Breedlove (Alice), USAF Retired, was appointed Regional Administrator of SBA, Region 6 in 1994. Region 6 was Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and New Mexico. He recalls that Mrs. Lee was a ‘rock solid’ person, precisely maintaining the business offices, employees, grand parties et cetera. She encouraged the two men, Dr. Theo Lee, a retired principal and the retired pilot, to collaborate. It was described as ‘a glorious time’ because Dr. Lee commissioned the retired pilot

on a course of action to write a continuous series on the school system.

Dr. Barbara Steele (Judge Cleophus Steele), former President, National Bar and Bench Spouses of America: “Mrs. Lee was a class act in her daily walk. Her sheer presence in a room spoke volumes.”

Hertha Echols, President, Top Ladies of Distinction (2007 – 2011): “Mrs. Lee was Chaplain of our Chapter for many years. She was a dedicated member, quiet, and very generous. Just recently, on June 20, 2024, we honored her with the “Precious Orchid Award” on Founder’s Day. She was a member of ‘Top Ladies’ for thirty-nine(39)years.”

Dr. Molly Johnson Williams, Texas State Convenor, National

Council of Negro Women: “Mrs. Lee was an impeccable Christ-like woman. I knew her. She was highly regarded and held in high esteem by all the other organizations across the State of Texas.”

Dr. Sharon Middlebrooks, Dallas President NAACP: “Mrs. Lee did not know me, but I knew her. I had the opportunity to be in meetings with some of her friends, who spoke of her approach, mannerisms, and good deeds. A soft-spoken ‘jewel’ that served as a pathway and beacon of light for women, especially younger women.”

Follow the life and times of Mrs. Dorothy Lee in The Dallas Post Tribune Newspaper.

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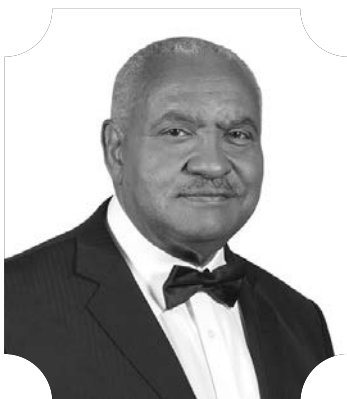
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Vice President Harris and The Rest Of The Agenda

By Dr. John E. Warren

Publisher, The San Diego Voice & Viewpoint



Dr. John E. Warren

The decision of President Biden to step down and pass the torch to Vice President Harris and the outpouring of support in over 2 million dollars in donations in forty-eight hours, along with more than 2500 pledged delegates, commitments from members of the Congress as well as Governors of several states and the support of grassroots people from all walks of life, gives new meaning to the statement: There is nothing like an idea whose time has come. Clearly, America has an opportuni-

ty for a truly historic period. Now that Vice President Harris is making good on her promise “to earn the nomination”, it’s up to the rest of us to carry out the agenda that will go with that Presidency.

The agenda includes getting Vice President Harris elected not only because she is a woman or because she is Black but also because she is qualified and equipped to do the job. Our “Project 2025” is to give her a majority in the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate so that she will have lawmakers in place who can pass the needed legislation to overcome the agendas of the MAGA Republicans committed to blocking her efforts. We can make a difference by voting into office Democrats in each and every state that has a Congressional race. We must be in control of the

House of Representatives when the Electoral College votes are counted in January. A failure to regain the House of Representatives will allow the Republican control under Mike Johnson to block or delay the certification necessary for the transition of power to Harris as President.

Every opportunity to elect a Democrat in all 50 states is crucial. Only “we the people” getting out the vote, can overcome the planned destruction of democracy as we know it.

We must monitor the selection of Electoral College Delegates. We must monitor state efforts to reduce voting opportunities by changing polling sites and removing or reducing ballot boxes. We must ensure we have Voter Registration Officials to carry out the elections. If, for some reason, we can’t vote, then we must work to register those who can. We must

encourage the use of absentee ballots, contact friends and relatives in other states, and ensure that they both register and vote. We must make it unacceptable for those around us to tell us they are not going to vote or that their vote won’t count when we know people died to ensure that we have the right to vote.

In Conclusion, our agenda is to not only support Kamala Harris’s election as President of the United States but also prepare the way for her to have a successful Presidency and remove those in office who have already demonstrated a commitment to trampling on the oath of Office they took “to Defend the Constitution of the United States, so Help Them, God.”

The rest of the agenda, as well as all campaign challenges that could block our President-to-Be, is up to us both now.

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Paul's Encouragement to Timothy in Facing a Difficult Problem

I Timothy 1:1-20



By Rev. Johnny Calvin Smith

In this chapter Paul reminds Timothy of his awesome task as a minister of God and reminds him that God will see him through to victory. God had given Timothy a special stewardship, and He expected Timothy to be faithful. Timothy must remain committed to the presentation of God's word in the face of the prevalence of false teachers.

I Timothy 1:1-20 may be outlined as follows: I. Paul's Advice Against False Doctrines – I Timothy 1:1-11; II. Paul's Acknowledging Testimony of God's Grace – I Timothy 1:12-17; III. Paul's Assertive Charge to Timothy – I Timothy 1:18-20.

I. Paul's Advice Against False Doctrines – I Timothy 1:1-11

In his opening greeting in verses 1-2, Paul identifies himself as an apostle of Jesus Christ; thus, his apostleship came to him by a heavenly command. Paul referred to Jesus Christ as our hope (v. 1). In verse 2, Paul referred to Timothy as the recipient of this epistle. Timothy was issued Paul's fairly standard greeting of grace, mercy and peace.

Paul admonished Timothy to remain in Ephesus to suppress certain men in the congregation who were teaching false doctrine. The doctrine the false teachers were teaching was different from Paul's doctrine (v. 3). The false teachers were teaching fables and long involved genealogies (v. 4). It is not known exactly what these fables and genealogies consisted of; however, the teaching regarding these fables and genealogies produced no spiritual value and led only to further speculation, questions, and arguments. Such speculation did not promote God's plan, which is conveyed only by faith.

In verse 5, Paul contrasts the false teachers and their ministry with that of the true minister of God's grace. The object of God's minister (steward) is to see people love one another, a love that comes from a pure heart, good conscience, and a sincere faith. Although love should be the goal of all Christian ministry, the false teachers in the Ephesus congregation had lost sight of this lofty purpose and had wandered away and turned aside to meaningless talk (v. 6). These false teachers were only promoting endless arguments, divisions, and empty

talk!

In verse 7, these false teachers wanted to become competent and respected teachers of the Law, but they were completely incapable of doing so. These false teachers did not understand the Law or even what they were saying about it. In verse 8, Paul was not speaking against the Law, for he viewed the Law as "holy, righteous, and good" (Romans 7:12). Thus, Paul was conveying that the Law is good provided it is used properly. Paul explains to Timothy the significance of the Law. "God did not give the Law to save people, but to show people how much they need to be saved" (Romans 7:16).

In verses 9-10, Paul lists the sinners who are convicted and condemned by the Law, and if you compare this list with Exodus 20, you will discover that practically all of the commandments are included. God had entrusted Paul and Timothy with a glorious Gospel, not a system of Laws! (v. 11). Sound doctrine literally means "healthy teaching," that is, teaching that promotes spiritual health.

II. Paul's Acknowledging Testimony of God's Grace – I Timothy 1:12-17

Paul looked back to the time before he knew Christ, the time when he was a persecutor of the followers of Christ. He had been in the past in firm opposition to the gospel; now, Paul was thankful that he is a proponent of the gospel. He was once a persecutor, but now he is a preacher of the gospel. He was once a blasphemer of God's name, but now in his letter we find him blessing the name of God. The one who firmly hated the cause of Christ, now speaks well of the Lord.

Let us listen to some of Paul's doxological expressions. In I Timothy 1:12, he states: "Now, unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen." Also in Romans 11:33-36, after Paul thought of God's mercy to Jews and Gentiles, Paul broke forth in praise to God when he said: "O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are His judgments, and His ways past finding out! For who hath known the mind of the Lord? or who hath been His counsellor?

Or who hath first given to Him, and it shall be recompensed unto Him again? For of Him, and through Him, and to Him, are all things: to whom be glory for ever. Amen."

In Ephesians Chapter 3, after Paul had revealed the mystery of Christ which consists of both Jews and Gentiles being equal in the body of Christ, Paul exalted the name of God by saying: "Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, Unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen."

Paul, in writing to Timothy in Ephesus, reminds Timothy that he received his calling directly from God. Paul thanked Christ for counting him faithful - for considering him worthy of the task (v. 12). Paul knew that God could have called others to do the same task. No one is indispensable to God.

Paul did not see himself as unique or a gift to God. Rather, God's work through Paul was unique and a gift to Paul. Paul was genuinely called during an appearance of the risen Christ on the Damascus Road (Act 9). Paul attributed his changed life to the unexpected kindness of God. Prior to his meeting the Lord on the Damascus Road, Paul admits that he was a blasphemer and persecutor (v. 13). He even admitted that he had harmed others. As a persecutor before Christ's intervention in his life, Paul wanted to wipe out all followers of Jesus. Paul was also guilty of harming others, and not just having people arrested.

Paul was an accomplice to Stephen being stoned (Acts 7:58). The ones who stoned Stephen threw their garments at the feet of Paul, who was referred to at that time as Saul. Stephen's execution by the ones who did the stoning was in full consent by Paul. But, Paul declares that his life of violent behavior was due to his ignorance. Had Paul known the truth that Jesus is Lord, he would not have done these vicious acts!

Now, we find that God showed mercy to Paul despite of his vile behavior (v. 14). Not only did Paul express his thankfulness to Christ (vs. 12-14), but Paul revealed God's thoughtfulness to all sinners (v. 15). In verse 15, Paul stated

emphatically that Christ came on a mission to save sinners. The primary purpose of Christ's coming to this earth was to save those who were lost.

In verse 16, God's purpose in saving sinners was demonstrated in Paul being saved. Paul, who considered himself as the worse of sinners, served as a supreme example that other sinners may be saved. If God was patient and gracious enough to save Paul, He is patient and gracious enough to save anyone. All who follow can look back at Paul as a prototype or pattern. The ultimate sinner became the ultimate saint. God's greatest enemy became His finest servant (v. 17).

Contemplating on the marvels of God's grace prompted Paul to give one of his great doxologies. Our Saviour is King Eternal ("the King of the Ages") - that conveys God's sovereignty over all history; He is "immortal and invisible" - that discloses two essential attributes of God, His eternity and His spiritual essence. He is "the only wise God" - that reveals his uniqueness as God. Our God alone deserves all honor and glory eternally, Amen.

III. Paul's Assertive Charge to Timothy – I Timothy 1:18-20

In verse 18, Paul resumed his charge begun in verse 3. Timothy's call and fitness for service in Ephesus was mentioned by a prophecy that confirmed Paul's conviction that Timothy was a fit soldier to combat the false teaching in the Ephesian church. There are two items mentioned by Paul for spiritual warfare in verse 19: faith and a good conscience. The word "conscience" means "to know with." Conscience is that inward judge that bears witness to our actions (Romans 2:15). It is possible for a believer to maintain orthodox doctrine while living in hidden sin, which can lead to spiritual shipwreck.

In verse 20, Paul named two men in Ephesus who would give Timothy trouble: Hymenaeus and Alexander. It was not easy for young Timothy to face these men with God's truth, but he had to do it if he would preserve the purity and power of the church.

"May God Bless!"

IN MEMORIAM: Democratic Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee Dies at 74

By Stacy M. Brown, NNPA Newswire Senior Correspondent @StacyBrownMedia



Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee questions U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin K. McAleenan during testimony in the House Committee on Homeland Security in a hearing focused on closing pathways for terrorists enter the U.S. in Washington, D.C., September 14, 2016. CBP Photo by Glenn Fawcett / U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

Democratic Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee, one of the longest-serving members of the Texas delegation, has died at the age of 74. In June, Jackson Lee announced her diagnosis of pancreatic cancer, yet she showed little indication of letting it interfere with her plans to run for a 16th term this November.

The fiery congresswoman disclosed her diagnosis in a written statement shortly after winning renomination in a fiercely contested Democratic primary. Known for her unwavering commitment to social justice, she was a fervent advocate for reparations for African

Americans and a vocal critic of the twice impeached and 34 times convicted felon and former President Donald Trump. Unlike some of her colleagues, she did not join the calls for President Joe Biden to step aside from the 2024 race.

As recently as Wednesday, July 19, Jackson Lee continued to champion President Biden's re-election campaign. "Something that does not get talked about enough: we were able to bring down homicides in Houston with federal investment," she wrote on X. "After President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan, we brought \$50 million to the city to

take on crime—and it worked! Local/federal partnership saved lives."

She added, "This House Democrat believes Joe Biden has served us well and has the best plans for the future. I am laser-focused on beating Donald Trump and delivering for America because that's what matters." Jackson Lee also reminded her followers that America saw one of the most significant homicide spikes ever in Trump's last year in office. "He threw his hands in the air and did not know what to do," she asserted. "Since he left, I am proud that our American Rescue Plan has done the very important work to bring

these numbers down! Federal/local partnerships worked."

Jackson Lee's many legislative achievements are significant and wide-ranging. She played a crucial role in the passage of the Violence Against Women Act. She was a senior House Committee member on the Judiciary, Homeland Security, and Budget Committees. She was the first female ranking member of the Judiciary Subcommittee for Crime and Federal Government Surveillance, serving as Chair during the 117th Congress.

"The National Newspaper Publishers Association

(NNPA) extends to the family of Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee our profound condolences. May the legacy and memory of Sheila Jackson Lee be enshrined in the pantheon of global freedom fighters," said Dr. Benjamin F. Chavis Jr., President and CEO of the National Newspaper Publishers Association. Jackson Lee was a powerful advocate for a free and energetic press — and for the

Black Press of America in particular.

Among her notable legislative efforts were the Sentencing Reform Act, the George Floyd Law Enforcement Trust and Integrity Act, the RAISE Act, the Fair Chance for Youth Act, the Kimberly Vaughan Firearm Safe Storage Act, Kalief's Law, and the American RISING

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HEALTH

Avoid scary calls. Learn poison prevention tips for the summer

The warm weather has lured many of us outside to tidy our gardens and indoors to clean out closets and cabinets. Before you begin summer cleaning, experts at the North Texas Poison Center (NTPC) at Parkland want you to keep the following safety tips in mind.

A clean home means a healthy environment for your family, but some garden and household cleaning products contain hazardous chemicals, so it's important to keep these products up and away from curious kids. Doing so could help prevent a call to the Poison Center or, worse, a trip to the ER.

"A colored bag with pretty flowers or a clear spray bottle can be hard for children to ignore," said Lizbeth Petty, MPH, Public Health Education Manager at NTPC. "They may be curious or simply want to help their parents with gardening work, but these products can get on their skin, in their eyes, or they could swallow a harmful substance, resulting in serious injury."

Petty recommends familiarizing yourself with the major categories of household and garden products that can be harmful if not handled properly. Some potential poisons include pesticides, fertilizers, disinfectants, polishes and waxes, sanitizers, and detergents.

The NTPC is available 24/7 to help advise callers during scary incidents. Following a few simple steps and educating your children to never touch or put chemicals in their mouths can help prevent poisoning from happening at home.

A few poison prevention tips to keep in mind include:

- Keep medicines and cleaning products in their original containers, properly labeled and stored up, away and out of reach.
- Do not use food containers to store household cleaners, chemicals or hazardous products.
- Keep all laundry products locked up, high and out of the reach of children.
- Have working carbon monoxide detectors in your home near bedrooms and close to furnaces.
- Know what venomous snakes live in your area and wear proper attire (boots, etc.) when hiking outdoors or working in brushy areas in the garden.
- Check the label on any insect repellent and be aware that most contain DEET, which can be poisonous if used incorrectly.
- Be sure that everyone in your family can identify poisonous mushrooms and plants. Teach your children to "Always Ask First!" if they are unsure if something is harmful. Remember when it comes to poison ivy, "leaves of three, let it be."

Anyone can contact the NTPC by dialing the national toll-free number at 1-800-222-1222. You can also add the Poison Help number to your smartphone contacts by texting the word "poison" to 797979.

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Back-to-school vaccinations more important than ever, Parkland experts say

Parkland health centers offer immunizations at 'Walk-in-Wednesday' clinics

DALLAS — Even though summer is in full swing, educators across Dallas County are preparing for students to return to the classroom in August. Topping the list of preparations is ensuring that children have the proper immunizations before the class bell chimes.

"Vaccines are one of the most important steps you can take to protect the health of your child," said Cesar Termulo, MD, Associate Medical Director for Parkland's network of Community Oriented Primary Care health centers. "Vaccines are the best way to keep children healthy by preventing infectious diseases. Children miss fewer days of school and parents miss fewer days of work. When parents do not vaccinate their children, they put

everyone at risk — their own children, their classmates and their teachers — for diseases that are easily prevented but that can be devastating."

Common disease outbreaks have been taking place in the United States and are preventable by vaccination — such as measles. These outbreaks are real and are occurring because we take vaccination for granted, Dr. Termulo noted.

Parents can bring their children for immunizations on Wednesdays without having to make an appointment to one of Parkland's COPC health centers to take advantage of convenient access to immunizations on "Walk-in Wednesdays."

In Texas, before entering kindergarten, children are required to have

been vaccinated for Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis; Polio; Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR); Hepatitis B; Varicella; and Hepatitis A. Children in daycare must also be vaccinated. For older students, a Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis booster and Meningococcal vaccines are required for school.

Immunizations during Walk-in-Wednesdays are available at Parkland's network of COPC health centers from 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m., except for the following locations:

- Bluit-Flowers Health Center, 303 E. Overton Road, Dallas, 75216, from 9 to 11 a.m., and 1 to 3:30 p.m.

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Quinn Minute

Falling in Love

By Rix Quinn

One of life's great questions is, "What makes people fall in love?"

Almost nobody knows how to answer this. All we know is that suddenly a young man willingly trades a heart full of love and a wallet full of money for a wedding full of guests who sit on the bride's side.

And nobody can tell you how to craft a perfect union. It's a little like synchronized swimming in a heated pool. No matter how much you practice, you'll never do everything correctly, and

half the time, you're in hot water.

To start things well, a flawless "ring presentation" is critical. If you do it right, she'll remember it for the rest of her life.

If you do it wrong, you'll hear about it for the rest of your life.

Before you purchase the jewelry, take your beloved shopping, and ask thoughtful questions like "Do you agree with me that a large ring is pretentious?"

Obviously, she will answer "no," and steer you

to a stunning stone that will cost you more than your first two cars. But that's OK...it'll get much better mileage.

Perhaps the best way to present the ring is after a fine meal at a top restaurant. After completing dessert, you might spring the ring from your pocket and utter something memorable like "I've been waiting for the right time to tell you...I want to spend the rest of my time with you."

This worked for me, especially after she stopped

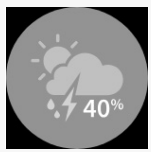
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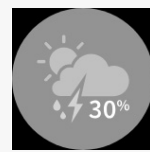
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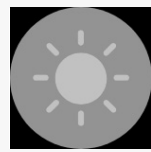
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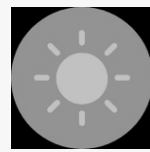
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WNBA All-Star Weekend Highlights: Dallas Wings Arike Ogunbowale Wins MVP; Team WNBA defeats Team USA

By Dorothy J. Gentry/Mero News

Records were made. Records were broken. History was made. And a fun time was had by all at the 2024 WNBA All-Star Game.

Dallas Wings guard Arike Ogunbowale was named the 2024 WNBA All-Star Game Most Valuable Player after setting records for most points in a quarter, half and game.

She helped lead Team WNBA to the 117-109 win

over Team USA, which was made up of the WNBA players who will represent the USA in the Paris Olympics later this summer. The All-Star Game was held Saturday night at Footprint Center in Phoenix, Ariz.

Ogunbowale, who was making her fourth All-Star Game appearance, scored a single-quarter record 21 points in the third before

adding 13 in the fourth to finish with a record 34 points in the game. All 34 of her record-setting points came in the second half to establish a single-half standard.

Team WNBA trailed by two at the half, 54-52, before outscoring Team USA 36-25 in the third quarter, sparked by Ogunbowale.

Team WNBA, which hadn't led since early in the second quar-

ter, regained the lead at the 8:08 mark in the third off an Ogunbowale 3-points shot, and they led the rest of the game.

Following the conclusion of the game, Ogunbowale was named MVP, marking the second time she earned the award. Ogunbowale also earned the honor at the 2021 All-Star Game, which also featured a Team WNBA vs. Team USA format. She becomes the fourth player in WNBA history to earn multiple All-Star Game MVP trophies, joining Maya Moore (2018, 2017, 2015), Swin Cash (2011, 2009) and Lisa Leslie (2002, 2001, 1999).

Friday Night Skills Challenge

Before Saturday's Game,

the WNBA put on their Friday Night events which included the Skills Challenge and the 3-point competition.

Alisha Gray of the Atlanta Dream made history by becoming the first All-Star participant to win both the skills and 3-point competitions. The guard defeated Phoenix Mercury star Sophie Cunningham in the finals of the skills competition and New York Liberty center Jonquel Jones by one point in the shooting competition.

Gray, a former Dallas Wings player who was also the 2017 WNBA Rookie of the year, is also the first player to receive tons of cash during the All-Star weekend. The WNBA awards \$2,575 to each competition's winner as out-

lined in the 2020 collective bargaining agreement.

However, for the first time, Aflac committed \$55,000 to each competition's winner. Gray ended up taking home \$110,000.

"I was warmed from the skills challenge," Gray said. "I was running all over the court, so I was able to get my legs and stuff. I was fatigued a little bit from the skills challenge, but I was able to lock in because I knew another 55K was on the line."

All WNBA teams will now break for a month for the 2024 Summer Olympic Games, which includes Dallas Wings forward Satou Sabally representing Team Germany. The Wings resume play after the break on Aug. 16 at home.

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Act. She also introduced the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Reauthorization and Bullying Prevention and Intervention Act and the Federal Prison Bureau Nonviolent Offender Relief

Act.

A staunch supporter of women and children, Jackson Lee championed the Paycheck Fairness Act and the Pregnant Workers Fairness Act. She authored the Triple-Negative Breast Cancer Research and Education Act.

Jackson Lee was widely recognized for her effectiveness and influence. Congressional Quarterly named her one of the 50 most effective Members of Congress, and U.S. News and World Report listed her among the ten most influential legislators in the U.S.

House of Representatives. She was a founder, member, and chair of the Congressional Pakistan Caucus and the Congressional Children's Caucus. She was chair of the Congressional Black Caucus Energy Braintrust and the Justice Reform Task Force

co-chair.

A Yale University alumna, Jackson Lee earned her B.A. in Political Science with honors and later received a J.D. from the University of Virginia Law School. She is survived by her husband, Dr. Elwyn Lee, an administrator at the

University of Houston; her two children, Jason Lee, a Harvard University graduate, and Erica Lee, a Duke University graduate and member of the Harris County School Board; and her two grandchildren, twins Ellison Bennett Carter and Roy Lee Carter III.

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have a plan. This is not arbitrary. We are ready," asserted Holli Holiday, one of the call's moderators.

Enthusiastic attendees expressed their readiness to work tirelessly to elect Harris. "This is work. Roll up your sleeves; we got work to do," one attendee insisted. Another attendee declared, "Fired up and ready for this moment led by an intergenerational legion of Black women. Let's get to work. Let's gather our sons, daughters, nieces, and nephews. Let's do what Black women do!"

After exiting the race, President Biden made clear that his vice president should be the party's nominee. "My very first decision as the party nominee in 2020 was to pick Kamala Harris as my vice president," Biden said. "And it's been the best decision I've made. Today, I want to offer my full support and endorsement for Kamala to be our party's nominee this year. Democrats, it's time to come together and beat Trump. Let's do this."

In the hours following Biden's announcement, Harris' campaign saw a surge of support, with about \$50 million in grassroots donations pouring in. Democratic officials nationwide quickly followed Biden's lead, voicing their endorsements for Harris. Governor Roy Cooper of

North Carolina praised Harris, saying, "Kamala Harris should be the next President. I've known her since our days as AGs, and she has what it takes to defeat Donald Trump and lead our country thoughtfully and with integrity."

Governor Kathy Hochul of New York added her voice to the chorus of support: "I'm proud to stand beside Kamala Harris. She is the right candidate to unite our country; I am confident she will deliver for New Yorkers. Let's get to work."

Governors Janet Mills of Maine, Gavin Newsom of California, and Jared Polis of Colorado echoed similar sentiments, highlighting Harris's capacity and readiness to lead.

Senator Tammy Baldwin of Wisconsin declared, "I'm proud to endorse VP Kamala Harris for President. Today is a new beginning for our party and our country, and I'm excited to keep working together to lower costs for Wisconsin families, grow our Made in America economy, and restore our fundamental rights and freedoms."

Harris has repeatedly stated the importance of the 2024 election. "I will do everything in my power to unite the Democratic Party—and unite our nation—to defeat Donald Trump and his extreme Project 2025 agenda," she said.

Vice President Kamala Harris Could Become President

As President Joe Biden Drops Out Of The Race

By James B. Ewers Jr. Ed.D.



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The uncertainty about President Joe Biden's bid to get another four years in the White House had reached a boiling point. Day and night, operatives were talking about the Biden campaign. Critics wanted him to take mental acuity tests to judge his fitness for office.

When we saw the president in the public square, we would kindly say that he has lost a step. We who believed steadfastly in his candidacy wanted him to stay in the race.

Yet no matter what, President Joe Biden tried to defy the odds and put his critics to rest. His record of accomplishments is exemplary. He is a true American patriot. This phrase has been used about him by friend and foe alike.

Reports, even from his inner circle, suggested he

would continue in the race and not be fazed by the mounting crescendo of criticism that was comforting him.

When America went to bed on last Saturday night, there was still a light on for President Biden. We woke up Sunday morning still thinking he was the presumptive Democratic nominee. We were still ready, willing and able to be his surrogate soldiers. Why? Because over time, he has proved that he is for the people.

On Sunday, July 21st around 2pm, President Joe Biden stepped aside as the Democratic nominee and will not be seeking a second term. This had not been done since President Lyndon B. Johnson did not seek a second term in 1967.

This sudden turn of events took many of us by surprise. However, his major advisors say that he has been thinking about this possibility for a few days according to reports. History tells us that he is quite methodical in his decision-making. This time was no different.

So, we know now President Joe Biden has

endorsed Vice President Kamala Harris to be the Democratic nominee. What are the next steps? These are my opinions. The Democratic Party must become unified and stay that way. At this moment, they are fractured. The acrimony over President Joe Biden has caused deep divisions within the party.

The Democratic National Convention will be held in Chicago August 19th-22nd. When that time comes, Kamala Harris' name must be the only name in nomination. While some Democrats are hesitant to endorse her, the time is now to do it.

Vice President Kamala Harris has the name recognition and the experience to become the next president. She has worked alongside of President Biden during these challenging yet rewarding times. She knows the White House and the inner working of it. Vice President Harris has garnered the respect of world leaders and will be ready for the position of president on day one.

In addition, her stints as attorney general of the state of California and

US Senator will enhance her credibility as she goes on the campaign trail. Our votes are needed for the vice president to become president. In a statement on Sunday, Vice President Harris said, "I am honored to have President Biden's endorsement and my intention is to earn and win this nomination. Over the past year, I have traveled across the country, talking with Americans about the clear choice in this momentous election. I will do everything in my power to unite the Democratic Party and unite our nation to defeat Donald Trump and his extreme Project 2025 agenda. We have 107 days until Election Day. Together we will fight. And together, we will win".

Democrats, it's winning time. Leaders in the party, endorse Vice President Harris' candidacy in the next twenty-four hours. Don't wait and don't delay. Show the world that you can build together and bind together to make Vice President Kamala Harris the next President of the United States of America.

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Solidarity in Action: Black Americans Raise Millions for Harris, Send Strong Message Against Trump

By Stacy M. Brown

In an unprecedented display of unity and determination, over 50,000 Black men gathered on a Zoom call hosted by Roland Martin's Black Star Network, raising over \$1.3 million for Vice President Kamala Harris' presidential campaign. This powerful show of support came just a day after 40,000 Black women joined in a similar Zoom call, generating about \$2 million for Harris and sending a resounding message of solidarity and resolve.

The men's call, led by Martin and co-hosted by Bakari Sellers and others, was a powerful statement against former President Donald Trump, who has been twice impeached and convicted of 34 felonies.

Martin, visibly moved, tweeted, "I have no words. And not just because I'm tired. My @BlkStarNetwork just told me that 53,862 people registered for our #WinWithBlackMen video call. We raised \$1.3 million and counting from 17,000 donors."

Bakari Sellers shared a poignant story that underscored Harris's compassion and unwavering support. He recounted a harrowing time in 2019 when one of his twin daughters was born with a rare liver condition. "The first person to call me was Kamala Harris. I am not sure people understand the pain and suffering that goes along with being a Black man in this country," Sellers said. "I am not sure people under-

stand what it means to stand strong in this country. To have your back against the wall. But I am going to stand with her because she stood with me during my darkest moment when I almost lost my daughter. When I had to protect my wife."

The Zoom call resonated with the slogan, "We Rocking with Kamala Harris," reflecting the participants' unyielding support. This extraordinary event followed President Joe Biden's announcement that he would not seek the Democratic nomination, prompting the Win with Black Women network to organize a Zoom call showcasing their preparedness to back Harris.

The women's call drew an astonishing 40,000 atten-

dees and featured influential speakers such as Reps. Joyce Beatty, Maxine Waters, and Jasmine Crockett. These leaders passionately emphasized the vital role of Black women in the upcoming election and shared compelling stories about Harris that highlighted her qualifications and leadership qualities. Distinguished attendees included DC Mayor Muriel Bowser, Maryland Senate hopeful Angela Alsobrooks, civil rights leader Bernice King, and Black Voters Matter co-founder LaTosha Brown. "We have a plan. This is not arbitrary. We are ready," asserted Holli Holiday, one of the call's moderators.

The energy was electric,

with attendees voicing their readiness to work tirelessly to elect Harris. "This is work. Roll up your sleeves; we got work to do," one attendee urged. Another declared, "Fired up and ready for this moment led by an intergenerational legion of Black women. Let's get to work. Let's gather our sons, daughters, nieces, and nephews. Let's do what Black women do!"

In a less-publicized yet equally significant gathering, a large group of Black men and boys convened in Atlanta to discuss the state of America and the importance of Harris's candidacy against Trump in the 2024 election. These weekly discussions are critical for spreading accurate informa-

tion and countering misinformation.

"The reason that we've gathered tonight is that there is so much misinformation, disinformation, that is being put out. So, we wanted thought leaders from across the political spectrum to come in tonight and talk directly to Black men about what they know, what their experience, and what some of the real statistics and facts are," said Attorney Mawuli Mel Davis, co-founder of the non-profit hosting these discussions. "That's critically important because the sources of our information are important for us to make sure that we're basing our decisions on good quality information."



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Parents can still walk in with their children for vaccinations on other days, but appointments are recommended. To schedule an appointment for your child at a Parkland COPC health center, please call 214-266-4000.

Parkland accepts Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP and most major insurance plans. If you do not have insurance, Parkland can provide financial screening to determine if patients qualify for financial assistance. In addition, the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program may be able to help. The VFC program provides vaccines for children ages 18 years and younger, who are not insured, Medicaid-eligible, or American Indian or Alaska Native.