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Kim Gardner - St. Louis Circuit Attorney



Zaki Leading March Downtown St. Louis
St. Louis City Hall



UAPO Supporters of Kim Gardner outside
St. Louis City Hall



Two Prominent Black Political Activists and Owners of the Green Duck Lounge Are Commemorated (They Were Murdered In Kansas City, MO)

African NewsWorld Wire Service

On Monday, July 15, 2019 the Universal African Peoples Organization (UAPO) in conjunction with the International Black Hat Society headed by local Kansas City community activist, Ms. GG Owens held a commemorative program saluting the legacy of two prominent Black Entrepreneurs and political activists, Mr. Leon Jordan and Mr. Jimmy Townsend. The program was held in front of the now vacant Green Duck Lounge located at 2548 Prospect Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri.

Mr. Leon Jordan, a very outspoken political activist who founded the well-known organization, Freedom Incorporated and who also owned the popular Green Duck Lounge was shot and killed on July 15, 1970. Although his murder was never solved, according to an article printed by the Kansas City Star Newspaper; the police and different news sources speculated that his assassination was the result of a group called the Black Mafia with support from white mobsters.
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UAPO Members and supporters in front of the Green Duck Lounge
Kansas City, MO



Red, Black and Green Balloons Release in Honor of Leon Jordan and Jimmy Townsend



THE TASK AHEAD

The Universal African Peoples Organization (UAPO) Stands In Solidarity With The Social Justice Reforms of Kim Gardner – St. Louis 1st Black Elected Circuit Attorney

On Thursday, June 27, 2019, the Universal African Peoples Organization (UAPO) along with other progressive organizations and individuals held a solidarity rally in support of St. Louis' 1st Black elected Circuit Attorney, Ms. Kim Gardner. This rally was held in front of St. Louis City Hall and over 150 people participated.

Remarks supporting Ms. Gardner were made by different activists including Ticharwa Masimba, African People Socialist Party, Adolphus Pruitt/NAACP, Linden Bowie/Missouri Baptist State Convention, Attorney Jerryl Christmas, Jamala Rogers/Organization For Black Struggle and Zaki Baruti/Universal African Peoples Organization.

Also, in attendance were the Moorish Science Temple of America led by Todd El, the Taheed Youth Organization headed by Anthony Shahid, Donald Muhammad/Nation of Islam, Mosque 28, Safiyah Chauvin/UAPO, former U.S. Senate candidate Coffee Wright, activists Willie Boyd, Walle Amusa, Kunama Mtendaji, Rev. Phillip Duvall, Amir Brandy and long-time human rights activist Percy Green.

After the remarks and rally, there was a March around City Hall led by Zaki, whereby the Thursday evening rush hour was disrupted.

Ms. Gardner who was elected in 2016 on a progressive platform of reforming the Office of the Circuit Attorney by addressing the issue of mass incarceration with alternative diversion programs and holding rogue police officers accountable for their actions has come under serious attacks from the reactionary "white powers to be" in the St. Louis Region.

These attacks were further intensified when in February 2018, she pursued litigation against the then Governor of Missouri, Eric Greitens; a so-called rising star in national Republican politics.

She infuriated the "white powers to be" with her leading an effort to indict Greitens on a charge of felony invasion of privacy, which was an extension of a woman claiming that Greitens had coerced her into having sex and that he later slapped her. Given the boldness of her action, Ms. Gardner was threatened by Greitens' attorneys that they would "destroy her." Eventually, because of other allegations Greitens resigned as Governor of Missouri.



Universal African Women's Union (Women Wing of UAPO) With Kim Gardner

Also, the predominately white St. Louis Police Association has consistently attacked her character, because Ms. Gardner had the audacity to place on an exclusionary list developed by her office of over fifty officers (mostly white) that she will not take any evidence from them for any trial case, because of their shady actions and history.

Because Ms. Gardner has stood up for the Black community and has come under vicious attacks, the progressive forces of St. Louis have come together to create the Community Justice Coalition. This coalition includes the Coalition of Black Trade Unionists, the St. Louis City Chapter of the NAACP, Missouri Baptist State Convention, Organization For Black Struggle, St. Paul AME Church, StL Real News, Block 302 and the Universal African Peoples Organization (UAPO).

Finally, the UAPO has a rich political history in supporting progressive candidates in the past for the position of Circuit Attorney prior to Ms. Gardner's election. These candidates included Elbert Walton, Donnell Smith and Jerryl Christmas. So, it is in the spirit of "Proportionate Political Representation" and the powerful spirit of Circuit Attorney Kim Gardner, that the Universal African Peoples Organization supports her wholeheartedly in her pursuit of "Social Justice Reforms."

Speakers At Rally Expressing Solidarity with Kim Gardner - June 27, 2019



Adolphus Pruitt - NAACP



Zaki Baruti - Universal African Peoples Organization



Jamala Rogers - Organization for Black Struggle



Linden Bowie - Missouri Baptist State Convention



Ticharwa Masimba - African Peoples Socialist Party



Attorney Jerryl Christmas



THE TASK AHEAD

Supporting Social Justice Reforms

By Zaki Baruti - President/General Universal African Peoples Organization (UAPO)

One of the major issues that many community activists from across the country have consistently called for in response to police violence and mass incarceration has been social justice reforms. This Rallying call has been a fervent issue here in St. Louis and throughout the nation for many, many years.

These social justice reforms have included calls for Black Community control of the police, civilian review boards for police departments, prosecuting and convicting murderous and rogue police officers and putting to an end the policy of locking up masses of people for nonviolent crimes which helps fuel mass incarceration.

In response to the calls for social justice reforms, there have been many different approaches which have included countless rebellions such as the Ferguson uprising, street justice against the police as evidenced by the shooting deaths of five Dallas police officers by Micah Xavier Johnson and utilizing the political process of electing progressive candidates who support the above reforms.

Accordingly, here in the St. Louis region, we have been able to elect for the very first time two capable individuals who have pledged and are willing to implement the types of social reform justice that will benefit our community.

The two who were elected in the aftermath of the Ferguson Uprisings are Kim Gardner who in 2016 was elected St. Louis City's First Black Circuit Attorney and Wesley Bell, who in

2018 was elected St. Louis County's First Black Prosecuting Attorney.

Both positions have a tremendous impact on whether "justice is color blind" or "just us." Immediately upon their election, they both have come under various forms of attack.

Upon Wesley Bell taking office, a number of attorneys from the previous administration of racist Bob McCulloch immediately joined the St. Louis Police Association which has its own history of racism.

Ms. Kim Gardner who prosecuted killer cop Jason Stockley, but lost the proven case due to racist judge Timothy Wilson's decision has proven she means business when it comes to her efforts of implementing social justice reforms.

These reforms have included (1) her leading the effort to indict a sitting Governor, Eric Greitens (2) excluding testimony/evidence from over fifty rogue police officers and (3) creating a diversion program as an alternative to locking up nonviolent offenders. For her actions, she has come under vicious attacks from the "powers to be."

If our community have public officials willing to make social justice reforms that benefit our community; then it is Common Sense that we should wholeheartedly support them!! Therefore, the Universal African Peoples Organization (UAPO) stand proudly, shoulder to shoulder in support of the efforts of social justice reforms by both Kim Garner and Wesley Bell!!



Demonstrators Supporting Kim Gardner



Release the Funds for Kim's Defense



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Hands Off Kim Gardner

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Let The People Be Heard

How Does the Black Community Heal Itself?



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Thank you for this opportunity to have a positive word about our great Moorish Nation, the Great Black Race. I truly believe we can heal us, and we must! Everything starts with just a small positive and motivated group-UAPO. First, we can start by just being kind to one another, by paying it forward and helping our neighbors. Next, we can start cleaning up the litter and not throwing it on the ground and trashing our community. Finally, each one can teach one by reciting that Black people can get along by circulating our trillions of dollars amongst ourselves and coming together on one accord. – Unapologetically Black.



Dr. Dee
Body Stretcher

There are numerous factors that could help the Black Community heal. Our community needs to be Financially Free. We are slaves to our jobs, lack financial independence and many are in debt. We need to make our communities better. We are lacking active fathers, therefore it's imperative to strategically introduce positive outlets that stimulate our children's lives. There is a shortage of older generations mentoring youth. Our people need to restore spirituality/not religion to cultivate each individuals' higher essence and power. Our people have a great need to tap into our ancient meditation practices to enhance our minds, eliminate stress and control our behavior. These things will begin to heal our Black community.



Ren E Ankh Maa Kheru
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What we must do to wake up and heal Black America? We must teach young Black males and females about Black spirituality, tradition and culture. We must stop embracing cultures of other races. We have a great historic culture that at one time taught the world such as Timbuktu, Songhay, Mali and Egypt. With knowing who we truly are, it will be the beginning of truly healing ourselves and having a great future



Coffee Wright
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Independent Film Maker and Former 2018 US Senate Candidate

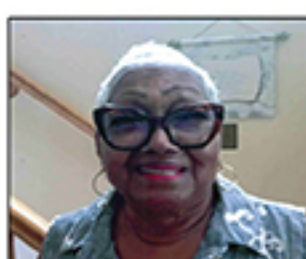
I Believe That "We Can and Will Heal Ourselves." Acknowledging how Resilient we as Black People are and the phenomenal achievements we have accomplished before, during and after our ancestors were enslaved. I Recognize that we are the Impossible. We can equalize ourselves by encouraging one another to thrive through education, networking and bartering. Accelerate in patronizing, uplifting and supporting one another will create more Black ownership and prosperity. By viewing each other as our true brothers and sisters of the same struggles, seeking the same destinations will feed the realization that we are not our own enemies.

We will eliminate the design for us by the real enemy of self-destruction caused by substance abuse in its worst forms of poisonous drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, gentrification and the lack of economics within our communities. As we must exercise self-discipline, resisting the unnecessary luxuries, restoring trust, combining our funds and resources will build Black assets. A change of Thinking creates a change of Behavior which creates a change in the Direction of Life. Together with that changed mindset, we will have gained the Power of Ownership of the land we once harvested for Free. It would then be that "Black People" of America are United, Free and Healed.... That's Right I said It! -Coffee Wright



Myron Holman EL
27, Mechanical Operator

Heal-cure; soothe; disinfect; restore. I don't agree with the idea that our people have had the proper time to heal. I don't agree with the idea that our people have had the right idea of what healing may actually require in our communities. From personal experience, I would advise anyone who is in the healing process to take the first step and do what you can to prevent any further damage or scars. Take a look at how deep of a wound you're dealing with, whether physically, mentally, financially or emotionally. Accountability is crucial. Cure the mindset, soothe the soul, disinfect the information you're taking in and restore your spirit. All in All, KEEP GOING!!!



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Blacks in America can start healing by coming together. By knowing their neighbors. By organizing and participating in community watch programs. Educating the children about drugs and gun violence. Parents must teach their children about respect and obedience. We must remember the old cliché that parents are their children's first teacher regarding holistic development. We must also address the racialization structures within this society that advances negative stereotypical biases about our community. We must show love for one another instead of the violence plaguing our communities and we need to improve our problem-solving skills. Finally, we must hold our leaders accountable for improvements within our neighborhoods and stop the closing of community schools.



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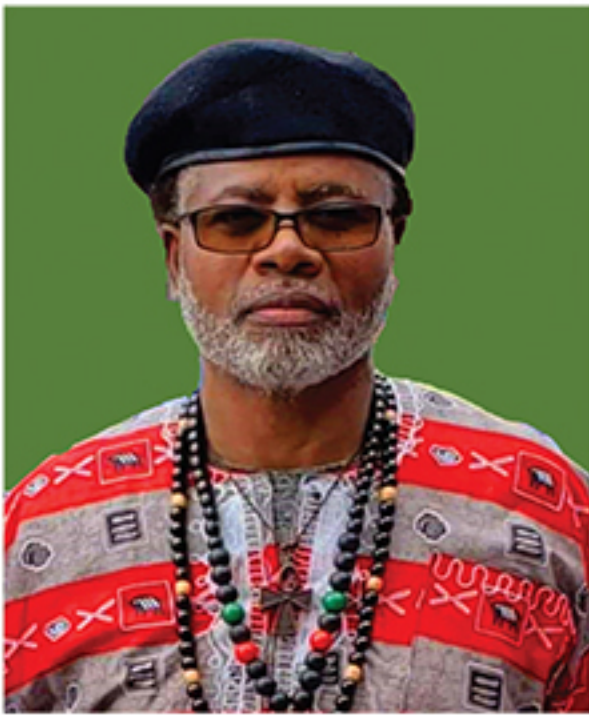
From a Health and Wellness perspective, we cannot heal the multiple challenges in our community if we are not in good health ourselves. We must take much better care of ourselves so that we have the energy, focus and stamina to make a positive and lasting impact in our community. If we do not take our physical, psychological and spiritual health seriously, we won't be around long enough to make a real difference in our community. In general, we need to love ourselves first so that we are able to love others; stay hydrated with water, nourish our bodies with whole foods (eliminate sugar & salt), minimize stress, exercise frequently, nurture ourselves, create the life we really want rather than settling, get enough sleep daily and go to the doctor and/or alternative health practitioner as often as needed. To quote the extraordinary author who passed recently, Toni Morrison; "You wanna fly?" "You got to give up the (stuff) that weighs you down."

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King Kong of Terrorism

UAPO Foreign Minister's Report: (A Critique of U.S. foreign policy / by (Seba) Amari Snerferu)



The countries of Iran and Venezuela are in the cross hairs of U.S. foreign policy. As a result, Black folks want to know; what's the nature of these conflicts? Do they affect us? Where should we stand on these issues and why is the United States hell bent on using our hard earned tax dollars, to subvert and terrorize these foreign countries? "Now Seba Amari, did I hear you say terrorize?" Yes, I absolutely did. The United States of America is the King Kong of terrorism; trouncing its wicked agenda with more than 800 military bases throughout the world. Clothing a ruthless White Supremacy under the veil of "American Exceptionalism", the United States adopts the same old propaganda narratives for "regime change", whenever it wants to justify the overthrow of a sovereign nation.

When we look at the history of U.S. intellectuals on the subject of this country's exploits here in the western hemisphere, in the Middle East, in Africa or anywhere in the world; genocide denial is the prevailing pathology. It's the hidden white elephant behind the curtain that contradicts its own ill crafted message every time it moves. Case in point: "Saddam Husain is hiding weapons of mass destruction" or "Muammar Gaddafi of Libya and Bashar al-Assad of Syria are both killers of their own people." Shortly following this propaganda; the U.S. military invades another country and 460,000 Iraqis die directly or indirectly as a result. The United States led NATO invasion of Libya resulted in more than 50,000 Libyans dead followed by a reinstitution of an impromptu Arab slave trade. Yes indeed; Africans are being bought and sold as slaves in Libya today. And yet another tragic example: 400,000 Syrians have died mostly as a result of the CIA's secret war; falsely characterized today as the Civil War in Syria.

Unbeknownst to many Black folks; the United States has a long legacy of terrorism in its foreign policies. In many ways it mirrors the shameful domestic history regarding its so-called citizens of

African descent. Woodrow Wilson, the nation's most extreme racist among U.S. presidents, invaded Haiti and killed more than 20,000 Haitians. Right here on the home front, President Wilson segregated the federal government and reversed years of civil rights advancements gained during reconstruction. Upon taking office, he fired Black supervisors across the board in the Federal Services and replaced them with white folks. During his administration; the Department of Treasury and the Post Office Department both introduced screened off workspaces. And when a Black individual worker who could not be separated in the office due to job necessity; a cage was literally built around him to separate him from his white office companions. A few years prior to that, here in the western hemisphere under the leadership of Teddy Roosevelt and a wealthy French business man, Philippe-Jean Bunau-Varilla; the U.S. stole land from Columbia and created the nation of Panama in order to build the politically lucrative Panama Canal.

Even President Jimmy Carter the so-called human rights President, is not unstained of terrorist policy. In 1978 during the peak of Indonesian atrocities when the U.S. Congress imposed human rights restrictions blocking the flow of advanced weaponry, President Carter created a side door policy and found a way to get Israelis to send sixteen U.S. (Skyhawk) aircrafts to Indonesia. This enabled the Indonesian government to complete the genocide of nearly a quarter of a million of its own communist leaning citizens (So much for American disdain for leaders that kill their own people). Another example shortly followed when President Ronald Reagan who came into office claiming that the war against international terrorism would be the core of his foreign policy; Reagan actually created the largest international terrorist network the world had ever seen. It was so bad that the United Nations condemned the United States essentially for international terrorism; for the Unlawful Use of Force in Nicaragua. President Reagan in defiance; responded by immediately escalating the war by including a strategy of mercenary army attacks upon so-called soft targets (un-defended civilian targets). With impunity; these target attacks included agriculture collectives, health clinics and the like. This super power terrorist assault upon a small country was designed to destroy their infrastructure and wreck their economy. The intended strategy was to force the poor exhausted citizens to overthrow their own government or support a U.S. backed candidate in the next election. Behind the plastic veil of phony democracy; this is the United States of America for what it truly is (a vicious bully on the world stage). This CIA backed proxy war labeled "Iran-Contra" was financed with secret arm sales to Iran and secret CIA cocaine trafficking to the Black community in South Central Los Angeles. An estimated 30,000 Nicaraguans were killed in the CIA's Contra war against the Sandinista government of Nicaragua.

This is the historical backdrop that tragically prevails behind a King Kong nation; drunk on wealth and military power; wreaking havoc onto smaller, less powerful nations. Democratically elected leaders are not safe, i.e. the two failed attempts by the United States to overthrow the Democratic Socialist government of Venezuela. August of 2017 President Donald Trump drastically intensified economic sanctions that were already in place against this country. Disproportionately hitting the most vulnerable (Afro-Venezuelans), these sanctions have inflicted very serious harm including more than 40,000 deaths just from the period of 2017 to 2018 not

to mention that of 2019. The U.S. mercilessly wants control of the 297 billion barrels of Venezuelan oil; the largest oil reserves in the world.

It's the legacy of the Universal African Peoples Organization, to speak truth to power. However it is even more important to speak truth to the powerless in order to empower the people with information that will help set us free. Whether it's the war policies of Bush 1, or the war crime policies of Bush 2, or even the terrorist policy of Bill Clinton, who sent fourteen Cruise Missiles into the Sudan to destroy a pharmaceutical plant; pain and destruction is always the outcome. This pharmaceutical plant specializing in Anti-Malaria drugs was the largest manufacturer of medicines in all of Sudan. The propaganda narratives are always one thing while the strategic objectives are usually a hidden U.S. policy of terrorism and aggression for the ultimate control of other folk's resources.

June 20, 2019 Iran's Revolutionary Guard shot down a United States surveillance drone with a Surface-to-Air missile over the Strait of Hormuz 6,000 miles from American soil. The U.S. accused Iran of trying to provoke a war. July 24, 2019 a U.S. Navy war ship allegedly shot down an Iranian drone of which Iran denies being hit at all. Whatever the case, how can someone accuse someone else of provoking a war with them, when it is they that pulled their proverbial car up into your driveway? These fake narratives are an insult to our intelligence. Simply put; the U.S. wants war with Iran for the control of oil in their region (in their proverbial driveway) and to block Iran's economic plans for abandoning the use of the American Petrodollar.

Why should we as an African people endorse these policies and swallow these false narratives, especially in light of our experiences under slavery, Jim Crow, growing wealth gaps, mass incarceration and racist waves of police shootings aka "Blue Terrorism". Why should we allow ourselves to be manipulated by the same government that manipulated and betrayed the so-called citizenship rights of our ancestors? Perhaps true citizenship for Black folks in America is also a false narrative we've yet to fully dissect in light of our suffering. I suggest we take an anti-war position and refuse to enlist into any military wing of the United States Government. From now on; if there's a fight to be had that includes us, let it be for a just cause; let it be for our own liberation. From now on, let's show the world how to stand up to the bully. Let us come together and speak with one voice. It is then we will be able to say with true meaning: KING KONG AIN'T GOT NOTHING ON ME !!!



Are the Police Departments Across America Color Blind?

By Deacon JB Bond

Since the inception of the police force, police brutality against people of color has certainly been part of its format. The police force was started sometime after the Civil War to control the so-called wayward Negroes. Wayward is the term whites, in authority, coined for Blacks who spoke up against the contradictions, double standards and downright mistreatment of their civil rights. Just to keep the record straight, many other races of people have had their clashes with the police force also. The Irish, Jewish, Italians and other European ethnic groups had their challenges with the police force in the early 1900's. But their skin color did not prohibit their ability to climb up the social prominence ladder. They were not seen as threatening; therefore, they could not only join the police force, but were willing to participate in brutal acts. The African American could also climb up the social prominence ladder, but because of his or her skin color, could never be seen as non-threatening by white police officers. It is amazing to me how Black men are given supernatural abilities by white police officers when the officers go before the courts, media or judge. These officers imply that Black men have supernatural abilities to explain why the use of deadly force was necessary on Black young men who had no weapons at all.

Here are three well known cases of non-threatening Blacks who lost their lives because of their skin color. Betty Shelby, an officer of Tulsa,

Oklahoma, shot and killed Terrence Crutcher because she said he was reaching into his SUV, and she feared for her life. Mr. Crutcher had his hands up the whole-time. The window of his SUV was up, and he could not have reached into it to get anything to harm the officer. All of this was on the police dash cam and she lied anyway.

Philando Castile was shot to death by officer Jeronimo Yanez in Falcon Heights, Minnesota during a traffic stop of which Mr. Castile told the officer he had a concealed license permit to carry a weapon. While complying with the officer's first command to see his driver's license, he was shot. Mr. Castile was shot several times while reaching for his wallet. Mr. Philando Castile's girlfriend and daughter were in the car with him when this happened. Officer Yanez was on the driver's side of the vehicle and his partner was on the passenger side of the vehicle during the traffic stop. Did Officer Yanez think Mr. Castile would shoot him and the other officer and safely flee the scene with his family in tow. Talk about supernatural ability.

Eric Garner was choked to death by police officer Daniel Pantaleo, who used an illegal chokehold to subdue Mr. Garner. Mr. Garner was non-combative and was heard several times saying, "I can't breathe! I can't breathe!"

When the shoe is on the other foot, as the cliché goes, a Black man is held accountable for his ac-

tions as a police officer. Minneapolis Police Officer Mohamed Noor shot and killed an unarmed white Australian woman named Justine Damond, who made a 911 call to report a disturbance behind her house. The three previous officers were white, and the victims were Black. Neither of the 3 white officers were found guilty. Officer Mohamed Noor, who is Black, was charged and found guilty. The question begs to be asked, "Are the police departments across America color blind?" You have read evidence, so what do you think?

The king James Bible puts it this way: "You should know them by their fruits. (Matthew 7:16)" We must continue to always speak Truth to power, and remember Dr. King's quote, "The arc of the moral universe is long, but it bends toward justice."



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A Salute To Marcus Garvey

By African NewsWorld Service

"We are the descendants of a suffering people; we are the descendants of a people determined to suffer no longer. We shall now organize the 400,000,000 Negroes of the world into a vast organization to plant the banner of freedom on the great continent of Africa. We do not desire what has belonged to others, though others have always sought to deprive us of that which belonged to us..."

The above powerful prophetic statement made by the Honorable Marcus Mosiah Garvey to over 25,000 Blacks gathered at Madison Square Garden in New York on August 2, 1920 was simply a glimpse into the magnificent vision of one of the most brilliant Pan-Africanist organizers, thinkers, and orators during the 20th Century. The occasion for his remarks was the international convention of Black people from throughout the world, which was sponsored by Garvey's organization, The Universal Negro Improvement Association.

It was on August 1, 1914 in Jamaica, Garvey's birthplace, he and Amy Ashwood had the foresight, tenacity and dedication to found the expansive Universal Negro Improvement Association and Conservation Association and African Communities League. In 1916, he moved to the United States and a year later began the First Chapter in New York, where he eventually maintained his headquarters.

Coming into a post-World War I environment in which our people were facing constant lynchings, race riots, entrenched racism on all levels of the United States Society, Garvey filled a leadership vacuum. From 1919-1920 his call for unity among Black people throughout the world began a period of remarkable, unprecedented and even today unmatched growth of his organization's membership which eventually reached 4,000,000 Blacks.

One of the important reasons for Garvey's amazing success was his establishment in 1918 of the Negro World, his organization newspaper. Within a space of a few months, the Negro World became one of the leading black weekly's with an estimated circulation between 60,000 to 200,000. The structure of the newspaper was interesting. Separating the two words, Negro and World was a sphinx - like seal bearing the motto of the organization, "One Aim, One God, One Destiny." Under this was a phrase, "A Newspaper Devoted Sorely To The Interests of the Negro Race." Certain sections of the newspaper were printed in French and Spanish for the benefit of those Caribbean based Blacks who could not read English. The front page of the paper always carried a lengthy editorial proudly addressed to the "Fellow Men of the Negro race and signed, your obedient servant Marcus Garvey, President - General."

These editorials covered a wide range of subjects, ranging from grand visions of the past glories of Black History, the stirring heroism of leaders of slave rebellions, such as, Denmark Vessey, Gabriel Prosser and Nat Turner, the struggle of Zulu and Hottentot warriors against European rule, Queen Yaa Asantewa of Ghana struggle against the British and the history of Moorish and Ethiopian empires. The paper also made promotional appeals on behalf of the organization and carried news of the activities of the various divisions and branches of the Universal Negro Improvement Association.

In 1919, Garvey's organizational activities had progressed enough for him to purchase a large auditorium located at 114 West 138th Street, in Harlem. This facility had a seating capacity for as many as 6,000 people and was named Liberty Hall. It served as the American headquarters for his organization. Marcus Garvey's determination to overcome the economic strangle-hold that the white world held over Blacks led him to break the monopoly of the white dominated maritime industry through the creation of the shipping company, Black Star Lines in 1919 and the Black Cross Navigation and Trading Company in 1924. Thus, his organization was able to purchase four steamships, the S.S. Yarmouth, S.S. Shadyside, S.S. Kanawha and the S.S. General G. W. Goethals. This extraordinary feat was a great and proud achievement that the masses of Blacks glorified.

A further example of Marcus Garvey's vision included his establishment of another business enterprise, the Negro Factories Corporation. Capitalized at \$1,000,000 under a charter from the State of Delaware, the corporation offered 200,000 shares of common stock to Blacks at a value of \$5.00 per share. The purpose of this company was to build and operate factories in the big industrial centers of the United States, Central America, the West Indies and Africa to manufacture every marketable commodity. Among the businesses developed by the corporation were a chain of cooperative grocery stores, a restaurant, a steam laundry, a tailor and dressmaking shop, a millinery store and publishing house.

In 1924, Garvey created another Universal Negro Improvement Association venture, the Negro Political Union which was designed to consolidate the political forces of Blacks through which the race could express its political will. With his customary vigor, Garvey pushed the activity of the Negro Political Union in the 1924 American elections, issuing a nationwide list of approved candidates.

The most ambitious Plan - Africanist undertaking started by Marcus was his "Back to Africa movement." This concept was to recolonize our people in Liberia because of the strident racism in the United States and his dream of redeeming Africa through its children lost during the diaspora.

Other aspects of his organization included the African Legion, which served as a security wing and the Black Cross Nurses formed to help the stricken and less fortunate. One of his last projects was The Black Man, a monthly magazine started in 1933.

Due to his tremendous ability to galvanize and organize masses of our people, the United States government charged and tried and convicted Marcus Garvey on a dubious mail fraud charge in 1923. While in jail, he continued to organize. Finally, the President Coolidge pardoned him on the condition of Marcus Garvey being deported from the United States which occurred in 1927.

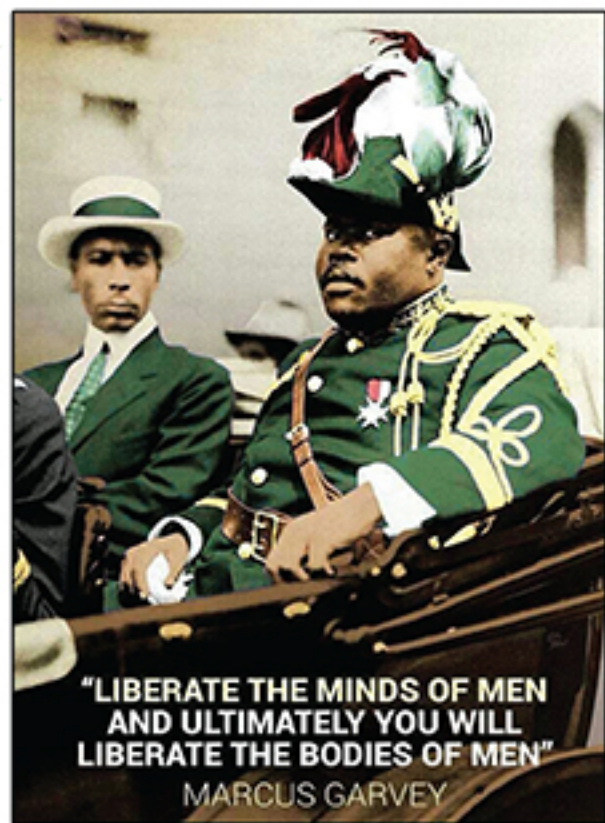
The significance of Marcus Garvey lies in his appeal to the dreams of millions of Blacks throughout the world and can be summed up in his own words:

"If we must have justice, we must be strong. If we must be strong, we must come together;

If we must come together, we can only do so through the system of organization. Let us not waste time in breathless appeals to the strong while we are weak but lend our time, energy and effort to the accumulation of strength among ourselves by which we will voluntarily attract the attention of others....

Up You Mighty Race - You Can Accomplish What You Will."

Resource: Black Moses - The Story of Marcus Garvey and the Universal Negro Improvement Association by Edmund David Cronon



The Denver Chapter of the UAPO Salutes the Honorable Marcus "Mosiah" Garvey 132nd Birthday August 17, 1887 - June 10, 1940



Members: Queen Freedom, Chairman Seku Evans, Jessie Parris, Barbara Avent, Mauray Tolbert, Davonne Green, LaRhyme (PMD), Queen Dafina Boa Aldan

UAPO Outreach Committee Continues its Work to Uplift Our Community

By African NewsWorld Service

The Universal African Peoples Organization (UAPO) Outreach Committee headed by Gwendolyn "Imani" Cogshell continues its determined efforts to address a few of the multiple issues impacting our communities. Organized in 2015, this committee has led the way in our adoption of Walbridge Elementary School, St. Louis Mo. With the adoption of the school, the committee has each year organized campaigns to provide over 200 students with necessary school supplies such as notebooks, pencils, paper, book bags, etc.; as well as personal hygiene products and clothing items. In helping the students, the Committee has also sponsored back to school haircuts.

Also, in 2017 responding to the kidnapping and sexual assault of a young female student on the way to school, Imani led the way in creating the UAPO Neighborhood Patrol. The Patrol's responsibility was to be vigilant and watchful in the early morning hours, as students walked and waited for their school buses. Part of the Patrol included parents who wholeheartedly welcomed the idea. The Committee was able to meet with St. Louis Public School officials and were able to get some school bus stops changed because of the proximity to dangerous areas and were able to get students put into groups at bus stops for safety precautions.

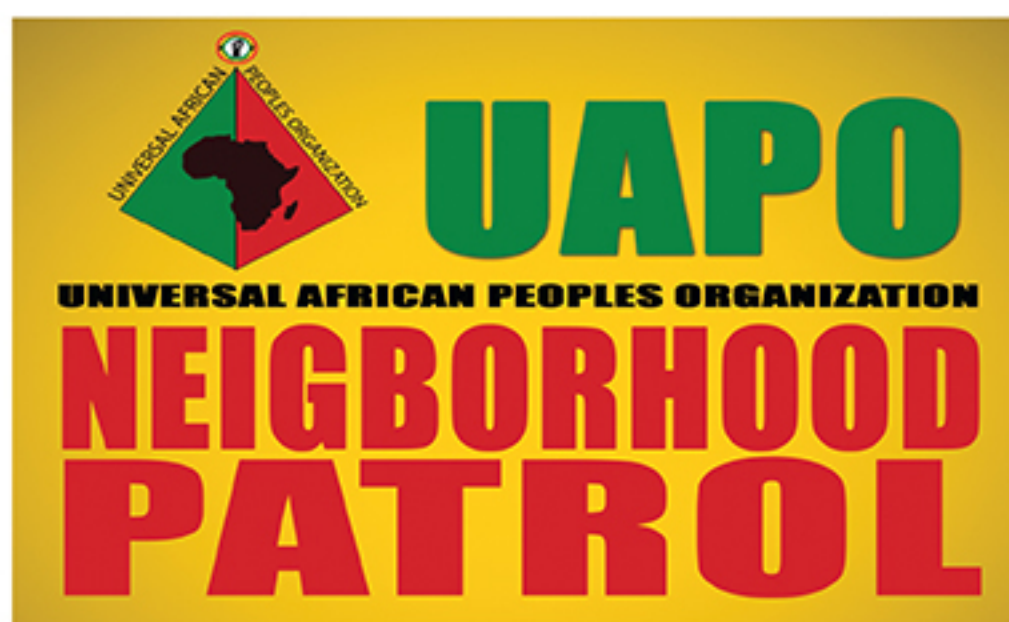
As a pioneer of the concept of watching out for our children, and the fact many children are falling prey to predators, the committee extends its congratulations to another progressive organization with greater resources, Better Family Life for adopting the idea and expanding the concept through its Neighborhood Net Program. For more information contact Marla Dunbar at 314-367-3440.

Finally, on June 9, 2019 the Committee sponsored a clean-up campaign in the historic O'Fallon Park. The primary objective was to encourage our people to take pride in our communities utilizing the slogan "Cleanliness Is Next to Godliness."

Additional committee members have included Queen Ziah, Clara Cheeks, Tracy Reese, Marble Davis, Winfield Scott and Tyrean "Heru" Lewis.



Gwen "Imani" Cogshell



Reflections and Justice For Malik White

By Ramona Fortner

Greetings Everyone! I am the mother of Malik White, Ramona Fortner. I am working on a very important personal mission concerning my son, Malik who was murdered August 21, 2002 at the very tender age of sixteen. His murder was due to mistaken identity. The person who stole my son's life was William Claybon, Jr. He is currently serving a life sentence after pleading guilty. But, unfortunately earlier this year, I was contacted by state prison officials that "someone had dropped the ball" concerning W. Claybon who had pled guilty to Malik's murder and that he could not be considered for parole until 2046.

However, to my dismay that date has been moved up to 2032, OMG!!! Even though there is no out date, as Malik's mother, I must continue to stay resourceful on my son's behalf, to keep this murderer from killing someone else's child.

That is why I will begin a serious campaign to prevent William Claybon from ever being released. Malik's birthday was October 7, 1985 and he came into the world weighing a whopping 11 pounds, 12 ounces and 26 inches long through natural birth. My son had so much potential with academics, as well as sports.

I am here to help stop Black on Black violence!! I am here to help stop gun violence!! I am here to bring our community together. Since Malik's passing, I have dedicated my life to his memory. I have dedicated my life to helping Stop Senseless Violence.

So, in keeping Malik's memory alive, I host an annual community event in his honor. We will be sponsoring the 4th Annual Malik White's Basketball Classic Showdown in collaboration with the Marquette Recreation Center, 3200 South Jefferson, St. Louis, Mo. 63118. This event will be held Saturday, September 7, 2019. Doors open at 2:00 pm. Everyone is Welcome! Any questions feel free to call (314) 396-1722. Faith is the Substance of Things Hoped For!!

Supporters of UAPO Neighborhood Patrol That Began in Spring 2017



UAPO Cleans Up O'Fallon Park

June 9, 2019



Scenes From the Universal African Peoples Organization (UAPO) Celebrating
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UAPO Members: Terrell Darden and Shontez Jones



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Three Central Jazz Band Sounding Great



UAPO Members Ron Tedder and Tracie Reese

Its 30th Anniversary on April 4, 2019 At The Beautiful Jewel Event Center
Test and Solidarity Statements' From Other Progressive Organizations
The Three Central Jazz Band



*Zaki acknowledging UAPO Members:
 Safiyah Chauvin, GG Owens, Amari Sneferu,
 Gwen "Imani" Cogshell and JB Bond*



*Coffee Wright (Center) Receiving Award for 2018 US
 Senate Candidacy from UAPO Cofounders Zaki Baruti
 and Safiyah Chauvin*



Yusra Raja: Best Dressed African Attired Female



JB and Yvonne Bond - Best Dressed African Attired Couple



UAPO Member: Marble Davis



*Al Brown - Representing
 St. Louis License Collector - Mavis Thompson*



*Zaki with childhood friend and UAPO Member
 George Moore*



Safiyah Chauvin and Saudu Imiri

Continuation of UAPO 30th Year Anniversary Photos “Expressions of Solidarity” in Support of the Universal African Peoples Organization



L-R - James Stewart, UAPO Member Coffee Wright, Lewis Reed - President of St. Louis Board of Alderman



Anthony Shahid - Tauheed Youth Organization and Donald Muhammad - Mosque 28



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Malik Ahmed - Better Family Life



Percy Green - Renowned Civil Rights Activist



Harold Compere - St. Louis Committee for Haiti



Kalima Endesha - Organization for Black Struggle



Ron and Joan Gregory with UAPO Member Queen Zulu (Center)

Two Prominent Black Political Activists and Owners of the Green Duck Lounge Are Commemorated (They Were Murdered In Kansas City)

After the Green Duck Lounge had been closed a number of years following Mr. Jordan's death, in 1997 Jimmy Townsend purchased the building. Mr. Townsend also owned several other properties throughout Kansas City. However, on December 18, 2015, the beloved 83-year-old Jimmy Townsend was also shot and murdered. There has been much speculation about the motives behind his death but to date, no one has been charged.

For many, the Green Duck was a gathering place for the Kansas City political activists.

In the backdrop of these two high profile killings, Ms. GG Owens appealed to the UAPO headed by Zaki Baruti to hold the commemorative program.

Prior to holding the program, a press conference was held to vigorously call for reopening the investigation into Mr. Townsend's death, as well as for over seventy unsolved murders in Kansas City this year.

A number of Kansas City activists were in attendance and they included Ron McMillan, Evaline Taylor, Marva Etier, Sonny Gibson, Teresa Perry, LaMarr Vickers and Maurice Copeland. Also, present were family members of Mr. Townsend headed by his daughter, Deloris LaBlanca.

In concluding the program and in remembrance of Mr. Leon Jordan and Mr. Jimmy Townsend, there were Red-Black and Green balloons released in their honor. Finally, Kansas City activists have begun an effort to re-open the Green Duck Lounge which has been placed on the Kansas City historic registry.

Can the Green Duck Live Again ?

By Ron McMillan

"O you who believe, seek assistance through patience and prayer, surely God is with patience. And speak not to those slain in God's way as dead, Nay, they are alive, but you perceive not." -Holy Quran

We celebrate the life and great works of two great Kansas City legends, Leon Jordan and Jimmy Townsend. Recently, the Black owned Kansas City Call newspaper showed a balloon release celebrating their lives and asked, " Can the Green Duck Live Again?

The history of that corner on Prospect Avenue where the Green Duck is located must be remembered, as well as the spirit of Leon Jordan who gave birth to Freedom Inc.. Leon stood tall and was well respected by the Missouri State Political forces. He was said to have slapped a white politician with close ties to the MOB. This incident may have led to his murder in 1970 in front of his business.

Jimmy Townsend was the Boss. He hired people that no one else would and it is said he would fire his sister at the end of a bad day, but would always rehire her! Jimmy was a good man who was patient with his fellow man.

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OUR VISION... to build a powerful and influential organization of 144,000 like minded people who accept the principles of our:

A. MOTTO B. PREAMBLE C. PLATFORM

One GOD – as opposed to being divided along religious beliefs and ideology; we believe that there is a creator that is greater than us and there will be a day of judgment.

We also say that we must unite based on our commonality, which is (1) we are of African descent and (2) we are oppressed within America and throughout the world.

One Goal – Our goal is the liberation of our people spiritually, economically, politically and culturally, whereby we will control our own destiny.

One Destiny – the fulfillment of God's will for us as a people to have Freedom, Justice and Equality, no matter where we reside and where we as a collective group will fulfill our capacity to grow, develop and expand to our greatest height of self development.

PREAMBLE

The Universal African Peoples Organization is a progressive business, political, humanitarian, educational, and expansive society, and founded by persons desiring to work for the general uplifting of people of African descent throughout the world. Members pledge themselves to do all in their power to advance the rights of their noble race and to respect the rights of all others, adhering always to the power of the unity and belief in the Creator. The motto of

the organization is "One God! One Goal! One Destiny!" Therefore, let justice become reality for all people, realizing that if the strong oppress the weak, confusion and discontent will obstruct progress and development. With respect, equality and justice towards those of goodwill, a new era of peace and plenty will be forthcoming into the world and our future generations will be liberated.

UAPO PLATFORM

We will improve the lives of our people when we do the following:

1. Develop, support and expand the growth of African American businesses. Increase the number of African American skilled professionals. Gain our fair share of the tax dollars and services generated by national, state and local businesses. End redlining of the African American community. Develop international trade ventures.
2. We seek to increase the quantitative/qualitative number of African Americans to elected public offices in proportion to our population at the national, state and local levels. We seek the passage of legislation that would directly enhance the quality of life for African Americans.
3. Support the development and expansion of independent African American schools. Support African centered curriculum in the local public school boards with Afrocentric thinking people. Increase the literacy rate and level in our community.
4. Institute community control of the police departments and end racism within the judicial system. Support and expand educational job training and community oriented programs within the penal institutions.

Use community service programs as alternatives to incarceration for non-violent offenders.

5. Develop greater emphasis on health care, knowledge and accessibility. Support a universal assistance program responsible for providing a minimum standard of living to rebuild two parent and/or extended families. End homelessness.

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