An Organ of the Universal African Peoples Organization (UAPO)

The Task Ahead

As I turned 75 this year on September 27, 2022, there is a consistent message that I fervently pray must happen, if we are to be an empowered people, free from the shackles of racism, colonialism, capitalism and imperialism. That simple message has been articulated for years by one of the great historic icons of all times, Brother Stokely Carmichael (Kwame Ture). He always stated these three powerful words that I totally embrace and they are:

"Organize-Organize- Organize."

As previously cited in past editions of our newspaper, we have repeatedly encouraged you the reader (Our People) that everyone should belong to a movement or organization that speaks "Truth to Power" and has a history of activism addressing the many social, political and economic issues devastating our communities here in the United States, Africa and the Diaspora. So once again, we encourage you to consider being a Member or Supporter of the Universal African Peoples Organization (UAPO). From the founding of our movement on April 4, 1989 which came as an extension of my candidacy for Governor of Missouri in 1984 and 1989, we have repeatedly been on the forefront of advocating for justice, equality and peace for our people.

Accordingly, referring back to the powerful words of Brother Ture,

"Organize-Organize-Organize," it is our ongoing commitment to the task of building a base of 144,000 Members/Supporters. Therefore, we look forward to you joining/supporting our movement.

As the President/General of the UAPO (a title chosen in honor of the most Honorable Marcus Mosiah Garvey), is listed below a bio of myself for historic records.

Married 46 years-Father of Four- Grandfather of Six-Graduate of Lincoln High School, East St. Louis, IL- Graduate of Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, IL-BS History and Masters in Education Administration.

Activism History/58 Years

Member of Black Student Association/ Spokesperson when we seized the Chancellor's office calling for Black Studies and more Black faculty along with other demands. (1967)

Organized a massive demonstration in East St. Louis to protest the murder and assassination of the Chicago Black Panther members Fred Hampton and Mark Clark by the Chicago Police Department and the FBI. (1969) Subsequently, distributed the Black Panther Party newspaper in East St. Louis, IL and St. Louis,

Member of the East St. Louis Black United Front (Political Organizer) 1967-1972

Educator/East St. Louis School District 189 for 33 years. Author of two educational booklets, "The Building Of A Clean Prosperous Black Community As Opposed To The Conspiracy" and "Part Two-Can We Do IT?" As an educator took students to Africa and Jamaica. Was removed from East. St. Louis Senior High School, because of my outspokenness of deplorable conditions at the school.

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Zaki Baruti UAPO President/General Who UAPO Sisters/Warriors Also Affectionately Designate As **The Godfather** per Coffee Wright and Queen Daugherty, **Leader of the Free World** per Marble Davis, **Fire Marshall** per Candice Hill, **Zealous Zaki** per Safiyah Chauvin, **King** per Queen Ziah, Queen Zakeda, and Carol Jackson, Emperor per Assata Storm. Zaki, Humbly Accept Their Designations and Prayerfully All My UAPO Brothers and Sisters Agree That His Character, Actions and Vision Represent The Above Descriptions. In the Next Edition of Our Quarterly Newspaper, The Sisters/Warriors Will Share Their Logic For The Description of Zaki Baruti...

Moved to Cool Valley, MO, a suburb of St. Louis, MO, then in 1975 moved to Ferguson, MO. At the housing complex where I lived, organized the Village Apartment Tenant Association to upgrade the deplorable housing conditions. The movement was successful in getting better trash removal, roach control, repaving streets and repainting the complex. After our success, my lease was not renewed (1976). The Apartment was renamed the infamous Canfield Green Apartments where Mike Brown was murdered.

Moved to University City, MO and organized the Caucus for Community Progress. In 1984, we organized Missouri's First Statewide Black Peoples Convention

A Call for Divine Intervention



Zaki Baruti On His 75th Birthday Atop the World Heritage Site "Cahokia Mounds" Praying to The Creator For Divine Intervention On Behalf of Our People to End the Oppression, Death, and Destruction Rampant In Our Communities He Also Prayed That We Become A Mighty Race As In Our Past History and Africa Become As Technologically and Militarily Powerful As The Western World. (Other Related Pictures Will Be Published in The Winter Edition Of Our Newspaper)

with over several hundred people in attendance. As an extension of the Convention, I became a candidate for Governor in 1984 and 1988. In 1988, Minister Louis Farrakhan endorsed the campaign and I received over 85,000 votes in the Democratic Party primary.

Following the highly publicized shooting death of Marilyn Banks in 1983 by racist police officer Joseph Ferrario, I became Co-Chair of the Coalition Against Police Crimes and Repression. (1983-2014) Over that period of time, we dealt with a number of police murders and brutality cases.

In 1989 we formed the Universal African Peoples Orga**nization (UAPO)** and have worked tirelessly on behalf of

our people. A sampling of our work include the following:

Political Involvement:

We have advocated for the most progressive political thought of the 21st century

"Proportionate Political Representation." In that spirit we organized three Missouri **Statewide Political Conventions** (1986-1988 and 1992) Also, we organized four **National Black Political Leadership Confer**ences. (2015-2016-2017-2018)

Educationally:

We have adopted Walbridge Elementary School and each year provide clothing and school supplies to the students. We also donated over 200 African centered books to the East St. Louis Library.

Homelessness:

We have on a number of occasions provided food and clothing to our unhoused brothers and sisters. Along with these efforts, we co-sponsored with Pine Lawn, MO Mayor, **Terry Epps** several major food giveaways.

Police Violence:

We have consistently been on the forefront of addressing this issue.

Alliances:

We are a member organization of the **Community Justice Coalition and the Black** is Back Coalition

Youth:

We proudly supported the African Heritage Youth Organization founded by one of the UAPO Co-founding members, Safiyah **Chauvin.** For a period of time we had a very effective Rising Sons and Daughters program. Currently, we support the Junior Black **Chamber of Commerce** organized by UAPO member Amari Sneferu.

Yearly Programs:

Each year we commemorate the assassination of **Dr. King** and founding of our organization on April 4th, we also celebrate the birthdays and legacies of Malcolm X on May 19th and the Honorable Marcus "Mosiah" Garvey on August 17th.

Media:

Since our founding we have regularly published our quarterly newspaper, The African NewsWorld. We have an internet TV program "Conversations with Zaki Baruti. For a number of years we had a radio program "Power Hour-Let's Get Busy"

International Affairs:

We organized demonstrations against the Irag war and the war that destroyed Libva and led to the murder of its leader, Muammar Qathafi We stand against the US embargo on Cuba and the sanctions targeting **Zimbabwe.** Also, we have sponsored several international relief efforts. In 1989, we shipped over 70 boxes of new clothing to Namibia. In 2003, we coordinated the shipment of over 450 boxes of clothing and medical supplies to Zimbabwe. In 2004, we shipped over 540 boxes of clothing, medical supplies, educational materials and food to **Haiti** in the aftermath of **Hurricane Ivan**.

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Let The People Be Heard

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QUESTION: WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO JOIN AN ORGANIZATION AND WHY DID YOU JOIN UAPO?



Larry Freeman Jr. Age: 48 Entrepreneur/Freeman Inc St. Louis

I know it is important to join a progressive organization. What happened on January 6th in Washington DC is a clear example of why we should organize as a people. If you do not stand for something, then you will fall for anything and at all times we should vote. I chose to join the UAPO, because of its leadership as personified by Zaki Baruti and Safiyah Chauvin. Their track record of speaking "Truth to Power" speaks for itself. It has been a honor working with President/General Zaki Baruti.



Aneetra Williams-Jones Age: 34 CEO, President of AnkhLife, Inc.

There are many reasons to join an organization, but some organizations have hidden agendas or missions you cling to or are not savvy about. What is more important for me was the ability to be a part of something that shared the same goals that I've been prepared to do my entire life. Those goals are to lead and create change. Now I can say there are a lot of organizations out there that can seem to be about change and difference; however never really show their worth from the heart. This organization (UAPO) has substance, an elegance that is timeless and a legacy to carry to the next generation.



Antwon Jones Age: 47 Warehouse Worker/Heavy Equipment Owner/Mobile Power Wash On the Move Company St. Louis

It is important to join an organization because individuals by themselves cannot make the necessary social, political and economic changes that's necessary to uplift our people in these challenging times. That is why I joined The UAPO. It takes a dedicated team to fight for our human rights.



Tarquin Walker Age:35 Iron Worker

It is important to join an organization to make the necessary changes that need to be made with like-minded individuals. Change can be made faster and more hastily by groups fighting for and pushing their agenda in the right direction. Group cohesiveness is important in maintaining that agenda and the momentum set forth. By joining the UAPO and aligning oneself with the principles herein we can achieve what change is necessary for African People here and abroad.

I chose to join the UAPO to help in the great fight to propel my beautiful melanated people forward socially, economically, spiritually, and politically. We need organizations such as the UAPO to keep up the vitality of African achievement and progress. Without organizations that cater to our welfare, our heritage will not survive, our accolades will not survive, nor will our lineages survive the constant onslaught from those that wish to suppress us at every chance that they can. The UAPO stands as a barrier and beacon of hope for those who have race pride and believe that their conditions can be better. The UAPO is also for those who are proactive and willing to get out and fight for their own just like our ancestors have paved the way and fought for us to get where we are now. The legacy MUST LIVE ON!



Sunny Shen Age:29, Brooklyn, New York

I think joining an organization is important because it unites one with a community of people with a collective mindset. It also creates a positive force toward the organization's common interest and goal, which can help fuel constructive change within surrounding communities and the world. Unity is the most important reason; joining an organization helps unite like-minded individuals, and a group of like-minded individuals uniting is powerful. That is why I support the UAPO!!!



Alexia Wilkins Age: 29 Owner of Lex Enterprise Insurance Agency

It is important to join organizations because it is a communicative experience that adds value to the community. My agency has flourished with creating generational wealth through investment and insurance vehicles. Our team of brokers has earned the respect and trust of over 30 senior apartment buildings that we service. We provide investments, Medicare and Health insurance solutions to the community. UAPO's mission embodies the general uplifting of people of African descent. UAPO's organic cause and networking structure ignites a shared passion, which solidifies why I am a member.

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Shauntell Mason Age: 45 Human Resources Consultant

The importance of joining an organization is to be a part of a group you share value, corroborate a new way of being a better you actively in your community and make a difference globally with like-minded individuals who "do" & "care" & "learn" & "teach" the understanding of progression. In connecting communities by getting involved in every section of life. Bringing together resources, talent, and skills to grow generations.

I support UAPO because I see the work, dedication in the members and demonstrated values over the long history and through connections. This is why I want to be a part of a progressive movement. For my efforts alone only accomplish little. But with an organization such as UAPO, the right team of "doers" for all the right causes will accomplish much.



Joshua Ramsey Age:30 Occupation: Development ProfessionalThe saying goes, "It takes a village to raise a child." For anyone to move forward in life we must come together and share the lessons learned along the way to create a bridge to lead others. Which is why it is important to be a part of an organization that gives back. When we give back, we pour into others. We pour into the same organizations, leaders and volunteers who took the time to mentor community members like me. Giving back looks like time, monetary gifts, and knowledge. Giving back is the bridge that connects everyone together working to achieve a common goal that uplifts one another. I chose UAPO because representation is everything. The UAPO'S direct focus on impacting people that look like me drive me into service of this great long-lasting organiza-

Salute



The Universal African Peoples **Organization** Salutes Carla "Coffee"

Wright For Her Gallant And Inspiring Campaign For US Senator/ Missouri In The Democratic Primary Election Held August 2, 2022. Speaking "Truth to Power" Her **Unwavering Stance on** Social Justice, Equality and "Proportionate Political Representation" Will Forever Be Recorded in the Political History of Missouri and the United States

The UAPO Wishes Continued Life and **Health For Our Elderly Supporters Who Are 80 Plus Years**

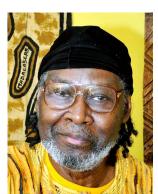


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Percy Green 87





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Public education is in critical condition. This school year began with a deficit of teachers numbering well over one hundred. St. Louis Public Schools (SLPS) has had a teacher shortage for more years than is healthy for any school district. In fact, educators all over the country have been leaving the profession. There are no mysteries surrounding this exodus. Teachers have been vocal about their concerns. District culture is punitive and non-supportive (mentors and critics critique, but can't model lessons in classrooms); teachers and principals not allowed to make educational decisions for their particular location; too many tasks not educationally based; student behavior out of control. So, why have these issues not been addressed? When looking at the historical practices engaged, it becomes apparent that there is a trend that indicates an effort to "dumb down" masses of learners of color. It would appear that entities with power do not wish to engage an educated populace. An educated populace would hold power brokers, influencers, and the wealthy accountable for their decisions. An uneducated populace is so much easier to be led and influenced. After all, even a first grader understands the concept of running out of something (fossil fuel, for example) and the need to have a replacement ready when supply runs out. So why haven't leaders figured out what first graders can?

One of the knee jerk reactions visited upon our learners is the practice of running schools using a business model. While budgets must be maintained, there is the practice of misplaced priorities. True educators know the grave injustice done to learners when one attempts to run educational institutions as one would run a business. Businesses produce "widgets" and services. Schools promote learning, social and emotional growth, and productive, intelligent citizens prepared to become members of their communities. In most businesses, profit is the motive for practices. In education, the motive must be the growth of the learners. There is, however, the old adage, "pay now or pay later." We are uncomfortably paying now.

There seems to be a problem of not being able to see the forest for the trees. Granted, the issue of increased pay is being addressed, but many educators have left the field because of basic issues (as already listed) receive no attention. The fewer qualified personnel assigned to classrooms; the more subs will be placed to provide instruction to students. Because substitutes and inexperienced teachers are being placed in classrooms, many parents, primarily in communities of color, have lost confidence in our public school system. Those parents have decided to home school their children.

Some parents are choosing charter schools over traditional public schools as an alternative. Unfortunately, close inspection reveals that charter schools located in communities of color perform no better than traditional public schools in those same communities. The only truly successful schools - charter or traditional - are the schools with entrance or continued attendance requirements. As the push for educational excellence forges on, it becomes uncomfortably obvious that the only real accomplishment of charter schools is re-segregation under an innocuous label.

As schools and districts compete for students, the most grievous misconception concerning education is that everyone thinks teaching is simple and that anyone can teach. There is, therefore, no hesitation to replace teachers with less than qualified personnel. Some districts are hiring retired military - with no educational background or degree - to be placed

in classrooms as teachers. The state of Missouri continuously makes it easy to qualify as a substitute teacher. One simply has to complete twenty clock hours to meet this requirement. In other words, anyone can login and complete an on-line course in 20 hours (2 hours a day for 10 days) to be qualified as a substitute teacher. By the way, these 20-hour subs make \$200 a day, while certified teachers were getting close to retirement before making that kind of money. Beginning a school year with a teacher deficit simply means that many classrooms will be manned by substitute or inexperienced certified teachers. While these circumstances are unavoidable for the current school year, what plans are being made to see that this emergency personnel placement does not occur again?

The district is addressing the issue of teacher shortage by preparing lesson plans for substitutes. This procedure will provide adult supervision for students, but it will certainly not replace instruction. The teacher shortage remains. Now is the critical time to address shortages by being pro-active.

The easy excuse is that the pandemic caused a lot of the teacher shortage. That is not true. The teacher shortage predates Covid-19 by more than several years. Why have we not listened as teachers left the district year after year? The demands placed on teachers because of Covid-19 was just the straw that broke the camel's back. This lack of teachers was going to happen sooner or later anyway. This is a nationwide problem. Why are teachers all over the country leaving the profession? Again, teachers are very open about why they are leaving their jobs. The question becomes, "What have we done to recruit and retain high quality teachers? The unfortunate answer is - not much. Fewer and fewer persons are even interested in entering the field of education.

Another unfortunate choice our district (and many others across the nation) makes, is the over-reliance on "silver bullet", one plan for all, learning programs instead of student and teacher driven instruction. These special programs often rely on implementation with fidelity. This is a fancy way of saying "follow instructions for lesson delivery explicitly with little to no deviation" (there used to actually be a group of central office personnel who visited classrooms to make sure teachers were following program instructions).

All teachers know that students do not learn the same way at the same rate. Sadly, substitute teachers and military personnel know nothing of these nuances. Their prepared lessons will not involve trained decision making. The quality of education will suffer, as a result.

Then, there is the elephant in the room. In an effort to remove the "pipeline to prison", the district mandated that no primary students may be suspended out of school. In order to maintain discipline and continue the educational process, students should be assigned to in-school-suspension rooms. There should be an in-school-suspension monitor in each and every elementary and middle school. These rooms must be assigned to fully certified teachers able to continue the educational process. These

teachers would ideally have some training in special education. Simply assigning a body to supervise children is just babysitting. The phenomenon of just saying "no suspensions" is truly causing a teacher shortage. In the good old days, high school students had to report to "A" hour because of infractions. This system worked because high school students did not want to have to come to school early to meet this requirement (keep in mind, we had to take public transportation to get to school). Just saying "no suspensions" is not working very well. Again, look at the number of personnel clamoring to work for SLPS.

Also facing our district, is the deplorable state of affairs concerning student placement. Too many students of color, as long ago as the sixties, attended two or more schools, in addition to their original neighborhood schools, before attending high school.

Students must ride buses to and from school - often leaving and returning home in the dark. By the time students arrive at school, they are already tired. Of course, we are told that neighborhood schools are closing because of population deficits. The more schools are closed, the more the population will decrease, the more schools will close. The correct answer is that the district should be engaging in practices that will show parents that the wise choice for their children is SLPS. Instead, this district makes decisions that remove students from the district and from their neighborhoods. Young people are shown that the only way to succeed is to leave their neighborhood. The magnet school program is a prime example. Instead of making every school a school of emphasis, students must be bused to a school that has a specific course of study. However, there is a shortage of bus drivers now. Of course, the magnet program will survive. There seems to be a "troubled future" for school attendance and progress. The Voluntary Interdistrict Choice Corporation (VICC) plan allows parents to enroll their children in districts other than SLPS. Parental choice is vital to the district. That is why it is so important to demonstrate to parents that SLPS is the right choice for their children. A feeder school system would be easier on parents, students, and the district cost of transportation.

The district must look past the quick fix decisions that indicate a refusal to be proactive. SLPS is lacking teachers who have let their concerns be known. Teachers and principals must have some autonomy to make educational decisions affecting their classrooms and their particular community. What works in one location may not necessarily work in another. Teachers need support instead of directives. The district must recognize that tasks not educational in nature, take away from learning enhancement. We must avoid the trap of

using virtual learning as a substitute for instruction. Technology is a tool used by trained professionals to enhance the educational experience. Besides, what happens if the power goes out? Will today's educators be able to teach without technology? The correct answer must be that teachers can provide instruction with and without the assistance of computers, laptops, and similar devices.

This district must face the fact that the district is the reason no one wants to work in the district. *The definition of insanity is when one does the same thing over and over and expects different results – especially when one met with failure the first time around.* A conspiracy theorist would wonder whether or not there is a design to "dumb down" mass education. After all, uneducated masses are more prone to do and think as they are told.

Will SLPS continue to exist as an entity?

As a case in point, SLPS adopted a business model because the "educational" model allegedly caused too many duplications of services. Our district became even more indebted after this business model was adopted. Many services were contracted out that had been provided by the district. In the 50's and 60's, when SLPS was so overcrowded that classrooms of up to 40 or more students were common, students had meals prepared hot every day. That was more expensive than the prepackaged breakfasts and lunches students now receive. Custodial services were once provided by the district. Supplies and availability changed with the business model. Principals ended up buying supplies for custodians to keep schools smelling sanitized. District supplies were of a lesser quality than what had been provided in the past. But the business model emphasizes cost – not quality. The bottom line is that the business model doesn't work. SLPS does not produce "widgets". We work with young people.

The business model has not worked and will not work. What we must realize is that SLPS is not a business. Yes, the district must be financially responsible. But decisions, based only on the budget, leaves us with a district full of personnel that don't cost as much as seasoned and experienced veterans. Although less expensive, inexperience actually costs more. Our students will suffer a less than adequate education. We must invest in education. We cannot continue to pay Target prices and expect Nordstrom results. We cannot engage in practices that put band-aids on deep underlying problems. We must first recognize and delineate what our underlying problems are before they can be solved.

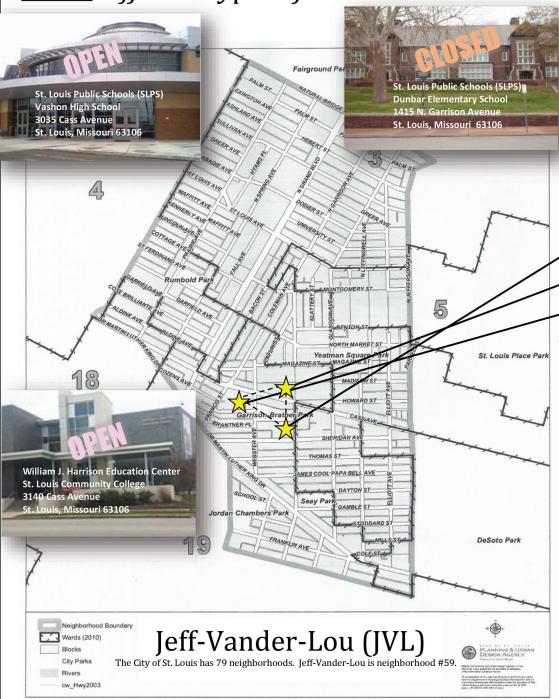
"We make decisions based on the best interests of the children," cannot be a catch phrase. It must be the only practice of the district. There is a lot of hard work to do.

by Barbara Anderson Ed.D.

This concludes the 3 part Education Report Series. To review Parts 1 and 2 contact Communities' One Project 314) 398-1489

"The Trifecta" in the JVL

Three different types of educational institutions within walking distance



In this case... What is the meaning of trifecta?

Trifecta /trī fek'tə/ (noun) The situation wherein one has attained three achievements, qualities, etc., especially when these are of great importance. Reference: Oxford Dictionaries online.

#Love fordunbarstl #savedunbarschoolstl No other neighborhood in the City of St. Louis has it like we do in the Jeff-Vander-Lou (JVL) Neighborhood. It is called "The Trifecta" and it is unique! Primary, Secondary, and Higher Education. . .

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- Vashon High School
- William J. Harrison Education Center, St. Louis Community College

"The Trifecta" education feeder school campus has the potential to provide a high-quality educational experience from Pre-K through Associate's Degree - all in one learning community. "The Trifecta" will benefit our learners, our history, and future generations.

Stand with us as we re-establish "The Trifecta". We need our St. Louis Public Schools to stay open and fully funded. REOPEN/RESTORE DUNBAR.

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Why America Should Never Have a Death Penalty



Deacon J.B. Bond

Why America Should Never Have a Death Penalty It's shameful how the white evangelical churches scream about being pro life and at the same time, with just as much enthusiasm, vote for capital punishment (state and federal executions) of which many of these women and men are innocent. But they will quote a verse from somewhere in the Old Testament of the bible to show where God called for the death penalty. The glaring difference between God imposing the death penalty on a person and the USA is that God is sentencing only the guilty - smoking gun and all. (meaning having all the evidence against the person). While the

American courts are full of people on death row, with very flimsy evidence against them, many of these executions are carried out. A great number of the executed are Black.

For the above reasons, a Black person should never be tried by a jury of all white people or a majority white people. This is exactly why this country should abolish the death penalty. Most white people are innately prejudiced against Black people because of how they have been taught since the Africans were brought to these shores against their will. Not as people tricked by some slick talking captain with a story of the Africans settling in a new land full of hope and promises of a new life. No, the Black men and women were stolen, kidnapped and thrown into the bowels of these great ships packed in like sardines in a can and shackled in chains together. This was the beginning of how the European (White people) saw the African (Black people) and could later write into their constitution that the African in America was 3/5 of a human being. I think we will call this exhibit A.

When such an egregious sin is left to fester unchecked for so long it becomes an infection called anathema. Meaning White America detests the very presence of Black men and women. This can only be cured by a conversion from God. African Americans have done and are still doing all they can to help White America live up to that part in the constitution which states: all men are created equal. So, it's going to take the so called good white folks, those of a contrite heart (Isaiah 57:15) to help Black folks get this accomplished. America should never have a death penalty because of its Nationalist biases toward people of color. White America was born into Nationalism and shaped by racism. This is evident in the way they have treated every race of color in this country. With a racist attitude such as this, America should never even think about having a death penalty. Urban View radio host, Clay Cane, does a radio interview (Sirius XM radio channel 126) of men who were falsely accused and imprisoned for many years and are now exonerated. These men tell stories of how police officers, prosecutors, judges, and juries all had a hand in them being incarcerated with evidence so flimsy that any fair-minded person could see it. We can thank God for the many organizations

who use their expertise to review transcripts and find the flaws and often just plain negligence in these cases; consequently, these men are exonerated.

Attorney Bryan Stevenson has done a wonderful job for many years championing the cause to exonerate wrongfully imprisoned men. Many of them were on death row. This country is blessed by God, and its leaders claim to hold the bible in high esteem. Why then break a rule of God by shedding innocent blood with the death penalty that is so biased it is dispensed on the innocent as well as the guilty. For any government to have a death penalty, it first needs a moral compass. And since America's moral compass has always been broken, it should never have a death penalty. But if America should insist on having a death penalty, then impose it on the guilty as God would (See Exodus chapter 21:16) not on the word of a white woman claiming to have been assaulted by a Black man without any physical evidence. And the description she has given to the police isn't even close to the Black man they have arrested. The Black man has an alibi withstanding and Black witnesses to account for his alibi. Nevertheless, many times because the victim is white, and the accused is Black the case is closed, and another Black man bites the dust. This is why America should never have a death penalty because if one innocent life is lost due to racist attitudes, it's one too many. Consequently, the death penalty and racism are a formula for disaster for Black America. Therefore, the death penalty and racism must be eradicated in America!

ARE YOU A GOOD INVESTIGATOR?

Clara Cheeks Had To Become An Investigator in the Death of James Cheeks After His Suspicious Death, Burial and Distribution of His Estate



James Cheeks

The family of James E. Cheeks has called for the Department of Justice to investigate the suspicious death of their loved one, James E. Cheeks, as well as possible fraud prior to and after his demise. Their call for this investigation comes on the heel of what they consider years of stonewalling by the local Rockford, Il judicial and police officials, along with several business people.

Mr. Cheeks was 69 years old and a forty year resident of Rockford, Illinois which has a population of over 150,000 and of that number 20% Black. Mr. Cheeks was retired and lived a comfortable life until he died suddenly on April 22, 2010.

Suspicions about his death were aroused when the family was informed that James had died at the house of a white female, Lucinda Winn. Ms. Winn claimed she was a special friend of James and his Power of Attorney. Not knowing the exact nature of the relationship between the two, the family found it very strange that Mr. Cheeks' body was taken straight from Lucinda's house to the local white owned Olson Mortuary without a 911 call being placed.

Four days later his body was cremated by Greenwood Crematory without being seen by a coroner nor was an autopsy performed. The family was further outraged, because they had not been contacted until after the cremation.

Because of the above circumstances, the family led by Mr. Cheeks' son, Siegfried Neil and his former wife, Clara E. Cheeks began their own investigation and hired a local Black attorney, Luther Spence.

The family investigation found the following disturbing information. (1) The Olson Mortuary and Lucinda Winn had a long-standing relationship. The Mortuary claimed that Mr. Cheeks came into their establishment and paid for cremation services a few days before his death and was by himself. But, the cancelled check is written and signed by Lucinda Winn. However, in a court appearance a white employee of the Mortuary, John Johnson, claimed that he saw James Cheeks write and sign the check. (2) The remains of Mr. Cheeks lie in a plot at the locally white owned Belvedere Cemetery. The fact has an ironic twist because the cemetery claimed. Mr. Cheeks had purchased a plot via telephone and mailed a check. However, the cemetery cannot produce a file on Mr. Cheeks or a cancelled check. (3) On March 31, 2010, twenty-two days before his death a suspicious Will was made by Lucinda

Winn's white Attorney, David Towns. The signature on the Will according to the family did not appear to be Mr. Cheeks. The Will was signed by two other white witnesses, but was not actually filed until May 10, 2010 after Mr. Cheeks death on April 22, 2010.

Armed with the above information, the family met with Rockford Illinois police Chief Chet Epperson: but was summarily dismissed. He claimed that he had talked to Prosecutor Joe Bruscato and refused to review or talk about the information pertinent to the case. When challenged by the family he stated, "This is my house" and concluded the meeting with the statement, "I hope you can go home and get some closure."

In conversation with the Assistant Prosecuting Attorney James Braun, the family was encouraged to file forgery charges, which they did. However, two weeks later when the family went to pick up the court documents, the case had been totally dropped.

Not giving up, the family on the advice of their attorney filed a civil suit against Lucinda Winn alleging "undue influence". Again, they found no relief. Having to travel consistently from St. Louis, MO to Rockford, Illinois the family found racist bias in the court room as their charges were dismissed. Citing the fact that the court presided over by Judge Lisa Fabiano had listed in their records that the son had been present in two court appearances January 14, 2011 and January 9, 2012 when he was not; was the "straw that broke the camel's back."

Because of the unrelenting racism faced by the family, they have now called upon the Justice Department seeking relief. Anyone interested in supporting the family please call Clara Cheeks (314) 213-0057.

Does White Lives vs Black Lives Matter?

Before answering this question in a way that moves us forward, we should first acknowledge that this is a core question for Black folks; that begs the truth for an honest reflection.

When we look in the mirror (as a people); at first glance we see the glistening sparkle of our natural hair, we see melanated assortments of gorgeous black skin or perhaps we see a berging smile (like thick nectar) lipped tightly around an infectious grin. Standing boldly in the mirror beaming with humorous pride; we utter joyfully to ourselves, "Yes indeed, MY BLACK IS ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL!!!"

But when we challenge ourselves to look much deeper, what exactly do we discover? Some say that the eyes are the windows to the soul. With that said, an honest search for truth brothers and sisters; can yield for us; an epiphany of hidden denials that languish beneath the surface of our reflection.

"Where are you going with this Brother Amari?" Well, I want to go directly to the guts of the truth! I want to expose WHAT IT IS, that weakens the collective soul of a people; that refuses to face the reality of a question this critical: Does a white life in this world, matter more-so than a Black life?

In this global competition for power and control of resources, the answer to this profound question is restricted exclusively for those who fight and win the right to control narratives. You see, winners map borders, winners shape culture, winners determine what language is spoken, winners control wealth and winners set the policy. Black children should be raised and trained for fighting-to-win in this global competition for power and not be trained to retreat from it. Right now it's about strengthening the Black team for scoring victories large or small in the global struggle for power. Forget about "Diversity Training". That's a white liberal program designed to persuade other white folks not to be racist. (Good luck with that.) Every liberal program in America does not require our participation. For us; Diversity Training is a distraction that only breeds confusion and derails the general notion of Black empowerment.

There's an old cliché; "Actions speak loader than words." Therefore, history is best qualified to provide us with great perspective: In 1776 victorious white landowners founded the United States on a false narrative that projected the cancerous idea that "white people are superior and Black people are inferior." They baked that lie into their constitution and an unjust nation was born; a nation that erected institutions of hypocrisy off of the hard labor and whipped backs of our beloved African ancestors.

With just a few exceptions, white privilege was forged

and hammered into a nation's psyche. You see brothers and sisters, this narrative requires the falsification and denial of reality; which on its face, is a mental illness that's destined to destroy its victims. Both Blacks and whites albeit in different ways, are psychologically damaged by the false-ness of America's race narrative.

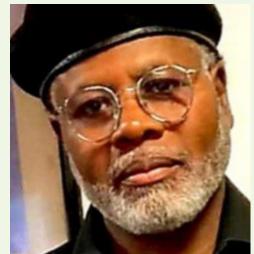
Sick and divided by its own narrative, the United States fell into a bloody Civil War to remove its cancer but American racism, via slavery, lynching, Jim Crow or otherwise; keeps coming back. Courageous Black folks have launched thousands of uprisings but again and again, racism keeps coming back infecting even the office of the presidency.

Donald Trump, the poster-boy for modern fascism is reported to have told over 30,000 lies during his corrupt presidency. Spewing the BIG LIE repeatedly; millions of his followers are clearly delusional in their belief and support for him; a man that continues to commit crimes with impunity. Never accountable for his crimes; Trump is the epitome of white privilege. He outwardly supports known racist groups such as, the Alt- Right Movement which includes the Oathkeepers, the Proud Boys, QAnon, the Boogaloo Boys, the KKK, the Skinheads, the Neo-Nazi, the Neo-Confederates, white Evangelicals and more. The 2020 presidential campaign and election; essentially identified 74 million Americans that believe that white lives matter more.

Case in point: On June 27, 2022, a routine traffic-stop (under normal circumstances) would have resulted in a warning or citation. However, it escalated to 8 police officers firing 90 rounds of ammunition. More than 60 of those rounds tragically entered the body of Jayland Walker, a 25-year-old Black man in Akron Ohio. Snuffing out his life in 8 seconds apparently wasn't enough as police officers then proceeded to handcuff his arms behind his back (confirming their insanity). Obviously to the police; a dead body is perceived as dangerous when it's Black.

One week later in stark contrast; a 21-year-old white sniper, Robert Crimo III, fired shots from a roof into a 4th of July parade, killing 7 people and wounding 38. Like Jayland Walker, he tried to flee but unlike Jayland Walker, police showed constraint and Crimo was arrested without incident.

Today as we speak, 29 million Black people in Somalia and Sudan are near starvation amid the chaotic side-effects of halted food exports via Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Yes, two "White" countries (now at war with one another), was unintentionally exposed for exploiting ruthless trade policies that rendered two African countries food dependent on foreign exports. This food crisis ultimately is a result of failed leadership negotiations. Brothers and sisters the unfortunate problem with food dependency; is when it's cut off; people starve!



Amari Sneferu UAPO Minister of Pan African Affairs

Net result: another food crisis for Black people living on a continent that has the richest soil on earth. Not only is this unacceptable, it's demoralizing and just as inexcusable as the water crisis in Jackson Mississippi.

A blocking of resources by an anti-Black Republican Governor is the cause of this crisis. However, this is not an aberration because the majority of predominantly Black cities all across the USA are being denied similar resources; here in what is considered the richest country on earth. Again I ask the question: Does Black lives vs White lives matter?

The historic record, will demonstrate whether or not it does simply by the response a given people imposes upon another for victimizing its members. Simply put: The level of action that follows; determines how much value is placed on a Black life.

Beyond the peacock syndrome in the mirror; a people's self-love becomes self-evident via an appropriate response that's measurable to the severity of a given atrocity. How deep is our love for the man in the mirror is inextricably bound to a victorious response.

Winning establishes power brothers and sisters. Winning allows one to control the narrative. It's not about complaining; it's about organizing for control. The global white power structure convinces the world that white lives matter; not by way of protest but by way of bloodshed and unimpeded propaganda.

Let's cut to the chase: white lives will matter more until it doesn't. The white supremacist narrative will continue to be a political exercise until it's not; until we as a people evoke the courage to crush any false narrative about us and establish the right narrative for Black Empowerment; the right narrative for competing and winning a great future for our children. grandchildren and upcoming generations.

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The Task Ahead continued from Page1

In 2006, we shipped over **9000 books** to **Ethiopia**. In 2015, we shipped **10,000 books** to **Ghana** to help build a **library** there.

As head of our great organization, I've been blessed to travel to over 35 countries and been blessed to have met the leaders of several countries including Muammar Qathafi (Libya), Robert Mugabe (Zimbabwe), Omar Bashir (Sudan) and Daniel Ortega (Nicaragua). These great meetings were made manifest through Brother Akbar Muhammad, the International Representative for the Nation of Islam.

Returning once again to our spiritual call for **144,000** members/supporters, I must continually make that call. The reason for my passion for this call is due to my spiritual journey of life. **The Creator** has allowed me to read from cover to cover, both the **Holy Bible** and **Quran** and visit several **Christian, Islamic and Kemetic Holy places** which guides me to the Task Ahead. These Holy places have included **Touba, Senegal; Karbala, Iraq; Jerusalem, Israel; Cairo** and **Luxor Egypt**: and the **Mayan Ruins in Belize**.

Finally, I give total **praise** to the **Creator** and my **family** and the countless **comrades** who over many, many years have supported our movement. **May the Creator bless** each of you and your families and allow us to have **"Liberation In Our Lifetime."** Remember my people we must

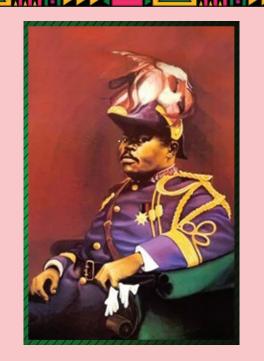
"Organize-Organize-Organize."



Salute to Garvey & His Quotes



He had a following of over 4 million members. (The largest organized mass movement of Black people in the United States). Their newspaper, the Negro World had a world-wide circulation and they were able to purchase three steamships which was a major economic accomplishment for that time. Study and know this historic icon and this movement.



BELOW ARE 12 POWERFUL GARVEY QUOTES

"If we as a people realize the greatness from which we came, we would be less likely to disrespect ourselves."

"Some of us seem to accept the fatalist position, the fatalist attitude, that God accorded to us a certain position and condition, and therefore there is no need trying to be otherwise. The moment you accept such an attitude, the moment you accept such an opinion, the moment you harbor such an idea, you hurl an insult at the great God who created you, because you question Him for His love, you question Him for His mercy."

"Do not remove the kinks from your hair - remove them from your brain."

"Pay no attention to the man who criticizes unless he is doing something better than what he criticizes."

"LIBERATE THE MINDS OF MEN AND ULTIMATELY YOU WILL LIBERATE THE BODIES OF MEN."

"God and Nature First made us what we are, and then out of your creative genius, we make ourselves what we want to be."

"Follow always that great Law. Let the sky and God be our limit. Eternity, our measurement."

"Never forget that intelligence rules ignorance carries the burden. Therefore, remove yourself as far as possible from ignorance and seek as far as possible to be intelligent."

"A people without the knowledge of their past history, origin and culture is like a tree without roots."

"THE ENDS YOU SERVE THAT ARE SELFISH WILL TAKE YOU NO FURTHER THAN YOURSELF, BUT THE ENDS THAT YOU SERVE THAT ARE FOR ALL, IN COMMON WILL TAKE YOU INTO ETERNITY."

"'No one knows when the hours of Africans Redemption cometh."

"It is in the wind. It is coming. One day, like a storm, it will be here.""

"Look for me in the whirlwind or the storm, look for me all around you, for, with God's grace, I shall come and bring with me countless millions of Black slaves who have died in America and the West Indies and the millions in Africa to aid you in the fight for Liberty, Freedom and Life."

"Africans are raising the cries of "Africa for the Africans," those at home and those abroad."





Regina Dennis UAPO Menber



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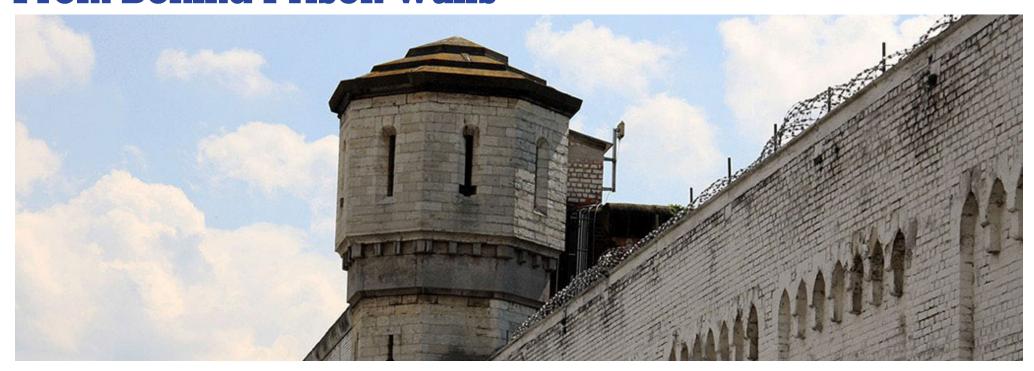


Coffee Wright, UAPO Member and Former 2022 Candidate for Missouri US Senate



Zenobia Thompson Co-Chair for Campaign for Human Dignity and Chair/Change the Name Coalition

From Behind Prison Walls



I am a "political prisoner" held in the Missouri Industry of Slavery after being indoctrinated through the enterprise of "capture, "detainment", and "jurisprudence" by a routine illegal search and seizure, "pretextual" arrest, malicious and vindictive prosecution, denial of Due Process, denial of a Speedy Trial, denial of the Right to Disqualify and change a biased and prejudiced judge, the prosecutor's conspiracy with a court-appointed "Appellate Lawyer", illegally edited trial transcripts, coerced and perjured trial testimony, and the effects of the "kangaroo" Eastern District appellate court.

I was sentenced to 175 years in prison based upon a falsified and unverified police report from neighbors concerning alleged "gunshots" which attenuated into an illegal investigation which was falsified by initial responding police alleging an unreported, unwitnessed, an uncorroborated "hostage situation" between my wife and I while inside my home. Although, my wife and I engaged in a private domestic dispute inside our home, neither she nor I called the police and no one ever witnessed our private/personal dispute. In recorded conversations between she and I while I was incarcerated, (that were played in the trial) she stated "I love you", "I miss you", "I wish this never happened", "I am not going to help them", "The police invaded our privacy", and "If the police would have never came, we would have been fine the next day".

In 2016, while inside my home, I was terroristically accosted by military armed agents of the St. Louis Metropolitan Police SWAT team, (without a "Warrant" nor "Reasonable Suspicion" or "Probable Cause" that I had committed a crime), and forced from my home by the use of excessive force and threats of a clear and present danger from over-armed and over-protected professional domestic terrorists, and I was "pretextually" arrested while my wife was coerced by these police to cooperate and sign a "consent" to search my home, or become arrested and taken to jail.

While being held hostage under an unconditionally excessive \$100,000 cash only bond, I subsequently invoked all the Constitutional Protections I could muster by drafting and filing legal "motions" in demand of a speedy trial, a bond reduction, and a preliminary hearing, as well as pretrial motions to contest my arrest and any evidence procured from this illegal arrest and illegal search of my home, and a demand for a hearing on all pretrial motions. Unfortunately, in Missouri jurisprudence, the law is used as a racist, feminist/homosexual, private interest "social class construct" in which statutory and constitutional protection, defenses, and immunities are reserved for the privileged classes who are also represented by BAR members who are officials of the court. As a heterosexual man of color representing Myself, I am included within those racial, gender, or social "classes" that Missouri jurisprudence recognizes.

My "Speedy Trial" date was tactically delayed during the time that my wife was supporting me and my defense, until her paid conversion/coercion by the state. The prosecutor stonewalled my defense by prolonging my trial for over 210 days, over my objections and my invoked demands for an expedited speedy trial, which prejudiced my defense postures, because of the excessive pre-trial incarceration which caused me to suffer excessive anxiety and concern. The witnesses' memories had faded, had been lost, and in the case of my wife her memory had been altered by the paid coercion of the prosecutor causing my wife to change her entire position from supporting me to aiding the prosecutor. Specific police witnesses were lost or refused to show up to court even after I

subpoenaed them to testify.

In the so-called "fair trial", not only did the unconstitutional delay cause me personal hardships and impair my defense, but the biased and prejudiced ex-prosecutor presiding judge refused to remove himself as a matter of my invoked right to disqualify him, and an act of complete cowardice, several prosecutors were employed against me by the state while I was denied any assistance or counsel to aid me in my defense while I represented Myself in a complete jury trail.

"A person born of a slave is a slave. – Lee v Sprague, 14 Mo. 476. While fighting this systematic oppression by agents of the state of Missouri who targeted me and decimated my relationship and marriage to my wife in St. Louis City; simultaneously in St. Louis County my children were kidnapped and victimized in a "Child Traffic Scheme", (equivalent of being sold at auction into slavery), by the efforts of a deranged, obsessed, insane resident/agent of St. Louis County, in which the agents, employees, and officials of this "municipal corporation" aided and abetted the kidnapper in a scheme designed to auction my children for the profit of the government of St. Louis County through a conspiracy based in "legal malice", biasedness in support of "feminism" and the "barren wombed", and prejudiced against my "Preestablished Parental Rights", and "Parent-Child Relationship", and the inherent racism which has been proven to exist in the St. Louis County government.

"Can a sound distinction be taken in a human being, in whom another has interest, as an inanimate property? A slave has violation and his feelings which cannot be entirely disregard...He (She) cannot be stowed away as a common package" -Honorable. Chief Judge John Marshall in Perkins v. Reeds, 8 Mo. 31 (1843).

My daughters are being victimized by "Stockholm Syndrome" and "Munchausen Syndrome by proxy" based upon the "Somatic Symptom Disorder" of the kidnapper, (she has had my children seeing a psychiatrist and being medicated, without my consent, to mimic her own mental inabilities), resulting in an overall "Parental Alienation Syndrome" suffered by my children.

"The Custody, Care and Nurture of the Child resides first in the Parents" Santosky v. Kramer, 455 U.S., 745, 753 (1982).

"The Supreme Court recognizes that Freedom of Personal Choice in matters of Family Life is a Fundamental Liberty Interest protected by the 14th Amendment."

"The Fundamental Liberty Interests of Natural Parents in the Care, Custody, and Management of their Children does not evaporate simply because they have not been model parents or have lost temporary custody." — citing Quilloin v. Walcott, 434 U.S. 246, 255 (1978); Troxel v. Granville, 530 U.S. 57, 66 (2000); Stanley v. Illinois, 405 U.S. 645 (1972).

"A Man's Interest in the Children he has sired and raised, undeniably warrants deference, absent a powerful countervailing interest, protection" – Stanley @ 651.

Unfortunately, the "Court of the Conqueror", in the state of Missouri does not readily ac-

knowledge any of Defenses, Immunities, or U. S. Supreme Court Precedents when presented by an Individual Private Separate Legal Person who is representing himself in litigation.

Because the 'law" and the Constitution do not "protect" me in the state of Missouri, and based upon the courts active reliance upon the precedents promulgated in the Dread Scott case, logically I am not a "citizen" subject to the "jurisdiction" of the courts of Missouri. Therefore, I have lawfully declared my individual "Sovereignty" as an Individual and Independent Entity with the state of Missouri and its/agents, employees, and officials. This "Status" that I have declared has been repeatedly recognized by all three branches of federal government through case Law precedented in: Juillard v. Greenman, 110 U.S. 421; Yick Wo v. Hopkins, 118 U. S. 356; Spooner v. McConnell, 22 F. Cas. 939; and Afroyia v. Rusk, 387 U. S. 253. These cases basically state "In This Country, The People Are Sovereign". I have also been forced to seek Expatriation, per 8 DSCS 1481 (a)(2), because the Missouri courts will not acknowledge any of my defenses or immunities in any of the litigations I have presented, I simply seek the "Separate and Equal" promulgated in the "Declaration of Independence" from the state of Missouri, as similar "Whites" sought from their own people of Great Britain, based upon the "Long Train of Abuses" and "Despotism" I have suffered.

As a college educated Honorably Discharged Veteran of the U. S. Army, I once believed that I had earned my Unalienable Constitutionally Protected Human Rights...Rights which would protect me from the governmental Tyranny and Oppression by the artificially empowered agents, employees, and so-called officials of the "State". The artificial entity State of Missouri, its artificially empowered agents, employees, and official of its government and municipal corporations do not readily acknowledge any of those protections from anyone who is not represented by an officer of the court as counsel. Their oath of office is taken as a mere ritualistic formality that has no real substance of bearing upon their actual employment and duties, and the Constitutional "Bill of Rights" that they swear an oath to support and uphold its abhorred due to its power of controlling their abuses of artificial powers and practices of Despotism. Through the Despotism of its artificially empowered actors, Missouri has "Failed in its Chief Design" in violation of its own constitution, Article I Section 2.

Besides the 1st, 4th, 5th, 6th, 8th and 14th Amendment Protection which I have personally invoked in my Self-Representation, and have been tyrannically denied, I have also invoked the "husband-wife privilege", "fundamental parent child and familial rights", "the stand your ground law," "the castle doctrine", "justifiable use of force", and "the right to bear arms". All have been tactically denied to me by a malicious and vindictive force which represents the State of Missouri. For the Self-Represented Individual Private Person who has lawfully declared himself a "Separate Legal Person" that contests the typically coerced and acquiesced to "Personal Jurisdiction" of these extraneous foreign entities of the State, absolutely NONE of these promulgations in support of personal Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness passed by the "Bill of Rights" are respected. All my personally invoked Rights and Protection have been deliberately and intentionally abused,

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Black Alliance For Peace Condems FBI Attack On The African Peoples Socialist Party



Speaking at July 29th Press Conference St. Louis Alderman Jessie Todd, Chairman of African Peoples Socialist Party, Omali Yeshitela and Zaki Baruti President/General of the Universal African Peoples Organization

The Black Alliance for Peace (BAP) unequivocally condemns and opposes the latest domestic U.S. state repression and intimidation tactics currently being leveled against the African People's Socialist Party (APSP).

On Friday, July 29, 2022, the FBI executed multiple raids against APSP's Uhuru House in St. Petersburg, Florida and their Uhuru Solidarity Center in St. Louis, Missouri and the private residence of APSP Chairman Omali Yeshitela also in St. Louis. The FBI employed flashbang grenades and handcuffed Yeshitela and his wife while their house was raided. The FBI claims that the raids are connected to the federal indictment of a Russian national, Aleksandr Ionov, alleging that he has been working to spread "Russian propaganda" in the United States.

BAP believes that these raids continue the history of state repression directed against Black people in the U.S. This repression now occurs under the guise of opposing "adversary" nations but regardless of how these actions are characterized, Black people still bear the brunt of surveillance and police violence. The APSP has the right to freely associate with people around the world, to hold any political beliefs it may choose, and to express them without fear of intimidation, persecution, or prosecution.

We believe this repression to be a hysterical response to the United States' loss of legitimacy in the context of the deepening crisis of capitalism and U.S. global hegemony. The unleashing of policing and counterintelligence forces domestically and increased militarism and warmongering abroad in the name of national security are the only avenues left to the U.S. ruling class that is engulfed in an irreversible

economic crisis. They represent the hallmarks of a naked fascism that the U.S. ruling class appears to be increasingly committed to in order to maintain the rule of capital.

BAP reminds the public that the war against working class people generally, and Black, Brown, and Indigenous workers particularly, is ongoing. The masses must acknowledge and resist this reality. While it is APSP today, it will ultimately be the rest of us tomorrow. Resistance is our only option.

Given our steadfast commitment to rebuilding the broader anti-war, anti-imperialist peace movement, BAP is not intimidated and will not retreat. We are guided by the position articulated by the Black is Back Coalition, of which BAP is a proud member, that "Now is the time to throw off all hesitation, open up new forms of struggle and to launch every protest, demonstration, and anti-imperialist action - from the ballot box to the barricades - as an act to deepen the crisis of imperialism."

The treatment of the APSP is reminiscent of McCarthyist witch hunts that targeted and criminalized workers, immigrants, and colonized people who organized domestically and internationally against capitalist imperialism. Likewise, the FBI's actions represent COINTELPRO-like tactics employed to crush organizations and individuals fighting to protect and expand the rights of oppressed people in general, and Africans in particular.

These tactics came back forcefully in response to the 2014 uprisings in Ferguson, Missouri. FBI agents tracked the movements and monitored the individuals tied to the protests. In 2016, when the murder of Freddie Gray ignited protests in Baltimore, the FBI admitted to providing an aircraft for surveillance in the weeks following the unrest. In 2017, the FBI created the designation "Black Identity Extremist" to monitor Black movement organizers. The term was updated to "Racially Motivated Violent Extremism" in 2018. FBI surveillance was rampant going into the summer 2020 rebellions, with FBI agents attempting to infiltrate protests in Portland

The Black population in the United States has historically stood at the forefront of resistance and condemnations of war and state repression. In this spirit, the Black Alliance for Peace reiterates the critical, moral stance against such government aggression and stands in resolute solidarity with the APSP.

By comprehensively linking the issue of state violence and militarism, BAP will continue to concentrate its efforts on not only opposing the U.S. war agenda globally but the war and repression being waged on Black and Brown communities within U.S. borders.

In this charge, The Black Alliance for Peace says there will be "No Compromise and No Retreat!"

BAP Coordinating Committee

This statement originally appeared on www.BlackAllianceforPeace.com

From Behind Prison Walls

violated, circumvented, thwarted, and denied to me by police, lawyers/prosecutors, judges and court personnel.

Because of this Despotism in Missouri, I have been compelled by logic to Expatriate, (a basic Fundamental Right which coincides with Liberty interests, as described by Thomas Jefferson) to secure the Separate and Equal Station as proscribed in the Declaration of Independence. Again, in this historic racist slave state, (which hypocritically has a municipal corporation named "Independence"), "Blacks have No Rights that whites are bound to respect", and only the oligarchical rule of fascist despots and their Totalitarianism is prevalent, from which there is no escape without heroic efforts akin to those of Mrs. Harriet Tubman.

Although, no matter what their artificially embused powers compels them to believe, the agents, em-

ployees, and so-called officials of the artificial entity "State of Missouri" and its instrumentalities and municipal corporations have no authority that supersedes my inherent Sovereignty and my Natural Rights to Life, Liberty and the Pursuits of Happiness interests which are Endowed to me by "My Creator".

Every Human Being of the Public should feel as strongly; and, upon notice, quick to resist and remedy any opposition there to from which exist anywhere upon this so-called "Land of the Free, Home of the Brave", where Liberty and Justice is advertised to prevail, and Despotism MUST Fail.

For these reasons, I am asking for an Interview, Investigation, and Report to the Public by

your Agency...which is consistent with the aims and purpose of Journalism and the Media.

Thank You Very Much for your Time, Consideration, Effort, and Reply in Return.

Sincerely and Respectfully, A.Corey Hunter, ESQ.



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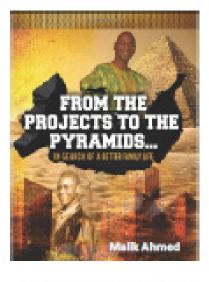
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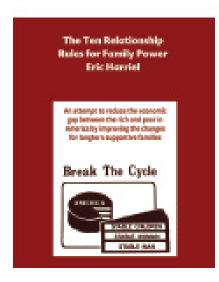
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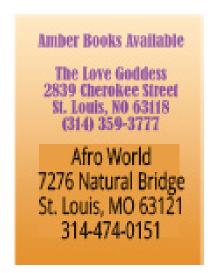
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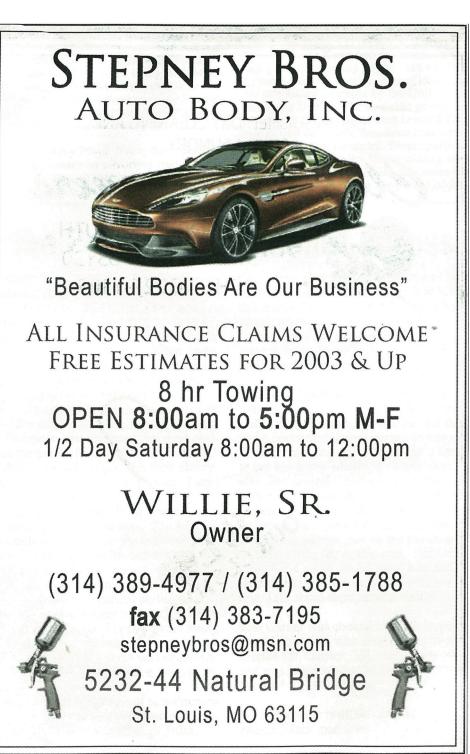


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The Urban League's Save Our Sons program seeks to help unemployed and underemployed African American men and others living in Ferguson and surrounding St. Louis County communities, to find gainful employment and have the opportunity to earn livable wages. Females in need of employment assistance are welcome to obtain services by contacting the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis Employment Department at 314.388.9840.









Universal African People Organization

PLATFORM

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

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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 out 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
- 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.
- 6. Develop programs to assist youth in preparing for the 21st century. We believe in the total equality and advancement of women within the private, public and domestic sectors of our society. We also believe that all women should be respected and protected.
- 7. End all types of pollution, especially industrial, of Mother Earth.
- 8. Support and work diligently for the complete liberation of Africa, the Caribbean Islands, and other regions/countries in the world. Actively support the principles of non-interference in the affairs of other nations.

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