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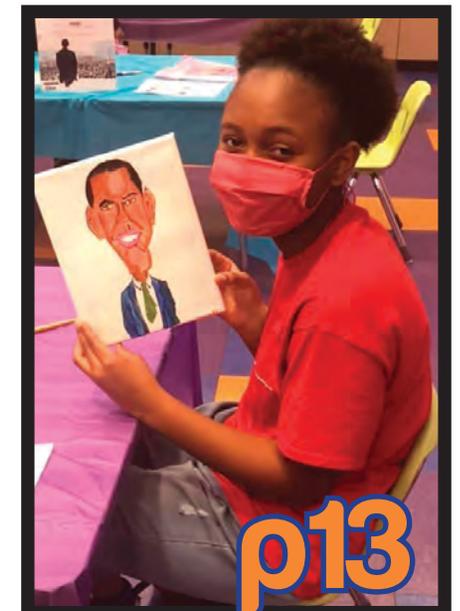
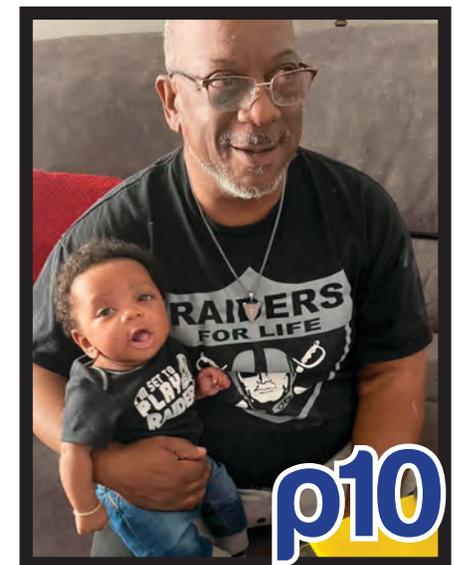
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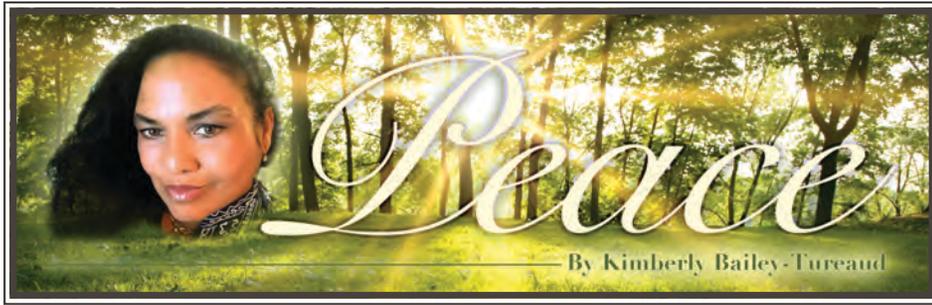
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what's inside:





Refusing to respond to the 'Gaze'

Toni Morrison often spoke about the “white gaze,” and how many Black people live to satisfy the invisible approval of the majority – even doing so unconsciously in order to be accepted and assimilated within society. She explained how people need to live in such a way that the voice of any oppressor is silent or nonexistent, allowing one to be truly open to the world’s possibilities and ultimate freedom.

Freedom and peace are inseparable, as we strive to live in true authentic presence of humanity without judgement. Many times the voice of anyone’s oppressor leads to pathology. That pain has been handed down throughout generations, crippling forward motion because of a historic lack of trust.

We have to manage unfair treatment brought on by discrimination and prej-

udice. Our personal selves can properly compartmentalize experiences and rebuke a paralyzing gaze that cripples progressive growth.

Many are living a life that is appeasing, so that a certain group or individuals are not threatened by our greatness. Humility is defined – sometimes to a fault, resulting in non-movement or mediocrity. One vote and one voice is forbidden, and often results in limited power.

But you can take back your stuff – the stuff that makes you who you are: your individual opinion and natural embrace of the world around you. Live intentionally as love guides your plan. There, in the quiet of self, lies your freedom.

“BE!”

Freedom and peace are inseparable, as we strive to live in true authentic presence of humanity without judgement.

The Divided States Of America Can't Stand!

By Louie Overstreet

God bless President Biden and Vice President Harris – but it is naive and hopeless for them to believe bipartisanship is achievable in the dog-eat-dog, everybody-and-their-mothers-for-themselves atmosphere in our nation’s capital.

Four years ago, when America’s condition was not nearly as dire, I noted

four conditions that I thought were causing our nation to experience devolution:

1. Increasing acceptance of hate speech and activities designed to keep America divided along identified fault lines.

2. Massive increases in military spending, at the expense of programs needed to keep America’s social fabric from unraveling.

3. Appointment of a cabinet full of acting secretaries who are science-deniers.

4. Educating the rest of the world at the expense of our own population, especially in STEM majors in graduate schools.

We are now literally and hopelessly divided into armed and ideological camps. For proof, one has to look no further than Wednesday, January 6, 2021 and Saturday, February 13, 2021.

In Trump’s time as Divider-in-Chief, we went from a gradual but measurable



devolution in American values to a televised attempted coup in real time – followed little over a month later by 43 U.S. senators flagrantly violating their oath of office.

Now, back to my hopeless and hapless assessment of Biden/Harris’ slim chances of bringing us back from the blink. I am basing my doom and gloom assessment

on the following:

- Trump again feels vindicated – and Lord help us, emboldened.

- His followers feel that their trial run of a violent sedition is now sanctioned by fearful congresspersons – and is a sure way to bring their vision of change to America.

- State legislators have already begun introducing more voter suppression bills, based on the outcome of the 2020 election.

- Further, far too many congresspersons are going to relish in the fact that they are proud, card-carrying members of the disloyal – no, make that the un-American – opposition.

Shame came to America in early 2021, accompanied by a feeling of hopelessness. And it ain’t likely to leave anytime soon if we fail to give a s**t!



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Letter from the Publishers

We want to thank all of you for supporting Las Vegas Black Image Magazine – Nevada’s largest Black-owned and distributed magazine for the last 14 years.

Our March 2021 issue celebrates the career and successes of Tiger Woods. It was very shocking to learn of his recent car accident in California, but it is a relief to learn that he will be OK and might even have a chance to golf again one day.

Woods’ penchant for conquering adversity is something to admire. He is definitely the “Comeback Kid” – always finding a way to get off the mat while holding himself accountable for life’s pitfalls. The game of golf has been open to the masses of Black people because of Woods’ success and skill. Las Vegas

Black Image wishes him a speedy recovery and looks forward to his comeback journey.

Las Vegas Black Image is the magazine “of the people.” In this issue’s installment of Community Speaks, several residents share what they believe will help small Black-owned businesses. We hope the powers-that-be hear them loud and clear. We also celebrate a new Westside Oasis fine dining restaurant in the Historic Westside community – a momentous and welcome development that will add to the economic success of the area.

Throughout this issue, our fabulous contributors share informative insights in the areas of health, community, government, money management, food and

more.

We are thankful for this magnificent team of writers, editors, and a graphic designer who are a part of the Las Vegas Black Image family. All of us are dedicated to spotlighting the positive images and people who make a tremendous contribution to Las Vegas and the nation.

Remember to pick up your free issue of Las Vegas Black Image Magazine each month at all Albertsons Grocery Stores, Clark County Libraries, and more. You can also request it to be home-delivered along with your Las Vegas Review-Journal Newspaper.

We wish you all a safe and productive month. And remember: Las Vegas Black Image is your magazine!



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What kind of help do small Black-owned businesses really need?



Kennedi Madisen Taylor

Black-owned businesses need information on government help, grants, and programs that will benefit their growth.



Louie Overstreet

Small Black-owned businesses need lines of credit, enforcement of prompt payment provisions of contracts and sticking to a budget.



Phoenix Ray Robinson

Black-owned businesses need graphics, web design, social media maintenance, marketing plan and a grassroots campaign. Hire me. I can help with these things and more.



Aleneia Santos

We need more mentorship from those that are already in successful businesses. A lot of us aren't looking for a hand-out, we are looking for those that will take us under their wings and show us the ropes and to glean from others' past experiences. More and more often, those that are successful forget to go back and get others. If you show me the game I promise I can teach myself to fish!



Schatar Sapphira Collier

Black-owned small businesses need assistance with updating their technology — so that they can reach customers in new ways, especially since many of them are now remote.



Michael Staley

I think all Black-owned small businesses should get a 90% stock in Bitcoins which are lost in some kind of crypto computer technology. Which is said to be somewhere in the amount of \$250 million or more, but the idea would be to credit it to the Black small business account under the pandemic emergency money. This will allow the Black small businesses to draw on the \$250 million as a credit line that they don't have to pay back—of course with some kind of regulations on each small Black business that draws out money.



Marlon Stephens

Black-owned businesses need: funding, advertising, support! #Bemoseemo.



Gladys Hanley Daniels

Small Black-owned businesses need community support by shopping and eating at these establishments.

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More community care

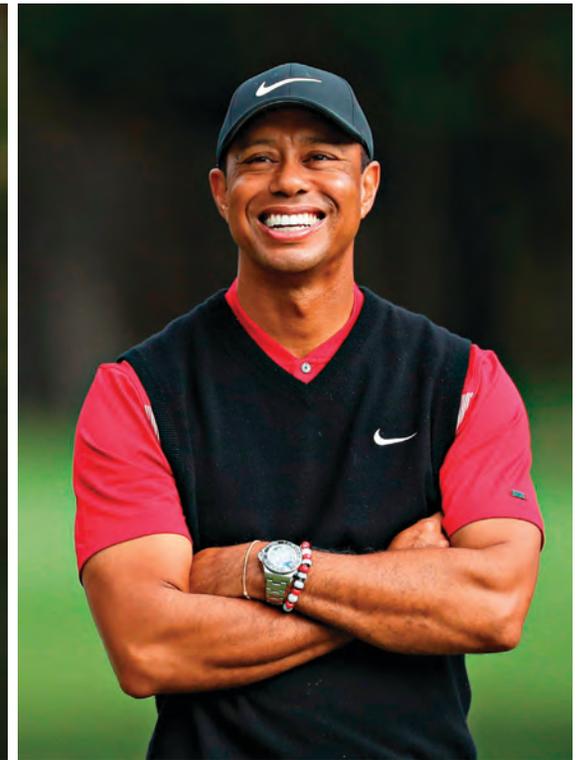
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Beating The Odds

Tiger Woods' latest setback illuminates the story of a legendary athlete who's mastered the art of the comeback.

Tiger Woods is one of the most iconic athletes in American history. He's experienced some of life's steepest challenges on the golf course and off – and has always found a way to be triumphant.

Woods has been able to return to a stalled golf career that once saw him become the youngest player and first African-American to win the Masters. Woods won another 13 majors and was named PGA Player of the Year 10 times over the next 12 years – but struggled to regain his top form after well-documented personal problems in 2009. With his victory at the 2019 Masters, Woods claimed his first major title in more than a decade.

The world was rocked in February by reports that Woods was in a terrible car accident in Southern California, as his car flipped several times and he sustained multiple leg injuries.

Like many Black trailblazers who broke the glass ceiling of discrimination in sports, Woods has transcended the game of golf. African-American heroes in sports, business, entertainment, government and education have all contributed to enhancing and stim-

ulating the “Black aesthetic” – defined by many as Black achievement, excellence, and pride that African-Americans can aspire to and that inspires Black people throughout the world. Woods has done exactly that: his success has motivated African-Americans of all ages to explore and win at the game of golf.

Now, Woods is beginning another journey to heal after a tragic accident that nearly claimed his life. But he will rise with the help of great doctors, a loving family and God's grace. Many of Woods' celebrity friends sent well wishes upon hearing about his car accident, and Las Vegas Black Image Magazine is honored to share some of those thoughts.

Jada Pinkett Smith

Prayers up for the GOAT Tiger Woods who was in an accident this morning. Was just with him yesterday. Don't take not even a MOMENT for granted! I know you're good because your Tiger within is a beast!!!

Isaiah Thomas

Prayers up Tiger Woods

Stephen Curry

Heal up quickly Tiger Woods! Praying for you and your family. God is in control always. Stay strong.

Janet Jackson

Sending thoughts and prayers to you Tiger.

President Barack Obama

Sending my prayers to Tiger Woods and his family tonight—here's to a speedy recovery for the GOAT of golf. If we've learned anything over the years, it's to never count Tiger out.

Serena Williams

Love you big brother ... but We will get through this Tiger Woods.

Earvin Magic Johnson

Everyone send your prayers out to Tiger Woods! He was just in a bad car accident. Let us all pray for his speedy recovery.

What is endometriosis?

By Dr. Annette Mayes OB/GYN

Endometriosis is a hormonal and immune system disease in which tissue (endometrium) similar to the inside lining of the uterus is also found in other areas of



the body. It develops into growths that cause pain, bleeding, formation of scar tissue and other medical problems.

The symptoms include: painful periods, chronic pelvic pain, pain with sex, heavy or irregular bleeding, diarrhea and/or painful bowel movements during periods.

Endometriosis cannot be confirmed in

routine gynecological exams. Diagnosis is considered uncertain until proven by laparoscopy, a surgical procedure done under anesthesia. A laparoscopy usually shows the location, size and extent of the growths and can help the doctor and patient make better treatment choices. (Non-surgical diagnostic tests are in development.)

Studies by the Endometriosis Association and others have shown that the average delay in diagnosing the disease is seven to ten years. Receiving an early diagnosis provides the best opportunity to reduce the damage of the disease and gives women and girls more information in order to advocate for their own health and well-being.

Here are some facts every woman should know about endometriosis:

- The disease affects women all across the world regardless of race, class or socioeconomic status.
- Endometriosis can start very young. There are some reports of girls having symptoms since their first period.
- Endometriosis is primarily an imbalance in the immune and endocrine (hormone) systems. The presence of lesions in the pelvis is the tip of the iceberg.
- Endometriosis is not completely cured by surgery alone. The underlying environment throughout the whole body must be addressed in order for the woman's health to be truly improved and to hopefully avoid other health problems related to endometriosis.
- Endometriosis is not cured by pregnancy. Some women do have relief of

symptoms during or after a pregnancy, but others have worsening. A woman should never be pressured into having a baby as a "treatment" for a medical condition.

- Environmental toxicity plays a critical role in the development of endometriosis. It has been discovered in its original research that dioxin can lead to the disease. Dioxins are found in pesticides and contaminated food grown with pesticides.

- Diet and lifestyle changes do make a difference.

For more information, call Las Vegas All Women's Care at (702) 522-9640. Or visit us at 700 Shadow Lane #165 in Las Vegas.

Letters To The Editors

Las Vegas Black Image Magazine welcomes your thoughts and comments. You can email letters to the editor to cdalasvegas@gmail.com.

Enjoying Black Image

Each month I enjoy reading Black Image Magazine. The February special edition was most impressive, inspiring, informative, and reflective of the accomplishments of so many known and unknown individuals. The front page picture of Amanda Gorman — and inside the magazine, her Inauguration Day poem — was appreciated. The pictures of the special grandparents and their grandchildren, articles by the contributing writers, opinions by the community, give their feelings and impressions on happenings in life. Thank you for your publication.

Melvina Donovan

Thanks for the collector's edition

You knocked it out of the park with the Black History Month collector's edition of Black Image Magazine. Thanks so much for including the photo of me and the legendary Henry "Hank" Aaron, in this award winning publication.

I began by reading "Letter from the publishers," which was so impactful. You brought it home! Thanks for sharing Amanda Gorman's "The Hill We Climb." I clipped it right away. And, of course, I appreciated seeing the photos of the 46th President and Vice President, Joe Biden and Kamala Harris. Keep up the good work!

Roosevelt

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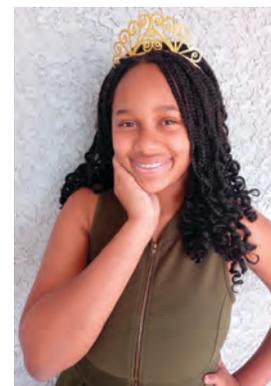
Jerry Holiday and students at the annual Ronald McDonald House Charities Scholarship Reception



Vocalist Christian Shelton and his mom Wendy Shelton



Harvard University Law School Class of 2021



Ava Cotton was voted 6th Grade Princess



Marva Dupree wishes her mother Remintha DuPree a Happy Birthday.



Commissioner William McCurdy II gives former Cheyenne High School graduate Quinton Carter a proclamation for being a standout football player for the University of Oklahoma and the NFL's Denver Broncos.



Jeff Penix tries on his legendary Chaparral High School letterman jacket. Photo taken by his son Sieran



Pastor Norniece Norment and husband Rev. David Norment at Faith of a Mustard Seed Christian Ministries



Tshlene Henreid enjoying life

Democracy Prevails...What's Next?

By Dr. Ellen Brown

Are you PROACTIVE? Enterprising, energetic, take-charge, making it happen motivated, driven, judicious, foreseeing, engaged. DOING.

Or are you REACTIVE? Responsive, sympathetic, receptive, reactive, listening, understanding. PREPARING.

As you can see, both are significant and incredibly important in the development and carrying out of action for change. The year 2021 is a new beginning for the change the majority voted for in 2020. Just as you need two forces to move forward in motion, two forces are required to move forward toward change.



Now is not the time to high-five and celebrate the work that went into the change; it is time to plan the actions that must take place from this day forward. NOW is the time to create the model – one that the rest of us will follow to accomplish change and lead to a better America for all of us.

On the table for the ruling party? Higher minimum wages, universal health care, quality education, affordable housing, clean energy, economic development and job creation, to name a few. Civil rights for all includes closing the divide in the civil rights of Black and

Brown people in particular where it fails: criminal justice reform, immigration and disability, to name a few. Knowing the issues that we fought to bring to the table through the Biden-Harris ticket, now is the time to stay “woke” and keep marching forward with voices that demand to be heard.

Let it be known that all is not yet well just because a change has come to Congress and the White House that promises attention to civil and human rights for all – including those who historically have been, and continue to be, targets for injustices.

In the November 2020 issue I shared a list of suggested actions you may consider to make a difference that changes circumstances. One of them is talking

about your frustrations. Find outlets and individuals who are engaged in Change and have conversations. Go to public meetings, listen to radio talk programs to learn the topics of the present. Join – or create – talk groups within your families, churches, neighborhoods, work groups to find out the opinions of others. This is how change happens. Michael Jordan took an old quote and brought it forward: “Some people want it to happen, some wish it would happen, others make it happen.”

Dr. Ellen Brown is an affiliate faculty member at Regis University, Denver. Contact Dr. Brown at ebrown.nci@gmail.com

African Americans in Banking: Craig Kirkland

A trailblazer in Nevada’s financial industry, Craig Kirkland holds a senior leadership position at Nevada State Bank as the Executive Vice President and Director of Retail Banking, overseeing its branch network throughout the state. This Vegas-born local grew up on the historic Westside of town in a predominantly Black neighborhood. Kirkland, who is of mixed heritage, was heavily motivated and influenced by his parents, who both worked in education. They instilled in him a deeper appreciation of Black culture, the value of getting an education, and the importance of taking pride in the community. After high school, he continued his education at Occidental College, pursuing a degree in Political Science with a focus in Economics.

Having grown up surrounded by educated and professional relatives, friends and family, Kirkland was inspired to find a career that would allow him to grow in a professional field. His first opportunity was in the management training program for a bank in downtown Los Angeles. He never looked back. While there, Kirkland noticed the lack of Afri-

can Americans in the banking industry and even fewer at the executive level. He later used this as a driving motivator to dedicate his career to improving financial literacy, especially among the younger generation of minorities.

“I wish I knew to ask for help when trying to break into the world of banking,” said Kirkland. “We continue to see a lack of financial education and not enough active recruiting at a young age. I now strive to be the mentor I never had when starting my journey, and I work to position banking as a noble profession.”

As part of his dedication to promoting financial literacy, Kirkland recently started a blog series, Craig’s Common Cents, that can be found at www.ns-bank.com/twocents. Kirkland is excited to share his personal experience and



Craig Kirkland, EVP/Director of Retail Banking at Nevada State Bank

lessons learned on a wide range of topics relevant to personal and business finance, including demystifying the home mortgage process and why now might be a good time to start a business.

As a strong, committed community leader, Kirkland is actively engaged as an executive mentor, and he participates in several charitable projects.

Having volunteered with his family for the Las Vegas Rescue Mission at a young age, Kirkland’s path came full circle when he joined the nonprofit’s board in 2008. He is currently its secretary/treasurer and regularly volunteers his time while also organizing Nevada State Bank’s involvement through multiple donation drives and colleague volunteer opportunities each year. Kirkland is also the Chair-Elect for the Nevada Bankers Association executive board of directors

and serves on the Henderson Chamber of Commerce board of directors and executive board.

“At Nevada State Bank, I have led the Corporate Diversity & Inclusion Council for several years and many ongoing community outreach initiatives,” said Kirkland. “As Nevada State Bank rolls out a new minority lending program this year, I hope to help more Nevadans secure capital to build financial confidence and explore their possibilities.”

Throughout his more than 30-year career, Kirkland has worked in several positions, including branch manager, regional manager and division manager. He looks forward to helping others break into the industry and to creating a stronger African American presence in banking. His commitment to community and to career development are core values he shares with Nevada State Bank.

“For anyone looking to start a career in finance, begin to strengthen your written and verbal communication skills, as well as embrace life-long learning in this ever-changing industry,” said Kirkland.

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What is Hospice Care?

By Cassandra Cotton

Simply put, hospice is specialized care provided at the end of life to help manage pain and symptoms. As the largest, oldest and only nonprofit hospice in Southern Nevada, Nathan Adelson Hospice has been providing the Las Vegas community with comprehensive and compassionate end-of-life care for over 40 years.

The philosophy of hospice is to provide support and care during the last phase of life, so that people may live as fully and as comfortably as possible. Hospice care enables patients to carry on alert, pain-free lives and to manage symptoms, so their last days may be spent with dignity and quality. The hospice philosophy focuses on the well-being of the whole person, and Nathan Adelson Hospice services are designed to address the physical, emotional, social and spiritual needs of our patients and their loved ones.

Hospice patients are cared for at home or in a home-like setting. While many families fear the responsibilities of home

care, hospice can lessen the burdens on the family through a coordinated system of physical, emotional and spiritual care. Many people are also concerned about the cost of hospice care. The good news is that hospice is 100% covered by Medicare and most major insurers.

Nathan Adelson Hospice uses a team approach to address all aspects of end-of-life care for patients and their families. This team consists of doctors, nurses, certified nursing aides, medical social workers, chaplains and specially-trained volunteers. The hospice team also works with you and your current physician to tailor your plan of care to match your specific needs.

Individualized attention and personalized care plans are hallmarks of Nathan Adelson Hospice's high standards, and why we continue to be the trusted partner on our community's journey of care. Our vision is that no one ends the journey of life alone, afraid or in pain.

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The ABCs of Homebuying

By Katie Coleman
Nevada Rural Housing Authority



If you have any experience in the housing market or homebuying process, you'll know that we LOVE acronyms. APR, FHA, DTI, PMI, LTV – looks like that alphabet soup we were served as kids, right? We'll leave those definitions to you and your Googling superpowers, but today we want to introduce a new one that has some purchase power: MCC.

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The Art of Black History

Discovery Children's Museum hosted a series of Black History Art Workshops in the month of February, administered by Las Vegas artist John Trimble and his wife, Shelena. As part of the workshops, they share historic information on many of the iconic figures painted by the children during the series.

The masterfully artistic couple was excited to have so many children participate in the program.

Said the Trimbles: "It was breathtaking to share the room with so many awesome young people filled with creative energy, brilliance and ingenuity."

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HEALTH IS THE NEW HAPPY!

Water is alive

By Tiffany McNeely

Growing up, I was a juice and soda drinker. I can remember opening up my lunchbox and looking forward to drinking my Capri Sun every day!

Water was something I would drink at school if I was in class and got thirsty or was

sick. It was not until I reached adulthood that I learned that water is essential for optimal health. I wanted to have that glowing skin and to not be thirsty all of the time. I discovered that water helps to digest your food and get rid of waste.



Water aids your digestive juices and also is used for your urine (pee), and poop. When you work out, water is the main ingredient that comes out as perspiration, also called sweat. Every cell in your body uses water for its unique process. We are made up of 70% to 90% water.

I started to really enjoy water and I did not quit soda and juice cold turkey. Here are a few tips that will help you start to drink more water daily. Remember you should be drinking up to a gallon a day.

- You can start infusing your water with fruit and agave or honey. I use mason jars and prep at night for a few days

at a time. I love using watermelon and lime or strawberry and mint or mint and lime. Mix it up! Have fun!

- Instead of soda try a sparkling water mixed with fruit to re-create that soda you like. So I love Sprite! I mixed a La Croix with lime/lemon juice and a hint of agave. It tastes amazing and has the bubble I am looking for. You can try this same mix with a splash of crushed cranberries as well.

- I buy the gallon jugs with the white handle of Crystal Geyser to drink for the day. It's easy to carry and you can see how much you drink daily. I will mark off 8 sections on the side and drink throughout the day.

- One secret I learned from my per-

sonal trainer is to drink 3 to 4 cups of water when I first wake up. This puts you ahead of the game to get your gallon in. You have less to worry about drinking throughout your day by doing this.

- Remember your body systems – skin, hair, and mind – all benefit from you drinking a gallon a day. You will see a huge difference if you can do this daily and cut out sodas and processed juices/drinks.

Take the challenge! For the next 30 days drink your gallon a day and tag me with your photo of your gallon! I would love to see you drinking that water!

HISTORIC BLACK VEGAS

In the Key of life

Claytee D. White remembers a fierce defender of equal rights and a true Renaissance woman.

In 1928, Alice Key completed high school in Riverside, California and enrolled in UCLA. Her morning routine included stopping at a Beverly Hills location for coffee. One day, Alice invited a friend to coffee with her. The friend was told by the establishment that she



could not sit at the counter. As soon as Alice realized that all along the café had mistaken her as a white woman, she gave them a piece of her mind and never returned there to spend her money.

A fierce defender of equal rights, Alice quit school and became a dancer at the Cotton Club in Culver City – where, soon, another opportunity to speak her mind presented itself. But this time, her efforts helped to level the employment playing field for fellow dancers.

The Cotton Club was rated “B” while other almost identical clubs of the ilk were rated “A.” Dancers at the “A” clubs earned more money. Alice and the other dancers picketed and received raises in pay. The only difference was that “A” clubs were white and “B” clubs were Black.

After her dancing career took her to New York, London, and Paris, Alice retired in 1943 to pursue the career that she trained for at UCLA: journalism. She worked for the Black-owned newspaper, the Los Angeles Tribune but left that paper in 1954 to help her friend, Dr. Charles I. West run his newly acquired, first Nevada Black newspaper, The Voice. Dotty West, wife of Dr. West, and Alice had be-



Alice Web

come best friends while dancing together in New York and Europe. Simultaneous to the newspaper work, Alice, along with Bob Bailey, started the first Black TV Show, The Talk of the Town. Both Key and Bailey have stars in the Wall of Fame at KLAS TV (Channel 8). In the late 1960s, Alice entered local politics – first as campaign manager for Sarann Knight Preddy in her run for the Mayor of Las Vegas, then as Executive Director of the local NAACP. She served on the Economic Opportunity Board, worked for the Nevada Committee for the Rights of Women, and worked on the campaigns of Governors Richard Bryan and Grant Sawyer and U.S. Senator Harry Reid. Al-

ice Key ended her career as the Nevada Deputy Commissioner of Labor, appointed by Gov. Sawyer in 1983. She held the position for a decade.

In her retirement, Alice returned to her grassroots community work. She helped found The Barbara Jordan Democratic Club, Ladies Who Dance, and the Las Vegas Black Historical Society. The Barbara Jordan Club was designed to impart an education of the political process but never lived up to its great expectations. Because of the high number of entertainers who retire in Las Vegas, the Ladies Who Dance provided funds for cultural causes while the Historical Society helped collect and showcase the history of Blacks in Las Vegas. Alice earned a permanent place in all these spaces of history, activism, politics, and labor. She was a true Renaissance woman.

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Fresh Roasted Chicken with Spring Vegetables



Prep Time: 30 minutes
Yield: 4 servings

Ingredients

- 4 lbs. of organic chicken thighs or leg quarters
- 2 tsp of kosher salt
- 2 tsp of black pepper
- 5 tbsps. extra virgin olive oil
- 1.5 lbs. small potatoes of your choice cut up
- 2 bunches of radishes
- 1 turnip
- 1 bunch of scallions
- 1 bag of baby carrots
- 1 cup of fresh dill or rosemary

Directions

- Preheat the oven to 500 degrees
- First rinse the chicken and pat dry.

• Season with salt and pepper, then place skin-side up on a rimmed baking sheet.

• Squeeze 1/2 lemon over the chicken, drizzle with 1 tablespoon olive oil.

• Roast 15 minutes.

• Meanwhile, cut the potatoes, parsnips and radishes in half and cut the scallions into thirds. Toss the potatoes, radishes, parsnips and carrots and the remaining 2 tablespoons olive oil in a bowl: season with salt and pepper.

• Remove the chicken from the oven and scatter the vegetables around it. Continue to roast until the vegetables are tender and the chicken is golden and cooked through, about 20 more minutes.

• Squeeze the remaining 1/2 lemon over the chicken and vegetables. Top with the dill and season with salt.

Enjoy – and let us know how much you loved the meal!

Welcoming the Westside Oasis

Many in Las Vegas remember the sight at 808 West Lake Mead Boulevard on the Historic Westside: the Seven Seas Restaurant, owned and operated by Mr. Louis Connor.

Seven Seas closed its doors a few years ago, and something remarkable is now occupying that space: the all-new Westside Oasis Restaurant, which is now

open for business as the first fine dining restaurant in the Historic Westside community in many years. Owned by the husband-and-wife team of Terry and Hiroe Adams, along with partner Anthony McCrary, their culinary offerings are familiar to all – with a gourmet and fine dining spin in an elegant environment.



Chicken and waffles at Westside Oasis



Westside Oasis' Mac & Cheese



Legendary boxer Mike Tyson, Westside Oasis owners Terry Adams and Anthony McCrary



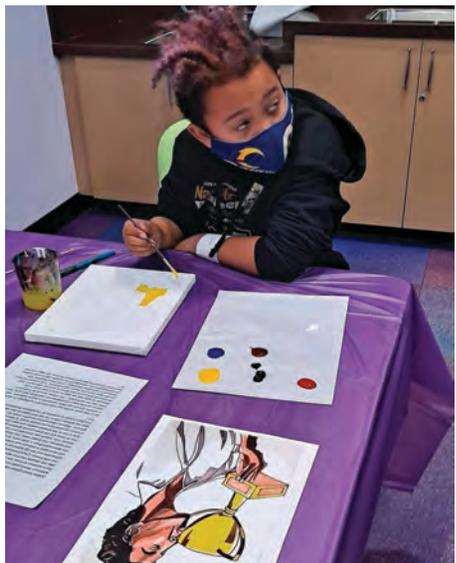
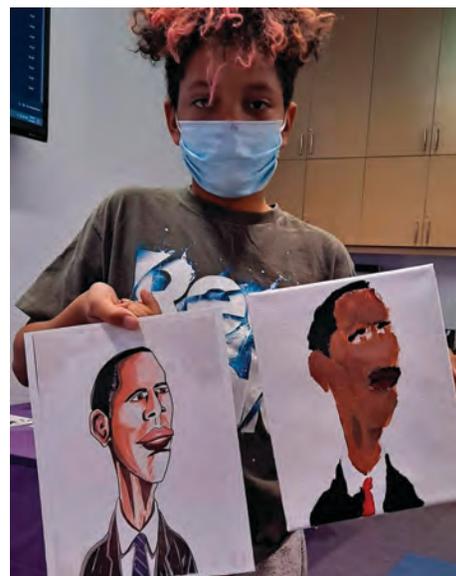
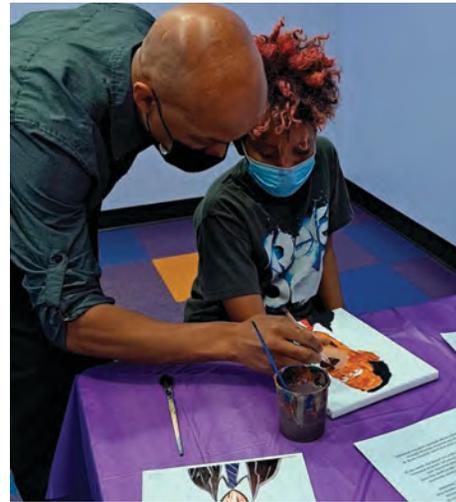
Mike Tyson and Chapman Dodge's Tommy Sea



Westside Oasis owner Terry Adams, publisher Charles Tureaud, and Westside Oasis owner Anthony McCrary

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Children participate in the Discovery Children's Museum art workshops and display their creations.



Working out, prayers up

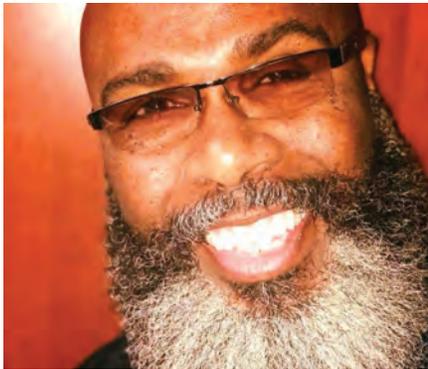
The COVID pandemic has kept many of us in quarantine for close to a year now – but with the advent of vaccines and cases consistently declining, many Las Vegas residents are eager to go outdoors.

While still wearing masks and maintaining physical distance, a group of

men and women have organized to form a new group called the Prayer Riders – who find comfort in riding their bicycles throughout the city. Sometimes traveling for 20 to 30 miles across the valley, the group enjoys fellowship while getting great exercise.



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Ausby Slay

Businesses need more Black support locally and nationally. People from other states need to know where to go in order to support. They also need to incorporate more. Many Black businesses go under in times of crisis simply because they are not visible to the government and get left out of relief efforts. They tend to shy away from incorporating, but it has its advantages.

Bill Whitfield

We need more opportunities in the marijuana business. #Security.



Gwen Walker

Our small businesses need funding with lower interest rate loans; grants as well as being invited to compete like other non-Black businesses. Our businesses also need technical assistance before they start a business as well as during the first year.

Aaliyah Johnson

Black business owners need community support and loans specific to our small businesses.



Alex Colton

I think we all need business management. We would get more customers, more Black support, more funding if we learned to manage correctly the small things that make the biggest impact.

Stephen Mumford

The same thing all businesses need and that's access to capital: cash! Except for Black-owned businesses it's a multiple times harder to get access to capital.



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