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St. Paul AME Church Wins Regional Bible Bowl Competition



From 18-20 June 2014, Rev. Joseph Baring and members of St. Paul AME Church (Madison, WI), including youth ages 6-16, participated in the Annual Milwaukee District Church School Convention in Cassopolis, Michigan.

One of the highlights during the convention was the Bible Bowl competition, where teams consisting of four youth each compete. St. Paul registered two teams and both teams won first place, qualifying them to compete in July at the Christian Education Congress with other first- and second-place winning teams of the entire Fourth Episcopal District.

Beaten, Branded and Abused *Black U.S. Teen Girls Forced into Prostitution*

#SAVE OUR GIRLS USA

**Sexual trafficking isn't halfway around the world,
it's in your city, say experts, police and advocates**



Lisa's pimp branded her with a tattoo on the inside of her lip.

Pimping, or sex trafficking, is a multi-billion dollar industry: Some say \$64 billion worldwide and approximately \$10 billion inside America. But at this moment, somewhere in your community, perhaps near your home, a predator is likely working to make \$150,000 to \$300,000 a year by selling the bodies of Black teenage girls. The average pimp has four to six girls, according to statistics from the U.S. Justice Department and National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

While many 13- to 14-year-old girls are being groomed for academic decathlons, recruited for middle and high school sports or drama clubs, others that age are being groomed for sex work.

Girls are raped, beaten, branded, indoctrinated, and sold day in and day out in a lucrative sex trade.

Lt. Andre Dawson, officer-in-charge of the Los Angeles Police Department's Human Trafficking Division, which is responsible for getting pimps off the streets, said society needs a major shift: Children involved aren't criminals, they're victims. The buyers aren't Johns, or sex purchasers, they're rapists.

[Click here to read the full story.](#)

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Paul Robeson Play in Madison 26-29 June

The Bartell Theatre, 113 E. Mifflin St., Madison, WI

The musical drama of Paul Robeson is coming to come to Wisconsin this weekend!

Opera singer, Jason McKinney, who was born and raised in Milwaukee, brings Paul Robeson's legacy to Madison's Bartell Theatre tonight through this Sunday, with a free dress rehearsal performance tonight, Thursday, June 26, at 7:30 p.m.

Paul Robeson was honored at Carnegie Hall last Friday night - come to the show and experience why critics say Robeson is one of the most significant historical figures of the 20th Century!



Performances: 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 27 and Saturday, June 28; matinee 2 p.m. Sunday June 29. Tickets are \$25 for general admission seating. Group discounts are available.

Tickets are available online at <http://bartelltheatre.org> or by calling 608-661-9696. [Click here to view flyer.](#)

Artist Michael Ward Reception

Exhibit Opens 10 July from 4-6 p.m.



The Ebling Library and the University of Wisconsin Hospital will be hosting a reception to display the work of local artist, Michael Ward. The event is entitled "Obsurd" and will consist of a collection of Abstract Urban Art. The event will open on Thursday, July 10th from 4:00-6:00 p.m. and the art will be on display until September 12, 2014, at the Ebling Library in the UW-Madison's Health Sciences Learning Center at 750 Highland Avenue in Madison. The galleries are on the 3rd floor of Ebling Library, and the reception will be in

the 3rd floor Reading Room (Michael's Show will be in the galleries just off the Reading Room).

Due to a traumatic brain injury resulting from a car accident when he was being driven home from the hospital (immediately after birth), Michael has been classified as having Cerebral Palsy but sees this as a challenge and not a disability. He is an exceptional artist and has been in the Madison area for two years. Michael grew up in New York and his progression as an abstract artist has served as an inspiration to many.



Walk It Out 2014

26 July - Health & Fitness Event



Presented by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, Kappa Psi Omega Chapter, the Annual Walk It Out Health and Fitness Event will occur Saturday, 26 July 2014. Registration is at 9:00 a.m. at the Goodman Community Center, 149 Waubesa Street, Madison, WI 53704

This free, family-friendly event begins at 9:45 a.m. with a 2-mile walk from the Goodman Community Center, led by Honorary Walk Chair, Lisa Peyton Caire, Founder of the Foundation for Black Women's Wellness.

After the Walk health and wellness sessions, such as, Zumba, Spinning, Yoga and a healthy cooking demonstration (providing delicious samples) by Chef Rod Ladson of 100 Black Men of Madison and Johnny's Italian Steakhouse will be staged. Chair massages and reflexology sessions will also be available. Register at WIO2014.eventbrite.com. Waivers for all fitness sessions are required to participate.

[Click here to view flyer.](#)

100 Black Men of Madison Annual Golf Outing

28 July 2014 - The Legend at Bergamont - Oregon, WI

The 100 Black Men of Madison cordially invite everyone to join them for a wonderful day of golf on Monday, 28 July 2014, at The Legend at Bergamont in Oregon, Wisconsin.

Gather your friends, family and coworkers and join the 100 for a fun day of golf to support the 100 Black Men of Madison (the 100) as they strive to provide mentorship to our youth in Madison and Dane County!



The Golf Outing format is a four-person best ball scramble. Prizes and awards will be given for the low gross teams, longest drive, closest to the pin, Putting Contest, Hole-in-one opportunities include a new automobile and/or motorcycle, and more. Individuals and teams are welcome!

This golf outing is one of the 100's signature events! This fundraising event helps support all of the 100 Black Men of Madison's endeavors, such as their Youth Mentoring Programs, Backpacks for Success event, scholarship campaigns, and more!

For event information and registration, please [click here](#).

[Click here](#) for sponsorship opportunities.

100 Black Men of Madison Backpacks for Success Appreciation Banquet

12 August 2014 -CUNA Mutual Conference Center



The 6th Annual Backpacks for Success Banquet is scheduled for 12 August 2014, at 5:30 p.m. at the CUNA Mutual Conference Center, 5810 Mineral Point Road, Madison, WI 53705. The 2014 Keynote Speaker is Curley M. Dossman, Jr., Chairman of the Board, 100 Black Men of America, Inc. (pictured left).

The Banquet raises awareness and funds to support the Backpacks for Success Picnic, which will take place on 16 August 2014, at Demetral Park on Madison's east side.

Over the past 18 years, 100 Black Men of Madison, Inc. (the "100") has provided over 25,000 backpacks filled with school supplies (at no charge) to area disadvantaged students. This event has become strongly affiliated with the "100" and is a key component of their brand in the community. They need your support to continue this tradition, which has become increasingly relevant in today's economic environment.

For more information and to register, please [click here](#).

[Sponsorship opportunities](#) also are available.

Wisconsin Attorney General Election

Primary Election - 12 August 2014

The primary election for the post of Wisconsin Attorney General will take place on 12 August 2014.



Jon Richards
State Representative



Ismael Ozanne
Dane County D.A.



Susan Happ
Jefferson County D.A.

Wisconsin has an open primary system, in which registered voters do not have to be members of a party to vote in that party's primary.

The general election will take place on 4 November 2014.

For more information, visit http://ballotpedia.org/Wisconsin_attorney_general_election,_2014.

100 Black Men of Madison Prostate Cancer Awareness Walk

13 September 2014 - Downtown Madison, WI



The 100 Black Men of Madison will hold its 2nd Annual Prostate Cancer Awareness Walk 13 September 2014, in downtown Madison, WI. Last year's walk was the first of its kind in Wisconsin. The objective of this event is to raise awareness about a disease that is the second leading cause of cancer deaths among men in the United States and affects African-American men more than any other nationality.

Encouraged by the vision of Curley Dossman, Jr., Board Chairman of 100 Black Men of America, Inc., this event endeavors to encourage men to be screened to "Help Save the Life of Someone You Know."

Watch the 100 Black Men of Madison [website](#) for future details about this year's Prostate Cancer Awareness Walk.

Dane County Supplier Diversity Symposium

16 September 2014 - Alliant Energy Center, Madison, WI

The Dane County Supplier Diversity Symposium is a business networking event designed to enhance awareness and increase procurement and business opportunities/utilization with diverse businesses to the various Dane County procurement decision makers. In addition to the aforementioned Dane County personnel, prime contractors to Dane County also will be available for engagement sessions.



Business Matchmaker appointments will be scheduled for those diverse businesses who register and submit their information by 12:00 Noon 11 September 2014. Additional information and the rules of engagement will be provided to participants at the Symposium.

[Click here to register.](#)

Opportunities Beyond Obstacles

7-8 October 2014 - UW-Madison Pyle Center



The Symposium, Opportunities Beyond Obstacles, is dedicated to the education of students whose social or economic circumstances hinder their ability to learn at school.

Sponsored by the Consortium for the Educational Development of Economically Disadvantaged Students (CEDEDS), the purpose of this conference is to provide meaningful, best-practice information about effective methods and considerations regarding the education of disadvantaged students.