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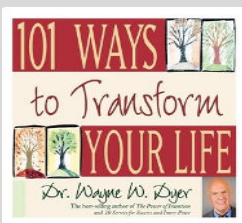
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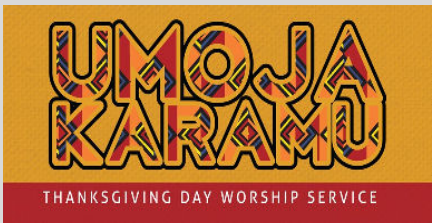
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The Beloved Benefit It's a Celebration The Inaugural Beloved Benefit



The Chick-fil-A Foundation and AMB Group, LLC today announced plans for the inaugural Beloved Benefit, a fundraiser to raise visibility for and celebrate outstanding work underway to revitalize the historic Westside of Atlanta. From left: Executive Director of the Chick-fil-A Foundation Rodney Bullard, Chairman and CEO of Chick-fil-A Dan Cathy, Lead Volunteer for the Beloved Benefit, Shan Cooper, and Director of Community Activation for Mercedes-Benz Stadium Latonda Henderson.

By Callie Corley

The Chick-fil-A® Foundation and AMB Group, LLC has announced plans for the inaugural Beloved Benefit, a fundraiser to raise visibility for and celebrate outstanding work underway to revitalize the historic Westside of Atlanta. Led by Honorary Co-Chairs Ambassador Andrew Young, Arthur M. Blank and Dan Cathy, the Beloved Benefit is scheduled for March 21, 2019 and will be hosted on the field of Mercedes-Benz Stadium with 100 percent of proceeds benefiting area nonprofits.

The Beloved Benefit will increase awareness of issues impacting the area and be a catalyst for developing long-term partnerships for future work. Attendees will experience headline entertainers, culinary delights and performances that reflect the city and the Westside's vibrancy and diversity.

“There’s outstanding work being done on Atlanta’s Westside, and I’m excited for the Chick-fil-A Foundation to work alongside those already making a difference in the community,” said Cathy, chairman and CEO of Chick-fil-A. “My father grew up on the Westside in Vine City, so I’m committed to honoring the community’s history and helping provide resources for residents’ continued progress. We’re committed to holding this event for the next three years, and I

am honored to be part of the team championing momentum on the Westside.”

During the event, 10 smaller nonprofit organizations will be recognized with Beacon Awards. These awards will honor the organizations’ resiliency and continued work to advance the Westside and current Westside residents. All of the event’s honorees are responsible for progress across multiple areas of need on the Westside of Atlanta. They represent the impactful work done in the community over many years. AMB Group and Arthur Blank’s commitment to the Westside has been a long-term investment in the prosperity of the neighborhood, its residents and its future,” says Steve Cannon, CEO, AMB Group. “We’re honored to celebrate these remarkable individuals and organizations whose passion for sustainable growth and development, dedication to service, and commitment to revitalizing the Westside are a true inspiration.”

Based on the idea of the Beloved Community amplified by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the Beloved Benefit aims to nurture love, respect and trust among all Atlantans.

The annual event brings benefactors and beneficiaries to the table, side-by-side, for the opportunity to not only learn about each other, but also build a foundation for future work together.

Publisher’s Corner

Building the Beloved Community Transformation

“And be not fashioned according to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God”. Romans 12:2

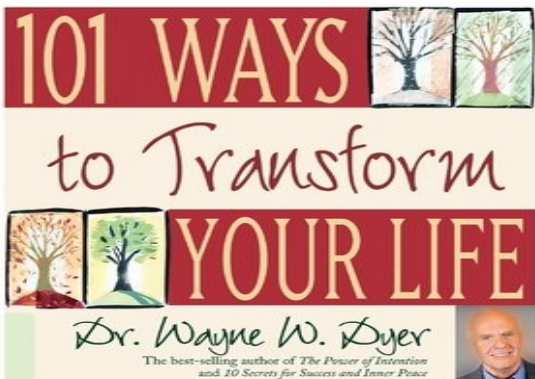
By Makeda Johnson

Transform is a well exercised word in the Historic Westside of Atlanta but what does it mean?

To alter, adapt, transfigure to change a thing into a different thing. transform is a shift in form, nature, or function.

Those engaged in the process of building the beloved community will need the flexibility and courage to honestly look within.

Dwayne Dyer in his book and U-Tube Video 101 Ways to Transform Your Life defines transform using two words Transforming beyond and Form- the physical world and boundaries that we have assumed. He provides some wonderful self-development tools that can help us whom are actively in pursue of the establishment of the Beloved Inclusive Community to begin an inner healing process. Once we can appreciate ourselves we will have the capacity to appreciate others and establish the authentic relationships needed to have honest open discussions and find workable solutions.



We have declared as a community that it is our obligation and opportunity to go beyond the norm as it relates to Urban renewal. We have chosen an unfamiliar path that requires intentionality and productive struggle.

Our mindset and perceptions must be changed (transformed) so our ingathering can have effective communications, with the sharing of information, and diverse viewpoints.

Often the storyteller version of the what is going on will be reflective of his or her own worldview or mindset. How an individual perceives, thinks, and reacts stem from beliefs that are grounded within them and influences their actions and reactions. In the wisdom of our great scholar Dr. John Henry Clark “we often throw the baby out with the bath water”.

As, we have thrived to build the beloved community we have had some mini wins that should be celebrated together in a social setting.

On March 21, 2019 the Beloved Benefit promises to provide an needed opportunity for our ingathering and celebration of the mini wins and victories accomplished thus far on our journey. I am looking forward to the opportunity to relax and share as we prepare to continue the journey together.



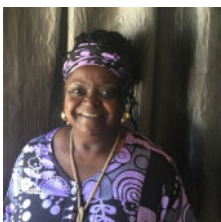
District 3 Atlanta City Councilman and Vine City resident Ivory Lee Young Jr. has been hospitalized. Pictured with his wife Shalise Steel Young.



Councilmen Young shared with the community at his last Neighborhood Planning Unit L meeting that he would be undergoing a stem-cell transplant to treat multiple myeloma.

He closed his statement with the following declaration. “I’m enthusiastic and confident in my faith, for an great outcome. And shall share my testimony in months and years to come,”

Today, we stand with him and the Young family in prayer for a testimony of victory! To God be the Glory! As, we continue to hold our beloved brother and leader Ivory Lee Young Jr., his family and our community up in prayer.



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BE IMPATIENT



By Reginald Maisonneuve

We're asked to be patient. We're expected to be patient. It's polite to be patient. Well, sometimes it's time to get impatient. Not angry. Impatient.

Anger is irrational, thoughtless and hateful and invites more of the same. The ugliness we see so prevalent today is fed by anger. Evil people like anger. It's used to manipulate others to no good purpose, to divert their eyes and attention from ulterior motives and pervert those noble principles that have defined us as a nation and given us strength.

It plays to ignorance; it draws on the worst of human nature; it divides us and leaves our society depleted.

Impatience can be a call to thoughtful, meaningful action.

Impatience goes beyond simple frustration. It suggests the crossing of an important threshold where your wants and needs are met and obstacles are cleared at a time and in a form meaningful to you.

It is a point at which one feels threatened and wants someone to do something about it. That someone starts with you.

Take charge of those things you can control, work with others to influence things you can influence, protect yourself against things you can't control. Being a problem solver for things large and small is invaluable. Be a problem solver, not a problem waiting to be

solved.

I'm not speaking about vain things, but things important to the health, welfare and potential of our society and to everyone within it – including you.

There's a lot to be impatient about these days - important things; so, be impatient, but use that impatience with purpose to make a difference and incrementally move us all forward in a time and manner meaningful to us all.

Be demanding of institutions (non-profit, public and private) and their leaders and staff to set high standards, to be accountable and transparent and act in the public interest – not narrow interests – to fix what's wrong and act with purpose. This isn't naïveté. It's what we should expect, no less.

It does demand people of character, integrity and ability. It also demands that we recognize and help leaders (at all levels and in every quarter) who are successful in solving problems and moving civil and principled society forward – irrespective of political party, ethnicity, race, gender, religious belief or sexual preference. We are one nation.

What we demand of others we must demand of ourselves. We are among those leaders if we choose to be. If we want to make a difference. I hope you do. It's important for all of us.

We also need a measure of impatience with ourselves. Have we let ourselves fall into too

much dependency on others to achieve our goals. Have we surrendered to fate? As a leaders, have we become too complacent with the status quo or in the fulfillment of our mandate? There's a lot to do. Are we asking people to be patient?

Complex, chronic problems are solved by impatient people. Society needs impatient people who make things happen, who are focused on solving problems.

The ability to solve complex problems successfully depends on a clear understanding of what the problem is, on what it depends and on how it is it is measured; so, educate yourself on those things that matter to you but also how those same things affect other people. You may find common purpose.

This November 6th is a time to turn impatience into thoughtful, purposeful action. So be impatient – VOTE! And don't let anyone stop you.

Reginald Maisonneuve is a US Army veteran and Haitian-American. He is the Founder of eDea LLC, an Atlanta social enterprise financial technology company whose mission is to advance the financial health of individuals and communities and the effectiveness of economic development initiatives.



BELOVED

The Beloved Benefit supports organizations and residents who are working to revitalize the historic Westside of Atlanta. The Benefit is more than a fundraiser – it's a celebration.

Community members, nonprofits and businesses from across our city will come together to celebrate the successes, discuss what's next, increase visibility and raise funds for those leading the way.

March 21st, 2019 | Mercedes-Benz Stadium | BelovedBenefit.org



BELOVED

Home Food Gardening: A major contribution to healthy communities



'Gil's digs'

Urban Home Food Gardening (UHFG) deserves more support. That is the conclusion of a recent large study.

Community organizations which promote growing food

at home improve access to fresh food. Their most important contribution might be the way that Home food gardening benefits communities affected by Racism and/or insufficient access to fresh food which hurts communities.

I want to take the opportunity of this research to focus on one effect: the mental health benefit. I want to show that gardening contributes to mental health. The mental health benefit is not only to the individual. It benefits "communities most hurt by racism and/or insufficient access to fresh food"

The research mentions improving health and fostering healing and transformation. It is already well documented that racism is an ongoing stressor. On-going stress causes the production of hormones and other chemicals in our body. These secretions attack our health. It is especially impacting cardio-vascular conditions. There is no need to state that poverty by itself is also a stressor. The combination of the two is compounding the negative impact.

There is a correlation between, supersizing America inner cities, race and poverty. I related to that in my previous article about food desertED.

All these stressors together create a mental health 'greenhouse' which nourish stress. We should not understand mental health as a an individual issue. This is a "blame you" approach. The same kind of approach

which tells you that if you cannot find a job it is your responsibility. This is a diversion to see that it is preventable.

Urban Home Food Gardening will not solve this structural issue by itself. Listening to Historic Westside Gardens food gardeners I learned that gardening bring relief.

Dr. Taylor's study

[ii] mapped gardens in Chicago using Google earth. Then he went to interview 59 gardeners. Some of the gardeners highlight other benefits:

1) Sharing food may represent a continuation of Southern traditions of sharing and community care.

"People who didn't have cows, they would send gallon buckets up to where we were milking the cows, and my mother would say give this one a gallon of milk and that one a gallon of milk. She has four babies, and this one has so many. That's the way we would share with others." (Mrs. Roberts)

2) Gardens in African American neighborhoods embodied and made public Southern values and traditions.

"People come by here, especially the elderly, oh what a wonderful garden, what a wonderful garden. Last time I saw a garden like that was down south in Mississippi, down in Atlanta, Georgia. I've been down there...and they do have gardens, and people follow the tradition but up here people say that's not for me." (Mr. Murphy)

These are important elements. We tend to neglect this positive aspect of UHFG. Cultural reproduction is a response to the cultural loss. This directly improve community mental health, self-esteem, joy, pride, etc.

We live in an environment which witnesses redevelopment pressure and displacement realities. We must understand that when development displaces residents it displaces their food. The Great migration was escaping oppression. Some of this oppression was agricultural oppression. But many also remember the vegetable gardens

of their parents. This is a loss of cultural assets, such as gardening. food gentrification is a reality which will cause new loss

HWG conducts "Eat a Little Better" sessions. Our gardeners talk about their perception of "healthy food". They mention that it is so much linked to diet-related illnesses that they feel that it is an imposed value. This twists the relationship to food and add to the stress. We need to reconnect to food. The emphasis on nutrients serves to increase control. The Pyramid evolved from 'more food' to food that prevents illnesses. But, food is a basic and cultural asset of communities. Food should not be another stress factor which ignores the sovereignty of people. Urban agriculture is not only about food security. It is even more about health and transformation.

From the research:

Analyses of the data yielded four categories of gardening benefits.

(1) improving health.

(2) producing nutritious quality food in meaningful quantities.

(3) providing cultural services. and

(4) fostering healing and transformation.

These results illustrate a breadth of health, food, cultural services, and social change. And, the need to support Community-Based Organizations (CBO) which promote home food production.

[i] <https://doi.org/10.5304/jafscd.2018.08A.002>

[ii] <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.landurbplan.2012.08.001>

Dr. Taylor became our Agricultural advisor after his presentation of this research in Atlanta, 2017

Gil Frank is the executive Director of Historic Westside Gardens and the founding member of Historic Westside News.

Historic Westside Volunteer Mental Health First Aid Coaches



Historic Westside Mental Health First Aid Cohort
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According to the US Health Human Service Office of Minority Health 2016 report, historical adversity, which includes slavery, sharecropping and race-based exclusion from health, educational, social and economic resources, translates into socioeconomic disparities experienced by African Americans today. The report also showed that Socioeconomic status, is linked to mental health.

"Historical and contemporary instances of negative treatment create mistrust of a perceived oppressive system, that doesn't align with their best interest". Finding of The American Psychological Association. (2016).

These finding resonated with what we who live and work on the Historic Westside already know. Poverty, housing insecurity, hopelessness, self-medication and substance abuse problems are major contributor to the mental and physical wellness of our community. To increase our community mental health awareness and resources. An proactive self-help wellness collaborative of Historic Westside non-profit organizations Sisters Action Team, Vine City Civic Association and Historic Westside Garden sponsored it's first Mental Health First Aid Coaching Certification program.

The training has empowered ten residents to identify, understand and respond to signs of addictions and mental illnesses. Through a five step action plan inclusive of the skills, resources and knowledge needed to help a neighbor in a mental health or substance use crisis, identify risk factors and warning signs for mental health and addiction concerns, and intervention strategies, and to provide support in accessing profession care.

Legacy Keepers: English Avenue & Craddock Elementary School

By Nylah Jones



English Avenue Students

English Avenue is home to two historic school sites, Craddock Elementary School and English Avenue Elementary School. Craddock was Atlanta's first brick school built exclusively for African American students, while English Avenue Elementary (constructed in 1910) catered only to white students until about 1940.

The English Avenue neighborhood was purchased in 1891 by the son of former Atlanta mayor, John W. English. The neighborhood was designed to be a working-class white neighborhood, with an African American neighborhood in Vine City bordering it to the South.

Blacks who lost their homes in the Great Atlanta fire of 1917 moved to the West side of Atlanta where there was already a great need for housing. By the 1920s-1940s, Blacks began moving north across Simpson Road (now Joseph E. Boone).

In 1941 when Eagan Homes and Herndon Homes both public housing projects opened, the black population in the area increased even more. By 1951, the English Avenue Elementary School's designation was changed from white to black in response to most whites having moved out of the area.

On October 19th, 1960, several hundred students staged sit-ins throughout Atlanta with many arrests. Students vowed: "Jail-no-Bail." Dr. King was in the crowd and was arrested. On November 25, 1960 when over 200 students sat-in and picketed at Rich's, Davison's, Woolworth's, two Walgreen's drug stores, two H.L. Green stores, and several

Lane-Rexall Stores, as well as W.T. Grant, McCrory, Newberry, and Kress five-and-dine stores.

By November 26, 1960, a large number of adults joined the picket lines with the students. This was the first time the "old Guard" Black Leaders joined with the younger Black Leaders to fight the segregation battle.

The Ku Klux Klan staged a counter protest urging continued segregation of the races. They came from all over the south to Atlanta to stop the

desegregation movement. They believed if segregation fell in Atlanta, it would fall throughout the South because of Atlanta's strategic location and prominence.



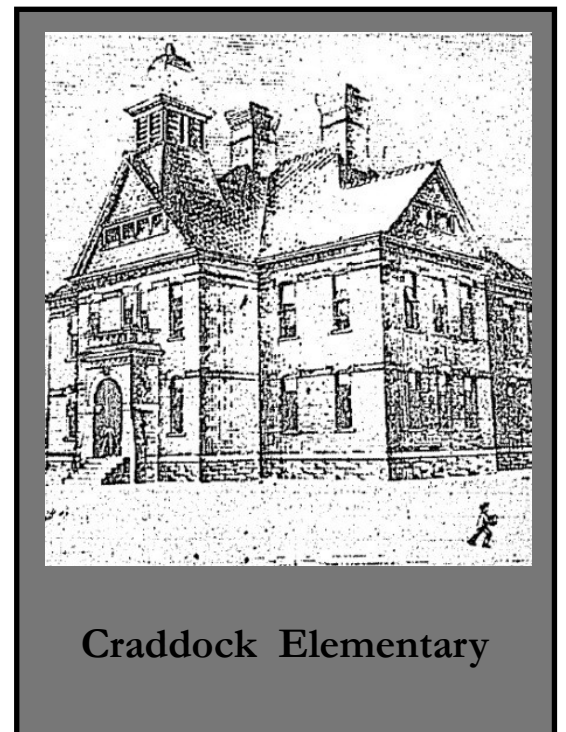
Around December 7th, 1960, The Committee on the Appeal for Human Rights (COAHR) a group of Atlanta University Center students, along with Maurice Pennington of the Atlanta *Enquirer*, set out on a bus trip to test the *Boynton v Virginia*, a case that outlawed interstate segregation on busses. They sent teams to Birmingham, Alabama, Jacksonville, Florida, Chattanooga, Tennessee, and Columbia,

SC. Several students and Mr. Pennington were arrested.

On December 11, 1960, at 6:00 AM, in the rain, 8,000 Blacks held a mass meeting at Herndon Stadium to show their support for the Movement and the boycott. Following the meeting they marched to Hurt Park for another rally. Later that day, a bomb exploded at English Avenue Elementary.

The school would continue to operate until its closing in 1995. The English Avenue Elementary School located in a predominantly African American neighborhood, passing on alumni such as Gladys Knight, State Representative "Able" Mable Thomas, and United States Presidential candidate Herman Cain.

After its closing, the school sat unoccupied for over a decade, until the Greater Vine City Opportunities Program (GVCOP) under the leadership of State representative "Able" Mable Thomas, was able to purchase the building in 2010. Since that time, the organization has started a capital campaign to raise funds to renovate the structure into the English Avenue Campus and Global Community Center. As of winter 2015, GVCOP had raised over \$2 million in grants and donations to save this historic structure. English Avenue School recently received Historic Designation status.



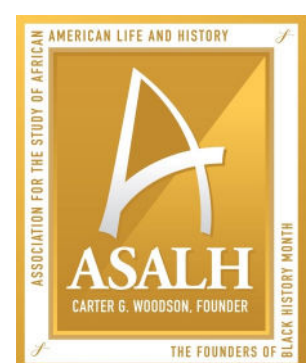
Craddock Elementary

The Craddock school was a primarily African-American school dating back to the 1880's. When it opened in 1889 it was named Gray Street School, the first all-brick school structure built specifically for African-American's. In 1954 it was renamed after Robert Lee Craddock a popular African-American religious and civic leader who resided in the Gray Street community. Superintendent Slaton described Gray Street School as one of the finest schools in Atlanta.

Craddock remained open until the mid-1970's when then Superintendent, Alonzo A. Crim discussed closing the Craddock school in 1975 (along with E.R. Carter and F.L. Slaton schools). Local parents, felt the decision was racially motivated. And protested.

The protests worked. Craddock remained open until 1982 when the Board of Education officially closed Craddock. That same year, Craddock burned to the ground.

Nylah Jones is a resident of Vine City and an at Junior at Shiloh Highschool.



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Gifts From The Color Purple



By Malika SaraMaat Imhotep

Alice Walker wrote *The Color Purple* to tell the story of her step-grandmother Rachel. For Walker not only does Celie exist, but there is a foundational Celie-ness inside all black women that needs to be heard, held and tended to. And the root of this celie-ness is grounded in the intersections of race, gender and class – What Mister, the story’s figure of patriarchal power, sees as “nothing-ness,” Celie shores up as her existence. Ya’ll know this moment when Mister says: Look at you. You black, you pore, you ugly, you a woman. Goddam . . . You nothing at all.” & Celie responds “I’m poor, I’m black, I might even be ugly, BUT im here”

As Barbara Christian illuminates: “Contrary to Mister’s statement then, that because Celie is black, poor, and a woman, she knows nothing, contrary to the assertion that powerlessness means ignorance, Celie must know a great deal in order to survive. The powerless are particularly attuned to those who possess more power than they do. For the powerless, knowledge is essential to survival.”

Celie’s journey begins in pain, abandonment, violence and trauma. She is lied to and derided for being born black and a woman. Her body is violated and she is the only one punished for the transgression. She

protects her sister, Nettie, fiercely. Her body is traded in the place of Nettie’s in hopes that Nettie might pursue an education and a life without suffering. Losing Nettie, Celie loses hope, that she don’t find again until Sophia comes into her life on Harpo’s arm and in this woman who has won the warmth and security of a mans love without bending or breaking herself into smaller parts, Celie catches a glimpse of possibility. Then comes Shug Avery and suddenly the heart of Mister’s harshness comes into view. Mister has lost a woman he loved but could never own. And Shug shacks her shimmy all around them. Celie gets as caught up as Mister and before they know it, a kind of knowing special to the bond between black women blossoms between Shug and Celie.

Shug introduces Celie to a personal God. A God that knows and loves pleasure. a god that created all that we see. a god that created *The Color Purple*. And through Shug’s teachings Celie comes to know herself more fully. She develops a skill. She develops independence. And even as the shape of family continually shifts and redefines itself around her, with that sense of independent and direct commune with a living God, Celie finds peace and faith in her own existence.

In a way Celie is on a Hero’s journey. Moving through obstacles in constant conversation with God, trying desperately to make sense of the world around her. Along this journey she meets pillars of possibility in the form of the black women she comes to know intimately.

As we learn to exhale, to breathe, and transform let us consider: Who are your Nettie’s? those who you protect, those who protect your innocence, those who you find yourself in mutually nourishing caregiving relationship too. Who are your Sophia’s? The strong willed black women who stand righteous in their wholeness and teach you how to take up space. Who are your Shug Avery’s? those fire-starters who challenge you to see yourself in new ways, who love you back into your body, who remind you that god lives inside even your most private spaces? What is your *Color Purple*? Your treat on the eyes. Your soft blend of opposites. Your everyday reminder of the will and

grace and pleasure of a higher power.

I want to share with you a couple verses from “The Gospel According to Shug Avery” which is from *The Temple of My Familiar the sequel to The Color Purple published in 1989*.

HELPED are those too busy living to respond when they are wrongfully attacked: on their walks they shall find mysteries so intriguing as to distract them from every blow.

HELPED are those who find something in Creation to admire each and every hour. Their days will overflow with beauty and the darkest dungeon will offer gifts.

HELPED are those who receive only to give; always in their house will be the circular energy of generosity; and in their hearts a beginning of new age on Earth: when no keys will be needed to unlock the heart and no locks will be needed on the doors.

HELPED are those who are content to be themselves; they will never lack mystery in their lives and the joys of self-discovery will be constant.

HELPED are those who love the entire cosmos rather than their own tiny country, city, or farm, for to them will be shown the unbroken web of life and the meaning of infinity.

HELPED are those who love others unsplit off from their faults; to them will be given clarity of vision.

HELPED are those who create anything at all, for they shall relive the thrill of their own conception, and realize a partnership in the creation of the Universe that keeps them responsible and cheerful.

HELPED are those who love the Earth, their mother, and who willingly suffer that she may not die; in their grief over her pain they will weep rivers of blood, and in their joy in her lively response to love, they will converse with trees.

HELPED are those who *know*.

Malika SaraMaat Imhotep is a legacy resident of Vine City



Umoja Karamu

Umoja Karamu is an African-American unity celebration created in 1971 by Dr. Edward Sims, Jr. The Celebration is similar to Thanksgiving, Umoja Karamu is held on the 4th Sunday in November. Its purpose is to instill solidarity, collective values, and appreciation of our heritage and legacy.

The celebration is based on five periods of African American life that are each represented by a colors. **Prior to Slavery:** BLACK represents black families before slavery. **In Slavery:** WHITE symbolizes the scattering black’s families during slavery. **Upon Emancipation:** RED marks blacks’ liberation from slavery. **Struggle for Liberation:** GREEN significances the struggle for civil rights and equality. **Looking to the Future:** GOLD points celebrants to hope for the future.

Join us in celebration and learn more about Umoja Karamu .

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Rodney Cook Sr. Park in Historic Vine City



Rodney Cook Sr. Park in Historic Vine City now underway. The project represents the communities desire to address the flooding issues that created the 2002 flood that forced many residents to relocate and to build monuments that would preserved its rick legacy for future generations. The park became a reality through an collaborative effort between the City of Atlanta Department of Parks and Recreation, Department of Watershed Management, City of Atlanta Mayor’s Office, The National Monuments Foundation and The Trust for Public Land (TPL). The monuments in honor of those whom have lived, worked and served humanity through the promotion of PEACE. Alonzo Herndon, Andrew Young, Booker T. Washington, Chief Tomochichi, Coretta Scott King, Dorothy Bolden, Grace Town Hamilton, Herman J Russell, Hosea L. Williams, James Orange, John Lewis, Joseph E. Boone, Joseph E. Lowery, Julian Bond, Maynard H. Jackson, Ralph David Abernathy, Rodney Mims Cook, Sr., WEB DuBois and the CT Vivian African American Library located in the Peace Column .

The top is a photo of the Park inclusive of the Peace of Colum. The bottom is a picture of the park layout , with dots indicating where the legacy statues will be placed.

We will continue to update the community on the ongoing development of the legacy preservation component of The Rodney Sr. Park in Historic Vine City in each edition. Thanks to the support of The National Monument Foundation

Submitted to HWN by



Arthur Hines Garden Angel



Historic Westside Gardens Offers Two (2) Garden Angels positions Are you a Fit?

What a Garden Angel do?

- Establish trust with his gardeners and the community
- Peer to Peer Education. Experience with gardening, a must.
- Creates local capacity by being resourceful and problem solver. See and identify other residents as assets
- Garden Angels are part of the community and have an interest in common with the community to improve life and well-being. Garden Angel advocates for the community
- Understand community desires and get informed to be able to refer people to existing services

Positions are Part-Time with growth opportunity. **Must reside in Vine City or English Avenue.** Information available with Home Food Gardening Community Organizer:404-277-7340 Application: A brief 1 page letter, relating to the 5 items above. Please type your letter. Fitting candidates will be reached for a conversation. Send application letter to:Execdir@historicwestsidegardens.org

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