Celebrating one of St. Pete’s legends

BY RAVER JOY SHONKEL
Staff Writer

ST. PETERSBURG—Forty-two years ago, Dr. David T. Welch, completed his doctoral dissertation on the rehabilitation and reemployment of ex-offenders. He recognized that ex-offenders transitioning from incarceration back into society needed more than just a few bucks in their pocket and a bus ride home.

Dr. Welch worked hard in his career as a community servant and leader. From being a successful tax and accounting service, Welch Tax Service, to starting, and plans were made to empower the black community through the unveiling of a plaque of Dr. Welch’s career as a community servant and leader. From being the second black person to sit on St. Pete city council to running for office. She was portrayed in the media as a bane of social services, but was convicted of a federal offense.

Momma Tee: She got the job done

BY LYN JOHNSON
Publisher

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SCDAA celebrates 46 years of service and compassion

BY ALLEN A. BOCHANAN
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ST. PETERSBURG — The Sickle Cell Disease Association of America (SCDAA), St. Peters- burg Chapter celebrated their 46th anniversary with a benefit dinner Saturday, Sept. 22 at the St. Petersburg Country Club. This fundraiser is held annually to help support client programs and services throughout the year.

President and Founder Mary Murphy opened the program by introducing Antonesia Jackson, the pint-sized sickle cell ambassador, who is fulfilling the second black person to sit on St. Pete city council to Overseer her ambition is to become a doctor. She walked over to the microscope, clasped it without any hesitation and told the audience

Ambassador Antonesia Jackson and SCDAA Founder Mary Murphy

about her experience with the painful disease.

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John 1:48 “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.”

John 6:46 “And this is the will of him who sent me, that everyone who believes in him who sent me has everlasting life.”

John 5:24 “Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life.”

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Sen. Bill Nelson works to reduce racial health disparities and discrimination

WASHINGTON, D.C. – For black women, the risk of death from pregnancy-related causes is three to four times higher than for their white counterparts. Black women are twice as likely to suffer from life-threatening complications during pregnancy.

U.S. Senators Bill Nelson joined fellow Senator Kamala D. Harris as a co-sponsor of her legislation to reduce the racial disparities in maternal mortality and morbidity. The Maternal Care Access and Reducing Emergencies (CARE) Act will reduce the increasing rate of deaths among Black mothers resulting from pregnancy or childbirth. “This bill is a step in the right direction ensuring that all women have access to culturally competent, holistic care, and to address the implicit biases in our system,” according to Harris.

Nelson agreed adding, “This legislation will set us on the right path to needed accessible healthcare solutions.”

Nelson is fighting for accessible, affordable healthcare and to preserve coverage for those with pre-existing conditions. African Americans lead the nation with the highest incidence of heart disease, cancer, hypertension and diabetes with their rates doubling and tripling the illnesses among all other groups. “Dealing with these illnesses is critical to our pursuit of wellness. Accessibility, affordability, and care for those with pre-existing conditions will save so many lives in our community. Senator Nelson has shown real leadership on these issues,” said Lauren Thornton, M.D.

The Maternal CARE Act addresses racial and ethnic disparities in women’s health—addressing maternal mortality. The bill addresses bias in judgement or behavior resulting from implicit attitudes and stereotypes.

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Momma Tee was a trailblazer in the field of legal advocacy for children. She founded a yearly event called LawFest, which brought together parents, teachers, and children to discuss important issues such as bullying, peer pressure, and the importance of education.

In 2016, Momma Tee held a huge back-to-school giveaway for 95 of the neediest children at Lakewood Elementary. She collected and organized with the Weed & Seed Prevention Intervention Committee, which provided resources and programs to benefit the entire family.

Last year, the 14th annual LawFest saw close to 500 people stopping by. Momma Tee plans to continue the event, which she started in 2015, to bring awareness to the important issues affecting children.

Momma Tee leaves behind a host of family, friends, and community members who will cherish her memory. She was a true advocate for the children of south St. Pete and will be missed by all.

In 2016, Momma Tee held a Christmas Party for 95 of the neediest children at Lakewood Elementary. She even used her influence to get the job done. After the Tampa Bay Times published an expose on the state of south St. Pete, she decided to adopt Lakewood Elementary. She rounded up mentors to volunteer at the school, and in 2016, she held a huge Christmas party for 95 of the school’s neediest children.

With money left over from her LawFest and donated items, she provided food, gifts for the children, and each child was able to take a wrapped present home for their parents. However, she had planned to start her life of grassroots activism after the riots that gripped the city in 1996. Soon after, while working on the Weed & Seed Prevention Intervention Committee, she created and organized with the police department the first Earl to Essau Family Fun Day Festival to unite the community and the police.

In 2000, Momma Tee started a non-profit organization called Successes Unlimited Women & Youth Business Center, Inc., which provided resources and programs to benefit the entire family. One such program was Mother’s First, where parents could obtain much-needed services, education and training, parenting skills and resources for children in grades K-12.

In 2015, Successes Unlimited held their first “How to Prevent Crime in the Black Community” back-to-school giveaway that featured battling DJs, poster and essay contests, games for the children, food, and of course, school supplies. If a parent was unable to attend the event, she would actually drive to their homes and deliver the supplies.

Momma Tee leaves behind her children LaTanya, Kendra, Holly and Herman; grandchildren Jaenia, Omari, Mackayla, and Destoni; and a host of family, friends and her beloved community.

A wake will be held Friday, Oct. 5 from 5-8 p.m. at Bethel Community Church, 2001 54th Ave. S. The funeral will take place Saturday, Oct. 6 at Prayer Tower Church, 1127 37th St. S, starting at 11 a.m.
Celebrating sickle cell disease awareness

SCDAA, from front page

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Sickle cell disease (SCD) is accompanied by severe pain attacks and poor oxygen delivery throughout the body that can cause critical damage to organs. Currently, the only cure is hematopoietic stem cell transplantation—a costly procedure in which stem cells are taken from the bone marrow or blood of a healthy donor and then injected into the recipient to generate red blood cells free of disease. SCD has impacted the lives of more than 100,000 Americans. One in every 365 African American babies and one out of every 15,300 Hispanic-American babies are affected by the disease.

In addition, one in every 13 African-American babies is born with the sickle cell trait (SCT), which is when a person inherits one sickle cell gene and one normal gene. People with SCT usually do not have any of the symptoms of SCD, but they can pass the trait on to their children. This situation was positive for African babies who lived in areas where malaria was prevalent because the one sickled gene inoculated the infant against the chronic and deadly effects of sickle cell anemia. If both parents have SCT, there is a 50 percent chance that any child of theirs will also have SCT. Also, if both parents have SCT, there is a 25 percent chance that any child of theirs will have SCD. There is the same 25 percent chance that the child will not have SCD or SCT.

On April 4, 1972, the Sickle Cell Foundation of St. Petersburg was founded by Murph and former Senator William Fleece. Her passion for sickle cell awareness and research was born in 1966 when her daughter, Terri, was diagnosed with the illness. Murph set up the first sickle cell office in her home with only a telephone and answering machine. She worked full time as an educator while she and her husband cared for their two children with the disease.***

Dozens of door prizes were given away this year, along with entertainment provided the Mt. Zion KINGdom Boys from Mt. Zion Progressive Missionary Baptist Church, and the Heffner and Heffner Jazz Band filled the room with soulful jazz and R&B. Friends and family enjoyed an evening of good food and fellowship in the name of sickle cell awareness.

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ST. PETE WORKS SHOWCASE OF SERVICES AND CAREER FAIR

St. Pete Works, an employment collaborative with Pinellas Ex-Offender Re-Entry Coalition (PERC) and Pinellas Technical College, in partnership with the City of St. Petersburg, presents the 22nd Annual Showcase of Services and Career Fair!

100+ agencies and employers will be there, along with helpful resources, including:

- On-the-Spot Interviews
- Social Services
- Educational Assistance
- Clothes Closet
- Mobile Medical Unit
- Identification Assistance
- Information and Referral
- Employment Assistance
- Resume Help
- Expungement Information
- Department of Motor Vehicles
- FREE and open to the public

Monday, October 15, 2018 • 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Pinellas Technical College Campus
901 34th Street South • St. Petersburg, FL 33711
St. Pete Works & PERC Office • (727) 954-3993 or info@exoffender.org
Participant and employer registration form available at stpete.org/CRA
COMMUNITY NEWS

Visionary Brief
by Keisha Bell, Esq.

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Lake’s timing could not have been any better. Upon arriving downtown, she met comedian David Letterman who was in town to visit a group of students at his alma mater. She took the bold step and introduced herself to him. By the time the conversation was over, she had a cash donation of $1,160. Note, because of campaign rules, Lake refunded a part of the donation. Letterman was not done showing his support; however, a few days ago he spoke at Lake’s private fundraiser. In addition, there was a VIP event beforehand of which individuals could join Letterman in support of Lake.

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Minimum Award Amount - $1,500
Maximum Award Amount - $5,000
Grant Period - 11/15/18 to 9/30/19

How To Apply
Complete full application, to include budget and proof of tax exemption, and submit by deadline.
Apply by October 10, 2018 at 12 Noon

To Request An Application
www.jwbpinellas.org/faith-based-mini-grants
Or contact Lorrayne Hayes at 727-453-5654
or rfp@jwbpinellas.org

Optional Funding Workshops
Monday, September 24, 2018 – 2:00 PM
Wednesday, September 26, 2018 – 9:00 AM
Juvenile Welfare Board
14155 58th Street North, Clearwater, FL

“Today is about opportunity,” said Mayor Rick Kriseman. “Everyone that is here is committed to making sure that the people in this community—all races, all religions, all genders, all orientations, those who’ve made a mistake and have paid their dues—everyone has an opportunity.”

Red Tent Market Founder Barbara Rhode

Pinellas County Commissioner Ken Welch

Deputy Mayor Dr. Kanika Tomalin

Pastor Ricordo Welch gave the invocation to start the ceremony.

Michael Jozsa, executive director and CEO of PESC.
First Baptist Institutional Church
3144 Third Avenue South, St. Petersburg, FL 33712
Phone: 727-323-7518

Sunday School  9:30 a.m.
Praise Time  10:45 a.m.
Morning Worship  10:45 a.m.
Tuesday Night Live -
Prayer Service & Bible Study 7 p.m.
Come Worship With the First Baptist Family

BETHEL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH
2901 - 54th Avenue South
St. Petersburg, FL 33712
(727) 866-2567

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service: 11:00 a.m.
Mid-Week Worship: Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Rev. Dr. Manuel A. Adams, Pastor

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Let’s try to be more compassionate, more understanding of those around us. The First Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, Reverend Wallace Elliott, Sr. Pastor

Rev. Frank W. Peterman, Jr. Pastor
Pastor’s Corner

Reverend Wallace Elliott, Sr. Pastor, The First Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, proudly invites you to attend our Fall Festival this Saturday, October 13th, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Located at 3330 31st Street South, St. Petersburg, FL 33711. The First Mt. Zion is located in the Seabreeze area, just across from the old St. Petersburg Stadium. Take I-275 South to 34th Street South, make a left, then follow the signs! 

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4. Apply for Financial Aid.
5. Complete registration form, confirm your residency status, and pay for class.

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Vision: To be our community’s first choice for workforce training.

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• To apply for financial aid, complete the application at www.fafsa.gov. The School Codes are 005605 (Clearwater campus) and 013917 (St. Petersburg campus).
• Veterans and other eligible students may use their Veterans (VA) benefits, including the Montgomery GI Bill and Post 9/11 GI Bill, at Pinellas Technical College.
• Pinellas Technical College accepts Florida Prepaid and the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship.

TWO CAMPUS LOCATIONS

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6100 154th Ave. N.
727-538-7167

St. Petersburg Campus
901 34th Street S.
727-893-2500

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