

April Newsletter

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Welcome to the third edition of our monthly chapter newsletter. We hope you find it interesting and informative. Our aim is for the newsletter to provide news and feature stories to complement announcements and other information that can be found on the website. We wanted to get the newsletter out before our next meeting which has been postponed until May 11, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at Faith Miracle Temple of Glory Church, 326 Wilson Dr. in Mayfield. Rev. George Hurd, our branch president, is pastor at the church.

Of course, this is your newsletter. We welcome your comments on how to make it better serve the chapter. We welcome stories, news items, announcements and photos from you. Just email them to bcraig8960@gmail.com.

Thanks!

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Berry Craig, editor

ANNOUNCEMENTS

May branch meeting set for May 11

Note the Change of Date Here

The next regular monthly branch meeting is set for May 11, a Saturday, at 10 a.m. at Faith Miracle Temple of Glory Church, 1326 Wilson Dr, Mayfield, KY 42066. This is the church where our President George Hurt Jr. serves.

Derrick Parrott and Berry Craig are still working on getting business cards for the branch that will include the post office box, email address and a contact telephone number. More details to follow.



COMMUNITY MEET AND GREET **BRUNCH**

**SATURDAY MAY 4 |
9:30AM-11:30AM**

GRAVES COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
601 N 17TH ST, MAYFIELD, KY

**DOOR PRIZES, FOOD, MEET LOCAL OFFICE CANDIDATES, MUSIC &
VOTER REGISTRATION**

Mayfield Minority
Enrichment Center



**COME MINGLE WITH THE CANDIDATES THAT ARE RUNNING FOR
LOCAL OFFICE IN AN INFORMAL SETTING, ASK QUESTIONS, BUILD
RELATIONSHIPS, AND LET YOUR VOICES BE HEARD**

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ENDORSE ANY CANDIDATE OR POLITICAL PARTY**

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CHECK YOUR EMAIL INBOX

Bruce emailed a signup chart for Juneteenth and a survey email for tabling at the Jackson Purchase Fair. Please respond as soon as you can.

The Juneteenth program is June 15 at Eddie Williams park. Volunteers may sign up for slots between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m.

“We will have a tent at the Jackson Purchase Fair,” Bruce said. “While the Fair runs June 11 - 15 we will only have our we will only have the NAACP banner up June 1-14 so we can move it to the Juneteenth Celebration for that Saturday.

“We would like to have people at the Fair tent on the 12th and/or the 13th. So, we need to hear when you are able to help. If we get enough help we will cover 2 days if not just one day. Let me hear from you asap about which day(s) you can help us cover. Once the day is chosen, we will create a signup list.”



From NAACP President and CEO Derrick Johnson

We're less than one month away from the anniversary of the historic *Brown v. The Board of Education* decision – when the Supreme Court issued its seminal unanimous ruling outlawing segregation in our nation's public schools.

The ruling represented a transformative affirmation of racial equality and became a foundational principle of our legal system and our democracy.

Now, seven decades after the Little Rock Nine braved violent crowds with police escorts just to get a quality education, [the state of Arkansas is passing an "anti-indoctrination" law](#) to stop

African American Studies courses from being taught in public schools.

[This legislation and discriminatory treatment of AP African American studies are an unconstitutional attempt to erode educational equity – so we sued the state of Arkansas to stop it!](#)

Schools should be free of politics, bureaucracy, censorship, and draconian oversight of educators. Students should be allowed to learn about real history, not a whitewashed version. The most painful chapters of American history should not be buried because it makes some people uncomfortable.

[The pursuit of equality in education requires constant vigilance; it represents one of our highest ideals and most cherished values. The NAACP is proud to take this fight to the courts and will continue to do everything in our power to advocate for equitable education – but we need your help to make it happen.](#)

[We must use this moment to reaffirm our commitment to equal educational opportunity. If you agree, please take a minute to sign our petition and add your name to the growing list of those who support diversity, equity, and inclusion in education! Berry, this cannot wait:](#)

[ADD MY NAME >>](#)

For Culture. For Community.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Johnson", with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Derrick Johnson



On April 8, I packed my camera and headed to Bardwell, where I got this shot of the solar eclipse. Totality was 100 percent.