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Boys Town Louisiana New Executive Director Rashain Carriere-Williams

She speaks with Data News Weekly about her new post and their 30th Year Anniversary Gala



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Sydney Odom Data News Weekly Contributor

Since the opening of their doors in 1989, Boys Town Louisiana, a local non-profit organization with its national headquarters in Nebraska, has set out to be a beacon for its community. The organization supports children and families, particularly from disadvantaged backgrounds. On Nov. 2, 2019, Boys Town Louisiana will celebrate their many years of service and success by hosting their 30th Anniversary Gala & Awards presented by Entergy, which will mark the organization's 30 years of service, while raising funds to support its programs.

The event will take place at the Ace Hotel New Orleans from 6 - 9 p.m. and will include a dinner, award presentation, live auction, and remarks from Father Steven Boes, the National Executive Director of Boys Town. All of the proceeds from the live auction will go to the organization and its many social service programs. Boys Town Louisiana will be presented a City

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Michael Hardin (Managing New York Life Partner), Rashain Carriere Williams (Executive Director of Boys Town Louisiana), Julia Turkevich (Donor Relations Specialist at Boys Town Louisiana), and Wayne Thomas (New York Life agent) with the award.



them change lives.

Boys Town Offers Services for those in Need

Programs

Boys Town has been dedicated to saving children and healing families for 100 years. Boys Town Louisiana offers a variety of services based on the research-proven Boys Town Model®:

Intervention and **Assessment Services**

We provide care for abused, neglected, runaway and delinquent youth of all ages by removing them from dangerous situations, assessing their needs and beginning to work toward family reunification or other permanent care.

Boys Town Family Homes

We provide a family for children ages 10 to 18. Six to eight boys or girls live in each single-family home with a married couple called Family-Teachers®. In these homes, youth learn social and independent-living skills that help them find success in school and in their community.

In-Home Family Services

We help teach families not only how to handle issues after they arise but also how to prevent them from becoming more disruptive, while they remain in their home.

The Boys Town National Hotline® (800-448-3000) is a free resource and counseling service that assists youth and parents 24/7, year-round, nationwide.

the community," said Rashain Carriere-Williams, who was recently named the Executive Director of Boys Town Louisiana.

"I'm excited for the opportunity to lead Boys Town Louisiana as we celebrate our 30th Anniversary this year," said Carriere-Williams, in a statement released to the media.

She's worked in various positions for 15 years inside of Boys Town, learning all aspects of the organization. As a native of the City that holds a special place in her heart,

she is ready to make an immediate impact in her new post.

"I'm truly committed to this community and I'm passionate about the well-being of our youth and families. And I'm just grateful to be a part of it."

Boys Town is a national organization that was founded over 100 years ago, committed to empowering young people and helping families. Its Louisiana Chapter is one of 8 other sites across the country whose work carries out this mission. The Boys Town Louisiana Headquarters in New Orleans provides a number of different programs and services that help aid children and families including intervention services, family housing, and a variety of other community support services. The site itself holds three family homes for adolescents in New Orleans and also offers in-home family services and diagnostic and assessment ser-

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"Despite all of our assets, our city is challenged," said Carriere-Williams, who is a New Orleans native that worked for Boys Town Louisiana for 15 years. Growing up in New Orleans gave her the opportunity to see first-hand the struggles and disadvantages that the community faces. Her experiences allowed her to develop a passion for helping disadvantaged children and families, stricken by poverty and crime. Carriere-Williams said she gets to see the organization's impact through regular visits to the homes on their site and actively engaging with the children in their programs.

The organization welcomes volunteers to mentor children and support their events and activities that impacts over 7,600 children and families each year in the state. Carriere-Williams said she hopes that the upcoming 30th Anniversary Gala will help bring more awareness to the organization and the work that they do for the com-

"The gala allows us to have visibility in the community so the people that could really use our services can access it," she said.

proclamation from Councilmember Cyndi Nguyen. The organization will also recognize Entergy for its

support of its programs, and other community leaders for their generosity and commitment to helping

"Boys Town Louisiana helps provide resources that are missing in

Newsmaker

Tropical Storm Olga Leaves Many Without Power

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Residents of New Orleans and the surrounding area over the weekend were affected by Tropical Storm Olga. Although it lasted only a few hours, it was strong enough to cause widespread damage and knock power out to more than 100,000 homes and businesses.

The unexpected strength of winds from Olga knocked out power to more than 92,000 Entergy customers and more than 40,000 Cleco customers Saturday.

After the storm passed power began to slowly return Saturday afternoon. But as of our press time, in some areas power has still not been restored.

While New Orleans was affected, it's been reported that the majority of the outages were in Tangipahoa Parish.

Winds at Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport



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reached 50 mph with gusts of nearly 60 mph on Saturday morning.

There were two power outages at the airport Saturday caus-

ing multiple flights to be canceled and delayed. Security lines snaked through the airport for most of the

As power is being restored there are services available for some of those enrolled in the SNAP Program.

Instructions are listed below:

morning.

Eligibility for Replacement SNAP Current SNAP recipients who received SNAP benefits in October 2019 and who lost food purchased with SNAP benefits due to a power outage or other household misfortune related to Tropical Storm Olga can apply for replacement benefits. For food losses due to power outage, the power must have been out for a minimum of 24 consecutive hours. DCFS works with the Public Service Commission to obtain reports of specific power outages. If DCFS cannot verify a household's power outage through these reports, SNAP recipients may be asked for verification of their power loss.

How to Apply

The sooner the DCFS receives the SNAP 38 form, the sooner the request will be processed, and the benefits will be issued.

- 1. Complete and sign the SNAP 38 Form
- 2. Submit it in one of the following ways on or before Thursday, Nov. 7, 2019:
- Scan and upload to CAFÉ
- Mail to the Document Processing Center: DPC, P.O. Box 260031, Baton Rouge, LA 70826
- Fax to 225-663-3164
- Bring to your nearest DCFS Economic Stability office

If you cannot complete and submit the form by Nov. 7th, call 1-888-524-3578 by Thursday, Nov. 7th, and provide your parish, dollar value of food loss, length of time without power, and within 10 days of reporting the loss to DCFS by phone call, send your completed and signed SNAP 38 Form to DCFS, as described above.





State & Local News

Early Voting from Nov. 2-9, 2019

Data News Weekly is Encouraging All That's Registered to Get Out and Vote!!!!





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Early Voting from November 2-9, 2019

- November 2-9, 2019: Early voting, 8:30 a.m. 6 p.m., excluding Sunday
- Voters who need help finding their polling location can call (504) 658-8300 or use the Louisiana Voter Portal

Remember, Saturday, November 16th, is Election Day!!! Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Early Voting Sites:

City Hall

1300 Perdido Street, Room 1W24 New Orleans, LA 70112

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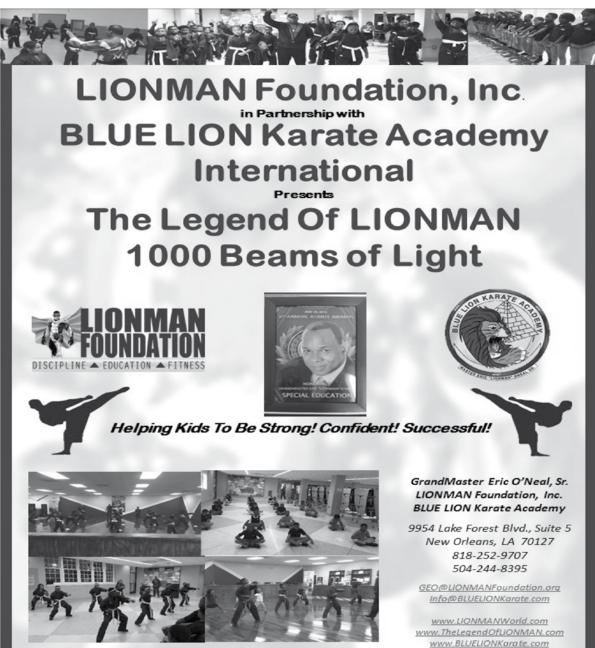
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Data Zone

June, Jane and Joe Celebrate their Birthdays

June Hazeur **Data News Weekly Contributor Photos by Terry Jones**

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On Wednesday, October 23rd, 2019, Joseph Gildersleeve hosted a birthday celebration for "Goins Twins" and himself. Jane Goins Wright and June Goins Hazeur celebrated their 77th birthday and Joseph celebrated his 79th all born on the same date. The celebration was during the weekly "Arthur Mitchell Experience" featuring Percy Williams at The Prime Example Jazz Club. It was a small gathering of family and friends with food and drinks and Champagne. Joe had a special cake baked indicating the ages of the three. Happy Birthday -June $26 \times 3 - 1 = 77$, Jane $26 \times 3 - 1 = 77$, Joe $26 \times 3 + 1 = 79$.

Arthur Mitchell, III is featured every Wednesday at the Prime Example Jazz Club from 8 to 11 P.M.



(L-R) June, Terry Jones, Publisher, Data News Weekly, and Jane



Jane Wright, Joseph Gildersleeve, and June Hazeur



(L-R) Jane Wright, Donnell Brown, her son, and June Hazeur



Alfred Doucette and Cleome Bova



Alfred Doucette singing on stage.



Arthur Mitchell III featuring Percy Williams



Mark Goins, brother to the twins, with Jane in the background



Alfred Doucette on stage Schalvece singing accompanied by Harrison and Dr. Arthur Mitchell and his



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iHeartRadio NOLA Trunk or Treat!

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iHeartRadio NOLA Trunk or Treat!

Many people came out joining iHeartRadio New Orleans to enjoy a safe and fun tricker-treating experience with some of your favorite on-air personalities!

Children ages 3-13 and their parents and loved ones gathered on Saturday, October 26th at 929 Howard Ave. from 5-7 PM wearing their best costumes to enjoy a family-friendly and safe Halloween.

Of course, "The People's Paper Data News Weekly was there!!!









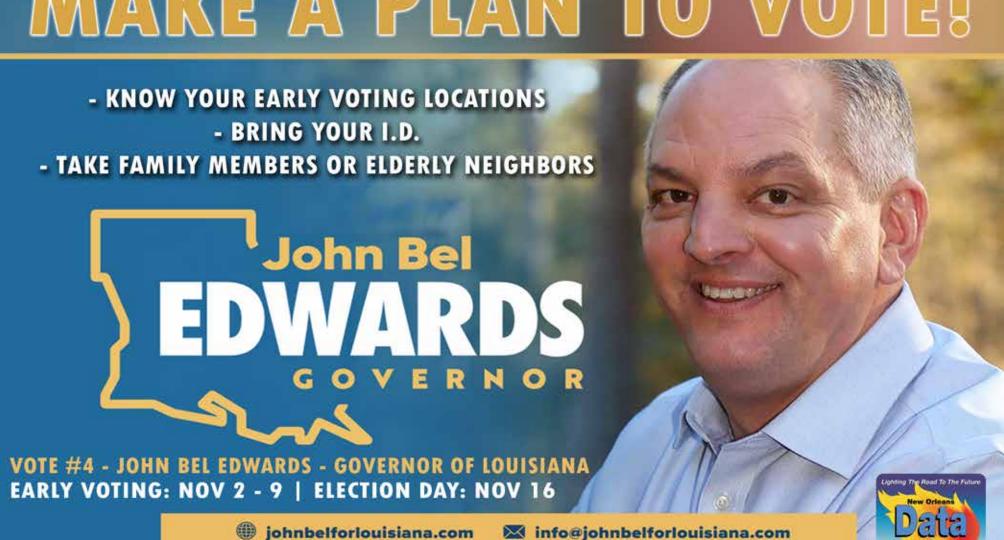






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Commentary

Importance of Educators of Color for Black & Brown Students



Ron Rice Senior Director Government Relations at the National Alliance of Public Charter Schools

I have been a Black student, education policymaker, and now an advocate for providing the best educational opportunities for all our children. One reality that I've had to face and embrace through each of these stages in my life and career is that the prevalence of leaders of color like me is a major contributor to educational success and whose lack thereof stifles that potential. As a student of color, those examples helped me thrive; and today they inform my advocacy.

This month, my organization, the National Alliance of Pub-

lic Charter Schools released its highly-anticipated report, "Identity and Charter School Leadership: Profiles of Leaders of Color Building an Effective Staff" which examined the ways that school leaders of color's experiences and perspectives influence how they build school culture, parent and community relationships, and effective staff. This needed report affirmed what I and many fellow school leaders of color have witnessed first-hand in schools from New Jersey (where I advised the state Department of Education) to Massachusetts, California, Louisiana, Missouri, Wisconsin, and North Carolina, where school leaders of color were studied. The report's finding is clear: our children of color thrive with diverse and experienced teachers who understand their challenges and have a personal, unwavering dedication to their success.

Most importantly, our report is instructive as well because it sheds

light — through the profiles of three public charter school leaders of color from Louisiana, North Carolina, and California — on the principles that can help match our best current and future teachers with our nation's students. Three of those principles that resonated with my two decades in education policy are:

First, fill our school leadership pipeline with talented educators of color who come from non-traditional backgrounds and fields of study. But how do we dispel the myth that there are not enough qualified and passionate people of color who can and want to fill this educational pipeline? One way to do this comes from Eric Sanchez, co-founder of Henderson Collegiate — a network of three schools serving the elementary, middle and high school in Henderson, North Carolina. Instead of only recruiting future educators from traditional education programs, Eric also recruits graduates from

university programs focusing on social justice and ethnic studies. And this encouragement doesn't end once the teachers reach the classroom — we must provide clear pathways for these teachers to pursue school leadership.

Second, school leaders and education policymakers of all colors must be committed to seeing and promoting diversity as an asset, not a deficit; an opportunity, not an obstacle. Imagine how better prepared our children will be for the world of tomorrow if they have been taught the history behind their identity, the language behind their culture, and the geography behind their journey. While nearly all schools struggle with activating this principle for the benefit of our students, our report demonstrates that public charter schools are making substantial progress where traditional public schools haven't.

Third, achievement and demonstrated success — not myths,

preconceptions, and inherited political biases — must be the basis upon which we support the best educational opportunities for all our children. For example, by their design, public charter schools have the flexibility to create and fine-tune curricula, teaching methods, and optimal outcomes that traditional public schools do not. So, why would we ever consider putting obstacles in any educational paths that are showing real achievement?

Race and identity of both our educators and students is only one factor in the holistic successes we are all working towards. However, it's also true that all schools across our country in every community have historically not valued students' diversity and identity as assets to enrich the education they receive. Public charter schools are making real progress to expose this blind spot and make the needed course corrections to ensure the success we've seen for some students are the norm for all.

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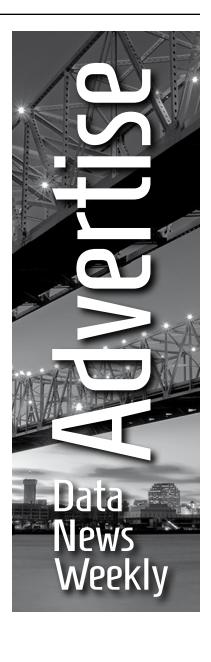
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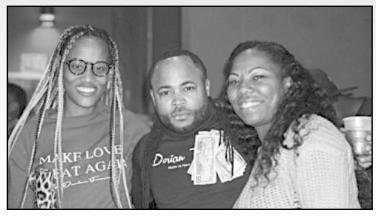
Dorian Francis 1st Annual Icon Karaoke Birthday Bash

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The Love Label by Dorian Francis presents the 1st Annual Icon Karaoke Birthday Bash. This event took place at the Neutral Ground Bar and Grill 1638 Clio Street. Special invited guests included Adonis Rose (New Orleans Jazz Orchestra/Jazz Market) Kango Slim, Eldon (Take Fo Records) Casme, T-Ray the Violinist, Nat (Bar Culture/ Culture Park) and many more.

The purpose of this event was to create awareness and support for our upcoming Literacy Awareness Campaign that will raise funds to support Kids from New Orleans with free ACT Prep Classes and ACT Scholarships that will cover the testing fees. Be on the lookout for the next event supporting this campaign!!!



Ashley Thomas (Professional Photographer), Dorian Francis, and Meka Francis (Xavier University PHD student)



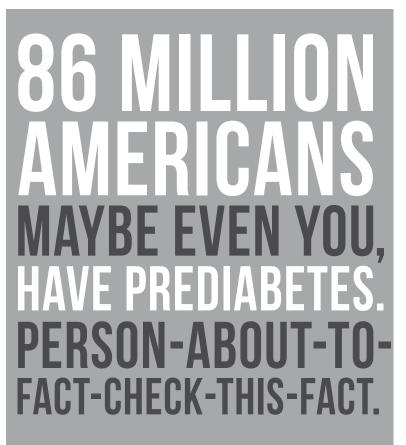
Olga Bankston (Dorian's Grandmother) and Dorian Francis



Jimmy (Business Professional) Kango Slim (Group Partners-n-Crime), Kelwynn Napoleon (Marketing Expert), Jevon (Entrepreneur), Dorian Francis, Nat (Owner of Bar Culture/Culture Park), and Brandon Tarrell (Singer/Songwriter)



Casme' (Singer and Songwriter), Dorian Francis, and Chaval Barnes (Photographer/Owner of Velvety-Photos)



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Fleur De Lis

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He's Baaack!!!

Drew Brees Returns in Amazing Fashion Leading the Saints in a Blowout Game Against Arizona Cardinals

Fleur De Lis **Data News Weekly** Contributor

What's up N.O., this is Fleur De Lis and I am feeling good this week. I know we all are after we got a chance to witness the moment we'd been waiting for; the return of Drew Brees.

While Teddy showed he was ready and held it down winning five straight as a starter. Drew showed what a true master and field general he is with him under center as the Saints offense exploded for 510 yards in a 31-9 wins over the Arizona Cardinals.

Drew did his thing and I must admit did better than I expected after being injured for five weeks. I thought he would have to shake off a little of the dust before being the quarterback who took us to the big one and keeps the Saints a contender year after year.

But Drew made it look easy making the right calls and hitting his favorite target Michael Thomas. Brees threw a total of 11 passes to Thomas, who caught all 11 of them for 112 yards and he also scored



Drew Brees and this Saints teammates celebrate a touchdown. Getty

one touchdown.

In the absence of Alvin Kamara, Latavius Murray showed that he can get it done again running for over 100 yards and scoring two touchdowns; he is showing that he can more than handle the load and is the real deal on the field.

But we in the Who Dat Nation know once Kamara suits back up the Saints will be more of a problem for any team, they face with an

already unstoppable offense led by Drew Brees.

On the other side of the ball, the defense is also showing signs of greatness holding the Arizona Cardinals to nine points in a game that was dominated by the Black and Gold.

It was amazing watching the game with friends as we celebrated the return of Drew Brees. It was great seeing the fans in the SuperCam Jordan (94) tweeted out after winning game against Arizona Car-

dinals "Great team win I normally talk bout #24hrrule but we headed into bye week!!! I love it! I love our defense! I love our team! #whodat"

dome as they cheered on the Black and Gold who continues to roll.

Next up...the Dirty Birds of Atlanta, who after our bye week, the team should be well-rested and ready to whip up on our bitter division rivals.

Who would have thought after the injury to Drew Brees and being out for five weeks the Saints would be atop their division with a record of 7-1 as they enter mid-season? But

guess what, "The Who Dat's Did That" we are showing we are contenders; overcoming all obstacles and adversity and showing we can find a way to win. This is something that is not just about our football team but who we are as a City.

Until next time, this is Fleur De Lis, second lining and good timing after the Saints win and welcoming back Drew Brees...He's Baaack and Better Than Ever!!!!

Sports

LSU Ranked NO. 1 in Latest College Football AP Poll

Will Face Off Against No. 2 Alabama on Nov. 9th



BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA - OCTOBER 26th: Head coach Ed Orgeron of the LSU Tigers leads the team on to the field against the Auburn Tigers prior to the game at Tiger Stadium on October 26, 2019, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. (Photo by Chris Graythen/Getty Images)

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On Nov. 9th it will be the game of the college football game of the year as No. 1 LSU Tigers will face off against the No. 2 Alabama Crimson Tide.

This week both teams are heading into an off week before the big game.

Sunday, Alabama was bumped down to number two in the AP Poll as LSU moved up to number one. The Tigers barely edged Alabama by two points (1,476 to



LSU Quarterback Joe Burrow scrambles from Auburn pressure during the first half of their game Oct. 26, 2019, in Baton Rouge, La. (Gerald) Herbert / Associated Press)

1,474) to claim the top spot in the poll. This shift in ranking came after LSU beat Auburn 23-20 at home on Saturday. Although Alabama had a big win at home over Arkansas, it wasn't enough to keep Alabama at the number one spot in the AP Poll.

The Tigers will travel to Tusca-

loosa to take on Alabama for which promises to be one of the mostwatched games of the college regular season.

LSU is having a stellar year under Coach Ed Orgeron and Heisman Candidate Quarterback, Joe Burrow, who is having a record setting year.



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IN MEMORIAM: John Conyers Dies at 90

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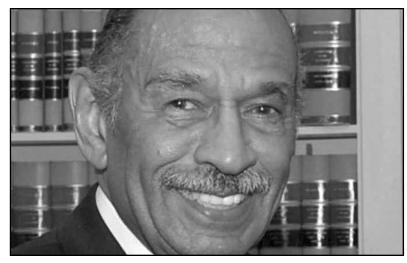
Former U.S. Congressman John Conyers, whose 15-year fight to pass legislation that would make Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday a federal holiday, has died. He was 90.

The longtime Michigan Democrat represented what is now the state's 13th Congressional District (which includes parts of western Detroit) for more than 50 years. Conyers resigned in 2017.

Conyers was born in Detroit in 1929. He was elected to Congress in 1965 and immediately became a forceful voice in the Civil Rights Movement, co-sponsoring the Voting Rights Act of that same year.

Conyers was the first African American to chair the powerful House Judiciary Committee and helped spearhead the 1994 Violence against Women Act.

Conyers and 12 other African American members of the House of Representatives founded the Congressional Black Caucus in 1971.



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"We always knew where he stood on issues of equality and civil rights in the fight for the people," Rep. Rashida Tlaib, who now represents Conyers' district, tweeted.

"Sad to hear of the passing of former Congressman John Conyers," the Rev. Al Sharpton stated. "He worked with us on many civil rights cases as Chair of the House Judiciary Committee and helped lead the fight for the Martin Luther King [Jr.] Holiday."

"Most of us from Michigan loved our congressman. He was idolized and was absolutely an icon. Not only was he an icon of the civil rights movement but we looked to him for leadership. This is a massive loss. All of us in business, the clergy, the community, respected, admired and aspired to be like John Conyers," Said Hiram Jackson, President and CEO of Real Times Media.

"Congressman John Conyers decades ago held the first U.S. Congressional Hearings on Racially-Motivated Police Brutality; led the House Judiciary Hearings on Criminal Justice and Prison Reform in America; was co-founder of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC); and was a leading congressional advocate for the freedom of Angela Davis, the Wilmington Ten, and all political prisoners in the United States," remarked Dr. Benjamin F. Chavis Jr., the president and CEO of the National Newspaper Publishers Association.

"Conyers was a constitutional scholar and political visionary whose longstanding vision for freedom, justice and equality was unparalleled in the Congress of the United States," Chavis continued. "May God bless the freedom-fighting memory and legacy of The Honorable John Conyers." Chavis stated

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Tyler Perry Studios set to hold Democratic Presidential Debate November 20th

New Orleans Native Continues to Make Impact in the Entertainment Industry and is Now Entering the Political Arena

E. Benjamin Data News Weekly Contributor

It's been several weeks since New Orleans native and entertainment mogul opened Tyler Perry Studios, which was a star-studded and much-publicized event.

Tyler Perry continues to flex his muscles and clout entering the arena of politics. It's been reported that his studio will host the fifth Democratic Presidential Debate on November 20th.



New Orleans Native Tyler Perry inside his Tyler Perry Studios, which is the first large scale studio owned by an African American.

He continues to make history as Tyler Perry Studios is the first large scale studio owned by an African American. The studio backlot houses 12 soundstages each named after an African American trailblazer in addition to production facilities for Perry's film and TV projects and third-party studios.

This is not a small feat for

who once lived in his car trying to make his dream come true. Through hard work, determination and prayer today Perry stands atop of the entertainment world with a complex that is reported, larger than Paramount, Warner Bros. and Walt Disney's Burbank studios combined."

the New Orleans born Perry,

The debate that is scheduled to take place on November 20th from 8 to 10 PM CST will be, hosted by MSNBC and The Washington Post.

In a nod to equity and giving all a voice this debate will have an all-female set of moderators. Rachel Maddow, who moderated the debate in June, will be joined by Andrea Mitchell, host of "Andrea Mitchell Reports" on MSNBC; Kristen Welker, NBC News' White House Correspondent; and Ashley Parker, a White House Reporter for The Washington Post.

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