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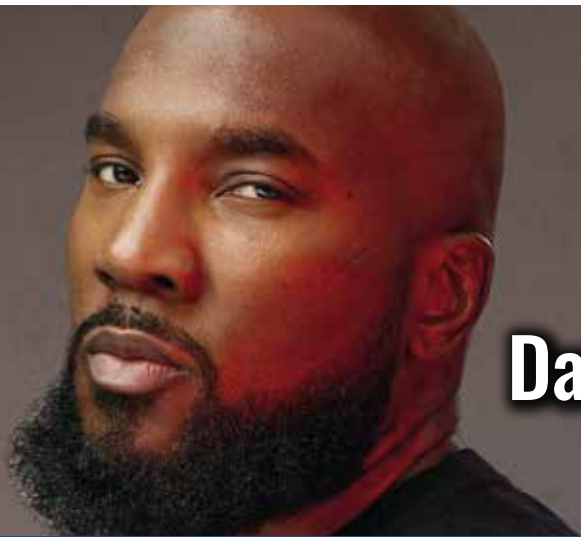
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Mayor Cantrell Selects Anne Kirkpatrick to Lead the New Orleans Police Department but Must Receive Confirmation from City Council



Anne Kilpatrick has been chosen as a finalist for New Orleans Police Superintendent after a nationwide search. She will now go before the City Council to take part in confirmation hearings.

Data News Staff Edited Report

It has been a question to many for months. In this new process of collaboration between two branches of City Government to select the next Police Chief. This week, in a surprising move

to some, Mayor LaToya Cantrell selected Anne Kirkpatrick as the finalist for the next Superintendent of the New Orleans Police Department (NOPD).
“Following an extensive, nationwide search, I am grateful that Anne Kirkpatrick has accepted the opportunity

to lead the New Orleans Police Department and continue improving our city’s public safety through a collaborative, holistic approach,” said Mayor LaToya Cantrell.
“With over 35 years of experience in law enforcement, coupled with 20 years

of leading police departments of even larger municipalities, Kirkpatrick has proven that she is more than capable and has what it takes to now lead the world-class NOPD. The safety and well-being of each and every resident and visitor have always been my top priority,

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and I look forward to the positive path that is ahead for NOPD, under the direction of Ms. Kirkpatrick, as we continue to do our part to protect and serve the residents and visitors of this great city."

Kirkpatrick is one of the most tenured police executives in the country, with over 35 years of policing experience and 20 years as a Chief of Police. A Memphis, Tenn. native, Kirkpatrick has a proven track record across a diverse number of jurisdictions for transforming police departments and reducing violent crime. Kirkpatrick most recently served as Chief of Police in Oakland, where she implemented a significant cultural change in terms of increasing police accountability and transparency, improving Procedural Justice and implementing equity-based decision-making. This cultural shift coincided with a 20-year low homicide rate and a decrease in non-fatal shootings during her tenure.

Prior to her tenure in Oakland, Kirkpatrick served as Bureau Chief in Chicago, where she was the liaison to the Department of Justice (DOJ) while the Chicago Police Department was under investiga-



New Orleans Mayor LaToya Cantrell

tion for patterns and practices of Civil Rights Violations, resulting in a consent decree. Kirkpatrick also served as Chief of Police in the cities of Ellensburg, Federal Way, and

Spokane, all in the State of Washington, as well as serving as Under-sheriff of the King County Sheriff's Office. In addition to executive leadership experience, Kirkpatrick



City Council Vice President Helena Morena

is a National Instructor for the FBI's Law Enforcement Executive Association's Leadership Training Program, where she instructs on topics including, but not limited to,

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The Power of Women

Surviving the Storms of Life



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There is a certain flow we must all have in order to sustain comfortability to progress in the world – but when you’ve survived a disaster like Hurricane Katrina whereas many were left to provide and resolve things on their own, one can become overwhelmed with adapting and learning new ways to provide even in the midst of an unforeseen new world.

Today, we are back strong as we celebrate the good, the bad and the raw truth of how our lives have been altered. We must learn the new flow of the river as we continue being strong women who sometimes have had to find our own way in order to restrain our minds and bodies from depression and anxiety.

Being mentally strong is not about what car we drive, it’s not about how cute you look and how popular you are because it is about our character. We all have the strength to continue on but



some of us may need to still overcome the fear of change. Mentally strong women face their fears, issues and problems with grace and confidence, they are proud of themselves and for others who continue to move forward in excellence.

As we celebrate the good times and the bad know that in your darkest hours you were able to find the best

path as you navigate through life in a river full of unforeseen changes. You should be proud because you deserve to feel honored and prideful rebuilding your home and your life while raising a family in disastrous times.

Let’s keep rebuilding and supporting one another because it takes a village for strong women to maintain their

sense of courage in a time where life is short and how you live it is how you cope with the realities of this world. You are a survivor. Never let anyone tell you what you can’t do because you are a woman who can sustain her family even in the midst of troubled times.

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Saints Win Season Opener

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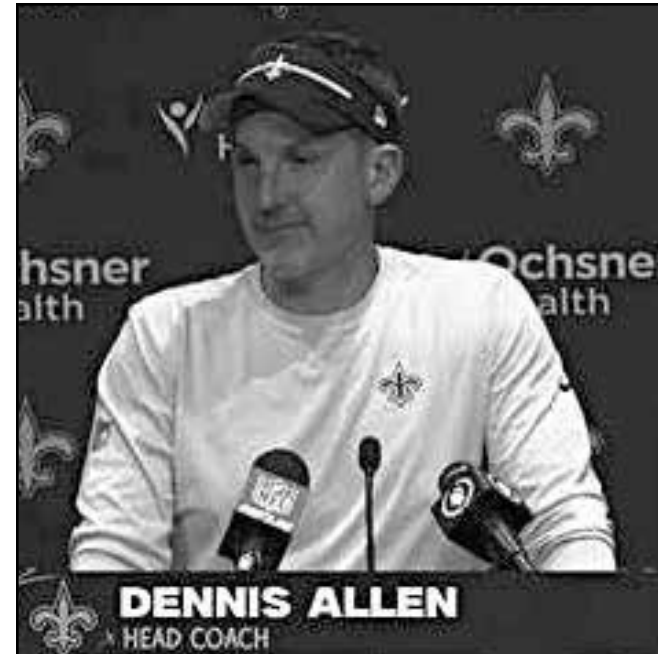
Welcome back my Black and Gold Who Dat Fam!!! Yeah it's Ya Man Fleur De Lis, giving you everything N.O.

Ask yourself, what did you think when you watched the Saints' regular season opener? If they can play this way from week to week, they have a pretty strong chance of winning the NFC South and being one of the elite teams in the NFL.

The defense showed and proved in a game where Tennessee was not able to put the ball in the endzone plus turning the ball over three times. Our offense did well, but they will have to show more explosiveness in the weeks to come. With the return of Alvin



The new duo leading the Saints QB Derek Carr and Head Coach Dennis Allen is beginning the season on a high note after defeating the Tennessee Titans in the Superdome. The Who Dat Nation are excited about this season for the Black and Gold.



Kamara and what we are seeing in Chris Olave and Derek Carr in the pocket, the Saints could again become one of the best offensive

teams in the league.

We are going to see how the season unfolds.

This victory was just good

enough on offense, plus almost perfect on defense, with a splash of special teams' lightning and accuracy was what got New Orleans

its victory and will send them to Charlotte, N.C., to face division rival the Carolina Panthers next Monday night.

State & Local News

Delgado Leveraging Scholarship Fund to Support Student Advancement in Core Industries

Data News Staff Edited Report

Delgado Community College's alumni, business, and community partners are aligning to increase scholarship opportunities for Delgado students through the Building Futures Scholarship Fund.

Established in 2020 by Todd Trosclair, a Delgado alumnus, local businessman, and board member of the Delgado Community College Foundation, the Building Futures Scholarship offers financial assistance to eligible students enrolled in Allied Health, Construction Management, Culinary Arts, Motor Vehicle Technology, and Nursing Programs who demonstrate a financial need.

Delgado has awarded approximately \$163,767 in Building Futures scholarships to date, and 19 currently enrolled Delgado students are among those who have benefited from the fund.

To leverage the scholarship's purpose and impact, the Founda-



tion will host the Annual Building Futures Scholarship Luncheon on Monday, September 18, 2023, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Galerie de Galatoire, 211 Royal Street in New Orleans. GNO Inc. President & CEO Michael Hecht will serve as

the luncheon's featured speaker.

Delgado Chancellor Dr. Larissa Littleton-Steib said: "Delgado remains innovative in creating solutions that support students along their academic journey. The Building Futures Scholarship exempli-

fies our ongoing commitment to ensure matriculating students remain on course to graduate and transition into the workforce or continued learning."

Trosclair said: "Delgado provided a transformative learning experience that pivoted my life, career,

and pursuit of entrepreneurship. We recognize the importance of Philanthropic Investments for Building Futures and welcome the support of businesses, alumni, and the community-at-large in creating greater opportunities for current and future Delgado students."

The 2023 Building Futures Luncheon is presented with support from sponsors including, but not limited to: Banner Ford and Chevrolet, Hancock Whitney, Galatoire Foundation, All Star Electric Inc., LCMC Health, Lemoine, Premier Automotive, Operating Engineers Local 406, RMS, Louisiana Seafood, the Office of Lieutenant Governor Billy Nungesser, Crawford, Ochsner Health and Manning Architects.

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Coco Gauff Makes History

Youngest U.S. Open Champion Since Serena Williams in 1999

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Coco Gauff has etched her name in tennis history as she clinched the U.S. Open singles title, becoming the youngest player since Serena Williams' historic victory in 1999 when she was just 17 years old. Gauff's remarkable triumph came after an intense three-set battle against Aryna Sabalenka, with a final score of 2-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Amidst the crowd's roar and the flashbulbs of countless cameras, Gauff stood on the iconic Arthur Ashe Stadium, her trophy shining brightly, and her victory speech filled with a sense of readiness for the fame that will undoubtedly come her way. "I'm ready," Gauff proclaimed, her youthful confidence evident. "I embrace it. I know how to keep my peace but also embrace all of this around me."

As Gauff accepted her winner's check of \$3 million, she took a moment to graciously thank tennis legend Billie Jean King, who stood alongside her on the stage. The gesture highlighted Gauff's perspective, humor, and charm that has set the stage for American sports' next global superstar.



Tennis Phenom CoCo Gauff blazing a trail for a new generation of African Americans in the world of tennis.

"She is so humble," said Pere Riba, Gauff's coach, in the post-match interview. "Her work ethic is so strong, so professional, and she has very good manners. Put all of that together, and she will only get better. She can handle it all."

Gauff has long been earmarked as one of tennis' next superstars. Her maturity on and off the court, intelligence, and ability to articulate

herself have endeared her to the American public and the global tennis community.

Even prominent figures in the political arena couldn't contain their excitement. President Joe Biden took to X, formerly known as Twitter, to congratulate the young champion. "Congrats to U.S. Open Champion Coco Gauff," he tweeted. "You electrified Arthur Ashe

stadium and the entire nation – the first of more to come and proof that anything is possible if you never give up and always believe. You've made America so proud."

Former President Barack Obama and former First Lady Michelle Obama, who cheered Gauff during her first-round match against Laura Siegmund, also extended congratulations. "We couldn't be prouder of you on and off the court – and we know the best is yet to come," Barack Obama wrote. The former First Lady paid tribute to Gauff's "hard work and grit" and shared a cherished photo of their meeting after that memorable first-round match.

Former President Bill Clinton joined the chorus of praise, describing Gauff's victory as "incredible" and expressing optimism for the future of American tennis. Serena Williams, whom Gauff credits for inspiring her dreams, shared her excitement on Instagram, writing, "Ahhhhh!!!! Amazing!!!!"

Gauff reflected proudly on her victory. "My dad took me to this tournament, sitting right there, watching Venus and Serena compete, so it's really incredible to be here on this stage," she stated.

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"It is my honor to be the selected candidate to be the next Superintendent of Police for a world-class city and police department," said Kirkpatrick. "I look forward to the next phase in the process and commit to being fully transparent. I will dedicate my life and 35 years of ex-

perience to serving Mayor Cantrell and the City of New Orleans, as well as the brave men and women of the New Orleans Police Department. Together, we will continue to make meaningful strides in the right direction to reduce crime and keep the residents and visitors of this city safe."

Now that Mayor Cantrell has selected Kirkpatrick as the finalist,

the Cantrell Administration looks forward to working collaboratively with the City Council to conduct a confirmation process, as required by the Home Rule Charter.

City Council Vice President Helena Moreno has issued the following statement on the nomination of the new police superintendent:

"All I have asked for during the search for a new police chief is that

the very best candidate be chosen in a transparent and fair process. Arguably, transparency has been an issue, but hopefully, more can be brought to light as we move toward the confirmation process. I look forward to learning more about Anne Kirkpatrick, her previous work, and most importantly, her plans to make the City of New Orleans safer and improve our NOPD."

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