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Chibueze Momah

# TEARS AS TWO NIGERIANS ARE KILLED

## IN VAUGHAN, ANOTHER IN MISSISSAUGA

By Stanley Ugagbe  
 Nigerians in Canada, particularly the Ibusa Community were recently thrown into mourning following the deaths of two Nigerians who were killed in Vaughan and another who was killed Mississauga.



Mitchell Nwabuoku

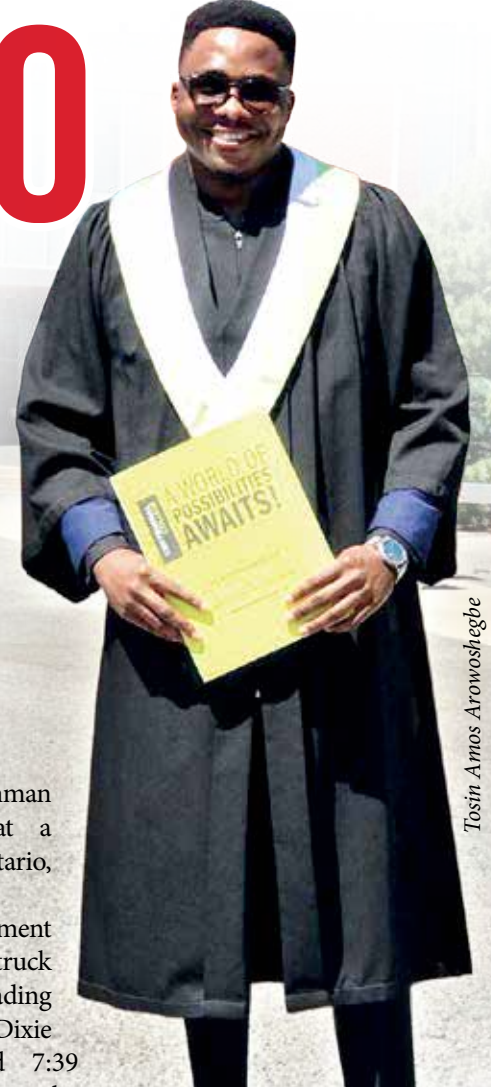
25-year-old Tosin Amos Arowoshegbe and 22-year-old Chibueze Momah, were killed

by a yet-to-be nabbed gunman following a shooting at a nightclub in Vaughan, Ontario, Toronto North.

In another development 4-year-old Mitchell was struck and killed by a Go Train heading west from Dixie from the Dixie Station ground around 7:39 p.m. on Tuesday, July 26. in the Dundas and Cawthra Rd. area.

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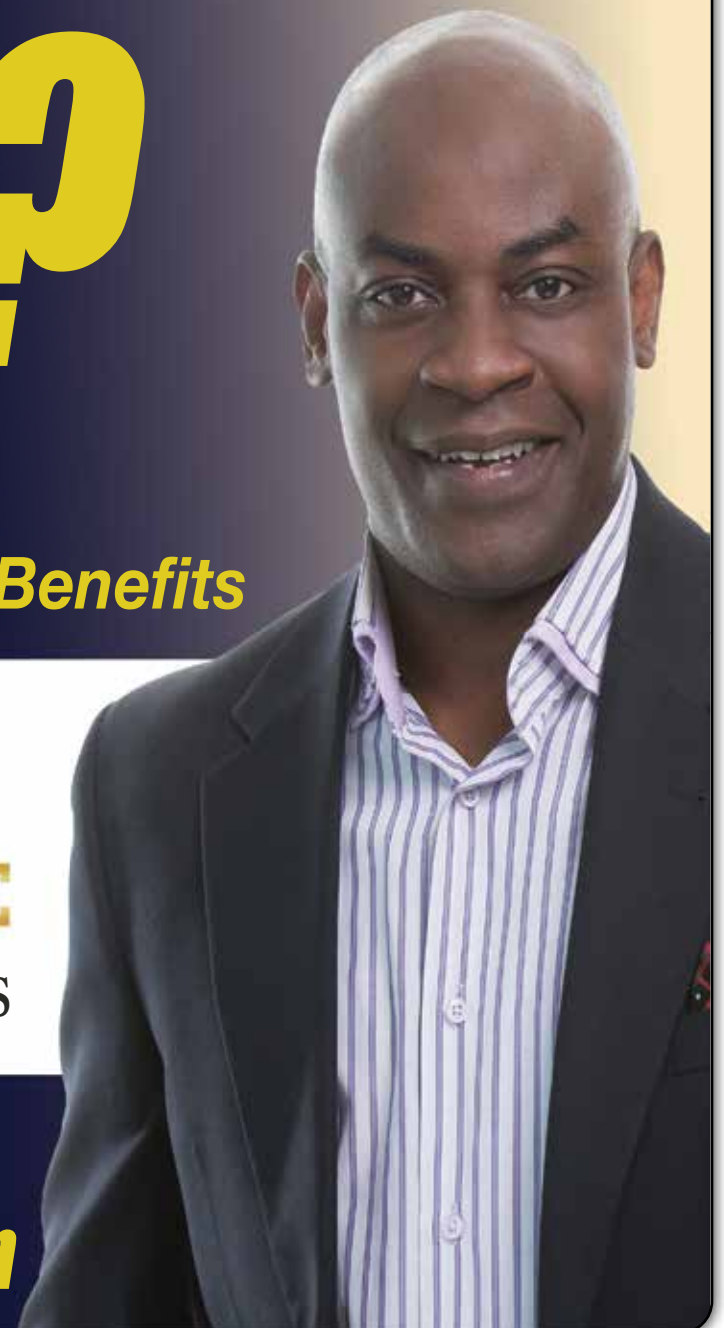


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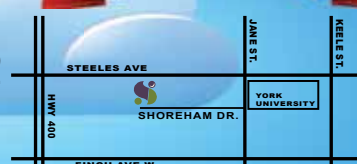
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## Of the Demands by Indigenous People in Alberta and Justice for the Victims of Vaughan Shooting

In a recent historic move, during his meeting with First Nations, Métis and Inuit communities on the grounds of the former Ermine-skin residential school in Maskwacis, Alberta, a place that was once home to the largest number of residential schools in Canada, Pope Francis said he was "deeply sorry" for the ways in which "many Christians supported the colonizing mentality of the powers that oppressed the Indigenous peoples" and for the Catholic Church's complicity "in projects of cultural destruction and forced assimilation promoted by the governments of that time, which culminated in the system of residential schools."

The Pope's visit came after years of pleas from Indigenous leaders and leading politicians for a Vatican apology about the schools, which were allegedly designed to erase Indigenous cul-

ture and language by forcibly separating children from their families to assimilate them into Western ways. According to reports, the Catholic Church ran 60 to 70 percent of the roughly 130 residential schools under contract to the government. Yet the Vatican for years had repeatedly resisted calls for a papal apology.

Ottawa had admitted that physical and sexual abuse was rampant at the schools, with students beaten for speaking their native languages. That legacy of that abuse and isolation from family has been cited by Indigenous leaders as a root cause of the epidemic rates of alcohol and drug addiction now on Canadian reservations. The Canadian government formally apologized 14 years ago for establishing the schools and has paid billions of dollars in reparations to former students. The Protestant churches

that were also involved in the schools long ago followed suit.

The Pope's apology was however greeted with mixed feelings as some survivors of the residential school system who were present during Francis's apology described the moment as historic and "bittersweet," but said that the highly anticipated apology will only be meaningful if it's followed by concrete action. Samson Cree Nation Chief Vernon Saddleback while speaking during a press conference after the Pope's apology, said "Words cannot describe how important today is for the healing journey for a lot of First Nations people." While noting that "I'm really grateful for this event to happen," he called the pope's apology a historic moment not only for Canada, but for all First Nations communities.

In similar vein, Frog Leg Cree Nation Chief Greg Desjarlais voiced gratitude that a papal apology finally happened in Canada, saying, "today is a bittersweet day. It's bitter in some people's minds and hearts, some people are upset, but it's also sweet for some that have moved on and moved into a direction of healing. There is a better life for our people out there, even though our ancestors went through the social ills, the atrocities, the abuse."

In his reaction, Chief Tony Alexis of the Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation said "We can't just leave it like that," stressing the need to do more, saying "we have to really take the steps to help heal and recover our people." He continued that both the Catholic Church and the government "need to step up to this. You can't just say I'm sorry and walk away. There has to be effort, there has to be work, and more meaningful action behind it". He added that "There's a lot of work that still has to happen."

A survivor, Evelyn Korkmaz, who attended

St. Anne's residential school, said she has waited 50 years for the pope's apology, "and finally today I heard it." "I am glad I lived long enough to have witnessed this apology, but I want more, because 50 years is too long to wait for an apology," she said, saying she was disappointed that the pope did not present "a workplan" of how he intends to continue the path of reconciliation, "because reconciliation means many different things to different people."

These clamours by these survivors, borne out of deep pains and grief should be taken with all seriousness. Often than not, wounds that emanated from physical and sexual abuse do not always heal by just words of apology. We strongly recommend that a workplan of how to continue the path of reconciliation be unveiled and implemented anon. This is because reconciliation means many different things to different people.

As a people-oriented paper keenly interested in the wellbeing of the society, we strongly believe that if further actions are taken to help assuage the situation, victims will be more pleased and it will help them to heal. There has to be effort, there has to be work, and more meaningful action behind the verbal apology.

In another devel-

opment, we are deeply alarmed by the recent shootings at a nightclub in Vaughan, Ontario, Toronto north which claimed the lives of two Nigerians, Tosin Amos Arowoshegbe and Chibueze Momah.

The unfortunate and heinous incident, is condemnable and irreparably unacceptable. Tosin, 25, and Eze, 22, two young men that were full of life and great potentials were going about their businesses in their work place before they were met with untimely deaths in the hands of a terror(s).

We demand justice for these innocent Nigerians. We are perturbed that such anomaly is still obtainable in our society. Human life is sacred and irreplaceable and so, everything possible must be done to protect lives. We have always emphasized that irrespective of colour or background, there is only one race – the human race. We demand that the police and indeed, the government leave no stone unturned in bringing the perpetrator(s) to book.

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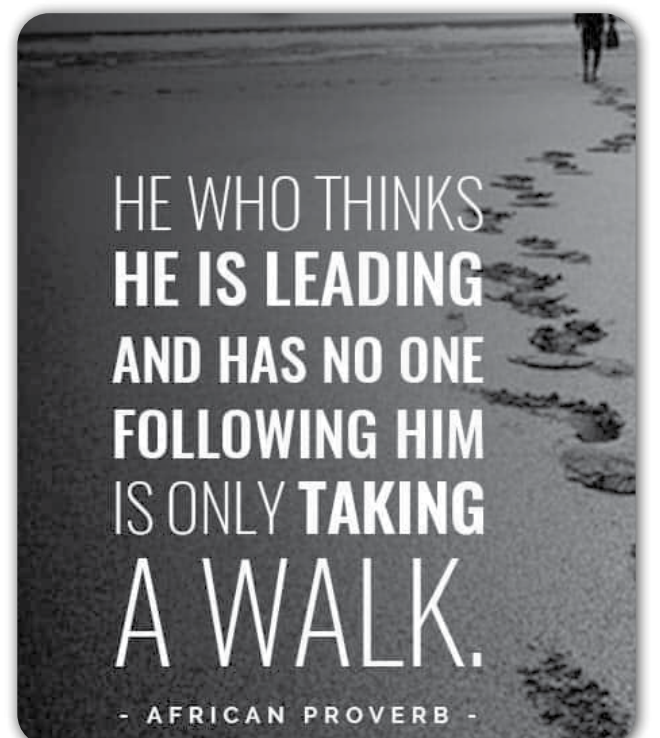
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# What to look for when shopping for natural products

(NC) Finding the right products for you and your family can be tough – especially when you’re looking for healthy options. Whether you’re shopping for food, cleaning materials, bath and body products or supplements, understanding natural product labels can be confusing and sometimes overwhelming. To help you navigate the world of natural products, here are three things to re-



member when you’re out shopping.

**SIMPLICITY IS KEY**

If you’re reading a product label and its ingredient list is complex and full of items you

can’t recognize or pronounce, that may be a flag that the product isn’t natural. Natural products will feature a simple list of ingredients, and many of them will be ones you know. If you’re not sure, ask store staff about an ingredient or do some research online.

**CHECK FOR CERTIFICATIONS**

Look for certifications that confirm a product has met require-

ments for green or eco-friendly and non-GMO or organic designations. Purchasing foods with the “non-GMO” or “organic” label may be your safest bet when it comes to overall health and minimal toxins. When shopping for supplements, look for a natural product number indicated with NPN or a homeopathic medicine number, which is referred to as a DIN-HM. The eight-digit DIN-HM number is given

to a product by Health Canada once it has been deemed safe, effective and of high quality.

**KNOW THAT “NATURAL” ISN’T ALWAYS WHAT IT SEEMS**

When shopping for natural foods, it is important to do your research because the word “natural” can be used widely in the food world. For example, foods containing highly processed

high fructose corn syrup can be labeled natural since the synthetic materials used to create this ingredient are not present in the final product. Foods containing genetically engineered or modified ingredients can also be labeled natural.

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## How to get a handle on your busy life



(NC) In our go-go world, being busy has become the rule rather than the exception for many people. It’s important to take proactive steps to manage stress and to give yourself the nutrients your body needs to sustain a busy lifestyle.

**LIMIT CAFFEINE INTAKE**

Aim to have no more than two cups of coffee each day, and have your last cup before noon. Caffeine may cause nervousness and jitters, none of which is good if you are already feeling anxious. Lowering caffeine intake helps keep you calm throughout the day and helps ensure you can fall into a good night’s sleep.

Focus on getting high quality sleep

Restorative sleep is the cornerstone of optimal health. Aim to get about eight hours of uninterrupted sleep each night. If you are having trouble falling asleep, try shutting down devices at least an hour before bed, don’t have any sugar close to bedtime, and make sure that your sleep sanctuary is cool and dark.

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## 5 tips to make the most of time with your pet

(NC) Now that many of us are back to in-person activities, we often spend less time with our pets. But that doesn’t mean they have to be deprived or lose out on the fun parts of life.

Here are some ideas on how you can make the most of every moment with your pet.

**SCHEDULE PLAYTIME**

Although your dog most likely gets a walk every day, try to incorporate some play into your time together. From playing fetch or tug of war; playtime should be cathartic for both you and your furry friend. Even just 15 minutes of play with your pet can improve their quality of life and prevent behavioural issues.

**TURN GROOMING**

connects the brain to the body. A healthy nervous system connection can help ease anxiety. The best food sources for zinc include oysters, red meat, and poultry. Pumpkin seeds, legumes and other plant-based foods also offer high amounts of zinc.

**BALANCE MOOD**

**INTO BONDING**

When you stop thinking about grooming as a chore and instead consider it a way to spend time with your pet, it will become easier. You may not get all their nails trimmed in one go, but you’ll build a relationship and routine that makes this time together stress free and more enjoyable.

**SNUGGLE UP**

Who doesn’t love getting cozy with their pet? Don’t underestimate time on the couch with your furry BFF – even if you’re watching television, you can still make it quality time. Next time you’re binging a show, call your pet over and see if they’ll stay. They’ll benefit from the extra one-on-one time and feel like part of the family.

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**CREATE SHARED**

that helps control sleep and wake cycles.

A high-stress lifestyle can make it difficult for you to get enough of the key nutrients that help manage mood and anxiety, as well as stress and sleep. Second to nutrient-dense food choices, consider high-quality supplementation to maintain a healthy

**MOMENTS**

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stress response. Choose high-quality supplements from Canadian companies such as CanPrev that guarantee transparency, purity, and potency. They integrate the latest research, development and quality assurance into each formula.

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## Provinces want higher control over immigration to tackle labor shortage

By N.Ugoh

In a recent letter, Manitoba, Ontario, Alberta, and Saskatchewan Ministers have called on Sean Fraser, Canada's minister of immigration, refugees and citizenship, to give their provinces allowance to choose more immigrants "with the skills they need most."

The letter stated: "We need the ability to respond to the rapidly evolving needs of specific areas and communities, with a flexible system that we can adapt to changing economic and humanitarian needs."

The ministers said ahead of a meeting with Fraser and their fellow immigration ministers in Saint John, N.B., that Canada must do more to get and retain workers—especially in skilled trades. According to them, provinces should be permitted to hire workers and offer them good local jobs.

The letter says provinces understand their lo-



cal economies best, and can select newcomers who have "the greatest chance of success" to Canada

"We are facing a global race for talent as people all around the world search for a better place to build a life for themselves and their families."

According to the ministry, out of 198,085 people that immigrated to Ontario in 2021, the province was allowed to choose 9,000 (around 4.5 per cent) through the Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program, a

program that "recognizes and nominates people for permanent residence who have the skills and experience the Ontario economy needs."

While talking to CBC, Ontario's minister of labour, immigration, training and skills development, Monte McNaughton said the province wanted the federal government to double its allocation to choose at least 18,000 skilled immigrants out of the 211,000 coming to Ontario in 2022.

The allocation was in-

creased by 700.

According to Ontario labour ministry's data, most of the four provinces with the biggest immigration numbers in 2021 had low percentages of immigrants they were permitted to choose. Alberta was allowed to select 15 per cent of its 39,950 immigrants while British Columbia was allocated 9.3 per cent of its 69,270 newcomers.

Quebec was the only province with an exception, which selected 55.8 per cent of its 50,170 immigrants.

McNaughton revealed other provincial ministers "are in the same boat" as far as labour shortages are concerned, but that the biggest challenge is in Ontario, where 378,000 jobs are left unfilled. He said the focus of the province is on two sectors: health care and skilled trades.

He said: "So it makes more sense for the provinces (in particular Ontario) to have a say in the skilled immigrants that we need to fill these jobs."

## Aregbesola orders NIS to allow Nigerians with expired passports return home

By N.Ugoh

Nigeria's Minister of Interior, Rauf Aregbesola, has ordered the Nigeria Immigration Service (NIS), to permit Nigerians in diaspora to return to Nigeria with their expired International Passports.

Aregbesola gave the order while responding to a complaint laid by a Nigerian-American citizen, Jamui Kasumu, at the Alausa Passport Office during his recent unscheduled visit to the facility in Lagos.

Kasumu complained to the Minister that he was prevented by Nigeria Immigration in America and Delta airline from coming to Nigeria due to an expired Nigerian passport.

Kasumu explained that he was able to come back to Nigeria after getting a travel certificate through a relation in Nigeria.

He said: "I am ap-

pealing to you sir that the Immigration should allow Nigerians with expired Passport to come back to their country."

In his response, Aregbesola said Nigerians in diaspora could come back home with an expired or non-expired Nigerian passport.

While talking further, the Honourable Minister said no Nigerian needed travel certificate to travel back home, except children born by Nigerians, whose identities have not been established according to immigration rule.

He said: "I am using this medium to instruct all Nigeria Immigration Officers World-Wide to accord Nigerian travellers with expired Passport use such passports to return safely back home henceforth."

Also, the Minister advised Nigerians in diaspora to update their travel document on time to avoid rush during emergencies.

## How former B.C minister, John sexually assaulted me at age 13 – Victim

By Stanley Ugagbe

The embattled former B.C. cabinet minister Ed John has begun his trial in B.C. Supreme Court in Prince George with emotional testimony from the alleged victim.

According to reports, the 73-year-old is charged with four counts of having sexual intercourse with a female without consent, a charge that existed in the Criminal Code of Canada when the alleged offences took place in 1974. It's imperative to state that there have been a number of revisions to the code since then, and the charge no longer exists under the current code.

At the trial, the alleged victim testified that the sexual assaults began when she was 13 years old and an employee of John, who was 25 at the time and a recent graduate of the University of Victoria. He was the director of the Doh Day De Claa Friendship Centre in Prince George and she was employed to help with youth programming.

She said "He was a hero in my eyes".

Narrating her ordeal,

she told the court that she was aware he was a university graduate and believed he was either a lawyer already, or was heading to law school.

Reacting, the defence lawyers claimed the encounters were consensual and questioned the witness's timeline of events. It was reported that they attempted to throw doubt on her recollections by pointing out inconsistencies in her description of John's hair at the time and past statements made to police.

However, the witness's story did not change throughout cross examination.

In her words, John assaulted her twice in his office at the Doh Day De Claa Friendship Centre.

The victim alleged the other two offences occurred west of Prince George when John claimed to be driving her to a youth conference. She stated that they never made it to the conference. Rather, he assaulted her twice in remote spots along Highway 16.

Delineating on the issue, she said the first assault allegedly took place in the front seat of his Volkswagen Beetle

while the second assault allegedly occurred on the grounds of the former Lejac Residential School, where both John and the witness were forced to attend, though they were not students there at the same time.

Also, the witness claimed she was afraid to resist his assaults because he was her boss and her only ride back to Prince George.

When defence lawyer Tony Paisana asked why she didn't fight back, she said "I did what he asked me to do ... If I said no, then what?"

"Would he have left me there for the bears?"

In her narration, the alleged victim testified that the offences all occurred over the spring and summer of 1974 in the area of Prince George. Reacting, John's lawyers suggest the encounters happened the following summer, when the alleged victim would have been 14.

It's germane to note that John is the hereditary chief of the Tl'azt'en Nation and was appointed to the B.C. cabinet as minister for children and families from November 2000 to June 2001.

## Toronto School Renamed In Honour Of Beloved Retired Head Librarian, Dr Rita Cox

By N.Ugoh

Queen Victoria Public School in Parkdale, Toronto, has been renamed Dr Rita Cox-Kina Minogok Public School. This development happened in a bid to honour Dr Rita Cox, who retired as the school's Head Librarian.

In a letter written to the community, dated on May 26, Dr Debbie Donsky, Superintendent of education, and Darlene Jones, the school's Principal, said the vote to rename the school was conducted at the regular board meeting that took place on May 25.

"The School Naming Committee, in an act of solidarity, recommended merging the two names, Dr Rita Cox Public School and Kina Minogok (All Things Grow Well Together). The name was chosen, after months of consultation work with the Committee composed."

While reacting to the development, Cox said she was honoured, much humbled, grateful and proud of this action by the school board.

The suggestion to rename the school was presented to the board of trustees in May 2021, and the process was supervised by TDSB (Toronto District School Board) policy



and procedure (P047 and PR592).

A call for submissions for potential new names to replace Queen Victoria PS was launched by the committee. Over 150 names were presented by the community for consideration, and a shortlist was submitted for feedback to the community, during a town hall meeting which took place in February.

The school officials said: "We want to thank each one of you for your participation and interest in the renaming process, including those, who came to the town hall, to advocate for their choice of a new name. Your dedication to ensuring the new name reflects the values of the school and the broader community has been a learning experience

for all involved.

"We acknowledge, that although the proposed name is worthy of celebration, we also recognize that major fundamental changes to curriculum and culture are required to bring about the desired outcomes. Our sustained growth depends on the continued engagement in the learning and listening that began this name change. We look forward to continuing this work with the school community," said the school officials.

Queen Victoria Public School was founded in Parkdale in 1887 and a new school was built in 1999. A lot of the students are relatively new immigrants to Canada.

In 1960, Dr Cox joined the Toronto Public Library as a children's librarian and became the Head of the Parkdale branch in 1972. She pioneered the Black Heritage and West Indian Resource Collection at the branch in 1973.

She retired from the Toronto Public Library in 1995 after serving as Head of Parkdale for over 20 years.

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## TECHNOLOGY

### A beginner's guide for buying your first drone

(NC) Drones have become more than just tools for aerial photography and construction; they have also become one of the fastest-growing hobbies. Here are a few things you need to know before you go out and buy your first drone.

#### THE RIGHT DRONE FOR YOU

The first step in buying a drone is deciding how you will use it. Drones come with different features, options and price points.

Perhaps you're interested in a drone that can perform aerial acrobatics? Or maybe you're more interested in taking photos or making videos from the sky? Perhaps you even want a drone to compete in first-person view (FPV) racing events? How you intend to use your drone will play a key role in helping you decide which one is right for you.

#### FLIGHT FEATURES

Even if you're interested in buying a drone for something specific, like aerial videography or doing three-dimensional land mapping, you'll still need to learn the basics. Quadcopters that are ready to fly (RTF) are among the most popular consumer drones. The frames are usually X-shaped or H-shaped with four rotors. The cost of other types of drones tends to be higher, or they're not suitable for beginners.

In general, the more features a drone has, the more it costs. Many new

drone owners start small to get the hang of flying it and to avoid watching their investment crash to the ground.

#### FLY LEGALLY

It's important for drone operators to fly safely and legally in Canadian airspace. You must understand the regulations and take appropriate safety precautions before taking flight. As responsible drone pilots, we all have a duty to be safe and to be respectful.

To plan flights, discover where you can legally fly, and request permission to fly in airspace controlled by Nav Canada, download NAV Drone on your mobile device, or use the web version at [navcanada.ca/nav-drone](http://navcanada.ca/nav-drone)

## FINANCE

### 3 TIPS TO HELP RETIREES MANAGE MONEY

(NC) Managing money doesn't come easily for everyone. And as you get older, retirement can present new challenges for finances as your circumstances change. Here are some tips to help you make sense of your bills and keep on top of your money as you enjoy your golden years.

#### 1. RE-EVALUATE YOUR PRIORITIES

As you grow older, it's important to regularly re-evaluate your financial priorities and look ahead. Are there expenses you're hanging onto that you don't need, such as a large cable TV package or perhaps a second or third vehicle? Cut the financial fat that doesn't make sense for you now, rather than hanging on to it just in case. Paying bills for something you value, whatever it is, and not for things you don't need or care about will improve your quality of life now and in the future.

#### 2. ASK FOR HELP IF YOU NEED IT

Many Canadians can manage their monthly bills, budgets and spending well into their 80s. But, whenever the time comes that you're struggling to make sense of payments or you're get-

ting behind on bills, it's important to ask for help from a trusted friend or family member. You may have been brought up to be independent, but your financial future is worth swallowing your pride. No one will think less of you.

#### 3. KEEP IT SIMPLE

Whether you have a highly detailed system to manage your money or you're much more haphazard, it's in your best interest to keep things straightforward. Close out unnecessary bank accounts and think about consolidating debt – you want a system that is both easy for you to follow and for someone to pick up down the line if needed.

At the same time, follow what works best for you. If you're technology-savvy and struggle with due dates, try automating some or all your monthly bill payments – that way you'll always pay recurring bills on time. On the other hand, if you don't trust online banking or you find the internet too costly, confusing, or inaccessible, it's okay to stick with paper bills that come in the mail, where that option exists.

In fact, this year the Canadian Radio-television and Telecom-

munications Commission mandated that customers who are over 65, or who don't have internet or mobile data, or who self-identify as someone with a disability, must be able to receive paper bills from their communications provider, at no charge, upon request. You can learn more about the new rule at [crtc.gc.ca/paperbilling](http://crtc.gc.ca/paperbilling) or 1-877-249-2782 (CRTC).

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### Netflix and Microsoft sign deal for ad-based subscription plan

By N.Ugoh

Netflix and Microsoft have signed an agreement to provide cheaper subscription plan which comes with advert, as Netflix re-strategises after losing 200,000 subscribers.

Netflix reported that 200,000 subscribers cancelled their subscription plan with the streamer in Q1 2022. This brought a heavy loss to the company and resulted in investors

dumping their shares on the exchange floor.

Since Netflix started offering subscribers streaming options, it had never advertised on its different packages, but that ad-free era is gradually coming to an end.

Netflix hinted at the new direction 3 months ago and the partnership with Microsoft has revealed that the company is advancing into a new era where subscribers will be forced to

watch ads, in an effort to increase Netflix's revenue sources.

In a statement posted on Microsoft website, Netflix did not reveal when the ad-supported subscription plan would commence. However, Netflix Chief Operating Officer, Greg Peters, said there would be "TV brand experience for advertisers" and "we are pleased to announce that we have selected Microsoft as our global advertising technology and sales partner."

Peters said: "In April we announced that we will introduce a new lower-priced ad-supported subscription plan for consumers, in addition to our existing ads-free basic, standard, and premium plans."

The statement read: "Microsoft has the proven ability to support all our advertising needs as we together build a new ad-supported offering. More importantly, Microsoft offered the flexibility to innovate over time on both the technology and sales side, as well as strong privacy protections for our members."

"It's very early days and we have much to work through. But our long-term goal is clear: More choice for consumers and a premium, better-than-linear TV brand experience for advertisers. We're excited to work with Microsoft as we bring this new service to life."

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# YOU & the LAW

## Loblaw justified in suspending worker without pay who refused to wear mask during pandemic

Grocery giant Loblaw acted reasonably when it suspended a worker in Calgary without pay for refusing to wear a mask during the COVID-19 pandemic, an Alberta court has ruled.

Nor did that suspension amount to constructive dismissal, the Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta said, as the worker made a choice to not follow policy and therefore not work.

Michael Benke sought an exemption to both Loblaw's mask policy and a City of Calgary bylaw based on an undiagnosed medical condition.

Benke's doctor provided him with a certificate stating he did not have to wear a mask in the early stages of the pandemic so that he could be exempted from complying with the Calgary's mask bylaw.

He later sought additional notes from his doctor so that his exemption to the city's bylaw, and his employer's policy, could continue. On these occasions, his doctor declined to state that Benke's request to be exempted from wearing a mask had a medical justification.

### HISTORY

Benke began working for Loblaw in April 2002 on a part-time basis. In August 2003, he became a full-time employee. Over the years, he received several promotions and by 2020 his title was Customer Experience Specialist – Produce.

His job included overseeing the produce and floral departments of Loblaw's 61 Superstores in Alberta and British Columbia. He acted as a liaison between store departments and broader company management.

He was provided with a company car, which was only available to Loblaw employees who drove more than 28,000 kilometres an-

nually for work.

### MASK POLICY

In March 2020, when the COVID-19 pandemic came to Canada, Loblaw directed Benke and similar employees to cease store visits and to work remotely until further notice. Sometime later in 2020, the expectation that he would make store visits resumed.

On July 1, 2020, the City of Calgary passed a mask bylaw that took effect on Aug. 1, 2020. People in public places were required to wear a mask to mitigate the spread of the virus.

It contained several exemptions, including one for people with an "underlying medical condition or disability which inhibits their ability to wear a face covering."

On July 28, 2020, Benke's doctor completed a "Work Absence Certificate" that said he "assessed in this office and is unable to wear a face mask as per the City of Calgary bylaw due to illness."

The illness was not defined by Dr. Ingemaud Gerber.

Loblaw accepted this note and allowed him to not wear a mask when he was required to be on-site. Between August and November 2020, he performed store visits without a mask.

On Aug. 29, 2020, Loblaw adopted a mandatory mask policy for all its stores across Canada. It provided exemptions for children under two; people with medical conditions; people who could not place, remove or use a mask without assistance; and a human rights exemption.

The policy for employees read as follows:

"[Employees] are expected to comply with the requirement to wear a mask while at work. [Employees] unable to wear a mask based on any of the above

## SIDHU MOOSE WALA'S MURDER: LAWRENCE BISHNOI ARRAIGNED BEFORE MANSA COURT

By NCNC Staff

Punjab Police has brought gangster Lawrence Bishnoi, suspected to have orchestrated the murder case of Punjabi singer, Sidhu Moose, to Mohali on Transit remand.

The gangster was presented before a Chief Judicial Magistrate court in Mansa.

Punjab Police got 7-day remand of Lawrence Bishnoi. However, Punjab Police have

assured Delhi court of Lawrence Bishnoi's security.

Bishnoi is currently detained at Kharar jail in Mohali. The Punjab Police have beefed up security for the gangster.

The Punjab Police said they have tendered multiple facts before the court to argue that Bishnoi was behind the murder of Punjabi singer.

During the probe of the murder, Punjab Police told the Delhi court

that confession statements of the arrested accused were recorded where it was clearly stated that Lawrence Bishnoi had tasked the co-accused to carry out the "planned killing of Punjabi singer."

Canada-based gangster Goldy Brar, who according to reports took responsibility of Sidhu's murder has a connection with Lawrence Bishnoi.

In a Facebook post, Brar claimed that no action was taken



Sidhu Moose

against Sidhu Moose Wala even after his name was mentioned in the killing of singer and youth Akali leader Vikramjit Singh Middukhera alias Vicky Middukhera.

## Ontario government caps rent increases to 2.5% in 2023

By NCNC Staff

The government of Ontario has approved the highest rent increases in almost ten years.

In 2023, rents will be capped at a maximum of 2.5 percent, more than double the 2022 increase but according to the province, it is lower than it could have been if current inflation rates are taken into consideration.

Meanwhile, the cap does not apply to rental units that are occupied for the first time after November 15, 2018, residential units that are vacant, community housing, long-term care homes and commercial properties.

The rent hike guide-

line is the maximum amount a property owner can increase the rent during the year for most tenants without getting the approval of the Landlord and Tenant Board.

The guideline is calculated based on Ontario's Consumer Price Index, which measures inflation calculated monthly by Statistics Canada using data which reflects economic conditions over the past year. With the current calculation, increases would have been set at 5.3 percent but the government reveals it has capped rent hikes to under three percent in a bid "to help protect tenants from significant rent increases."

The maximum rent hike in 2022 was 1.2 per-

cent while in there was a rent freeze in 2021 in large part owing to the pandemic. In 2020, the maximum increase permitted was 2.2 percent. The last time rents were permitted to rise by 2.5 per cent was in 2013.

Interim New Democrat Leader Peter Tabuns said the increase would leave people hurting across Ontario.

While talking to reporters at Queen's Park, he said: "I talk to tenants all the time in my riding. They are not getting pay increases. They're not getting two and a half percent."

NDP MPP Jessica Bell said the decision simply increases the costs on people already hurting from the high cost of living.

She said: "It's dead

wrong for Doug Ford to greenlight a rent hike right now. And let's not forget that Ford already eviscerated rent controls on rental units built after 2018, leaving many households facing unlimited rent hikes.

"It's got to stop. We need a premier focused on making housing affordable, not a premier taking more money away from people."

"We continue to look for ways to make homes more attainable for hard-working Ontarians, while making it easier to build more houses and rental units to address the ongoing supply crisis," said Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

noted exemptions should speak with their manager or human resources regarding their accommodation needs. Medical services will provide support to stores, where required, for accommodation needs based on a medical condition."

### SECOND DOCTOR'S NOTE

Sometime between September and November 2020, Benke participated in a conference call where the mask policy was discussed.

After the call, he spoke to Lopa Parikh, senior HR director at Loblaw, to discuss obtaining an exemption. Parikh gave him a blank form to request an exemption. She told him he was not required to disclose his condition, but the doctor was required to state on the form that he has a disabil-

ity that exempts him from wearing a mask.

On Nov 25, 2020, he returned a note from Dr. Gerber to Loblaw. The form had a check mark beside the statement "is unable to wear a face mask." But the words "due to the following medical condition/s or disability" were crossed out. Benke said the words were crossed out by Dr. Gerber because he told her he was not required to disclose his medical condition.

After it received the note, Loblaw had an occupational health nurse it employed follow up with him concerning the exemption. That nurse, Jody Nelson, said Benke told her his request for exemption from the policy was "not medical." Benke denied saying that.

Nelson then asked

Benke to wear a face shield instead of the mask, and he said he could not.

Dr. Gerber wrote the following two notes. The first, on Dec. 23, 2020, reads:

There are very limited reasons for people to be exempt from wearing masks in indoor public places at this time. Unfortunately,

Mike does not fall into one of these categories and I have to stay in compliance with the Medical Officer of Health orders.

I recognize that I already wrote a note dated July 28, 2020, stating that the patient does not need to wear a mask due to illness, as per patient request. The

*continued on p(25)*



# Stella Oduah Fingers Self in Degrees, NYSC Certificate Scandal

By Stanley Ugagbe

Contrary to her earlier claims of having a Bachelor's degree and undergoing the mandatory National Youth Service Corps, Nigeria's former Minister of Aviation, Senator Stella Oduah has altered some of the personal information she submitted to the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) in 2022 from the one submitted in 2018.

In the recent affidavit submitted by Oduah to INEC on June 24, 2022, the senator submitted a senior secondary school leaving certificate with only two passes.

Recall that in a letter, marked NYSC/DHQ/PPRU/783/Vol III, the NYSC had revealed that Senator Oduah, representing Anambra North in the National Assembly, did not complete the mandatory one-year NYSC programme.

Reports had it that the letter was in response to an inquiry made by a group known as the Concerned Anambra North PDP Stakeholders.

It was clarified that the group had written to the NYSC, alleging that some officials of the agency colluded with Oduah to bury the truth. In its response, the scheme, in a letter by the Director-General of the programme, which was signed on his behalf by the Director of Press and Public Relations, said Oduah commenced her NYSC programme in 1982 but absconded.

The embattled Senator swiftly reacted in the letter addressed to the Director-General, NYSC and titled, "48 Hours Notice to Retract Your Statement as Contained in Your Letter Dated 24th May 2022 Ref No. NYSC/DHQ/PPRU/783/VOL 111".

In the letter signed by Stella's spokesperson,



Ezennia Nonso Chukwudebe, the senator described the statement made by the NYSC as reckless.

She gave NYSC "48 hours to retract your statement failing which legal actions shall be commenced against you."

Recall that in a signed affidavit Oduah submitted to INEC on October 18, 2018, ahead of the 2019 general elections, which was exclusively obtained by SaharaReporter, the lawmaker claimed she has a BSc in Business Administration and attended St. Paul's College Lawrenceville, Virginia, USA from 1978-1982. She had in the document, noted that she attended St John's Primary School, Odoakpu, Onitsha, Anambra from 1969 - 1973 and Zixton Secondary School, Ozubulu, Anambra State from 1973 -1978.

However, in the recent affidavit in support of personal particulars submitted to the electoral body, INEC, on June 14, 2022, Oduah has carefully abandoned claims that she has a BSc in Business Administration and attended St. Paul's College Lawrenceville, Virginia, USA from 1978-1982.

She now claims she only attended primary and secondary schools, obtaining just FSLC (First School Leaving Certificate) and GCE (General Certificate of Education) in 1973 and 1978 respectively.

Nothing was filled in the space for higher qualifications.

## REFLECTIONS ON RELATIONSHIPS

# A decade after, she craves for the child she abandoned

Dear Agatha,  
A decade ago, I was poor, homeless and certainly not in a position to care for a child.

The man who got me pregnant denied being responsible for the pregnancy.

I was poor and homeless as I living in a makeshift abode, under the popular Ojuelegba bridge, in Lagos, Nigeria's Commercial Capital.

It was no place to stay with a baby.

When I fell into labour, I was rushed by good Samaritans to the General Hospital at Randle Avenue, within the vicinity of Ojuelegba bridge.

While there, I met and fell in love with a very loving and tender hearted woman, who from

gossips by the nurses is childless due to complications of an abortion that went bad. According to them, she eventually lost her home and marriage to another woman.

It was not difficult extracting information of her address from the nurses. After I was discharged, I took my baby to her doorsteps very early in the morning before day break, and ran away but not without explaining my reasons in a note to her.

I didn't bother to return to my previous post at Oluelegba. With the little money I made, I ran to Ibadan, in Oyo State, in Nigeria, to begin a new life.

As God would have it, things changed for me the moment I got to Ibadan. I not only found love, but tremendous success in my business.

I am blessed with three other children, two boys and a girl, but my mind keeps going back to my baby, I left on the doorsteps of that childless woman.

Although I haven't told my husband about my son, I intend to just as I want that child back in my life. There is no day I don't think about the child. A friend of mine I confided in says I should forget the child. According to her, it would cause problems in my home, but sincerely, I don't care. I want my child back. I love my other three children, but not enough to make me forget my first fruit in life.

Since January this year, I have been having this strong feeling that I should go and take the child.

I actually plan to visit the woman. From my findings she is still in that house with my son who is now in

a private secondary school. What do you think? I have never forgiven myself for what I did.

Layo.

Dear Layo,

Fate has a way of dealing with us, bringing us on our knees to face a past we so much desire to forget. It also has the knack of planning our lives in such a way that it weaves the past into our present and future.

You are who you are today because of that past. There is no running away from it. For the future you plan for yourself to be peaceful, you must settle the past in such a way, it doesn't destroy all your present efforts.

This is why you must open up about your past to your husband. He represents your present. The issues of your son and husband must be handled with maturity by you for the future to be well placed. You are no longer in a position to take unilateral decisions. You are answerable to this man, so tell him everything about the past, you have kept in the closet of time.

Even though you were very wrong not to have told him that part of your life, informed him about the child you had, and abandoned: don't make another costly mistake of going to the woman without informing him. Besides, the child now has another mother so it won't be easy getting him back.

You owe your husband that much. You also have a duty to inform your three other children about their elder sibling irrespective of whether he comes home or not. It is to guard against the nasty incident of two siblings going into a relationship later in life. That is the future you have to protect.

They must know that somewhere in your past, they have a brother, one you abandoned at the doorsteps of a familiar stranger, when things were difficult for you.

I appreciate every concern you have for this child as a mother, but first, give this concern, a solid base.

This is the point you come out clean to your husband, and later the children about your past, especially what led you, a young girl, to take up residence under the bridge, and also, why you didn't leave the child with your mother or any family member instead of abandoning the baby to a complete stranger.

There are too many missing pieces in your life of which, the neglect of

your child is only a part of. Sit your husband down and relay the entire story of your life.

Being truthful is the only way he can understand or appreciate why you dumped your new born baby at the doorstep of a total stranger.

Your action, by whatever standard we judge it, is criminal and condemnable. The fact that you didn't ditch the baby inside the dustbin doesn't lessen the gravity of what you did.

Certainly, your husband would wonder at your callousness and deception, but would eventually come around, that is, if you have been a reliable partner to him and good mother to the children.

The need to safeguard your home before setting out to find your son cannot be over-emphasized. This boy needs peace if he is to come to you. It would be pointless bringing him to a home where he would never ever find love or be part of completely.

Don't forget you have acted irresponsibly once; not getting the consent of your husband fully before setting out will pit your children against each other. The ones at home will feel that you are neglecting them for a child you left a decade ago. In a way, you will be enacting what you did to your first son with your other children.

It will be like making the same mistake twice.

Go, only if your husband gives his permission. Despite being the biological mother of that child, you forfeited your right to him the very moment you left him at the doorstep of the other woman. If the other woman has acted like you, what child will you be contemplating going back to?

She was the one who did all the hard-work; the sleepless nights, changing the dirty diapers, crying with the baby when ill; singing and dancing to imaginary music when the baby is restless.

The baby is more hers now than yours. There is no way she would willingly hand over her son to you simply because you brought that child to life.

Besides, you don't have any legal right to want the child back.

Don't forget you committed a crime against the State by dumping that child the way you did. What if a ritualist got to the child before she did?

Unless you plan to kill



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this other woman before her time, don't consider taking the child away from her.

The best you can do, if you must go, is to see her first. Introduce yourself to her and let her know that you appreciate her care for the boy. Let the decision to introduce you to the child come from her.

If she insists on you not meeting the child, go but, plead with her to give you a picture of the child as well as the name he now bears.

Explain your reasons to her; you don't want your children sleeping with each other out of ignorance. Make her understand this fact; that you don't want to take the child away from her, but to ensure you keep the link between the children active. It is one of the sacrifices you must make for that decision to abandon the child then.

To do otherwise would make you appear as a very selfish woman, who at every point in her life, puts her interest first, and foremost.

Feelings are not what you turn on and off like taps. This child you seek for now has a root and a sense of allegiance to the woman he has grown to love as a mother whereas, you are a stranger to him.

Had you gone back almost immediately after you made it in Ibadan, it would have been a different case, but waiting for a decade? Certain things in life are best left in the cupboard of time.

Whether you forgive yourself or not, the fact remains that your interest in this drama involving your first son must be played down because there are now more people involved in the matter.

You decided to leave him, but if he is to come back to you, the opinion, feelings, and consent of others involved must be considered.

Above all, you also need to pray to know the plans of God for you and this child.

Good luck.

## OPINION

## A NATION IN SEARCH OF ITS LEADER

By Tola Adeniyi

On his short tour of Kuje Correctional Centre, following an attack on the facility by members of the Islamic State West Africa Province (ISWAP), during which hundreds of inmates escaped, President Muhammadu Buhari could not hide his disappointment with the whole system of security intelligence in the country.

And his words were appropriately probing. "How did the defences at the prison fail to prevent the attack? How many inmates were in the facility? How many of them can you account for? How many personnel did you have on duty? How many of them were armed? Were there guards on the watchtower? What did they do? Does the CCTV work?", the President queried and demanded Prof Ibrahim Gambari, said at the end of his speech that he will be expecting "a comprehensive report" on the incident. But Buhari's brief outing that day illustrates almost all that is wrong with his administra-

tion in the past seven years.

He was there as Nigeria's President, but spoke unlike a president. All the questions the President raised were absolutely valid, but he raised them to no one in particular and received no response from anyone in particular. And if previous experience of this government were any guide, and it is, no one will be held responsible for such a massive breach of security. The Minister of Interior, Ogbeni Rauf Aregbesola, who, truth be told, has shown more interest in the political affairs of his home state than his job description at the ministry, will remain in post. The Controller General of Nigerian Correctional Service, Haliru Nababa, at whose watch there has been more prison breaks than at any time in living memory, will also remain in post.

The President will neither issue nor demand sanction of any kind on this, and the government will simply lurch on to the next disaster waiting to happen.

The above description is essentially Buhari's model of political leadership. He gives power and authority to appointees, but demands almost nothing of them in return: not performance, and not responsibility for non-performance. Sanctions—resignation or the sack—have therefore little place in his system. It is this model of government, this government without governing, this conferral of authority on persons without a corresponding demand for responsibility and accountability, that has brought President Buhari, and the country he leads, to where we are now in Nigeria.

The economy is in a tailspin as illustrated by a biting fuel scarcity, a currency not worth the cost of printing it, and rising prices of all goods and services, even as incomes and jobs stagnate dwindle. We understand that Nigeria's economy is not immune from the global economic challenges being faced all over the world, but this government can do and needs to do more to assure

citizens that things would get better. As it is, Nigeria is on its knees, and Nigerians can testify, and have testified, that they have never had it worse in every respect.

We feel compelled to point out to the President, since his advisers will not tell him, that almost all his achievements in government across all sectors are now being completely eroded even before he leaves office. His signature anti-corruption agenda, which scored considerable early gains, is now effectively in the doldrums. Does anyone really remember that President Buhari was once an anti-corruption champion? Life without fuel scarcity, which Nigerians witnessed for the best part of this government, has now been replaced with a biting scarcity of petroleum products of the sort

Nigerians have scarcely known before, even as subsidy bills and borrowings have ballooned through the roof and beyond national capacity to repay.

Inflation, of food particularly, and overall, both

of which the government managed to bring under control following two recessions, is now on the rise again and has reached levels never witnessed before. The government's defeat of Boko Haram, technical or otherwise, is now no more than a victory recorded too early. Nigeria, it must be said, is now effectively back to where the President took it over in 2015, only much, much worse off.

Of all these woes, the security situation bears repeating. The attacks by bandits on the President's own advance convoy in Katsina last week is directly symbolic of how bad things have turned. That bandits would dare attack the convoy of Nigeria's Commander-in-Chief of the armed forces, and shortly after killing an otherwise brave police officer, is a loud enough statement, if any were needed, that no one is safe in Buhari's Nigeria. But the fact is that while in the past five years or so when the government had waxed upbeat over its "successes" in the fight against



Tola Adeniyi

Boko Haram in the North East, millions of Nigerians in the North West and parts of the North Central states have lived under a security situation that in reality, if not in recognition, has been just as deadly a form of terror as Boko Haram ever was.

The President and the government just didn't pay enough attention to it. And on top of that, Boko Haram now appears to have returned in full scale, with attacks on soldiers and security formations fast assuming a regularity that should compel the government to act quickly. Where is the action? Where is the empathy? And where is the government? Nigerians have a right under the constitution, and indeed, by any understanding of democratic governance to expect all of these from their own government. But again, if experience is any guide, they are unlikely to get any of it. And that too must be said.

## Start your small business side hustle

(NC) With the rise of e-commerce and social media platforms, starting a business has never been easier. Whether you're interested in pursuing your passion project, creating a new product, or filling a need, a side hustle can be very rewarding with the bonus of extra income. It can also be a smart way to test the waters if you're thinking about making a career change. Here are a few tips to help you get started:

## BE REALISTIC ABOUT YOUR TIME

The first step is to assess the time required; do the needs of the business match what you can balance in your life? Do a self-audit to figure out a reasonable weekly amount of hours you have available for your venture. Decide how much time you will devote to the side hustle, where it will fit in your schedule and how it will affect your other jobs. Remember, your time is money. Be sure to place a value on your time and track it carefully. This foresight will help you avoid overscheduling and burnout.



## TRACK YOUR INCOME AND EXPENSES

Side hustles can be extremely helpful for meeting your financial and life goals, but it's important to stay on top of all your expenses, income and balance sheets. Tracking your income and expenses can also help you predict the future of your side hustle and ultimately guide your decisions in becoming a full-time entrepreneur; just don't forget to include your time as an expense.

## NEVER STOP NETWORKING

For any stage of a personal venture, networking is key. Your network can be a great resource for landing new investors, finding future employees, meeting mentors, and reaching new customers. Obvious tools such as social media and events are great ways to network, but it can start closer to home too. Keep-

ing consistent communication with your customers even after their purchase, touching base with suppliers in between orders and asking for feedback from other professionals are great ways to network on a budget.

## MAKE THE MOST OF FREE RESOURCES

You can't put a value on research, information and insights. Give your venture a leg up with up-to-date resources like newly released census data. This location-specific data offer information on average income and population makeup – valuable market research for any business. Understanding your customer's needs, behaviors and preferences are essential for side hustle longevity.

*Find more information about the newly released census data at [statcan.gc.ca/census](http://statcan.gc.ca/census)*

## Canadian doctors sue for vaccination after first U.S case of polio in a decade

By Stanley Ugagbe

Following the report by U.S. officials that that an unvaccinated American was diagnosed with the country's first case of polio in nearly a decade, Canadian Infection experts have sued for vaccination.

According to official records, Health Canada has not recorded a case of the virus in more than 25 years, but infectious disease experts say they always have their "ears up and eyes open for vaccine-preventable illnesses like polio" that continue to circulate elsewhere in the world.

Harping on the development, Dr. Vinita Dubey, associate medical officer of health for Toronto Public Health, said "Any imported infection is just a flight away."

While the polio vaccine is part of children's standard set of shots, Dubey said some parents are opting not to vaccinate their kids and the COVID-19 pandemic has delayed vaccination for others.

According to her,

that's creating a renewed risk of vaccine-preventable diseases as people return to international travel after a two-year break.

It was stated that global polio vaccination efforts were put on hold for part of that time, compounding the problem.

Reports have it that a single case of polio triggers a public health response and is reportable under international health regulations. By the time a case of paralysis from polio is diagnosed, many more people have likely been infected.

It's imperative to note that Poliovirus is highly contagious and usually causes no symptoms or mild symptoms such as low-grade fever, malaise, nausea, diarrhea and sore throat.

Records have it that Polio cases in Canada decreased markedly with the introduction of immunization programs in the 1950s, when up to 5,000 children had polio per year. The last case of wild poliovirus in Canada occurred in 1977, while cases associated with oral vaccines continued until 1995.

According to health experts, Polio infection can occur from the spread of wild virus or from transmission of the virus after a child receives the oral polio vaccine, which Canada stopped administering in 1996 but remains in use in many other countries.

With summer travel in full swing, experts said both adults and children should have their routine immunizations up to date and check whether they need additional vaccines for their destination.

"Vaccine hesitancy is another effect of the pandemic," said Dr. Valérie Lamarre, an infectious disease pediatrician at St. Justine Hospital in Montreal, "It definitely didn't improve the situation with vaccine-preventable diseases."

Even though the case of polio in the U.S. is not a threat to Canada, Lamarre said that doesn't mean it should be ignored.

She said "We're going to see these cases pop up from time to time. This one just means, 'Wake up people. Get your vaccines'".

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## Juicy rib recipe that's actually good for you

(NC) Eating healthier doesn't mean giving up on your favourites — even ones you would never think could be made into something good for you.

Take this finger-licking-good recipe for Korean-style short ribs, which is low in sodium and could fit a kidney-friendly diet. It's made by chef Kris Gaudet for the Kidney Community Kitchen, a Kidney Foundation website that offers tasty recipes, tips and expert advice on how to make cooking fun again, even if you have restrictions in your diet.

If you're looking to cut back on beef, you can substitute pork tavern ribs, pork side ribs or pork back ribs. Whatever meat you choose, serve with steamed jasmine or basmati rice and enjoy.

Korean-style Short Ribs

Prep time:  
Cook time:  
Serves: 6  
Ingredients:  
• 2 tbsp low-sodium soy sauce  
• 2 tbsp rice wine vinegar



- 2 tbsp white vinegar
  - 2 tbsp granulated sugar
  - 1 tbsp Sriracha sauce
  - 1 tsp ground black pepper
  - ½ yellow onion, finely chopped
  - ½ bunch green onions, thinly sliced
  - 4-6 garlic cloves, finely chopped
  - 1 ½ lbs beef short ribs
  - ½ cup water
- Directions:  
1. In large bowl, whisk together soy sauce, water, vinegars, sugar, Sriracha and pepper. Add onion, green onion and garlic. Stir to com-

bine.  
2. Add short ribs to a resealable plastic bag and coat with marinade. Remove as much air from bag as possible to get a tight seal. Let marinade for at least 12 hours; 24 hours would be preferable.

3. Line a large baking sheet with foil. Remove ribs from marinade and remove onions and garlic left on ribs.  
4. Wrap ribs in tinfoil and bake at 250°F for three hours. Unwrap and serve.

Find more recipes at [kidneycommunitykitchen.ca](http://kidneycommunitykitchen.ca).

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# LIONS CLUB CELEBRATES 100 YEARS IN CANADA, DONATES COMMUNITY BENCH TO SICK KIDS

By NCNC Staff

In a bid to mark 100 years of Lions Club's existence in Canada, Thistleton New Era Lions Club, the newest, fastest-growing Lions Club in Ontario donated community bench to Sick Kids.

The event took place on July 8, 2022 and was attended by many members of the club.

While talking during the event, the President of the Club made it known that in line with the objectives of Lions Club which are eradication of childhood cancer, hunger, vision, diabetes and attainment of a better environment, the Club donated the chair to Sick Kids.

After the event, Lion Andrea Saul, the Charter President/Zone Chair 32A took to his Facebook page and wrote: "Oh what a Historical Moment it was today in the City of Toronto. I was only an instrument God used to CHARTER the LARGEST CYBER LIONS CLUB in Canada on the 3rd of November 2020.



*L-R: Lion Bernadine Singh, Mississauga Monarch Lion President Khali-lah Campbell, Lion Jean Moulton, Charter President and now Zone Chairperson 32A Lion Andrea Saul, District A-711 Governor Lion Ferdinand Coronel, SickKids Facilities Coordinator Susie Petro and Lion Dawn Adams-Louis, Secretary.*

## Summary of the Gospel delivered by Leader Olumba Olumba Obu, The Sole Spiritual Head Of The Brotherhood Of The Cross And Star.

**THEME: GOD IS LOVE**

**First lesson: 1 John 3 : 16**

**Second lesson: 1 John: 4:16**

**Golden text: John: 15:9**



### PREACH AND PRACTISE LOVE

You are not to preach any other thing except love because love is God. Those who have love for God are pure. This is why it is said whatever we may think we have achieved but lack love, we have achieved nothing. You lack God and Christ, patience and all the godly virtues if you lack love. While the worldly people boast about their chariots and houses, children and money, the children of God boast about God, the risen Christ. You will not harm a person you love. Love is power, truth, life, wealth, health and the knowledge of truth. Everything is passing away; love alone will abide forever because it is God and His Christ. Our Lord told us "I and My Father are one", because God is love and Christ is love and He taught His disciples and everybody else love. If God is love, Christ is love and you yourselves have love, then you all are one. It is imperative for you all to preach and practise love now because God, love has come and anybody who abides in love, abides in God.

### WISDOM PUFFS UP BUT LOVE IS HUMBLE AND PERFECT

I do not want you to exercise the worldly wisdom. Worldly wisdom will make you puff up but love attracts you to God and perfects you. Any town, church, government or society without love cannot stand because God is not there. Examine yourselves now; those who have no love have failed. By confessing that you have no patience, truth and humility, you are reporting that you have no love. Prophecies, wisdom, and languages will all pass away but love only will exist forever. When we say God is omnipresent, it means love covers everywhere. Omnipotent means, its power is universal and we call God omniscience because God love generates wisdom, which covers the whole world. Why run after the money you can have today and tomorrow it deserts you? . Why bother having children who will deny you tomorrow? The worldly knowledge you spend money and time to acquire only deceive. You are poor and worthless without love. It is said everything else will pass away but not God. Christ will not die forever because Christ is love and anybody therefore who abides in love will live forever. If you do not preach love, how then do you preach Christ and the Holy Spirit because Christ and the Holy Spirit are love? The work of God is the work of love. If you are easily vexed, then, you are lacking love. Persons with love do not see the sins of others. Stop regarding God as a tree, rock, or any material thing, but recognize Him as love and you will abide in Him. Those who have ears to hear, let them hear and may God bless His words; amen.

**Thank You Father**

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"So all the PRAISE belongs to God who kept us through the pandemic storm and keeps on keeping us as we go out and come in attending to the needs of others.

"We thank our A-711 Past District Governor Lion Terrence Richards for being so instrumental in our formation of our Lions Club. Also, we thank our District A-711 Governor Lion Ferdy Coronel and spouse Lion Arlene for attending our Propetious occasion.

"Thanks to Susie Petro from the Facilities Management Department and Lion Abdulgafoor Nurani and the Macci Family for their Sponsorship.

"To all our Members, Family and Friends, thank you for your generous donation and support."

Also, Ferdinand Polintan-Coronel wrote" Congratulations to Thisletown New Era Lions on completing your Legacy Project -Community Bench Donation To Sick Kids.

"Thank you ZC Chartered Pres Andrea for coordinating with Susie Petro of Sick Kids. The district also congratulates the club for achieving the coveted award -Club Excellence Award 2020-2021 & recognizing IPP Lion Andrea with a President Excellence Pin. "Well done"

*Check out image of the event*



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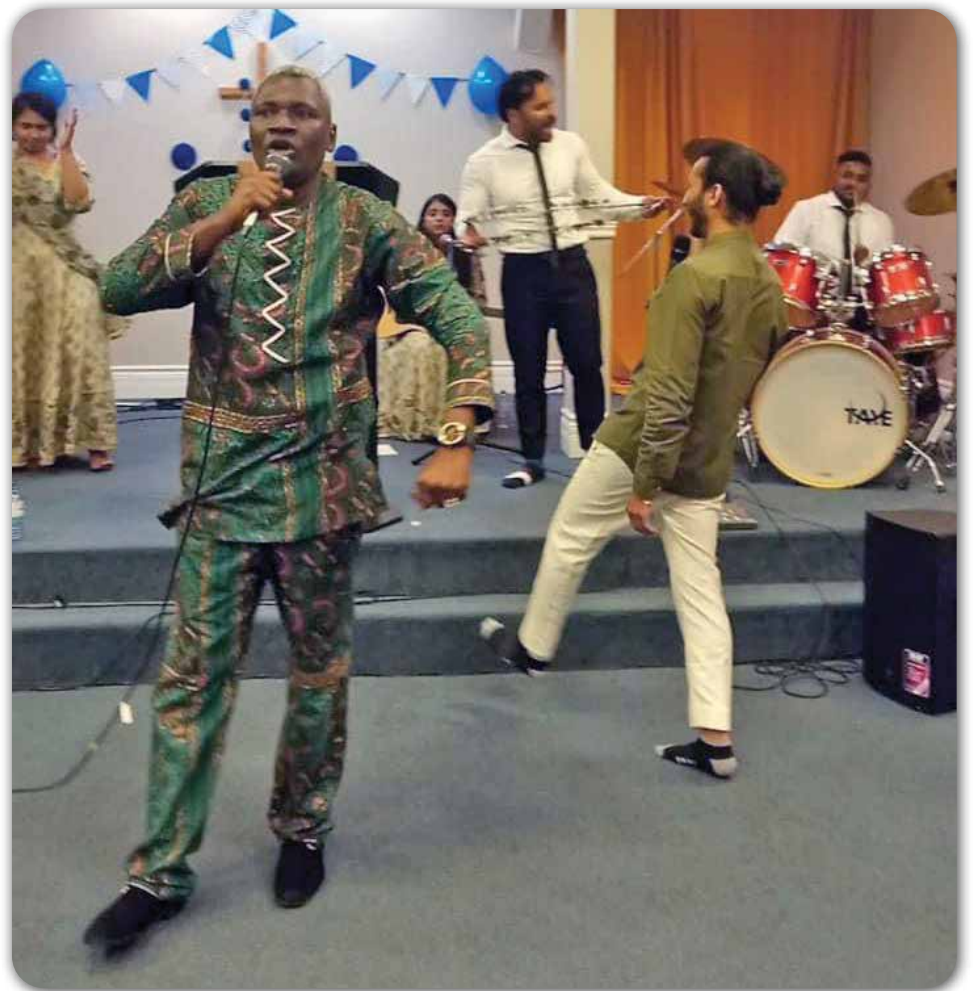
Pastor Adebamiro, a Canadian Pastor recently organized a prayer breakfast session for the flagbearer of the All Progressives Congress (APC), Asiwaju Bola Ahmed Tinubu, ahead of the 2023 election.

The prayer session themed 'A New Nigeria' took place on July 31, 2022 at Niagra Falls, ON, Canada.

During the prayer session, the congregation prayed for God's protection over Nigerians in Canada and prayed that God comforts the families of Nigerian who died gruesomely recently in Canada.

Also, the congregation, led by the anointed Pastor prayed for the success of Tinubu in the forthcoming election.

*Check out images of the payer session below.*



*Photos by Pastor Sunday Adebamiro*

# ENTERTAINMENT NEWS

## GOODBYE

# ACTRESS ADA AMEH IS DEAD

By N.Ugoh

Famous Nollywood actress, Ada Ameh, is dead. The actress, popular for her role as Emu in Africa Magic's family drama, The Johnsons, died recently.



A few weeks ago, the famous actress talked about her mental health challenges.

She said: "Everything is going to be

fine. I have an issue right now, and it's taking my life. I will not die. We will get over it."

May her gentle soul rest in peace.

**W**HILE confirming her death to The PUNCH, the President of the Actors Guild of Nigeria, Emeka Rollas, said: "We lost Ada. No details at the moment, but we've lost Ada."

Unconfirmed social media reports claimed that she died at a hospital in Delta State.

Before 2020, Ada lost six of her siblings (3 sisters and 3 brothers) to death. On October 20, 2020, she lost her only child, a beautiful daughter that she gave birth to at the age of fourteen. She lost another sister in March 2022.

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## 2022 Headies: Organisers disqualify Portable over unpleasant comments

By N.Ugoh

Controversial singer, Habeeb Okikiola, also known as portable, has been disqualified by the organisers of 2022 Headies over his recent controversies.

It should be recalled that in June, Portable released a video where he threatened to kill or harm the other nominees in the same categories of awards he was nominated for (Rookie of the Year and Best Street-Hop Artiste) if he doesn't win.

The video went viral and the organizers threatened that he would be

disqualified if he refuses to apologize and take down the video. He took down the video and apologized.

He was recently embroiled in another controversy after he boasted online about creating Ajah Boys and One million boys, a cult group that has terrorized some parts of Lagos State.

The controversial comment made the Inspector General of Police, Usman Alkali Baba, order that the claims be investigated. Portable quickly withdrew his statement and claimed that the One Million Boys he was talking about in the viral video are his fans and not the cult

group.

The Police investigation is still in progress but the organizers of the 2022 Headies Awards have disqualified him as a nominee at the forthcoming 15th Headies Awards.

In a statement issued, the organizers said: "The music industry demands all-round excellence, and it is extremely important for young artists being potential role models to exude professional responsibility, proper decorum and have respect for others."

Check [www.nigeriancanadiannews.ca](http://www.nigeriancanadiannews.ca) for the full statement.

## Baba Ijesha sentenced to 16 years in prison

By N.Ugoh

Embattled Nollywood actor, Olanrewaju Omiyinka, also known as Baba Ijesha has been convicted of sexually assaulting a 14-year-old minor by an Ikeja Special Offences Court.

The rape case of Baba Ijesha lasted over 12 months since his arrest and arraignment in June 2021.

Baba Ijesha has been entangled in a messy rape trial for allegedly sexually assaulting Princess' 14-year-old foster daughter since April.

The judge, Oluwatoyin Taiwo, in a recent two-hour judgement convicted Baba Ijesha of indecent treatment of a child, sexual assault and attempted sexual assault

Taiwo sentenced him to 16 years in prison concurrently.

Baba Ijesha was found guilty of four of six offences- two charges attract five years while the remaining two attract three years.

His 16-year jail term will run concurrently which means that he will spend five years behind bars.

Taiwo however discharged and acquitted him of counts one and six - sexual assault by penetration and attempted sexual assault by penetration.

Baba Ijesha was found guilty of indecent treatment and sexual assault of a minor between 2013-2014.

According to the court, the prosecution proved counts two and four

(that he indecently placed her on his lap and rubbed his penis on her body) successfully.

Also, he was found guilty of four offences.

He was again accused of indecently touching the minor and sexually assaulting her seven years later by rubbing her body and sucking her fingers.

He was not found him not guilty of count one by the judge, which is allegedly sexually assaulting the minor by penetration with his car key seven years ago.

Also, the court found him not guilty of count 6, which is attempted sexual assault by penetration during another encounter with the same minor in April 2021.



## Yemi Alade denied Canadian Visa over fears she might not come back to Nigeria

By N.Ugoh

Popular Nigerian Afrobeats singer, Yemi Alade her music band have been refused Canadian Visa over fears that she and members of her band won't leave Canada after their performance.

According to Le Devoir, a French newspaper in Canada, Yemi Alade won't be performing during the Festival's final closing ceremony billed to hold on Sunday.

It is stated that the singer is meant to be one of the headliners of the Festival international Nuit D'Afrique.

While speaking on the development, the co-founder of the festival, Suzanne Rousseau, said that the refusal to give her Visa was due to financial reasons and fears the group won't leave Canada after performing.

She said: "Finally, we got an answer saying the musicians were refused, saying they have to guarantee that they have enough financial means that will make them go back to their country."

Suzanne also stated that she would be replaced at the festival by Sampa The Great, a Zambian-born Australia-based singer.



## Tems features on Black Panther sequel's soundtrack

By N.Ugoh

Famous Nigerian singer, Temilade Openiyi also known as Tems has featured in the soundtrack for the sequel of Black Panther: Wakanda Forever.

Marvel, a recording company, released the trailer for Wakanda Forever recently and it featured the multi-talented Nigerian singer performing a rendition of Bob Marley's "No Woman No Cry."

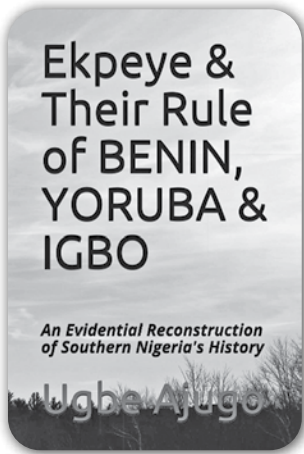
The teaser specifically commenced with the Afrobeats singer's rendition of "No Woman, No Cry" before seamlessly transitioning to Kendrick Lamar's song, Alright.

During a recent chat with Billboard, Tems was asked what song she would remix if the opportunity comes and she responded by saying: "I would choose Bob Marley's 'Is This Love, or No Woman No Cry' because those are one of my favorites."

## BOOKS

*"Books are the quietest and most constant of friends; they are the most accessible and wisest of counselors, and the most patient of teachers" - Charles W. Eliot*

### Ekpeye & Their Rule of BENIN, YORUBA & IGBO: An Evidential Reconstruction of Southern Nigeria's History Paperback



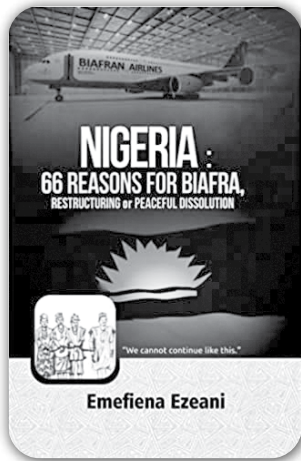
By Ugbe Ben-Sam Ajugo

This historical work is a critical re-assessment of about 200 of the most relevant published scholarly works, from 1913 to 2019, about the historic rulers and cultural agents of those civilizations, as well as a deep-level data-based study of the Akalaka-Ekpeye language. The author noted that it was migrants from Akalaka-Ekpeye who established the Benin, Ife, Nri-Igbo and Igbo-Oracle civilizations, by supplanting the customs and ideas of the

natives of those lands with those they imported from their home. Amongst the many historical problems tackled in this work, is the demonstration of the fact that the previously unreconstructed Primary Literature of Ifa, Iha, Afa, Epha, Eva, Fa divination of Nigerias Yoruba, Benin, Igbo, Urhobo, Nupe, etc., found also in Brazil, Cuba, Ghana, Benin Republic, etc., which are indisputably known to derive neither from Yoruba, nor Edo, Igbo, etc, languages, are plainly in Akalaka-Ekpeye language. The author stated that the Sun Religion of Ile-Ife, Benin and Nri-Igbo, introduced by the immigrant rulers, are all a replica of the Sun Religion of Akalaka-Ekpeye, which is undoubtedly homegrown.

This work provides a veritable basis for a fresh start in understanding how all the Yoruba, Igbo, Benin,

### Nigeria: 66 reasons for biafra, restructuring, or peaceful dissolution



By Emefiena Ezeani

When a system marginalizes a particular group in an entity, calls for secession will become the order of the day. It was in 1967 that calls for the rebirth, and establishment of the Republic of Biafra were first heard around the world.

The book chronicles WHY the recent and intensified calls for the restoration of the defunct Republic of Biafra, desired by the Indigenous People of Biafra (IPOB) and the Movement for the Actualisation of the Sovereign State of Biafra (MASSOB), United States/Nations of a new

Urhobo-Isoko, Ikwere, Ogba, Ekpeye, etc came to be who they

country with a new name, comprising South South and South East Regions as advanced by the Lower Niger Territory (LNT), or for the six-zone-based restructure of Nigeria canvassed by other Nigerians, especially, people from the Middle-Belt.

Without doubts, an Igbo Presidency would to some extent, douse the calls for secession and the establishment of Biafra but will this happen - especially since it has been vociferously stated by people of the ruling tribes that they don't want Igbo Presidency.

Meanwhile, the defunct ENDUA (Eastern Nigeria & Delta Unity Association based in Britain which was founded by Chukwudum Ikeazor and Aliyi Ekineh in 1997), MEND (Movement for the Emancipation of Niger Delta), MOSOP (Movement for the Survival of Ogoni People), and the Yoruba OPC (Oduduwa People's Congress) also make up the list of those agitating for self-determination or

were when the Europeans met them, beginning from the late 15th

### Rẹwhna IWHURUOHNA: 2,000 Ikwerre Native Names and their Meanings



By Hillary Oparaodu

As the title suggests, the book is a compilation of Ikwerre Native Names and their Meanings.

The author noted that he was inspired to write this book when he observed that most Iwhuruohna (Ikwerre) children and youths in recent times do not have an Iwhuruohna (Ikwerre) native name while some that have it either do not know the mean-

ing of their names or preferred to be christened English names instead of their native names. Another cardinal reason was that a handful of those that know their meanings do not know why they were given such names.

Evidently, this book aims at making the Iwhuruohna (Ikwerre) value the significance of their native names and their originating connotations.

Apart from giving a detailed list of Iwhuruohna (Ikwerre) native names as well as their meanings and gender, the book offers a desirable sense of identification and connection to those essential things you need to know about Iwhuruohna native names and their suggestions of the experiences in life.

for a new political arrangement in Nigeria. But will this see the light of the day? But are these agitators simply crying 'Wolf!' or is there

really a wolf in the garden which requires National Dialogue. The author underscores these questions.

commend this historical work.

century, to the start of colonialism about 1900. We strongly rec-

ommend this historical work.

### Five Little Indians: A Novel

By Michelle Good

The book chronicles the desperate quest of these residential school survivors to come to terms with their past and, ultimately, find a way forward.

Kenny, Lucy, Clara, Howie and Maisie are barely out of childhood when they are finally released after years of detention.

The teens, who were alone and without skills, support or families, find their way to the seedy and foreign world of Downtown Eastside Vancouver, where they cling together, striving to find a place of safety and belonging in a world that doesn't want them.

Propelled by rage and

furious with God, Clara finds her way into the dangerous, highly charged world of the American Indian Movement. On her part, Maisie internalizes her pain and continually places herself in dangerous situations. Kenny cant stop running and moves restlessly from job to job through fishing grounds, orchards and logging camps trying to outrun his memories and his addiction. Meanwhile, Lucy finds peace in motherhood and nurtures a secret compulsive disorder as she waits for Kenny to return to the life they once hoped to share together. Howie, after committing a crime, serves time in prison, then tries once again to re-enter society and begin life anew.

### Cedric's Fall



By Vivian Rose Lee

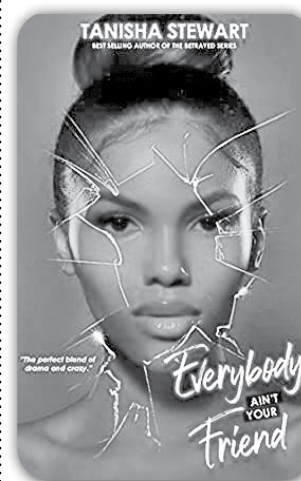
It tells the story of Akia Harrisons who was keen on becoming a singing sensation. Drama started when she met Cedric Bass at the popular Club Magnifique for the first time when her

friends convince her to sing at the clubs well-known Talent Night.

Things took a different turn when Aki met Cedric and she instantly felt a connection to him, and not just musically. Aki felt as if she had met her soulmate. Sadly, the connection was short-lived. Despite being disappointed, she kept it moving without giving Cedric Bass another thought focusing only on building her dreams.

Owner of the popular Club Magnifique, Cedric Bass was living his best life, he had his music, his club, and an array of beautiful single women at his fingertips, but things took a new turn when Akia stepped back into his life. He was not ready to fall for one woman,

### Everybody Ain't Your Friend



By Tanisha Stewart

Whether you believe it not, everybody is not your

friend. Mia, who has a loving boyfriend, great and supportive friends, and a close relationship with her mother thinks everything is normal. However, things take an interesting turn when she is almost run down by a car one day.

Then come the messages from an untraceable number and the caller reveals a heartbreaking secret. Everything that Mia thought was right in her life suddenly goes wrong. She has no idea why, but she needs to find out, before her secret stalker decides her time is up. It's an interesting read.

was he? Did he need to re-think his choices or hold on to his new lifestyle and let Akia go? These are many more are questions you will find answers to in the book.

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# YOUTH CORNER

..... Oluchi Ugoh .....

**“YOUR CHILDREN NEED YOUR PRESENCE MORE THAN YOUR PRESENTS”. – JESSE JACKSON**

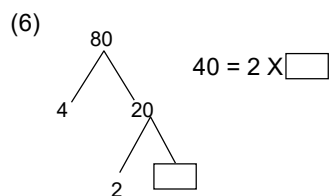
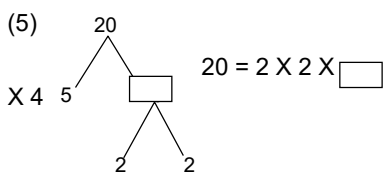
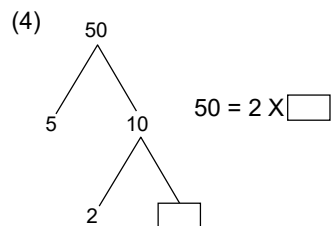
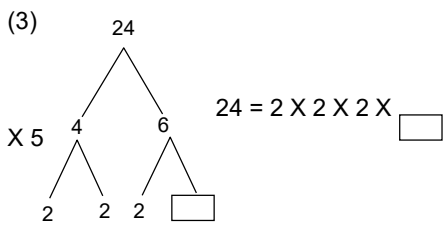
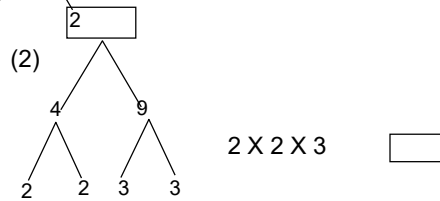
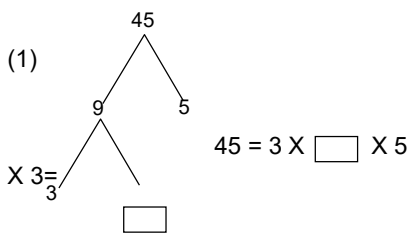
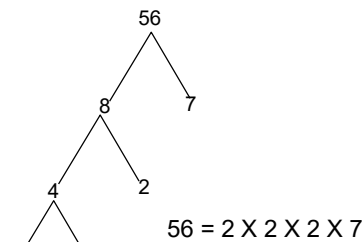
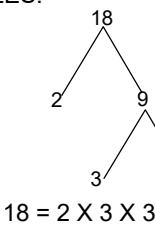
With heavy heart we mourn the death of 3 young Nigerians in the community. Eze and Tosin were at work when they were gunned down and Mitchell was only 4-years-old when she was killed by the train in Mississauga. Our prayers and thoughts are with the families. May God grant them the strength to go through this period of irreplaceable loss.

Please, enjoy what we have for you this month. If you wish to contact us, email [publisher@nigeriancanadiannews.ca](mailto:publisher@nigeriancanadiannews.ca). Have a beautiful August.

## MATH

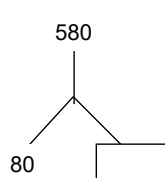
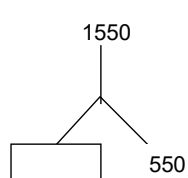
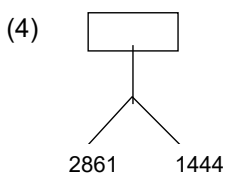
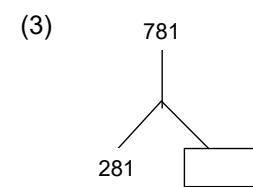
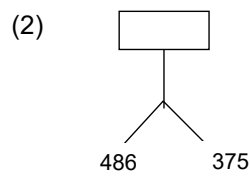
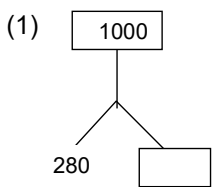
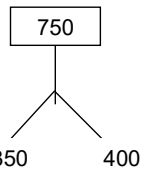
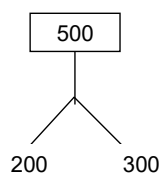
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## QUOTE PUZZLE - Theme: Positivity

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## STORY - CROSS WORD PUZZLE SOLUTION

The crowd was massive. Men, women, boys and girls from every nook and cranny of the village gathered under the big Iroko tree. Also in the crowd was an America couple, tourists, who were enjoying their holiday. At the center of the large circle of people was the magician who had the reputation of performing unbelievable feats. Everybody was impressed with the feats which went along with the hilarious drumming.

Then came the next item, the magician's three aides each took out a local gun while the magician danced even wilder. The gun - toting aides took up position in three different corners. The drumming became more frenzied and the

magician performed more acrobatics. The people were not to wonder for long what the guns had to do with the whole show. One after the other, the aides aimed at the magician while he steadied himself to receive the shots. Each gun boomed with a loud report, and the magician jumped up in celebration of his survival. The three shots seemingly got to him but he simply laughed to scorn the shooters.

The American tourist was more than mystified. He could not explain it. How could a man receive bullet shots in his chest and still remain unscathed? In disbelief, he shouted "This is amazing, can't be explained. But wait a minute; I'll join the show myself".

There and then, he went to his car, took out his rifle and returned to the crowd "I'm gonna get ya" he proclaimed. He took aim. The magician saw him out of the corner of the eye, he surveyed the scenario and decided that he was not prepared for this. Quickly, he showed a clean pair of heels. Tearing through the crowd, he ran for dear life. Some thought this was still part of the show, but when the man would not return, it was clear that he had bidden the audience a hasty farewell.

Note: What the American and most others did not realize all the time was that the local guns had no bullets whatsoever, only the gunpowder.

### CROSSWORD PUZZLE

The underlined words in the story above are hidden in the crossword puzzle below. Can you search them out?

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## MATCH THE FOLLOWING PHRASES WITH THE CORRECT WORDS

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Clusters of  
Bouquet of  
Pride of

natives  
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angels  
Lions  
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## SPOT THE DIFFERENCE HERE

### Spot the Difference

Find 7 differences between these two pictures

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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

## President Droupadi Murmu: My election proves poor Indians cannot just dream but also fulfil aspirations

By Stanley Ugagbe

The President of India Droupadi Murmu has said her election to the top post is a pointer to the fact that in India, the poor can not only dream but also fulfil their aspirations.

During her address after Chief Justice of India NV Ramana administered to her the oath as the 15th President of India, Murmu thanked all MPs and MLAs for choosing her.

She said: "I have been elected during an important time when the country is marking 75 years of independence.



"Reaching this office is not my personal achievement but that of all the poor people in the

country."

During her speech, she talked about speeding up efforts to meet

the expectations that the freedom fighters had from the citizens of independent India.

## US woman arrested for faking her kidnapping in India

By Stanley Ugagbe

A 27-year-old American woman has been arrested by the Police in India's national capital Delhi for allegedly staging her own kidnapping.

According to the police, the woman faked her abduction to "blackmail" her parents into sending money after she ran out of cash.

It was reported that the woman had reached India on 3 May. She phoned her mother on 7 July and said she was being assaulted by a man.

Reports said Police in Delhi began investigating her whereabouts after the US Embassy forwarded a complaint from her family to them.

It was stated that they traced the IP addresses from which the woman had sent an email to American Citizen services and made a video call to her mother.

In view of this, they traced and arrested a 31-year-old man from Nigeria, who said during interrogation that the woman was staying in an apartment in Noida, on the outskirts of Delhi.

Speaking with newsmen, New Delhi's deputy commissioner of police, Amrutha Guguloth, said "After her rescue, it was revealed that she had staged the incident to blackmail her parents".

Delineating on the development, the Police said the woman, who is from Washington DC, had met the man through Facebook and had been staying with him since she arrived in India.

The police, while noting it was found that the woman's visa and man's passport had expired, said they would take action against the two for staying in India without valid documents.

## UN Warns Nigerians, Other Africans To Be Wary Of Job Offers In Middle East As Kidney Now Sells For \$262,000

By N.Ugoh

The United Nations (UN) has alerted Africans about the booming black market for human organs in the Middle East and asked Africans to be wary of traffickers who disguise as employers.

The UN alert was posted on its website and was sighted by Sahara-Reporters. It urged Africans to beware of human body organ harvesters who pretend to be employment providers in the Middle East

The UN made it known that black marketers pay \$262,000 for a kidney, around N157 million.

The document titled 'United Nations Alert' stated: "the black market

for parts of the human body is booming in the Middle East.

"A kidney now costs \$262,000 dollars (131 million CFA francs); the heart costs 119,000 dollars (60 million CFA francs) and the liver costs 157,000 dollars (79 million CFA francs).

"Beware of fake foreign agencies promising to make you work abroad. They process your papers, pay your plane ticket and just take you abroad pretending they want to find you a job, but instead, they kill their victims, and recover all the precious parts of their bodies.

"Many people have been offered jobs in the Middle East and so far their families have been unable to locate them."

## 10 Syrians accused of recruiting mercenaries for Russia, sanctioned

By Stanley Ugagbe

The European Union has imposed asset freezes and visa bans on ten Syrians, accusing them of recruiting mercenaries to fight for Russia in its invasion of Ukraine.

According to the EU, the names of the Syrians - along with two private security firms - were added to the existing body's sanctions list and published in the 27-member bloc's official journal.

Leading businessman Issam Shammout, the owner of the Cham Wings airline, who is reputedly a close ally of Syrian President Bashar al-Assad is among those on the blacklist.

Also, Saleh al-Abdullah an army colonel is accused of recruiting soldiers from his 16th Brigade, which operated with Russian forces in Syria, to fight in Ukraine.

Another key person on the blacklist, Muhammad al-Salti, the commander of the Palestine Liberation Army, a Syrian government-backed force, was said to be "engaged in the recruitment of Palestinians to fight in Ukraine alongside Russia."

The two private security companies hit with the sanctions are Sanad Protection and Security Services and the al-Sayyad Company for Guarding and Protection Services, nicknamed the "ISIS Hunters".

According to the EU, Sanad is supervised by the Russian mercenary firm Wagner and protects Russian business interests in Syria, including oil, gas and phosphate extraction.

On the other hand, al-Sayyad Company which is also linked to Wagner, is accused of being "active in the recruitment of Syrian mercenaries to Libya and Ukraine."

## Boris Johnson resigns as British Prime Minister

By N.Ugoh

British Prime Minister Boris Johnson has formally resigned from his office.

Johnson had earlier shunned calls by his Cabinet members to resign amid ethics scandals. He eventually succumbed after over 40 ministers quit his government and asked him to go.

It remains unclear whether Johnson would stay in office while his party (the Conservative Party) selects a new leader, that will replace him

as Prime Minister.

Shortly before the news broke, Treasury chief Nadhim Zahawi urged Johnson to resign just 36 hours after Johnson appointed him, while another newly appointed Cabinet minister resigned.

Zahawi said Boris Johnson knew "the right thing to do" was to "go now."

Zahawi was appointed recently to replace Rishi Sunak, who resigned and said he could no longer back Johnson after many ethics scandals.

## Abba-Aji Appointed CMD Alberta Hospital Canada



Nigerian-born Prof Adam Abba-Aji

By Stanley Ugagbe

Nigerian-born Prof Adam Abba-Aji has been appointed as the Chief Medical Director (CMD) of the prestigious Alberta Hospital, Edmonton, Canada. Abba-Aji is the first African to be appointed to this role.

Abba-Aji, who hails from Borno State, Nigeria, is a brother to the former Senator of Borno Central Sen. Mohammed Abba-Aji.

According to official records, the Alberta Hospital was

established in 1923, and since inception, it has trained millions of Doctors in almost a century.

The CMD is a professor of Psychiatric who has been practicing in Canada for the past 20 years.

It was gathered that Abba-Aji obtained his MBBS from the University of Maiduguri, Nigeria. He is a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons, Canada; Fellow Royal College of Psychiatrists, U.K; Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association and Fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine,

UK.

Remarkably, Abba-Aji has Master's degrees in Neuroscience from the University of Maastricht, Netherlands; and also a Masters

Before his appointment as the CMD, he was the Medical Lead for the Integrated Youth Services Initiative in Addiction & Mental Health in Edmonton, the Zone Facility Site Chief, Addiction Mental Health, at the University of Alberta Hospital; and, the Associate Chair of Psychiatry, Clinical Affairs, with the Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry.

He has numerous awards, recognitions, and over 70 peer reviewed publications and book chapters.

It is imperative to note that Alberta Hospital Edmonton is the largest Teaching Hospital for addiction and mental health in the Western Canada. Reports also have it that the Facility is affiliated to the University of Alberta, one of the top 5 Universities in Canada and ranked #135 best Universities in the world.

## Amusan Pockets \$100,000 After Breaking World Record

By N.Ugoh

Nigerian track and field athlete who specialises in the 100 metres hurdles and also competes as a sprinter, Tobi Amusan has pocketed \$100,000 after winning the 100m hurdles at the World Athletics Championship in Eugene, Oregon.

Remarkably, Amusan emerged the winner with a new record as she clocked 12.12 seconds in semifinals at Hayward Field. Thereafter, won in 12.06 seconds in the final round.

Amusan took eight hundredths off American Keni Harrison's world record of 12.20 from 2016, the largest time drop for a world record in the event in 42 years.

Harping on the record, the Ogun State-born Amusan said, "Honestly, I believe in my abilities but I was not expecting a world record at these championships. The goal is always just to execute well and get the win. So the world record is a bonus. I knew I had it in me but I could not believe it when I saw it on the screen after the semis.

"Before the final, I just tried to stay calm and to do my best. I took a deep breath knowing that I have some goals to accomplish and it worked pretty good. I knew it



was very fast but not this fast."

It's germane to note that she had her Secondary School Education at Our Lady of Apostles Secondary School, Ijebu Ode, Ogun state.

Tobi Amusan's tertiary

education is at the University of Texas, El Paso, United States (the same institution where Blessing Okagbare attended). Her college team is UTEP Miners while she belongs to the Buka Tigers Athletics Club.

## Manitoba driver's license: Tolu shares 'dehumanizing' photo glitch ordeal, sues for revamp of MPI



Tolu Ilelaboye

By Stanley Ugagbe

Alarmed by the development, Tolu Ilelaboye, a Nigerian-Canadian woman attempting to get a new Manitoba driver's licence photo, has averred that she's had enough after being told for the third time her skin tone reads as "unnatural" by an Autopac computer system.

According to Tolu, she had last month, went to two different Autopac locations over the course of three days to get her licence renewed, and was denied.

In a chat with newsmen, she said "At that point, an Autopac person had told me that my skin wasn't registering a natural colour. So I basically couldn't get a licence".

More recently, Ilelaboye said the same thing happened again.

Tolu stated that not only is she unable to get a driver's license, but it's dehumanizing to be told repeatedly her skin colour isn't natural.

She said "It really is dehumanizing in a lot of ways. It's reminding me of just some of the systems that are in place and processes that are in place that continue to obstruct people's ability to access all the same resources as other people".

She continued that the

process is so exhausting that she refused to have her photo taken again by an Autopac agent.

"I fundamentally will not come get another photo because that's personally really damaging," she said.

In its reaction, Manitoba Public Insurance said resolving this issue is a 'top priority' and is working to ensure it doesn't happen again.

The vice-president and chief customer officer with Manitoba Public Insurance, Satvir Jatana, who offered her apologies to Ilelaboye, said "On behalf of MPI, I am truly sorry that this has happened. You know, we we serve all Manitobans and we want our services to be respectful, easy and accessible"

"We know that in this case for Tolu, we fell short and we are doing everything to make it right."

She promised that MPI will work to ensure Ilelaboye has an updated driver's licence with an older photo.

However, Tolu, who demanded an up-to-date driver's licence without having to take a new photo, said she wants to see MPI's system revamped and staff trained to troubleshoot so clients aren't being told their skin tone is unnatural.

She said "All of these things can be changed so that other people don't have to go through this".

## SPORTS

# Heartbreak As Canada's Andreescu, Shapovalov Crash Out Of Wimbledon

By Stanley Ugagbe

The journey of Canadians Bianca Andreescu and Denis Shapovalov at the ongoing Wimbledon has come to an abrupt end as they have been eliminated following second-round losses at the All England Tennis Club.



Andreescu said "I didn't expect for her serve to be that good ... she did play well, and she was getting to a bunch of balls. She was pretty solid, both sides. She played a really great match".

Remarkably, Rybakina, 23, seeded 17th in the women's draw, will next meet China's Qinwen Zheng, 19, in the tournament's third round.

On her part, 22-year-old Andreescu, advanced to the second round at the All England Tennis Club for the first time

in her career after breezing past American Emina Bektas 6-1, 6-3 in the opener.

Meanwhile, Shapovalov, seeded 13th in the men's draw, committed eight double faults in his loss to Nakashima. The 23-year-old Shapovalov, reached the semifinals at the All England Club last year, his best result at a Grand Slam tournament.

It's germane to also note that Nakashima, 23, who is ranked 56th in the world, will next face Daniel Elahi Galan.

## How I was illegally trafficked to the UK as a child – Farah

By Stanley Ugagbe

Four-time Olympic gold medalist, Mo Farah has revealed that he was trafficked into the UK as a child and forced to work as a domestic servant.

The long-distance running legend reportedly made the revelation in a new documentary by the BBC.

It was stated that in the documentary, Farah disclosed that his real name is Hussein Abdi Kahin and that he was born in Somaliland. He said, "Despite what I said in the past, my parents never lived in the UK".

Farah averred that the family was "torn apart" after his father was killed in the civil war when he was just four years old. It could be recalled that Somaliland declared independence in 1991 when it broke away from war-torn Somalia, but has never been recognized as a sovereign state.



In a clip of the interview, Farah said "I was separated from my mother and I was brought into the UK illegally under the name of another child called Mohamed Farah". He further revealed that he was either eight or nine years old when he was flown to the UK by a woman he'd never met before.

He continued that upon arrival, he was forced to "do housework and childcare." Delineating on his ordeal, he said several years later, he was finally

allowed to enrol in school, where he confided in a PE teacher about his situation. The teacher contacted social services and Farah moved in with a Somali foster family.

The emotional Farah said, "I still missed my real family, but from that moment everything got better".

In his words, the legend, who was granted British citizenship in 2000, averred that running saved him from a life in servitude.

## WWE boss retires amid sexual misconduct probe

By Stanley Ugagbe

The embattled chief executive and chairman of World Wrestling Entertainment, Vince McMahon has announced that he is retiring amid allegations of misconduct.

Vince's announcement comes a month after he temporarily stepped back from the roles after an investigation into alleged misconduct was launched.

Local papers have earlier reported that McMahon had agreed to pay more than \$12m (£9.9m) over the last 16 years to suppress allegations of sexual misconduct and infidelity.

The embattled Vince previously pledge to co-operate with the investigation but did not address the probe in his recent statement.

Recall that his daughter, Stephanie McMahon, stepped in as WWE's interim boss in June.

While announcing his retirement, Vince reiterated his support for the wrestling entertainment company and will remain the majority shareholder.

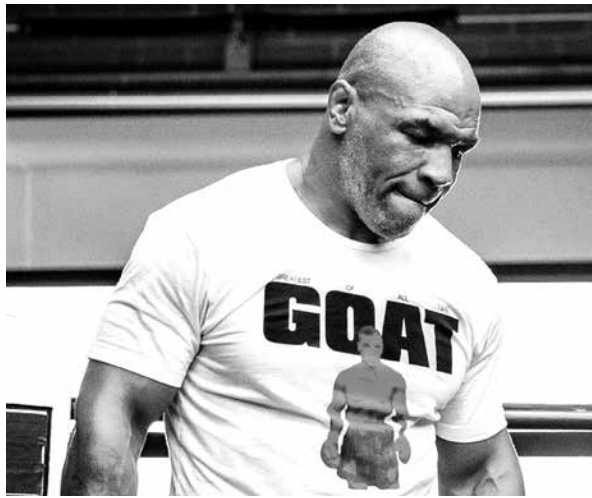
He said "As I approach 77 years old, I feel it's time for me to retire as chairman and CEO of WWE. Throughout the years, it's been a privilege to help WWE bring you joy,

inspire you, thrill you, surprise you, and always entertain you"

"I am extremely confident in the continued success of WWE, and I leave our company in the capable hands of an extraordinary group of superstars, employees, and executives.

"As the majority shareholder, I will continue to support WWE in any way I can."

Records have it that McMahon bought WWE in 1982, transforming it from a regional player in a fragmented industry to a highly lucrative, global giant, which posted about \$1bn in revenue last year.



## Mike Tyson: I am coming close to death

By Dele Akintilo

Boxing legend, Mike Tyson has revealed he believes he is edging closer to his death.

The 56-year-old former heavyweight boxing champion made this known when he interviewed therapist Sean McFarland, a specialist in trauma and addiction, on his "Hotboxin' with Mike Tyson" podcast and told him he feels his 'expiration date' is near.

Tyson said: "We're all gonna die one day of course.

"Then, when I look in the mirror, I see those little spots on my face, I say, 'Wow. That means my expiration date is coming close, really soon."

While talking further, Tyson said he doesn't think money brings the happiness and security that many associate with it.

He said: "Money don't mean s\*\*t to me.

"I always tell people, they think money's gonna make them happy, they've never had money before, when you have a lot of money, you can't expect nobody to love you. How am I gonna confess my love to you when you have 500 billion dollars?"

"The false sense of security. You believe nothing can happen.

"You don't believe the banks could collapse.

"You believe that you're invincible when you have a lot of money, which isn't true. That's why I always say money is a false sense of security."

## South Africa Defeat Morocco To Win First-Ever Women's Africa Cup of Nations

By Stanley Ugagbe

The Banyana Banyana of South Africa have emerged champions of Africa after defeating hosts Morocco 2-1 in the final of the 2022 Women's Africa Cup of Nations.

The suspense-filled first half of the encounter resulted in a barren draw but the second half produced three goals as Hildah Magaia scored twice in the 63rd minute and 71 minutes respectively for South Africa before Ayane grabbed a consolation for Morocco in the 80th minute.

The combobulated South African women walked away with the continental title at the 12th edition of the biggest football showpiece in women's football in Africa, becoming the third-ever nation to lift the trophy – Nigeria and Equatorial Guinea were the only countries to have won the tournament before.

Recall that the South African women failed to lay their hands on the coveted trophy in five previous attempts but their efforts have finally paid off in the 2022 edition, defeating every country that came their way.

In view of this development, Banyana Banyana will lead African representatives that include Super Falcons of Nigeria, Atlas Lionesses of Morocco, and Copper Queens of Zambia to the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup slated for Australia and New Zealand.

SPORTS

# Nigerian-born Oluseyi Smith appointed to IOC Athletes Commission

By Dele Akintilo

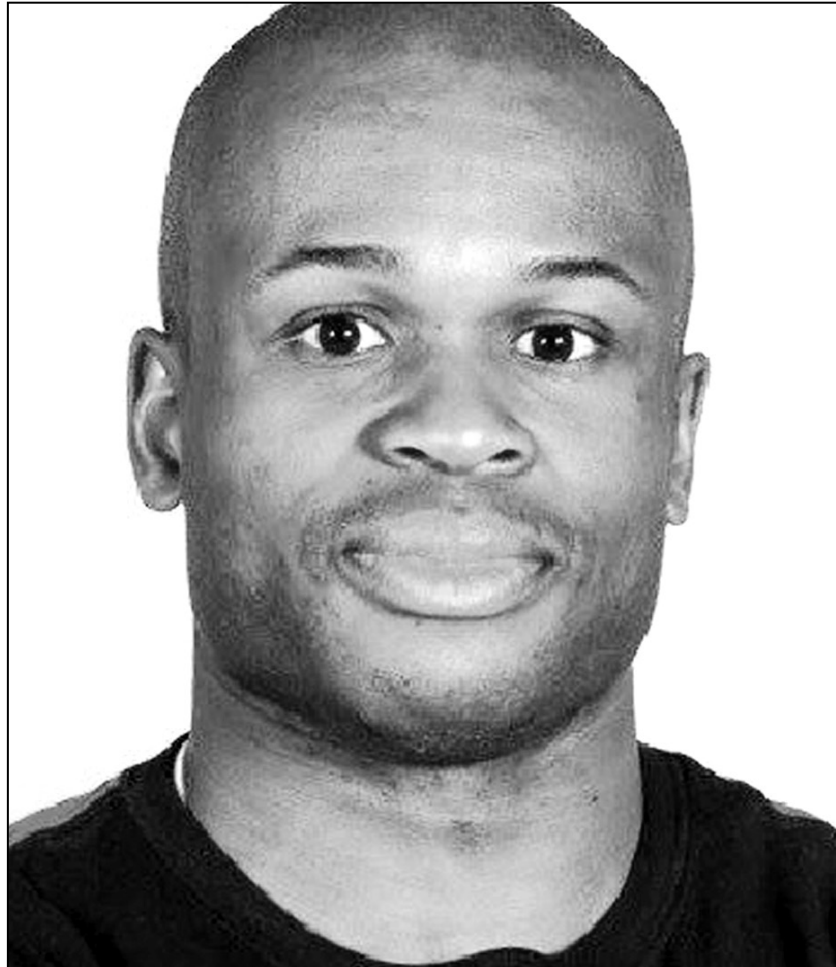
Nigerian-born Canadian Olympian, Oluseyi Smith, has been appointed to the Athletes' Commission (AC) of the International Olympic Committee's Athletes Commission (AC) to represent the voice of the athletes within the Olympic Movement.

**S**MITH was appointed with Olympians Allyson Felix (US), Alistair Brownlee (Britain), and Masomah Ali Zada (Afghanistan) by the President of IOC, Thomas Bach, in accordance with IOC AC regulations which aim at ensuring a balance between genders, regions and sports within the Commission.

Each of the four athletes can each serve a term of up to eight years. With these appointments, the IOC AC will comprise 14 women and 9 men.

While talking about the appointment, President Bach said: "Athletes are at the very heart of the Olympic Movement, and it is therefore essential that their voices are heard within the IOC. Those voices must be as diverse as possible."

"The appointment of these four new members of the Athletes' Commission complements the outstanding skills and experience of the Commission and ensures we



have great representation across different sports and regions of the world. We look forward to working with each of them in the years ahead as they play a vital role in representing the interests of the global athlete community."

Smith was born in Ile-Ife Nigeria and represented Canada at Summer and Winter Games. He competed

in the 4x100m athletics relay at London 2012 before he switched to bobsleigh and came sixth in the four-man event at PyeongChang 2018.

He once served as Chair of the Canadian Olympic Committee's Athletes' Commission and took part in the IOC Young Leaders programme.

## Drug Smuggling: US Basketball star pleads guilty in Russia

By Stanley Ugagbe

In a case that has further inflamed tensions between Moscow and Washington, US basketball star Brittney Griner has pleaded guilty to drug smuggling charges in a Russian court but denied intending to break the law.

According to reports, the 31-year-old two-time Olympic gold medallist and WNBA champion, detained days before Russia sent troops to Ukraine, faces up to a decade behind bars for bringing vape cartridges with cannabis oil into the country.

The basketball star reportedly told a court in the town of Khimki outside Moscow that she "would like to plead guilty" to all the charges, but stressed she had "no intention" of breaking any Russian law.

"I was in a rush packing. And the cartridges accidentally ended up in my bag."

The athlete's lawyer Alexander Boykov sued for "as soft a sentence as possible".

In a statement, US Secretary of State Antony Blinken said that US embassy officials attended Griner's trial and delivered to her a letter from US President Joe Biden.

He tweeted "We will not relent until Brittney, Paul Whelan, and all other wrongfully detained Americans are reunited with their loved ones".

Griner's lawyer Boykov said she had "appreciated" receiving the letter from Biden, who said he would make bringing her home a "priority".

In a counter reaction, Moscow hit back, saying that US "hype" over Griner would not help her case.

The court process, Deputy Foreign Minister Sergei Ryabkov, said "The hype and working on the public, with all the love for this genre among modern politicians, currently only disturbs"

"It does not just distract from the case but creates interference in the core sense of the word. Silence is needed here."

It was reported that in a call with Griner's wife, Biden said the star was "wrongfully detained under intolerable circumstances".

Biden said he had written to the WBNA star, after she had sent him a hand-written letter presented to the White House on July 4, US Independence Day.

Griner wrote "I realise you are dealing with so much, but please don't forget about me and the other American detainees".

"Please do all you can to bring us home."

However, Ryabkov said letters between the two would not help the star's fate.

He said "It is not correspondence of this kind that can help, but a serious perception by the American side of the signals they received from Moscow, through specialised channels".

Another member of Griner's defence team, Maria Blagovolina, said it was her client's decision to plead guilty.

"Brittney stressed that she committed the crime by negligence," Blagovolina said.

"We hope that this circumstance, together with the evidence of the defense, will be taken into account by the court"

Recall that Griner came to Russia in February to play club basketball during the US off-season — a common path for American stars seeking additional income.

Reports have it that she was detained at a Moscow airport after she was found carrying vape cartridges with cannabis oil in her luggage.

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## Adesanya defeats Cannonier to retain middleweight title, Minister reacts

By Stanley Ugagbe

Again, the Nigerian Sports Ministry has been thrown into wild jubilation as Israel Adesanya, a Nigerian-born New Zealand professional mixed martial artist, and kickboxer has cruised to the fourth title defence of his middleweight UFC belt against Jared Cannonier in a fight that sometimes looked one-sided.

According to official reports, the fight ended in a unanimous decision with the judges scoring the bout 49-46, 49-46 and 50-45 for the Last Stylebender.

Recall that Adesanya's last fight also ended in a unanimous decision win over rival Robert Whittaker at UFC 271 in February.

In a post-victory speech, Adesanya said "He had an excellent game plan; it was really hard to get my follow-ups going, my second phases going".

The win is Adesanya's twelfth consecutive victory as a middleweight in the UFC, only



one behind the record set by UFC legend Anderson Silva, as the Last Stylebender continues to cement his legacy as one of the greatest to ever step foot in the Octagon.

In a swift reaction, Nigeria's Sports minister Sunday Dare congratulated Adesanya, on another successful title defence.

The Minister, in a statement, lauded Adesanya for being a worthy youth ambassador for the country.

Dare said Nigerians were proud of Adesanya and another Nigerian UFC champion, Kamaru Usman.

He said "We are proud of Adesanya and Usman and we will continue to celebrate them because they always identify with Nigeria, they always proudly carry our flag everywhere they go. They are our global icons. We believe they have many more successes ahead of them".

## RELIGION

# Joshua You Are Growing Old

## - Part 2

By Pastor Amos Dada PhD, P.Eng.

My passion and heart desire is to see Christianity grow. Because that is the solution to the world's troubles. Everyman, every woman, everyone that is not a Christian is a potential danger to the world it may sound complicated but it is true.

During the heat of the pandemic I attended an online course at Harvard School of Divinity on Religion. It afforded me a great opportunity to see the strength in Christianity and compare and contrast it with other religions. Whereas many religions on paper profess peace, tolerance and love, in actual life history and practicality it is the opposite. People like Barack Obama will like to twist history and remind us about the Crusaders. But when you read about the crusaders you will notice it is a defensive mechanism rather than offensive tirade. It is an attempt to claim back the holy land that was aggressively taken away by the aggressors. The temple gloriously built by Solomon had been raided, destroyed, rebuilt, and till today a mosque is standing on that sacred land!

Reading Joshua Chapter One, we see God's blueprint on conquering the land. Be strong and courageous is repeated and rehearsed by God and man to Joshua. That is still the strategy for the body of Christ today. Unlike in those days of Old Testament where it was preceded by singing, shouting, blowing the trumpet, and eventually fighting, today, Jesus Christ in his reformation agenda in the sermon on the mount said amongst other things - when they slap you on one cheek offer the other cheek! Although that has been abused, and exploited to a ridiculous extent by other religions who have slapped our two cheeks and we do not have any cheek to turn we still stick to the mandate and



Pastor Amos Dele Dada

template Jesus has given us not out of weakness but strength in the Holy Ghost.

Another emotional and spiritual factor in possessing the land is what we learnt from Caleb. In Joshua 14: 14. "Hebron therefore became the inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenzite unto this day, because that he wholly followed the Lord God of Israel."

Now one of the new vocabulary in social media is "content." People now introduced themselves as content providers or producers.

Jesus was the originator of that. In Lk 9:1-2, Lk 10:1-2. He spoke and sent the 12 and 70 disciples respectively to go and produce content. Go and preach the gospel. They did and had a great report.

Whereas we cannot ignore what the Moses generation in the Old Testament and what Paul/Peter/Apostles did in the New Testament, we have much content to produce

Below are ten ways to produce content

1. Pray for God to raise Labourers for the harvest. Lk 10:2

2. Trust God and work. Trusting God does not mean to do nothing. We must pray and work. Work here means defence and offence if need be. Jesus said watch and pray-Matt 26:41, Eph 6:17

3. Pray for the nations to accept Christ. For example the Fulani nation Psalm 2: 8.

4. Deal with territorial demons and evil gate keepers. Ask for fire of God to consume enemies of progress. There is nothing wrong in Christian defending themselves. Dan 10:13. Neh. 2: 19

5. Go on missionary

trips, short or long term. Acts 13-14

6. Do personal, church group and mass evangelism. Engage in Mass crusade Acts 2:41, Acts 4:4.

7. Write books, tracts, material that can go across the world Eph 1: 1 Pet 1:1. Rev 1:1-2

8. Teach, preach, produce skits, movies, gospel songs and share. Make use of modern day technology, Internet, Radio, TV, Social Media. Speak out- Soro soke!

9. Give money. Don't be limited to traditional ways of giving, tithe, offering, vows, first fruits. Go above and beyond. Give to advance the kingdom. Buy equipment, vehicle, properties, sponsor missionaries, ministers in rural and urban centres. In Matt 28:12 they gave "large money" to cover the truth of Jesus resurrection. Give "larger money" to spread the truth that Jesus resurrected, he is alive and he is coming back again!

10. Be creative. God is not limited. Ask God for ideas. Reach out to the orphanages, destitute. Give to the gospel generously. James 1: 27.

Conclusion: Don't be an onlooker. There is a content God has wired you to produce. Like Caleb there is a giant land to conquer, don't stay only in your comfort zone. The problem of the church today is comfort zone syndrome. We know what to do but we are too afraid. Arise and shine. Like God to Jeremiah- "See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out, and to pull down, and to destroy, and to throw down, to build, and to plant." Jer 1:10

God is on your side. Stop waiting for God to act. God is waiting on you to act. Shalom.

O taste and see that the Lord is good. (Psalm 34:8). I have tasted and found that the Lord is good. I do testify that the Lord is good. Join me to taste him.

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# Pope's apology not enough, we need action, Indigenous people in Alberta

By Stanley Ugagbe

Some survivors of Canada's residential school system who were present during Pope Francis's apology described the moment as historic and "bittersweet," but said that the highly anticipated apology will only be meaningful if it's followed by concrete action.

Samson Cree Nation Chief Vernon Saddleback while speaking during a press conference after the Pope's apology, said "Words cannot describe how important today is for the healing journey for a lot of First Nations people."

While noting that "I'm really grateful for this event to happen," he calls the pope's apology a historic moment not only for Canada, but for all First Nations communities.

"It was an amazing day, a historic day... words fail me to say what this means to my people."

In a similar vein, Frog Leg Cree Nation Chief Greg Desjarlais voiced gratitude that a papal apology finally happened in Canada, saying, "today is a bittersweet day."

"It's bitter in some people's minds and hearts, some people are upset, but it's also sweet for some that have moved on and moved into a direction of healing.

"There is a better life for our people out there, even though our ancestors went through the social ills, the atrocities, the abuse."

Desjarlais said as members of First Nations communities, survivors can take the pope's apology, "accept it, and move forward the best we know how, or we can be stuck."

"I want to encourage survivors to move forward in a good way," he said, calling them "the drivers that will help change the landscape for our children and grandchildren."

He added that he felt that the pope's apology was sincere, and that Francis "really did some homework, that he really dug in and made it as meaningful as he could."

During his meeting with First Nations, Métis and Inuit communities on the grounds of the former Ermineskin residential school in Maskwacis,



Alberta, a place that was once home to the largest number of residential schools in Canada, Francis said he was "deeply sorry" for the ways in which "many Christians supported the colonizing mentality of the powers that oppressed the Indigenous peoples" and for the Catholic Church's complicity "in projects of cultural destruction and forced assimilation promoted by the governments of that time, which culminated in the system of residential schools."

In his reaction, Chief Tony Alexis of the Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation stressed the importance of Pope Francis's apology being delivered on the grounds of a former residential school, where the atrocities that many children endured took place.

He said "As we approached this day, there was a sense of hope, a sense of hope that this apology will bring healing to them immediately".

Alexis said, some people "were triggered" by the pope's words, and old wounds were reopened.

"We can't just leave it like that," Alexis said, and stressed the need to do more, saying "we have to really take the steps to help heal and recover our people."

He continued that both the Catholic Church and the government "need to step up to this. You can't just say I'm sorry and walk away. There has to be effort, there has to be work, and more meaningful action behind it"

He added that "There's a lot of work that still has to happen."

A survivor, Evelyn Korkmaz, who attended St. Anne's residential school, said she has waited 50 years for the pope's apology, "and finally today I heard it."

Calling the moment "overwhelming," Korkmaz said that when she heard the pope say he

was sorry, "Part of me is rejoiced, part of me is sad, part of me is numb."

"I am glad I lived long enough to have witnessed this apology, but I want more, because 50 years is too long to wait for an apology," she said, saying she was disappointed that the pope did not present "a workplan" of how he intends to continue the path of reconciliation, "because reconciliation means many different things to different people."

On his part, Jon Cryer, an elder, knowledge keeper and survivor from Samson Cree Nation, recounted his experience of physical and spiritual abuse at a residential school, saying he witnessed classmates being beaten for speaking their native languages, and was told that the traditional spirituality practiced by his parents and grandparents was both a "superstition" and the work of the devil.

In view of the vast damage done, "I ask myself, is this apology enough?" he said. He, however, said, the apology is "a huge opportunity" for civil and ecclesial leaders to make real progress in healing and reconciliation.

"The church and the rest of Canada, the government, while we're doing this work of healing, I'm expecting that they also will be doing their work. After all, we're in this together," he said.

Also reacting, Chief Randy Ermineskin of Ermineskin Cree Nation, who is a residential school survivor, said the apology was highly significant, and that as the pope spoke, his mind was filled with memories of his classmates and the abuses they all endured.

He said "It's about truth, justice, healing, reconciliation, but one thing I want to talk about today is hope."

"We have to really encourage and bring hope to our communities."

# COVER STORY

## Killed

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that Chibueze and Michelle are indigenes of the Ibusa Community - their painful deaths led to the cancellation and postponement of the Ibusa Cultural Day Event.

York Regional Police investigators revealed that officers responded to a report of a shooting which took place recently at ATL Lounge, a restaurant and nightclub.

According to police, the suspect(s) fled the scene before their arrival.

In a statement, Const. Maniva Armstrong said: "On Saturday, July 23, 2022, at approximately 3:30 a.m., York Regional Police responded to a nightclub in the area of Highway 7 and Keele Street for a report of a shooting.

"When officers arrived on scene they located three victims with gunshot wounds. A 25-year-old male and a 22-year-old male were pronounced deceased at the scene."

"The suspect(s) fled the scene prior to police arriving.

"Officers are appealing to any witnesses who

may have been in the area or in the establishment at the time who have not yet spoken to police to please come forward.

"Investigators are also seeking any cell phone video or photographs from inside or outside the establishment, video surveillance from the area or anyone that may have captured dashcam video on the roadways.

"This investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Homicide Unit at 1-866-876-5423 ext. 7865, or email the Homicide Unit at homicide@yrp.ca, or call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS, or leave an anonymous tip online."

Two days after releasing surveillance video footage of the suspect, police identified the suspect as 27-year-old Kensworth Alton Francis.

In a condolence message posted by the owners of the nightclub on Instagram, it was revealed that the two victims were employed as security guards at the lounge.

The message read: "With heavy hearts today we are deeply saddened

by the senseless shooting that took place outside of ATL Lounge last night taking the lives of our security guards Eze and Tosin.

"Our prayers are with their friends and families during this extremely difficult time. Our prayers are also with the young lady that is in the hospital fighting to overcome her injuries. Our deepest condolences."

Maureen Mrabure (Eze's aunt) wrote: "Eze had just turned 22 this past May. He was a calm, peaceful, and loving young man. He is the only son, in a family of 5. He had just finished his diploma at Durham College and had been looking forward to his first entry-level work using his new degree in Honours Computer Programming. In addition to school, Eze was working as a security guard and a cook in the family restaurant to help support himself.

"On July 23, 2022, on a regular working night, he left home to work as he normally would for his security shift, and would not return home... Eze was murdered on duty when a shooter returned to the club and could

not enter the front doors, he began to fire multiple rounds through the glass, killing 2 people and critically injuring a patron. Eze, unfortunately, was blindly struck from behind and did not have any chance of survival as a bullet struck his carotid artery."

Chibueze's family has set up a GoFundme account to raise funds for the burial costs, and the expenses for his mother, father, and 2 sisters to come to Canada to say their final goodbyes as he is laid to rest. Donations can be made into the account via <https://gofund.me/160ee529>

On the other hand, Police said investigations are ongoing over the death of Mitchell.

Mississauga mayor Bonnie Crombie issued a statement on social media, shortly after the news broke.

"Absolutely devastated to hear of the death of a young four-year-old child who was tragically hit by a train tonight"

"The loss of a child is nothing short of a tragedy, and my heart goes out to their family and loved ones as they grieve this indescribable and immeasurable loss."

The flags at city hall were lowered to half-mast as the community mourned the little girl who died, said Mississauga Mayor Bonnie Crombie.

The Nigerian High Commissioner in Ottawa, Adeyinka Asekun and his team on July 30th, paid a visit to both families of Chibueze and Michelle to commiserate with them.

The Editorial board of the Nigerian Canadian Newspaper sympathizes with the Tosin, Chibueze and Michelle's families over the irreparable losses. May God grant the families the fortitude to bear the losses.

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## LOBLAW JUSTIFIED IN SUSPENDING...

pandemic and the rules are continually evolving and today I do not have any reason to say that the patient should be exempted from wearing a mask given the current Public Health orders and the clearly stated exemptions.

A note on Jan. 11, 2021, indicated that Benke had "ongoing medical concerns." Dr. Gerber then said that she was "not in a position to make a final decision whether the patient should be forced to wear a mask or not..." She concluded by saying that "it is in the best interest of the patient not to be in public at this time and that if at all possible, continue to do his work from home."

"Dr. Gerber's January 11, 2021 letter reads as if she is trying to be respectful of her patient by validating his as yet undiagnosed medical condition while, at the same time, not transgressing any professional standards by misrepresenting to Loblaw that Mr. Benke qualified for a medical exemption from legal and employer policy requirements to wear a mask in public," the court said.

"To be clear, Dr. Gerber does not say in her January 11, 2021 letter that Mr. Benke has a medical condition that prevents

mask use or that he qualifies for a medical exemption to the Mask Policy or the Mask Bylaw."

Benke was put on unpaid leave on Dec. 3, 2020.

Loblaw rescinded its mask policies on March 1, 2022, in Alberta and on March 11, 2022, in B.C. as provincial mask mandates dropped.

The court's ruling The court looked at a number of issues. One was whether Loblaw had a duty to accommodate Benke.

Because Benke did not show to Loblaw or prove to the court he has a disability or medical condition that affects his ability to wear a mask, this was a simple no.

"Since Mr. Benke did not show even on a prima facie basis that he had a disability, there was no reason for Loblaw to pursue the matter further or seek confirmation through an independent medical examination. I find that there was no discrimination and, accordingly, Loblaw had no duty to accommodate Mr. Benke. In the absence of a duty to accommodate, the hypothetical alternative work scenarios posited for Mr. Benke are irrelevant," the court said.

Next up was the claim of constructive dismissal. Benke asserted that his un-

paid leave was tantamount to constructive dismissal.

The court again sided with Loblaw. By refusing to comply with the mask bylaw and the mask policy, Benke "repudiated his employment contract," the court ruled.

Loblaw's mask policy did not amount to a fundamental change in his employment contract. His job didn't change, he was just told to wear a mask by reason of the bylaw and the policy.

In short, Benke chose not to work. Therefore, it was reasonable for Loblaw not to pay him.

It further ruled that Benke resigned from his employment.

"Mr. Benke did not seek reinstatement in this action. In the meantime, he has also obtained full-time employment with a different employer. Despite Loblaw continuing to show Mr. Benke in their records as being on unpaid leave, there can be no doubt that he has resigned even if he did not explicitly communicate that to Loblaw," the court said.

For more information see Benke v. Loblaw Companies Limited, 2022 ABQB 461 (CanLII)

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## ANSWERS FROM P(19)

**Spot the Difference**

Find 7 differences between these two pictures

## ANSWERS FROM P(19) - MATH

- A. ANSWERS (1) = 3 (2) = 36 (3) = 3 (4) = 5 (5) = 4 (6) = 10
- B. Answers: (1) = 720 (2) = 861 (3) = 500 (4) = 4305 (5) = 1000 (6) = 500

## ANSWERS FROM P(19) CROSS WORD SOLUTION

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## ANSWERS FROM P(19) MATCH THE FOLLOWING PHRASES

- Host of → natives
- Tribe of → flowers
- Clusters of → angels
- Bouquet of → Lions
- Pride of → stars

## ANSWERS FROM P(19) - QUOTE PUZZLE

**YOUR LIFE IS AS GOOD AS YOUR MINDSET.**

# 5 MOST POPULAR GETAWAY DESTINATIONS FOR SUMMER 2022



(NC) Over the last two summers, many of us have found a new love for nature and the great outdoors. Now, with fewer restrictions and a higher comfort level, that love is still influencing many of our favourite getaway destinations.

The recent Toyota Canada Summer Road Trip Survey found that more than half of respondents were planning weekend or long-weekend getaways. Overall, the most popular destinations for this year, include:

## THE HOME OF FAMILY OR A FRIEND

With the freedom to travel again, we just cannot wait to see the far-afield friends and family members who we've

missed.

## BACK TO THE BEACH

For those who love the gentle lapping of water on the shore or the feeling of soft sand between your toes, many of us will be found soaking up the sun and the fun at the beach this summer.

## PARKLAND WONDERS

Canada is home to some of the world's most beautiful national and provincial parkland. With vacation budgets tight and a newfound appreciation of time outdoors, these monuments to nature will be popular destinations in 2022.

## CAMPING IN THE GREAT OUTDOORS

For some, there's nothing like trekking into the woods, claiming our space and roughing it in the wild, but for others, the wilds are tamed by renting a tranquil spot with access to electricity, restroom facilities and hot and cold running water. Either way, camping is where we want to be.

## CABIN OR COTTAGE GETAWAY

More rustic than home, with access to a wide range of outdoor summer fun, for many of us the cabin or cottage is this year's preferred destination to step off the grid and enjoy some well-earned rest and relaxation.

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# HOW TO MAKE YOUR DREAM COTTAGE A REALITY



(NC) Are you dreaming of your own little piece of paradise where you can spend summer days? With the skyrocketing price of gas and the complexities of pandemic travel, your vacation goals may have shifted a little closer to home in recent years, boosting the appeal of cottage ownership.

Here are some things to consider if you're thinking of buying a cottage.

## START WITH A PLAN

Not sure where to begin? To see if your dream is possible, try the Financial Consumer Agency of Canada's free online financial goal calculator. By putting in a few numbers, you can create a snapshot of your current financial state

and see if your plan is realistic based on your monthly income.

## TIME IT WISELY

You may need to take some time to save up when it comes to buying a cottage. How long you give yourself to achieve your goal will determine how you plan to save and invest. If you give yourself a couple of years, you'll want to keep your money protected and easily accessible. Shorter term savings options include savings accounts, short-term deposits and short-term guaranteed investment certificates, also known as GICs.

If you think it will take longer to achieve your goal, you may consider investing your money in bonds, mu-

tual funds or long-term deposits. Keep in mind that some investments are complex and can be risky. Talk to a financial advisor to find the investment that is right for you.

## BUDGET FOR EXTRA EXPENSES

Owning a second property can be expensive. Along with the down payment and maybe a second mortgage, be sure to budget for maintenance costs, property taxes and utilities. By going through a planning exercise, you may find that renting is a better fit.

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