

# Pre-Conference Activities

## The Historic Mt. Zion United Methodist Church Sunday, June 20, 2021 - 3:00 to 5:00 PM CDT

### 57th Anniversary Commemorative Service for James Chaney, Andrew Goodman, and Michael Schwerner

THEME: *Where Do We Go from Here: Chaos or Community?*

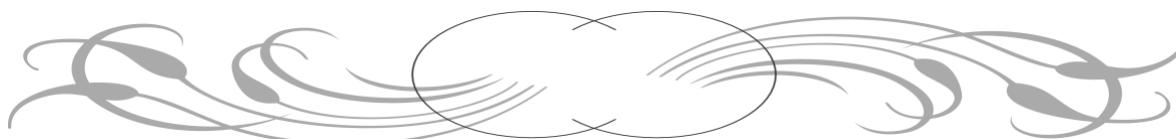
Musical Prelude .....	Mrs. Gail Whitlock
Call to Worship .....	Rev. Lydia Michelle Dailey, Pastor
Opening Hymn .....	Gospel Fellowship Choir (GFC)
Invocation .....	Honorable Obbie Riley
Philadelphia Parish Greeting .....	Mrs. Ruby Hicks
Philadelphia Welcome .....	Mayor James A. Young

#### LIGHTING OF CANDLES

James Chaney	Mr. Terry Hill, Sr.
Andrew Goodman	Ms. Shirley Nichols & Mr. Fred Seales
Michael Schwerner	Mrs. Arecia Steele

New Testament	Matthew 14:22-33 .....	Rev. Dayna Goff
Old Testament	Exodus 32:21-26 .....	Mrs. Lavada Cole
Prayer .....	Rev. Lydia Michelle Dailey, Pastor	
Selection .....	GFC	
Occasion .....	Dr. Ann Elizabeth Armstrong, Miami University, Oxford, OH	
Introduction of Freedom Singer & Activist .....	Rev. Lydia Michelle Dailey, Pastor	
Musical Selections .....	Ms. Rutha Harris, <i>Freedom Summer Singer</i> , Albany, GA	
Introduction of Speaker .....	Dr. Mary Elizabeth King, Director JLI	
Musical Selection .....	Ms. Rutha Harris	
Sermon .....	Rev. Dr. James Lawson	
Social Justice Award Presentation .....	Dr. Keith D. Parker	
Closing Hymn .....	GFC	
Placing of Wreath on Monument .....	Mr. Royal R. Kidd	
Benediction .....	Rev. Lydia Michelle Dailey, Pastor	

- **Miami University will broadcast the event for viewing.**
- **Schedule of Miami University's Commemorative Ceremony:**
  - **4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Eastern**
  - **Farmer School of Business Taylor Auditorium**



# Welcome to the Tenth Annual National Civil Rights Conference



Dear National Civil Rights Conference Planning Committee and Conference Participants:

It is our pleasure to welcome you to the Tenth National Conference on Civil Rights. The National Education and Empowerment Coalition, Inc., Miami University and the Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana are proud to co-sponsor the Tenth Annual National Civil Rights Conference. The 2021 conference, held on this historic campus, will provide an opportunity to remember, reflect, and jumpstart the spirit, commitment, and courage that fueled a movement that changed the nation. During this day and age and at this time, when voting and citizenship are so important, we can and should do nothing less than follow the example of history. We appreciate your presence and participation in activities focusing on civil rights, social justice and human dignity.

The two-day conference provides a wide range of topics related to the conference theme, *Rise, Advocate, Educate and Cooperate: The Challenge of Change*. We hope you will take full advantage of the workshops, artistic productions, sessions, tours, vendors and networking opportunities that will be available.

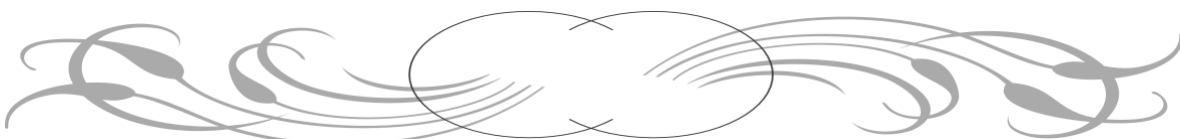
This conference, perhaps more than any other, provides a broad range of learning experiences for you to engage in. More important, this conference promises to generate considerable intellectual dialogue and debate, as well as create opportunities to strengthen existing networks and forge new relationships.

Again, welcome to the Tenth National Conference on Civil Rights. If we can be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to call on us.

Sincerely,

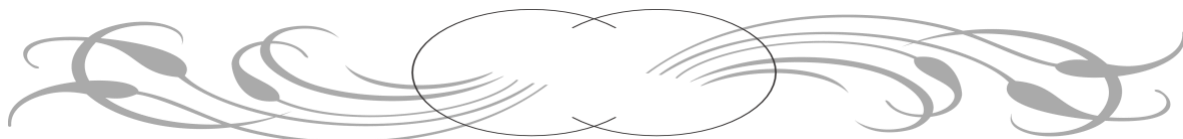
Dr. Keith D. Parker, Chair  
NCRC Planning Committee

Dr. Gregory P. Crawford, President  
Miami University



**Monday, June 21 | The Marcum Hotel & Conference Center  
at Miami University**

- 7:00am – 8:00pm**    **Setup Tables..... Marcum Lobby**  
**Offering Continental Breakfast with Coffee ..... Marcum Lobby**
- 8:00am – 4:00pm**    **Registration..... Marcum Lobby**  
**Vendor Tables ..... Marcum Lobby**
- 8:30am – 8:40am**    **Welcome ..... Mr. D'Angelo Solomon, Associate Athletic Director**
- 8:40am**                **BCRTA will pick-up at Marcum Center and take all individuals Uptown to Marker**  
(951 E Withrow St, Oxford, OH 45056)
- 10:30am**              **BCRTA will pick-up at Uptown Park and take all individuals to the Shriver Center**  
(701 E Spring St, Oxford, OH 45056)
- 10:45am – 11:35am**    **Session 1-A..... Special Presentation..... Shriver Center John Dolibois**  
*Legislation for Comprehensive Criminal Justice Reform: A Blueprint Proposed by*  
*Women of Color for Equal Justice*  
Jo Saint-George, Esq., Founder & Director, Women of Color
- Session 1-B ..... Youth Empowerment Workshop ..... Heritage Room**
- 11:40am – 12:20pm**    **Session 2-A *Telling a People's Story* ..... Shriver Center John Dolibois Lobby**  
Jason E. Shaiman, Curator of Exhibitions, Miami University  
Alyssa Locker, Instructional Coach, Canal Winchester School District  
The first major museum exhibition devoted to the art found within the pages of African American children's picture books. The exhibition emphasizes the strength of the illustrations as visual narrative representations of the African American experience. While aspects of social justice are found throughout the three main galleries, the exhibition goes beyond providing a look into the struggles of African Americans. This project celebrates the complex and diverse African American experience through a lens intended for children and young readers. The exhibition offers something for all viewers through the representation of familiar and lesser-known people and the contributions of African Americans to an American identity.
- Session 2-B ..... Youth Empowerment Workshop ..... Heritage Room**
- 12:30pm – 1:40pm**    **Recognition Luncheon.....Shriver Center John Dolibois Room**  
Jerry Mitchell - Keynote Address
- 2:00pm – 3:00pm**    **Session 3-A .....Shideler Hall, Room 152**  
*RACE to C.H.A.N.G.E.: Cultivating Humanity and Negotiating Greater Experiences*  
Brandy A. McPherson, *Hoke County Teen Court*, Raeford, North Carolina



**Session 3-B ..... Youth Empowerment Workshop ..... Heritage Room**

**3:05pm – 4:05pm**

**Sessions 4-A and 4-B**

**Session 4-A ..... Shriver Center John Dolibois Room**

*Defined!*

Starlene DeBord, Starlene Designs, Tallahassee, FL

*Finding Freedom Summer Traveling Exhibit*

Jacky Johnson, Dr. Stephanie Danker, Zack Tucker, Robert Wicks, Alia Levar Wegner, Kimberly Hoffman and Carla Myers, Miami University

**Session 4-B ..... Youth Empowerment Workshop ..... Heritage Room**

**4:10pm – 5:00pm**

**Sessions 5-A and 5-B**

**Session 5-A ..... Shriver Center John Dolibois Room**

*Changemakers of Oxford*

Ella Cope, The Ohio State University

**Session 5-B ..... Youth Empowerment Workshop ..... Heritage Room**

**5:10 pm**

**BCRTA will pick-up at Shriver Center Bus Stop and take conferees back to the Marcum Center, (951 E Withrow St, Oxford, OH 45056)**

**7:00pm – Until**

**Community Forum ..... Oxford Presbyterian Seminary Building**

104 East Church Street, Oxford, OH 45056

*Training for Freedom How Ordinary People in an Unusual Time & Unlikely Place*

*Made Extraordinary History Documentary*

- Dr. Ann Elizabeth Armstrong
- Dr. Stephanie Danker
- Dr. Durell Callier
- Dr. Tammy Schwartz
- Jacky Johnson

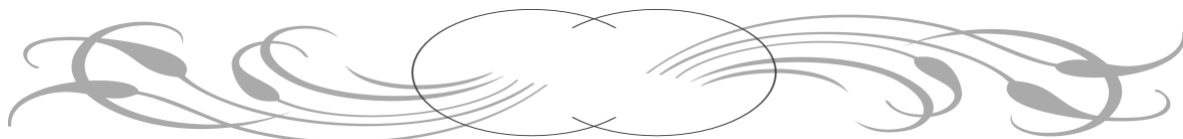
On a warm summer day in June of 1964 groups of people from dramatically different worlds stood together as equals on a hillside of the Western College campus for Women in Oxford, OH. The Freedom Summer participants were in one place before embarking upon a journey that would forever change them and incite one of the most pivotal moments in our nation's history. Who were they and why did they come to Oxford, OH, a small mid-western town far from their final destination?

How did the Oxford community contribute to this important event in the American civil rights movement; and what can we learn from the people who risked everything-even their very lives - to fight for a day when every human regardless of race, religion or ethnicity could stand together as equals once again?

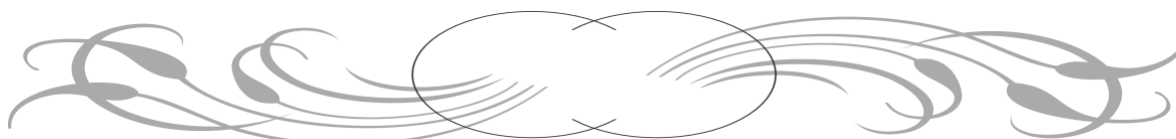


**Tuesday, June 22 | The Marcum Hotel & Conference Center  
at Miami University**

- 7:45am**      **Offering Continental Breakfast with Coffee** ..... **Marcum Lobby**
- 8:00am – 2:00pm**      **Registration**..... **Marcum Lobby**  
**Vendor Tables** ..... **Marcum Lobby**
- 8:30am – 9:00am**      **Morning Speaker** ..... **Marcum Center Room 180-186**  
 Yvette Simpson, Esq., CEO, Democracy for America
- 9:00am**      **Youth Empowerment Workshops** .....**Heritage Room**
- 9:05am – 10:00am**      **Sessions 6–A and 6-B**  
**Session 6-A Session.** ..... **Marcum Center Room 180-186**  
*Rise and Advocate: The Power of the Vote*  
 Jacky Johnson, William Modrow and Candace Pine, Miami University
- Skin Color Does Matter- Rebuking with Social Facts*  
 Dr. Frances Staten, Grambling State University  
 Dr. Alma Thornton, Southern University -Baton Rouge Campus
- Session 6-B** ..... **Youth Empowerment Workshop** ..... **Heritage Room**  
 The Heritage Room
- 10:05am – 11:00am**      **Sessions 7–A and 7-B**  
**Session 7-A** ..... **Marcum Center Room 180-186**  
*The Familial and Social Consequences of Mass Incarceration*  
 Aaliyah Allen, Kendrionne Anderson, Kacey Thornton, and Troynyah Hankton  
 Daughters Beyond Incarceration, New Orleans, LA
- Session 7-B** ..... **Youth Empowerment Workshop** ..... **Heritage Room**  
 The Heritage Room
- 11:05am – 12:00pm**      **Sessions 8–A and 8-B**  
**Session 8-A** ..... **Marcum Center Room 180-186**  
*The Ride to Equality in Florida’s Capital City: A Case Study of the Tallahassee Bus  
 Boycott*  
 Keith D. Parker, National Education and Empowerment Coalition, Inc.
- Redistricting Review- The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly*  
 Cecile Scoon, President, League of Women Voters of Florida
- Intergenerational Organizing and the Voting Rights Movement of Today*  
 Drew Glover, Executive Director of the Selma Bridge Crossing Jubilee
- Session 8-B** ..... **Youth Empowerment Workshop** ..... **Heritage Room**



- 12:30pm – 1:20pm Luncheon Keynote .....Shriver Center John Dolibois Room**  
Janet Dickerson Stephens
- 1:30 pm – 2:30pm Walking Tour of Freedom Summer, departing from Shriver Center or guest enjoys Art Exhibit**
- 2:30PM –3:20pm Sessions 9–A and 9-B**  
**Session 9-A ..... Shriver John Dolobios Room**  
*Invisible History: Middle Florida’s Hidden Roots*  
 Valerie Scoon, Florida State University  
 Florida State University College of Motion Picture Arts filmmaker in residence  
 Valerie Scoon’s documentary, *Invisible History: Middle Florida’s Hidden Roots*, sheds light on the little-known history of plantations and the enslaved in North Florida. “While this project focuses on northern Florida, it is a microcosm of the idea of how slavery shaped all of America, which makes it, we believe, a relevant documentary for national distribution,” Scoon said.
- Session 9-B ..... Youth Empowerment Workshop ..... Heritage Room**  
The Heritage Room
- 3:25pm – 4:15pm Sessions 10–A and 10-B**  
**Session 10-A ..... Shriver John Dolibios Room**  
*Exploring the Pros and Cons of Urban Education Reforms, Mark Cannon, CAE*
- Session 10-B ..... Youth Empowerment Workshop ..... Heritage Room**  
The Heritage, Harrison or Bystrom Room
- 4:20pm – 5:10pm Sessions 11–A and 11-B**  
**Session 11-A ..... Shriver John Dolibios Room**  
*Political Manipulation as a Threat to Civil Rights and Democracy: The Case of Trump from 2016- 2021*  
 Dr. Joseph Osei, Fayetteville State University/UNC
- Race, Law, and Aluminum: Harris A. Parson and Twenty Years of Workplace Struggle*  
 D. Caleb Smith, Tulane University
- Session 11-B ..... Youth Empowerment Workshop ..... Heritage Room**  
The Heritage Room
- 5:15 - 6pm Youth Presentation to conclude conference in Shriver John Dolibois Room**





Tallahassee Bus Boycott



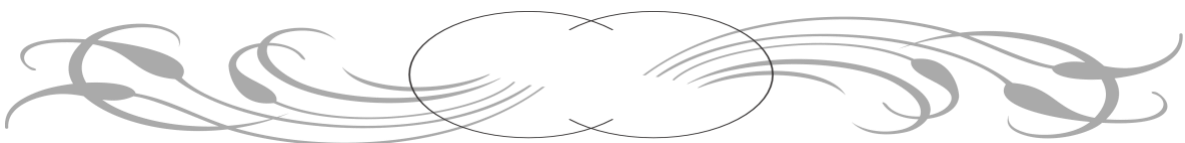
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65th Anniversary

May 26, 2021, marked the 65th Anniversary of two female students from Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University, Wilhelmina Jakes and Carrie Patterson, sat down in the “whites only” section of a segregated bus in the city of Tallahassee. When they refused to move to the “colored” section at the rear of the bus, the driver pulled into a service station and called the police. Tallahassee police arrested Jakes and Patterson and charged them with “placing themselves in a position to incite a riot.” In the days immediately following their arrests, students at FAMU organized a campus-wide boycott of city buses. Their collective stand against segregation set an example that propelled like-minded Tallahassee citizens into action. Through courageous nonviolent protest, boycotters in Tallahassee achieved an important victory in the struggle for civil rights. The case in Tallahassee proved that a commitment to nonviolence could achieve significant results towards equality.

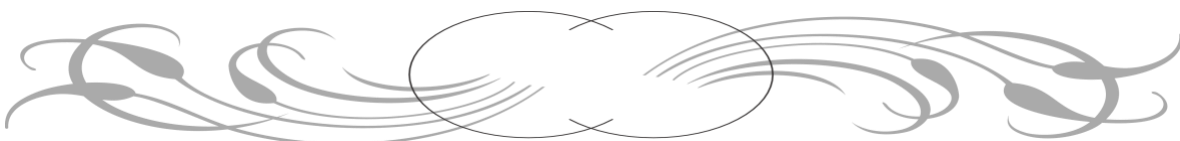


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CHAIR, 2021 PLANNING COMMITTEE  
THE NATIONAL CIVIL RIGHTS CONFERENCE

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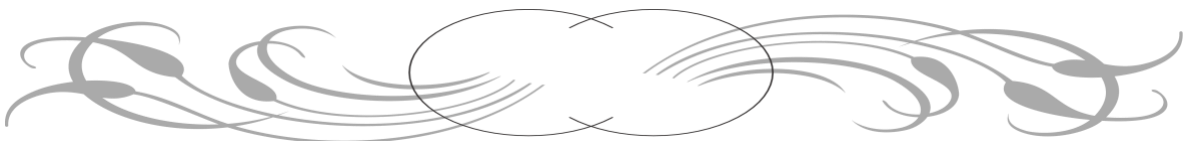
WITH MUCH ADMIRATION AND RESPECT,  
JOAN AND DR. ROBERT SADOFF

"STANDING ON MY SISTERS' SHOULDERS" (DVD)

AND

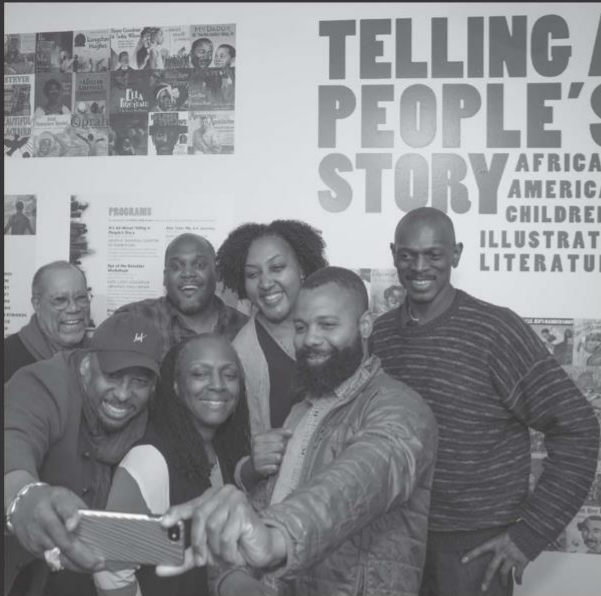
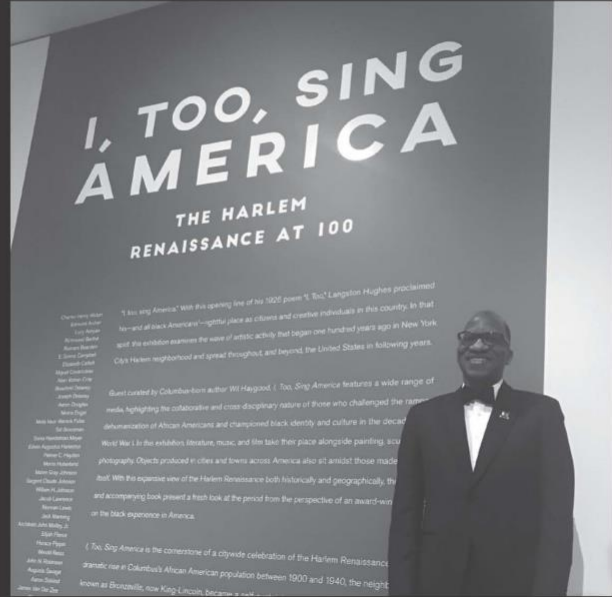
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# Freedom Summer of '64 Award

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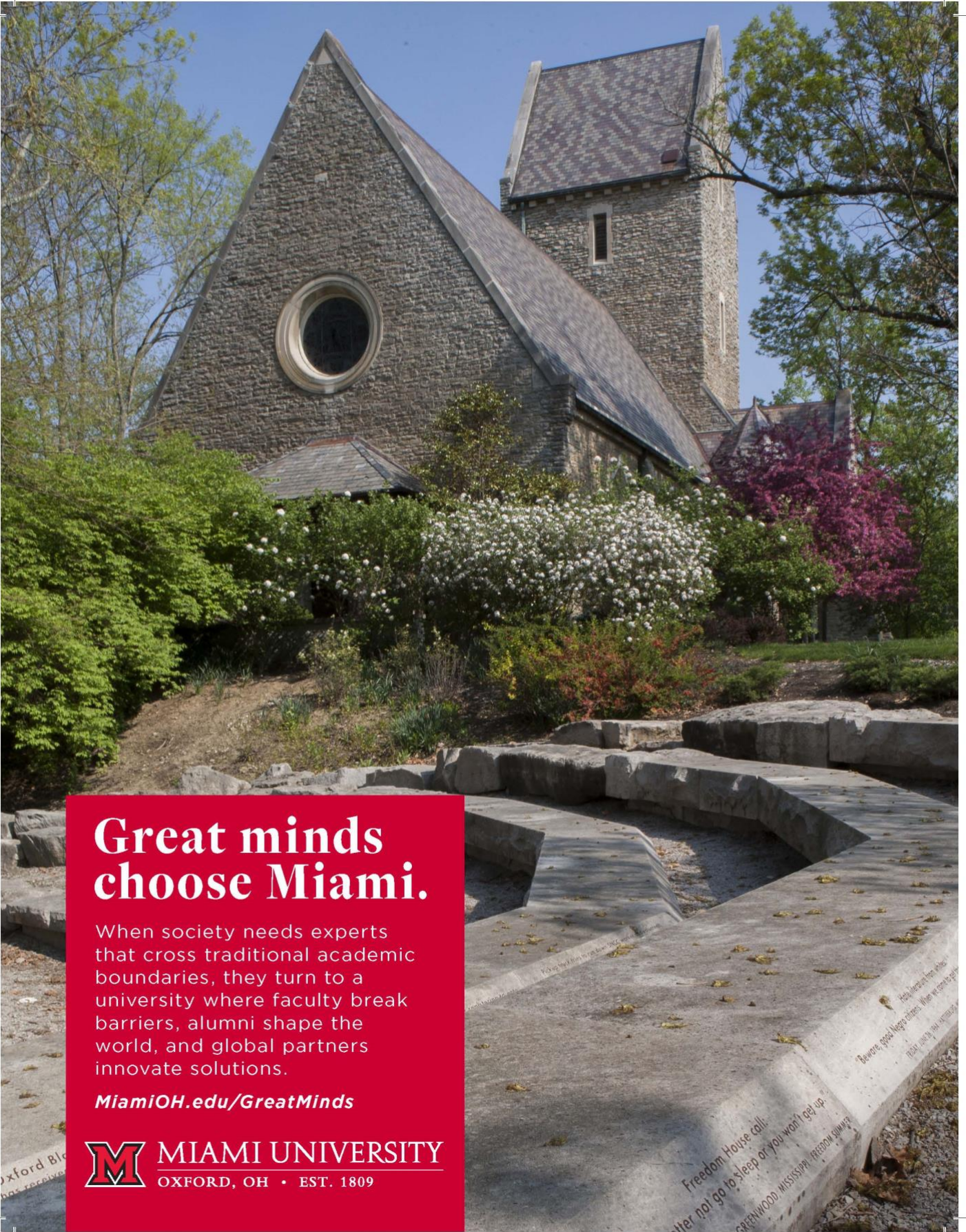


Wayne Embry '58



Theresa Embry '60





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