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Never a Dull Moment!

Upon completion of each quarterly newsletter, I start wrecking my brain about what I can possibly share in the next. Life never fails to hand me something. January was pretty calm, but February was anything but.

Actually, right at the end of January, I decided for Black History Month to daily post to my [Facebook page](#), various individual and group performances of "Lift Every Voice and Sing!" Thankfully, I had the forethought to schedule the postings in advance because February became VERY BUSY with things beyond my control. Had I not pre-scheduled, I would have missed several, BUT there are 28 individual performances; if you missed any of the posts, go to my [Facebook page](#) and scroll back.

I have added more videos to my [YouTube Channel](#). There are more than 20 recorded poems on YouTube, some with music, some featuring my questionable oratorical skills, etc. If you have a favorite poem which I have not put on YouTube, send me an [email](#) and I will get to work on it.

SPOILER ALERT: I have a very "special" one ON HOLD for when "45" is taken down.

Hello Book Lovers!

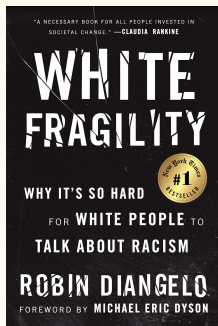
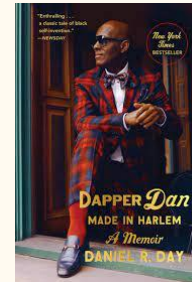
I have been busy this quarter. But, I was not busy reading or writing. You will be reading why shortly and THE WHY



is why I am not waiting for the end of the quarter to send this newsletter!

Any who ... I did complete reading "Dapper Dan - Made In Harlem: A Memoir" by Daniel R. Day. This was a book I probably would not have read, but a gym friend finished reading it and gave me his copy.

Once I started reading, I became immersed in Dan's "nine lives." Like a cat -- life would knock him down and he would spring back better than before. This New York Times Bestseller is quite the testament to one's origin and environment not having control of the trajectory of your life. Be the captain of your own ship!



Next, I started reading "White Fragility: Why It's So Hard For White People To Talk About Racism" by Robin DiAngelo with Foreword written by Michael Eric Dyson. Boy, talk about polar opposites; this book is 180° from Dapper Dan!

First, Robin is white! Does that make me racist for stating that fact? I don't know, but I have to keep reminding myself, while reading, that when she says "we," 95% of the time she is not talking about "me!" Every so often, I read a passage and think, *Wait a minute, I never had that thought and then I remember -- oh yeah, I'm not white.* While I do not agree with everything she says, she is pretty spot on with some of her assessments of *her* people and prompts me to question actions of my own.

Why I Was / Am Busy and Why This Newsletter Is Early!

Look what South Atlantic Region Author is participating in the Eastern Region's "Delta Authors on Tour!" April 8 and 9. The flyer displays Yolanda Taylor, but it is definitely me, **Y.B. Taylor!**

Anyone can [register](#). **IT IS FREE TO ALL!** I am trying to stay up-to-date in providing updates on my [Facebook page](#) and on [Instagram](#).

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