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As you are aware, cancer and other diseases can have a tremendous impact on a patient’s financial, social, emotional, and spiritual well-being and this is where your sponsorship will be most beneficial. The funds provided by your generous sponsorship will be used to help sustain our ministry and help to lighten the burden of the individuals that we serve; through the purchase of food cards, gas cards, Ensure Nutrition Drinks, and any other items needed to assist those individuals battling cancer and other diseases. Pretty in Pink Ministry has the desire to let those diagnosed with cancer and other diseases know that there are people in the community, who care about them and that they are not alone. Your generous monthly/annual sponsorship, as stated previously will help to sustain our ministry and help lighten the burden of the individuals that we serve and will earn you recognition at our “Pretty in Pink Ministry” events and the opportunity to be featured on our Facebook page and Website. Enclosed you will find an envelope, which you can use to place your donation, and a form indicating your level of sponsorship.

Pretty in Pink Ministry writes to invite you to become a monthly/annual sponsor of our ministry, which is a nonprofit organization that was launched on February 4, 2018. As a cancer patient, I was inspired by God to start a nonprofit ministry to help others during their difficult times. Pretty in Pink Ministry seeks “To develop Power, Integrity, Nourishment and Knowledge for cancer and all other diseases that attack women’s bodies, in an effort, to bring their health to the forefront and assist those diagnosed with cancer and other diseases.

The Sandhills Black Voices

Celebrating the Power of Our Roots and the Promise of Our Future

As a new voice in the Black press, we stand on the shoulders of giants, those who paved the way for our stories to be told, for our voices to be heard. From the early days of *The North Star* and *The Chicago Defender* to the powerful legacy of *Ebony*, Black newspapers have always been more than just print—they have been the heartbeat of our communities. We are proud to join this tradition, bringing stories that matter to you and that celebrate the vibrancy of our shared experiences.

This newspaper is not just a platform for the latest headlines or commentary on current events. It’s a place where we will honor our ancestors, celebrate our victories, and engage in meaningful discussions about the challenges and opportunities we face. From historical narratives to the triumphs of today’s trailblazers, we aim to capture the full spectrum of Black life, culture, and progress.

The need for Black voices in media is as urgent today as it has ever been. Our history is rich, our contributions are vast, but our stories are often left untold or distorted. This publication exists to correct the narrative, to make sure we are not erased, to ensure that our voices resonate loud and clear across generations.

We also recognize the power of our community in shaping its own future. We have always been innovators, creators, and leaders. From fighting for civil rights to establishing successful businesses, we are more than capable of defining our destiny. This paper will serve as a forum for ideas, a source of inspiration, and a reminder that we are not just surviving—we are thriving!

However, this newspaper is only as strong as the community it serves! We invite you to contribute, to share your stories, to engage with us as we strive to reflect the diversity of Black thought and experience. We are here for you, because we are you!

As we embark on this journey, let us remember the words of Frederick Douglass: “We are one, our cause is one, and we must help each other if we are to succeed.” Let this be our guiding principle as we continue the work of those who came before us, forging a path forward that honors the past while embracing the promise of the future.

Welcome to a new era of Black storytelling. Welcome to your new voice in print. Together, we will continue to write our own history.



Desi L. Campbell

"You are not and yet you are: your thoughts, your deeds, above all your dreams still live." — W.E.B. Du Bois, activist and sociologist



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Broadway woman celebrates 103 years of life

MRS. ESTHER McLEAN McAULEY was born September 30, 1921 in the Broadway Township (Lee County), North Carolina as the seventh descendant of the fourteen children of the late John and Sallie Minter McLean. She was baptized at the Cameron Grove African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, Broadway, NC, where she became a member. She was actively involved in Christian Education and Church School Departments. Esther attended the former Seminole Rosenwald School and the former Lee County Training School, later named W. B. Wicker School in Sanford, NC. She later moved to New York and married the late Thomas McAuley on December 20, 1946. While in New York, she united with Rush Temple AME Zion Church, Jamaica, NY, where she worked diligently with the Missionary Society and the Music Department.

In September 1990, Esther returned to her native Broadway, NC and reunited with the Cameron Grove AME Zion Church. At the Cameron Grove Church, she was and is actively involved in the following ministries: the Missionary Society, the Lay Council, the Christian Education Department, the Music Ministry, and the Historical Committee. She is the mother of Tommie McAuley and Herman McAuley, the grandmother of three, the great-grandmother of one, the great-great-grandmother of two, and the sister of three surviving siblings. On September 30, 2024, at the age of 103, Esther McLean McAuley will be the oldest and longest living member of the Cameron Grove AME Zion Church and perhaps will be the oldest resident of Broadway, NC and possibly Lee County, NC.

The Sandhills Black Voices Community News

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Genealogy

The Importance of Starting Your Genealogy Journey

by Janice Cross Gilyard

Your family history matters and if you have not started your ancestral research journey, I encourage and challenge you to do so. Over 25 years ago, I was challenged to do the same. I was confident that I knew my family history but when asked who my great grandparents were, I realized at once that I did not because I did not know their names. It is important to start your research journey for yourself, your family, and more important, the younger generation of your family. I have been blessed to meet many of my cousins and hosted several family reunions. Time is of the essence, especially for your older relatives (Interview them as soon as possible). Please keep in mind that we all have a story to tell and that you may discover all types of information (good and not so good).

While conducting genealogy research, I have learned so much about the lived experiences of my ancestors, how they survived, and how resilient they were. Some were Black (traced by back to 1795), Indigenous Native American (traced back to 1720), and European (traced back to the 1500s). Some were free people of color, and some were enslaved. They were educators, pastors, midwives, political campaigners, mariners, farmers, professional salespeople (medical), real estate prospectors, tailors, moonshiners (lol), barbers and engineers. Some of my ancestors were also involved in starting several colleges and some attended and taught at Historically Black Colleges and Universities (Benedict College, Shaw University, Friendship College, Morris College, Selma University, and Howard University).

One ancestor that I am fascinated with ran a presidential campaign in North Carolina during 1872 and another attended and graduated from Harvard University in 1908. There are ancestors who fought in the American Revolutionary War, Civil War, and most wars the United States fought in. One ancestor was with General Gordon Granger on June 19, 1865, to announce General Order no. 3 in Texas (Juneteenth). Recently I learned that several of them were abolitionists and worked with Frederick Douglass, William Lloyd Garrison, and Sojourner Truth.

I hope that sharing highlights of what I have learned about my ancestors will inspire you to start your genealogy journey. Learning about your ancestors is empowering and may change the way you view the world and your personal life (It did for me).

The following are tips to aid you in your research journey:

- 1. Start with What You Know and Don't Know**
Begin by documenting everything you already know about your family. Start with yourself and work backward. Gather names, dates of birth, marriage, and death, places of residence, and any other details. Interview older family members to fill in gaps. Their stories may hold valuable clues about your family history.
- 2. Organize Your Information**
Keep your findings organized. You can use physical charts or digital tools like Family Tree Maker and RootsMagic software. You may also want to use sites like Ancestry.com (subscription), MyHeritage.com (subscription), and FamilySearch.org (free). Maintaining an orderly system will help you track your sources, avoid duplicating research, and ending up with boxes of material (Do not print everything and digitally store your information).
- 3. Search Census Records**
Census records are a great starting point because they have a wealth of information about individuals and households. They often provide names, ages, birthplaces, occupations, and relationships to others in the household. Websites like Ancestry.com and FamilySearch.org offer access to these records.
- 4. Explore Vital Records**
Vital records—birth, marriage, and death certificates—are critical in genealogical research. They provide accurate dates and often include information about parents, spouses, and locations. These can typically be found through government archives, online databases, or local offices.
- 5. Use DNA Testing (Optional but Helpful)**
If you are interested in exploring genetic connections, consider taking a DNA test. Companies like AncestryDNA and MyHeritageDNA offer services that can help you discover relatives, confirm family lines, and even find distant cousins. These results can complement traditional genealogical research.

By following these steps, you will build a solid foundation for your family history journey and please share your research with your family via social media, family website, or in print form (booklet/book. For additional information, please visit:
https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/African_American_Genealogy.

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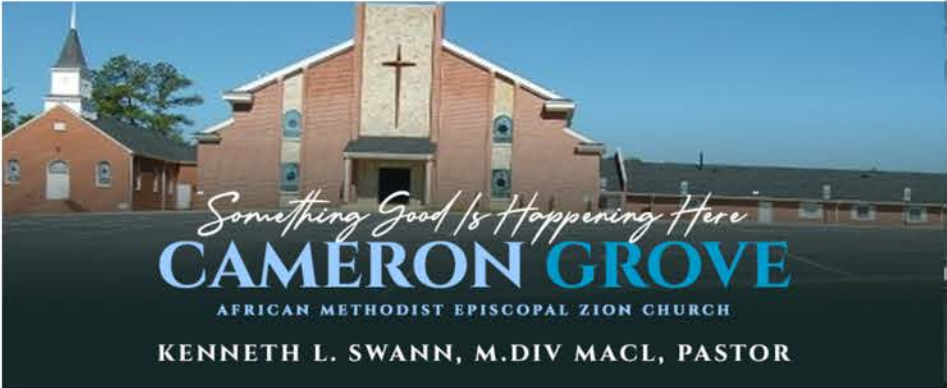
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Harnett County Black-Owned Businesses

Local Leader Sheila C. Hill: Empowering Entrepreneurs and Communities

Sheila C. Hill, a native of Harnett County, is a best-selling author, motivational speaker, and business consultant, making a significant impact in both her local community and the broader entrepreneurial world. As president of Royal Trinity Consulting, Sheila is deeply passionate about empowering entrepreneurs to start, grow, and enhance their businesses, helping them maximize profits and increase brand visibility. Her commitment to fostering business development extends far beyond her consulting practice, as she remains actively engaged in helping underserved populations.

An alum of The University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Sheila holds a Bachelor of Science in Sociology. She is also a proud graduate of the Rural Economic Development Institute (REDI), the flagship leadership development program of the NC Rural Center, where she honed her skills in fostering economic growth in rural areas. Additionally, she is an alum of the Nasdaq Entrepreneurial program Milestone Circles, a distinguished program designed to help entrepreneurs clarify and define critical growth goals, accelerate business growth, recognize opportunities, and strengthen leadership and decision-making confidence presented by Wells Fargo.

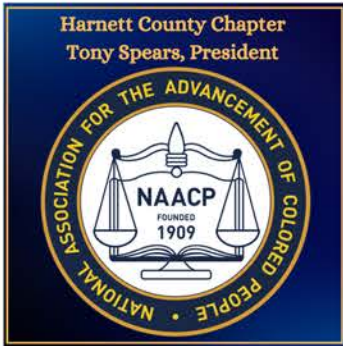
Sheila's dedication to her community is further highlighted by her ongoing efforts to serve the un-homed and less fortunate. In the digital arena, she stands out as a prolific content creator, Amazon Influencer, and TikTok Shop affiliate. As an Artificial Intelligence Consultant, she is committed to teaching faith communities how to integrate AI into their systems to save time, improve operations, and develop impactful programs for their communities.

Sheila also hosts her own podcast, The Sheila C. Hill Show, which airs on all major platforms. The podcast covers key topics such as lifestyle, entrepreneurship, and mental health, providing inspiration and guidance to her audience.

Despite her many professional achievements, Sheila's most cherished roles are those of a devoted wife and mother to her three daughters. Her leadership, compassion, and dedication make her a vital figure in her community and an inspiration to many.



Sheila C. Hill



The mission of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is to ensure the political, educational, social, and economic equality of rights of all persons and to eliminate race-based discrimination. Founded in 1909

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