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THE KWANZAA CALENDAR & RESOURCE GUIDE

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IN HONOR OF

Queen Mother Dr. Nana Seshibe



In approximately 1975 our Ancestors sent the Washington, DC Pan African community two true champions of the Black Liberation Struggle. Dr. Nana Seshibe and her husband Jerry arrived to help advance the cause in the Washington, DC Community.

From the moment of her arrival, Nana energetically committed her skills and experience to organizations that she felt wanted to help build Pan Africanism. From that day until her last day on this earth she made herself available to any organization or individual that she felt was about uplifting our people.

In our community, Queen Mother Nana's primary focus was in the field of education. She taught at Ujamaa Shule, Roots Activity Learning Center, and The Kemetic Institute of Magnificent Achievers (KIMA) as well as Bell Multi-cultural High School.

In addition to her work as an educator she made herself available to as many political, cultural, spiritual and health related organizations in our community as possible.

She was an active member of the DC Council of Elders, and first in line to become its next female chair when she so unexpectedly left us.

It has been noted by many that her mere presence helped to put our efforts into the proper international Pan African "*frame-of-reference*".

This woman was not about half measures; she fought all of her life for victory, not compromise, over our adversaries and detractors and worked hard to instill that indomitable spirit in all those that she came into contact with.

We will always treasure the time that we were privileged to spend with her and never allow ourselves to forget the lessons that she worked so hard to teach us all.

Long Live the Fighting African Spirit of Dr. Nana Seshibe!!!

WHAT IS KWANZAA?

Kwanzaa, a holiday (or Holy Day) based upon the African tradition of celebrating the harvesting of the first fruits, was created and introduced for Black People in the United States by Dr. Maulana Karenga in 1966.

Kwanzaa is the ingathering of the people, a special reverence for the Creator and creation, a commemoration of the past, a recommitment to our highest ideals, and a celebration of all that is good. It is a time of reflecting, reassessing, recommitting, rewarding, and rejoicing in an atmosphere of peace, love and unity. Kwanzaa is a cultural and political expression to reaffirm our African Heritage and, organize our people for the struggle of total Black Liberation.

Kwanzaa is celebrated for seven days: December 26th through January 1st. The seven days are based upon the Nguzo Saba (The Seven Principles), with each day being symbolic of one of the principles.

- December 26th - Umoja (Unity)
- December 27th - Kujichagulia (Self-Determination)
- December 28th - Ujima (Collective Work & Responsibility)
- December 29th - Ujamaa (Cooperative Economics)
- December 30th - Nia (Purpose)
- December 31st - Kuumba (Creativity)
- January 1st - Imani (Faith)



THERE ARE SEVEN SYMBOLS OF KWANZAA

- Mkeka (Straw Mat) - tradition and history; the foundation on which all else rests
- Kinara (Candle Holder) - original stalk from which we come; our African ancestors
- Mishumaa Saba (7 Candles) - Nguzo Saba; The Seven Principles firmly rooted in the traditions of our ancestors
- Muhindi (Ears of Corn) - represents children and all the hopes and challenges attached to them
- Kikombe cha Umoja (Unity Cup)
- Mazao (Crops) - the collective fruits of our labor; seeds sown by the children
- Zawadi (Gifts) - rewards for our achievements

WHAT TO DO AND WHEN TO DO IT

December 19th

Gather and arrange Kwanzaa symbols. Any other decorations (African carvings, straw baskets) should be in a red, black and green color scheme, symbolizing the bendera ya taifa (Flag of the Black Nation):

Red - the blood of our people

Black - the collective color of all Black people

Green - land, Mother Africa, life and our future (we build together)

Arrange the symbols on a low table as follows:

1. Spread the Mkeka
2. Place the Kinara in the center of the Mkeka
3. Place the Muhindi on either side of the Kinara, one ear of corn for each child, or one as a symbol of prosperity
4. Creatively place the Zawadi, Kikombe, and a basket of Mazao on the Mkeka
5. Place 1 Black Mishumaa in the center of the Kinara, with 3 Green on the right, and 3 Red on the left.

December 26th – January 1st

Greeting – greet each other in Kiswahili asking “Habari Gani?” (What’s the news or what’s happening?) Answer with the principle for that day. For example, on December 26th, respond with “Umoja.”

Economic Empowerment — only shop at Black-owned businesses during the seven days of Kwanzaa. In the spirit of Kwanzaa and Ujamaa (Cooperative Economics) we as African people should support these same Black businesses, such as trade in the African marketplace in the calendar, all year round.

Fasting — fast from sunrise to sunset to help cleanse the body, discipline the mind, and uplift the spirit.

Libation (Ancestral Communion) — an elder or leader should pour libation, using water or juice, from the Kikombe into a bowl or potted plant, to honor our ancestors.

Candle Lighting Ceremony — light one Mishumaa each day for the principle of that day, beginning with the black candle, which represents the first principle Umoja. Each day thereafter, alternately light the red and then the green candles. After each lighting, discuss the principle of the day. The ceremony should be held at a time when all family members, especially children, can participate.

Karamu (The Feast) — the Karamu is held on the night of December 31st, and should be a festive occasion. When possible, observe traditional African practices, e.g., African music, dance and storytelling, sitting on the floor or on pillows, and eating with the hands (no utensils). Libation, Candlelighting and Harambee are conducted at the Karamu.

Zawadi (Gift) — (They should not be mandatory, expensive or excessive). It is suggested that Zawadi be given to the children in one or two ways:

1. One gift each day, reinforcing the principle of that day.
2. One or more gifts on January 1st, the last day of Kwanzaa.

Personally made gifts are strongly encouraged over commercial purchases. Regardless of what else is given, there are two strongly suggested items: a book and heritage symbol. These two items reinforce our commitment to education and the richness of our cultural heritage.

The essence of Kwanzaa is a true appreciation of ourselves as Black People, collectively coming together to reflect on and enjoy the infinite beauty of being in the same family, organization, and community, sharing the same values, interests and aspirations, engaging in and committing to the same struggle.

NGUZO SABA (The Seven Principles)



UMOJA (Unity)

To strive for and maintain unity in the family, community, nation and race.



KUJICHAGULIA (Self-Determination)

To define ourselves, name ourselves, create for ourselves and speak for ourselves instead of being defined and spoken for by others.



UJIMA (Collective Work and Responsibility)

To build and maintain our community together and make our brothers' and sisters' problems our problems and solve them together.



UJAMAA (Cooperative Economics)

To build and maintain our own stores, shops and other businesses and profit from them together.



NIA (Purpose)

To make our collective vocation the building and developing of our community in order to restore our people to their traditional greatness.



KUUMBA (Creativity)

To do always as much as we can, in the way that we can, in order to leave our community more beautiful and beneficial than we inherited it.



IMANI (Faith)

To believe with all our heart in our people, our parents, our teachers, our leaders and the righteousness and victory of our struggle.

BLACK MONEY MATTERS

We are indeed blessed to witness that there is a New Awakening in the Black Community. Whether it is "Black Lives Matter", the resurgence of a Black Consciousness, a reaffirmation and re-appreciation of our beautiful natural Black selves or the recent nationwide call for a boycott of Black Friday and overspending during Christmas, the awakening is quite evident in many different aspects of our community. There has been an explosion of new websites, proclamations and enterprises dedicated to promoting support of Black-owned and operated businesses. We have a new sense of urgency to fix what still remains to be fixed and to have the peace, power and prosperity the masses of African people deserve, particularly those residing in the United States and the Diaspora.

While this re-awakening is evident, it is also apparent that there is a lack of guidance and direction surrounding this new sense of mass consciousness. While we all feel the need to "do something", and we can all agree on what we don't like, what we don't want and what we must stop, it's a lot harder to agree on what we do want, and where and how our new found anxiousness should be spent. For that matter, we must have some commonality of thought on what "overcoming" the conditions that plague our people should look like, from one person, group or community to the other. This enthusiasm to "do something", anything, is a wonderful and powerful thing, but risks being wasted, if not capitalized on and also risks being destructive, if not given the proper direction.

Fifty years ago, we were introduced to the Nguzo Saba (The Seven Principles of Blackness) as a guide to the re-orientation of our people to their true African selves. Having survived centuries of colonization, enslavement, and "Jim Crow", the guiding principles of our ancestors were lost to us globally, and we really needed to be re-oriented. Especially for those Africans (Black people) living in the western world and throughout the Diaspora, the Nguzo Saba represented a missing link, a wakeup call to continue the redress of the Maafa (African Holocaust). The idea that we need not look to Europe or America for our value systems, but rather to our ancestors, ourselves, is indeed a resounding reality.

Here again, as we celebrate Kwanzaa during this period of reawakening, we need not look anywhere else but to these profound guiding principles that have already been given to our people to find cultural identity, purpose and direction; not to waste, but to maximize this new sense of African consciousness or enlightenment. The "Black Power Movement" and the "Black Lives Movement" are actually one in the same, only distinguished by time and generation. So what better way to serve as guidance for the "Black Lives Movement" than this critical surviving gift of the "Black Power Movement", the Seven Principles of Blackness. The Nguzo Saba was, at its introduction, and still today remains, a key organizing and inspirational tool to strategically guide us through this daunting wilderness and back to what we have lost or forgotten.

We must celebrate the victory that is the Nguzo Saba. We must embrace what Kwanzaa can truly and culturally represent for our people, wherever we find ourselves; the power of coming together during these Seven Sacred Days, to reaffirm that we are indeed a Community, a Global African Family!! We Kazi (work)TOGETHER! We commune TOGETHER! We dance TOGETHER! We eat TOGETHER! And we share our energies and resources and spend our money TOGETHER in our own communities!!

So how does this new Awakening get married with the Nguzo Saba? The responsibility for this marriage undoubtedly lies with the groups, institutions, organizations, individuals and generations that precede this new age of cultural enlightenment. We must recognize that the movement to reaffirm the timeless humanity of our people is the same, regardless of labels, and fully embrace this newly awakening generation of revolutionary young warriors. The African principles of the Nguzo Saba so beautifully provide the guidance needed for direction in the manifested awakening. The principle of Ujamaa, Cooperative Economics, now gives rise to the "Blackout Movement", and we have seen its power. In this way, each of the principles of the Nguzo Saba: Umoja (Unity), Kujichagulia (Self-Determination), Ujima (Collective Work and Responsibility), Ujamaa (Cooperative Economics), Nia (Purpose), Kuumba (Creativity), and Imani (Faith), can inspire real change in this newly awakening generation, and can truly give affirmation to peace, power and prosperity for all African/Black people Worldwide.

KWANZAA EVENTS CALENDAR 2015

PRE-KWANZAA EVENTS

Dec. 5 - Kwanzaa – A Unifying Tool for all African People. Part of the APPEAL Fall Historical and Cultural Literacy Series. Thurgood Marshall Center: 1816 12th Street, NW, Washington, DC, 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Dec. 12 - Family storytelling incorporating all the principles of Kwanzaa; "O.G. Mel the Old Griot" (Ben Melech), performing live at Sankofa Books. A live event including storytelling, performance and book signing. - 12:00 Noon

Dec. 12 - "Roots, Remembrance and Re-connection" Dr. Lisa Aubrey has traced nearly 200 disembarkations in countries outside of the African Continent. Also featuring Baba Frank Underwood, Sr. seen on NBC's "Who do you think you are" with son, Actor Blair Underwood, and Bro. Willis Evans, family historian and a member of Project 1619. This pre-Kwanzaa event is free and open to the public. - 5:00pm

Dec. 13 - The Temple of Nyame and Asuo-Gyebi, Esi, Tegare, Yemoja & Afa Shrines of Washington, D.C. presents its Annual Odwira/Ancestral Akom, 2:00pm - 6:00pm. 15 Kennedy Street, NW, Washington, DC 20011. Bring a picture of an Ancestor that you would like to place on the Ancestral Altar. Through our collective spiritual energies, we can be renewed by our ancestors, each other's spirits and be better able to cope with today's challenges and tomorrow's possibilities. Please join us and bring a friend to share your energies and vibrations. For more information please call (202) 725-8355 or email us at: "templeofnyame1@gmail.com".

Dec. 18 - Annual Pre-Kwanzaa Celebration and Candle-lighting Ceremony at Ujamaa School, 1554 8th St. NW, WDC at 7:00 PM. Call (202)232-2997 for info.

UMOJA (UNITY) SAT. DEC. 26

46th Annual Kwanzaa Children's Party at the Panorama Room, 1600 Morris Rd. SE WDC 20020, for children ages 3 - 12, sponsored by the Kwanzaa Children's Party Committee. Adults must accompany children. Featuring cultural arts & crafts, candle lighting ceremony, Afrikan dance and drumming. Performances by Ayanna Gregory, Farafina Kan Youth Ensemble, Ka'ba SoulSinger and Iya and the Kuumba Kids. Storytelling, Karamu feast, scavenger hunt and Zawadi for the watoto. 11am - 3pm. Call (202)390-3164, (240)417-5959

Bone Soup, a Kwanzaa Musical. Anacostia Community Museum, Program Room, 1901 Fort PI SE, Wash., DC 20020, **11am – 1pm.** Bring the entire family for Day One of the museum's annual 3-day Kwanzaa celebration. This year, **Culture Kingdom Kids** presents the original play **Bone Soup**. This energetic and interactive introduction to Kwanzaa includes dancers, singers, music, colorful costumes, and lively characters. To learn more about Culture Kingdom Kids, visit www.culturekingdomkids.com. Call 202.633.4844 to register for this program.

The Citywide Annual Umoja Candlelighting Ceremony and Celebration Umoja at Metropolitan AME Church, 1518 M St. NW, WDC. - East of the River Steel Band, Farafina Kan Youth Ensemble, Ujamaa Dancers & Drummers, and Iya & Kuumba Kids and Ayanna Gregory. The "State of the Community" Report will be presented by LCPAN, Dinner Sales & African Marketplace sponsored by LCPAN. Starts at 6:00pm. Doors open at 5pm. Free admission. Call (202) 526-4039 or (202) 529-3635. FREE Parking available after 6pm at P.M.I. Parking Garage on 16th & M St. (bring your ticket to be validated at the program).

Positive Kemeti Visions Annual Kwanzaa Celebration, Umoja Night. Featuring candle lighting ceremony, live music, prize raffle and dinner sales. 202 Riggs Rd., NE Washington, DC 20011. Free for the entire Black family. 6pm. (202) 207-7886 or info@pkvillage.org for more information.

KUJICHAGULIA (SELF-DETERMINATION) SUN. DEC 27

NOVA Kwanzaa Celebration - Self Determination Kwanzaa Celebration, December 27, 2pm, feat. Rev. Dr. Jeremiah Wright. Charles Houston Recreation Center, 901 Wythe Street Alexandria, VA. Free Admission. African Drumming and Dancing, Live Artistic Performances, African Market Place. For vending Contact: 703-407-5865 or NOVAKwanzaaCollective@gmail.com. Sponsored by: Alexandria Black History Museum, Alexandria NAACP, Arlington NAACP, National Black United Front, Northern VA Urban League YPN, and Nu Xi Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

Kwanzaa Candle-lighting Celebration & Program by the Ausar Auset Society. "Black Lives Matter: An Introspective view on the value that we as an African People place on our lives as a reflection of our unity, family stability, health, and economics. Presenting an in depth examination of the stressors that undermine and destroy our community." This event will be held at the Davis Center 6218 3rd St. NW, Wash., DC 20011. Children's activities, vending and food will be available. 5:00pm – 8:00pm (202) 723-5566

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UJIMA (COLLECTIVE WORK AND RESPONSIBILITY) MON. DEC 28

Craze Praise. Fort Stanton Recreation Center, 10:30am – 12pm. Members of the multi-talented mime and performance group Craze Praise give a high-energy, interactive performance based on the seven guiding Kwanzaa principles. This performance will be at the Fort Stanton Recreation Center located one block from the museum. Call 202.633.4844 to register for this program.

Kwanzaa Program & Candle-lighting Service by House of Ra, Afi Soul and Friends. Hip-Hop, Go Go, Neo-Soul and Poetry at Liv Night Club, 2001 11th St., NW, 7:00pm, Free Admission. (818) 824-2048 or afigotsoul@gmail.com.

Ujima: A Kwanzaa Celebration at St. Michael's Evangelical Lutheran Church. 700 Saint Michael's Drive, Mitchellville, MD at 7:30pm. Call (301) 249-6222 for info.

UJAMAA (COOPERATIVE ECONOMICS) TUES. DEC. 29

Kwanzaa Arts & Crafts Day, Anacostia Community Museum, Program Room, 1901 Fort PI SE, Washington, DC 20020, 10:30am – 2:30pm. Families participate in multiple arts and crafts activities using a variety of art materials in the museum's multi-purpose room. Call 202.633.4844 to register for this program.

The Annual Ujamaa Kwanzaa Candle-lighting Celebration & Program – Featuring an original Kwanzaa play performed by Ujamaa Shule students, performances by the Ujamaa Dancers & Drummers, vegetarian food, and more. 8th & Q St. NW., Washington, DC at 7:00 PM. Call (202) 232-2997 for info.

Kwanzaa Theatre: Wombwork Productions New World Art Ensemble, a Baltimore based social justice change theatre company, celebrates Kwanzaa at Sankofa with song, theatre and dance that will inspire us all to recommit ourselves to continue to uplift our community. Harambe! 7:00pm

NIA (PURPOSE) WED. DEC. 30

The Woodson Banneker Jackson-Bey Division 330 UNIA-ACL Annual Kwanzaa Nia Celebration in partnership with the Heritage Gallery International and the Thurgood Marshall Center Trust 1816 12th Street, NW, Washington, DC, featuring candle-lighting ceremony with Children's Village, spoken word, music, and the Marcus Mosiah Garvey Outstanding Community Service Award. A Pan-African Karamu (feast) will be served. Admission is Free. 6PM to 10PM. For more info. Call 202-529-3635 or 301-802-4022.

AWHA Inc - The African Wholistic Health Association Presents: Nia "Purpose" - Kwanzaa For Life: a community perspective, spirit-mind-body-community. Drum Call: Master Drummer Baba Sadiki Lancaster and DC's best drummers, libation, What is Kwanzaa? Keynote Speaker Dr Kokayi Patterson. Kwanzaa candle lighting ceremony, What's your plan in 2016? Inner-attainment, Good Brother Blues: Dr Kokayi Patterson, Kwanzaa youth presentation: What's your purpose? Community comments, affirmation for the upcoming year, drum circle, vendors, food, inner-attainment, Academy for Ideal Education. 4501 Dix St NW, WDC 20019 www.idealacademy.org AWAH Inc. 202-412-4880. wpkokayi1@yahoo.com.

KUUMBA (CREATIVITY) THURS. DEC 31

Kuumba Candle-Lighting Ceremony & Community Get-together at Umoja House, 2015 Bunker Hill Rd.NE, WDC. We will get together to enjoy each other's company. We will feature a lively discussion, poetry, dancing, drumming in celebration of Kwanzaa Karamu (feast). Bring a wholesome natural dish to share. Starting at 8pm. (202) 526-4039 (202)529-3635 for info.

IMANI (FAITH) FRI. JAN. 1

Annual Free the Land Kwanzaa 3.1 - 5 Mile Fun Run/Walk/Bike at Lake Artemisia Park, Berwyn Rd. and 55th Ave., Greenbelt, MD. 12 noon. Make a healthy new start for the New Year! Bring the whole family! For more info. Contact: Baba Prince Kolani (202) 520-4669 or prince.kolani@yahoo.com.

Community Kwanzaa Imani Celebration and African Consciousness Award Presentation at Plymouth Congregational Church, 5301 N. Capitol St. NE, WDC – Sponsored by The DC Council of Elders who will be honoring outstanding members of the younger generation, carrying on the torch of freedom into this century. Performances by the Malcolm X Dancers & Drummers and the presentation of this year's African Consciousness Award to our illustrious word warrior Sister Laini Mataka. Let's close out this year's Kwanzaa celebration together on a positive note. Starts 6pm. Call (202) 526-4039, (202) 529-3635, (240) 832-7203.

All events listed are FREE, unless otherwise stated.

**Union Temple Baptist Church is having a Candle-Lighting Service and Programs every Night of Kwanzaa
at 1225 W St., S.E. Washington DC 20020**

For more info: (202)678-8822 or uniontemplebaptistchurch.com

UNITED BLACK COMMUNITY (UBC) CALL TO ACTION FORUMS FOR 2016

- Feb 20** **Bringing the Sao Jose to Memory: Resurrecting Lost African Souls of Slave Shipwrecks** . Bro. Kamau Sadiki, a hydro electrical engineer, scuba diver, and pilot with a long history of involvement in the Black Liberation Struggle, will discuss the exploration of slave ship Sao Jose off the coast of South Africa. He will show us underwater footage and artifacts found during his adventure. Some of these will be on display at the new National Museum of African American History and Culture scheduled to open in the Fall 2016. 7:00pm
- March 18** **Economic Development 2016 in the Black Community:** This session will take a look at the possibility of producing finished products in the Black Community by using a cooperative manufacturing model as well as the development of a community-based **Bartering System**. 7:00pm
- April 15** **Back to Africa Projects:** We will again take a look at projects and businesses that members of our community are establishing in Africa and other locations outside the USA in the Black World. We will feature recent developments in the Songhai Center in Benin West Africa. 7:00 pm
- May 21** **Kuzaliwa:** Our annual tribute to our hero Brother El Hajj Malik, El Shabazz Omowale (Malcolm X). We honor our hero by holding a day long conference on a topic that we feel that he would want us to be talking about. This year we are going to revisit the issue of our need for an effective intergenerational dialogue in order to move the Black Liberation Movement forward. 1:00pm until
- June 17** The term **Black Power** first became a rallying cry fifty years ago on a Mississippi highway when shouted by Brother Mukasa (Willie Ricks) while he participated in a SNCC protest march. Black Power became the rallying cry heard around the world. We will discuss its history and impact with special guests directly involved at the time and examine its relevance today. 7:00pm
- July 15** A community wide forum on **The Prevalence of Single Individuals in our Community**. It seems as though the number of single individuals outnumber the number of happily married couples in our community. Why is this so? Come and fellowship with each other about this important issue. 7:00pm
- Aug 26** This year we will continue to explore the many mental health related issues in the Black Community. We will attempt to **Provide a Black Liberation Context for addressing such mental health related issues as addiction and suicide in our community**. We will draw on professionals in the mental health field and our personal and family experiences to explore this topic together. 7:00pm
- Sep 23** **An Analysis of the Development of Black Classical/Cultural Music (Jazz) by way of a Tribute to John Coltrane** . This annual event features a look at Black Music and its impact on the Black Liberation Movement through a musical and poetic journey of one of its most influential practitioners, Brother John "Ohnedaruth" Coltrane. This event will be held at Everlasting Life Vegan Restaurant 9185 Central Ave Capitol Heights, MD. 20743 7:00 to 10:00 PM (cost TBA)

All forums are free (except September) and are held at UMOJA house 2015 Bunker Hill Rd NE (unless otherwise stated)

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2016 LCPAN COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

Saturday January 2 - LAUNCH of the APPEAL INC. CO-OP in association with Freedom Paper Company. 2pm-5pm @ 2015 Bunker Hill Road, N.E., Washington, DC 20018. www.APPEALinc.org.

January 9 - Onipa Abusia - Nana Asuo Gyebi Festival. Location/Time TBA. Contact 202-529-3635.

Sunday January 17 - Friends of the Congo Commemorating Patrice' Lumumba. Location/time SAVE THE DATE. TBA. Contact: 202-584-6512. Website: www.friendsofthecongo.org.

February 2016 - Farafina Kan Concert. Contact: 240-490-2227. www.farafinakan.com.

Sunday February 14th - Roots Activity Learning Center--Black Love Roller Skating Party, Fundraiser. Location - Skate Palace, 3132 Branch Avenue, Temple Hills, Md., 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. \$10.00 per person. Contact: 202-270-3266.

Friday February 26 - Baba Mosi Matsimela, President of the Woodson Banneker Jackson-Bey Division #330 of the UNIA-ACL will discuss his travels in Mexico and his visits to sites of the African presence in the Americas before Columbus. At Umoja House, 2015 Bunker Hill Road, N.E., Washington, DC 20018. A free event in the interest of Pan-African linkage. Contact 301-802-4022 for info.

April 2016, Onipa Abusia - Nana Botopre Festival. Location/Time TBA. SAVE THE DATE Contact 202-529-3635.

Sunday May 1 - Ujamaa School Invites You To Come Celebrate Its 48th Anniversary, Teaching Education With Afrikan Culture. It will be held at Blackburn Center, Howard University. Dr. Umar Johnson, Keynote. Performances by Ujamaa Afrikan Dancers & Drummers, Capoeira, and Ujamaa student presentations. Vegetarian dinner will be served. Tickets will be available at Blue Nile, Brown's Market, Senbeb Co-op, Kuumba Kollektables & Ujamaa Shule. 2-7pm

May 21 – Kuzaliwa- The Annual Celebration of the life of El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz, Malcolm X. United Black Community will host a Pan African intergenerational dialogue. Umoja House, 2015 Bunker Hill Rd., NE, WDC. 1:00pm until. Free. 202-526-4039 for info.

Saturday May 21 - Malcolm X Spring Fling Fundraiser @ Roots, 15 Kennedy St., NW, WDC. Food, dance, celebration, cash prizes. Adult affair. 8:00pm to 12 Midnite. \$40.00 per person. Contact: 202-271-3266.

May 29 – Nation House Positive Action Center – Nation House School Anniversary. SAVE THE DATE Contact: 202-291-5600. Website: www.nationhouse.org.

June 24- ADACI Annual Ancestral Riverwalk and Commemoration. TBA. SAVE THE DATE: Contact 202-558-2187 and 301-292-6822. Website: www.ADACI.net.

Sunday August 14 - Marcus Garvey Day Celebration. The Woodson Banneker Jackson-Bey Division #330 of the Universal Negro Improvement Association and African Communities League invites the public to join in celebrating the birthday of the Honorable Marcus Mosiah Garvey. Location/Time TBA. Free. 301-802-4022 or 202-529-3635 for info.

August 20 - "BirthRight" concert/performance. SAVE THE DATE: Contact: 240-490-2227. Website: www.theadinkragroup.com.



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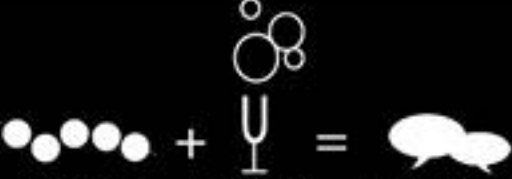
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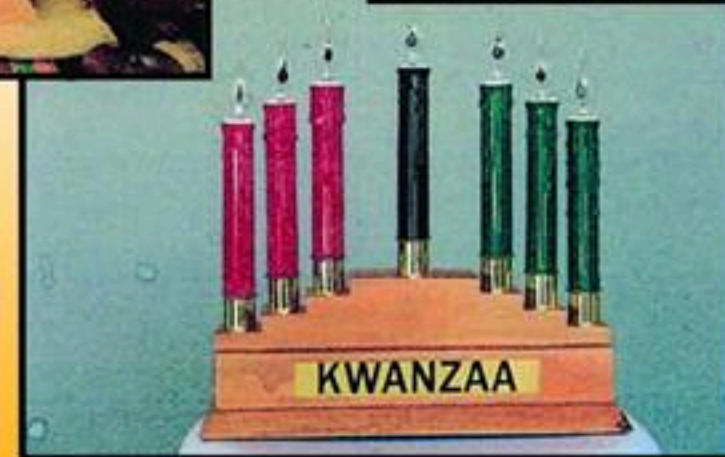
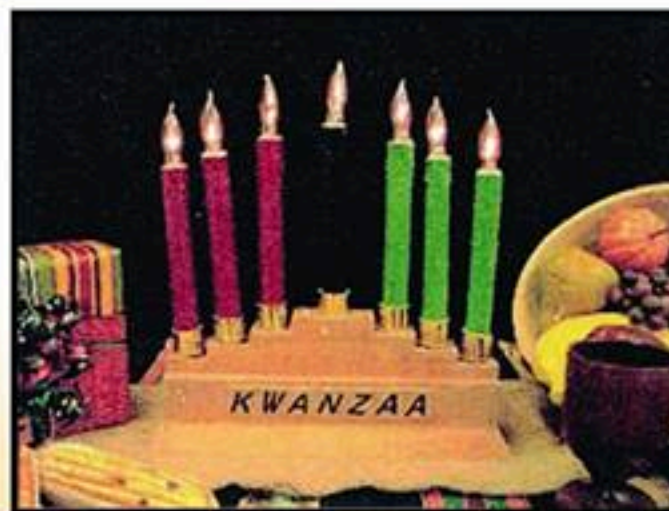
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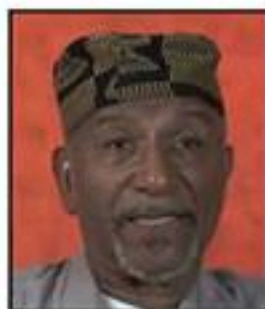
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